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PRESS STATEMENT

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ROAD TO AIR ITAM DAM RE-OPENS TODAY

- **Slope works completed at 10 locations along Jalan Empangan Air Itam and 20 locations along the Air Itam Dam perimeter road.**

PENANG, Friday, 10.12.2018: Slope and road reinstatement works at 10 landslide locations along Jalan Empangan Air Itam, the road leading to the Air Itam Dam, have been completed.

Slope repair works at 20 landslide locations along the dam perimeter road have also been completed.

As such, **the road and the dam is open to the public from today, 10.12.2018.**

We would like to thank the people, especially residents of Air Itam, for their kind cooperation and patience during the closure of the road. The closure was necessary to facilitate proper remedial works following widespread damages caused by the violent storm that ravaged Penang in October and November 2017.

PBAPP'S RM5.3 MILLION CSR INVESTMENT

Perbadanan Bekalan Air Pulau Pinang Sdn Bhd (PBAPP) has invested about RM5.3 million on slope works at Jalan Empangan Air Itam and in the dam environment.

The scope of works includes:

- Site clearing works at multiple locations along Jalan Empangan Air Itam;

- Site inspection, measurement and design of suitable structures to stabilise the damaged slopes for the long-term;
- Road and drain clearing works within the Air Itam Dam environment;
- Design and construction of various slope stabilisation structures at a total of 30 locations; and
- Road reinstatement works.

PBAPP regards this RM5.3 million as a corporate social responsibility (CSR) investment. As the water supply operator that serves the State of Penang, we believe in supporting the needs of our community.

The Air Itam Dam is a popular community green space, especially for walkers, runners, cyclists and hikers.

As such, we have commissioned professionally engineered slope works to ensure public safety, as well as to reduce the risks of further landslides in the long run.

THINK SAFETY, EXERCISE SAFELY

On behalf of PBAPP, I would like to welcome back all the “friends of the Air Itam Dam”.

Please come and use the dam environment again, and please use it responsibly for your recreational pursuits from 7.00am – 7.00pm daily. We have done our best to ensure that Jalan Empangan Air Itam and the Air Itam Dam are safe again.

However, please continue to be careful during rainy days. We will appreciate reports if you spot anything that is amiss at the dam or the road in the future.

You may file a report promptly through the following convenient channels of communication:



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- PBAPP 24-Hour Call Centre : 04 255 8 255
- “myPBA” app for smart phones and tablets : Available for download from the Apple App Store and Google Play Store.

Finally, we wish you a happy and healthy holiday season.

Thank You.

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