

RICKMERS MARITIME (the "Trust") and its subsidiaries (the "Group") Unaudited financial statements and distribution announcement For the first quarter ended 31 March 2012

Rickmers Maritime (the "Trust") is a business trust constituted by the Trust Deed entered on 30 March 2007 by Rickmers Trust Management Pte. Ltd. as the trustee-manager of Rickmers Maritime.

Rickmers Maritime was listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX") on 4 May 2007.

As at 31 March 2012, the Group owned sixteen containerships, which are all chartered out on fixed-rate time charters, of which 14 are on charters that expire beyond 2013.

Abbreviations:

QTR : Quarter

NM : Not meaningful Incr : Increase Decr : Decrease

1.a (i) Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income for the 1st quarter ended 31 March 2012

		1st QTR		
		2012	2011	Incr/ (Decr)
	Note	US\$'000	US\$'000	%
Revenue	(a)	35,692	35,864	-
Other income	(b)	1,736	1,576	10
Other gains/(losses) - net	(c)	849	1,138	(25)
Depreciation		(9,462)	(9,404)	1
Amortisation of favourable charter contracts		(128)	(128)	-
Vessel operating expenses	(d)	(9,056)	(8,104)	12
Trustee-Manager fee		(753)	(735)	2
Other trust expenses		(185)	(233)	(21)
Finance expenses	(e)	(10,456)	(10,647)	(2)
Profit before income tax		8,237	9,327	(12)
Income tax expense		4	-	NM
Net profit after tax		8,241	9,327	(12)
Other comprehensive income/(losses), net of	f tax			
Cash flow hedges				
- Fair value losses^		(1,989)	(930)	114
- Transfer to finance expenses		5,167	5,415	(5)
Other comprehensive income for the period	net of tax	3,178	4,485	(29)
Total comprehensive income for the period		11,419	13,812	(17)

^(^) The fair value losses on cash flow hedges is a non-cash item and will be continuously released to profit or loss to offset the interest expense over the period of borrowings.

Notes:

- (a) Consists of time charter income, net of commissions.
- (b) Other income

- Interest income from financial institution
- Other income

1st QTR				
2012	2011	Incr/ (Decr)		
US\$'000	US\$'000	%		
1,436	1,436	-		
62	5	1,140		
238	135	76		
1,736	1,576	10		

- (c) Other gains/(losses) net
 - Gain on interest rate swaps #
 - Gain/(loss) on fair value of derivative component of convertible loan ##
 - Others

1st QTR			
2012	2011	Incr/ (Decr)	
US\$'000	US\$'000	%	
861	1,255	(31)	
16	(121)	NM	
(28)	4	NM	
849	1,138	(25)	

- # The gain/(loss) recognised is due to the fair value changes on the ineffective portion of interest rate swaps (as defined in IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement). It is recognised directly into profit or loss and is a non-cash item.
- ## The non-cash gain/(loss) recognised is due to the fair value changes on the derivative component of the convertible loan that was issued to discharge the Group from its obligations to purchase seven vessels.
- (d) Consist mainly of vessels' fixed operating expense, lubricant oil expense, vessel management fee, bunker expense, other vessel-related insurance and maintenance expenses.
- (e) Finance expenses
 - Interest expense on bank borrowings
 - Interest expense on interest rate swaps
 - Interest expense on convertible loan

1st QTR				
2012	2011	Incr/ (Decr)		
US\$'000	US\$'000	%		
(3,687)	(3,497)	5		
(6,403)	(6,927)	(8)		
(366)	(223)	64		
(10,456)	(10,647)	(2)		

^{^ 1}st QTR: Included in this amount is cash flow hedges, transferred from hedging reserve of US\$5.2 million (2011: US\$5.4 million).

1.a (ii) Consolidated Distribution Statement for the 1st quarter ended 31 March 2012

		1st QTR		
		2012	2011	Incr/ (Decr)
	Note	US\$'000	US\$'000	%
Profit after tax <u>Add/(less):</u>		8,241	9,327	(12)
Non-cash adjustments and others	(a)	7,476	7,033	6
Interest expense - net		10,294	10,642	(3)
EBITDA		26,011	27,002	(4)
Add/(less):				
Movement in working capital		(1,047)	(691)	52
Dry-dock reserve	(b)	(1,435)	(1,372)	5
Cash flow available for distribution before payr debt capital providers Less: Payment to debt capital providers	nent to	23,529	24,939	(6)
Repayment of bank loans		(13,287)	(12,660)	5
Interest paid – bank loans, interest rate swaps and convertible loan		(10,281)	(10,430)	(1)
Cash flow available for distribution to Unithold	ers	(39)	1,849	NM
Amount to be distributed to unitholders	(c)	2,542	2,542	-
Number of units – '000	` ,	423,625	423,625	-
Distribution Per Unit - US Cents		0.60	0.60	

