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CDL AND DC CHEMICAL PLAN TO DEVELOP LARGE-SCALE INTEGRATED COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL PROJECT IN INCHEON, KOREA

Multi-million dollar investment in a large-scale commercial, hotel and residential project in Yong-Hyun / Hak-ik, 1 Block site. Incheon city is venue of 2014 Asian Games

DC Chemical Company Limited (DCC) and City Developments Limited (CDL) have entered into a memorandum of understanding ("MOU") with the intention to jointly develop a substantial site located at and known as Yong-Hyun / Hak-ik, 1 Block, in Incheon, Korea, which is owned primarily by DCC and its affiliates.

CDL and/or its affiliates are looking to invest between US\$150 million and US\$300 million in equity in connection with this development. Earlier today, DCC held a Press conference in Incheon to outline the partners' vision on the development plans for this site, which will be home to the Asian Games in 2014, and how it will contribute to the repositioning of Incheon as a major global metropolis.

Singapore-listed property group CDL is part of the Hong Leong Group. Listed on the Korean Stock Exchange, DCC is among the world's top producers of carbon black, soda ash and pitch. In 2006, DCC generated sales of more than Korean Won (KRW) 2.2 trillion and employed more than 3,800 people worldwide.

The anchor facility of the 1.55-million-square-metre Yong-Hyun / Hak-ik, 1 Block site is a large-scale integrated commercial centre which will comprise an upscale five-star hotel, a Grade-A office tower, a serviced residence, a retail podium and other mixed-use facilities to be built on a land area of 281,850 square metres. North of the integrated commercial centre, another 380,000 square metres of the site have been slated for residential development.

The integrated commercial centre is expected to consist of a 50-storey tower, comprising a topclass hotel, a serviced residence, and an office building which will be anchor facilities of the development. Department stores, brand-outlets, multiplex cinemas and e-sports gaming hall will flank both sides of the tower.

The proposed integrated commercial centre is expected to be 1.5 times larger than the COEX centre in Kangnam, Seoul, 2.5 times larger than Central City, Kangnam, and three times larger than Dongtan Metapolis. The intended project is 2.5 times larger than another world-class landmark, Ropponggi Hills in Tokyo, Japan.

Well-renowned British design and engineering firm Atkins, which created the world's first seven-star hotel, Burj Al-Arab in Dubai is the conceptual designer for Yong-Hyun / Hak-ik, 1 Block's initial design process.

Development work scheduled to begin in 2009 is expected to transform the landscape of Yong-Hyun / Hak-ik, 1 Block into a modern city by 2012. Construction for the main commercial centre (Phase 1) will commence first followed by the residential blocks (Phase 2) in 2010 and finally, the construction of the leisure facilities (Phase 3) in 2011.

The development will be designed with safety and environmental sustainability in mind. CDL was the first private developer in Singapore to receive ISO 14001 (Environmental Management System) certification from the Singapore regulatory authorities – Building and Construction Authority (BCA). CDL has an established green corporate policy and has won numerous BCA Green Mark Awards. It will utilise its experience and resources to incorporate eco-friendly practices for the Yong-Hyun / Hak-ik, 1 Block development.

"We're always on the lookout for new strategic growth opportunities and given the exciting developments in Korea, we believe that this investment is timely. This project is our first large-scale integrated development in Korea. Yong-Hyun / Hak-ik, 1 Block is located in Incheon, a city with immense growth potential and solid infrastructure, and the development will be easily accessible. With the synergistic collaboration of an established company such as DCC, coupled with our many decades of experience in the real estate and hotel industry, we are very positive about the prospects of this project," said Mr Chia Ngiang Hong, Group General Manager of CDL.

Mr. Baik, Woo-Suk, Chief Executive Officer of DCC said: "The large-scale commercial centre will significantly increase the economic activities for the area and will create many new jobs, positively benefiting Incheon City's economy. When Incheon City hosts the Asian Games in 2014, this commercial centre will be the very first image visitors will see when crossing over on Incheon Bridge into Incheon City."

About City Developments Limited

City Developments Limited (CDL) is an international property and hotel conglomerate involved in real estate development and investment, hotel ownership and operations and provision of hospitality solutions. An industry leader, CDL has been pioneering industry initiatives and benchmarks for over four decades. CDL has a presence in 21 countries with over 250 subsidiaries and associated companies together with five listed companies on the stock exchanges of Hong Kong, London, New Zealand, the Philippines and Singapore. Millennium & Copthorne Hotels plc (M&C), the London-listed international arm of CDL, is a dynamic hotel group that owns and operates over 100 hotels in 18 countries around the world.

About DC Chemical Company Limited

DC Chemical produces over 40 products, covering a wide range of chemicals in the areas of inorganic chemicals, coal and petrochemicals and fine chemicals, including hydrogen peroxide, soda ash, sodium carbonate peroxyhydrate, fumed silica, carbon black, pitch, TDI and PVA. With the strategic goal of becoming a leading global company, DC Chemical is focusing on its core businesses.

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