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NEWS RELEASE

Chasen Acquires Malaysian Third Party Logistics Company Through Issuance Of New Shares At S\$0.015 Per Share

Singapore, July 14, 2008 - Chasen Holdings Limited ("Chasen" or the "Group"), a non sponsored Catalist Company on the Singapore Exchange, is pleased to announce that the Group has entered into a Sales and Purchase Agreement ("Agreement") with four parties, namely, Ng Boon Liam ("NBL"), Lee Chong Keong ("LCK"), Soo Siok Moi ("SSM") and Mok Chee Kiang ("MCK") to fully acquire the entire issued and paid up capital of CEL Logistics Sdn Bhd ("CEL" or the "Company") (hereinafter referred to as the "Transaction").

NBL, LCK, SSM and MCK are the owners of CEL, a private Company with an issued and paid up capital of RM 2.6 million comprising 2.6 million shares of RM 1.00 each. LCK, SSM and MCK form the core management team at CEL with LCK as Managing Director.

Established in 1996, CEL is a Malaysian company specialising in providing third party logistics ("3PL") services such as warehousing, transportations, projects management and custom brokerages. CEL is based in Johore, with major customers in the Electronics Manufacturing Services industry. In addition to servicing manufacturers directly, CEL also works very closely with international freight forwarding companies.

CEL currently owns a sizeable truck fleet comprising 31 units of 40-footers, eight 30-footers, two 24-footers, four 3-tons and two 1-ton. These trucks are primarily engaged in daily import and export runs between Singapore and Peninsular Malaysia, with the majority of them being deployed to support cross border, as well as, inter state long haul transportation within Malaysia. CEL is also engaged in haulage transportation of 1000 teus containerised cargo through Pasir Gudang and Tanjung Pelepas ports. Besides that, CEL also possesses an air-conditioned, temperature controlled warehouse spanning 20,000 sq feet and a general non-air-conditioned warehouse of approximately 70,000 sq feet. It currently has 180 employees. In total, the net tangible asset of CEL as of financial year ended 31 December 2007 is approximately RM 5.1 million.

Through this Agreement, Chasen will purchase 100% of CEL at a maximum consideration of RM 11.2 million through two tranches, depending on the Profit After Tax ("PAT") for FY2007 and 2008. This consideration shall be satisfied by



the issuance and allotment of new ordinary shares ("Consideration Shares") in the Company at an issue price of S\$0.015, at an exchange rate of RM 2.30 to S\$ 1.00.

The first tranche will be computed at four times PAT for the financial year 2007, subjected to a maximum of RM 5.6 million. The second and final tranche will be computed at eight times the average PAT for the financial years 2007 and 2008. Deducting the first tranche amount, this second tranche is subjected to a maximum of RM 11.2 million.

This acquisition is in line with the Company's policy to invest in profitable businesses with good growth potential in recurring income and to diversity its revenue stream. CEL's business complements the Group's niche relocations business currently based in Penang as the Group will have access to CEL's transportation equipment and their 3PL facilities and expertise. With CEL's trucks, Chasen can benefit from CEL's partnership with freight forwarders to ferry containers from the port to customers' premises. Currently, the Group outsources all trucking services in its Malaysian operation. With CEL the Group would be able to develop a fully integrated logistics business to extend the Group's services in Malaysia.

In addition, it is the Group's intention that CEL, with its relatively young entrepreneurial management team and substantial logistics assets, will form the core of a peninsula wide 3PL network that Chasen intends to establish as part of its growth plans for the Malaysian geographical sector. The Group is currently in negotiations with other 3PL service providers based in northern and central peninsula Malaysia to form this network.

Mr Low Weng Fatt, Managing Director of Chasen, said, "With the acquisition of CEL, Chasen will be able to develop a fully integrated logistics business in Malaysia. Countries like Vietnam and China have seen a rise in the demand for 3PL. With this acquisition, we will be able to further expand our capabilities services and eventually, provide such services outside Singapore and Malaysia."

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