

(incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability) (Stock Code: 2343)

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the 2009 Annual General Meeting of Pacific Basin Shipping Limited (the "Company") will be held at Bowen Room, Level 7, Conrad Hong Kong, Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Hong Kong on Tuesday, 21 April 2009 at 11:00 a.m. for the following purposes:

# **ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS**

- 1. To receive and adopt the audited financial statements and the reports of the Directors and auditors for the year ended 31 December 2008;
- 2. To re-elect Directors and to authorise the Board of Directors of the Company to fix their remuneration;
- 3. To re-appoint Messrs. PricewaterhouseCoopers, Certified Public Accountants, as the auditors of the Company and to authorise the Board of Directors of the Company to fix their remuneration;

As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:

# 4. "GRANT OF A GENERAL MANDATE TO ISSUE SHARES

#### THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) of this resolution, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as defined below) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue or otherwise deal with new shares of US\$0.10 each in the capital of the Company (the "Shares") or securities convertible into Shares, or options, warrants or similar rights to subscribe for any Shares, and to make or grant offers, agreements, options and warrants which would or might require the exercise of such powers be generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution shall authorise the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements, options and warrants which would or might require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the Directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution, otherwise than pursuant to Shares issued as a result of a Rights Issue (as defined below), the exercise of the subscription or conversion rights attaching to any warrants issued by the Company or the

exercise of options granted under the long term incentive scheme of the Company or any scrip dividend providing for the allotment of Shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on Shares, shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing this resolution, provided that any Shares to be allotted and issued pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above shall not be issued at a discount of more than 10% to the Benchmarked Price of the Shares, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and

(d) for the purposes of this resolution:

"Benchmarked Price" shall be a price which is the higher of:

- (i) the closing price of the Shares as stated in the daily quotations sheet of the Stock Exchange on the date of signing of the agreement to which the transaction relates; or
- (ii) the average closing price of the Shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet for the five trading days immediately preceding the earliest of:
  - (A) the date of signing of the agreement to which the transaction relates; or
  - (B) the date on which the relevant transaction is announced; or
  - (C) the date on which the price of the Shares to be issued pursuant to the transaction is fixed.

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda or the Company's Bye-laws to be held; and
- (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this resolution by an ordinary resolution of the Shareholders of the Company in general meeting.

"Rights Issue" means the allotment, issue or grant of Shares pursuant to an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors of the Company to holders of Shares of the Company on the register of members of the Company on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such Shares (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors of the Company may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory applicable to the Company)."

#### 5. "GRANT OF A GENERAL MANDATE TO REPURCHASE SHARES

# THAT

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) of this resolution, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as defined below) of all the powers of the Company to purchase or repurchase shares of US\$0.10 each in the capital of the Company (the "Shares") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") or on any other stock exchange on which the Shares may be listed and recognised for this purpose by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange be generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of the Shares which may be purchased or repurchased by the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution during that Relevant Period shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing this resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (c) for the purposes of this resolution, "Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier of:
  - (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
  - (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda or the Company's Bye-laws to be held; and
  - (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the Shareholders of the Company in general meeting."

# 6. "RENEWAL OF THE 2% ANNUAL CAP WITHIN THE ISSUE MANDATE UNDER THE LONG TERM INCENTIVE SCHEME

#### THAT

(a) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the Directors of the Company pursuant to paragraph (b) of the ordinary resolution passed by Shareholders at a special general meeting of the Company held on 8 June 2005 to satisfy Share Awards, shall during the Relevant Period not exceed 2% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the beginning of each such financial year (being 34,946,202 Shares as at 1 January 2009); and

- (b) for the purposes of this resolution, "Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier of:
  - (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
  - (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda or the Company's Bye-laws to be held; and
  - (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the Shareholders of the Company in general meeting."

As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as a Special Resolution:

# 7. "AMENDMENTS TO THE BYE-LAWS

**THAT** the Bye-laws of the Company be amended by deleting the existing Bye-law 127.(1) in its entirety and replacing it with the following new Bye-law 127.(1):

127.(1) The officers of the Company shall consist of a president or chairman, the Directors and Secretary and such additional officers (who may or may not be Directors) as the Board may from time to time determine, all of whom shall be deemed to be officers for the purposes of the Act and these Bye-laws."

> By Order of the Board Andrew T. Broomhead Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 17 March 2009

Notes:

- 1. Every member entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting is entitled to appoint one or more persons as their proxy to attend and vote on behalf of themselves. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 2. To be valid, a form of proxy, together with the power of attorney or other document of authority, if any, under which the form is signed, or a certified copy thereof, must be deposited with the Company's Hong Kong branch registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Rooms 1806-1807, 18th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Annual General Meeting or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be).

- 3. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude Shareholders from attending and voting in person at the meeting or any adjourned meeting or upon the poll concerned if Shareholders so wish. In such event, the instrument appointing the proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.
- 4. The register of members of the Company will be closed from 17 April 2009 to 21 April 2009 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares in the Company will be effected. In order to qualify for attending the Annual General Meeting, all transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, must be lodged with the Company's Hong Kong branch registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Rooms 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, not later than 4:30 p.m. on 16 April 2009.
- 5. A circular containing the information regarding, inter alia, the Directors proposed to be re-elected, the general mandate to issue Shares, the general mandate to repurchase Shares of the Company, the renewal of the 2% annual cap within the issue mandate under the Long Term Incentive Scheme and the amendments to the Bye-laws will be sent to Shareholders of the Company together with the Company's 2008 Annual Report.