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**SEDC ENERGY COLLABORATES WITH MARC FOR THE UPCOMING BORNEO
ENERGY TRANSITION CONFERENCE 2024**

KUCHING, SARAWAK

TUESDAY, February 6, 2024 – SEDC Energy, Sarawak's leading new energy agency, today announced their collaboration with Malaysia Rating Corporation Berhad (MARC) for the much-anticipated Borneo Energy Transition Conference (BETC) 2024. Scheduled to take place in Kuching on February 26-27, this two-day conference will serve as a pivotal gathering, bringing together visionary thought leaders, change-makers, and industry experts to collectively explore ideas and catalyse decisive action towards shaping a sustainable energy landscape in the region.

In a significant development, SEDC Energy's Chief Executive Officer, Robert Hardin, and MARC's Group Chief Executive Officer, Datuk Jamaludin Nasir, paid a courtesy visit earlier today to the Premier of Sarawak, the Right Honourable Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari Bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg. This visit underscores the strategic importance of collaboration and its potential impact on the energy sector in the region.

Present at the briefing were SEDC Energy Chief Operating Officer Foo Kim Leong, SEDC Energy Corporate Communications Manager Dennis Harun Wong and MARC Chief Commercial Officer, Badrul Hisham Zawawi, signifying the commitment of both organisations to the success of this conference.

Robert added, "We are proud to have MARC as our strategic partner for this conference. Their support will help build our reputation as a new energy player in the region, also putting Sarawak on the map. So far, we have received overwhelming response from sponsors and participants despite it being an exclusive by-invitation event. This will be our first, but we want to make BETC our anchor event as we grow."

Reflecting on the collaboration, Datuk Jamaludin Nasir, Group Chief Executive Officer MARC, said, "We are honoured to be the strategic partner for BETC 2024. This collaboration aligns with our commitment to fostering innovation and sustainability in the energy sector. SEDC Energy's vision and dedication to driving positive change in the region resonate with MARC's values. Together, we aim to contribute to the development of a resilient and sustainable energy ecosystem."

The BETC 2024 promises to be a platform for engaging dialogue and collaboration, setting the stage for meaningful advancements in the energy landscape of the region.

About SEDC Energy

SEDC Energy Sdn Bhd is a wholly owned subsidiary of Sarawak Economic Development Corporation established in 2019. SEDC Energy is responsible for driving Sarawak's new energy agenda, hydrogen development along with its downstream petroleum retail business.

About Malaysian Rating Corporation Berhad (MARC)

MARC was established in 1996 and has since expanded to include its subsidiaries, namely MARC Ratings Berhad, MARC Data Sdn Bhd, MARC Solutions Sdn Bhd and MARC Learning Sdn Bhd, each providing distinct product offerings. The MARC group of companies is continuing on its transformation journey, spearheaded by its three-pronged approach of embracing technology, remaining agile and adapting to the ever-changing business environment.

MARC continues to stand firm as an independent institution and a bespoke provider across all of its offerings that encompass ratings, economic research, learning programmes, credit risk assessment and advisory, credit reporting and data and analytics. Please visit our website at www.marc.com.my.

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