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PHARMANIAGA AWARDS VENDORS

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Petaling Jaya, 29 June 2009 – In line with its corporate slogan “enriching life together”, Pharmaniaga held the Vendor Excellence Award (VEA) for the 3rd consecutive year, celebrating excellence demonstrated by its vendors in delivering value to Malaysians across the country through superior quality products and services.

Officiated by the Minister of Health, YB Dato’ Sri Liow Tiong Lai, the VEA is an annual event to give due recognition to its Approved Product Price List (APPL) contract vendors that have shown excellent performance in supplying and ensuring quality products and services throughout a one year supply period.

The winners of the Award are based on key factors used in Pharmaniaga’s performance evaluation. They are Delivery Timeliness, Product Quality and Customer Service, which will also be used as deciding criteria in the selection of vendors for the three (3) years supply contract for APPL.

Currently, Pharmaniaga only manufactures 6% or 37 of the 570 products under the APPL, whilst the remaining percentage and quantity are procured from 84 vendors.

The results of the performance evaluation and the Award itself are endorsed by the Ministry of Health (MOH) and the Liaison Committee of the MOH and Pharmaniaga. The categories of the award are Adoption Scheme (Medical), Adoption Scheme (Non Medical), Local Manufacturer (Medical), Local Manufacturer (Non Medical), Supplier (Medical) and Supplier (Non Medical).

Managing Director of Pharmaniaga Berhad, Mohamad Abdullah said, “We hope that the Award will encourage continuous product and service improvement and create a healthy competitive environment amongst the suppliers in our pursuit to ensure excellent service to our customers”.

“We sincerely hope that our vendor performance evaluation and the Vendor Excellence Award will promote great quality products and services rendered by all our vendors because at the end of the day, it’s the end users that count and the VEA will add value to our business, which leads to enhanced patients’ experience each time they visit the hospitals or clinics”.

VEA is in line with the Government’s Silver Book principles to enhance Supplier Partnership and Community Development. “VEA is another gesture by Pharmaniaga that we care for the public”, he concluded.

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ABOUT PHARMANIAGA BERHAD

Pharmaniaga Berhad, a member of the UEM Group, is an investment holding company listed in the Main Board of Bursa Malaysia. The Pharmaniaga Group’s core businesses are generic pharmaceuticals manufacturing, research and development, marketing and sales, warehousing and distribution of pharmaceutical and medical products as well as supply, trading and installation of medical and hospital equipment.

Testimony to its commitment to offering high quality products and services, Pharmaniaga has won the Quality Management Excellence Award awarded by the Ministry of International Trade & Ministry; the Frost & Sullivan’s Excellence in Healthcare Award and Manufacturing Excellence Award.

With a vision to be the premier Malaysian pharmaceuticals company, Pharmaniaga is guided by its philosophy of ‘doing business with a conscience’ and empowered by its mission of **enriching life together**.

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