

FSL TRUST MANAGEMENT PTE. LTD.
(As Trustee-Manager of First Ship Lease Trust)
(Company Registration No. 200702265R)
(Incorporated in Singapore)

ACQUISITION OF AN OIL/CHEMICAL TANKER AND LONG-TERM BAREBOAT CHARTER

The Board of Directors (the “**Board**”) of FSL Trust Management Pte. Ltd., as trustee-manager (the “**Trustee-Manager**”) of First Ship Lease Trust (the “**Trust**”), wishes to announce that FSL-28, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Trust, has entered into definitive agreements to (a) purchase the vessel *Anuket Amber* (tbr *Pelican Fisher*), a c.9,600 DWT oil/chemical tanker built in 2008 (the “**Vessel**”), from Anuket Amber Shipping Company Limited, an unaffiliated third party, for a cash consideration of US\$ 5.0 million (the “**Acquisition**”), and (b) bareboat charter the Vessel to James Fisher Everard Limited (the “**Charterer**”) for a period of 8 years from delivery (the “**Charter**”). The Charterer’s obligations under the Charter are guaranteed by James Fisher and Sons plc, a leading provider of specialist services to the marine, oil and gas and other high assurance industries worldwide, listed on the London Stock Exchange.

Delivery of the Vessel is expected to take place between September and November 2021 and the Vessel is expected to generate an aggregate adjusted EBITDA of US\$ 8.0 million over the period of the Charter. The Acquisition is expected to be funded with cash and cash equivalents of the Trust, whilst the Trustee-Manager is also considering to raise debt finance.

The Acquisition is a non-discloseable transaction under Rule 1008(1) of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited.

The consideration for the Acquisition was arrived at after arm’s length negotiations between the relevant parties on a “willing buyer willing seller” basis, taking into account the prevailing and expected charter market environment and earnings prospects for the Vessel, its expected economic life and residual value and the supply of and demand for vessels of the same type and with similar specifications in the sale and purchase market.

In determining the consideration for the Acquisition, the Trustee-Manager also took into account the valuation of the Vessel which it obtained from a reputable, independent third party ship-broker who valued the Vessel at US\$ 5.0 million on the basis of a sale between a willing seller and a willing buyer, without any charter attached and for cash payment on delivery, as at the valuation date of 1 July 2021. The valuation report is available for inspection at the registered office of the Trustee-Manager by prior appointment only, due to and subject to the prevailing COVID-19 restriction orders in Singapore, for 3 months from the date of this announcement.

The Acquisition is not expected to have any material impact on the consolidated net tangible assets per unit or earnings per share of the Group for the current financial year ending 31 December 2021.

None of the Directors and controlling unitholders of the Trust have an interest, direct or indirect, in the Acquisition or the Charter (other than through their unitholding in the Trust, if any).

By Order of the Board
FSL Trust Management Pte. Ltd.
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as Trustee-Manager of First Ship Lease Trust

Mr Efsthios Topouzoglou
Non-Independent, Non-Executive Chairman
19 August 2021