Notes:

- (a) Non-cash adjustments comprise unrealised gain on three (2011: unrealised gain on four) interest rate swaps that are deemed to be ineffective as defined in IAS 39, depreciation expense, amortisation of the convertible loan using the effective interest rate method as defined in IAS 39 and debt issuance costs, amortisation of charter contracts (net)and exchange translation differences.
- (b) The reserve represents management's estimate of the amount of cash that needs to be retained progressively for the vessels' future dry-docking costs. The amount is expected to increase progressively as the fleet ages.
- (c) The amount to be distributed is funded partly from cash retained in the prior periods.

1.b (i) Statement of financial position as at 31 March 2012 together with comparative statements as at the end of the immediately preceding year

	ĺ	31/03/12		31/12/11		
		Group	Trust	Group	Trust	
	Note	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	
ASSETS						
Current assets						
Cash and cash equivalents		52,422	20,792	55,321	21,066	
Trade and other receivables		1,811	67	836	67	
Inventories		3,152	149	3,142	149	
Prepayments Total current assets		38 57,423	21,041	59,323	21,306	
Total Culterit assets		31,423	21,041	39,323	21,300	
Non-current assets						
Investments in subsidiaries		-	160	-	160	
Loans to subsidiaries		-	898,441	-	898,441	
Vessels Intangible assets		1,028,136 44,941	-	1,035,763 45,069	-	
Total non-current assets		1,073,077	898,601	1,080,832	898,601	
Total assets		1,130,500	919,642	1,140,155	919,907	
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LIABILITIES						
Current liabilities						
Trade and other payables		3,324	263,596	3,604	250,278	
Advanced charter hire received	(a)	2,520	-	2,166	-	
Secured bank loans		47,737	33,140	43,167	28,570	
Derivative financial instruments Total current liabilities		13,129 66,710	1,101 297,837	16,679 65,616	1,398 280,246	
Total Current habilities		00,710	291,031	03,010	200,240	
Non-current liabilities						
Other payables		892	563	892	563	
Deferred income from charter contracts		20,039	-	21,475	-	
Secured bank loans Convertible loan		559,176 49,297	353,274 49,297	576,966 49,198	366,942 49,198	
Derivative financial instruments		37,979	275	38,478	291	
Total non-current liabilities		667,383	403,409	687,009	416,994	
Total liabilities		734,093	701,246	752,625	697,240	
NET ASSETS		396,407	218,396	387,530	222,667	
UNITHOLDERS' FUNDS						
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Units in issue		431,435	431,435	431,435	431,435	
Unit issue costs		(10,122)	(10,122)	(10,122)	(10,122)	
Hedging reserve		(43,767)	(000 047)	(46,945)	(100.040)	
Distributable income/(accumulated losses)		18,861	(202,917)	13,162	(198,646)	
Total unitholders' funds		396,407	218,396	387,530	222,667	

Note:

⁽a) Charter income is payable in advance according to the charterparty contracts of the containerships.

1.b (ii) Group's borrowings and debt securities

Secured bank loans

Amount repayable within one year Amount repayable after one year

Group			
31/03/12	31/12/11		
US\$'000	\$'000 US\$'000		
47,737	43,167		
559,176	576,966		
606,913	620,133		

As at 31 December 2011, the face value of the Group's total outstanding secured bank loans were US\$621.9 million. During the first quarter of 2012, a total repayment of US\$13.3 million (2011: US\$12.7 million) was made by the Group. As at 31 March 2012, the face value of the Group's total outstanding secured bank loans was US\$608.6 million.

Face value of secured bank loans
Unamortised portion of debt issuance costs
Carrying amount of secured bank loans

Group			
31/03/12	31/12/11		
US\$'000	US\$'000 US\$'000		
608,630	621,917		
(1,717)	(1,784)		
606,913	620,133		

The difference between the face value of secured bank loans and the carrying amount of US\$606.9 million (31 December 2011: US\$620.1 million) is due to the accounting treatment for borrowings, which is initially recognised at fair value (net of transaction costs) and subsequently stated at amortised cost.

