



#### JOINT NEWS RELEASE

# PSA MARINE QALHAT ACHIEVES 100% OMANISATION FOR ITS TEAM OF MARINE CREW IN SUR, SULTANATE OF OMAN

**Sur, Sultanate of Oman, 19 January 2018** -- PSA Marine Qalhat SAOC ("PSA Marine Qalhat"), a joint venture company formed between PSA Marine (Pte) Ltd ("PSA Marine") and Golden Dunes International LLC ("GDI"), is proud to announce that it has achieved 100% Omanisation for its team of 51 marine crew since January 2018, a feat that is only made possible as a result of deliberate efforts taken by the PSA Marine Qalhat management in training and developing the local workforce in Oman. Omanisation is a program initiated by the Government of Oman to help nationalise the workforce.

In January 2015, PSA Marine Qalhat commenced its terminal towage operations at the Oman LNG LLC ("OLNG") with a fleet of four modern and sophisticated ASD tugs and with about half of its marine crew comprising of Omanis. Following a comprehensive upgrading and upskilling program to train the Omanis as well as partnership with and support from OLNG, PSA Marine Qalhat attained 100% Omanisation for its team of marine crew within three years of commencing operations.

Capt. Gunalan Letchumanan, General Manager of PSA Marine Qalhat, said, "I am thankful to have alongside me a team of committed and motivated staff. Together with the partnership with and support from Oman LNG, PSA Marine Qalhat has accomplished 100% Omanisation of our marine crew. This achievement demonstrates PSA Marine Qalhat's commitment in transferring knowledge to the local community and enhancing the In-Country Value in Oman."

Captain Russell Turnbull, Oman LNG's Marine Services Manager said, "On behalf of Oman LNG Management and the Marine Operations Team, we are proud to celebrate this great milestone with PSA Marine Qalhat. This demonstrates how working closely alongside our business partners we can achieve great results which sends a positive message to the wider community and to Oman as a whole. We would like to thank the Omani tug boat officers and crew for their significant efforts and continued enthusiasm being performed by true professionals to move world-class operations forward reliably and safely."

# Background

#### **About PSA Marine**

PSA Marine, a wholly-owned subsidiary of PSA International Pte Ltd, is a leading harbour and terminal towage operator, and pilotage services provider. PSA Marine owns and operates more than 60 tugs in China, Hong Kong, India, Oman and Southeast Asia with flagship operations in Singapore. Please visit us at <a href="https://www.psamarine.com">www.psamarine.com</a>.

#### About PSA Marine Qalhat

PSA Marine Qalhat is a joint venture company set up by three companies, PSA Marine's subsidiary - PSA Marine Middle East, Golden Dunes International and Golden Dunes Investment. PSA Marine Qalhat's core business is to provide towage services and it provides terminal towage services to OLNG in Sur, Oman since January 2015.

PSA Marine and its group of companies have an excellent track record of providing towage services to LNG terminals and are the preferred marine services partner for LNG terminals. Besides Oman LNG at Sur, PSA Marine also provides towage services to the Singapore LNG terminal in Jurong Island and is slated to commence support vessel services (which include towage services) to the Summit LNG terminal in Bangladesh off Moheskhali, Cox's Bazar in early 2019.

#### **About Oman LNG**

Oman Liquefied Natural Gas LLC ("Oman LNG") is a joint venture established by a Royal Decree in 1994 operating under the laws of the Sultanate of Oman. The company engages in the business of producing and selling liquefied natural gas (LNG), and its by-product, natural gas liquids ("NGLs"). It undertakes project operations and related activities essential to liquefy, store, transport and market Oman's natural gas and deliver LNG to customers. The company operates three liquefaction trains at its plant in Qalhat, South Sharqiyah Governorate.

Oman LNG has an ambitious vision and dedication towards Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) delivered through the Oman LNG Development Foundation. The Foundation addresses four key pillars of sustainable social development; 1) Corporate Social Responsibility delivered through, a Community Fund targeting initiatives related to the Sur Community where its world-class, three-train liquefaction plant is located, a National Fund that covers a large swath of the company's social development programmes across the nation, and a Reserve Fund to provide continuity to ensure financial sustainability for current and future CSR projects/programmes; 2) Delivering value for Oman LNG by enhancing the brand and managing reputation; 3) Securing the future through collaborations and investments to collectively build self-sustaining organisations, businesses and/or institutions while simultaneously fulfilling the needs and demands of the society; and finally, 4) Centre of Excellence enabling others to develop CSR initiatives through partnerships, knowledge sharing, funding and investment.

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