

News Release

NOTICE TO UNITHOLDERS ON FOREX RATE

Singapore, 20 Aug 2008 – FSL Trust Management Pte. Ltd., the Trustee-Manager of First Ship Lease Trust ("FSL Trust"), would like to inform all unitholders of FSL Trust that the distribution of US2.80 cents per unit for the quarter ended 30 June 2008 will be paid on Tuesday, 26 August 2008.

Unitholders who did not opt to receive their distribution in US Dollars, will receive it in Singapore Dollars at the foreign exchange rate of US\$1.00 = S\$1.4136, which was fixed on 19 August 2008. This means that unitholders will receive S\$39.58 for every 1,000 units of FSL Trust held at the time of book closure.

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About First Ship Lease Trust ("FSL Trust")

First Ship Lease Trust (Reuters: FSLT.SI; Bloomberg: FSLT SP) is a provider of leasing services on a bareboat charter basis to the international shipping industry. Upon successful closing of the third Yang Ming vessel by end October 2008, FSL Trust will have a diverse portfolio of 23 modern and high quality vessels, consisting of seven containerships, nine product tankers, three chemical tankers, two dry bulk carriers and two crude oil tankers. These vessels have an average age of approximately 3.2 years^, and an average remaining lease period of approximately 9.2 years^ (excluding extension periods and early buy-out options).

FSL Trust is listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST") and is managed by FSL Trust Management Pte. Ltd. ("FSLTM"), the Trustee-Manager. FSLTM is focused on rapidly growing the vessel portfolio of FSL Trust through accretive acquisitions with long-term bareboat charters. With the Yang Ming acquisitions, it would have doubled the asset size of its portfolio since its listing in March 2007. More details on FSL Trust are available at www.firstshipleasetrust.com.

^ Dollar weighted average as at 30 Jun 2008 assuming the inclusion of addition of a container vessel to be delivered in October 2008

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The initial public offering of units of First Ship Lease Trust (the "Offering") commenced on 19 March 2007 and closed on 22 March 2007. In the Offering, Deutsche Bank AG, Singapore Branch was the Sole Global Coordinator, Joint Lead Manager and Joint Bookrunner, and J.P. Morgan (S.E.A.) Limited was the Joint Lead Manager and Joint Bookrunner. The Co-Lead Managers to the Offering were CLSA Merchant Bankers Limited and Macquarie Securities (Asia) Pte Limited. The Manager and Co-ordinator of the Singapore Public Offer was Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited.