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MEWAH INTERNATIONAL INC.

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NEWS RELEASE : FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE 2ND QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

MEWAH REPORTS US\$1.1 MILLION PROFIT FOR THE QUARTER

- *Group achieved improved sales volume on YOY as well as on QOQ basis*
- *Despite challenging operating conditions, Group's margins remained resilient.*
- *Balance sheet remained strong with low net debt to equity ratio of 0.41.*

Results Highlights

	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Change (YOY)	Q1 2015	Change (QOQ)	H1 2015	H1 2014	Change
Sales volume (MT'000)	965.4	944.6	2.2%	931.6	3.6%	1,897.0	1,860.1	2.0%
Revenue (US\$million)	695.2	865.3	-19.7%	692.6	0.4%	1,387.9	1,679.7	-17.4%
Operating margin (US\$million)	23.7	13.1	81.0%	24.3	-2.5%	47.9	36.2	32.3%
Operating margin per MT (US\$)	24.5	13.8	77.5%	26.0	-5.8%	25.3	19.4	30.4%
Profit / (loss) before tax (US\$million)	1.4	(9.0)	n.m.	2.8	-50.0%	4.3	(7.8)	n.m.
Net profit / (loss) * (US\$million)	1.1	(8.2)	n.m.	2.2	-50.0%	3.3	(7.2)	n.m.

* Profit after tax attributable to equity holders of the Company

Singapore, August 11, 2015 – Mainboard-listed **Mewah International Inc.** (“Mewah”, “the Group” or “the Company”), an integrated agri-business group that is one of the largest palm oil processors in the world by capacity, today announced financial results for its second quarter and half year ended 30 June 2015.

For the quarter, the Group reported net profit of US\$1.1 million compared to a loss in the corresponding quarter last year. For the first half of 2015 (H1 2015), net profit stood at US\$3.3 million compared to a loss of US\$7.2 million last year.

Sales volume for the quarter increased by 2.2% to 965,400 metric tonne (“MT”) registering an increase of 2.0% to 1,897,000 MT for H1 2015. However due to lower average selling prices, revenue declined by 19.7% and 17.4% to US\$695.2 million and US\$1,387.9 million for the quarter and for H1 2015 respectively.

Higher sales volumes coupled with better operating margin of US\$24.5 per MT compared to US\$13.8 per MT last year helped the Group to improve total operating margin from US\$13.1 million to US\$23.7 million for the quarter. For H1 2015, improved operating margin of US\$ 25.3 per MT compared to US\$ 19.4 per MT last year resulted in total operating margin improving from US\$36.2 million to US\$47.9 million, an increase of 32.5%.

However, on a quarter on quarter basis, Group's net profit declined due to weaker operating margins for the quarter compared to previous quarter. Though the Group achieved higher sales volumes for the quarter duly supported by seasonal demand, margins remained under pressure. The Company mentioned in its results announcement, "Crude Palm Oil ("CPO") continued to trade at depressed prices. Operating margins, particularly for the refiners, remained under pressure during the quarter. After a weak start at the beginning of the year, the Group witnessed some revival in demand from buyers at destination markets, ahead of Ramadan, especially for the Consumer Pack segment."

Segmental Performance

Bulk segment

	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Change	Q1 2015	Change	H1 2015	H1 2014	Change
Sales volume (MT'000)	712.7	673.7	5.8%	725.4	-1.8%	1,438.1	1,338.0	7.5%
Revenue (US\$'million)	487.9	606.0	-19.5%	512.3	-4.8%	1,000.2	1,177.5	-15.1%
Average selling prices (US\$)	684.6	899.5	-23.9%	706.2	-3.1%	695.5	880.0	-21.0%
Operating margin (US\$'million)	10.4	1.5	593.3%	14.4	-27.8%	24.8	11.9	108.4%
Operating margin per MT (US\$)	14.6	2.2	563.6%	19.9	-26.6%	17.2	8.9	93.3%

For Bulk segment, sales volume of 712,700 MT for the quarter was 5.8% higher than corresponding quarter last year but 1.8% lower than last quarter. Lower average selling prices for the quarter resulted in decreased revenue of US\$487.9 million, a drop of 19.5% from last year and 4.8% from last quarter. For H1 2015, Group achieved a growth of 7.5% in sales volume to 1,438,100 MT but a larger drop in average selling prices resulted in revenue decreasing by 15.1% to US\$1,000.2 million from US\$1,177.5 million last year.

Higher sales volume supported by higher operating margin of US\$14.6 per MT compared to US\$2.2 per MT last year helped the Group to achieve total operating margin of US\$10.4 million for the quarter compared to US\$1.5 million last year. However on QOQ basis, total operating margin declined due to weaker sales volume as well as weaker margins per MT. For H1 2015, the Group achieved improved operating margin of US\$17.2 per MT compared to US\$8.9 per MT last year helping the Group to achieve total operating margin of US\$24.8 million compared to US\$11.9 million last year.

