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Opus Consultants and GBI Forge Strategic Collaboration to Advance Green Building in Malaysia

KUALA LUMPUR, 24 July 2025 - Opus Consultants, through its wholly owned subsidiary Opus Energy Sdn Bhd (Opus Energy) – Malaysia's largest Energy Service Company (ESCO) and a leading provider of energy-efficiency and green infrastructure solutions, has formalised a strategic collaboration with the Green Building Index (GBI) for the joint-advancement of green building solutions for both retrofits and new developments, with the goal of achieving GBI certifications. Additionally, the collaboration will support nationwide awareness and capacity-building efforts around green and sustainable building practices.

This partnership marks a pivotal - milestone in Malaysia's transition toward a low-carbon built environment, particularly in scaling energy retrofits and driving compliance with national sustainability goals. The MoBE outlines a shared commitment by Opus Energy and GBI to accelerate the adoption of energy-efficiency and GBI-compliant solutions across both public and private sector assets, with targeted outreach in Peninsular Malaysia, Sabah, and Sarawak.

Commenting on the signing, Ir. Vincent Tang, Director of Opus East Malaysia stated, "Our collaboration with GBI represents a strategic step in scaling sustainable infrastructure across Malaysia's built environment. By leveraging on our Zero-Capex Green Retrofit Model, we enable asset owners to unlock long-term operational savings and ESG value without upfront capital investment. This performance-based model not only supports the National Energy Transition Roadmap (NETR) but also positions Opus Energy as a trusted partner in delivering bankable, data-driven outcomes aligned with national sustainability goals and investor expectations."

Opus Energy has a proven track record in energy and green retrofits - across healthcare, commercial, industrial, and government buildings, delivering measurable outcomes that enhance asset value and contribute to GBI certification.

The collaboration also includes joint industry engagement and stakeholder education to mainstream sustainable design principles and practices nationwide. "As Malaysia's industry recognized green rating tool for buildings, GBI welcomes this collaboration as a meaningful step towards advancing our mission to mainstream sustainable building practices across the nation. Strategic partnerships like this are vital in accelerating impactful transformation at scale and fostering a greener, more resilient built environment," said Ar. Sarly Adre Sarkum, CEO of GBI.

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This initiative reflects a broader shift in how the public and private sectors are coming together to future-proof infrastructure through innovation, compliance and measurable impact. As more organisations seek sustainable and cost-effective ways to modernize, this partnership sets a model for integrating sustainable engineering excellence with green certification frameworks.

Ir. Vincent Tang further remarked, "This collaboration represents a timely advancement not only for West Malaysia but also for East Malaysia, where momentum for energy transition and sustainable development is gaining pace. "Sabah and Sarawak offer significant potential for energy efficiency and green retrofitting. Through this partnership, Opus Energy is wellpositioned to support regional stakeholders with scalable, data-driven solutions that deliver measurable impact and align with national sustainability direction."

This strategic collaboration between Opus Energy and GBI highlights the alignment between innovative engineering, sustainability goals and green certification. By uniting performancedriven delivery with industry standards, the partnership sets a new benchmark for advancing green buildings that deliver tangible environmental and economic benefits.

As a key enabler of the nation's energy transition, Opus Energy remains committed to driving sustainability transformation through its zero-capex retrofit model, regional market presence, and end-to-end sustainability solutions. Backed by a strong implementation track record and a focus on ESG-integrated outcomes, the company continues to empower clients to futureproof their assets while advancing Malaysia's low-carbon ambitions.

The collaboration was officially sealed with the exchange of a Memorandum of Business Exploration (MoBE) during the recent Kuala Lumpur Architecture Festival 2025 held at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre. Representing Opus Energy was Kaveta Chelliah, Head of Sustainability Engineering Solutions, while GBI was represented by Ar. Sarly Andre Sarkum and witnessed by Ir. Vincent Tang together with Ar. Dr. Tan Loke Mun, Ar. David Teoh Wui Leng and Ar. Axxu Hoi Jung Wai.

For more information on Opus Energy and GBI, log on to http://www.uemedgenta.com/ and http://www.greenbuildingindex.org/ respectively.

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About Opus Energy

Opus Energy Sdn Bhd, a subsidiary of Opus Consultants under UEM Edgenta Berhad, is a leading provider of integrated energy solutions committed to advancing Malaysia's energy transition. Positioned as a One-Stop Centre for Sustainable Energy, the company delivers comprehensive services in Energy Performance Contracting (EPC), green retrofit solutions, renewable integration, and green building compliance.

Leveraging its Zero-Capex Model, Opus Energy enables organisations to implement energy-saving technologies without upfront capital—supported by Investment Grade Audits (IGA), measurable performance guarantees, and integration of Solar PV and Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS).

In alignment with national electrification goals, Opus Energy is actively deploying electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure across fleet depots, commercial assets, and public facilities—offering turnkey solutions through partnerships with leading global technology providers.

Combining engineering excellence, ESG focus, and regional expansion into Sabah and Sarawak, Opus Energy is shaping the future of sustainable infrastructure in Malaysia and beyond.

About Green Building Index (GBI)

The Green Building Index (GBI) is Malaysia's premier green building certification system, established in 2009 through a collaboration between Pertubuhan Akitek Malaysia (PAM, the Malaysian Institute of Architects) and the Association of Consulting Engineers Malaysia (ACEM). This partnership brings together architectural and engineering expertise to set standards for sustainable design and construction across the country.

GBI offers 18 specialised rating tools to evaluate buildings on key criteria such as energy efficiency, indoor environmental quality, sustainable site planning, water efficiency, materials and resources, and innovation. By certifying new and existing buildings across various sectors, GBI supports Malaysia's efforts to reduce carbon emissions, conserve resources, and promote a healthier built environment.

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