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## Malaysian Government continues to support Leaf biorefinery project

Leaf Resources (ASX: LER) is pleased to report on additional and ongoing support from the Malaysian Government for Leaf's proposed Glycell™ biorefinery project at Segamat in Johor Province, Malaysia.

The proposed biorefinery will be located at Segamat and will incorporate Leaf's proprietary Glycell™ technology that converts plant waste into valuable industrial sugars and other chemicals used in a wide variety of products and by downstream industries.

Leaf Managing Director Alex Baker said the Malaysian Investment Development Authority (MIDA) has continued to show strong interest in the project which continues to progress through its final engineering feasibility study (FEL3). MIDA offers a range of potential incentives to companies which meet the Government's objectives in terms of sustainability, technology development and employment generation

"We have received very positive engagement and strong support from the Malaysian Government in relation to this project, which was recently featured by MIDA in its annual media conference showcase of investment projects that meet its assistance criteria.

"Malaysian Government officials have participated in delegations to Holland to inspect progress on our engineering studies and have visited the Segamat project site. Leaf Malaysia was granted a manufacturing licence by MIDA in October 2018 for the production of fermentable sugars (hexose and pentose), refined glycerol and lignin."

MIDA's Chief Executive Officer Dato' Azman Mahmud said the Glycell™ biorefinery project promotes important investment in research and development and has the potential to generate high technology jobs.

"The Government wants to encourage companies like Leaf to use Malaysia as a base for investment. Green chemistry is a growing global opportunity and we believe the project at Segamat can capitalize on that opportunity."

Malaysia's National Innovation Agency, Agensi Inovasi Malaysia (AIM), has also continued to express strong support for the project.



AIM CEO Naser Jaafar commented: "This project is closely aligned with our National Biomass Strategy and has the potential to be a game changer for Malaysia as it would help unlock the potential of our biomass resources and realise high value downstream industries."

Leaf continues to work with MIDA and AIM to identify and secure additional assistance, including the establishment of a taskforce to assist with implementation of the project and coordination of other government agencies.

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## About Leaf Resources Ltd (ASX: LER)

Leaf Resources is one of the world's leading companies in converting plant biomass into industrial sugars. Our proprietary process for converting biomass-to-functional industrial sugars enable a myriad of downstream technologies for the production of renewable chemicals that will substitute petrochemicals used in manufacturing today. With our project development and continued technical innovation we are building a robust global business centered on renewable carbon containing products to deliver environmental and economic benefits to our shareholders and our planet. More on <a href="https://www.leafresources.com.au">www.leafresources.com.au</a>

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