NOTICE OF BOOKS CLOSURE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Share Transfer Books and Register of Members of Venture Corporation Limited (the "Company") will be closed on 10 May 2004 for the purpose of determining Members' entitlements to the final and bonus dividends to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held on 30 April 2004.

The proposed dividends (comprising a final tax-exempt dividend of 25% and a bonus dividend of 50% less income tax), if approved at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 30 April 2004, will be paid on 19 May 2004.

Duly completed registrable transfers of the shares in the Company (the "Shares") received up to the close of business at 5.00 p.m. on 7 May 2004 by the Company's Share Registrar, M&C Services Private Limited, 138 Robinson Road, #17-00, The Corporate Office, Singapore 068906 will be registered to determine shareholders' entitlements to such dividends. Subject to the aforesaid, Members whose Securities Accounts with The Central Depository (Pte) Limited are credited with shares as at 5.00 p.m. on 7 May 2004 will be entitled to the proposed dividends.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Yvonne Choo Tan Lay Hong Company Secretaries

Singapore, 5 April 2004