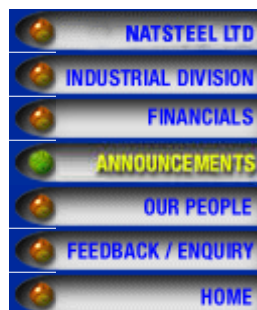




# ANNOUNCEMENTS

01 Jul 2005



## ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDENT OF EASTERN INDUSTRIES GROUP OF COMPANIES

### Announcement Details

Date of Appointment *	01-07-2005
Name *	Chong Wai Siak
Age *	57
Country of principal residence *	Singapore
Whether appointment is executive, and if so, area of responsibility *	Overall in charge of Eastern Industries Pte Ltd and all its subsidiaries
Job Title	President of Eastern Industries Group of Companies
Working experience and occupation(s) during the past 10 years *	Feb 1989 - Nov 1998 : Chief Executive Officer in Eastern Industries Pte Ltd Dec 1998 -present : Deputy President in NATSTEEL LTD
Shareholding * in the listed issuer and its subsidiaries *	NA
Family relationship with any director and/or substantial shareholder of the listed issuer or of any of its principal subsidiaries *	NIL
Conflict of interest *	NA

### Other Directorship

Past (for the last five years)	<p>           Easteel Construction Services Pte Ltd            EI Ventures Pte Ltd            Southern Wire Industries (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd            Eastern Wire Pte Ltd            Eastern Concrete Pte Ltd            Induspark Investment Pte Ltd            Eastern Sand Pte Ltd            Southern PC Steel Sdn Bhd            Cempaka Raya Sdn Bhd            National Cement Industry Pte Limited            Suzhou Eastern Cement Products Ltd            Eastern Steel Services Pte Ltd            Yangtze Cement Holdings Pte Ltd            Eastern Bricks Pte Ltd            PT Eastern Indotama Resources            Budaya Firasat Sdn Bhd            Materials Recycling Pte Ltd            EW Reinforcement Pty Ltd            Southern Steel Berhad            Brisk Steel Products Sdn Bhd            Parma Metals Oy         </p>
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Best Bar (Vic) Pty Ltd  
 NatFerrous Pte Ltd  
 Eastern Steel Fabricators (Phils) Inc  
 NatSteelVina Co Ltd  
 SteelAsia Manufacturing Corporation  
 SteelAsia Development and Management Corporation

Present Eastern Industries Pte Ltd  
 Eastern Pretech Pte Ltd  
 Eastern Pretech (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd  
 Phoenix Tower Ltd  
 PT Sindo Batu Bata Industri  
 Eastern Gotech (HK) Ltd  
 Eastern Pretech (HK) Ltd  
 NSL Engineering Pte Ltd (formerly known as "NatSteel Engineering Pte Ltd")  
 NSL Wilmar Pte Ltd (formerly known as "NatSteel Wilmar Pte Ltd")  
 Vinomax Trading Pte Ltd  
 Soon Douglas (Pte) Ltd  
 NSL Engineering (UK) Limited (formerly known as "NatSteel Engineering (UK) Limited")  
 ISD Crane Equipment Ltd  
 Parmarine Ltd  
 SNSL Pte Ltd (formerly known as "Stinis NatSteel (International) Pte Ltd")  
 EI Marine Pte Ltd  
 EI Resources Sdn Bhd  
 ChangShu RAM Engineering Co Ltd  
 Eastern Gotech (China) Ltd

**Information required under Rule 704(7)(h)**

- (a) Whether at any time during the last 10 years, a petition \* under any bankruptcy laws of any jurisdiction was filed against him or against a partnership of which he was a partner? No
- (b) Whether at any time during the last 10 years a petition \* under any law of any jurisdiction was filed against a corporation of which he was a director or key executive for the winding up of that corporation on the ground of insolvency? No
- (c) Whether there is any unsatisfied judgement against \* him? No
- (d) Whether he has ever been convicted of any offence, in \* Singapore or elsewhere, involving fraud or dishonesty which is punishable with imprisonment for 3 months or more, or has been the subject of any criminal proceedings (including any pending criminal proceedings which he is aware of) for such purpose? No
- (e) Whether he has ever been convicted of any offence, in \* Singapore or elsewhere involving a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, or been the subject of any criminal proceedings (including any pending criminal proceedings which he is aware of) for such breach? No
- (f) Whether at any time during the last 10 years, judgement No

- \* has been entered against him in any civil proceedings in Singapore or elsewhere involving a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, or a finding of fraud, misinterpretation or dishonesty on his part, or he has been the subject of any civil proceedings (including any pending civil proceedings which he is aware of involving an allegation of fraud, misinterpretation or dishonesty on his part)?
- (g) Whether he has ever been convicted in Singapore or elsewhere of any offence in connection with the formation or management of any corporation? No
- \* (h) Whether he has ever been disqualified from acting as a director of any corporation, or from taking part directly or indirectly in the management of any corporation? No
- \* (i) Whether he has ever been the subject of any order, judgement or ruling of any court, tribunal or governmental body, permanently or temporarily enjoining him from engaging in any type of business practice or activity? No
- (j)\* Whether he has ever, to his knowledge, been concerned with the management or conduct, in Singapore or elsewhere, of the affairs of :-

(i) any corporation which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement governing corporations in Singapore or elsewhere; or

(ii) any corporation or partnership which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere,

in connection with any matter occurring or arising during the period when he was so concerned with the corporation or partnership?

Lim Su-Ling  
Company Secretary  
1 July 2005

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