

## Darco's 2018 Orders Reach S\$59.4 Million in Southeast Asia and China

- RM40.1 million (~S\$13.4 million) worth of water treatment projects clinched by Darco Water System Sdn Bhd
- Secured a S\$23.5 million contract for the retrofitting of Pneumatic Waste Conveyance System in Teck Ghee Estate, Singapore
- Strives to become a comprehensive integrated environmental protection solutions provider

**Singapore – 13 August 2018** – Following the announcement made on 12 June 2018 regarding S\$22.45 million worth of orders secured in China, mainboard-listed Darco Water Technologies Limited (the "Company" or "Darco" or the "Group") is pleased to announce that it has been further awarded projects worth an aggregate of S\$36.9 million in Malaysia, Vietnam, Pakistan, Indonesia and Singapore.

The Group's subsidiary, Darco Water System Sdn Bhd has successfully clinched water treatment contracts totaling RM40.1 million (~S\$13.4 million). Notably, the largest project with the total contract value of RM 15.4 million (~S\$5.2 million) was awarded in June 2018 by ASM Technology (M) Sdn Bhd. ("ASMT"), the world's No.1 player in semiconductor packaging and assembly equipment industry. It is ranked as the Top 100 Global Technology Leaders 2018 by Thomson Reuters.

The project involves the delivery of a 4,000 m³/day ultrapure water treatment package consisting of reverse osmosis and deionization systems, and a 2,000 m³/day wastewater treatment package to ASMT's plant in Johor. The project is expected to be completed within 6 to 12 months.

Riding on the industrial growth and favourable government policies in Vietnam, the Group has further exerted its presence in that region by securing a RM7.0 million (~S\$2.3 million) contract to build a water treatment plant for First Solar's manufacturing facility in Vietnam.



First Solar is a leading global provider of photovoltaic solar systems, and this project includes designing and building an ultrapure water system with a treatment capacity of 70 m<sup>3</sup>/hr, as well as a lifting batch tank system to collect the wastewater generated. The project is expected to be completed within 6 to 12 months.

Following the Group's success in securing projects for the building of centralized domestic waste collection in Singapore in 2016, the Group's wholly owned subsidiary, PV Vacuum Engineering Pte. Ltd. ("PV Vacuum") has been recently awarded a S\$23.5 million contract for the retrofitting of a District Pneumatic Waste Conveyance System ("PWCS") into the Teck Ghee Estate under the HDB Greenprint Program. PV Vacuum shall also be involved in the maintenance of the PWCS over the next 10 years, generating a recurring income stream for the Group. The project is expected to be completed in 2020.

District Pneumatic Waste Conveyance System is a sustainable and green initiative by HDB, providing a more efficient, manpower-light approach to waste collection within the estate, while reducing pest and odour nuisance resulting from exposed waste. It transports waste from rubbish chutes to a centralized bin centre via a network of pipes (under or above-ground), thus removing the need to manually collect waste. It is mandatory for developments with 500 housing units and above to have a PWCS starting from April 2018.

Mr. Thye Kim Meng, CEO of the Group, said, "We have always been striving to become a comprehensive integrated environmental protection solutions provider. Therefore, besides further strengthening our presence in the water industry, we are also looking for opportunities to expand into other environmental protection-related segments, bringing in additional revenue stream to the Group."



## About Darco Water Technologies Limited

Established in 1999 and listed on SGX in 2002, Darco Water Technologies designs and delivers engineered solutions for water and wastewater systems for industrial and municipal customers. Its core management team has more than 19 years of experience in water treatment for a wide range of industries. Its markets include Mainland China and Southeast Asia.

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