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**SEMBCORP CELEBRATES THE GROUNDBREAKING OF ITS FIRST  
WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IN SOUTHERN CHINA**

*– Starts construction of a 15,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day wastewater treatment plant in Qinzhou*

**QINZHOU, April 7, 2010** – Sembcorp today celebrated the groundbreaking of its first wastewater treatment plant in southern China, in the Qinzhou Port Economic Development Zone (QEDZ) in Guangxi Province.

Expected to commence operations in the second quarter of 2011, the 15,000 cubic metres per day plant will serve industrial and municipal customers in the QEDZ, and is expected to be expanded in tandem with customer demand.

The total cost of the project is RMB 61.7 million (approximately S\$10.6 million). This investment will be undertaken by an 80-20 joint venture between Sembcorp and the Guangxi Qinzhou Linhai Industrial Investment Co. (QLIC), which is wholly owned by the QEDZ Administrative Committee. The joint venture will have 50 years' concession rights to provide wastewater treatment and reclaimed water to industrial and municipal customers in the QEDZ, which currently houses 19 multinational companies and local enterprises, as well as more than 50,000 residents. The concession area covers an area of roughly 67 square kilometres.

Mr Tang Kin Fei, Group President and CEO of Sembcorp Industries said, "We at Sembcorp are very pleased to be extending our proven wastewater treatment capabilities to the Qinzhou Economic Development Zone and southern China. We are thankful for the Guangxi and Qinzhou authorities' support. As Singapore's largest water company with a proven track record in Shanghai, Nanjing, Zhangjiagang, Tianjin and Shenyang in China, as well as in the UK, Vietnam, and the Middle East, we are confident that we will be able to offer customers in Qinzhou effective and reliable solutions to meet their wastewater treatment needs."

The groundbreaking was celebrated in a ceremony today, graced by Mr Sam Tan, Parliamentary Secretary for Singapore's Ministries of Trade & Industry and Information, Communications & the Arts (陈振泉先生, 新加坡贸易及工业部兼新闻、通讯及艺术部政务次长), Mrs Xiao Yingzi, Mayor



of Qinzhou (肖莺子女士，钦州市市长) and Dr Jeffrey Chen, CEO of Sembcorp's China operations (陈明信博士，胜科中国区首席执行官) .

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## **ABOUT SEMBCORP INDUSTRIES**

Sembcorp Industries is a leading energy, water and marine group. With facilities with over 3,800 megawatts of gross power capacity and over 4 million cubic metres of water per day in operation and under development, Sembcorp is a trusted provider of essential energy and water solutions to customers in Singapore, China, Vietnam, the United Kingdom, the UAE and Oman. In addition, it is a world leader in marine & offshore engineering, as well as an established provider of environmental services and developer of integrated townships and industrial parks in the region.

Sembcorp Industries has total assets of over S\$9 billion and employs more than 6,900 employees. Listed on the main board of the Singapore Exchange, it is a component stock of the Straits Times Index and several MSCI indices.

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## **ABOUT QINZHOU ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ZONE**

Qinzhou Economic Development Zone (QEDZ) is located in Qinzhou City in China’s Guangxi Province. Qinzhou City is 120 kilometres from Nanning City and 760 kilometres from Guangxi City. It is around 100 kilometres to Nanning airport, the main airport in Guangxi. China’s Central Government has earmarked Qinzhou City to be developed into an important petrochemical hub in southern China. Currently, 19 companies operate in the QEDZ, and additional investments expected to open on the site in 2010 include a 10 million tonnes per annum PetroChina oil refinery. The further development of a downstream petrochemical industry on the site is expected to follow.