# Sime Darby Berhad (Company No. 752404-U)

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ninth Annual General Meeting of Sime Darby Berhad (SDB or the Company) will be held at the Grand Ballroom, First Floor, Sime Darby Convention Centre, 1A. Jalan Bukit Kiara 1, 60000 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on Monday, 23 November 2015 at 10.00 a.m. for the following businesses.

#### AS ORDINARY BUSINESS

- To receive the Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2015 together with the Reports of the Directors and the Auditors thereon. Please refer to Explanatory Note 1
- To declare a final single tier dividend of 19 sen per ordinary share for the financial year ended 30 June 2015. Please refer to Explanatory Note 2
- To approve the payment of Directors' remuneration as disclosed in the Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2015. Please refer to Explanatory Note 3
- To re-elect the following Directors who retire pursuant to Article 99 of the Articles of Association of the Company and who have offered themselves for re-election:
  - Tan Sri Datuk Dr Yusof Basiran
  - Datuk Zaiton Mohd Hassan
  - iii. Dato Sri Lim Haw Kuang Please refer to Explanatory Note 4
- To re-appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers as Auditors of the Company for the financial year ending 30 June 2016, and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration Please refer to Explanatory Note 5

(Resolution 6)

(Resolution 2)

(Resolution 3)

(Resolution 5)

#### AS SPECIAL BUSINESS

- To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following Ordinary Resolutions:
- Authority to Allot and Issue Shares Pursuant to Section 132D of the Companies Act, 1965

"THAT, subject always to the Companies Act. 1965 (Act), the Articles of Association of the Company, other applicable laws, guidelines, rules and regulations, and the approvals of the relevant governmental/regulatory authorities, the Directors be and are hereby authorised, pursuant to Section 132D of the Act, to allot and issue shares in the Company to any person other than a Director or major shareholder of the Company or person connected with any Director or major shareholder of the Company, at any time until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting (AGM) and upon such terms and conditions and for such purposes as the Directors may, in their absolute discretion deem fit, provided that the aggregate number of shares to be issued does not exceed ten percent (10%) of the issued and paid-up share capital of the Company for the time being AND THAT the Directors be and are also empowered to obtain the approval from Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad for the listing of and quotation for the additional shares so issued AND FURTHER THAT such authority shall commence immediately upon the passing of this Resolution and continue to be in force until the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company."

Proposed Renewal of Shareholders' Mandate for Existing Recurrent Related Party Transactions and Proposed New Shareholders' Mandate for Additional Recurrent Related Party Transactions of a Revenue or Trading Nature

"THAT, subject always to the Companies Act, 1965 (Act), the Articles of Association of the Company, other applicable laws, guidelines, rules and regulations, and the approvals of the relevant governmental/regulatory authorities, approval be and is hereby given to the Company and/or its subsidiary companies to enter into all arrangements and/or transactions involving the interests of the Related Parties as specified in Section 2.4 of the Circular to Shareholders dated 30 October 2015, provided that such arrangements and/or transactions

- recurrent transactions of a revenue or trading nature;
- necessary for the day-to-day operations; carried out in the ordinary course of business on normal commercial terms which are not more favourable to the Related Parties than those generally available to the public; and
- iv. not detrimental to the minority shareholders of the Company

AND THAT the Mandate shall continue in force until:

- the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Company following this AGM, at which time the Mandate will lapse, unless by an ordinary resolution passed at that meeting, the Mandate is
- the expiration of the period within which the next AGM is required to be held pursuant to Section 143(1) of the Act, (but shall not extend to such extensions as may be allowed pursuant to Section 143(2) of the
- iii. the Mandate is revoked or varied by ordinary resolution passed by the shareholders of the Company in

AND THAT the Directors of the Company be authorised to complete and do all such acts and things (including executing all such documents as may be required) as they may consider expedient or necessary to give effect to the Mandate."

