

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## MSC steps up efforts to curb Covid-19 at workplace

Precautionary measures are taken at Pulau Indah smelter to ensure health and safety of employees

**Kuala Lumpur and Singapore, 2 February 2021** – Since the start of the Covid-19 outbreak, Malaysia Smelting Corporation Berhad ("MSC") has put in place various precautionary measures to safeguard the health and well-being of its employees against the Covid-19 virus. Following the escalating Covid-19 cases in Klang at present, MSC has stepped up its safety efforts at its new smelting facility in Pulau Indah, Port Klang.

Dato' Dr. Patrick Yong, Group Chief Executive Officer of MSC commented, "One of our current initiatives at Pulau Indah is to distribute health supplements, such as Vitamin C and Vitamin D3, to our employees. While there is no medication to prevent Covid-19 at the moment, Vitamin C and vitamin D3 are well-known for their immunity-strengthening properties, which is beneficial to fight against infections, enabling faster recovery. Hence, we highly encourage our employees to consume these vitamins on a daily basis to maintain sufficient nutrition and lower the risk of infection."

"Apart from that, we have also negotiated with MSC's panel of clinics to undertake Covid-19 testing for our employees, with accurate results made available within the same day of testing. As all employees are required to undergo temperature checking before entering the premise, we can quickly detect employees with elevated temperatures who will then be sent to our panel of clinics for the swab test. Those who have been tested negative are cleared to return to work, while infected employees are required to isolate for further treatment. This process helps us to identify infected workers early,

enabling us to act swiftly and take further precautionary measures to curb

the spread of the virus."

"At the same time, we also provide separate housing arrangements for our

essential workers at one of MSC's premises, in compliance with social

distancing requirements. This is to lower the exposure to Covid-19 virus

among our essential workers, ensuring minimal business disruption during

this challenging time."

Keeping that in mind, MSC has also put in place other safety initiatives in line

with the guidelines and standard operating procedures ("SOP") set by the

Malaysian government and health authorities. These include sanitising the

workplace three times a day, making available hand sanitisers at all basin

points, providing free masks, as well as face shields for employees who are

required to work in close proximity.

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