# EQUINE CAPITAL BERHAD PART A – EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO FRS134

#### 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The interim financial statements of Equine Capital Berhad ("ECB") and its subsidiaries ("the Group") are unaudited and have been prepared in accordance with FRS134: "Interim Financial Reporting" and Paragraph 9.22 of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities ("Bursa Malaysia").

The interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 March 2008. These explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements provide an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in the financial position and performance of the Group.

The accounting policies and methods of computation adopted in the interim financial statements are consistent with those adopted in the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2008 except for the adoption of the following new/revised Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS") that are effective for the Group's financial statements commencing 1 April 2008:

FRS 107	Cash Flow Statements
FRS 111	Construction Contracts
FRS 112	Income Taxes
FRS 118	Revenue
FRS 134	Interim Financial Reporting
FRS 137	Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

However, there will be no material impact on the results and the financial position of the Group in applying amendments to these FRS as these standards will only impact the form and content of disclosures presented in the financial statements.

### 2. AUDITORS' REPORT ON REPORTING ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The auditors' report on the financial statements of ECB for the financial year ended 31 March 2008 was not qualified.

#### 3. COMMENTS ABOUT SEASONAL OR CYCLICAL FACTORS

The Group's performance for the quarter ended 30 June 2008 was not affected by significant seasonal or cyclical fluctuations.

## 4. UNUSUAL ITEMS DUE TO THEIR NATURE, SIZE OR INCIDENCE

There were no unusual items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows during the quarter under review.

#### 5. CHANGES IN ESTIMATES

There were no changes in estimates during the quarter under review that had a material effect on the interim financial statements.

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## 6. DEBT AND EQUITY SECURITIES

There were no issuance, cancellation, repurchase, resale and repayment of debt and equity securities during the quarter under review.

However, the Board of Directors of ECB has announced and dispatched a circular to all its ICULS holders on 25 July 2008 that pursuant to the conditions stipulated in the Trust Deed constituting the ICULS issued by ECB on 7 August 2003, the ICULS will mature on Tuesday, 26 August 2008, at 5.00 p.m. The ICULS will be removed from the Official List of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad with effect from 9.00 a.m., Wednesday 27 August 2008.

#### 7. DIVIDENDS PAID

There were no dividends paid or declared during the quarter under review.

#### 8. SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

The Group's operations comprise the following business segments:

Property development : Development of residential and commercial properties

Property letting : Rental of properties

Investment holding : Investment holding

The Group's primary segment reporting is based on the business segment. The Group operates predominantly in Malaysia and accordingly, no geographical segment is presented.

## **Segment Revenue and Results**

Group	Property <u>Development</u> RM'000	Property <u>Letting</u> RM'000	Investment Holding RM'000	Elimination RM'000	Total RM'000	
Results For 1st Quarter Ended 30.06.2008						
Revenue External sales Rental Income	28,158 - 28,158	- 172 172	- - -	- - -	28,158 172 28,330	
Results Segment results Unallocated items: - Finance costs Share of loss of associate Profit before tax Tax expense Net profit for the period	1,580	(150)	(115)	-	1,315 (439) (40) 836 (810) 26	

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Group	Property Development RM'000	Property <u>Letting</u> RM'000	Investment Holding RM'000	Elimination RM'000	Total RM'000
Results For 1st Quarter 30.06.2007	r Ended				
Revenue					
External sales	19,123	-	-	-	19,123
Rental Income	-	223	-	-	223
	19,123	223	-	-	19,346
Results					
Segment results Unallocated items:	1,772	57	(107)	-	1,722
- Finance costs				_	(438)
Profit before tax					1,284
Tax expense				-	(709)
Net profit for the period				_	575

# 9. CARRYING AMOUNT OF REVALUED ASSETS

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

# 10. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There were no material events subsequent to the reporting period.

## 11. CHANGES IN THE COMPOSITION OF THE GROUP

There were no changes in the composition of the Group during the quarter under review.

## 12. CHANGES IN CONTINGENT ASSETS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There were no material contingent assets or contingent liabilities for the current quarter under review.

## 13. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

There were no material capital commitments as at date of this report.

