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LINDE MALAYSIA LAUNCHES FIRST AUTOMATED INDUSTRIAL GASES CYLINDER FILLING PLANT IN SOUTH ASIA AND ASEAN

- Built at a cost of MYR54 million (EUR12m), this state-of-the art facility incorporates the latest in cylinder filling technology and innovation, industry-leading safety features and environment-friendly best practices.
- The investment supports the growing demand for industrial gases across all key growth industries; reaffirming Linde as a long-term investor and its confidence in Malaysia.
- With a maximum filling capacity of over two million cylinders per year, it is the first modular automated cylinder filling plant in Malaysia and for The Linde Group (Linde) in the South Asia and ASEAN region.

Banting, Selangor, 16 May 2017 – Linde Malaysia Sdn Bhd (Linde Malaysia), a member of The Linde Group, one of the leading gases and engineering companies in the world, launched its first modular automated industrial gases cylinder filling plant in South Asia and ASEAN, located in Banting. This latest key milestone reaffirms Linde’s position as a long-term investor in Malaysia and as the leading industrial air and medical gases supplier.

Speaking at the official opening of Linde Malaysia’s Banting cylinder filling plant, Sanjiv Lamba, Chief Operating Officer for Asia Pacific and Member of the Executive Board of Linde AG, said, “Linde continues to see growth opportunities in Asia. As the market leader in Malaysia with a presence that spans 50 years, we have an established track record of continued investments and of bringing the latest technology to Malaysia. I am pleased to note that in the past two years alone,

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Linde has invested over MYR1 billion (EUR230 million) to further strengthen our leadership in the industrial gas industry and to support our customers in their growth plans, while delivering sustainable and profitable growth for our shareholders.”

Sharing the significance of the newly launched plant, Connell Zhang, Managing Director, Linde Malaysia, said, “Technology, innovation and an inventive spirit have been at the heart of The Linde Group for 138 years. We are pleased to bring our global expertise and experience to support the development of the industrial gases market in Malaysia. Our Banting plant serves as a Centre of Excellence for the industrial gases industry in Malaysia, with cost competitive, advanced cylinder filling world-class technologies and innovative solutions, industry-leading safety features and environment-friendly best practices.”

The modular design of the cylinder filling plant allows for expansion of capacity to meet the future needs of the market. The plant was fully commissioned in the first quarter of 2017. The plant construction was completed on time, within budget, and without an incident throughout the 390,000 construction hours while maintaining supplies to customers.

The launch of Linde Malaysia’s automated cylinder filling plant in Banting was graced by Second Minister of International Trade and Industry, YB Dato’ Seri Ong Ka Chuan and representatives from Invest KL.

Linde Malaysia

Linde Malaysia, a member of The Linde Group, has been present in Malaysia since 1960. A leading industrial gas supplier in Malaysia with more than 50 years of experience in the industry, it combines local knowledge with global expertise and resources in the areas of

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technology, research and development, gas applications, engineering and best operating practices. Linde Malaysia is the specialist in the provision of total gas solutions to a variety of industries. It manufactures and distribute industrial, specialty and medical gases and provide a range of related services including installation of gas equipment, pipelines and associated engineering services. In addition, it supplies packaged chemicals, welding and consumables products.

For more information, see Linde Malaysia online at www.linde.com.my.

The Linde Group

In the 2016 financial year, The Linde Group generated revenue of EUR 16.948 billion, making it one of the leading gases and engineering companies in the world, with approximately 60,000 employees working in more than 100 countries worldwide. The strategy of The Linde Group is geared towards long-term profitable growth and focuses on the expansion of its international business, with forward-looking products and services. Linde acts responsibly towards its shareholders, business partners, employees, society and the environment in every one of its business areas, regions and locations across the globe. The company is committed to technologies and products that unite the goals of customer value and sustainable development.

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