The loans bear interest at floating rates and are secured on all existing sixteen containerships and their respective assignment of the charter revenues, insurance, earnings, deposit accounts and pledge of respective owner's/borrower's (the Trust's subsidiaries) shares and requisition compensation.

Convertible loan

Amount repayable after one year

Group			
31/03/12 31/12/11			
US\$'000	US\$'000		
49,297	49,198		

In 2010, the Group issued a convertible loan of principal amount US\$49.0 million to discharge the Group from its obligation to purchase seven vessels. The convertible loan is non-current and bears interest at floating rates.

1.c Consolidated statement of cash flows for the 1st guarter ended 31 March 2012

	1st QTR	
	2012	2011
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash receipts from customers Cash paid to suppliers and trustee-manager	35,465 (10,580)	35,060 (9,360)
Net cash provided by operating activities	24,885	25,700
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Dry-docking cost paid Interest received	(1,752) 65	(368) 5
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,687)	(363)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Repayment of bank loans Interest paid	(13,287) (10,281)	(12,660) (10,430)
Distribution to unitholders	(2,542)	(2,542)
Net cash used in financing activities	(26,110)	(25,632)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents for the period	(2,912)	(295)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	53,536	46,423
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	12	4
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period ^	50,636	46,132

For the purpose of presenting the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise the following:

Cash and cash equivalents per statement of financial position

Less: Restricted cash for payment of loan restructuring fee

Cash and cash equivalents per consolidated statement of cash flows

2012 2011

US\$'000

48,810

(2,678)

Cash and cash equivalents per consolidated statement of cash flows

50,636 46,132

Footnote:

1st QTR

[^] Cash and cash equivalents include an amount of US\$25.0 million which can be used by the Group for operational purposes (subject to certain requirements) but the amount is not available for distribution to unitholders nor to service interest payments on the convertible loan.

1.d (i) Statement of changes in unitholders' funds for the 1st quarter ended 31 March 2012

		Attributable to unitholders of Trust			
<u>Group</u>				Distributable	
-		Unit		income/	
	Units in	issue	Hedging	(accumulated	-
	issue	costs	reserve	losses)	Total US\$'000
2012	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	029 000
Balance at 1 January 2012	404 405	(40.400)	(40.045)	40.400	007.500
•	431,435	(10,122)	(46,945)	13,162	387,530
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	3,178	8,241	11,419
Distribution to unitholders	-	-	-	(2,542)	(2,542)
Balance at 31 March 2012	431,435	(10,122)	(43,767)	18,861	396,407
2011					
Balance at 1 January 2011	431,435	(10,122)	(52,293)	(16,996)	352,024
Total comprehensive income for the period	401,400	(10,122)	, ,	, ,	•
·	_	-	4,485	9,327	13,812
Distribution to unitholders	-	-	-	(2,542)	(2,542)
Balance at 31 March 2011	431,435	(10,122)	(47,808)	(10,211)	363,294

	Attributable to unitholders of Trust					
<u>Trust</u>				Distributable		
	Units in	Unit issue	Hedging	income/ (accumulated		
	issue	<u>costs</u>	reserve	losses)	Total	
	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	
2012		·			•	
Balance at 1 January 2012	431,435	(10,122)	-	(198,646)	222,667	
Total comprehensive loss for the period	-	-	-	(1,729)	(1,729)	
Distribution to unitholders	-	-	-	(2,542)	(2,542)	
Balance at 31 March 2012	431,435	(10,122)	-	(202,917)	218,396	
2011						
Balance at 1 January 2011	431,435	(10,122)	-	(181,349)	239,964	
Total comprehensive loss for the period	-	-	-	(1,935)	(1,935)	
Distribution to unitholders	-	-	-	(2,542)	(2,542)	
Balance at 31 March 2011	431,435	(10,122)	-	(185,826)	235,487	

1.d (ii) Details of any changes in the company's units arising from rights issue, bonus issue, share buy-backs, exercise of share options or warrants, conversion of other issues of equity securities, issue of units for cash or as consideration for acquisition or for any other purpose since the end of the previous period reported on. State also the number of units that may be issued on conversion of all the outstanding convertibles, as well as the number of units held as treasury units, if any, against the total number of issued units excluding treasury units of the issuer, as at the end of the current financial period reported on and as at the end of the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

1st QTR
2012 2011
Units Units
423,675,000 423,675,000

At the beginning and end of the period

Footnote:

- (a) There are no treasury units.
- (b) There is a convertible loan of principal amount US\$49,000,000 issued in 2010 to Polaris Shipmanagement Company Ltd ("Polaris"). The convertible loan may be repaid by the Trust, in part or in full, any time on or before 31 March 2014. If the convertible loan is not repaid by 31 March 2014, Polaris has the option to convert any part of the outstanding loan amount into new units of the Trust up to a maximum of 150,000,000 units on 1 April 2014. If the option is exercised with the maximum number of units to be issued, the total number of units in Rickmers Maritime would be 573,675,000.
- 1.d (iii) To show the total number of issued units excluding treasury units as at the end of the current financial period and as at the end of the immediately preceding year.

