



## **UAE Ambassador Sheikh Shakhbout bin Nahyan Al Nahyan Inaugurates ADNOC Distribution Saudi Service Station**

**Riyadh, KSA 28 February 2019** – ADNOC Distribution, the UAE’s leading fuel and convenience retailer, has celebrated the opening of its first service station in Saudi Arabia which opened late last year. In a ceremony conducted at the station, Sheikh Shakhbout bin Nahyan Al Nahyan, UAE Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia attended alongside Saeed Mubarak Al Rashdi, Acting CEO of ADNOC Distribution, Eng. Ibrahim bin Abdullah Al Humaidan, Assistant Undersecretary in Technical Affairs at the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs, Eng. Mohammed bin Ali Al-Subaihi Architectural Project Manager in Technical Affairs at the Ministry’s Agency.

ADNOC Distribution’s first Saudi service station, which is on the Riyadh-Dammam highway around 40 kilometers from the capital, began operating at the end of November 2018. It was followed days later by the second in the city of Hofuf within Al Ahsa Governate. Both stations underwent extensive reconstruction to bring them into line with ADNOC Distribution’s operational standards and branding guidelines.

“Our new stations in Saudi Arabia are performing above expectation,” said Mr. Saeed Al Rashdi, “there is strong volume coming through them and clearly Saudi customers are enjoying the ADNOC Distribution experience. These stations were planned to give us insights into the Saudi consumer in advance of further growth in the Kingdom. We have already alluded to our ambitions in Saudi Arabia, and look forward to becoming a familiar brand here. We are very excited about the potential this has and how it will advance the very close ties between the Kingdom and the UAE.”

Sheikh Shakhbout bin Nahyan Al Nahyan, the United Arab Emirates Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, said: “The important bond between Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates is deeply rooted in our shared history and close allegiances between the countries. This relationship sets the foundations for both countries to join forces to work together across many industries to contribute to the development of both nations.” He added: “The Saudi-Emirati Coordination Council has strengthened the strategic partnership between Saudi Arabia and the UAE and offers us all the opportunity to grow



and flourish across multiple sectors and industries. The entry of ADNOC Distribution to this market is a great example of this effective partnership.”

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### **About ADNOC Distribution**

ADNOC Distribution, listed on the Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX) under the symbol “ADNOCDIST”, is the leading fuel distributor and convenience store operator in the UAE. ADNOC Distribution operates 376 retail fuel stations, 250 ADNOC Oasis convenience stores and 13 Géant Express convenience stores as of 31 December 2018 and is the leading marketer and distributor of fuels to commercial, industrial and government customers throughout the UAE. ADNOC Distribution is the only fuel retailer operating in all seven Emirates in the UAE, and in 2018 expanded its operations internationally, opening two service stations in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. To find out more, visit [www.adnocdistribution.ae](http://www.adnocdistribution.ae)