Company Registration No.: 188700008D (A Member of The Tecity Group)

ISSUE OF \$\$225,000,000 4.30 PER CENT. FIXED RATE NOTES DUE 2016 UNDER THE STRAITS TRADING COMPANY LIMITED'S \$\$500,000,000 MULTICURRENCY DEBT ISSUANCE PROGRAMME

The Straits Trading Company Limited (the "Company") wishes to announce that it has on 9 November 2011 ("Issue Date") issued S\$225,000,000 4.30 per cent. fixed rate notes due 2016 (the "Series 001 Notes") under the Company's S\$500,000,000 Multicurrency Debt Issuance Programme established on 13 October 2011 (the "Programme"). The Series 001 Notes are the first series of notes to be issued under the Programme. DBS Bank Ltd. has been appointed the sole lead manager and bookrunner for the issue of the Series 001 Notes.

The Series 001 Notes will mature on 9 November 2016 being five years from the Issue Date and will bear a fixed interest of 4.30 per cent. per annum payable semi-annually in arrear. The net proceeds arising from the issue of the Series 001 Notes will be used for general corporate purposes, including the refinancing of existing borrowings and the financing of working capital and capital expenditure requirements of the Company and its subsidiaries.

Approval in-principle has been granted by the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "SGX-ST") for the listing and quotation of the Series 001 Notes on the SGX-ST. The Series 001 Notes are expected to be admitted to the Official List of the SGX-ST on 10 November 2011.

Approval in-principle for the listing and quotation on the SGX-ST, the admission to the Official List of the SGX-ST and the quotation on the SGX-ST of the Series 001 Notes are not to be taken as an indication of the merits of the Company, its subsidiaries, the Programme or the Series 001 Notes.

By order of the Board

Chew Gek Khim (Executive Chairman) Maureen Leong (Group Chief Financial Officer)

9 November 2011 Singapore

This Announcement will be available at the Company's website at http://www.stc.com.sq

## **About The Straits Trading Company Limited**

Incorporated as a public company in 1887, The Straits Trading Company Limited has business interests and investments spanning the Asia Pacific region. Through its dual-listed subsidiary on Bursa Malaysia and SGX-ST, Malaysia Smelting Corporation Berhad, Straits Trading engages in tin mining and smelting, and resource investments. Its subsidiary Straits Developments Private Limited is in the property business, which includes property investments, development and management primarily in Singapore and Malaysia. Its hotel business under the trading name of Rendezvous Hospitality Group includes ownership, operations and management of its stable of hotels in the Asia Pacific region under the Rendezvous brand. It also holds a significant stake in WBL Corporation, a technology, automotive distribution, property development, and engineering and distribution company listed on the main board of the SGX-ST.