31/03/12 31/12/11 **423,675,000** 423,675,000

Total issued units

1.d (iv) A statement showing all sales, transfers, disposal, cancellation and/or use of treasury units as at the end of the current financial period reported on.

Not applicable.

2 Whether the figures have been audited, or reviewed and in accordance with which auditing standard or practice

The figures are not required to be audited nor reviewed under current SGX regulations. However, our auditors have performed certain procedures and enquiries in accordance with International Standard on Related Services 4400 - Engagements to Perform Agreed-Upon Procedures Regarding Financial Information. These procedures are substantially less in scope than an audit or a review in accordance with International Standard on Review Engagements (ISRE) 2410.

3 Where the figures have been audited, or reviewed, the auditors' report (including any qualifications or emphasis of matter)

Not applicable.

4 Whether the same accounting policies and methods of computation as in the issuer's most recently audited financial statements have been applied

Except as stated in Note 5, the Group has applied the same accounting policies and methods of computation in the financial statements for the current financial period as those of the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2011.

If there are any changes in the accounting policies and methods of computation, including any required by an accounting standard, what has changed, as well as the reasons for, and the effect of, the change

On 1 January 2012, the Group adopted the new and amended International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") that are mandatory for application on that date. The following are the new and amended IFRS that are relevant to the Group.

- (i) Amendments to IFRS 7 Disclosure Transfer of Financial Assets
- (ii) Amendment to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements

The adoption of the above IFRS did not result in any substantial change to the Group's accounting policies nor any significant impact on the financial statements.

6 Earnings per unit ('EPU') for the current financial period and corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year

Weighted average number of units as at end of period

- -basic ('000)
- -diluted ('000)

Earnings per unit for the period based on the weighted average number of units in issue (US Cents)

- -basic
- -diluted

1st QTR				
2012	2011			
423,675	423,675			
573,675	573,675			
1.95	2.20			
1.50^	1.69^			

Footnote:

[^] Based on the assumption that the maximum number of units of 150,000,000 will be issued. The gain/(loss) on fair value of the derivative component of the convertible loan was deducted/added back and the interest expense on the convertible loan was added back to the EPU computation to arrive at the diluted EPU.

7 Net asset value (for the issuer and group) per unit based on the total number of issued units excluding treasury units of the issuer at the end of the period and immediately preceding financial year:-

	31/0	3/12	31/12/11		
Note	Group	Trust	Group	Trust	
(a)	0.94	0.52	0.91	0.53	

Net asset value per unit (US\$)

Notes:

- (a) The number of units used in the computation of actual NAV is 423,675,000 units.
- (b) There are no treasury units.

8 Review of the Performance of the Group

The Group operates a fleet of sixteen containerships, which are all chartered out on fixed-rate time charters, of which 14 are on charters that expire beyond 2013.

The Group reported revenue of US\$35.7 million for the first quarter of 2012 (1Q12), relatively unchanged from US\$35.9 million reported in the same quarter of 2011. During the quarter, the vessel Kaethe C. Rickmers was redelivered by CSAV on 24 February 2012 and remained unemployed for about 29 days before contracting a new one-year charter with MSC on 25 March 2012. In addition to scheduled off-hire for the dry-docking of three vessels, there were 23.7 days of unscheduled off-hire due to repairs required. Vessel utilisation rate fell to 96.4%.

Other income comprising mainly amortisation of deferred income from charter contracts (non-cash in nature) and interest income, increased by 10% to US\$1.7 million in 1Q12 (1Q11: US\$1.6 million) due to higher interest income and the recognition of insurance recoverable for certain unscheduled off-hire.

Vessel operating expenses which include fixed vessel operating expenses, lubricant oil expense, vessel management fees and bunker expense, increased by 12% to US\$9.1 million in 1Q12 from US\$8.1 million in 1Q11. The increase was due to (i) a contractual increase of fixed operating expenses and vessel management fees that took effect from 1 January 2012, (ii) bunker expense for Kaethe C. Rickmers' positioning voyage to her new charter and (iii) higher lubricant oil prices.

