

SAH PETROLEUMS LIMITED

This public announcement ("PA") is being issued by Kotak Mahindra Capital Company Limited ("Manager to the Offer"), on behalf of NAF India Holdings Ltd ("Acquirer") along with Navis Lube Holdings Private Limited, Navis Asia Fund V LP, Navis Asia Fund V (2) LP, Navis Asia Fund V - E LP, Navis Asia Fund V GP LP and Navis Asia Fund V GP Limited hereinafter referred to as persons acting in concert ("PACs"), pursuant to and in compliance with, among others, regulation 10 and regulation 12 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 1997 and subsequent amendments thereto ("Regulations").

The Offer

1. NAF India Holdings Ltd is the Acquirer, and Navis Lube Holdings Private Limited, Navis Asia Fund V LP, Navis Asia Fund V (2) LP, Navis Asia Fund V - E LP, Navis Asia Fund V GP LP and Navis Asia Fund V GP Limited are PACs for the purpose of this Offer.

2. As of the date of this PA, the issued and fully paid-up equity share capital of Sah Petroleums Limited ("Target Company" or "SPL") consists of 3,20,00,000 (Three Crores Twenty Lacs only) fully paid-up equity shares ("Current Share Capital") of face value of Rs.5/- each ("Share(s)"). The promoters of the Target Company are Rajendra Sah, Aditya Sah, Vivek Sah, their family members, and entities owned and controlled by them ("Promoters"). As of the date of this PA, the Promoters together hold 1,74,30,292 (One Crore Seventy Four Lacs, Thirty Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety Two only) Shares of SPL constituting 54.47% of the Current Share Capital of the Target Company.

3. The Acquirer has on October 17, 2008 executed a Share Subscription- Cum- Share Purchase-Cum-Shareholders Agreement ("SSPSA") with SPL and its Promoters. As per the SSPSA,

- the Acquirer would be allotted by the way of a preferential allotment 1,20,00,000 (One Crore Twenty Lacs only) Shares in SPL representing 27.27% of the equity share capital of the Target Company post preferential allotment ("Diluted Share Capital") at a price of Rs.26.65 (Rupees Twenty Six and Sixty Five Paise only) per Share to be paid in cash and
- the Acquirer would purchase from the Promoters of SPL, 65,00,000 (Sixty Five Lacs only) Shares representing 14.77% of Diluted Share Capital at a price of Rs.48.50 (Rupees Forty Eight and Fifty Paise only) per Share to be paid in cash.

The above proposed events are hereinafter referred to as the "Transaction". Pursuant to completion of the Transaction, the Promoters shall hold 1,09,30,292 (One Crore Nine Lacs Thirty Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety Two only) Shares comprising 24.84% of the Diluted Share Capital of SPL.

4. This open offer ("Offer") is being made by the Acquirer in compliance with regulations 10 and 12 of the Regulations triggered by an agreement to acquire more than 15% of Shares of the Target Company accompanied with a proposal of change of control of the Target Company.

5. Pursuant to this Offer, the Acquirer proposes to acquire 88,00,000 (Eighty Eight Lacs only) Shares of the Target Company ("Offer Size") representing 27.50% of the Current Share Capital (20% of the Diluted Share Capital) of the Target Company, at a price of Rs.48.50 (Rupees Forty Eight and Fifty Paise only) for each Share of the Target Company ("Offer Price"), to be paid in cash in accordance with the Regulations. There are no partly paid-up equity shares of the Target Company. This Offer is not subject to any minimum level of acceptance.

6. The Shares of the Target Company are listed on the Bombay Stock Exchange ("BSE") and National Stock Exchange ("NSE") and are frequently traded on both exchanges. The annualised trading turnover based on the trading volume in the Shares of the Target Company on each of the above mentioned stock exchanges during April 2008 to September 2008 (6 (Six) calendar months preceding the month in which this PA is issued) is as under:

Name of Stock Exchange(s)	Total no. of Shares traded during the 6 (six) calendar months prior to the month in which PA is made	Total no. of listed Shares	Annualised trading turnover (as a % to total listed Shares)
BSE	56,10,417	3,20,00,000	35.07%
NSE	70,84,126	3,20,00,000	44.28%

Source: BSE and NSE websites

Based on the information available, the Shares of the Target Company are frequently traded; and are most frequently traded on the NSE within the meaning of explanation (i) to regulation 20 (5) of the Regulations.

