

## **OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF THE NATIONAL WEATHER STUDY PROJECT**

Singapore, 31 March 2005 – Senoko Power Limited today announced the official launch of the National Weather Study Project, a community initiative that aims to increase awareness among primary and secondary school students in Singapore about the importance of weather and climate change on our daily activities and the environment we live in.

Mr John Lim Kok Min, Chairman of Senoko Power, said: "Senoko Power leads the way in Singapore in terms of environmentally friendly electricity generation. We have 1,930MW of state-of-the-art combined cycle technology which is the flagship of our generation portfolio and has enabled us to recently reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 2.5 million tonnes per annum. Allied to this, our environmental management systems ensure the efficient use of scarce resources and minimise environmental impact."

He added that, "Climate change and the environment are being featured prominently on the global agenda and in this respect Senoko Power thinks globally and acts locally."

As a responsible corporate citizen, Senoko Power is delighted that we can further contribute to the protection of our environment by introducing this initiative which not only targets the school students but also the people around them.

Supported by the Ministry of Education (MOE) and National Environment Agency (NEA), the National Weather Study Project aims to encourage participating students to learn more about the weather, the environment and climate change by involving students in practical and hands-on project work and activities.

The National Weather Study Project does not restrict the students to the Geography curriculum as the project is a multi-disciplinary study that involves subjects like Physics, Economics, Chemistry, Biology, and Social Studies.

Participating schools will be encouraged to think broadly when responding to the National Weather Study Project. The project will assist them in relating knowledge learnt in the classroom to events occurring around the world.

Senoko Power has set aside a sum of \$1 million to support the National Weather Study Project. The sponsorship will go towards procurement and installation of mini-weather stations for each participating school. The funding will permit each participating school to install weather instruments measuring, inter alia, the following features:

- Temperature maxima & minima;
- Humidity;
- Rainfall; and
- Wind speed and wind direction

Mr Woon Shih Lai, Director-General, Meteorological Services Division of NEA said, "NEA is pleased to extend the current collaboration with Senoko Power from 'Adopt-A-School' programme to this national level initiative. The project will provide students with an opportunity to learn how to collect and analyse weather data and heighten their interest on how the weather changes can affect the environment and their daily lives. We are glad that Senoko Power has taken the initiative to reach out to the schools and we will work closely with them to kick-start this project in the schools."

An Advisory Committee, comprising industry experts, academics, representatives from Senoko, NEA and MOE will set the parameters of the National Weather Study Project and decide on the rules for the annual competitions. The Advisory Committee will be supported by a Working Committee which will give technical and implementation advice to the teachers and students on the National Weather Study Project.

Professor Leo Tan, Director of National Institute of Education and Chairman of NParks, and Professor Lim Hock, Director of Temasek Laboratories of National University of Singapore (NUS) and Deputy Director of Research at NUS, will be the Principal Chairman and Co-Chair of the Advisory Committee respectively.

Mr Roy Adair, President & CEO of Senoko Power, stated that, "The Company is focussed on meeting the increasingly discerning need of its customers in providing the power to make a difference. Not only are we a least cost producer but we also ensure that we produce a safe, reliable and environmentally-friendly electricity supply.

This National Weather Study Project initiative is in keeping with our environmental leadership and we are delighted to be working in partnership with the Ministry of Education and National Environment Agency on a project that has such widespread benefit to the younger element of the Singapore population."

The National Weather Study Project will commence with a detailed briefing for schools and the purchase of the necessary weather station equipment. The project work and competition will take place in the first semester of 2006 and 2007.

#### **About Senoko Power Limited**

Senoko Power is the largest power generation company in Singapore, providing over 30% of the nation's electricity needs.

Senoko Power is the first power generation company in Singapore to import clean natural gas for power generation in 1992, launch the first combined cycle plant in 1996 and was certified to ISO 9000 in 1998, OHSAS 18001 in 2003 and ISO 14001 in 2004.

Senoko Power has a combined installed capacity of 3,390 megawatt (MW), comprising 1,250 MW of thermal plants, 1,930MW of combined cycle plants (CCPs) and 210 MW of fast-start gas turbines. Senoko Power owns and operates Senoko Power Station and Pasir Panjang Gas Turbine Station. Senoko Power is wholly - owned by Temasek Holdings (Private) Limited.

**About Senoko Energy Supply (SES)**

Embracing the rapid deregulation and liberalisation of the Singapore electricity market, Senoko Power Ltd established its wholly-owned retail subsidiary, Senoko Energy Supply Pte Ltd., to retail electricity direct to major customers. SES obtained a Public Supply License from the Energy Market Authority (EMA) in February 2001 and is the first energy retail company to be certified ISO 9000 in 2002. SES is also the largest electricity retailer in the contestable market.

**National Environment Agency (NEA)**

ational Environment Agency (NEA) was formed on 1 July 2002 as a statutory board of the Ministry of the Environment (ENV) to focus on the implementation of environmental services. Each of the NEA operational divisions – Environmental Protection, Public Health, and Meteorological Services – plays a vital role in ensuring a safe, clean and healthy environment for Singapore. More information about the NEA is available at <http://www.nea.gov.sg>.

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