

PRESS RELEASE

GE Shipping 3MFY15 consolidated Net Profit at Rs. 222.93 crs Declares Interim Dividend of Rs. 4/share

The Board of Directors of The Great Eastern Shipping Company Ltd. (G E Shipping) today approved the Unaudited Results (Provisional) for the first quarter of FY 2014-15, ended 30th June, 2014.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS:

Standalone		Consolidated		
Q1FY'15	Q1FY'14	(Amount in Rs. crs)	Q1FY'15	Q1FY'14
Income Statement				
494.02	548.20	Revenue (including other income)	906.05	919.44
218.44	295.93	EBITDA (including other income)	468.57	523.98
87.61	141.96	Net Profit	222.93	244.98
Balance Sheet				
9441.84	9835.90	Total Assets	14693.12	15086.10
4935.22	5034.94	Equity	7047.71	6687.98
3243.79	3655.46	Total Debt (Gross)	6149.32	6942.67
224.09	227.55	Long Term Debt (Net of Cash)	2452.73	2582.23
Cash Flow				
109.40	128.44	From operating activities	302.24	324.45
66.70	(164.69)	From investing activities	(154.59)	(124.41)
(112.07)	(196.10)	From financing activities	(59.97)	(351.82)
64.03	(232.35)	Net cash inflow/(outflow)	87.68	(151.78)
Key financial figures				
44.22%	53.98%	EBITDA Margin (%)	51.72%	56.99%
7.19%	11.32%	Return on Equity (ROE) (%)	12.90%	15.04%
6.61%	9.06%	Return on Capital Employed (ROCE) (%)	9.15%	10.08%
0.66	0.73	Gross Debt/Equity Ratio (x)	0.87	1.04
0.05	0.05	Net Debt/Equity Ratio (x)	0.35	0.39
59.74	54.83	Exchange rate USD/INR, average (Rs)	59.74	54.83
60.18	59.40	Exchange rate USD/INR, end of period (Rs)	60.18	59.40
Share related figures				
5.81	9.32	Earnings per share, EPS (Rs)	14.79	16.08
5.80	9.30	Diluted earnings per share (Rs)	14.76	16.05
10.63	15.22	Cash Profit per share (Rs)	24.24	26.46
4.00	-	Dividend per share (Rs)	4.00	-

Performance Review of Q1 FY 2014-15:

Break up of Revenue days (Shipping):

Revenue Days	Q1'FY15	Q1'FY14
Owned Tonnage	2,602	2,691
Inchartered Tonnage	133	27
Total Revenue Days	2,735	2,718
Total Owned Tonnage (mn.dwt)*	2.37	2.43

* As on 30th June

Average TCY's earned over last 12 months in various categories:

Average (TCY \$ per day)	Q1'FY15	Q4'FY14	Q3'FY14	Q2'FY14	Q1'FY14
Crude Carriers	16,477	22,937	13,957	14,142	16,132
Product Carriers (Incl. Gas)	15,554	14,993	16,036	14,429	18,825
Dry Bulk	12,878	15,034	13,407	9,745	10,289

FLEET DEVELOPMENT:

Sale & Purchase Activities during Q1 FY2014-15:

During the quarter:

- The Company delivered its 1996 built Medium Range (MR) product carrier 'Jag Padma' to the buyers in May 2014.

Subsequent to the quarter:

- The Company contracted to sell its 1990 built Very Large Gas Carrier 'Jag Vidhi' (about 49,701 dwt) in July 2014. The vessel will be delivered to the buyers in H2 2014-15.

- The Company took delivery of the 1994 built Very Large Gas Carrier 'Jag Vishnu' [49,300 dwt (73,800 cbm)] in July 2014.

FLEET PROFILE: as on date

Categories	No. of ships	Avg age (years)
Crude Carriers	8	11.2
Product Carriers	12	7.9
Gas Carriers	2	22.0
TANKERS TOTAL	22	10.6
Capesize	1	18.0
Kamsarmax	3	3.0
Supramax	4	7.3
DRY BULK TOTAL	8	8.5
TOTAL FLEET (2.42 mn dwt)	30	10.0

Note: Fleet profile includes Very Large Gas Carrier 'Jag Vidhi' which has been contracted for sale in July 2014. The delivery of the vessel is due in H2 2014-15.