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# <u>PART B - EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO THE REVISED LISTING REQUIREMENTS OF</u> BURSA MALAYSIA

# 1. REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE FOR THE CURRENT QUARTER AND COMPARISON WITH THE PRECEDING QUARTER'S RESULTS

During the quarter under review, the Group recorded a revenue of RM28.3 million and a pre-tax profit of RM0.8 million against the audited adjusted preceding quarter's revenue of RM40.0 million and pre-tax loss of RM25.1 million.

The quarter's revenue and pre-tax loss was mainly derived from new sales and the continued progress recognition of the Group's existing developments in Seri Kembangan, Cheras and Batu Kawan in Penang.

#### 2. COMMENTARY ON PROSPECTS

Other than the launch of a new phase in Taman Mega Jaya, Cheras known as "Palomino" which comprises 54 units two-storey link houses with an estimated GDV of RM25.2 million in May 2008, there were no new launches in the quarter under review.

Rising costs particularly of building materials, raw materials and fuel, pose more challenging operating environment for the Group. Notwithstanding this, the Group will continue to initiate product value engineering to manage these costs without compromising on the quality of our end products. Furthermore, the Group will also continue to focus on accessing the market by reviewing its product mix on its existing land banks to ensure that the future products launches are well accepted. These measures taken will substantiate the Group's effort to enhance demand and to maximise returns, targeted at both the residential and commercial segments in Seri Kembangan, Cheras and Batu Kawan.

As for its Batu Kawan township development, the Group will continue to accelerate the development to capitalise on the development potential in Penang.

The Group will continue to endeavour to achieve better results from its existing and future projects.

#### 3. VARIANCES ON PROFIT FORECAST

Not applicable as no profit forecast was issued for the financial year ended 31 March 2009.

### 4. TAXATION

	Current	Preceding Year	Current	Preceding
	Year	Corresponding	Year	Year
	Quarter	Quarter	To date	To date
	30.06.2008	30.06.2007	30.06.2008	30.06.2007
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Current period taxation Deferred taxation	1,241	1,024	1,241	1,024
	(431)	(315)	(431)	(315)
20.000 (000)	810	709	810	709

The effective tax rate is not reflective of the statutory tax rate due mainly to the following reasons:

- i) Expenditure that are not available as deduction;
- ii) Excess of capital allowances over corresponding depreciation; and
- iii) Restriction in the group relief available in respect of losses incurred by certain subsidiary Companies.

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## 5. SALE OF UNQUOTED INVESTMENTS AND/OR PROPERTIES

There were no sales of unquoted investments and/or properties during the quarter under review.

## 6. DEALINGS IN QUOTED SECURITIES

There were no purchases and disposals of quoted securities during the quarter under review.

#### 7. CORPORATE PROPOSALS

On 7 April 2008, the Securities Commission ("SC") vide its letter approved the application made on 31 March 2008 by Hwang DBS Investment Bank on behalf of the Company for the extension of time of six months until 29 October 2008 to complete the implementation of the Proposed Private Placement which was earlier approved by the SC subject to certain terms and conditions. As at the date of this report, the Company has not issued any shares in relation to the Proposed Private Placement.

Save for the above, there were no corporate proposals announced during the quarter under review up to the date of this report.

## 8. BORROWINGS AND DEBT SECURITIES

	As at 30.06.2008 RM'000	As at 31.03.2008 RM'000
Short term borrowings (Secured):		
Hire purchase and lease creditors	1,364	1,320
Bank borrowings	42,745	42,609
Commercial Papers		15,000
	44,109	58,929
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Long term borrowings (Secured): Hire purchase and lease creditors	1 642	1 022
Bank borrowings	1,642 71,360	1,932 9,857
Commercial Papers	71,300	35,000
Medium Term Notes	-	25,000
	73,002	71,789

# 9. OFF BALANCE SHEET FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

There is no material instrument with off balance sheet risk issued as at the date of this report.

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#### 10. CHANGES IN MATERIAL LITIGATION

Save as disclosed below, the Company and its subsidiary companies are not engaged, either as plaintiff or defendant, in any litigation which has a material effect on the financial position of the Company and its subsidiary companies. The Directors are not aware of any proceedings pending or threatened or of any fact likely to give rise to any proceeding which might materially and/or adversely affect the position or business of the Group.

Kuala Lumpur Industries Holdings Berhad ("KLIH"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of ECB had been served with a Writ of Summons together with a Statement of Claim dated 24 May 2006 ("the Suit") claiming for outstanding balance sum, damages and preservation of retention monies in relation to a project known as "Proposed Renovation and Refurbishment of Hotel Uzbekistan, Tashkent, Uzbekistan ("the Project")".

