

*The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited takes no responsibility for the contents of this announcement, makes no representation as to its accuracy or completeness and expressly disclaims any liability whatsoever for any loss howsoever arising from or in reliance upon the whole or any part of the contents of this announcement.*

*This announcement is for information purposes only and does not constitute an offer or invitation to offer to acquire, purchase or subscribe for the Shares. Any securities offered in connection with the transaction will not be or have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or exemption from the registration requirements.*

## UNITED ENERGY GROUP LIMITED 聯合能源集團有限公司

*(incorporated in Cayman Islands and continued in Bermuda with limited liability)*  
**(Stock Code: 467)**

### ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING FURTHER DELAY IN DESPATCH OF CIRCULAR VERY SUBSTANTIAL ACQUISITION INVESTMENT IN TRANSMERIDIAN AND GENERAL AND SPECIAL MANDATES ISSUE OF CONVERTIBLE BONDS

**Financial Adviser**  
**Citigroup Global Markets Inc.**

As the Company requires additional time for finalisation of disclosures to be included in the Circular, the Company has applied to the Stock Exchange for a waiver from strict compliance with Rule 14.38 of the Listing Rules that the despatch of the Circular can be further postponed. The Company expects to despatch the Circular by 22 September 2008.

Reference is made to the Company's announcements dated 20 June 2008 (the "Announcement"), 10 July 2008 (the "Delay Announcement") and 12 August 2008 (the "Further Delay Announcement"). Capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as defined in the Announcement, Delay Announcement and Further Delay Announcement unless otherwise stated.

#### **Delay in Despatch of Circular**

Pursuant to Rule 14.38 of the Listing Rules, the Company is required to despatch the Circular to Shareholders in relation to the Transactions within 21 days after publication of the Announcement, which is on or before 11 July 2008. As disclosed in the Further Delay Announcement, the Company required additional time to prepare the alternative disclosures pursuant to the Waiver and the Circular was expected to be despatched on or before 29 August 2008. There is a slight delay in the review by the Company's auditors of Transmeridian's financial information for the purposes of its issue to the Stock

Exchange of the letter required pursuant to Listing Rule 14.66(4) regarding the Enlarged Group's working capital. As the Circular cannot be despatched before the end of August 2008, it will also be necessary to update the indebtedness statement to be disclosed in the Circular pursuant to paragraph 28 of Part B of Appendix 1 to the Listing Rules (the "**Indebtedness Statement**"). Based on the advice received from the Company's auditors, it is estimated that it may take up to around two weeks to update the Indebtedness Statement. As the Company requires additional time to finalise the above, the Company has applied to the Stock Exchange for a waiver from strict compliance with Rule 14.38 of the Listing Rules that the despatch of the Circular can be further postponed. The Company expects to despatch the Circular by 22 September 2008.

By Order of the Board  
**UNITED ENERGY GROUP LIMITED**  
**Zhang Meiyng**  
*Director*

29 August 2008

*As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Zhang Hongwei, Mr. Zhu Jun and Ms. Zhang Meiyng, and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Chau Siu Wai, Mr. San Fung and Mr. Zhu Chengwu.*