7. None of the Acquirer, PACs or any of its directors has acquired nor has been allotted any Shares of the Target Company in the 12 (Twelve) months prior to the date of this PA.

8. Based on the parameters set out in the Regulations for frequently traded stocks, as per the date of this PA, the Offer Price is justified in view of the following:

Particulars	Price (in Rs. per Share)
The average of the high and low of the closing prices for every week for the last 26-weeks prior to the date of the PA on NSE	Rs.14.77
The average of the daily high and low of the intra-day trading prices for the last 2-weeks prior to the date of the PA on NSE	Rs.10.51
The negotiated price	Rs.48.50
The highest price paid by the Acquirer or persons acting in concert with them for acquisition, if any, including by way of allotment in a public or rights or preferential issue during the last 26 weeks	NA

- The Offer Price of Rs.48.50 (Rupees Forty Eight and Fifty Paise only) being the highest of the above is justified in terms of regulation 20(4) of the Regulations.
- The Acquirer is permitted to revise the Offer Price upward up to 7 (seven) working days prior to the date of closure of the Offer. In the event of such a revision, an announcement would be made in the same newspapers in which this PA has appeared and the revised Offer Price would be paid for all Shares accepted under the Offer.

c. While the Promoters have entered into a non-complete arrangement with the Acquirer the consideration payable to them is a composite consideration and no specific or additional consideration has been paid to the Promoters for the non-complete arrangement.

9. As on the date of this PA, the Acquirer and the PACs do not hold any Shares in the Target Company.

10. As on the date of this PA, Kotak Mahindra Capital Company Limited, the Manager to the Offer, does not hold any Shares of the Target Company.

11. This is not a competitive bid.

Information about the Acquirer and the PACs

NAF India Holdings Ltd – Acquirer

12. NAF India Holdings Private Limited ("NAF India") is a private company incorporated on January 9, 2007, under the laws of Republic of Mauritius. The address of NAF India is 608 St. James Court, St Denis Street, Port Louis, Mauritius. Tel.: +230 210 9000, Fax: +230 210 9001.

13. NAF India is a wholly owned subsidiary of Navis Lube Holdings Private Limited and is managed and controlled by Navis Asia Fund V, GP LP. NAF India is a part of the Navis Group.

14. As on October 13, 2008 the allotted, called-up and fully paid-up share capital of NAF India consists of 2 (Two) ordinary shares of US\$ 1 (Rs 48.86) each. Navis Lube Holdings Private Limited owns 100% of NAF India.

15. The shares of NAF India are unlisted.

16. The financial details of NAF India since inception till date are as follows:

	Jan 1, 2008 – Oct 13, 2008 ^{^A}		Jan 9, 2007- Dec 31, 2007 ^A	
	USD ('000)	Rs. Lacs	USD ('000)	Rs. Lacs
Total Income	-	-	-	-
Profit after Tax	-	-	-	-
Equity Share Capital	0.002	0.001	0.002	0.001
Reserves and Surplus (Excluding Revaluation Reserves)	-	-	-	-
Networth	0.002	0.001	0.002	0.001
Earnings per Share	-	-	-	-
Book value per Share*	1.0	48.86	1.0	48.86
Return on Networth (%)**	-	-	-	-

^A based on audited financials

^{^A} based on limited review of financials

Note: Exchange rate used is the RBI Reference Rate as on October 16, 2008 i.e. USD 1 = Rs 48.86 (Source: www.rbi.org.in)

*Book Value per share calculated as the Networth / Number of outstanding shares as at end of the year

**Return on Networth calculated as Profit after Tax / Networth as at the end of the year

17. The primary business of NAF India Holdings Ltd is to act as an investment vehicle for investments made by Navis Asia Fund V GP LP.

Navis Lube Holdings Private Limited – PAC

18. Navis Lube Holdings Private Limited ("Navis Lube Holdings") is a private company incorporated on October 10, 2008 under the laws of Republic of Mauritius. The address of Navis Lube Holdings is 608 St. James Court, St Denis Street, Port Louis, Mauritius. Tel: +230 210 9000; Fax: +230 210 9001.