KLIH is named as the Third Defendant in the Suit by Syarikat Lian Ping Enterprise Sdn Bhd ("the Plaintiff") whereby the Plaintiff alleges that KLIH is the "alter ego" of Crystal Mist Sdn Bhd ("First Defendant") and Syarikat Cengal Merah Sdn Bhd ("Second Defendant") both being the nominated sub-contractor for interior design including building works for the Project and that KLIH was the entity directing the other two defendants at the material time.

ECB wishes to highlight that:-

- a) the Suit was technically not properly served on KLIH. It was served on Horwath Mok & Poon ("HMP"), whose representatives were the Special Administrators appointed by Pengurusan Danaharta Nasional Berhad pursuant to KLIH's Scheme, which was completed on 23 October 2003. KLIH was acquired by ECB on 7 August 2003 pursuant to the Scheme. The Suit was only made known to KLIH on 4 December 2006 and some of the legal documentations were received by ECB on 8 December 2006.
- the Plaintiff has not raised any facts to support its allegation that the corporate veil between the First Defendant and KLIH should be lifted. At all material times, KLIH was merely the shareholder of the First Defendant and it had not given any guarantee to the Plaintiff for the Project; and
- c) the Plaintiff is making a claim where the cause of action arose in 1996 and prior to the Scheme of KLIH. ECB had, pursuant to the Scheme, settled part of the proved liabilities of KLIH Group and the remaining liabilities of KLIH Group were subsequently novated to and assumed by KLIH Debt Management Sdn Bhd ("KDM"), a special purpose vehicle established under the Scheme. Pursuant to the novation of the liabilities to KDM, all remaining liabilities of KLIH were deemed to have been extinguished and became that of KDM under the Scheme.

Our appointed solicitors have filed an application at the Kuala Lumpur High Court to strike off the Suit and/or remove the KLIH as being named a party to the Suit. The said application was dismissed with costs by the Senior Assistant Registrar on 23 October 2007. Our solicitors are of the view that the Senior Assistant Registrar had wrongly dismissed the application and that the Plaintiff's claim should not be maintained against us. Our solicitors have on 29 October 2007 filed an appeal to the Judge against the said decision. The hearing date was fixed for mention on 17 January 2008 and was postponed to 9 April 2008. It came up for hearing before the honourable justice but subsequently postponed to 4 August 2008 as the judge was attending a conference. Accordingly, it came up for hearing before the honourable justice but our counsel had to attend another hearing in Court of Appeal and thereby an adjournment was obtained. The new date fixed for hearing now is 17 October 2008.

## 11. DIVIDEND

No dividend has been proposed or declared for the current quarter.

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# 12. EARNINGS PER SHARE

# a) Basic

The basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the net profit for the period by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the financial period.

	Current Year Quarter 30.06.2008	Preceding Year Corresponding Quarter 30.06.2007	Current Year To date 30.06.2008	Preceding Year To date 30.06.2007
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (RM'000)	26	575	26	575
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue (000)	192,404	150,016	192,404	150,016
Basic earnings per share (sen)	0.01	0.38	0.01	0.38

# b) Diluted

For the purpose of calculating diluted earnings per share, the net profit for the period and weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the financial period have been adjusted for the dilutive effects from the conversion of ICULS.

	Current Year Quarter 30.06.2008	Preceding Year Corresponding Quarter 30.06.2007	Current Year To date 30.06.2008	Preceding Year To date 30.06.2007
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (RM'000)	26	575	26	575
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue (000)	192,404	150,016	192,404	150,016
Adjustment for assumed conversion of ICULS (000)	34,934	77,323	34,934	77,323
Adjusted weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue and issuable (000)	227,338	227,338	227,338	227,338
Diluted earnings per share (sen)	0.01	0.25	0.01	0.25

<sup>\* 3%</sup> Irredeemable Convertible Unsecured Loan Stocks 2003/2008

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# 13. AUTHORISATION FOR ISSUE

These interim financial statements have been authorised by the Board of Directors for issuance in accordance with a resolution of the Directors duly passed at the Board of Directors' Meeting held on 28 August 2008.

By Order of the Board Chin Pei Fung (MAICSA 7029712) Company Secretary Selangor Darul Ehsan 28 August 2008

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