# Media Release



#### Srei divests equity in Quippo Pipelay Vessel.

*Kolkata, October 04, 2012:* Srei Infrastructure's subsidiary, Quippo Oil and Gas Infrastructure Limited, has sold its investment in the derrick lay barge 'Quippo Prakash' to SapuraKencana of Malaysia.

Quippo Oil and Gas Infrastructure, which is primarily in the business of owning and operating onshore drilling rigs, also held a substantial equity stake in the Quippo Prakash. The investment in the barge was made in 2008, at a time when the downturn in the offshore markets allowed Quippo Oil and Gas Infrastructure to negotiate favorable terms from shipyards. Outfitted in Singapore and commissioned in 2010, the state-of-art offshore construction support barge upon delivery was placed on term charter with a major offshore contractor in South East Asia, generating positive returns and cash-flows immediately.

Commenting on the transaction, **Sunil Kanoria, Vice-Chairman, Srei Infrastructure Finance Limited,** commented, "The offshore oil and gas construction market has shown a sharp upswing since the time Quippo Oil and Gas Infrastructure had invested in the vessel. Having invested when the market had bottomed out, Quippo Oil and Gas Infrastructure took advantage of the present buoyant conditions to exit its investment. Srei has been creating a portfolio of strategic investments over the past years and as and when there is an opportunity of encashing with a good return, it does so."

Equipped with a 2000MT crane, the barge was designed to provide offshore construction support and underwater pipe-lay capability. With increasing levels of activity in the subsea construction market, the vessel had generated considerable interest amongst major offshore contractors.

The vessel was sold at an enterprise value of USD 122 million. Srei had a 38% stake in Quippo Prakash through Quippo Oil and Gas Infrastructure, a 100% subsidiary of Srei Infrastructure Finance Limited.

#### **About Quippo Companies**

On merger of Quippo Infrastructure Equipment Limited with Srei Infrastructure Finance Limited in March 2011, all Quippo Companies had become subsidiaries of Srei Infrastructure Finance Limited. The Quippo Companies are as under:

<u>Quippo Construction</u>: Rents out various equipment and provides fleet management services. With over 400 construction equipment units spread across its over 35 yards across India, Quippo Construction has developed reach, scale and expertise to support any infrastructure player in providing equipment.

Quippo Oil and Gas Infrastructure is in the business of owning and operating onshore drilling rigs.

Website: www.quippoworld.com



<u>Quippo Energy</u>: Quippo Energy provides innovative solutions in gas based power generation that use combined heat, power and cooling platforms to offer significantly higher efficiency levels.

<u>Quippo Auctioneers and Valuers</u>: Values old equipment and finds a suitable customer for the same. Has developed technologically very advanced auctioneering portal www.quippoauctions.com/

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#### **About Srei Infrastructure Finance Limited**

Srei is a Holistic Infrastructure Institution, constantly and consistently ideating to deliver innovative solutions in infrastructure space, thus playing a significant role in nation-building for over two decades, both in urban and rural India. Srei's businesses include Infrastructure Project Finance, Advisory and Development, Infrastructure Equipment Finance, Venture Capital, Capital Market, Insurance Broking. Srei has a pan-India presence with a network of over 85 offices and has also replicated its business model overseas with two offices in Russia and one in Germany.

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