Proposed Renewal of Authority for Directors to Allot and Issue New Ordinary Shares of RM0.50 Each in the Company (SDB Shares) in relation to the Dividend Reinvestment Plan that Provides Shareholders of the Company with an Option to Reinvest Their Cash Dividend in New SDB Shares (Dividend Reinvestment Plan)

"THAT pursuant to the Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRP) as approved by the Shareholders at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 21 November 2013, approval be and is hereby given to the Directors to allot and issue such number of new SDB Shares, from time to time as may be required to be allotted and issued pursuant to the DRP until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting, upon such terms and conditions and to such persons as the Directors may, in their sole and absolute discretion, deem fit and in the best interest of the Company PROVIDED THAT the issue price of the said new SDB Shares shall be fixed by the Directors at not more than ten percent (10%) discount to the adjusted five (5)-day volume weighted average market price (VWAMP) of SDB Shares immediately prior to the price-fixing date, of which the VWAMP shall be adjusted ex-dividend before applying the aforementioned discount in fixing the issue price and not less than the par value of SDB Shares at the material time:

AND THAT the Directors and the Secretary of the Company be and are hereby authorised to do all such acts and enter into all such transactions, arrangements and agreements and to execute, sign and deliver for and on behalf of the Company, all such documents and impose such terms and conditions or delegate all or any part of its powers as may be necessary or expedient in order to give full effect to the DRP, with full powers to assent to any conditions, modifications, variations and/or amendments (if any) including amendments, modifications, suspension and termination of the DRP as the Directors may, in their absolute discretion, deem fit and in the best interest of the Company and/or as may be imposed or agreed to by any relevant

To transact any other business for which due notice shall have been given in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company and the Companies Act, 1965.

By Order of the Board

- A Member entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting is entitled to appoint not more than two (2) proxies to attend and vote on his/her behalf. Where a Member appoints more than one (1) proxy, the appointment shall be invalid unless he/she specifies the proportion of his/her shareholdings to be represented by each proxy. A proxy may, but need not, be a Member may appoint any person to be his/her proxy without any restriction as to the qualification of such person and the provisions of Sections 149(1)(a) and 149(1)(b) of the Companies Act, 1965 (Act) shall not apply to the Company.
- Where a Member of the Company is an Authorised Nominee as defined under the Securities Industry (Central Depositories) Act 1991, he/she may appoint not more than two (2) proxies in respect of each Securities Account he/she holds with ordinary shares of the Company standing to the credit of the said Securities Account.
- Where a Member of the Company is an Exempt Authorised Nominee as defined under the Securities Industry (Central Depositories) Act 1991 which holds ordinary shares in the Company for multiple beneficial owners in one (1) Securities Account (Omnibus Account), there is no limit to the number of proxies which the Exempt Authorised Nominee may appoint in respect of each Omnibus Account it holds PROVIDED THAT each beneficial owner of ordinary shares, or where the ordinary shares are held on behalf of joint beneficial owners, such joint beneficial owners, shall only be entitled to instruct the Exempt Authorised Nominee to appoint nor more than two (2) proxies to attend and vote at a general meeting of the Company instead of the beneficial owner or joint
- The instrument appointing a proxy shall be deemed to confer authority to demand or join in demanding a poll.
- The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing signed by the appointor or his attorney duly authorised in writing or, if the appointor is a corporation, either under its common seal or signed by an officer or attorney so authorised.
- The Form of Proxy and the Power of Attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power or authority, must be deposited at the office of the Share Registrar of the Company, Tricor Investor Services Sdn Bhd at Unit 32-01, Level 32, Tower A, Vertical Business Suite, Avenue 3, Bangsar South, No. 8, Jalan Kerinchi, 59200 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the time fixed for the Meeting or any adjournment thereof.
- Only members registered in the Record of Depositors as at 13 November 2015 shall be eligible to attend, speak and vote at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) or appoint proxy(ies) to attend, speak and/or vote on their behalf.

#### Audited Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended 30 June 2015

This Agenda item is meant for discussion only as Section 169(1) of the Act does not require the Audited Financial Statements to be formally approved by the shareholders. As such, this item is not put forward for voting.

Explanatory Note 2

### **Declaration of a Final Single Tier Dividend**

In accordance with Article 126 of the Company's Articles of Association, the Board is recommending that the shareholders approve the payment of the final single tier dividend. Pursuant to paragraph 8.26 of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad (MMLR), the final single tier dividend, if approved, will be paid no later than three (3) months from the date of shareholders' approval.

Payment of Directors' Remuneration for Non-Executive Directors for the Financial Year Ended 30 June 2015

Article 79(1) of the Company's Articles of Association provides that the remuneration for Non-Executive Directors (NED) shall be determined by the Company by an ordinary resolution at a general meeting.

