

16 March 2010



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Dear Sirs

Rule 12g3-2 Exemptions for American Depository Receipts ("ADR") Neptune Orient Lines Limited File No. 82-2605

Pursuant to Rule 703 of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited, NOL has today made an announcement in relation to the agreement entered between its wholly-owned liner entity, APL (Bermuda) Ltd. with a syndicate of banks and financial institutions for a term loan of US\$300 million. The syndicated facility was arranged by Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation.

Attached is a copy of the announcement for your attention, please.

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Yours faithfully

Wong Kim Wah (Ms) Company Secretary

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ANNOUNCEMENT PURSUANT TO RULE 703 OF THE LISTING MANUAL

Neptune Orient Lines Limited ("NOL") announces that its wholly-owned liner entity, APL (Bermuda) Ltd., is taking a term loan of US\$300 million from a syndicate of banks and financial institutions. The term loan, which is guaranteed by NOL, will be used for general corporate funding purposes. The syndicated facility was arranged by Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation.

The borrowing is not expected to have a material impact on the net asset value or earnings per share of NOL Group as of the date of announcement.

None of the Directors or controlling shareholders of NOL has any interest, direct or indirect, in the borrowing.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Wong Kim Wah (Ms) Company Secretary

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