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NIPPON KOEI AND SURBANA JURONG PARTNER TO DESIGN SUSTAINABLE AND RESILIENT URBAN DEVELOPMENT IN ASIA

Singapore, 29 July 2020 – Nippon Koei, an international engineering consultant and Surbana Jurong, a global multidisciplinary urban and infrastructure design consultancy, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) today, committing to deliver sustainable and resilient solutions to urban and infrastructure development projects worldwide. This is part of the firms' joint action on climate change mitigation and resiliency.

According to the Weather, Climate & Catastrophe Insight 2019 Annual Report by AON, the economic losses resulting from weather disasters were estimated at US\$232 billion globally in 2019. There is a growing need to build urban resilience against natural disasters and adopt smart solutions for sustainability. Under the MOU, Nippon Koei and Surbana Jurong will harness their combined knowledge and experience in climate change adaptation, resilience enhancement and smart technologies to deliver these solutions.

Each partner will bring complementary expertise to this collaboration. Nippon Koei has proven capabilities in disaster preparedness in Japan and government-funded projects in other countries including Official Development Assistance for world-class engineering design projects. Surbana Jurong, on the other hand, has a track record in delivering innovative and smart solutions for sustainability and resiliency in master planning, urban, residential and industrial development, coastal protection and reclamation around the world.

Both consulting firms have been collaborating on sustainability and resiliency since 2018. A notable project is the 9,460-hectare New Clark City in the Philippines. Slated for completion in 2065, it will be the country's first smart, green and disaster-resilient metropolis. Building on strong ties, Nippon Koei and Surbana Jurong will identify sustainable project opportunities globally, especially in Asia where public-private partnerships can encourage the adoption of smart technologies to scale up urban initiatives and solutions. This approach will contribute towards the shared vision of building sustainable and liveable cities.

Mr Ryuichi Arimoto, Representative Director and President of Nippon Koei, said, "I am therefore very glad that Surbana Jurong and Nippon Koei, both of which are leading the state-of-art urban development projects, will build on the work of our existing interdisciplinary and further collaboration for the benefit of sustainable society. The strategic partnership will integrate and enhance the development of the relevant research, planning, designing and implementation fields. It will also help nurture more local talent in multiple disciplines in the pursuit of real-world challenges and practical application for sustainable urban development over the world. Variety of "Smart Solutions" in line with the needs and economic viability can be provided as part of our services by utilising advanced analysis technologies. It can also facilitate designing and implementing the solution to cater for regions of different taste and style, which in turn leads to a personalised and sustainable development."

Mr Wong Heang Fine, Group Chief Executive Officer of Surbana Jurong, said, "Surbana Jurong has forged strong ties with Nippon Koei through several landmark projects over the years, including the recent 'Study of Cooperation for Infrastructure Projects' that will facilitate closer cooperation between Singapore and Japanese companies on infrastructure projects across Asia. These successes reflect our complementary capabilities for the built environment. Surbana Jurong is pleased to renew our partnership with Nippon Koei, extending our expertise in smart solutions to jointly tackle new and complex urban challenges and advance sustainable development. We look forward to contribute towards a greener, more resource-efficient and liveable environment for future generations."

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Artist impression of New Clark City



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Our technical experts deliver sustainable solutions that cover the entire project life cycle from planning and design, through to delivery and management, as well as decommissioning and closure. We provide a full suite of multidisciplinary consultancy services across a diverse range of sectors that includes aviation, healthcare, hospitality, transport, water and environment as well as energy and resources.

Surbana Jurong has built more than a million homes in Singapore, created master plans for more than 30 countries and developed over 100 industrial parks globally. Our tag line “Building Cities, Shaping Lives” expresses how every project or undertaking is, for the Group, an opportunity to fulfil aspirations and enrich lives. By designing and delivering quality housing, work spaces, roads, rail, hydropower, dams, underground and coastal protections and other critical infrastructure needed by our clients, we are redefining cities and transforming them into sustainable and liveable spaces where communities and businesses, present and future, can thrive. For more information, please visit: www.surbanajurong.com.