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PREFACE

The Malaysian economy has gone through rapid structural changes since independence in 1957. Progressive development from agriculture to an industrialized economy has shifted the population into urban centers. Urban development is hence necessary to meet the need of urban population. Urbanization will increase the construction of impervious areas that will change significantly the hydrologic and hydraulic characteristics of the catchments. Therefore not surprisingly, incidence of flash flood in urban areas in Malaysia becomes more severe from year to year.

In order to mitigate flash flood in urban areas, a conventional drainage system made up of mainly open concrete drains, has been designed to provide the fastest possible transport of storm water runoff out of the catchments to the receiving waterways. The first urban drainage manual “Planning and Design Procedure No.1: Urban Drainage Design Standards and Procedure for Malaysia” was first published by the Department of Irrigation and Drainage (DID) in 1975. This manual has been used as a guideline for more than 25 years although there have been many new technological developments in urban storm water management. The conventional drainage system, unfortunately has led to increase in the occurrence of flash flood at the downstream of the development areas. Additionally, open concrete drains invite more polluted rivers and therefore have worsened the quality of life in urban community. As a result, conventional drainage system is no longer an effective measure in urban storm water management.

DID has taken a proactive step in urban storm water management by introducing the new manual known as Storm Water Management Manual for Malaysia (*Manual Saliran Mesra Alam* or MSMA). From 1st January 2001 onward all new development in Malaysia must comply with MSMA that requires the application of Best Management Practices (BMPs) to control storm water runoff from the aspects of quantity and quality to achieve zero development impact contribution. The application of BMPs will be able to preserve the natural condition of the existing rivers in Malaysia.

A smart partnership between Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) and DID has resulted in the design and construction of Bio-Ecological Drainage System (BIOECODS) at USM Engineering Campus, Nibong Tebal, Penang. Several BMPs were implemented as components of BIOECODS including swales, subsurface modules, dry ponds, wet pond, detention pond, constructed wetland, wading river, and recreational pond to control the quantity and quality aspects of storm water runoff as a result of the development of the USM Engineering Campus. The construction of BIOECODS covers an area of 300 acres and was completed in December 2002. His Excellency the Governor of Penang has launched BIOECODS at national level on 4th February 2003. BIOECODS is expected to provide an insight of BMPs implementation to engineers and practioners in Malaysia and worldwide in designing a sustainable urban drainage system (SUDS) for a new development.

This Special Publication on BIOECODS represents the present status of the 10-year research programme beginning June 2003. It contains 12 papers published and presented at national and international levels. The Special Publication gives a summary on MSMA, concept, design and construction experience on BIOECODS and preliminary results of the on-going research. It is to be hoped that the Special Publication can be used as a vehicle to promote the dissemination of the on-going research on BIOECODS to engineers and practioners in Malaysia and worldwide.

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