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Sixteen individuals and enterprises lauded for leadership in sustainable development at the 2026 Sustainability Impact Awards

Singapore, 23 September 2026 – Sixteen individuals and enterprises were recognised for their outstanding contributions to sustainable development and driving innovations towards a greener and more inclusive future at the 2026 Sustainability Impact Awards (SI Awards), jointly organised by The Business Times (BT) and UOB. Now in its fourth year, the awards ceremony was held at Shangri-La Singapore, where Mr Heng Swee Keat, Chairman of the National Research Foundation, was the Guest-of-Honour.

The SI Awards recognise individuals and corporates in Singapore that have demonstrated exemplary leadership in creating sustainability impact. This year, the Special Recognition Award was introduced under the Enterprise category, to recognise enterprises that have undertaken meaningful projects, initiatives, or programmes that contribute to and support the sustainability ecosystem. It aims to recognise and encourage enterprises that go beyond business-as-usual practices to make a meaningful difference to the environment and the wider ecosystem, while inspiring them to continue advancing sustainable practices and creating lasting positive change.

Berge Bulk was named the Impact Enterprise of the Year under the Large Enterprise category for pioneering bold, transformative action in a hard-to-abate sector. The company achieved its goal of becoming carbon neutral in 2025 through retrofit solutions, energy-saving technology, and voluntary carbon credits. Three other large enterprises – DP Architects, IHH Healthcare, and Lendlease & LREIT also received the Impact Enterprise Excellence Award under the same category for their sustainability endeavours.

Among the small and medium enterprises (SMEs), Clean Kinetics Pte Ltd clinched the Impact Enterprise of the Year for advancing decarbonisation by expanding access to clean energy and sustainable mobility across Southeast Asia and the Middle East. Three other SMEs - SaladStop! Group, Stolz Engineering, and Unravel Carbon were presented the Impact Enterprise Excellence Award.

Under the Individual category, Ms Susan Chong, CEO of Greenphyto Pte Ltd, was named the Impact Leader of the Year. Ms Chong demonstrated visionary leadership in advancing both ecological innovation and food equity. She is behind the world's tallest indoor vertical farm that was unveiled in January this year, a 14-year vision in the making. Ms Chong is also recognised for her dedication to social good through the Circular Community Programme, which has distributed over 116,000 vegetable packs to support more than 104,000 families and local organisations.

The Impact Leader Excellence Award under the Individual category was presented to two winners. They are Mr Liam Wee Sin, Group Chief Executive, UOL Group Limited, and Mr Ng Kian Swan, Chief Operating Officer, Group Facilities Management, Group Security & Group Emergency Planning Chair, Energy & Water Taskforce, National University Health System, and Chief Sustainability Officer, Ng Teng Fong General Hospital and Jurong Community Hospital.

The Special Recognition Award was presented to Ampotech Pte. Ltd. and KosmodeHealth Singapore Pte Ltd under the SME category, and Delta Electronics Int'l (Singapore) Pte Ltd, Housing & Development Board, and ST Engineering (Commercial Aerospace business) under the Large Enterprise category.

BT Editor, Ms Chen Huifen, said, "With a 40 per cent increase in entries this year, the 2026 Sustainability Impact Awards demonstrated an impressive leap in quality, sector diversity, and holistic impact spanning both social and environmental fronts. From hard-to-abate industries to pioneering SMEs and visionary leaders, this year's winners exemplify true sustainability leadership. We are thrilled to honour their achievements and celebrate the inaugural Special Recognition recipients who are creating meaningful multiplier effects across the regional landscape."

Mr Wee Ee Cheong, Deputy Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, UOB, said, "The recipients of this year's Sustainability Impact Awards remind us that sustainability is not defined by ambition alone, but by the actions we take and the impact we create. Their achievements demonstrate how businesses and individuals can turn challenges into opportunities, drive innovation, and inspire others to collaborate in building a better future together.

As ASEAN works towards a more sustainable future, meaningful progress will require practical solutions, investment and strong partnerships across governments, businesses and communities. At UOB, we are proud to recognise those leading the way and hope their example will encourage more organisations to act and accelerate sustainable progress."

The Centre for Governance and Sustainability at the National University of Singapore Business School is the Knowledge Partner for SI Awards.

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Impact Leader Excellence Awards were also given to:

- **Mr Liam Wee Sin**, who is Group Chief Executive of UOL Group Limited. He has championed the integration of natural elements into built spaces. Through landmark developments such as PARKROYAL COLLECTION and Pan Pacific Orchard, his commitment to low-carbon construction and urban greenery has successfully avoided

51,300 tonnes of carbon emissions. His advocacy for social empowerment via the UOL x ART:DIS Art Prize has reached over one million members of the public and supported more than 120 lower-income youths and artists with disabilities.

- **Mr Ng Kian Swan**, who is Chief Operating Officer, Group Facilities Management, Group Security & Group Emergency Planning Chair, Energy & Water Taskforce, National University Health System, and Chief Sustainability Officer, Ng Teng Fong General Hospital and Jurong Community Hospital. He has advanced green clinical practices and fostered regional sustainability knowledge within healthcare. Through targeted stewardship initiatives across National University Health System facilities, they are able to enjoy annual savings of 6.8 million kWh of electricity and 716 million litres of water, while eliminating over 2,000 tonnes of carbon emissions each year. He also actively scales environmental stewardship across borders through the Healthcare Sustainability Exchange Programme, engaging 380 delegates across 59 organisations to build long-term capacity for sustainable hospital design throughout the broader healthcare ecosystem.

