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SINGAPORE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY COUNCIL MARKS NEW CHAPTER IN HISTORY WITH CHANGE OF LEADERSHIP

Singapore, 10 June 2010 – A new chapter unfolded in the history of the Singapore Chemical Industry Council with its first change of leadership since the organisation was incorporated as an independent entity in June 2007.

Outgoing chairman, Dr A Chockalingam, handed over the baton of leadership over to Mr Lawrence Cheung, the SCIC's current vice-chairman who is also the country manager of Dow Chemical Pacific (S) Pte Ltd. Dr Chockalingam had steered the council since its independence, growing it from less than 100 member companies at inception to some 150 companies within its membership fold today.

Through the past few years, the SCIC has also grown to become the de facto association representing the chemical industry in Singapore, recognised not only by local authorities and industries but also at regional and international platforms such as the APEC Chemical Dialogue, the AEM-METI Economic and Industrial Co-operation Committee (AMEICC), the International Council of Chemical Associations (ICCA) and UNEP.

Mr Lawrence Cheung will helm the SCIC for a period of two years until 2012, as stipulated under the council's articles of association. "The chemical industry in Singapore will continue to grow in the coming years and SCIC has an important role to ensure that the interests of the industry, the nation and its people are adequately addressed so that our economy remains vibrant and strong", said Mr Cheung.

Besides working closely with the industry and authorities to address common issues of interest, the SCIC has also been very active in its industry awareness outreach programmes, reaching out to more than 10,000 students annually.

About the Singapore Chemical Industry Council Limited (SCIC)

The SCIC is the official body representing the chemical industry of Singapore in the private sector. Its membership comprises key multinationals, small and medium enterprises, logistics and services providers as well as traders.

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