19. Navis Lube Holdings is a part of the Navis Group.

20. Navis Lube Holdings is owned by Navis Asia Fund V LP (holds 97.2%), Navis Asia Fund V (2) LP (holds 2.7%) and Navis Asia Fund V-E LP (holds 0.1%) and is managed and controlled by Navis Asia Fund V GP LP.

21. As on October 16, 2008, the allotted, called-up and fully paid-up share capital of Navis Lube Holdings consists of 1000 ordinary shares of US\$ 1 each (Rs.48.86).

22. The shares of Navis Lube Holdings are unlisted.

23. Since Navis Lube Holdings was incorporated only on October 10, 2008 and its financial year end is December 31, 2008, no audited accounts are available for the Acquirer.

24. The primary business of Navis Lube Holdings is to act as an investment vehicle for investments made by Navis Asia Fund V GP LP.

Navis Asia Fund V LP – PAC

25. Navis Asia Fund V LP ("NAF V LP") is a limited partnership formed in Cayman Islands on January 12, 2007 under Exempted Limited Partnership Law, 1991. The address of NAF V LP is M&C Corporate Services Limited, PO Box 309GT, Ugland House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, British West Indies. Tel: +1 345 949 8066; Fax: +1 345 949 8080.

26. NAF V LP is a private equity fund that is controlled by Navis Asia Fund V GP LP.

27. The financial details of NAF V LP since inception till date are as follows:

	Period Ended June 30, 2008 ^{^A}		Year ended Dec 31, 2007 ^A	
	USD ('000)	Rs. Lacs	USD ('000)	Rs. Lacs
Total Income	370	181	981	479
Profit after Tax	(6,492)	(3,172)	(18,759)	(9,166)
Partner's Capital	407,408	199,059	326,447	159,502
Reserves and Surplus (Excluding Revaluation Reserves)	(25,251)	(12,338)	(18,759)	(9,166)
Networth	382,157	186,722	307,688	150,336
Return on Networth (%)**	(1.7%)		(6.1%)	

^A based on audited financials

^{^A} based on limited review of financials

Note: Exchange rate used is the RBI Reference Rate as on October 16, 2008 i.e. USD 1 = Rs 48.86 (Source: www.rbi.org.in)

**Return on Networth calculated as Profit after Tax / Networth as at the end of the year

28. The primary business of NAF V LP is to make equity & equity related investments in Asia, with a specific focus on South & South East Asia.

Navis Asia Fund V (2) LP – PAC

29. Navis Asia Fund V (2) LP ("NAF V (2) LP") is a limited partnership formed on January 25, 2007 in the Cayman Islands under the Exempted Limited Partnership Law, 1991. The address of NAF V (2) LP is M&C Corporate Services Limited, PO Box 309GT, Ugland House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, British West Indies. Tel: +1 345 949 8066; Fax: +1 345 949 8080.

30. NAF V (2) LP is a private equity fund that is controlled by Navis Asia Fund V GP LP.

31. The financial details of NAF V (2) LP since inception till date are as follows:

	Period ended June 30, 2008 ^{^A}		Year ended Dec 31, 2007 ^A	
	USD ('000)	Rs. Lacs	USD ('000)	Rs. Lacs
Total income	10	5	58	28
Profit after Tax	(178)	(87)	(487)	(238)
Partner's Capital	11,213	5,479	8,866	4,332
Reserves and Surplus (Excluding Revaluation Reserves)	(665)	(325)	(487)	(238)
Networth	10,548	5,154	8,379	4,094
Return on Networth (%)**	(1.7%)		(5.8%)	

^A based on audited financials

^{^A} based on limited review of financials

Note: Exchange rate used is the RBI Reference Rate as on October 16, 2008 i.e. USD 1 = Rs 48.86 (Source: www.rbi.org.in)

**Return on Networth calculated as Profit after Tax / Networth as at the end of the year.

32. The primary business of NAF V (2) LP is to make equity & equity related investments in Asia Pacific, with a specific focus on South & South East Asia.

Navis Asia Fund V - Employees LP - PAC

33. Navis Asia Fund V - Employees LP ("NAF V - E LP") is a limited partnership formed on March 20, 2007 in the Cayman Islands under the Exempted Limited Partnership Law, 1991. The address of NAF V-E LP is M&C Corporate Services Limited, PO Box 309GT, Ugland House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, British West Indies. Tel: +1 345 949 8066; Fax: +1 345 949 8080.

