



# News Release

## PYI Shareholders Fully Support the Acquisition of Further Interests in Nantong Port Group

(5 January 2008, Hong Kong) – Bulk cargo port and infrastructure group **PYI Corporation Limited** (“PYI”) (0498.HK) has been granted a mandate by shareholders to proceed with the acquisition, through a public tendering or exercise its pre-emption right, of a maximum of 12.32% equity interest in Nantong Port Group Limited, which is currently held by SDIC Communications Co. PYI currently holds a 45% equity interest in Nantong Port Group.

PYI has been notified by SDIC Communications Co. of its intention to dispose its entire 12.32% equity interest in Nantong Port Group. PYI can participate in the public tendering process or, as a shareholder of Nantong Port Group, exercise its pre-emption right to match the price of the highest bidder in order to acquire the relevant interest whether in whole or in part.

At the special general meeting held on 4 January, 100% of the shareholders in attendance (representing 1,000,995,524 shares) voted for the resolution to grant a 12-month mandate with a cap price of RMB1,000 million to the Board to proceed with the acquisition.

**Dr. Joseph Chow, Chairman of PYI**, said, “We are pleased that our shareholders fully support this important move in implementing our Yangtze Strategy and building up our critical mass along the Yangtze River.”

**Mr. Tom Lau, Managing Director of PYI**, said, “With this shareholders’ mandate granted, we are now ready to ride on the unique opportunity at anytime the public tender is called. We will ensure that the acquisition will be completed at an optimal price. The Nantong Port Group accounts will be consolidated if we lift the stake to above 50%.”

The following is a summary of the audited consolidated financial results of Nantong Port Group (in RMB):

	<i>9 months ended</i> <i>30/9/2007</i>	<i>Year ended</i> <i>31/12/2006</i>	<i>Year ended</i> <i>31/12/2005</i>
● Turnover	493.8m	530.1m	524.2m
● Profit/(loss) before tax	66.6m	54.3m	(356.3m)
● Profit/(loss) after tax	66.3m	54.0m	(383.8m)

For the six months ended 30 September 2007, Nantong Port Group contributed about HK\$20 million to the Group’s net profit.

For detail of this resolution, please refer to the full text of the SGM Notice, click [here](#).

For full detail of our official announcement, please click [here](#).

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**Notes to editors:**

**About PYI Corporation Limited (0498.HK)**

Based in Hong Kong, PYI Corporation Limited focuses on infrastructure investment in and the operation of bulk cargo port and logistics facilities in the Yangtze River region in China. It also engages in land and property development in association with port facilities. In addition, PYI provides comprehensive engineering and property-related services through Paul Y. Engineering Group Limited (0577.HK). Please visit the official website at [www.pyicorp.com](http://www.pyicorp.com).

**About Nantong Port (Nantong Port Group – 45%-owned)**

Nantong Port is a major river port in the Yangtze Delta and one of China's category-one national ports open to foreign trade and an important hub port of the country. Nantong Port provides easy access to the Yangtze region by road and waterway and is an ideal hub port for cargo trans-shipment. Cargo throughput underwent double digit growth to over 50 million tons in 2007. Please visit the official website at [www.ntport.com.cn](http://www.ntport.com.cn).