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PRESS RELEASE

Isle Utilities supports Natural Ventures to Advance Global Water and Food Security

August 2024 – London, United Kingdom – Isle Utilities, a world-leading innovation consultancy specialising in the development and commercialisation of emerging technologies in the water and environmental sectors, is proud to support the launch of Natural Ventures fund, an impact-focused venture capital fund addressing global food and water security.

Isle Utilities will offer its strategic support and expertise to Natural Ventures' newly launched \$100 million fund. This collaboration will leverage Isle Utilities' extensive market access and due diligence capabilities to identify and accelerate scalable technological solutions that tackle critical challenges in water and food systems.

Strategic Support to Drive Innovation

Natural Ventures' fund focuses on high-technology solutions aimed at creating a sustainable, healthy, and economical food and water supply. The fund is anchored by prominent investors, including HELM AG of Germany and Chemovateq, a Swiss-based family office, and launches with an initial portfolio of four innovative companies: Active Membranes, Brevel, Constellr, and N-Drip.

Isle Utilities will play a pivotal role in this initiative by providing strategic insights and technical expertise to ensure the successful development and commercialisation of these emerging technologies. This partnership aligns with Isle Utilities' mission to drive sustainable innovation in the water and environmental sectors.

A Commitment to Sustainability

Ben Tam, CEO of Isle Utilities, commented, "We are thrilled to support with Natural Ventures in this transformative endeavour. Our combined efforts will not only accelerate the development of crucial technologies but also contribute significantly to global food and water security. This partnership

perfectly aligns with our vision of 'accelerating the water environment transition required to protect the world's most precious resource, water.' At Isle Utilities, we are committed to fostering innovations that make a real impact, and this collaboration is a testament to that commitment."

Natural Ventures' decision to establish its headquarters in Abu Dhabi underscores the region's strategic importance and commitment to addressing food and water challenges. The Abu Dhabi Department of Economic Development (ADDED) and the Abu Dhabi Investment Office (ADIO) recently launched the AgriFood Growth and Water Abundance (AGWA) cluster, aiming to attract USD 34 billion of investment by 2045, further bolstering the region's position as a leader in this field.

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About Isle Utilities

Founded in 2010 by Dr Piers Clark, Isle Utilities is a global innovation consultancy specializing in the development and commercialization of emerging technologies in the water and environmental sectors.

We work across sectors from utilities and industry to finance and technology, helping clients identify, evaluate and adopt the best technologies and management practices.

We understand the challenges the environment is facing and help find and create the solutions to solve them.

We believe that accelerating the adoption of innovative solutions will improve communities, environment, and safeguard public health around the world.

About Natural Ventures

Natural Ventures is an impact-driven investment firm focused on accelerating the transformation to sustainable water and food systems. The firm is backed by leading institutions and is managed by a team of experienced investors with a deep understanding of the agriculture and water technology sectors. Natural Ventures is committed to investing in companies using technology to create a more sustainable world.

About HELM AG

HELM is a family-owned company headquartered in Hamburg, Germany. Established in 1900, HELM operates globally across several industry verticals, including the Agriculture, Fuel & Energy and Chemical sectors. With over 100 offices, distribution centres and joint ventures in over 40 countries, Helm is committed to providing sustainable solutions for its partners worldwide, supporting successful transformations leading to sustainable economic and societal outcomes. Core to HELM's culture philosophy is the essential role of partnerships in developing, scaling and deploying technology, driving sustainable and economically beneficial change.

About Chemovateq

Chemovateq Swiss Limited is a family office based in Zurich. Chemovateq is exclusively focused on and passionate about Agricultural and related technologies supporting the food value chain. These include Crop Protection, Crop Nutrition, Plant Genomics, Innovative formulation technologies, new and innovative packaging materials, food waste reduction,

mechatronics, digital agricultural solutions, and technology aggregation, integration, deployment, and distribution.

Chemovateq has a global network of industry partners and key influencers who operate throughout the value chain, making it a credible and highly knowledgeable enabler and lead investor.

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