Please refer to pages 235 and 236 of the Notes to the Financial Statements for the amount of Directors' Remuneration to be approved at this AGM comprising Fees and Benefits amounting to RM3.9 million.

Explanatory Note 4

# Re-election of Directors

Article 99 expressly states that at every AGM, at least one-third (1/3) of the Directors for the time being shall retire from office. In addition, Article 100 states that all Directors shall retire from office at least once every three (3) years. A retiring Director shall be eligible for re-election. Dato Sri Lim Haw Kuang, being an Independent NED of the Company, has undergone the annual assessment of an Independent NED. The Board, upon reviewing the outcome of assessment, was satisfied that Dato Sri Lim had maintained his independence in financial year 2015.

# Retirement of Directors under section 129(2) of the Companies Act, 1965

Tan Sri Dato' Dr Wan Mohd Zahid Mohd Noordin, Tan Sri Datuk Amar (Dr) Tommy Bugo @ Hamid Bugo and Dato' Henry Sackville Barlow have attained the age of 70 years or more at the forthcoming AGM to be held on 23 November 2015. The abovementioned Directors have formally informed the Board of Directors of the Company in writing that they do not wish to seek re-appointment pursuant to Section 129(6) of the Companies Act, 1965. Hence, they will retain office until the conclusion of this AGM in accordance with Section 129(2) of the Companies Act, 1965.

Explanatory Note 5

Pursuant to Sections 172(2) and 172(16) of the Act, the Company shall at each AGM appoint the Auditors of the Company who shall hold office until the conclusion of the next AGM and may authorise the Directors to determine their remuneration thereof. The present Auditors, Messrs PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), have indicated their willingness to continue their services for another year. The Governance & Audit Committee and the Board have considered the re-appointment of PwC as Auditors of the Company and have collectively agreed that PwC has met the relevant criteria prescribed by Paragraph 15.21 of the MMLR.

# **EXPLANATORY NOTES ON SPECIAL BUSINESS**

Authority to Allot and Issue Shares Pursuant to Section 132D of the Companies Act, 1965

The proposed Resolution 7 is to seek a renewal of the general mandate obtained from the shareholders of the Company at the Eighth AGM of the Company held on 13 November 2014 and which will lapse at the conclusion of the forthcoming AGM to be held on 23 November 2015.

The general mandate, if passed, will provide flexibility for the Company and empower the Directors to allot and issue new shares in the Company for any fund raising activities, including but not limited to the placing of shares, for working capital and/or funding of strategic development of the Group. The renewal of the general mandate is sought to avoid any delay arising from and cost in convening a general meeting to obtain approval of the shareholders for such issuance of shares, up to an amount not exceeding in total ten percent (10%) of the issued and paid-up share capital of the Company, as the Directors consider appropriate in the best interest of the Company. The authority, unless revoked or varied by the Company at a general meeting, will expire at the next AGM of the Company.

The Company has not issued any new share pursuant to Section 132D of the Act under the general mandate which was approved at the Eighth AGM of the Company.

Proposed Renewal of Shareholders' Mandate for Existing Recurrent Related Party Transactions and Proposed New Shareholders' Mandate for Additional Recurrent Related Party Transactions of a Revenue or Trading Nature

The proposed Resolution 8, if passed, will enable the Company and/or its subsidiary companies to enter into recurrent transactions involving the interests of the Related Parties, which are of a revenue or trading nature and necessary for the Group's day-to-day operations, subject to the transactions being carried out in the ordinary course of business on terms not more favourable than those generally available to the public and are not detrimental to the minority shareholders of the Company.

Detailed information on the Proposed Renewal of Shareholders' Mandate and Proposed New Shareholders' Mandate is set out in Section 2.4 of the Circular to Shareholders relating to the matter dispatched together with the Company's 2015 Annual Report.

Proposed Renewal of Authority for Directors to Allot and Issue New Ordinary Shares of RM0.50 Each in the Company (SDB Shares) in relation to the Dividend Reinvestment Plan that Provides Shareholders of the Company with an Option to Reinvest Their Cash Dividend in New SDB Shares

The proposed Resolution 9, if passed, will give authority to the Directors to allot and issue new SDB Shares in respect of the dividends declared at this AGM and subsequently until the next AGM.

(Resolution 9)

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 30 October 2015

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