

MEDIA RELEASE

**8 BUILDING CHAMPIONS RECOGNISED FOR FRONTING
SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES**

- Inaugural BCA Green Mark plaque awarded at green building exhibition

Singapore, 5 September 2014 – Tenants and visitors will soon be able to identify green buildings with the display of the BCA Green Mark plaque on building entrances, lobbies and atriums of buildings. Today, eight such building owners and developers who are also BCA Green Mark champions received the customised glass plaque commissioned by BCA from Ms Denise Phua, Mayor of Central Singapore, District Mayor, at BCA’s green building exhibition at Bugis+.

2. Ascendas, CDL, NTU, NUS and Keppel Land are some of the eight building owners with projects with the highest green building standards. *[See Annex A for building owners and projects]*. Also known as BCA Green Mark Champions, these developers have a strong commitment towards corporate social responsibility and outstanding achievements in environmental sustainability, having achieved a substantial number of Green Mark buildings at Gold level and higher. As of 1 July 2014, projects undertaken by the Green Mark Champions represent 13 percent of all Green Mark projects and 37 percent of Green Mark Platinum projects.

3. “The plaque was introduced to recognise the developer’s achievement in building and operating a sustainable property, and also to showcase the achievement to users and visitors. Tenants, users and visitors will now be able to identify that they are at the premises of a building owner or developer who has invested resources to green the building. The beneficiaries of these initiatives are also the users and they are able to experience sustainable and quality living.” said Dr John Keung, CEO, BCA.

4. Professor Yong Kwet Yew, NUS Vice President (Campus Infrastructure) said, “We are honoured and encouraged to receive this award in recognition for the University’s efforts in championing sustainable development. As a leading university, we continually strive to develop excellent campus infrastructure that supports the needs of the NUS community. At the same time,

we place great emphasis on making our campus more environmentally friendly. The Award will serve as a constant reminder to the NUS community and visitors to our green buildings about the importance of being environmentally responsible.”

5. Sculpted by glass artist, Ms Barbara Jane Cowie, the Green Mark plaque is moulded from recycled glass, with text sandblasted on the glass surface. Building projects that have completed verification through the BCA Green Mark Verification Audit will be eligible to display a plaque reflecting their BCA Green Mark Rating and the year of Award. The plaques can be purchased from BCA’s authorised supplier who will produce the plaque.

6. Mr Tan Swee Yiow, President (Singapore), Keppel Land, said, “Keppel Land is committed to high standards of environmental protection. The BCA Green Mark Plaque, awarded to Ocean Financial Centre, recognises our efforts to develop properties that harmonise with the environment as well as enhance the well-being of the community. Optimising a building’s environmental performance is a shared responsibility with tenants. Besides engaging and educating them with our Green Fit-Out and Green Office Operation Guides, we have formed a Tenants Go-Green Committee, comprising representatives from our various commercial buildings. Alongside other initiatives, including complimentary environmental gap analysis for tenants in our commercial buildings, we aim to raise eco awareness and encourage more stakeholders to join Keppel Land in our green journey.”

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About BCA

The Building and Construction Authority (BCA) of Singapore champions the development of an excellent built environment for Singapore. BCA’s mission is to shape a safe, high quality, sustainable and friendly built environment, as these are four key elements where BCA has a significant influence. In doing so, it aims to differentiate Singapore’s built environment from those of other cities and contribute to a better quality of life for everyone in Singapore. Hence, its vision is to have "a future-ready built environment for Singapore". Together with its education arm, the BCA Academy of the Built Environment, BCA works closely with its industry partners to develop skills and expertise that help shape a future-ready built environment for Singapore. For more information, visit www.bca.gov.sg.

Annex A: Green Mark Champions

| Developer | Project | Project Rating |
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| Ascendas <i>BCA Green Mark Champion Award 2012</i> | The Galen | BCA Green Mark Platinum 2010 |
| CapitalLand Group <i>BCA Green Mark Champion Award 2012</i> | Capital Tower | BCA Green Mark Platinum 2012 |
| City Developments Limited (CDL) <i>BCA Green Mark Platinum Champion Award 2011</i> | City Square Mall | BCA Green Mark Platinum 2012 |
| Housing & Development Board <i>BCA Green Mark Champion Award 2011</i> | HDB Hub | BCA Green Mark Platinum 2014 |
| JTC Corporation <i>BCA Green Mark Champion Award 2013</i> | The JTC Summit | BCA Green Mark Platinum 2014 |
| Keppel Land Limited <i>BCA Green Mark Champion Award 2014</i> | Ocean Financial Centre | BCA Green Mark Platinum 2013 |
| Nanyang Technological University <i>BCA Green Mark Champion Award 2014</i> | Nanyang Technological University Residential Halls – Crescent Hall and Pioneer Hall, Nanyang Crescent | BCA Green Mark Platinum 2014 |
| National University of Singapore <i>BCA Green Mark Champion Award 2012</i> | Education Resource Centre, University Town, National University of Singapore | BCA Green Mark Platinum 2011 |

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BCA Green Mark Plaque

The BCA Green Mark Plaque allows building owners to prominently display the BCA Green Mark Rating awarded to a project. This helps to recognise the developer's achievement in building and operating a sustainable property, and showcase this achievement to users and visitors.

BCA Green Mark projects that have completed verification through the BCA Green Mark Verification Audit will be eligible to display a plaque reflecting their BCA Green Mark Rating and the year of Award. Eligible building owners may purchase the plaque from BCA's authorised supplier, who will produce the plaque and supervise installation.

The plaque, by glass artist Ms Barbara Jane Cowie, is in line with BCA Green Mark Award holders' commitment to environmental sustainability. The plaque is made through a moulding process from recycled glass, with text sandblasted on the glass surface.

Specifications of BCA Green Mark Plaque



BCA Green Mark Rating and year of Award sandblasted on front of glass

3-point bracket mounted

300mm diameter

10mm thick

About the artist

B. Jane Cowie has been working with glass for over 20 years. After gaining a degree in Visual Arts at Sydney College of the Arts, her commitment to art making, desire to learn and passion for glass inspired her to travel extensively. She has worked in numerous glass making studios and factories in Australia, England, Europe, USA, China and Japan to develop technical skill and an intimate understanding of glassmaking techniques and applications.