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Subject : ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ASSOCIATE COMPANY IN GUANGHAN COUNTY, SICHUAN PROVINCE, THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

We refer to our announcements dated 2nd September 2009 and 22nd October 2009 in respect of the following -

1) Execution of a Confidentiality, Commitment to Non-competition and Goodwill Agreement between UMW Singapore Ventures Pte Ltd ("UMWSV"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of UMW Petropipe (L) Ltd, which is in turn wholly-owned by UMW, and Mr Wu Xuwen, Sichuan Jinyang Antisepsis Engineering Co., Ltd ("SJCY"), Gangcheng International Oil & Gas Holdings Limited and Elite International Investment (HK) Limited ("EII") for the establishment of a Sino-Foreign Equity Joint Venture Company in Guanghan County, Sichuan Province, the People's Republic of China ("PRC") to undertake the business of steel pipe manufacturing, coating for pipes used in transportation of oil, gas, water and other fluids, and to supply steel pipes, fittings and anti-corrosion, anti-sepsis technical services and selling of its manufactured products and by-products; and

2) Execution of an Equity Joint Venture Contract between UMWSV, SJCY and EII for the establishment of a joint venture company to be known as Sichuan Haihua Petroleum Steelpipe Co., Ltd ("SHPS") in Guanghan County, Sichuan Province, PRC.

We wish to announce that we yesterday, received the certificate for the establishment of SHPS in Guanghan County, Sichuan Province, PRC from the China authorities.

cc - Securities Commission
(Issues & Investment Division)