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VERITAS e-news is a monthly on-line publication of features, news and events at VERITAS, a premier architecture and design firm based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. VERITAS e-news has a subscriber base of 3000 readers. **SEPTEMBER 2011**

Greetings to all our readers!

In this month's e-news, we are delighted to feature VERITAS Contracts Sdn. Bhd; their unique capabilities and current projects. Quantity Surveying and Project Management have always been an important and integral part of professional services in the construction industry both in Malaysia and throughout the world. In that respect, VERITAS is committed to continually improving the standard of expertise in this discipline.

We are also pleased to provide an update on recent VERITAS' activities such as our Hari Raya Open House and other interesting "happenings" at VERITAS. We hope you enjoy this month's VERITAS e-news! And please don't hesitate to contact us if you would like to know more about any of the stories featured here.

MAIN NEWS VERITAS Contracts Sdn. Bhd ~ www.veritas.com.my

VERITAS contracts

VERITAS CONTRACTS SDN. BHD. was established as a member of the VERITAS Design Group with the intention of providing professional quantity surveying and project management services for the local and global construction industry. Its further role is to complement and integrate the other services provided by VERITAS group companies to form a comprehensive approach to professional services. VERITAS Contracts Sdn. Bhd. is armed with 2 unique information technologies which enable it to provide state-of-the-art quantity surveying service of the highest standard:

1. Building Cost Database® System

With costing and estimating being the cornerstone of quantity surveying services, Veritas Contracts has invested in the development of a robust and customized cost database system. Our Building Cost Database® is an interactive informational service provider which disseminates current construction costing information based on real-time.

This dynamic electronic platform provides a wealth of construction costing information based on the various estimating / costing facets as established in the construction industry. Veritas Contracts uses this medium to interact with Clients and Consultants, to disseminate and deliver current estimation / costing information on a secured and real-time environment.

The system is designed to convert past Bills of Quantities to current market rates. With the wealth of current costing information that our Building Cost Database® system possesses, we are able to prepare more realistic feasibility studies, budgets, estimations and costings with a high degree of accuracy as well as to monitor and control cost.

2. Electronic Measurement System

One of the key advantages that VERITAS Contracts brings to a project is the intelligent electronic measurement system that extracts dimensions (Quantities) directly from CAD files and even from drawings in PDF format for the preparation of Construction Cost Estimates and the Bills of Quantities.

This innovative and customized costing tool provides a unique integration between the cost estimates and the elements on the CAD drawings, allowing quicker estimation of costs and revisions of drawings. The electronic measurement also minimizes measurement inaccuracies as dimensions are extracted directly from CAD files.

TRICON TOWERS, HANOI, VIETNAM

TRICON TOWERS is situated at the centre of North An Khanh, the largest urban area in Northern Vietnam and is accessed by the Lang Hoa Lac dual carriage-way.

This project is a combination of elegant apartment residences and a stylish international shopping centre.

Minh Viet Investment Corporation is the lead investor in this US\$145 million project.

The awe-inspiring 44-level masterpiece caters for 732 apartments of various sizes.

The Tricon is currently under construction and is scheduled to be completed by end of 2011.



<http://www.triconlowers.com>

ZETA PARK - Mixed Development at Genting Klang, Kuala Lumpur

ZetaPark is a modern, multi-storey mixed development consisting of a retail podium, SOHOs, Condominiums and Student Lodge.

The project features an eco-friendly landscape framed with stunning views of the picturesque Danau lake. Among some of the residential facilities provided at ZetaPark are a free-form infinity edged pool, gymnasium, games room, spa pool and sauna.

As a whole, it offers a unique combination of shopping, scrumptious dining and entertainment outlets. The project is currently under construction and is scheduled to be completed by end of 2012.



www.fittersgroup.com

TRIBECA - High End Service Apartments



www.apland.com.my

Asia Pacific Land Berhad, better known as AP Land, one of the more renowned developers in Malaysia, has embarked upon their latest high-end service apartment at the heart of the shopping district of Kuala Lumpur.

Located along Jalan Imbi, this 36 storey apartment will contribute dramatically to the KL skyline.

Apart from its functional, spacious and aesthetic design, all units will enjoy access to landscaped sky-gardens, cross ventilation and lots of natural lighting.

The building is designed to take advantage of the panoramic views of the city skyline and the surrounding hills.

The project is currently in an advanced stage of design.

Land Reclamation Works at Danga Bay, Johor



www.dangabay.com

Danga Bay is set to be a premier waterfront development and one of the highlights of the Iskandar region, in Johor Malaysia, offering upscale properties, top-notch retail outlets and leisure activities.

VERITAS Contracts was engaged to assist the developer in the re-measurement works associated with the land reclamation at Danga Bay, Johor.

The project is currently in the design stage and is scheduled to be completed by mid-2012.

VERITAS IN THE NEWS LILLIAN TAY'S TALK



On 26th August 2011, VERITAS Architects' Principal Lillian Tay gave a talk at the International Conference on Rapid Advances in Sustainable Architecture.



Lillian spoke on the design ideas and principles behind VERITAS' works and presented some recent completed projects and exciting new proposals being done by VERITAS.

