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Independent Verification and Validation Agent Appointed for Johor Bahru - Singapore Rapid Transit System Link Project

The Ministry of Transport, Malaysia (MY MOT) and the Land Transport Authority, Singapore (LTA) have appointed a consortium comprising Systra SA, Minconsult Sdn. Bhd and Bureau Veritas Singapore Pte. Ltd as the Independent Verification and Validation (IV&V) agent for the Johor Bahru – Singapore Rapid Transit System (RTS) Link Project.

2 The IV&V agent must ensure that the RTS Link Project is carried out in compliance with the stipulated safety requirements and regulations. This includes assessing and certifying that the RTS Link is safe to commence passenger operations in end 2026.

3 Based in France, Systra SA is an established engineering and consulting company specialising in public transport and mobility solutions. Minconsult Sdn. Bhd. is a leading Malaysian engineering consulting firm with wide range of projects in Malaysia and abroad. Bureau Veritas Singapore has an established track record in providing testing, inspection, and certification services. The consortium of these three companies has extensive experience in conducting IV&V services for international railway projects such as the Sydney Metro North West Project and Jakarta LRT Project Phase 1.

About RTS Link

4 The RTS Link is a rail shuttle service between the Singapore terminus at Woodlands North station and the Malaysia terminus at Bukit Chagar station in Johor Bahru. It will support a peak capacity of 10,000 passengers per hour in each direction. To facilitate a seamless travelling experience, the Customs, Immigration, and Quarantine (CIQ) facilities will be conveniently co-located at Woodlands North and Bukit Chagar stations. Passengers will only be required to clear both Singapore and Malaysia immigration authorities once at the point of departure. When operations

commence, the RTS Link will further improve connectivity between Singapore and Johor Bahru and help ease congestion along the Causeway.

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