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**Fortune 500 Company UTC Makes Strategic Investment in GST
To Become its 2nd Largest Shareholder**

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(July 11, 2006 – Hong Kong) China's leading integrated fire alarm system product and solution provider – **GST Holdings Limited** ("GST" or the "Group"; HKSE stock code: 416) announced today that the Group's controlling shareholder, GST International Management Limited ("GST International") entered into a Sale and Purchase agreement with **United Technologies Corp.** (NYSE:UTX), a Fortune 500 company, to dispose of 9.9 percent of its stake in GST to UTC at HK\$3.4 per share. The sale price represents a premium of 1.49 percent to the closing price of HK\$3.35 per share as quoted on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited on July 10, 2006.

Upon completion of the share sale, UTC will become the 2nd largest shareholder of GST while GST International will hold approximately 52.75% of the existing issued shares.

UTC is a diversified company that provides high technology products and services to the aerospace and commercial building industries worldwide with more than 4,000 locations in approximately 62 countries. UTC Fire & Security, a business unit of UTC, provides products and services under Chubb, Kidde and other brands. Through its portfolio of market-leading brands, UTC Fire & Security delivers a full-range of fire safety and security solutions to more than a million customers around the world.

Mr Song Jiacheng, chairman of GST, said, "We are very pleased to have UTC, an international corporation in the fire safety industry, becoming one of our major strategic shareholders. The share sale not only greatly enhances our shareholding base, but also reflects UTC's confidence in our future development."

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About GST

GST Holdings Limited is one of the leading fire alarm system and solution providers in China and is primarily engaged in the manufacturing and distribution of fire alarm systems, 119 fire network systems and other products such as video entry system, electronic power meter and building automation systems. According to industry research, GST has the largest market share by revenue in the fire alarm systems in China. With its diversified product range, extensive nationwide sales and distribution network, GST endeavors to provide one-stop, timely and comprehensive fire alarm solutions to its customers. GST was ranked top 17th most competitive PRC enterprise by Forbes in 2005.