VERITAS IN THE NEWS DAVID HASHIM'S TALK



INTERNATIONAL GREENTECH & ECO PRODUCTS EXHIBITION & CONFERENCE MALAYSIA (IGEM)

David HASHIM, VERITAS' Chief Executive Officer, was one of the speakers at IGEN in a panel entitled *Sustainable Urban Development: Expanding Low Carbon Smart Cities* which was held on the 8th September 2011 in conjunction with the International Greentech & Eco Products Exhibition & Conference Malaysia (IGEM).

He shared with the participants VERITAS's philosophy toward sustainable/low-energy design with case-studies of 2 important projects currently under-construction.

www.igem.com.my

INTERNATIONAL GREENTECH & ECO PRODUCTS EXHIBITION & CONFERENCE MALAYSIA (IGEM)



The International Greentech & Eco Products Exhibition & Conference Malaysia (IGEM) is an annual 4-day international exhibition that provides business leaders with the perfect platform to exchange views and business ideas to move forward to a higher level of collaboration.

VERITAS is proud to have participated as an exhibitor in this exciting event which took place from the 7th to 10th September 2011 at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre. This get-together attracted a huge turn-out by our Clients, associates, suppliers, friends and VERITASians. Clients who attended included Datuk Richard Fong from Glomac Berhad, Tan Sri Ravindran Menon from Subang SkyPark, Datuk Bhaskaran Pillai from Saming, Datu' Rosalind Ganendra from Miniconsult, Datuk A. K. Nathan from Eversendai and many many more.

Led by VERITAS Principal Azril Amir B. Jaafar, an accredited GBI facilitator, VERITAS Environment Sdn. Bhd. (VESB) provides environmental consultancy services for projects both locally and internationally.

VERITAS IN THE NEWS "THE NEXT BIG THING"

The Real Estate and Housing Developers' Association of Malaysia (REHDA) is a national representative body for property developers in Malaysia.

On the 15th of September 2011 at the Sunway Hotel, VERITAS' Chief Executive Officer David Hashim was invited to give a presentation on "Sustainable and Liveable Cities: Transforming Communities" with a talk entitled "The Next Big Thing".

The audience numbering over 300 were introduced to VERITAS as a partial solution to the problem of urban congestion and environmental challenges.

www.rehda.com



HAPPENINGS HARI RAYA OPEN HOUSE



On the 19th of September 2011, the management of VERITAS organized a Hari Raya Open house at the Hilton Hotel poolside at KL Sentral. This get-together attracted a huge turn-out by our Clients, associates, suppliers, friends and VERITASians. Clients who attended included Datuk Richard Fong from Glomac Berhad, Tan Sri Ravindran Menon from Subang SkyPark, Datuk Bhaskaran Pillai from Saming, Datu' Rosalind Ganendra from Miniconsult, Datuk A. K. Nathan from Eversendai and many many more.

A scrumptious buffet spread of local delicacies and Western cuisine awaited them. They were also entertained with an opening silat performance by a group of young children and a dance troupe from AJ Studio.

HAPPENINGS HARI RAYA POTLUCK LUNCH



On the 29th September 2011, VERITAS Social & Sports Club (VSSC) organized a Hari Raya potluck lunch at VERITAS Headquarters. Delicious buffet spread of local delicacies awaited them.

STAFF OF THE MONTH



This month's featured employee is Affarizan Binti Affrin; or just Izan, who is an administrative clerk for VERITAS Contracts. Izan was born on 10th May 1976 and is married to Mohd. Tarmizi Mahmood a Senior CAD Draughtman. Currently she is residing in Taman Melati, Gombak. In her free time she likes to listen to music, bowl and watch movies.

NEWCOMERS



Welcome on board new VERITASians: architect Juan Jesus Munoz Aguayo, assistant architect Muhammad Khairul Hisham Mohd Badri, secretary to associates Norlailiyza Mohd Yunus and receptionist Janet Wong Siew Teng for VERITAS Architects Kuala Lumpur; junior designer Haslin Elyana Roslani for VERITAS Interiors; quantity surveyor Goh Kwong Aik for VERITAS Contracts. We hope that they will enjoy their experience here at VERITAS, and build a long-lasting career with us.

BUNDLE OF JOY



Congratulations to Rohendran Chelliah and his wife Sandhya Nair on the arrival of their adorable baby girl, Maya Rekha Ponniah born on 12 September 2011.

Congratulations also to Nurhidayah Yezid and her husband Wan Zulkiefl Wan Jusoh on the arrival of their adorable baby girl, Wan Alya Sara Wan Zulkiefl born on 13 July 2011.

Best wishes to the proud parents!

BIRTHDAY GREETING

For September 2011, we would like to wish a warm Happy Birthday to:-

Virgorians (23 August- 22 September) ~ Mohd Zamri Bin Abd Lateh, Puteri Shahfura Ramee, Mohd Azmin b. Yacob @ Ibrahim, Mohd Fadzil bin Mohamad Yunus, Hendry Raj Kumar, Mohd Azrul Adnan & Komath Ramakrishna

Librans (23 September- 22 October) ~ Fazelyna Abdul Rashid, Marco Lam teng Foong, Mazliyani Binti Alang, Shahrizan Kamaruddin & Noor Zaidi Nordin.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Minds are like parachutes, they only function when they're open"

- Thomas Robert Dewar

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