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RGE Legal Named Among Top 15 In-House Legal Teams in Asia, Singapore

Singapore - 29 August 2022: Royal Golden Eagle Group's (**RGE**) in-house legal team has been honoured as one of the top legal teams in Asia and Singapore by respected trade publication, Asian Legal Business (**ALB**), the latest in a series of awards RGE Legal has earned in recent years. Part of international media group Thomson Reuters, ALB is a leading provider of print and online news and information for legal professionals in the region.

RGE Legal was named by ALB as one of the top 15 in-house legal teams both in Asia and in Singapore in March and July respectively in recognition of its achievements and performance.

This follows RGE Legal being named In-House Community (**IHC**) Asia's Energy & Natural Resources Team of the Year 2021. The team was also a finalist for the IHC In-House Best Practice Award for Technology Integration category in the same year. In 2020, RGE Legal won the ALB South-east Asia Energy & Resources In-House Team of the Year 2020 award and was placed among ALB Singapore's Top 12 In-House Teams 2020.

RGE Chief Legal Officer, Rose Kong, was also previously recognized by the Singapore Corporate Counsel Association (**SCCA**) as Chief Legal Officer of the Year (Singapore Company/Business Category) in 2021. She was also a Finalist for General Counsel of the Year at the inaugural ALB Women in Law Award last year.

RGE has been in expansion mode in Asia and the rest of the world. Most recently, RGE invested significantly in the expansion of its dissolving pulp mill in São Paulo, Brazil. It also acquired Pacific Canbriam in Alberta, Canada.

RGE Legal is deeply involved in the group's expansion projects. As business partners, the team was involved in securing over US\$1.5 billion in sustainability-linked loans for RGE's fibre and palm oil operations as well as major acquisition projects.

With a global team of more than 100 legal professionals, RGE Legal has embarked on digital transformation projects that include bespoke legal technology systems that optimise its management of legal matters, contracts and licenses. In parallel, RGE Legal also advises on the roll-out of various digital transformation projects across the group's mill, plantation and port operations.

In acknowledging the awards and accolades, Ms. Kong said her global team's learning agility and business partnering spirit helped them to face ever changing challenges in a rapidly evolving business environment.

“I wish to thank ALB, IHC and SCCA for recognizing RGE Legal team’s achievements over the last three consecutive years. All these awards could not have been possible without the commitment, dedication and resilience of the RGE Legal team. Their contributions were instrumental to earning these awards,” said Ms. Kong.

“We strive to deliver at the highest professional standards and to partner with the business teams to support RGE’s global growth and sustainability journey. We will continue to innovate and make a meaningful contribution to the organisation’s growth plans,” she added.

About RGE

Founded by entrepreneur Sukanto Tanoto and headquartered in Singapore, RGE is a group of resource-based manufacturing companies with global operations. RGE produces sustainable natural fibres, edible oils, green packaging and clean natural gas used to create products that feed, clothe and energise the world. RGE helps to improve billions of peoples’ lives through sustainable products that they use every day. With more than US\$30 billion in assets and 60,000 staff, RGE is committed to creating more recyclable and biodegradable products and contribute to a lower carbon future.

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