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## See Hup Seng proposes 1-for-2 bonus warrant issue at exercise price of S\$0.20 per share

- This exercise, with up to 304,230,589 warrants to be issued, is aimed at rewarding shareholders and providing them with an opportunity to participate in the future growth of the Group.
- Expects to raise net proceeds of approximately S\$60.3 million

Singapore, 10 September 2014 – Mainboard-listed See Hup Seng Limited (四合成 有限公司) ("See Hup Seng" or "the Company", and together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") today proposed a 1-for-2 bonus warrant issue of up to 304,230,589 warrants to its existing shareholders.

A free warrant will be issued for every two ordinary shares held by its existing shareholders. The shareholders will be able to convert the warrants into ordinary shares at an exercise price of S\$0.20 each, representing a discount of 34.5% to the volume-weighted average price of approximately S\$0.3052 for trades done on the SGX on 9 September 2014. This bonus warrant issue is aimed at rewarding shareholders for their continued support, and in providing them with an opportunity to participate in the future growth of the Group.

Assuming all bonus warrants issued are exercised at S\$0.20 per new ordinary share, the Group will receive net proceeds of approximately S\$60.3million which will be used for funding the Group's existing and potential projects in the near future, as well as business expansion, strategic investments and any acquisition opportunities.

Said Group Chief Executive Officer Mr Henry Ng (黄汉国), "While the Group's core businesses continue on their individual growth paths, we are also looking for more opportunities in other sectors and regions, such as our proposed investment in a strategic 25% equity stake in ISDN's subsidiary that specializes in developing mini hydropower plants in Indonesia. This proposed investment will give the Group positive exposure into the growing renewable energy sector in Southeast Asia's largest economy."

The warrants may be converted to ordinary shares at any time from the date of listing of the warrants (Exercise Period Commencement Date) and will expire five years from the Exercise Commencement Date (Exercise Period). New shares arising from the exercise of bonus warrants will rank *pari pasu* in all respects with existing shares. The proposed warrants will be issued pursuant to the authority granted by the share issue mandate approved by See Hup Seng's shareholders at its annual general meeting held on 29 April 2014.

To date, the Group has an issued share capital of 608,461,178 (excluding 17,100,000 held as treasury shares).

In its latest results for the first half ended 30 June 2014, the Group posted a 50% increase in net profit attributable to shareholders to S\$7.4 million, boosted by contributions from the newly-integrated structural steel and façade ("SSF") business, as well as the continued growth of the Group's existing refined petroleum ("RP") and corrosion prevention ("CP") segments. This was achieved on the back of a 23% rise in Group revenue to S\$179.1 million from the continued robust performance of its RP segment, which contributed a total of S\$137.7 million in sales, while CP and SSF posted first-half revenue of S\$18.2 million and S\$22.8 million respectively.

This press release should be read in conjunction with the full SGX announcement released by See Hup Seng dated 10 September 2014. A copy of the announcement is available on <u>www.sgx.com</u>.

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## About See Hup Seng Limited (SGX Stock Code: 566)

See Hup Seng is an established group with diversified businesses in corrosion prevention ("CP") and steel engineering services, and refined petroleum products ("RP").

Established in 1971, the CP business has successfully moved up the value chain to become a leading provider to the marine, oil and gas, construction and infrastructure industries in Singapore. See Hup Seng has a strong niche in specialised tank coating services, and largescale plant operations that are supported by a fully-equipped facility in Singapore. Its proven capability in corrosion prevention services is underlined by its status as a resident contractor for premier shipyards in Singapore.

The RP business distributes a wide range of refined petroleum products to customers in Asia Pacific. This business is operated mainly by the Group's wholly-owned subsidiary, TAT Petroleum Pte Ltd, which is headquartered in Singapore with offices in Hong Kong, China (Guangzhou), South Korea, Vietnam and Indonesia. TAT Petroleum's customers hail from diverse sectors including vehicular, agriculture, coating, pharmaceutical, plastic and electronics industries. The RP business also operates a company which is the master distributor in Singapore of a petroleum-based waterproofing product. The Group has also extended its RP business from product distribution to petrochemical blending and trading services.

The steel engineering business is operated through wholly-owned subsidiary, Hetat which has a fully-equipped steel fabrication plant of approximately 195,000 sq ft located in Tuas, Singapore. It is currently undertaking projects in Singapore, Malaysia and Mongolia.

To build new earnings streams for the future, See Hup Seng has also made strategic investments in an executive condominium development project in Singapore, as well as an offshore drilling company that will own and operate tender rigs.

See Hup Seng is listed on the Mainboard of SGX-ST. For further information, please visit the Group's website at <u>www.seehupseng.com.sg</u>.