34. NAF V-E LP is a private equity fund that is controlled by Navis Asia Fund V GP LP.

35. The financial details of NAF V-E LP since inception till date are as follows:

	Period ended June 30, 2008 ^{^A}		Year ended Dec 31, 2007 ^A	
	USD ('000)	Rs. Lacs	USD ('000)	Rs. Lacs
Total Income	0.6	0.3	2	1
Profit after Tax	4	2	(14)	(7)
Partner's Capital	567	277	449	219
Reserves and Surplus (Excluding Revaluation Reserves)	(10)	(5)	(14)	(7)
Networth	557	272	435	213
Return on Networth (%)**	0.6%		(3.2%)	

^A based on audited financials

^{^A} based on limited review of financials

Note: Exchange rate used is the RBI Reference Rate as on October 16, 2008 i.e. USD 1 = Rs 48.86 (Source: www.rbi.org.in)

**Return on Networth calculated as Profit after Tax / Networth as at the end of the year

36. The primary business of NAF V-E LP is to make equity & equity related investments in Asia, with a specific focus on South & South East Asia.

Navis Asia Fund V GP LP – PAC

37. Navis Asia Fund V GP LP ("NAF V GP LP") is a limited partnership formed on 12 January 2007 in the Cayman Islands under the Exempted Limited Partnership Law, 1991. The address of NAF V GP LP is M&C Corporate Services Limited, PO Box 309GT, Ugland House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, British West Indies. Tel: +1 345 949 8066; Fax: +1 345 949 8080.

38. NAF V GP LP is the general partner of and controls NAF V LP, NAF V (2) LP, and NAF V-E LP.

39. NAF V GP LP is part of the Navis Group and is controlled and managed by NAF V GP Ltd.

40. The financial details of NAF V GP LP since inception till date are as follows:

	Period ended June 30, 2008 ^{^A}		Year ended March 31, 2008 ^A		Jan 12, 2007- March 31, 2007 ^A	
	USD ('000)	Rs. Lacs	USD ('000)	Rs. Lacs	USD ('000)	Rs. Lacs
Total Income	-	-	-	2	-	-
Profit after Tax	(2)	(1)	(10)	(5)	(5)	(2)
Partner's Capital	0.002	0.001	0.002	0.001	0.002	0.001
Reserves and Surplus (Excluding Revaluation Reserves)	(171)	(83)	(207)	(101)	(5)	(2)
Networth	(171)	(83)	(207)	(101)	(5)	(2)
Return on Networth (%)**	NA	-	NA	-	NA	-

^A based on audited financials

^{^A} based on limited review of financials

Note: Exchange rate used is the RBI Reference Rate as on October 16, 2008 i.e. USD 1 = Rs 48.86 (Source: www.rbi.org.in)

**Return on Networth calculated as Profit after Tax / Networth as at the end of the year

41. The primary business of NAF V GP LP is to make equity & equity related investments in Asia Pacific, with a specific focus on South & South East Asia.

Navis Asia Fund V GP Limited – PAC

42. Navis Asia Fund V GP Limited ("NAF V GP Ltd") is a private limited company incorporated on January 12, 2007 in the Cayman Islands under the Companies Law CAP 22. The address of NAF V GP Ltd is M&C Corporate Services Limited, PO Box 309GT, Ugland House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, British West Indies. Tel: +1 345 949 8066; Fax: +1 345 949 8080.

43. NAF V GP Ltd is a part of the Navis Group, which owns 100% of NAF V GP Ltd.

44. NAF V GP Ltd is the general partner of and controls NAF V GP LP.

45. The financial details of NAF V GP Ltd are as follows:

	Period ended June 30, 2008 ^{^A}		Year ended March 31, 2008 ^A		Jan 12, 2007- March 31, 2007 ^A	
	USD ('000)	Rs. Lacs	USD ('000)	Rs. Lacs	USD ('000)	Rs. Lacs
Total Income	-	-	10	5	-	-
Profit after Tax	(1.3)	(0.6)	(9)	(4)	(5)	(2)
Equity share capital	0.10	0.05	0.10	0.05	0.10	0.05
Reserves and Surplus (Excluding Revaluation Reserves)	(15)	(8)	(14)	(7)	(5)	(2)
Networth	(15)	(7)	(14)	(7)	(5)	(2)
Earnings per share	(13)	(648)	(91)	(4,454)	(50)	(2,443)
Book Value per share*	(153)	(7,496)	(140)	(6,848)	(50)	(2,443)
Return on Networth (%)**	NA		NA		NA	

