

# CYCLE & CARRIAGE BINTANG BERHAD Quarterly Announcement for the six months ended 30th June 2016

## **Highlights**

- Unit sales up 14%
- Margins reduced on change in sales mix
- Earnings from Mercedes-Benz trading operations 4% higher

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Chairman 25th July 2016

### Results

	Six months ended 30th June		
	2016	2015	Change
	RMm	RMm	%
Revenue	737.9	735.5	-
Net profit:			
(a) Mercedes-Benz operations	18.0	17.3	+4
(b) Dividend income	11.2	11.2	-
	29.2	28.5	+2
Net profit attributable to shareholders	29.2	28.5	+2
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Earnings per share	29	28	+2
	As at	As at	
	30.6.2016	31.12.2015	
	RMm	RMm	
Shareholders' funds	284.7	260.5	+9
	RM	RM	
Net asset per share	2.83	2.59	+9

The results for the six months ended 30th June 2016 and 30th June 2015 have not been audited.

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### **Overview**

The Group's net profit in the first half of the year was marginally higher as the impact of a change in sales mix was largely compensated for by higher unit sales.

#### **Performance**

The Group's revenue for the six months ended 30th June 2016 at RM737.9 million was marginally higher than the previous year due to higher unit sales, partly offset by a change in sales mix favouring lower-priced vehicles. The net profit of RM18 million from the Mercedes-Benz operations was 4% higher, however, due to an increase in unit sales. The overall net profit of RM29.2 million, which included the recognition of RM11.2 million dividend from the Group's investment in Mercedes-Benz Malaysia, was 2% higher than the prior year.

While unit sales were up 14%, higher numbers of C-Class and E-Class petrolengine run out models, which had lower margins, meant net profit increased only marginally. Sales in 2015 had benefited from the higher margin E-Class and S-Class hybrid models. The Group's after-sales division performed satisfactorily.

The new Autohaus in Cheras, Kuala Lumpur, is expected to be completed in July.

The Board has not declared a dividend for the six months ended 30th June 2016 (30th June 2015: Nil).

### **Prospects**

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