

THE GREAT EASTERN SHIPPING CO. LTD.
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UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS (Provisional)
FOR THE QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2006

(Rs.in Crores)

Quarter Ended		% Increase/ (Decrease)		Half Year Ended		% Increase/ (Decrease)	Year ended 31.03.2006 (AUDITED)
30.09.2006 (REVIEWED)	30.09.2005 (UNAUDITED)			30.09.2006 (REVIEWED)	30.09.2005 (UNAUDITED)		
302.96	163.65		1. Income from Operations & Sales	515.98	409.73		997.88
219.19	237.64		(a) freight & demurrage	440.01	474.94		900.55
0.17	15.98		(b) charter hire	6.96	35.71		36.34
522.32	417.27		(c) others	962.95	920.38		1934.77
			Total Income from Opeartion & Sales				
38.81	34.58		2. Gain on sale of ships	118.13	207.32		331.36
28.47	15.25		3. Other Income -	53.84	30.99		71.17
3.60	4.04		(a) Interest & dividend	3.67	11.57		4.78
			(b) others				
593.20	471.14		Total Income (1+2+3)	1138.59	1170.26		2342.08
42.03	40.25		4. Total Expenditure	81.85	78.63		155.15
30.61	41.47		(a) Staff Cost (ashore & floating)	64.84	91.99		213.37
143.40	90.04		(b) Repairs & Maintenance -Fleet	236.92	200.51		459.46
42.60	43.43		(c) Direct operating expenses	73.73	89.77		162.03
-	-		(d) Other expenses	-	9.00		9.00
258.64	215.19		(e) Decrease in stock in trade	457.34	469.9		999.01
			Total Expenditure				
334.56	255.95	30.7%	5. (a) Operating Profit (PBITD)	681.25	700.36	-2.7%	1343.07
295.75	221.37	33.6%	(b) Operating Profit (PBITD)	563.12	493.04	14.2%	1011.71
26.70	23.83		(excluding gain on sale of ships)	54.09	46.18		96.94
307.86	232.12	32.6%	6. Interest	627.16	654.18	-4.1%	1246.13
64.32	70.30		7. Gross Profit after interest but before depreciation and taxation [5 (a) - 6]	135.22	139.02		282.81
-	-		8. Depreciation	-	-		87.55
243.54	161.82	50.5%	9. Impairment loss on certain assets	491.94	515.16	-4.5%	875.77
7.86	4.25		10. Profit before tax	15.00	19.75		26.00
-	0.84		11. Provision for tax -	-	1.63		4.06
0.20	0.66		- current	0.40	1.39		2.21
235.48	156.07	50.9%	- deferred	476.54	492.39	-3.2%	843.50
-	-		- fringe benefit	-	-		(4.90)
235.48	156.07	50.9%	12. Profit from ordinary activities	476.54	492.39	-3.2%	838.60
			13. Prior period adjustments				
			14. Net Profit	152.27	152.27		152.27
			15. Paid-up Share Capital (Face Value Rs.10/-)				2233.92
			16. Reserves excluding revaluation reserves				
15.46	10.25		17. Basic and diluted earnings per share (in Rs.)	31.29	32.33		55.07
110764074	115349281		18. Aggregate of Non -Promoter Shareholding	110764074	115349281		113132095
72.74	75.75		- Number of Shares	72.74	75.75		74.30
			- Percentage of Shareholding				

NOTES:

- The Company has declared an interim dividend of Rs.4.00 per equity share. The outgo on this account is Rs.69.45 crores including tax on dividend. The interim dividend will be paid on the reduced share capital as explained in Note No: 3 below.
- During the quarter under review, the Company undertook following transactions:
 - sold Aframax crude carrier named "Jag Leena" (Year built : 1985) of DWT 95007 MT.
 - contracted to buy -
 - a modern Suezmax Crude Carrier (Year built : 1996) of DWT 1,47,834 MT for delivery in third quarter of Financial Year 2006-07.
 - a Capesize Drybulk Carrier (Year built : 1996) of DWT 1,64,796 MT for delivery in fourth quarter of Financial Year 2006-07.

3. The Scheme of Arrangement for demerger of the Offshore Services Business into Great Offshore Limited became effective on October 16, 2006. As per the Scheme of demerger all the Assets and Liabilities of the Offshore Services Business stand transferred to and vested in Great Offshore Limited with effect from April 1, 2005, the Appointed Date. The financial results as stated above reflect the results of the Company after giving effect to the scheme of demerger. The results for the previous quarter and half year ended September 30, 2005 have also been restated to give effect to the demerger and consequently do not include the results of the offshore services business.

The Company has announced closure of its books from 15th to 16th November 2006 to ascertain the shareholders who will be eligible for the equity shares of the Resulting company Great Offshore Limited. The shareholders of the company will be allotted 1 Equity Share of Rs.10/- each, credited as fully paidup of Great Offshore Ltd., for every 5 Equity shares held in the Company on Novemebr 16, 2006. Consequently, the Issued, Subscribed and Paid-Up share capital of the Company stands reduced and 4 new Equity Shares of the Company will be issued for every 5 Equity Shares held. The paid-up share capital of the Company also stands reduced to Rs.1,52,27,39,240/- from Rs.1,90,34,24,050/-.

4. The Company is mainly engaged in shipping business and there are no separate reportable segments as per Accounting Standard (AS) 17.
5. Previous period figures have been re-grouped wherever necessary.
6. Number of Investor Complaints at the beginning of the quarter were "2", received during the quarter were 14, disposed off during the quarter were 16 and lying unresolved at the end of the quarter were "Nil".
7. The Board of Directors has approved the aforesaid results at its meeting held on October 27, 2006. These results have been subjected to a "Limited Review" by the auditors of the Company, as per the listing agreements with the Stock Exchange, Mumbai and the National Stock Exchange.

For The Great Eastern Shipping Co. Ltd.

Place: MUMBAI
Date : 27.10.2006.

(K . M. Sheth)
Executive Chairman