



HLN REAP RETURNS ON ITS FIRST FORAY IN PRC PROPERTY VENTURE

- Proposes to sell its stake in Tianjin Swan Lake project for S\$14.1 million
- On top of the profit guarantee in FY2011 of S\$1.9 million, the Proposed sale included FY2012 pro-rated profit of approximately S\$2.0 million bringing the total to S\$3.9 million
- With the return on its investment, the Board would be considering and recommending a one-time special dividend payment to reward its shareholders for their loyalty

Singapore, 22 August 2012 – Mainboard-listed **HLN Technologies Limited** (“**HLN**”, and together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) today proposed to dispose its stake in Tianjin Swan Lake Real Estate Development Co., Ltd. (“**TJSL**”) (“**Proposed Disposal**”) to Mr. Tan Jian You, (“the **Purchaser**”).

The Proposed Disposal will be effected via the disposal of the Group’s entire 50.54% shareholding interests in Greatly Holdings Investment Limited (“**Greatly Holdings**”) which in turn holds a 30% stake in TJSL for RMB64,030,000 (approximately S\$12.1 million) as well as the pro-rated profit guarantee for FY2012 of RMB10,612,000 (approximately S\$2.0 million).

The pro-rated profit guarantee of approximately S\$2.0 million on top of the S\$1.9 million the Company has received for FY2011 reap a total of S\$3.9 million return for the investment.

The Proposed Disposal was at arm’s length negotiations on a willing-buyer and willing-seller basis after taking into account the Group’s decision to exit its investment and the Purchaser’s pre-emptive rights.

Said **Mr Jeff Cheong, CEO of HLN**, “On the back of this successful foray into the property market, the Group is now more confident to venture into property development projects not only in PRC, but other potential growth areas in the international market. The proceeds from the Proposed Disposal can now be re-deployed and provide the Company with ample financial resources to embark on bigger property projects.”

In addition to the above, the Board would be considering and recommending the payment of a one-time special dividend to reward its shareholders for their loyalty.

The Proposed Disposal is expected to be completed by the first quarter of 2013. As each of the relative figures under Rules 1006(a), (b) and (c) exceeds 20%, the Proposed Disposal constitutes a “Major Transaction” as defined in Chapter 10 of the Listing Manual and accordingly, a circular in relation to the Proposed Disposal, together with a notice of the extraordinary general meeting to be convened, will be despatched to the shareholders of the Company in due course.

This news release is to be read in conjunction with the Group’s announcement posted on the SGX website on 22 August 2012.

About HLN Technologies Limited

HLN Technologies Limited, together with its subsidiaries, is an integrated group of companies that manufactures and supplies mechanical components to a variety of industries, principally in the office automation, consumer electronics and automotive industries located mainly in the fast growing countries of Asia.

The Group offers an array of quality customized precision products such as bumper foos, pads, ink absorbers, seals and gaskets, adhesives and high grade aluminum plates and rods to multinational corporations and blue chip manufacturing enterprises. These parts are used in printers and copiers, vacuum cleaners and consumer appliances, automobiles, semiconductor equipment and other information technology and telecommunication devices.

HLN supports its wide base of customers through ten operating subsidiaries located in four countries, namely, Singapore, Indonesia (Batam), Malaysia (Johor) and China (Shenzhen and Suzhou). These operating subsidiaries are organized into three business units - elastomeric, polymeric and metallic.

In November 2011, the Group exited the metallic business by divesting HLN Metal Centre Group.

HLN has been continually exploring opportunities to broaden and diversify the Group's business portfolio. In line with this strategy, the Group currently has an interest in Tianjin Swan Lake Real Estate Development Co., Ltd ("TJSL"), the developer of Jing Jin Business Centre, which is a grade 5A office building in in Wuqing District, Tianjin, PRC. With the Proposed Disposal of TJSL, the proceeds can be re-deployed and provide the Company with the financial resources for re-investment in other growth areas and for working capital purposes.

HLN is listed on the SGX-ST Main Board. For further information on HLN Technologies Limited, please visit the Group's website at www.hlnotech.com