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Nestlé Waters Inaugurates New Surat Thani Factory

- *New state-of-the-art water bottling factory in Surat Thani features advanced technology to improve environmental performance.*
- *Nestlé Pure Life, the high-quality bottled water offers healthy hydration for Thai consumers.*
- *With an investment of 1.8 billion baht, the Nestlé Pure Life Surat Thani factory will benefit the local community in terms of employment and sustainable growth.*

Surat Thani – February 27, 2017: The Nestlé Waters Business Unit of Nestlé (Thai) Ltd. has inaugurated its new **Surat Thani factory** as the second manufacturing and distribution hub for Nestlé Pure Life bottled water. It will distribute high-quality drinking water trusted for healthy hydration to consumers in 14 southern provinces and nationwide.

The official inauguration included Nestlé executives **Mrs. Audrey Liow**, Chairwoman and Chief Executive Officer for Nestlé Indochina; **Mr. Luca Chioda**, Business Executive Officer – Waters, Nestlé (Thai) Ltd.; and **Mr. Matthias Riehle**, Regional Manager (Asia) for Nestlé Waters. **Mr. Uaychai Innak**, Surat Thani Provincial Governor and **H.E. Ivo Sieber**, the Swiss Ambassador to Thailand, also participated in the inauguration ceremony at the Nestlé Pure Life Surat Thani Factory in Pupun District, Surat Thani province.

Mrs. Audrey Liow, Chairwoman and Chief Executive Officer for Nestlé Indochina, said, “At Nestlé, we are committed to enhancing quality of life and contributing to a healthier future for Thai people. For over 20 years, Nestlé Waters’ business operations in Thailand have produced high-quality drinking water that meets Nestlé’s global standards to satisfy Thai consumers’ demands for water they can trust for themselves and their families.”

According to **Mr. Luca Chioda**, Business Executive Officer – Waters, Nestlé (Thai) Ltd., “We invested over 1,800 million baht to build the Nestlé Pure Life Surat Thani Factory, our second production facility in Thailand for high-quality drinking water. We are creating value for the community with a focus on environmental sustainability, using state-of-the-art technology that minimizes water consumption and an efficient logistics network to improve environmental performance.

“**The new Nestlé Pure Life Surat Thani Factory** is 170,000 square meters including the production area, warehousing, offices, and utility services. It will produce Nestlé Pure Life in 0.33L, 0.6L, and 1.5L sizes. We also place importance on water management as part of Nestlé’s long-term commitment to environmental sustainability. The new factory features advanced VSEP (Vibratory Shear Enhanced Membrane Processing) technology that increases water recovery while reducing water consumption for the entire production process. As a distribution hub for the South, the Surat Thani factory will improve environmental performance as it shortens transport distance by

3 million km per year, which benefits the environment. We also are bringing benefits to the community, offering employment to the local community and contributing to the economy of the South of Thailand.

“In addition, Nestlé gives importance to Creating Shared Value (CSV) to establish solid relationships with people in the community, focusing mainly on education about water resources and PET recycling. The Youth Water Guardian project, a collaboration between Nestlé Waters and the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF), educates school children and communities about water resource management, while our ‘I am doing it’ project teaches children to recycle plastic bottles.

“**The new Nestlé Pure Life Surat Thani Factory** will provide high-quality drinking water trusted by all family members to enhance their quality of life and contribute to a healthier future,” concluded Mr. Chioda.

Notes to the Editor

Since entering Thailand in 1893, Nestlé Thailand has for more than 120 years created value for Thai consumers by offering delicious and nutritious products. We strive to continuously help consumers care for themselves and their families through a greater awareness, knowledge and understanding of nutrition. We believe this will enable consumers to make informed choices about their diet and lifestyle. As the world’s largest food and nutrition research and development network with substantial investment and resources, we are committed to innovate & renovate our product portfolio to offer tastier and healthier choices. Today Nestlé Thailand manufactures and distributes 40 well-known brands of food & beverage products that continue to be enjoyed by Thai consumers of all age groups, every day.

The phrase “Good Food, Good Life” captures the very essence of Nestlé and its promise to enhance the quality of life of consumers to live longer, happier, and healthier lives.

Nestlé Waters products in Thailand include Minéré mineral water, Nestlé Pure Life drinking water, Perrier sparkling mineral and flavored water, Vittel mineral water, San Pellegrino sparkling mineral water and fruit beverages, Acqua Panna mineral water

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