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A Green Fun Filled Family Day at Taman Tasik Perdana

Kuala Lumpur, Wednesday, 5 March 2008 – With the pace of development, one gets caught in the rat race leaving little time to spend with one's loved ones. Time spent with the family becomes infinitely precious as we struggle to manage a healthy work/life balance. Understanding this dilemma, Standard Chartered recently organised a Family Day with a difference. Over 500 staff with their families enjoyed a half day full of fun-filled activities at Taman Tasik Perdana for both children and adults.

In line with its aspiration to raise awareness of its staff on environmental issues, the theme for the day was aptly tagged – ***'Make Earth Grin, Let's Go Green'*** . Organised by the Bank's Sports Club, staff and their family members came dressed in green or had something green on them. They either wore green shirts, green caps, green shoes or one even brandished a bright green hand bag! It was a truly green carnival.

There were prizes galore to win for both children and adults. The petting zoo featuring slimy pythons, tortoises, cute miniature bunny rabbits and several other animals was a major attraction. In addition to several games stalls set up for both children and adults; there were the Children Colouring Contest for budding artists, Fancy Dress Contest for cute kiddies, Family look-A-Like Contest, Family Karaoke Contest and tele-matches.

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Opening the event, Julian Wynter, Chief Executive Officer, Standard Chartered Bank Malaysia Berhad said,

“Every year we have our Family Day but this year it’s a little different. I’m delighted to know that we have adopted the environment theme. This is not only responsible, but crucial in showing those both within and outside Standard Chartered just how important environment and climate change is to us. We need to be active participants to make a difference.”

The Bank’s partners in its environmental efforts, WWF and The Body Shop, were on hand to provide information on how they help to protect the environment.

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Standard Chartered – leading the way in Asia, Africa and the Middle East

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Standard Chartered aspires to be the best international bank in its markets by being the right partner for its stakeholders and leading by example. The group now employs over 70,000 people, representing some 100 nationalities, in more than 1,400 branches located in over 50 countries. The bank generates more than 90 per cent of its profits from Asia, Africa and the Middle East, with balanced income derived from both Wholesale and Consumer Banking.

The group is committed to building a sustainable business over the long term and is trusted worldwide for upholding high standards of corporate governance, social responsibility, environmental protection and employee diversity.

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Standard Chartered in Malaysia

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In 2001, Standard Chartered established one of two of its global shared service centres in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia to provide IT support and processing services to the Bank's operations in over 15 countries – the first bank in Malaysia to do so. It now housed the biggest software development companies in the country, International Software Centre Malaysia (ISCM). The other global shared service centre is located in Chennai, India.

Apart from its shared service centres, the Group has also established a wholly owned subsidiary company, Price Solutions Sdn. Bhd. to promote and market Standard Chartered's financial products in Malaysia.

Standard Chartered employs more than 5,000 employees in its Malaysian operations.