Finance expenses decreased marginally from US\$10.6 million in 1Q11 to US\$10.5 million in 1Q12 due mainly to the repayment of bank loans.

Overall, the Group recorded a net profit after tax of US\$8.2 million in 1Q12 compared to a net profit of US\$9.3 million in 1Q11.

During 1Q2012, the Group generated \$26.0 million of EBITDA for 1Q12, down from \$27.0 million reported in 1Q11. The Group also repaid \$13.3 million of bank loans in 1Q12, bringing borrowings down to US\$606.9 million as at 31 March 2012.

9 Where a forecast, or a prospect statement, has been previously disclosed to unitholders, any variance between it and the actual results.

No forecast statement for the financial year 2012 has been disclosed.

10 Commentary on the significant trends and competitive conditions of the industry in which the group operates and any known factors or events that may affect the group in the next reporting period and the next 12 months.

There is currently an oversupply in ship capacity. Freight rates in the two main trade lanes, Asia to Europe and Asia to US, have seen partial recovery through general rate increases imposed by the liner companies during Q1. However, high bunker prices and continued fierce competition are having a negative effect on the liner operators' earnings. As a result, supply of container tonnage is likely to exceed demand in the foreseeable future, with no imminent increase in time charter rates and vessel values.

Rickmers Maritime's fleet of modern container vessels is fully employed throughout 2012 at an average daily net time charter rate of almost US\$25,000 per vessel. The fleet has, through existing charter agreements, US\$581 million of secured revenue between 1 April 2012 and the expiry of the last charter party contract in 2019. Barring any unforeseen circumstances, we believe these existing long-term leases will continue to generate ongoing cash flow for the Trust.

^ source: Clarkson Research Services, March 2012

11 Distribution

a Current financial period

Any distributions recommended for the

current financial period

Amount : US\$2,542,050

Distribution Period : 1 January 2012 to 31 March 2012
Distribution Type : Cash, Tax-exempt Distribution

Distribution Rate : 0.60 US Cents per unit

Par Value of units : Not applicable

Tax Rate : Distribution received by either Singapore tax resident

Yes (recommended)

Unitholders or non-Singapore tax resident Unitholders

are exempt from Singapore income tax.

The recommended distribution has not been provided for in these financial statements. This distribution will be accounted for in the statement of changes in unitholders' funds in the 2nd guarter of 2012.

b Corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial period

Any distributions declared for the previous corresponding financial period

Yes. At 0.60 US cents per unit for distribution period

from 1 January 2011 to 31 March 2011

c Date payable : 22 May 2012

d Books Closure date : The Transfer Books and Register of Unitholders of

Rickmers Maritime (the "Trust") will be closed from 5.00 pm on 8 May 2012 for the purposes of determining each

Unitholder's entitlement to the distribution.

Unitholders whose Securities Accounts with the Central Depository (Pte) Limited ("CDP") are credited with shares at 5.00 pm on 8 May 2012 will be entitled to the

Distribution to be paid on 22 May 2012.

12 If no distribution has been declared / (recommended), a statement to that effect.

Not applicable

13 If the Group has obtained a general mandate from shareholders for IPTs, the aggregate value of such transactions as required under Rule 920(1)(a)(ii). If no IPT mandate has been obtained, a statement to that effect.

The Group has not obtained a general mandate from unitholders for IPTs.

14 The board of directors of Rickmers Trust Management Pte. Ltd. do hereby confirm that, to the best of their knowledge, nothing has come to their attention which may render the financial results for the quarter ended 31 March 2012 to be false or misleading.

This release may contain forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Actual future performance, outcomes and results may differ materially from those expressed in forward-looking statements as a result of a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Representative examples of these factors include (without limitation) general industry and economic conditions, interest rate trends, cost of capital and capital availability, competition from other companies, changes in operating expenses, trust expenses and governmental and public policy changes and the continued availability of financing in the amounts and the terms necessary to support future business. Investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which are based on current view of management on future events.

Any discrepancies in the tables included in this announcement between the listed amounts and total thereof are due to rounding.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF RICKMERS TRUST MANAGEMENT PTE. LTD. AS TRUSTEE-MANAGER OF RICKMERS MARITIME

Bertram R. C. Rickmers Chairman

Date: 23 April 2012