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NEWS RELEASE

KOH BROTHERS AND UNITED ENGINEERS JOINTLY AWARDED PUB PROJECT FOR JURONG WATER RECLAMATION PLANT

- 60: 40 JV submitted winning bid of S\$54.6 million

Singapore, April 3, 2012 – Koh Brothers Group Limited ("Koh Brothers" or the "Group"), a well-established construction, property development and specialist engineering solutions provider, announced today that its subsidiary Koh Brothers Building & Civil Engineering Contractor (Pte.) Ltd. ("KBCE"), together with its joint venture ("JV") partner, UES Holdings Pte. Ltd. ("UESH"), a subsidiary of United Engineers Limited ("UEL"), an established company in mechanical-and-electrical and process engineering services provider for environmental sector, with particular focus on water and waste water treatment as well as odour control in Singapore and the region, have been awarded a S\$54.6 million contract by national water agency, PUB, for the construction of a used water lift station at PUB's Jurong Water Reclamation Plant. A lift station, which is a pumping station, is part of a used water collection system.

KBCE and UESH had formed a 60:40 JV respectively, known as KBCE-UESH Consortium, and had won this highly contested project from amongst several construction firms. Under this contract, KBCE-UESH Consortium will be involved in the designing, procurement, supply, construction, installation, testing and commissioning of the used water lift station at the Jurong Water Reclamation Plant. This contract is part of a scheme to extend the used water reticulation system to serve the Jurong Eastern Catchment and new developments in the Jurong Lake District.

In water reclamation, Koh Brothers has a solid track record and was involved in the construction of the award-winning Changi Water Reclamation Plant, where the Group's portion of the work was valued at \$\$399.4 million.

The Changi Water Reclamation Plant was the cornerstone of the first phase of the Singapore Deep Tunnel Sewerage System project implemented by the PUB. Completed in 2009, the plant handles 800,000 cubic metres of used water a day, equivalent to 320 Olympic size swimming pools to international standards, and has an expandable capacity of 2.4 million cubic metres per day.

Koh Brothers was also involved in the Jurong Water Reclamation Plant Phase III extension when they built the inlet lift station and modified the inlet works at a cost of S\$18.0 million. The Phase III extension gave the plant another 41,000 cubic metres per day treatment capacity for used water. The project was completed in 2004.

Koh Brothers has also won several excellence awards for its drainage works and is recognised as a strong local infrastructure specialist. Some of its past notable drainage projects include Rochor Canal Flood Alleviation (1974), Kallang River (1995), Singapore River (1997), and most recently the Marina Barrage and the Punggol Waterways.

Said Mr Francis Koh, Koh Brothers' Managing Director and Group CEO: "With our strong track record in water reclamation, flood alleviation and drainage projects, we are pleased to be awarded this project which clearly recognises our unparalleled track record in this specialised area.

"Going forward, we plan to tap on available pockets of opportunities such as upcoming Housing Development Board projects, and potential public drainage works as announced by PUB in January this year. With a long track record in civil engineering works, particularly in drainage projects, we are well-positioned to capture a share of this prospective market.

"We are delighted to be teaming up with UESH, given its rich engineering heritage and integral role in the physical and economic transformation of Singapore. There is much synergy in this JV given UESH's expertise in environment and mechanical engineering and Koh Brothers' strength in infrastructure construction engineering. We certainly look forward to more opportunities of working together with UESH in the near future."

"UEL's track record in water engineering projects can be traced back to as early as 1930s where it was contractor to many Eastern governments and municipalities for the construction of waterworks and related infrastucture. Some of the early waterworks that UEL built include the Ampang Waterworks in Selangor. In more recent years, we have also been involved with water projects at Chestnut Avenue Waterworks, Choa Chu Kang Waterworks and Marine Life Park at Resorts World Sentosa. This contract win will further strengthen our capabilities and track record," said Mr Johnson Tang, Deputy Managing Director, UESH.

Work on the project will commence this month and is expected to be completed in 30 months, by September 2014.

About Koh Brothers Group Limited

Listed on SGX Mainboard in August 1994, Koh Brothers Group is a well-established construction, property development and specialist engineering solutions provider, which was started as a sole proprietorship in 1966 by Mr Koh Tiat Meng. Today, the Group has more than 40 subsidiaries, joint venture companies and associated companies spread over Singapore, PRC, Indonesia, and Malaysia.

Over the years, the Group has undertaken numerous construction and infrastructure projects with its A1 grading by the Building and Construction Authority ("BCA"). It is currently the highest grade for contractors' registration in this category, and allows the Group to tender for public sector construction projects of unlimited value. In addition, the Group has developed a name for itself as a niche real estate developer, with an established reputation for quality and innovation.