REVENUE VISIBILITY:

The revenue visibility for FY 2014-15 is around Rs.295 crores.

Category-wise coverage of operating days

Category	Extent of coverage of fleet's operating days (per cent)
Crude Carriers	41
Product Carriers (Incl. Gas)	37
Dry Bulk	29

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE SUBSIDIARIES:**Greatship (India) Limited (GIL):**

GIL and its subsidiaries currently own and operate assets in the following categories.

Categories	No. of assets
<u>Offshore Logistics</u>	
-Platform Supply Vessels (PSV)	4
- Anchor Handling Tug cum Supply Vessels (AHTSV)	9
- Multipurpose Platform Supply and Support Vessels (MPSSV)	2
- Platform/ ROV Support Vessels (ROVSV)	6
<u>Drilling Services</u>	
-350 ft Jackup Rigs	3
Total	24

FLEET DEVELOPMENT:**Sale & Purchase Activities during Q1 FY2014-15:**

There were no sale & purchase activities during the quarter.

Break up of Revenue Days (Offshore)

Revenue Days	Q1FY15	Q1FY14
Offshore Logistics	1,777	1,764
Drilling Services	273	271
Total	2,050	2,035

REVENUE VISIBILITY:

The revenue visibility for FY 2014-15 is around Rs.982 crores.

Category-wise coverage of operating days

Category	Extent of coverage of fleet's operating days (per cent)
PSV	89
ROVSV	90
AHTSV	87
MPSSV	54
Jackup Rigs	76

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

There have been some Board level changes in the Company, details of which have been given in the Stock exchange filing. Please refer to the same for further details.

Place: Mumbai
Date: 12th August, 2014

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For further details, please email us at corp_comm@greatship.com
Q1 FY15 Earnings Call scheduled at **04:30 pm (IST) on Tuesday, 12th August 2014.**
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STATEMENT OF UNAUDITED RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED JUNE 30, 2014.

