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### **Stern-Wywiol Gruppe opens new regional manufacturing hub in Nusajaya Tech Park, Iskandar Malaysia**

**Singapore/Malaysia, 12 September 2018** – Stern-Wywiol Gruppe, a leading supplier of food and feed ingredients headquartered in Hamburg, Germany, through its manufacturing unit SternMaid Asia Pacific, is investing RM 29 million in a new manufacturing facility in Nusajaya Tech Park, located within the Iskandar Malaysia economic zone. The facility will be the group's regional manufacturing hub in Asia Pacific, focusing on developing and producing highly-customised food ingredient systems to improve both functional and nutritional properties of food products, catered for its customers in the food and beverage industries.

Occupying approximately 42,000 sq ft in gross floor area, the manufacturing facility was officially opened on 10 September 2018. As a key manufacturing hub serving customers in the ASEAN region, the facility will complement the group's production plants in Suzhou, China and Mumbai, India, while contributing significantly to the overall manufacturing and distribution networks of the group in the region. The group also has a regional sales, marketing and customer service centre in Singapore.

Mr Torsten Wywiol, CEO of Stern-Wywiol Gruppe said, "Our new state-of-the-art site in Nusajaya Tech Park, Iskandar Malaysia will be a vital cornerstone of our growth strategy for Asia and beyond, and we feel we have found the ideal place for our ambitious project – not just in terms of geographical location and infrastructure, but also with regard to the valuable support we have been receiving from local stakeholders and partners, as well as the government of Malaysia."

He added, "The growth potential in Asia remains promising, as our target food and beverage industries continue to benefit from the industrialisation of food manufacturing and distribution, especially in the emerging markets. We chose Nusajaya Tech Park as the base for our regional manufacturing hub, due to its favourable geographical location and proximity to our regional office in Singapore. This new facility at Nusajaya Tech Park will allow us to offer the best possible value for our customers in the region, through shorter lead times and optimised logistics, as well as contingency plans for uninterrupted supply. We have also worked with Ascendas previously and are excited to further our working relationship with such a competent and reliable developer."

Jointly developed by Ascendas and UEM Sunrise Berhad, Nusajaya Tech Park is an integrated tech park designed for a wide range of light to medium industries. It offers an eco-friendly and premium business environment, with integrated industrial, commercial spaces, dormitories, amenities and support facilities, all in one location. Strategically located just minutes from Singapore, the 210-hectare tech park will be built in phases over nine years. It is now home to a stellar list of multinational corporations and leading local enterprises from a wide variety of industries such as aerospace, automotive electronics, precision

engineering and IT/data centres. Its key locators include Dai-ichi Seiko, GKN Aerospace, Kitz Corporation, TM One by Telekom Malaysia and Homeland Technology.

Mr Manohar Khatani, Chairman of Nusajaya Tech Park Sdn Bhd and Deputy Group CEO of Ascendas-Singbridge said, "Stern-Wywiol Gruppe has been our long-term customer in China and we are pleased to partner them in their business expansion in Malaysia. Stern-Wywiol Gruppe joins the growing community of international companies that have chosen to locate at Nusajaya Tech Park. This affirms Nusajaya Tech Park's value proposition as a choice location for multinational companies to create synergies between their Singapore and Malaysia operations by leveraging the local resources and network to better serve their customers in the region and beyond."

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### **About Nusajaya Tech Park**

Strategically located just minutes from the Malaysia-Singapore Second Link, Nusajaya Tech Park is one of the closest industrial parks to Singapore and a prestigious business address within the award-winning Iskandar Puteri regional city. Jointly developed by Ascendas and UEM Sunrise, the 210-hectare tech park embodies the collective experience and expertise of two real estate powerhouses, featuring a new generation of industrial park that seamlessly integrates industrial space, commercial space, dormitories and supporting amenities, all in one location.

