

Media Release

Sentosa Cable Car Line voted among Singapore's top engineering feats in prestigious The Institution of Engineers, Singapore (IES) Awards

Engineering Feats @ IES-SG50 Awards recognise top 50 achievements with greatest economic, infrastructural or societal impact on Singapore since 1965.

SINGAPORE, 1 July 2016 –The new Singapore Cable Car line on Sentosa has been accorded the prestigious Engineering Feats @ IES-SG50 Awards. The award recognises the new cableway as one of the top 50 engineering achievements to have made the greatest impact on Singapore since 1965 in terms of economic, infrastructural or societal contributions.

The Sentosa Cable Car Line, which was launched in July 2015 as part of Sentosa's SG50 celebrations, excelled over various engineering projects to receive the award. A total of 113 projects were shortlisted by The Institution of Engineers, Singapore (IES) for public voting online and only 50 projects with the highest number of votes were selected for the award.

Organised by the IES, the Engineering Feats @ IES-SG50 Awards are part of the IES' golden jubilee celebrations this year. The winners were announced at the IES Golden Jubilee Dinner held today at the Ritz Carlton Millenia Singapore Hotel, where Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong was Guest-of-Honour.

The Sentosa Cable Car Line, featuring various innovative technologies, is an extension of Singapore's iconic cable car network and together with the Mount Faber Line, forms the Singapore Cable Car Sky Network. The joyride now brings guests beyond Mount Faber and HarbourFront, across the central spine of Sentosa into the island's western end. Established since 1974, the Singapore Cable Car is the nation's first cableway and has been one of the key transport modes into Sentosa for the past 40 over years, transporting more than 50 million visitors to date. For many Singaporeans, hopping onto the cable car, riding above the waters and across the harbour is a novelty, and the experience is a fond memory.

The addition of the new Sentosa Cable Car Line forms a significant part of Sentosa's transport infrastructure, which has evolved along with the island's transformation into the dynamic leisure destination it is today, where close to 20 million locals and tourists visit annually.

The winning features of the Sentosa cable car line include:

- 1) A detachable grip technology that enables the cabins to be separated from the haul rope within the stations, so that the cabins can slow down for passengers to board and alight with greater ease and comfort.
- 2) Highly innovative safety devices and sensors. The complete grip opening and closing operation, for instance, is checked by monitoring equipment in a fail-safe mode.

3) A Rope Position Detection (RPD) system – an unrivalled safety feature for cableway installations that can recognise a rope deviation at an early stage, thus significantly reducing the risk of rope derailment.

4) A total recovery system in place to ensure that in the event of a system fault, the system has the capabilities to ensure that all the cabins and guests are brought back safely to the stations.

5) A fully automated cabin parking operation where the cabins are automatically parked at a dedicated parking bay at the end of operations every day.

6) An efficient and environmentally-friendly mode of transport with no on-road emissions. The cableway system is part of Sentosa Development Corporation's continuous efforts to ensure the sustainable development of Sentosa as a leisure destination and promote a greener environment. Further to that, it enhances access to western Sentosa and spans across three stations – Siloso Point, Imbiah Lookout and Merlion. The ride in the sky en-route to various attractions not only takes our guests up and away from the road traffic, but increases their overall enjoyment as a unique commute during their outing on Sentosa.

Mr Low Tien Sio, Deputy CEO of Sentosa Development Corporation said: "Winning this award is an affirmation of the significant contribution by our engineers and a recognition of their dedication and passion to serve the community. The success of this project, which was built as part of our constant efforts to enhance guest experience on Sentosa, could not have been achieved without the strong teamwork between Sentosa Development Corporation, Mount Faber Leisure Group and our project partners such as Doppelmayr Seilbahnen GmbH, Gammon Pte Limited and RSP Architects Planners & Engineers (Pte) Ltd.

"The new cable car experience on Sentosa not only rejuvenates the Singapore Cable Car experience but also complements the resort island's existing transportation systems and enhances connectivity within the island for our guests. Above and beyond that, it fulfils a seamless twinning of Singapore's top-of-the-hill destination, Faber Peak Singapore, with Sentosa - The State of Fun," he added.

Said Ms Suzanne Ho, General Manager of Mount Faber Leisure Group (MFLG) which operates the Singapore Cable Car Sky Network and Faber Peak Singapore: "Today, about 20,000 Singaporeans and local residents have opted to enjoy unlimited cable car rides throughout the year with the Faber Licence. They not only get to experience the buzz of Sentosa Island up and away from the road traffic, they also get the most scenic views from the existing Mount Faber Line that connects to Faber Peak on the mainland. The extended cable car service now offers the best of two destinations from one Singapore Cable Car Sky Network."

The Singapore Cable Car Sky Network operates daily from 8.45am to 10pm. For more information, please visit www.faberpeaksingapore.com.

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About Sentosa

Sentosa is Asia's leading leisure destination and Singapore's premier island resort getaway, located within 15 minutes from the central business and shopping districts. The island resort is managed by Sentosa Development Corporation, which works with various stakeholders in overseeing property investments, attractions development, operation of the various leisure offerings and management of the residential precinct on the island. The Corporation also manages the Southern Islands, and owns Mount Faber Leisure Group which runs Singapore's only cable car service.

The 500-hectare island resort is home to an exciting array of themed attractions, award-winning spa retreats, lush rainforests, golden sandy beaches, resort accommodations, world-renowned golf courses, a deep-water yachting marina and luxurious residences – making Sentosa a vibrant island resort for business and leisure. Making Sentosa its home, too, is Singapore's first integrated resort, Resorts World Sentosa, which operates South East Asia's first Universal Studios theme park.

Situated on the eastern end of Sentosa Island is Sentosa Cove, an exclusive oceanfront and residential enclave bustling with some 2,000 homes, romantic quayside restaurants, retail and specialty shops.

The Island is also proud to be home to Sentosa Golf Club and its two acclaimed golf courses, The Serapong and The Tanjong. Sentosa Golf Club hosts the SMBC Singapore Open and the HSBC Women's Champions, featuring some of the world's best golf professionals.

Welcoming a growing number of local and international guests every year, Sentosa is an integral part of Singapore's goal to be a global destination to work, live and play. For more information, please visit: www.sentosa.com.sg.

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About Mount Faber Leisure Group

A wholly-owned subsidiary of Sentosa Development Corporation, Mount Faber Leisure Group manages Faber Peak Singapore and the Singapore Cable Car Sky Network of 6 stations that connect mainland Singapore to the resort island of Sentosa. Its key businesses comprise attractions and event management, guided tour experiences, coach services, souvenirs and lifestyle merchandise as well as alfresco dining. Mount Faber Leisure Group strives to create happy experiences for all its guests with friendly and thoughtful service from its passionate team of ambassadors. For more information, please visit www.mountfaber.com.sg

About Faber Peak Singapore – the city's unique hilltop destination filled with natural serenity, spectacular views, delectable dining, cosy event venues and its own cable car network.

Away from the hustle and bustle of the city, Faber Peak Singapore (formerly The Jewel Box) features a vibrant cluster of dining and entertainment, cable car *joyrides* and unique experiences enjoyed by local residents and international travellers at the peak of Mount Faber. Located 100 metres above the sea, this buzzing peak invites guests to get **HIGH ON HAPPINESS** as they take in the relaxing views of the Sentosa-HarbourFront skyline, green vistas and the picturesque cable car line.

Our passionate service ambassadors are on hand to create happy moments for all guests of Faber Peak Singapore. For more information, please visit www.faberpeaksingapore.com.