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TA Investment launches a Fund that aims to deliver consistent returns

Kuala Lumpur - TA Investment Management Berhad (TAIM) is unveiling its latest innovative fund, the TA All-Cycle Commodities Income Fund (TAACCI) today, providing investors with an opportunity to maximise potential returns at relatively lower risk, which should be of great interest to investors in Malaysia in these uncertain and volatile times.

Chief Executive Officer of TAIM, Wong Mien, said, "Based on the current global scenario across all sectors and regions, all types of investments are affected. No matter where or how you invest, you will still be affected by the global market meltdown. The great news is that TAACCI is designed to beat all odds with the aim to provide consistent returns regardless of any market movement. This Fund could potentially reduce investors' portfolio risk."

TAACCI is an open-ended fund, which will primarily invest in Malaysian fixed income securities inclusive of money market instruments to provide regular income and stability of capital. The Fund will also attempt to maximise potential returns by investing in structured products and/or options that offer exposure to investment strategies, indices or other investments related to commodities.

The Fund will allocate a maximum of 15% into a Structured Product with performance linked to the CYD MarketNeutral Plus 5 Total Return Index (CYD Index*). "The CYD Index has a historical record of providing consistent annualised returns of more than 5% per annum even during the US subprime crisis. In times like this, we believe that we should find an investment which has a low correlation to other major asset classes" Wong Mien added.

The CYD Index arbitrages publicly available information and can thus be classified as a 'market neutral' strategy. Market neutral strategies are designed to not be affected by and are independent of the general direction of market movements. The payoffs of the CYD Index are not contingent upon the commodities price trends - it is a roll-return strategy on the futures contracts of the underlying commodities. Its established methodology can be summarised simply as "buy before everyone buys, sell before everyone sells". It takes no net positions, making the CYD Index a truly market neutral exposure to commodity investments. Another of its advantages is that unlike traditional asset classes, there is no need to correctly predict the entry and exit points into the investment, in other words – no need to worry about getting market timing right.

TAACCI has an approved fund size of 800 million units. The initial offer price of the units is RM0.25 per unit for 21 days from launch date with a minimum investment of RM1,000. TAACCI is available for purchase from TAIM offices, its authorised unit trust consultants and Institutional Unit Trust Advisers (IUTAs), namely, AmBank Wealth Advisory, Eon Bank, Philip Mutual, RHB Bank, Standard Chartered Bank, and The Royal Bank of Scotland (RBS). For more information, please call 1-800-38-7147.

* At inception, the Fund intends to invest in a structured product with performance linked to the CYD MarketNeutral Plus 5 Total Return Index ("CYD Index").

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NOTE TO THE EDITOR



Chief Executive Officer's Profile

Wong Mien, the **Chief Executive Officer** of TA Investment is responsible for the overall direction and supervision of the company. He graduated from the University of Malaya with a Bachelor of Science (Honours) majoring in Mathematics in 1987, then qualified as a Certified Financial Planner (CFP) in 2003. He has since garnered over 20 years of experience in the financial industry while working with American International Assurance Berhad, HLB Unit Trust Management Berhad and Alliance Investment Management Berhad. This included being involved in the management of a unit trust company while serving as the General Manager of KL City Unit Trust Berhad from 2002. He took the helm at TA Investment Management Berhad in March 2008.

About TA Investment Management Berhad

TA Investment Management Berhad (TAIM), a subsidiary of TA Securities Holdings Berhad (TASH) was incorporated on 17 April 1995 and commenced operations on 1 July 1996. As at 31 March 2009, TA Investment Management Berhad (TAIM) has total assets of RM528 million, being a combination of unit trust funds and direct mandate portfolios under its management.

TAIM has more than twelve (12) years of experience in managing unit trust funds and a total of seventeen (17) funds currently under its management, of which 5 are Shariah-compliant funds and the remaining 12 are conventional funds. Its investment portfolio comprises a wide spectrum of funds ranging from low to high risk and caters to the different financial needs and objectives of investors.

TAIM funds are invested in both the local and international markets by an experienced investment team. These unit trust funds are distributed directly to customers as well as through appointed Institutional Unit Trust Advisers (IUTAs) and authorised consultants.

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