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## **MRCB'S EASTERN DISPERSAL LINK EXPRESSWAY WINS MCIEA 2012**

**Kuala Lumpur Sentral CBD, 28 March 2013** - MRCB Lingkaran Selatan Sdn Bhd (MLSSB), a subsidiary of Malaysian Resources Corporation Berhad (MRCB), as project owner of the Eastern Dispersal Link (EDL) Expressway has won the prestigious Malaysian Construction Industry Excellence Award (MCIEA) 2012, under the Major Projects Category (over RM30 million) at the award ceremony held by the Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB).

Encik Mohd Imran Datuk Mohamad Salim, MRCB's Group COO, accepted the award from Guest of Honour Dato' Sri Dr Ali bin Hamsa Chief Secretary to the Government of Malaysia, together with the representative of Bina Puri Construction Sdn Bhd, which also won the award as contractor for the project.

"We are truly proud to receive this award, which is a recognition of MRCB's project management excellence by the industry. The experience of delivering this project within a mature infrastructure region of the country was highly welcomed by our engineers and project management team for its very strategic and challenging nature.

"We made it happen and delivered on time without compromising any of the project parameters outlined, including safety aspects," said Encik Mohd Imran.

The EDL in Johor Bahru is an 8.1 km 3-lane dual carriageway that provides a direct link between the Pandan interchange at the southern end of the North-South Highway to the new Customs, Immigration and Quarantine (CIQ) complex, or known as Bangunan Sultan Iskandar, in Bukit Chagar.

The EDL expressway concession to design, construct, operate and maintain the EDL was awarded to MLSSB on 26 June 2007 by the Federal Government.

This is the first fully private sector funded expressway. The EDL provides a speedy and convenient direct link to the CIQ from the Pandan Interchange, and is designed to effectively disperse traffic within and among the main artery roads in Johor Bahru. Travel time has been reduced by as much as 35 minutes from Pandan to the CIQ. Since its opening on 1 April 2012, the EDL has provided convenience and ease of travel for an average of 160,000 motorists per day.

Employing the latest technologies for the design and construction of the Expressway, the EDL provides the latest facilities and safety equipment. These include, state-of-the-art traffic surveillance and control system; sophisticated traffic information system; rest & recreation areas; petrol kiosks; fast food restaurants; reload booths for Touch & Go and a smoke emission testing facility for the Road Transport Department.

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### **About MRCB**

**Malaysian Resources Corporation Berhad** is a leading urban property and infrastructure developer in the country. The Group specialises in civil, environmental and energy infrastructure development including beach rehabilitation projects, road works, road concessions, educational colleges, hospitals, power plants, and is the nation's biggest developer of high-voltage transmission networks.

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