PART I				(Rs. in Crores)				
CONSOLIDATED				Particulars	STANDALONE			
Quarter ended on			Year ended on		Quarter ended on			Year ended on
30.06.2014 (UNAUDITED)	31.03.2014 (AUDITED)	30.06.2013 (UNAUDITED)	31.03.2014 (AUDITED)		30.06.2014 (UNAUDITED)	31.03.2014 (AUDITED)	30.06.2013 (UNAUDITED)	31.03.2014 (AUDITED)
803.82	793.71	732.41	3049.18	1 Income from operations -				
4.38	5.06	4.01	42.68	(a) Income from Operations - Freight & Charter hire	381.05	397.43	358.13	1449.72
				(b) Other Operating Income	4.03	5.49	4.01	42.86
808.20	798.77	736.42	3091.86	Total income from operations (net)	385.08	402.92	362.14	1492.58
				2. Expenses -				
127.31	139.28	119.13	506.86	(a) Employees benefits expense	53.55	56.47	49.59	205.79
119.30	105.19	97.47	395.66	(b) Fuel Oil & Water	113.56	97.91	93.28	364.40
23.41	18.39	21.57	79.22	(c) Hire of chartered ships/equipments	-	-	11.40	11.40
				(d) Other expenses -				
38.05	59.46	36.51	200.95	- Consumption of spares and stores	20.77	32.21	20.39	107.34
42.40	35.18	36.47	134.53	- Repairs and maintenance	32.18	25.78	22.51	96.09
87.01	88.58	84.31	338.93	- Others	55.52	58.00	55.10	214.39
437.48	446.08	395.46	1656.15		275.58	270.37	252.27	999.41
370.72	352.69	340.96	1435.71	3 Operating Profit before Depreciation, Finance costs and Tax [1 - 2]	109.50	132.55	109.87	493.17
146.98	162.39	158.88	658.03	4. Depreciation (see note 4)	77.08	85.99	90.67	360.01
-	8.12	(0.84)	7.28	5. Impairment/(reversal of impairment) on certain assets	-	-	(0.84)	(0.84)
223.74	182.18	182.92	770.40	6. Profit from Operations before Other Income and Finance costs [3 - 4 - 5]	32.42	46.56	20.04	134.00
41.24	0.12	18.42	10.75	7. Other Income -				
14.06	(62.78)	118.43	99.46	(a) Profit/(Loss) on Sale of Ships and Other Assets	20.27	0.13	16.74	9.03
42.55	45.69	46.17	131.33	(b) Gain/(Loss) on Foreign Currency Transactions/Translation (net)	11.92	(49.75)	89.80	77.25
97.85	(16.97)	183.02	241.54	(c) Other Income	76.75	38.30	79.52	201.39
				Total other income	108.94	(11.32)	186.06	287.67
321.59	165.21	365.94	1011.94	8. Profit before Finance costs [6 + 7]	141.36	35.24	206.10	421.67
75.36	95.48	91.52	378.79	9. Finance costs	47.13	47.98	54.14	212.99
246.23	69.73	274.42	633.15	10. Profit after Finance costs [8 - 9]	94.23	(12.74)	151.96	208.68
4.38	-	-	-	11. Exceptional items (see note 5)	4.38	-	-	-
250.61	69.73	274.42	633.15	12. Profit from Ordinary Activities before tax [10 + 11]	98.61	(12.74)	151.96	208.68
27.68	4.21	29.56	54.52	13. Tax expense -				
-	(0.77)	-	(0.77)	- current tax	11.00	-	10.00	4.00
-	(0.55)	(0.12)	5.45	- deferred tax	-	-	-	-
27.68	2.89	29.44	59.20	- for prior years	-	-	-	-
					11.00	-	10.00	4.00
222.93	66.84	244.98	573.95	14. Net Profit from ordinary activities after tax [12 - 13]	87.61	(12.74)	141.96	204.68

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150.78	150.78	152.32	150.78	15. Paid-up Equity Share Capital (Face Value Rs.10/-)	150.78	150.78	152.32	150.78
			6622.07	16. Reserves excluding revaluation reserves				4655.54
14.79	4.43	16.08	37.87	17. Earnings per share (of Rs.10 each) (not annualised) (in Rupees)				
14.76	4.42	16.05	37.79	(a) Basic	5.81	(0.84)	9.32	13.50
				(b) Diluted	5.80	(0.84)	9.30	13.48
				See accompanying notes to the financial results				

PART II				A. PARTICULARS OF SHAREHOLDING				
104796644	104796644	106842916	104796644	1. Public Shareholding -	104796644	104796644	106842916	104796644
69.50	69.50	70.14	69.50	- Number of Shares	69.50	69.50	70.14	69.50
				- Percentage of shareholding				
7000	7000	7000	7000	2. Promoters and promoter group shareholding	7000	7000	7000	7000
0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	(a) Pledged/Encumbered	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
				- Number of shares				
				- Percentage of shares(as a % of the total shareholding of promoter and promoter group)				
				- Percentage of shares(as a % of the total share capital of the Company) (Less than 0.01%)				
45973421	45973421	45472168	45973421	(b) Non-encumbered	45973421	45973421	45472168	45973421
99.98	99.98	99.98	99.98	- Number of shares	99.98	99.98	99.98	99.98
				- Percentage of shares(as a % of the total shareholding of promoter and promoter group)				
30.50	30.50	29.86	30.50	- Percentage of shares(as a % of the total share capital of the Company)	30.50	30.50	29.86	30.50

B. INVESTOR COMPLAINTS	
- Pending at the beginning of the quarter	-
- Received during the quarter	2
- Disposed of during the quarter	2
- Remaining unresolved at the end of the quarter	-

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REPORTING OF SEGMENTWISE REVENUE, RESULTS AND CAPITAL EMPLOYED :

The Company is mainly engaged in shipping business and there are no separate reportable segments as per Accounting Standard (AS) 17 for standalone results. Hence Segment information is given below for consolidated results only.

