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# SIX ENTERPRISES FACE POSSIBLE PENALTIES FOR ALLEGED BID RIGGING CARTEL

**KUALA LUMPUR, 23 DECEMBER 2025** – The Malaysia Competition Commission (MyCC), an agency under the Ministry of Domestic Trade and Cost of Living (KPDN) has issued a Proposed Decision against six (6) enterprises for their alleged involvement in bid rigging cartel of sixteen (16) quotations and one (1) tender issued by the Kluang Prison Department. These enterprises are provisionally found to have infringed section 4(2)(d) of the Competition Act 2010 [Act 712]. The affected quotations and tenders involved procurement value ranging from RM30,000 to RM3 million, bringing up to a total value of RM7.3 million.

Through MyCC's investigations, it was found that the enterprises had engaged in bid rigging cartel through the exchange of information and facilitation of tender and bid submission by the same party. MyCC finds that such agreement had the object of significantly preventing, restricting or distorting competition in relation to the public procurement in the Kluang Prison Department.

It is important to highlight that at this stage, the Proposed Decision is a provisional finding and it should not be taken that these enterprises have conclusively infringed the Act 712.

The enterprises named in the Proposed Decision were notified of the proposed penalties and directions today. They are given the opportunity to submit their written representations within 30 days upon receiving the Proposed Decision as well as present their oral representations before the Commission on a date to be determined later. MyCC will issue its Final Decision only after considering the representations made by these enterprises together with the evidence obtained during the investigation.

Tan Sri Dato' Sri Idrus bin Harun Chairman Malaysia Competition Commission

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Established in June 2011, MyCC is an independent body responsible for enforcing the Competition Act 2010, which was implemented to create healthy competition that would, in turn, stimulate productivity and innovation, thus creating wider choices of products for consumers with better quality and reasonable prices.

The Act 712 applies to all commercial activities undertaken within and outside of Malaysia that affect competition in the Malaysian market. It provides a regulatory framework including powers to investigate, adjudicate and impose penalties on the perpetrators of the competition laws.

MyCC celebrated its 14<sup>th</sup> anniversary on 1 April 2025 and to date, MyCC has taken decisive action against more than 200 companies relating to cartels and abuse of dominant positions, resulting in a cumulative penalty of more than RM667 million. MyCC's current priorities include amending the Act to introduce the merger control regime, actively targeting bid rigging cartels and cartels in the food and agriculture sectors, as well as focusing on the challenges brought by the digital economy to competition law and policy. For more information on the Act and MyCC activities, log on to www.mycc.gov.my.