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TANJUNG BRUAS PORT COMMENCES WOOD PELLETS SHIPMENT

MELAKA, 8 June 2021 - Tanjung Bruas Port Sdn Bhd (Tanjung Bruas Port), a member of MMC Group has commenced Wood Pellets shipment from its Terminal in Tanjung Kling, Melaka.

This marks the first ever wood pellets shipment through Tanjung Bruas Port. A total volume of 10,200 metric tonnes wood pellets were shipped from Tanjung Bruas Port on 29 April 2021 and has been safely delivered to the Port of Gunsan, South Korea on 9 May 2021. Going forward, shipment of wood pellets from Tanjung Bruas Port to South Korea will increase to two calls per month.

Wood pellets are renewable energy carriers produced from compacted sawdust. Wood pellets have emerged as a viable and promising renewable energy source as a replacement of coal. The pellet market has been witnessing a tremendous demand worldwide mainly due to its low carbon footprints.

Tanjung Bruas Port is capable of handling a variety of cargo ranging from Dry Bulk cargo such as Gypsum (a type of mineral) and Palm Kernel Shell (PKS), Breakbulk cargo such as Steel Coil and Liquid Bulk cargo such as Lubricant Base Oil and Ammonia Gas.

“This inaugural wood pellets shipment from Tanjung Bruas Port is a clear testament of Tanjung Bruas Port’s capabilities in handling a variety of cargo and able to reach customers not only domestically, but also internationally,” said Md Derick Basir, Director of Tanjung Bruas Port.

“In terms of time taken for the wood pellets operation, Tanjung Bruas Port did well despite the bad weather with only 88.8 operational hours required to successfully complete the whole process,” he added.

“The wood pellets shipment from Malacca to South Korea was a success in which Tanjung Bruas Port’s capabilities and operational efficiency in handling the wood pellets made for an overall smooth and satisfactory shipping process. We are excited to see the port’s growth in the near future as we strongly believe that Tanjung Bruas Port has a big potential to be the Gateway Port for the Melaka’s industry players and its surrounding businesses,” said Andy Eng, Managing Director of Living Nature Sdn Bhd, the cargo owner and exporter.

With more countries opting for biomass energy, Malaysia has the potential to become a Biomass Energy Hub and Tanjung Bruas Port will continue to support the nation to be one of the largest suppliers of wood pellets in the region.

Strategically located along one of the world's busiest trade route, Tanjung Bruas Port has grown over the years and has a huge potential to be developed as a major gateway to handle both containers and conventional cargoes to serve the growing industries in Melaka and the central region of Peninsular Malaysia as well as its neighbouring countries.



Photo caption: The first ever wood pellets shipment through Tanjung Bruas Port, Melaka

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About Tanjung Bruas Port Sdn Bhd

Tanjung Bruas Port Sdn Bhd (Tanjung Bruas Port), a member of the MMC Group is strategically located along one of the world's busiest trade route at the centre and narrowest point of the Straits of Malacca. Situated within a large developed hinterland drawn from Melaka, Negeri Sembilan and Northern Johor, the Port is surrounded by more than 500 companies operating within Melaka's Industrial Parks featuring electrical and electronic companies, fabricated metal product plants, food and furniture manufacturers. This enables the Port to be developed as a major Gateway to handle both Containers and Conventional cargoes to serve the growing industries in Melaka and the Central Region of Peninsular Malaysia as well as its neighbouring countries. The strategic location of the Port also provides an opportunity to tap on marine services such as ship husbandry, ship supplies, bunkering services and ship-to-ship transfers.

The Port was constructed in late 1970 and commenced operation in early 1980 to provide port facilities and services to the local business communities and to handle the exportation of hinterland goods as well as the importation of raw materials. The Port was originally developed on 18.6 acres of land area supported by a T-shaped jetty with two Berths facility. The Outer Berth is 170 meter in length with alongside depth of 9 meter and is able to accommodate vessels with LOA of up to 170 meters while the Inner Berth is 90 meter in length with alongside

depth of 5 meter while the jetty is connected to the shore by a 400-meter trestle / bridge. The Port itself is situated very close to the 12 meters depth line, which is the draft required by most of the modern vessels.

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About MMC Corporation Berhad

MMC Corporation Berhad (MMC Group) is a leading utilities and infrastructure group with diversified businesses under four divisions, namely Ports and Logistics, Energy and Utilities, Engineering, and Industrial Development.

Its key businesses under the Ports and Logistics division include the port operations of Pelabuhan Tanjung Pelepas Sdn Bhd, Johor Port Berhad, Northport (Malaysia) Bhd, Penang Port Sdn Bhd, Tanjung Bruas Port Sdn Bhd and Kontena Nasional Berhad, a logistics provider. Internationally, MMC has presence in Saudi Arabia via Red Sea Gateway Terminal Company Limited, a container port terminal within the Jeddah Islamic Port.

Under the Energy and Utilities division, MMC is the single largest shareholder of both Malakoff Corporation Berhad, the country's largest Independent Power Producer and Gas Malaysia Berhad, a total energy solutions provider. Through Aliran Ihsan Resources Berhad, we are a pioneer in wastewater recycling technology and a water treatment specialist.

MMC's Engineering division has played a leading role for the implementation of the entire project including the underground works package in completing the 51 km Klang Valley Mass Rapid Transit (KVMRT) Sungai Buloh-Kajang project (SBK Line) and is now the main contractor for the entire Sungai Buloh-Serdang-Putrajaya project (SSP Line). MMC is also currently, undertaking key civil and infrastructure projects in the country namely Langat Centralised Sewerage Treatment Plant and Langat 2 Water Treatment Plant.

Notably, MMC completed the 329 km Ipoh-Padang Besar Electrified Double Tracking Project and the innovative Stormwater Management and Road Tunnel (SMART) motorway, the first of its kind, dual-purpose tunnel in the world.

MMC's Industrial Development division develops and manages approximately 5,000 acres of industrial developments in Iskandar Malaysia, Johor and Kulim, Kedah, which includes the Senai Airport City, Tanjung Bin Industrial Park and the Northern Technocity.

In other business, MMC wholly-owns Senai Airport Terminal Services Sdn Bhd, the operator of Senai International Airport in Johor Bahru – an emerging southern aviation hub and important gateway to Iskandar Malaysia.

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