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## **NEWS RELEASE**

### **CHRISTENING OF WAN HAI 311, THE LARGEST AND MOST ADVANCED CONTAINER VESSEL DESIGNED AND BUILT IN SINGAPORE**

**Singapore, July 14, 2005:** Jurong Shipyard, a subsidiary of SembCorp Marine today achieves a significant milestone today when the newly constructed 2,646 TEU container vessel will be officially named “**Wan Hai 311**” by Lady Sponsor, Madam Cai Jingying, wife of Mr Hu Hanxiang, President of the Association for Shipping across the Straits.

The first of six units of container vessels to be built for Wan Hai Lines, the construction of Wan Hai 311 represents an engineering feat in the history of shipbuilding in Singapore. Wan Hai 311 is the largest and most advanced container vessel designed and built in a shipyard in Singapore.

The construction of the container vessel is based on the design developed in-house by Jurong Shipyard’s engineering team. The design, known as the Jubilee Class container vessel is proprietary to Jurong Shipyard. Measuring 213m x 32.2m x 16.5m, the container vessel has a high service speed of 23 knots with high homogeneous container intake of more than 1960 TEU at 14 ton per TEU. It has the ability to load two tiers of high-cube containers in hold and accommodating up to 2,646 TEU, including 1,688 TEU on deck and 958 TEU in hold. Additional features include a lashing bridge and an increase in container carrying capacity.

Mr Chen Chao-Hon, Chairman of Wan Hai Lines said “We are pleased to work with Jurong Shipyard on the six containerships that are currently undergoing various stages of construction in the shipyard. We like the design as it has features that meet our requirements. We would also like to commend the shipyard for their co-operation and flexibility in accommodating to our request for additional features to be incorporated into the design. The design and the additional features would further enhance our competitiveness.”

Mr Wong Weng Sun, Managing Director of Jurong Shipyard said “We are pleased to work with an experienced and established shipping liner and are pleased to contribute to Wan Hai Lines’ continual growth and expansion.”

On delivery, Wan Hai 311 will be deployed to meet Wan Hai Line’s increasing demands in the Intra Asia and Transpacific trade routes.

## **About Jurong Shipyard**

Jurong Shipyard, a wholly owned subsidiary of SembCorp Marine is a leading shipyard offering integrated solutions in ship repair, shipbuilding, ship conversion, rig building and offshore engineering.

Leveraging on its experience and shipbuilding heritage, Jurong Shipyard's foray into container shipbuilding commenced in 1997 with the construction of four units of 830 TEU series container ships based on the proprietary design developed by its in-house engineering department. The 830 TEU series had the ability to carry 568 TEU containers on deck and 263 TEU in the cargo hold. Following the successful launch of the 830 TEU series, the shipyard then proceeded to construct six units of 1,100 TEU containerships with a service speed of 19.5 knots.

Jurong Shipyard then progressed to modify and enhance its design to build more sophisticated container vessels under the 2,500 TEU series. Designed for quality, durability and performance, the containerships in this series are capable of carrying high container intake at fast speed of up to 23 knots. Two such units were built and delivered to a German owner.

The success and the strong demand for the 2,500 TEU series led to the launch of the 2,600 TEU series in 2004. Six units of the 2,600 TEU series were ordered by Wan Hai Lines and another two other units for German owner Reederei F Laeisz.

## **About Wan Hai Lines**

Established in 1965, Wan Hai Lines celebrates its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year and launches its new slogan – We Carry, We Care. Wan Hai seeks to increase involvement of its valued customers through a series of charity activities and vessel naming ceremonies.

Wan Hai Lines is the largest Intra-Asia Liner with the most intensive and complete service network in Asia. The service coverage includes Taiwan, America, Japan, Korea, Mainland China, Hong Kong, Philippines, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore, Vietnam, Myanmar, Cambodia, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Middle East, Red Sea, Germany, Belgium, Netherlands and North East Africa. The shipping experience Wan Hai Lines had accumulated over the past 30 years together with the various comprehensive hardware and software along with professionalism has enabled Wan Hai Lines to be the leading carrier in Asia.

Wan Hai Lines will be launching 7 new built vessels in 2005. This includes 2 vessels having the carrying capacity of 2646 TEUs and 5 having the capacity of 4256 TEUs respectively. Each vessel will be built with the latest technology of having a strong and security hull and fixed with the latest satellite communication system. The 7 new built vessels will be put into the Middle East Service and U.S.A. services to serve its valued customers better by providing more loading spaces to suit their needs.

Wan Hai Lines presently owns and operates a fleet of 66 containerships with a total carrying capacity of 100,000 TEUs in 27 trade lanes and serving more than 21 countries. In June 2003, Wan Hai Lines was awarded the Approved International Shipping Enterprise (AIS) status and was later accorded the Approved Shipping Logistic Enterprise (ASL) status from the Singapore Government in July 2004.

### **Principal Specifications**

Overall Length	: 213.00 m
Length between Perpendiculars	: 202.10 m
Beam	: 32.20 m
Depth to Upper Deck (moulded)	: 16.50 m
Draft (moulded, scantling)	: 11.50 m
Deadweight at Scantling Draft	: 32,600 T
Service Speed	: 23 knots
Main Engine (2 stroke)	: MAN B & W 7K80MC-E
Engine Power	: 25,270 kw @ 104 rpm
Container Carrying Capacity	: On Deck - 1,688 TEU In Hold - 958 TEU
Container Capacity	: 2,646 TEU
No. of Cargo Holds	: 5
Class	: NK/CR (Nippon Kaiji Kyokai/China Corporation Registry of Shipping)
Registered Ship Owner	: Wan Hai Lines (Singapore) Pte Ltd
Flag	: Singapore
Year Built	: 2005

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