In the Large Enterprise category, **Berge Bulk** was recognised for pioneering bold, transformative action in a hard-to-abate sector. The company achieved its goal of becoming carbon neutral in 2025 through retrofit solutions, energy-saving technology, and voluntary carbon credits. Of note is its wind propulsion initiative which slashed daily fuel use by up to 6 tonnes and prevented nearly 19 tonnes of daily carbon dioxide emissions on board the Berge Olympus. Coupled with their dedication to ocean health through the recovery of over 100,000kg of marine plastic, Berge Bulk is steering the global shipping industry toward a cleaner horizon as it charts the course for a zero-emissions fleet by 2050.

Impact Enterprise Excellence Awards were also given to:

- **DP Architects**, for showcasing leadership in sustainable design. By embedding sustainability into its design process through its Green-Well-Tech strategy and proprietary APD framework, DP Architects is able to exert a cascading influence on clients, contractors, and the broader built environment. With a portfolio of over 57 Green Mark Platinum (or higher) projects spanning 3.3 million square metres, as well as multiple sector-first net-zero and super low-energy developments, DP Architects is demonstrating that environmental sustainability begins on the drawing board.

- **IHH Healthcare**, for driving transformative, systemic sustainability in healthcare across borders. IHH Healthcare is recognised for embedding lower-carbon clinical practices into its hospital operations. IHH Healthcare's renewable energy initiatives include leveraging wind power for up to 96 per cent of electricity needs in key facilities, and large-scale solar to supply up to 80 per cent of annual energy demand, drastically lowering their environmental footprint. Through clinician-led interventions - reducing surgical kit waste by 71 per cent - and embedding responsible antibiotic use into its clinical practice to combat antimicrobial resistance, the network addresses both environmental sustainability and long-term medical resilience.

- **Lendlease & LREIT**, for embedding sustainability into the very fabric of its global business strategy. Anchored by its ambitious "Mission Zero" campaign, Lendlease

achieved Net Zero for Scope 1 & 2 emissions globally in FY25, slashing emissions by 89 per cent from its FY2020 baseline. It also reached 100 per cent renewable electricity procurement five years ahead of schedule, charting a clear pathway toward Absolute Zero by 2040. Through its A$250 million Social Value Programme, Lendlease has generated A$284.6 million in verified social value, directly supporting over 250,000 people across eight countries.

Special Recognition awards were given to:

- **Delta Electronics Int'l (Singapore)**, for its proactive efforts to extend its sustainability footprint beyond its core business. By empowering 401 suppliers through structured ESG training and ISO certification, delivering energy-efficient customer solutions, and championing biodiversity through its 100,000 Coral Restoration Programme with the National Parks Board, Delta Electronics is creating a powerful multiplier effect.

- **Housing & Development Board**, for leveraging its public sector scale to drive industry capability and make emerging clean technologies commercially viable. Through flagship initiatives like the Green Towns and SolarNova programmes, the Housing & Development Board has aggregated demand to de-risk green investments, thereby pioneering zero-upfront-cost solar leasing models and setting high-performance benchmarks for smart lighting and cool paint technologies.

- **ST Engineering (Commercial Aerospace business)**, for its role in driving circular-economy solutions and advancing clean aviation technologies. Through strategic sustainable aviation fuel supply agreements with partners like Shell, participation in DHL's GoGreen Plus programme, and collaborative ventures with local SMEs on mobile Battery Energy Storage Systems, ST Engineering empowers suppliers to scale SAF production while lowering Scope 3 emissions for global airline customers.

In the SME category, **Clean Kinetics Pte Ltd** was recognised for advancing decarbonisation by expanding access to clean energy and sustainable mobility across Southeast Asia and the Middle East. In Singapore, the company has installed 17.6 MWp of solar capacity across 31 schools—generating 22,000 MWh of clean electricity annually and avoiding 8,800 tonnes of carbon dioxide. Beyond local successes, Clean Kinetics has extended its reach internationally by pioneering Jordan's first electric school bus fleet for 10,000 students and supporting Bhutan's landmark 500 MWp utility-scale solar farm.

Impact Enterprise Excellence Awards were also given to:

- **SaladStop! Group**, for leading the charge toward low-carbon and circular food retail operations in a challenging consumer environment. Bold consumer initiatives like its 'BYO Only Day' programme has meaningfully expanded reusable container adoption and eliminated single-use packaging on designated days. SaladStop! has also introduced Southeast Asia's first Net-Zero food outlets. The company has successfully slashed annual operational emissions to just 117 tonnes CO2e per year, nearly 80 per cent lower than a conventional outlet. The company demonstrates that zero-waste and low-carbon business models are not only feasible, but also commercially viable.

- **Stolz Engineering**, for driving high-impact industrial decarbonisation through innovative retrofit technology by transforming traditional cooling infrastructure into intelligent, highly efficient sustainability assets. Powered by its Smart Cooling Tower IoT Sustainability Platform, the company optimises energy performance without requiring costly equipment replacements. It delivers operational savings of up to 118.6 million kWh per year, preventing 47,700 tonnes of annual CO2 equivalent emissions, and generating tens of millions in cost efficiencies across its portfolio.

- **Unravel Carbon**, for driving enterprise decarbonisation by converting complex climate data into measurable, scalable action through its AI-powered carbon accounting and decarbonisation platform. The company has tracked over 5.2 million tonnes of CO2 equivalent emissions and analysed 4.9 million procurement lines, empowering organisations to measure Scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions. Unravel Carbon bridges the critical gap between reporting and execution, accelerating the enterprise transition to net-zero.