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CHEMOIL SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHES OPERATIONS AT HELIOS TERMINAL

Singapore, January 31, 2008 – SGX Mainboard-listed Chemoil (SGX-ST: CHEL.SI), one of the world's leading physical suppliers of marine fuel products, has successfully started operations from its new Helios Terminal facility, further entrenching itself as the only physical provider in Singapore to control all key stages of the supply chain.

In line with operational projections, Chemoil began discharging cargoes from January 11 and successfully completed its first end-to-end delivery turnaround on January 24 with the loading of barges for marine fuel deliveries. Apart from these loading and discharge operations, other key activities such as inter-tank transfers and blending services were also successfully undertaken.

The company also confirmed that the inauguration ceremony for Helios Terminal will take place on Thursday February 28, which will be officiated by guest-of-honor, Singapore's Minister for Finance and Minister for Education, Mr Tharman Shanmugaratnam.

Michael Bandy, Chemoil's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer said: "The start of operations at the Helios Terminal reflects Chemoil's strength and determination to continue the ambitious growth plans that Bob Chandran had developed with the senior management team and to find new and innovative ways of delivering energy. This is a landmark occasion for our business in Singapore and for Chemoil's wider expansion within the world's major fuel products ports. With Singapore's marine fuels market projected to continue rising, the service benefits provided by our unique position as the region's only physical supplier controlling every stage of supply operations will enable us to increase our volumes."

Chemoil further announced the leasing of storage tanks at Helios Terminal to Brazil's largest energy company, Petrobras. The leased capacity to Petrobras is currently at 163 000 cbm, and this will help maximize returns from Helios Terminal. Whilst Chemoil's customer activity continues to increase at the Helios Terminal, the long-term lease agreement with Petrobras will provide both companies with the potential to explore supply synergies in the long-term. Petrobras has been supplying the Singapore bunker market since 2004, offering LSFO and 500 centistoke (cst) fuel oil.

Sanjay Anand, Managing Director of Helios Terminal added: "Our business model will continue to remain focused on three core elements - increasing control over operational logistics to turn expenses into assets, developing our product portfolio in line with customer demand and taking this approach into new and profitable markets. Investing in the Helios Terminal embodies this approach. By owning our terminal and barges, we are able to control every aspect of delivery across our bunkering and ex-wharf businesses providing our customers with a specialized, efficient and reliable service. We can enjoy the flexibility to store cleaner fuels as market demand dictates and use all of these capabilities to strengthen our foothold in the world's largest marine fuels location. Furthermore, through the ownership of our assets we are able to benefit from generating additional returns by leasing out available capacity to major players such as Petrobras."

Odilia Dauzacker, Managing Director of Petrobras Singapore also commented: "We are delighted to embark on this agreement with Chemoil. Having access to such a state-of-the-art facility like Helios will provide us with greater advantages to fulfill our own growth objectives. Petrobras has had a good relationship with Chemoil for a number of years and looks forward to working with them going forward."

With 18 fuel tanks, comprising an aggregated capacity of 448,000 cubic meters, the Helios facility is Chemoil's largest owned terminal to date and significantly increases onshore storage capacity in Singapore. Presently, eight tanks with a combined capacity of 328,000m³ are in operation. The remaining tanks are due to be in use by the end of February 2008. Collectively the facility has the ability to store RMG, RMK, MGO and MDO grade fuels. Combined with its berthing capabilities and advanced operations for all fuel transfers, the operations enable Chemoil to quickly turnaround deliveries to larger vessels, therefore improving service, reducing demurrage and boosting volumes. This includes the ability to berth up to two Suezmaxes or six 10,000dwt tankers at a time on the terminal's finger pier and access to a nearby VLCC jetty with the functional capability to empty a VLCC within 24 hours is expected from March 2008. The company has also taken delivery of one newly built 7000dwt barge this month, with another to be delivered in March this year. Again, with high pumping capacities, the dedicated barges will be able to cater to large vessels. Compliant to stringent HSE policies and equipped with advanced booming capabilities, the terminal is committed to upholding the highest safety and environmental standards.

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About Chemoil

As one of the marine fuel industry's leading physical suppliers, Chemoil delivers energy through controlling all key stages of the marine fuel supply chain, providing exceptional value to its customers and maximising profitability by converting expenses to assets - acquiring, developing and controlling physical infrastructure within the supply chain. It has integrated operations in Los Angeles, New York, Houston, Singapore, Panama, United Arab Emirates and the ARA region (Antwerp, Rotterdam and Amsterdam). Established in 1981, Chemoil continually challenges industry practices and provides leadership through its progressive and innovative approach to delivering energy. With the largest share of the marine fuels market in Los Angeles and New York, Chemoil is committed to finding innovative means to delivering energy, and has been at the forefront of supplying cleaner fuels to meet customer demands in light of changing legislation to protect the environment. Chemoil was listed on the Main Board of Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (SGX-ST) on December 14, 2006 and in the same year delivered over 13 million tons of fuel. More information on Chemoil is available at www.chemoil.com

About Petrobras

Petrobras is Brazil's largest energy company and is divided into four business areas: Exploration and Production, Downstream, Gas & Energy and International, plus two support functions: Finance and Services, plus further support functions. It is now present in 27 countries, among which Angola, Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Equatorial Guinea, Iran, Jordan, Libya, Mexico, Mozambique, Nigeria, Pakistan, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, Senegal, Tanzania, Turkey, United States, Uruguay, and Venezuela, in addition to back-up support provided by our offices in Beijing, Chile, Singapore, Houston, London, New York, and Tokyo. Associated to 71 oil companies, Petrobras is the operator of 170 of the 357 blocks it participates in. In December 2007, Petroleum Intelligence Weekly ranked Petrobras the 8th biggest oil company in the world with shares traded in stock exchanges. In the overall ranking, which evaluated 125 companies, Petrobras is the world's 15th biggest.

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