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**HLN FURTHER STREAMLINES BUSINESS PORTFOLIO WITH  
PROPOSED SALE OF METALLIC BUSINESS IN THE PRC**

- Proposing to dispose its 99% stake in HLN Metal to Soon Lian Holdings Limited, a publicly-listed company in Singapore, for S\$2.15 million
- Proposed disposal in line with the shift in business direction to property development in the PRC
- HLN foresees a gradual transition of its current business portfolio to achieve long-term objective of enhancing shareholder value

**Singapore, 24 May 2011** – Mainboard-listed **HLN Technologies Limited** (“**HLN**” and together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) today proposed to dispose its 99% interests in HLN Metal Centre Pte. Ltd. (“**HLN Metal**”) to Soon Lian Holdings Limited for a total consideration of S\$2.15 million (“**Proposed Disposal**”).

HLN Metal is primarily engaged in the business of precision machining and sawing of aluminium products. It operates in the People's Republic of China (“**PRC**”) through two wholly-owned subsidiaries, HLN Metal (Shenzhen) Co., Ltd. and HLN Metal (Suzhou) Co., Ltd. (“**metallic business**”).

The Proposed Disposal is in line with HLN's business reorganisation strategy to enhance shareholder value. In 2008, HLN Metal disposed certain assets as part of its plan to re-align the Group's metallic business division. Last year, HLN announced plans to tap the growth of the PRC property market through the acquisition of an effective stake of 15.16% in a top-end property developer in Tianjin.

Said **Mr Jeff Cheong, CEO of HLN**, “In recent years, we have been evaluating various plans to reorganise HLN's businesses including exploring new business avenues, with the aim of improving shareholder value in the long term. To this end, we have identified property development in the PRC as a potential long-term growth path. Earlier this month, we successfully completed our acquisition of a PRC property developer which will enable the Group to benefit from a new source of earnings.

In view of this shift in our business direction, and the more competitive environment for our metallic business in the PRC, we have decided to sell HLN Metal and unlock the value of our assets for re-investment in other growth areas and for working capital.”

HLN foresees a gradual shift in its business portfolio as it continues to monitor and evaluate the prospects of the property development business and build internal capabilities in this area. This business transition is expected to take place over a period of time and will be subject to the performance of the property development business, opportunities for existing manufacturing business units, and potential returns from other feasible investments.

The Proposed Disposal is expected to be completed on 28 July 2011. As the Proposed Disposal constitutes a Major Transaction, the Company will despatch a circular in relation to the Proposed Disposal, together with a notice of the extraordinary general meeting to be convened, to shareholders in due course.

*This news release is to be read in conjunction with the Group's announcement posted on the SGX website on 24 May 2011.*

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**About HLN Technologies Limited**

With roots dating back to the 1970s, HLN Technologies Limited ("HLN") is primarily involved in the manufacture and sale of a wide range of customised precision metallic, elastomeric and polymeric components, which are used by a variety of industries principally in the office automation, consumer electronics and automotive industries.

To be a one-stop solutions provider for integrated mechanical components, HLN Tech has developed strong production capabilities including in-house material formulation and compounding to produce key raw materials, precision molding of elastomeric components, polymeric die-cutting, as well as customised machining and sawing of metallic material.

HLN is currently exploring opportunities to strengthen its existing business portfolio and build a broader earnings base. In May 2011, the Group acquired an effective 15.16% stake in Tianjin Swan Lake Real Estate Development Co., Ltd, a top-end property developer in Wuqing district, Tianjin, the PRC.

HLN is listed on the SGX-ST Main Board.

For further information on HLN Technologies Limited, please visit the Group's website at [www.hlnotech.com](http://www.hlnotech.com)