Currently in its first phase of development, Nusajaya Tech Park is home to MNCs and leading local enterprises such as Telekom Malaysia subsidiary TM One, Sanwa Group, Sternmaid, Dai-ichi Seiko and most recently GKN Aerospace. It will offer a premium business environment, supported with comprehensive security system and eco-friendly infrastructure, for over 200 companies from light to medium industries including advanced manufacturing and digital economy enablers.

Nusajaya Tech Park has also set a new benchmark in Malaysia as the first tech park to receive double green awards on a township level – the Green Building Index, Silver (Provisional) Award; and the Green Mark for Districts – Gold (Provisional) Award by Singapore’s Building and Construction Authority.

For more information, please visit [www.nusajayatechpark.com](http://www.nusajayatechpark.com)

### **About Stern-Wywiol Gruppe**

For over 38 years, the independent, owner-managed Stern-Wywiol Gruppe with its headquarters in Hamburg has been among the successful enterprises operating internationally in the world of Food and Feed Ingredients. The twelve specialist firms that make up the Stern-Wywiol enterprise produce a wide range of functional systems for food and animal nutrition. In the food sector, the focus is on enzymes, stabilizing systems, flour improvers, baking ingredients, lecithins, MCT oils, vitamin and mineral premixes, chocolate pieces and natural flavourings. The Stern-Wywiol Gruppe also operates in the fields of contract manufacturing and food supplements. All the firms’ activities revolve around applications research at the modern Stern-Technology Center in Ahrensburg, near Hamburg.

### **Facts and figures**

- Year of establishment: 1980
- Head Office: Hamburg
- Business fields: Food ingredients, Food supplements, Essential substances for animal nutrition, Oleochemical specialities
- Specialist companies in Germany: 12
- Affiliates abroad: 16 (i.a. Mexico, Turkey, Russia, China, Singapore, Malaysia)
- Applications laboratories: 15
- Production locations: 18
- Employees: 1,300 (920 DE, 380 Int.)
- Exports: To over 130 countries worldwide (over 85% export)
- R&D specialists: 80

For more information, please visit [www.stern-wywiol-gruppe.com](http://www.stern-wywiol-gruppe.com)

**About Ascendas-Singbridge Group**

Ascendas-Singbridge Group is a leading sustainable urban development and business space solutions provider with a global portfolio of Assets Under Management exceeding S\$20 billion.

Jointly owned by Temasek Holdings and JTC Corporation through a 51:49 partnership, Ascendas-Singbridge Group undertakes urbanisation projects spanning townships, mixed-use developments and business/industrial parks. Headquartered in Singapore, the Group has projects in 42 cities and locations across 11 countries globally, including Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Singapore, South Korea, United Kingdom and the United States.

Ascendas-Singbridge Group has deep capabilities in real estate fund management, holding commercial, hospitality and industrial assets. It has a substantial interest in and also manages three Singapore-listed funds under its subsidiary Ascendas, namely Ascendas Reit (a Straits Times Index component stock), Ascendas India Trust and Ascendas Hospitality Trust. Besides these listed funds, it also manages a series of private real estate funds.

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**About UEM Sunrise Berhad**

UEM Sunrise Berhad is a public-listed company and one of Malaysia's leading property developers. It is the flagship Company for township and property development businesses of UEM Group and Khazanah Nasional Berhad. The Company has core competencies in macro township development; high-rise residential, commercial, retail and integrated developments; as well as property management and project & construction services.

As the master developer of Iskandar Puteri, one of the five flagship zones of Iskandar Malaysia, UEM Sunrise is currently undertaking the development of the area into a regional city. Upon completion, Iskandar Puteri will become the largest fully integrated urban development in Southeast Asia that will provide significant investment, financial and business opportunities to the economic growth and development of the region.

Gerbang Nusajaya, the second phase development of Iskandar Puteri is a 4,551-acre project which features various developments including Nusajaya Tech Park, Fastrackcity, Melia Residences and Denai Nusantara. Gerbang Nusajaya will be developed over a period of 25 years and will include components such as lifestyle & retail parks, campus offices & industrial parks as well as residential precincts.

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