Koh Brothers Group's diversified businesses present them with multiple revenue streams from three core areas:

- Construction and Building Materials;
- Real Estate; and
- Leisure & Hospitality.

Construction and Building Materials

This division leads in providing a complete and diverse range of infrastructure project management, products, services and solutions for the construction industry.

One of its major projects is the iconic Marina Barrage which was successfully completed in October 2008. In November 2010, the Group announced it was awarded PUB's Improvement to Geylang River from Dunman Road to Guillemard Road contract worth S\$37.8 million.

Most recently in March 2011, Koh Brothers announced the award of a new contract worth S\$63.2 million from Phileap Pte Ltd, for the construction of Lincoln Suites – a luxurious condominium project at Khiang Guan Avenue, off Newton Road, in District 11.

Ongoing projects include the Downtown Line 1 Bugis Station, Punggol Waterway Parts One and Two, the Common Service Tunnel at the Business Financial Centre, and public housing at Choa Chu Kang.

The Building Materials division provides total ready-mix concrete solutions to the construction industry. The supply chain includes cement, ready-mix concrete, equipment rental and various types of products such as pre-cast elements and interlocking concrete blocks.

Real Estate

The Group's Real Estate division provides quality property developments with specialised themes at choice locations. Koh Brothers Development Pte Ltd ("KBD"), established in 1993, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Koh Brothers Group, is our flagship company for the Group's Real Estate division.

KBD is noted for its 'lifestyle-and-theme' developments. For example, its Starville project was the first to introduce a star-gazing observatory, complete with an astronomy theme. Launched in June 2003, this project is a joint venture between KBD and AIG Lengkong Investment Limited, a member of American International Group Inc. Earlier projects include The Montana, in which KBD became the first developer to introduce state-of-the-art home automation features, broadband cable and an infinity pool. The Montana, launched in November 1999, is a 108-unit luxury freehold apartment located off River Valley Road. In October 2006, it also launched its four-units-only luxurious, freehold bungalow project, "Bungalows @ Caldecott", uniquely designed with a number of firsts in Singapore such as bathrooms studded with Swarovski wall crystals, Avant-Garde sanitary fittings incorporating luxury brand names like Visentin, and a specially-designed Water Conservation System.

In April 2006, it announced the acquisition of Hilton Tower, located in the prime freehold Leonie Hill area, for S\$79.2 million together with Heeton Land Pte Ltd. It is now the site for the premium condominium, The Lumos.

In June 2007, Koh Brothers Group Limited, Heeton Holdings Ltd, KSH Holdings Limited and Lian Beng Group Ltd formed a consortium with equal shares each and were successfully awarded the prime Lincoln Lodge site at 1/3 Khiang Guan Avenue, off Newton Road in District 11. The site has been redeveloped to the luxurious condominium project, Lincoln Suites, which features sky-high elevated gyms, wireless multi – room music systems and thematic communal dining facilities. Lincoln Suites was launched in October 2009.

Fiorenza, another prized freehold development by KBD, was launched in April 2009. Inspired by the passionate Italian culture with its bold artistic tastes, unrestrained luxury and a free-spirited lifestyle, this Avant-Garde development, located at Florence Road, is expected to receive its TOP by December 2012.

Other completed projects include:

- The highly successful Sun Plaza, located next to Sembawang MRT station, which introduced a sunflower theme. The residential block in Sun Plaza has been fully sold and the retail mall is currently held as an investment with high occupancy;
- The Capri, an 18-unit residential development, is situated along the prime Stevens Road; and
- The Sierra, an 18-storey residential development comprising 60 units located in the established and popular enclave of Mount Sinai.

Leisure & Hospitality

This division provides 'no-frills' hospitality services through its premium 3-star Oxford Hotel brand name with 134 hotel rooms.

About United Engineers Limited and UES Holdings Pte Ltd

United Engineers Limited ("UEL"), founded in 1912, is one of Singapore's pioneer companies and has played an integral role in the physical and economic transformation of Singapore. Building upon its early engineering roots, UEL has evolved into a dynamic corporation with key activities in engineering, construction and property. In view of the key role played by UEL in Singapore's early development, the Singapore National Heritage Board has marked UEL's flagship building, UE Square, a historic site in 2002. UEL is also the 11th oldest member in the Singapore International Chamber of Commerce. UES Holdings Pte Ltd ("UESH"), a subsidiary of UEL, is currently working on projects including the Enhancement & Upgrading of Used Water Pumping Installations, Design, Supply and Installation of Life Support Systems Works for Marine Life Park for Resorts World at Sentosa, Improvement Works at Changi Water Reclamation Plant and Proposed Expansion to Digesters and Effluent Pumping Station at Changi Water Reclamation Plant. It has also recently completed the Marina Reservoir Recirculation Scheme – Contract 3 Modifications to Chestnut Avenue Waterworks.

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