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OM Sarawak donates PPE worth RM1.4 million

29 April 2020 – OM Materials (Sarawak) Sdn Bhd (“OM Sarawak”), an associate company of ASX-listed OM Holdings Limited, donated approximately RM1.4 million (A$0.5 million) worth of personal protective equipment (PPE) to the health care front-liners in Sarawak.

As the COVID-19 pandemic accelerates, global health care workers are in dire need of PPE. In supporting the Sarawak State Government’s effort to contain the spread of the virus, OM Sarawak has taken a step forward to donate 10,000 disposable medical protective suits, 10,000 isolation gowns, 5,000 face shields and 5,000 safety goggles.

Mr Low Ngee Tong, Executive Chairman of OM Sarawak and OMH commented: “The COVID-19 pandemic is a global crisis of an unprecedented scale, no countries are exempted, and it has taken its toll on Sarawak. We are keen to assist the Sarawak Government in containing the spread of this pandemic”.

The donation was handed over on 22 April 2020 to Sarawak’s Deputy Chief Minister, Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas, who is also the Chairman of the State Disaster Management Committee. Presenting the donation were Dato Isaac Lugun and Mr Mustapha Bin Ismuni, both directors of OM Sarawak.

Commenting on the donation, Dato Isaac Lugun, who is also Cahya Mata Sarawak Berhad’s Group Managing Director, said “As a leading listed corporate entity in Sarawak, CMS will continue to support the Sarawak Government’s tireless efforts to contain the COVID-19 pandemic in Sarawak. We urge other corporate entities within Sarawak to step forward to lend their support. By working together, we will get through this crisis and emerge a stronger and more resilient State.”

Amidst the global logistical constraint and supply chain challenges, OM Sarawak was able to mobilise its global network reach, easing some of the procurement efforts. Mr Low added, “Given the limited capacity of current equipment supply chains, we are pleased to be able to
sponsor the PPE as a show of our sincere support for the Sarawak Government, the front-line health care workers at Sarawak hospitals, and many others that have been working tirelessly in containing the pandemic. We sincerely hope that this small contribution will help ease the burden, and lift the spirits and confidence of front-line workers in discharging their challenging duties in treating COVID-19 suspect cases and patients”.

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About OM Materials (Sarawak) Sdn Bhd

OM Sarawak, a 75:25 joint venture between OMH and Cahya Mata Sarawak Berhad ("CMS"), a conglomerate listed on the Main Market of Bursa Malaysia, is the owner of the Samalaju Smelting Complex in Sarawak, Malaysia. The plant consists of 8 main workshops, with a total of 16 units of 25.5 MVA furnaces, of which 10 furnaces are allocated for the production of ferrosilicon and 6 units for the production of manganese alloys.

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