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(the "Company")**

Dividend Currency Election

An announcement was made on 25 October 2024 regarding the dividend to be paid on 29 November 2024 and the option for shareholders to elect to receive this in sterling rather than US dollars.

The dividend rate per share to be used to pay shareholders who elected to receive their dividend in sterling will be 1.566048 pence per share (2 US cents per share converted into sterling using a USD/GBP rate of 1.2771).

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About the Company

Taylor Maritime Investments Limited is an internally managed investment company listed under the closed-ended investment funds category of the FCA's UK Listing Rules sourcebook (previously the Premium Segment of the Official List), with its shares trading on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange since May 2021. The Company specializes in the acquisition and chartering of vessels in the Handysize and Supra/Ultramax bulk carrier segments of the global shipping sector. The Company invests in a diversified portfolio of vessels which are primarily second-hand and Japanese built.

The Company acquired a controlling stake in Grindrod Shipping Holdings Limited ("Grindrod") in December 2022 and, following a Selective Capital Reduction which took effect on 16 August 2024, Grindrod became a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company and was delisted from each of Nasdaq and the JSE. As a result, the Company, through its subsidiaries, currently has an owned fleet of 32 dry bulk vessels, including vessels held for sale, consisting of 24 Handysize vessels and eight Supra/Ultramax vessels. The Company also has six vessels in its chartered in fleet with purchase options on two. The ships are employed utilising a variety of employment/charter strategies.

The Company's target dividend policy is 8 cents p.a. paid on a quarterly basis, with a targeted total NAV return of 10-12% per annum over the medium to long-term.

The Company has the benefit of an experienced Executive Team led by Edward Buttery and who previously worked closely together at Taylor Maritime. Taylor Maritime was established in 2014 as a privately owned ship-owning and management business with a seasoned team including the founders of dry bulk shipping company Pacific Basin Shipping (listed in Hong Kong 2343.HK) and gas shipping company BW Epic Kosan (formerly Epic Shipping). The commercial and technical management arms of Taylor Maritime were acquired by Grindrod in October 2023.

For more information, please visit www.taylormaritimeinvestments.com.

About Geared Vessels

Geared vessels are characterised by their own cargo loading and discharging equipment. The Handysize and Supra/Ultramax market segments are particularly attractive, given the flexibility, versatility and port accessibility of these vessels which carry necessity goods - principally food and products related to infrastructure building - ensuring broad diversification of fleet activity and stability of earnings through the cycle.

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