

## CAGAMAS' ISLAMIC COMMERCIAL PAPERS (ICP) DEMONSTRATE STRENGTH WITH OVERSUBSCRIPTION

**Kuala Lumpur, 26 September 2016 –** Cagamas Berhad ("Cagamas" or "the Company"), the National Mortgage Corporation of Malaysia, today announced the issuance of its 3-month Islamic Commercial Papers (ICP) amounting to RM500 million. The ICP will be issued under the Islamic Commodity Murabahah structure and proceeds from the issuance will be used to fund the purchase of Islamic financing from the financial system.

"The Company's ICP issuance has increased the supply of short-term corporate sukuk outstanding in the domestic market by 16%, at a time of reduced supply of short-term Government papers. The ICP issuance has received overwhelming response and has succeeded in obtaining a bid-to-cover (BTC) ratio of over three times as it offers additional investment options to short-term sukuk investors," said Mr Chung Chee Leong, Chief Executive Officer of Cagamas.

"The ICP were competitively priced against the 3-month KLIBOR, with orders received from a diversified pool of investors including financial institutions, insurance companies and asset managers," added Mr Chung.

The new issuance will bring the Company's aggregate issuance for the year to RM5.9 billion. The ICP, which will be redeemed at their full nominal value on maturity, are unsecured obligations of the Company, ranking pari passu among themselves and with all other existing unsecured obligations of the Company. They will be listed and tradable under the Scripless Securities Trading System.



## **About Cagamas**

Cagamas Berhad (Cagamas), the National Mortgage Corporation of Malaysia, was established in 1986 to promote the broader spread of house ownership and growth of the secondary mortgage market in Malaysia. It issues corporate bonds and sukuk to finance the purchase of housing loans from financial institutions and non-financial institutions. The provision of liquidity to financial institutions at a reasonable cost to the primary lenders of housing loans encourages further expansion of financing for houses at an affordable cost.

The Cagamas model is well regarded by the World Bank as the most successful secondary mortgage liquidity facility. Cagamas is the second largest issuer of debt instruments after the Government of Malaysia and the largest issuer of AAA corporate bonds and sukuk in the market. Since incorporation in 1986, Cagamas has cumulatively issued RM285.1 billion of corporate bonds and Sukuk.

Cagamas' corporate bonds and sukuk continue to be assigned the highest ratings of AAA and P1 by RAM Rating Services Berhad and AAA/AAA<sub>ID</sub> and MARC-1/MARC-1<sub>ID</sub> by Malaysian Rating Corporation Berhad, denoting its strong credit quality. Cagamas is also well regarded internationally and has been assigned local and foreign currency long-term issuer ratings of A3 by Moody's Investors Service Inc. that are in line with Malaysian sovereign ratings.

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