(Rs. in crores)

	Quarter Ended			Year Ended
	30.06.2014 (UNAUDITED)	31.03.2014 (AUDITED)	30.06.2013 (UNAUDITED)	31.03.2014 (AUDITED)
	a) Segment Revenue :			
Shipping	505.90	400.43	549.40	1810.34
Offshore	435.14	382.01	406.13	1604.43
Sub-total	941.04	782.44	955.53	3414.77
Less : Inter Segment Revenue	34.99	0.64	36.09	81.37
Total	906.05	781.80	919.44	3333.40
b) Segment Results :				
Profit before tax and interest				
Shipping	105.84	33.84	168.80	327.19
Offshore	220.13	131.37	197.14	684.75
Sub-total	325.97	165.21	365.94	1011.94
Less : Interest	75.36	95.48	91.52	378.79
Total Profit before tax	250.61	69.73	274.42	633.15
c) Capital employed :				
Shipping	6676.83	6592.83	7174.79	6592.83
Offshore	6522.58	6288.70	6471.87	6288.70
Total	13199.41	12881.53	13646.66	12881.53

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED RESULTS:

1. The above results, which have been subjected to a Limited Review by the Statutory Auditors of the Company, were reviewed by the Audit Committee of the Board and approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at their meetings held on August 12, 2014 and have been prepared in accordance with Clause 41 of the Listing Agreement.
2. The Board of Directors has declared an interim dividend of Rs. 4.00 per equity share. The outgo on this account is Rs. 67.31 crores including tax on dividend. The record date for the payment of dividend will be August 18, 2014.
3. During the quarter, Greatship (India) Limited (GIL), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, has redeemed, as per the terms of the issue, part of the Company's investment in 7.50% Cumulative Redeemable Preference Share Capital in GIL to the extent of 1,45,00,000 shares of Rs. 10/- each.

Consequently, total investment of the Company, as on June 30, 2014, in GIL amounts to Rs. 1305.14 crores in equity shares and Rs. 358.87 crores in Cumulative Redeemable Preference Shares, aggregating to Rs. 1664.01 crores.

4. Consequent to Schedule II of The Companies Act, 2013, becoming applicable with effect from April 01, 2014, depreciation for the quarter ended June 30, 2014, has been provided on the basis of the useful lives and residual values as prescribed in Schedule II; except in case of certain types of assets where, based on past experience, the Group has adopted useful lives and residual values other than those prescribed in Schedule II. In some cases, the Group has adopted useful lives of assets that are lower than those prescribed in Schedule II, resulting in a higher charge of depreciation. The Group has also estimated the residual values for the fleet based on the long term average of scrap rates in place of the residual values prescribed in Schedule II, resulting in a lower charge of depreciation. The net impact of these changes is that the depreciation charge for the quarter is lower by Rs. 15.88 crores.
5. Company has changed the method of calculating depreciation for Ownership Flats and Buildings from Written Down Value Method to Straight Line Method with effect from April 01, 2014. The reversal of excess depreciation charged upto March 31, 2014, amounting to Rs. 4.38 crores due to this change is shown as an Exceptional Item in the Statement of Profit and Loss.
6. During the quarter, the Company delivered to the buyer a Medium Range Product Tanker named "Jag Padma" (Year Built: 1996) of DWT 47172 MT

Subsequent to the end of the quarter, the Company –

- contracted to sell a Very Large Gas Carrier named "Jag Vidhi" (Year Built: 1990) of DWT 49701 MT for delivery in the second half of financial year 2014-15.
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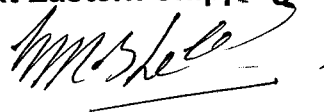
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7. Previous period figures have been re-grouped/restated wherever necessary. The figures of the quarter ended March 31, 2014, are the balancing figures between the audited figures in respect of the full financial year ended March 31, 2014 and the published year to date figures upto the third quarter of the financial year ended March 31, 2014.

For The Great Eastern Shipping Co. Ltd.



**(K. M. Sheth)
Executive Chairman**

Place: Mumbai.
Date : 12.08.2014