^A based on audited financials

^{^A} based on limited review of financials

Note: Exchange rate used is the RBI Reference Rate as on October 16, 2008 i.e. USD 1 = Rs 48.86

(Source: www.rbi.org.in)

*Book Value per share calculated as the Networth / Number of outstanding shares as at end of the year

**Return on Networth calculated as Profit after Tax / Networth as at the end of the year

46. The primary business of NAF V GP Ltd is to make equity & equity related investments in Asia Pacific, with a specific focus on South & South East Asia.

Overview of Navis Group

47. NAF India Holdings Ltd, Navis Lube Holdings, NAF V LP, NAF V (2) LP, NAF V-E LP, NAF V GP LP and NAF V GP Ltd are all part of the Navis Group ("Navis"). Navis was formed in 1998 to make private equity investments in buyouts, recapitalizations, and financial restructurings in Asia. Navis contributes both capital and management expertise to a limited number of well-positioned companies with the objective of directing strategic, operational and financial improvements. Navis focuses exclusively on enterprises based in Asia, particularly South and South East Asia. Navis manages several private equity funds, whose Limited Partners include a number of well-known US, European, Middle Eastern and Asian commercial and investment banks, pension funds, insurance companies, corporations, as well as a number of high net worth individuals and family offices. Navis Group has grown significantly since inception, and now is one of the largest private equity professional teams in Asia, comprising 40 (Forty) professional investment staff, supported by 20 (Twenty) administrative staff, in seven offices across the region. Navis' first investment was made in 2000. Navis manages approximately US\$2 billion in capital commitments.

Information about the Target Company

48. The Target Company was incorporated on July 6, 1983 under the Companies Act, 1956. The registered office of the Target Company is located at 406/407, Embassy Centre, Nariman Point, Mumbai – 400 021. Tel: +91-22-6630 1911, +91-22-2287 3097; Fax: +91-22-2287 5751.

49. As per the latest filings made with the NSE and BSE the total paid up equity share capital of the Target Company is Rs.16,00,00,000 (Rupees Sixteen Crores only) consisting of 3,20,00,000 Shares. There are no partly paid up Shares in the Target Company.

50. The Target Company is one of the leading manufacturers of industrial lubricants in India and manufactures a wide range of industrial and automotive lubricants, specialties, process oils etc., under the brand name of "IPOL". The manufacturing facilities of SPL are located in Vasai and Daman.

51. The Shares of the Target Company are listed on the BSE and the NSE.

52. The financial highlights of the Target Company, based on the audited consolidated financials, are as follows:

(All figures in Rupees Lacs except for per Share numbers)	3 (Three) months ended June 30, 2008 ^{^A}	12 (Twelve) months ended March 31, 2008 ^A	12 (Twelve) months ended March 31, 2007 ^A	12 (Twelve) months ended March 31, 2006 ^A
Total Income	6,107	21,426	18,522	11,606
Profit After Tax	365	1,844	1,008	800
Equity Share Capital	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600
Reserves and Surplus (Excluding Revaluation Reserves)	NA	6,758	5,297	4,391
Networth	NA	8,358	6,897	5,991
Earning Per Share (Rs.) – Basic & Diluted	1.14	5.76	3.15	3.18
Book Value Per Share (Rs.)	NA	26.12	21.55	18.72
Return on Networth**	NA	22.10%	14.62%	13.35%

^A Based on audited financials

^{^A} Based on limited review financials

*Book Value per Share calculated as the Networth / Number of outstanding Shares as at end of the year

**Return on Networth calculated as Profit after Tax / Networth as at the end of the year

Reasons for the Acquisition and Future plan about Target Company

53. The Offer is being made on account of substantial acquisition of Shares and voting rights of the Target Company with change in control.

54. The Acquirer acknowledges the significant potential offered by the lubricants manufacturing business in India due to its inherent strengths and proposes to invest in this industry through this Transaction.

55. The Acquirer proposes to strengthen the Target Company's position in this industry through various strategies, including the following:

- The Acquirer proposes to utilize their pool of experienced professionals who would contribute to the strategic decision making of the Target Company;
- The Acquirer proposes to help the Target Company with its long term capital requirements for growth.