The segment contributed 73.8% of total sales volume, 70.2% of total revenue and 43.9% of total operating margin of the Group for the quarter. For the half year, the segment's contributions were 75.8%, 72.1% and 51.8% respectively.

Consumer Pack segment

	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Change	Q1 2015	Change	H1 2015	H1 2014	Change
Sales volume (MT'000)	252.7	270.9	-6.7%	206.2	22.6%	458.9	522.1	-12.1%
Revenue (US\$'million)	207.3	259.3	-20.1%	180.3	15.0%	387.7	502.2	-22.8%
Average selling prices (US\$)	820.3	957.2	-14.3%	874.4	-6.2%	844.8	961.9	-12.2%
Operating margin (US\$'million)	13.3	11.6	14.7%	9.9	34.3%	23.1	24.3	-4.9%
Operating margin per MT (US\$)	52.6	42.8	22.9%	48.0	9.6%	50.3	46.5	8.2%

For Consumer Pack segment, sales volume of 252,700 MT for the quarter was 6.7% lower than last year. Lower sales volume coupled with lower average selling prices resulted in revenue declining by 20.1% to US\$207.3 million. However on QOQ basis, revenue increased by 15.0% on the back of 22.6% higher sales volumes despite a drop in the average selling prices. For the first half of the year, sales volume of 458,900 MT and revenue of US\$387.7 million remained 12.1% and 22.8% lower than last year, respectively.

The segment achieved healthy operating margin of US\$52.6 per MT compared to US\$42.8 last year and US\$48.0 last quarter. As a result, the segment's total operating margin improved to US\$13.3 million from US\$11.6 million last year, and from US\$9.9 million last quarter. For the half year, despite higher operating margin of US\$50.3 per MT compared to US\$46.5 last year, lower sales volumes dragged total operating margin to US\$23.1 million from US\$24.3 million last year.

The segment contributed 26.2% of total sales volume, 29.8% of total revenue and 56.1% of total operating margin of the Group for the quarter. For the half year, the segment's contributions were 24.2%, 27.9% and 48.2% respectively.

Balance Sheet

The Group's balance sheet remained strong with debt to equity ratio of 0.53 or net debt to equity ratio of 0.41.

The Group continued to maintain operational efficiency and sustained a short cycle time of 48 days. (inventories days add trade receivables days less trade payables days)

Future Outlook

The company noted in its results announcement, "Operating conditions remain tough with excess refining capacity in the industry. Destination buyers are also being cautious in storing inventories or taking longer term commitments resulting in pressure on the refiners amidst uncertainty in the global market conditions and weak industry outlook. The Group will continue to operate cautiously, participate selectively in the trade flows and remain focused on the operational efficiencies during this challenging commodity cycle."

About Mewah International Inc.

Mewah International Inc. (“Mewah” or the “Group”) is an integrated agri-business focused on edible oils and fats. One of the largest palm oil processors in the world by capacity, Mewah produces a wide range of refined and fractionated vegetable oils and fats principally from palm oil. It also produces oils and fats from lauric oils, such as palm kernel oil and coconut oil; and from soft oils, such as soybean oil, canola oil, sunflower seed oil and corn oil. Featuring integrated operations throughout the edible oils and fats value chain, from sourcing and processing of raw materials to packing, branding, merchandising, shipping and distribution of the products, Mewah’s products are sold to customers in more than 100 countries, duly supported by its wide range of brands including long established and well recognized Oki and Moi brands.

The Group’s business consists of two business segments namely the Bulk segment and Consumer Pack segment. The Bulk segment produces and sells vegetable-based edible oil and fat products, in bulk form primarily to distributors and factories involved in the production of confectionery, bakery products and other food items. The Consumer Pack segment produces vegetable-based edible oil and fat products, in the form of consumer packs and sells under Group’s own brands and under the brands of third parties, primarily to importers and distributors at destination markets. The specialty fats and confectionary oils are sold primarily to distributors, and factories involved in the production of confectionery, bakery products and other food items. Besides edible oil and fat products, the Group also sells rice and dairy products in consumer pack form under its own brands.

Mewah Group has been in operation since the 1950s. Today, Mewah has grown to be one of the largest edible oils and fats businesses with a current total refining capacity of 10,000 MT a day or 3.5 million MT annually. Mewah currently has four refineries and processing plants, two packing plants, a biodiesel plant and a dairy manufacturing facility in Malaysia and one packing plant in Singapore.

Mewah was listed on the Mainboard of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited on November 24, 2010.

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