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COMPLETION OF LOAN REFINANCING

Singapore, 20 December 2011 – FSL Trust Management Pte. Ltd. ("FSLTM"), the Trustee-Manager of First Ship Lease Trust ("FSL Trust"), refers to the earlier announcement on 1 December 2011 and wishes to announce that it has fully drawn down the US\$479.6 million 6-year term loan facility and successfully refinanced its outstanding loan balance.

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About First Ship Lease Trust (Bloomberg: FSLT SP; Reuters: FSLT.SI; OTCQX: FSHPY)

First Ship Lease Trust ("FSL Trust" or the "Trust") is a provider of leasing services on a long-term bareboat charter basis to the international shipping industry. The Trust has a diversified portfolio of 25 modern and high quality

vessels, comprising seven containerships, eleven product tankers, three chemical tankers, two crude oil tankers and

two dry bulk carriers. Of these, 23 vessels are leased to eight reputable international shipping companies on long-

term bareboat charter basis and two vessels are presently deployed in the product tanker spot market.

FSL Trust is managed by FSL Trust Management Pte. Ltd., the trustee-manager. The trustee-manager aims to grow

and diversify the Trust's portfolio through accretive acquisitions of vessel with leases, to increase predictable

cashflow generation and to provide sustainable regular cash distributions to unitholders of the Trust.

FSL Trust is listed on the main board of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (SGX-ST) and its

American Depository Receipts (ADRs) are quoted on the PrimeQX tier of International OTCQX. FSL Trust is a

component stock of the FTSE ST Maritime Index and the MSCI Global Micro-Cap index.

This news 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

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based on current view of management on future events.

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