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SAME TIME HOLDINGS LIMITED

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability) (Stock Code: 451)

Directors: Yip Sum Yin (Chairman) Yu Hung Min Yu Pei Yi Chung Chi Shing Lai Wing Leung, Peter\* Lam Kwok Cheong\* Lee Mei Ling\*

Principal Office: 17th Floor, Phase I Kingsford Industrial Building 26-32 Kwai Hei Street Kwai Chung New Territories Hong Kong

\* Independent non-executive directors

18th July, 2011

To the shareholders

Dear Sir or Madam,

# PROPOSALS RELATING TO GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE AND REPURCHASE SHARES NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

# **INTRODUCTION**

At the annual general meeting of Same Time Holdings Limited (the "Company") for the year ended 31st March, 2011, resolutions will be proposed to grant to the directors of the Company general mandates to issue and repurchase shares of the Company.

The purpose of this circular is to give you further details of the abovementioned proposals and notice of the annual general meeting of the Company for the year ended 31st March, 2011 (the "AGM"). In compliance with the Listing Rules of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"), this circular also contains the explanatory statement and gives all the information reasonably necessary to enable shareholders to make an informed decision on whether to vote for or against the resolution to approve the purchase by the Company of its own shares, together with particulars of the directors proposed to be re-elected at the AGM.

### **GENERAL MANDATE TO ISSUE SHARES**

At the AGM an ordinary resolution will be proposed to grant a general mandate to the directors of the Company to allot, issue and dispose of shares of the Company not exceeding 20 per cent. of the issued share capital of the Company to provide flexibility to the Company to raise fund by issue of shares efficiently. On 11th July, 2011 (the "Latest Practicable Date"), being the latest practicable date prior to printing of this circular, there were in issue an aggregate of 68,298,520 shares of HK\$0.10 each of the Company ("Shares"). On the assumption that no Share will be issued prior to the AGM, exercise in full of the mandate could result in up to 13,659,704 Shares being issued by the Company.

### GENERAL MANDATE TO REPURCHASE SHARES

At the AGM, an ordinary resolution will also be proposed that the directors be given a general mandate to exercise all powers of the Company to repurchase issued and fully paid shares of the Company. Under such mandate, the number of shares that the Company may repurchase shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the share capital of the Company in issue on the date of the resolution. The Company's authority is restricted to purchases made on the Stock Exchange in accordance with the Listing Rules of the Stock Exchange. Based on 68,298,520 Shares in issue as at the Latest Practicable Date and on the assumption that no Share will be issued prior to the AGM, exercise in full of the mandate could result in up to 6,829,852 Shares being repurchased by the Company. The mandate allows the Company to make or agree to make purchases only during the period ending on the earliest of the date of the next annual general meeting, the date by which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required to be held by law or the date upon which such authority is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in a general meeting of the Company.

The directors have no present intention to repurchase any Shares but consider that the mandate will provide the Company the flexibility to make such repurchase when appropriate and beneficial to the Company. Such repurchases may enhance the net value of the Company and/or earnings per Share. As compared with the financial position of the Company as at 31st March, 2011 (being the date of its latest audited accounts), the directors consider that there would be a material adverse impact on the working capital and on the gearing position of the Company in the event that the proposed purchases were to be carried out in full during the proposed purchase period. No purchase would be made in circumstances that would have a material adverse impact on the working capital or gearing ratio of the Company.

The Company is empowered by its Memorandum of Association and Bye-laws to purchase its Shares. Bermuda law provides that the amount of capital repaid in connection with a share repurchase may only be paid out of either the capital paid up on the relevant shares, or funds of the Company that would otherwise be available for dividend or distribution or the proceeds of a new issue of shares made for such purpose. The amount of premium payable on repurchase may only be paid out of either the funds of the Company that would otherwise be available for dividend or distribution or out of the share premium or contributed surplus accounts of the Company.

The directors intend to apply the capital paid up on the relevant Shares or the profit that would otherwise be available for distribution by way of dividend for any purchase of its Shares.

#### Directors, their associates and connected persons

None of the directors nor, to the best of the knowledge and belief of the directors having made all reasonable enquiries, any of the associates of any of the directors has any present intention, in the event that the proposal is approved by shareholders, to sell Shares to the Company.

No connected person of the Company (as defined in the Listing Rules of the Stock Exchange) has notified the Company that he/she has a present intention to sell Shares to the Company nor has he/she undertaken not to sell any of the Shares held by him/her to the Company in the event that the Company is authorised to make purchases of Shares.

#### Undertaking of the directors

The directors have undertaken to the Stock Exchange to exercise the power of the Company to make purchases pursuant to the proposed resolution in accordance with the Listing Rules of the Stock Exchange and all applicable laws of Bermuda, and in accordance with the regulations set out in the Memorandum of Association and Bye-laws of the Company.

