



THAKRAL CORPORATION LTD
(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
Company Registration No. 199306606E

CLARIFICATION ANNOUNCEMENT

The Board of Directors of Thakral Corporation Ltd (the "**Company**") wishes to inform Shareholders that it has received a written clarification dated 21 September 2006 from Mr. Inderbethyl Singh Thakral ("**Mr. Inderbethyl**") in relation to certain comments which he had made and were quoted in the Business Times. The aforesaid clarification by Mr. Inderbethyl is reproduced below for the information of the Shareholders:

*"I refer to the mandatory conditional cash offers by DBS Bank Ltd for and on behalf of Venture Delta Limited to acquire all the issued ordinary shares in the capital of and all the outstanding convertible bonds due 2009 issued by the Company (other than those already owned, controlled or agreed to be acquired by Venture Delta Limited) (the "**Offers**"). I further refer to the article published on 16 August 2006 in the Business Times entitled, "Hong Leong Asia to launch mandatory offer for Thakral" ("**First BT Article**") and the article published on 14 September 2006 in the Business Times entitled, "Counter offer for Thakral on the cards" ("**Second BT Article**").*

In the First BT Article, I had been quoted as having told the Business Times that the offer price was low, that the net asset value is "11 something cents" and that I think I "would not sell to Hong Leong Asia". The Second BT Article repeated my comments on the offer price and the net asset value. With respect to my aforesaid comments, I wish to clarify as follows:

- 1. My comments on the Offers as quoted in the First BT Article were given strictly in my personal capacity as a party with a deemed interest in the Company and as a candid response to queries raised by the writer of the First BT Article shortly after the Offers were announced. The Second BT Article merely repeated my comments as quoted in the First BT Article; and*
- 2. At the time of giving my comments to the writer of the First BT Article, none of the Thakral Family Directors, namely, Mr Kartar Singh Thakral, Mr Jasvinder Singh Thakral and myself had conferred or discussed the making of counter-offers in response to the Offers.*

*Accordingly, Shareholders of the Company should **NOT** regard my comments quoted in the First BT Article and repeated in the Second BT Article as a recommendation by myself in my capacity as a director of the Company.*

I shall be grateful if you would kindly inform the Shareholders of my above clarification."

The Directors of the Company (including those who have delegated detailed supervision of this Announcement) have taken all reasonable care to ensure that the facts stated in this Announcement are fair and accurate and that no material facts have been omitted from this Announcement, and they jointly and severally accept responsibility accordingly.

By Order of the Board

Tan San-Ju
Company Secretary
21 September 2006
Singapore