

IFS CAPITAL LIMITED

Company Registration No. 198700827C

Comment on Article in The Straits Times on 9 October 2008

The Company refers to an article published on page A3 of The Straits Times dated 9 October 2008 whereby it was reported, *inter alia*, that one of the charges brought against Kelvin Ang, CEO of EC-Asia International Limited ("EC-Asia"), was "189 [instances] of cheating International Factors Singapore, from June 2003 to January last year, of US\$111 million".

The Company wishes to clarify that as previously announced on 23 April 2007, the actual outstanding amount net of interest in suspense owing by EC-Asia to the Company is US\$6.23 million (approximately S\$8.94 million) of which a substantial amount of the exposure has already been provided in the accounts. A copy of the Company's earlier announcement on 23 April 2007 is attached below for ease of reference.

By Order of the Board

Chionh Yi Chian
Company Secretary
9 October 2008
Singapore