#### **Effect of Takeovers Code**

A repurchase of Shares by the Company may result in an increase in the proportionate interest of a substantial shareholder of the Company in the voting rights of the Company, which could give rise to an obligation to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rule 26 of the Hong Kong Code on Takeovers and Mergers (the "Code").

As at the Latest Practicable Date, to the best of the knowledge and belief of the Company, Sum Tai Holdings Limited ("Sum Tai"), who held approximately 46.41 per cent. of the issued share capital of the Company, was the only substantial shareholder holding more than 10 per cent. of the issued share capital of the Company. In the event that the directors should exercise in full the power to repurchase Shares which is proposed to be granted pursuant to the resolution, the shareholding of Sum Tai in the Company would be increased to approximately 51.56 per cent. of the issued share capital of the Company and such increase would give rise to an obligation on it to make a mandatory offer under Rule 26 of the Code.

#### **Stock Exchange Rules for repurchases of shares**

The Listing Rules of the Stock Exchange permit companies whose primary listings are on the Stock Exchange to repurchase their shares on the Stock Exchange subject to certain restrictions, the most important of which are summarised below:

#### (a) Shareholders' approval

The Listing Rules provide that all shares repurchases on the Stock Exchange by a company with its primary listing on the Stock Exchange must be approved in advance by an ordinary resolution, which may be by way of general mandate, or by special resolution in relation to specific transactions.

#### (b) Source of funds

Repurchases must be funded out of funds legally available for the purpose.

### General

During each of the six months preceding the date of this circular, no Share had been repurchased by the Company.

During each of the previous 12 months, the highest and lowest traded prices for Shares on the Stock Exchange were as follows:

	Per Share	
	Highest	Lowest
Month	HK\$	HK\$
2010		
July	2.60	2.01
August	2.14	1.93
September	3.65	1.88
October	2.70	1.95
November	5.00	2.70
December	4.30	3.50
2011		
January	4.05	3.65
February	4.38	3.72
March	6.63	4.00
April	9.60	5.96
May	7.20	5.50
June	6.30	3.86
July (up to Latest Practicable Date)	7.10	6.10

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

You will find on pages 7 to 9 of this circular a notice of the AGM to be held at 12:00 noon on 31st August, 2011 at 17th Floor, Phase I, Kingsford Industrial Building, 26-32 Kwai Hei Street, Kwai Chung, New Territories, Hong Kong. Voting at the AGM will be taken by poll.

Resolution no. 4A will be proposed as an ordinary resolution to give a general mandate to the directors to allot, issue and deal with shares of the Company with an aggregate nominal value not exceeding 20 per cent. of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of the resolution.

Resolution no. 4B will be proposed as an ordinary resolution to give a general mandate to the directors to make on-market purchases of shares of the Company of up to 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of the resolution.

Resolution no. 4C will be proposed as an ordinary resolution to extend resolution no. 4A to include the aggregate nominal amount of the number of shares in the capital of the Company which are repurchased by the Company under the authority granted to the directors pursuant to resolution no. 4B.

There is enclosed a form of proxy for use at the AGM. You are requested to complete the form of proxy and return it to the principal office of the Company in accordance with the instructions printed thereon not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for holding the meeting, whether or not you intend to be present at the meeting. The completion and return of the form of proxy will not prevent you from attending and voting in person should you so wish.

# **RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

Resolutions will be proposed at the AGM for re-election of Messrs. Yip Sum Yin, Chung Chi Shing and Lai Wing Leung, Peter as directors according to the Company's Bye-laws. Their particulars are as follows:

Mr. Yip Sum Yin ("Mr. Yip"), aged 62, an executive director, is the Chairman of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group"). He is one of the co-founders of the Group, which was founded in 1982. He has over 37 years of experience in the electronics industry and is responsible for the Group's overall policy decisions as well as product research and development. Mr. Yip does not have any service contract with the Company. He has not been appointed for a specific term but is subject to retirement by rotation in annual general meetings of the Company in accordance with the Bye-laws of the Company. For the year ended 31st March, 2011, Mr. Yip received HK\$2,340,000 as salary from the Company. In addition, the Company paid Mr. Yip's salary tax which amounted to HK\$250,161, the premium of his life insurance policy which amounted to HK\$36,000, provided a motor car for the use of Mr. Yip, and made provident fund contribution as part of his emoluments. Such emoluments are determined with reference to his performance and contribution to the Company.

Mr. Yip is the spouse of Madam Yu Hung Min, an executive director of the Company, and brother of Mr. Yip How Yin, Maurice, the chief executive officer of the Group and brother-in-law of Madam Yu Pei Yi, an executive director of the Company. As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Yip was deemed to have interests in 35,293,973 Shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO").

