

MEDIA STATEMENT

THE LAUNCHING OF MALAYSIAN GRID CODE AND DISTRIBUTION CODE MALAYSIA 2010

21ST December 2010, Cyberjaya : YB Dato' Sri Peter Chin Fah Kui, Minister of Energy, Green Technology and Water launches Malaysian Grid Code and Distribution Code for the nations' electricity supply activities in an event today.

The Grid Code and Distribution Code, published by the Energy Commission Malaysia, is a regulatory instrument much needed to coordinate various electricity supply activities.

The Grid Code is a set of technical regulations used by utility companies such as Tenaga Nasional Berhad (TNB) and Independent Power Producers (IPPs) in the Peninsular Malaysia serves as the main guidelines in electricity supply operation; to ensure the electricity supply in Peninsular Malaysia remains reliable.

The Distribution Code is a set of technical regulation established to ensure the operations at the distribution level are being carried out systematically.

YB Dato' Sri Peter Chin in his speech hopes the introduction of the new Codes would enhance the transparency in a fair market competition in the nations' energy sector.

"I hope both Grid Code and Distribution Code will boost the nations' energy industry growth to another competitive level and able go extra mile on the nation's economy and to the consumers." said YB Dato' Sri Peter Chin.

"Through these Codes, I hope TNB as the main utility company in Peninsular Malaysia could improve the electricity supply quality to consumers as well as improving its' operational efficiency." he added.

The Codes will set the regulations and technical requirements that need to be carried out by all party involved in the planning, managing and maintaining the grid and distribution systems to ensure security, safety and reliability at all time.

The Codes highlight in details the roles and responsibilities of parties involved in managing or using the system, either through connecting or connected directly to the grid and distribution systems including generators, grid system operators, distribution system operators, single buyer and large power consumers.

The Energy Commission Malaysia as the regulatory body of the energy industry will chair the committee with members from the industry. The Codes are available for downloads from the Energy Commission website www@st.gov.my. It will be enforced on the 1st January 2011.

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