Mr. Chung Chi Shing ("Mr. Chung"), aged 46, has been appointed as executive director of the Company since 4th July, 2011. He has more than 20 years of working experience. Mr. Chung was an executive director and chief executive officer of Central China Enterprises Limited (Stock Code: 00351) from 2000 to 2004, a director of a trading company of chemical products from 2005 to 2006. Mr. Chung has been appointed as an executive director of Tack Hsin Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 611) with effect from 1st December, 2010. Mr. Chung is also a director of Vega Science & Technology (HK) Co., Limited (a manufacturer of printed circuit board drilling machines) since July 2007. As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Chung is interested in 766,000 shares of the Company and HK\$90 million convertible redeemable bond ("Bond") in the Company held by Union Gold Group Limited ("Union Gold"), a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands and is owned ultimately as to 50% by Mr. Chung and 50% by Mr. Chen Geng. Pursuant to the Subscription Agreement dated 23rd March, 2011 between the Company and Union Gold in relation to the subscription of the Bond, a maximum of 50,000,000 conversion shares at the conversion price of HK\$1.80 per share would be allotted and issued to Union Gold upon exercise of the conversion rights attached to the Bond in full.

Mr. Chung has entered into a service contract with the Company for an initial term of 2 years subject to retirement and re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company (thereafter retirement by rotation and re-election at least once every three years at the annual general meeting) in accordance with the Bye-laws of the Company. Mr. Chung's annual emolument is yet to be determined. The remuneration of Mr. Chung will be determined by the Board or its delegated committee with reference to his duties and responsibilities as well as the prevailing market conditions.

Mr. Lai Wing Leung, Peter ("Mr. Lai"), aged 54 was appointed as an independent non-executive director of the Group in November 1997. He is a holder of a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Hong Kong and is an Associate of the Hong Kong Institute of Bankers and a fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Directors. He was also a registered representative of various stock exchanges in Canada and the USA. He has over 32 years' experience in banking and securities industries.

Mr. Lai has a service contract with the Company for a term of 2 years commencing from 1st April, 2011. Pursuant to his service contract, he receives director's fee of HK\$100,000 per annum which is determined with reference to the prevailing range of fees for independent non-executive directors of listed companies in Hong Kong.

Although Mr. Leung has been appointed as an independent non-executive director for over 9 years, the Company considers that he is independent as he complies with Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules and has acted independently in the discharge of his duties to the Company.

Save as disclosed above, the abovenamed directors did not have any directorship in listed public companies in the last 3 years.

Save as disclosed above, the abovenamed directors confirm:

- (a) they have no relationships with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company;
- (b) they have no interests in shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance; and
- (c) there is no information which is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules or any other matter that need to be brought to the attention of shareholders of the Company.

### RECOMMENDATION

The directors consider that the proposed granting of the mandates to issue and repurchase shares of the Company are in the interest of the Company and shareholders as a whole and so recommend you to vote in favour of the relevant resolutions at the AGM. The directors will vote all their shareholdings in favour of such resolutions.

Yours faithfully, By order of the Board **Yip Sum Yin** *Chairman* 

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



(Stock Code: 451)

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual general meeting of the abovenamed company (the "Company") will be held at 17th Floor, Phase I, Kingsford Industrial Building, 26-32 Kwai Hei Street, Kwai Chung, New Territories, Hong Kong on 31st August, 2011 at 12:00 noon for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive and consider the audited financial statements and the reports of the directors and independent auditor for the year ended 31st March, 2011.
- 2. To elect directors and to authorise the board of directors to fix their remuneration.
- 3. To appoint auditor and to authorise the board of directors to fix its remuneration.
- 4. As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:

# **ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS**

# A. **"THAT**:

- (a) subject to paragraph (c), the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such power be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) shall authorise the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a), otherwise than pursuant to a Rights Issue or scrip dividend scheme or similar arrangement of the Company or the exercise of the subscription rights under the share option scheme of the Company shall not exceed 20 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of this resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and

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(d) for the purposes of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Bye-laws of the Company or any applicable law to be held; and
- (iii) the revocation or variation of this resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting; and

"Rights Issue" means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the directors of the Company to holders of shares on the register of members of the Company on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (subject to such exclusion or other arrangements as the directors of the Company may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in any territory outside Hong Kong)."

- B. **"THAT**:
  - (a) the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period of all powers of the Company to purchase its own shares, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
  - (b) the aggregate nominal amount of shares of the Company purchased by the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) during the Relevant Period shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of this resolution and the said approval be limited accordingly; and
  - (c) for the purposes of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

(i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;

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- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Bye-laws of the Company or any applicable law to be held; and
- (iii) the revocation or variation of this resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting."
- C. **"THAT** conditional upon resolution no. 4B above being passed, the aggregate nominal amount of the number of shares in the capital of the Company which are repurchased by the Company under the authority granted to the directors as mentioned in resolution no. 4B above shall be added to the aggregate nominal amount of share capital that may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the directors of the Company pursuant to resolution no. 4A above."

By Order of the Board Shiu Man Ching Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 18th July, 2011

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*Note:* A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting convened by the above notice is entitled to appoint proxies to attend and, in the event of a poll, vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. In order to be valid, the form of proxy must be deposited at the Company's principal office in Hong Kong together with a power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power or authority, not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting.