

Condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the second financial quarter ended 30 September 2023

	Note	Current of 3 months 30 September 2023 Unaudited RM'000	•	Cumulative 6 months 30 September 2023 Unaudited RM'000	-
Revenue Cost of sales		37,699 (26,989)	61,827 (45,955)	69,713 (52,308)	148,097 (114,685)
Gross profit Interest income Other gains Administrative expenses Distribution costs Other expenses Finance costs Share of results of associates		10,710 2,114 360 (4,015) (268) (592) (2,672) (4,905)	15,872 1,532 5,972 (8,756) (387) (545) (2,554) (3,395)	17,405 3,851 8,466 (11,036) (661) (1,153) (5,308) (6,314)	33,412 2,316 10,251 (15,511) (727) (1,085) (5,050) (3,974)
Profit before tax Tax expenses	7 8	732 (627)	7,739 (1,822)	5,250 (1,095)	19,632 (4,155)
Profit for the period, attributable to the owners of the Company		105	5,917	4,155	15,477
Other comprehensive (loss)/income Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss: Fair value (loss)/gain on financial assets at FVTOCI Share of property revaluation reserve of associate Items that may be reclassified		(506) (272)	(877) -	514 (272)	(3,261) -
subsequently to profit or loss: Foreign exchange translation Fair value loss on financial assets at FVTOCI		(2) (575)	1,137 (481)	1,539 (624)	1,763 (763)
Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the period, net of tax		(1,355)	(221)	1,157	(2,261)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period, attributable to the owners of the Company		(1,250)	5,696	5,312	13,216
Earnings per share attributable to the owners of the Company (sen): Basic and diluted	9	0.02	1.13	0.80	2.96

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Condensed consolidated statement of financial position for the second financial quarter ended 30 September 2023

	Note	30 September 2023 Unaudited RM'000	31 March 2023 Audited RM'000
Assets			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	10	128,643	128,764
Right-of-use assets	11	1,698	1,911
Goodwill	12	876	876
Other intangible assets	13	23,880	24,050
Financial assets at FVTOCI	15	14,808	11,732
Investment in associates		22,258	29,639
Deferred tax assets	_	778	782
	_	192,941	197,754
Current assets			
Inventories	14	90,466	106,033
Trade and other receivables		128,184	98,589
Contract assets		86,976	116,747
Financial assets at FVTPL	15	132	123
Financial assets at FVTOCI	15	33,505	32,308
Tax recoverable		5,660	5,604
Deposits, cash and bank balances	16	258,986	250,177
	_	603,909	609,581
Total assets	-	796,850	807,335
Equity and liabilities Equity attributable to the owners of the Company			
Share capital	17(a)	187,756	187,756
Treasury shares	17(a)	(38,539)	(38,450)
Foreign currency translation reserve		(8,507)	(10,046)
Property revaluation reserve		36,323	36,595
Fair value reserve		(3,118)	(3,008)
Retained earnings	_	353,304	354,367
Total equity	_	527,219	527,214
Non-current liabilities			
Loans and borrowings	18	133,169	132,609
Other payables	10	1,296	1,404
Deferred tax liabilities		6,764	6,764
	_	141,229	140,777
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Current liabilities	10	05 740	00.000
Loans and borrowings	18	65,718	66,980 71 771
Trade and other payables		62,284	71,771
Tax payable	<u> </u>	400 128,402	<u> </u>
Total liabilities	-	269,631	280,121
Total equity and liabilities	_	796,850	807,335
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Condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity for the second financial quarter ended 30 September 2023

	Attributable to the owners of the Company							
			Non-Distributable				Distributable	
	Note	Share capital RM'000	Foreign currency translation reserve RM'000	Property revaluation reserve RM'000	Fair value reserve RM'000	Treasury shares RM'000	Retained earnings RM'000	Total RM'000
At 1 April 2022		187,756	(11,268)	35,541	(3,197)	(38,300)	367,548	538,080
Total comprehensive income/(loss)		-	1,763	-	(4,024)	-	15,477	13,216
Dividends	20	-	-	-	-	-	(7,834)	(7,834)
Share buy-backs	17(a)	-	-	-	-	(150)	-	(150)
At 30 September 2022	_	187,756	(9,505)	35,541	(7,221)	(38,450)	375,191	543,312
At 1 April 2023		187,756	(10,046)	36,595	(3,008)	(38,450)	354,367	527,214
Total comprehensive income/(loss)		-	1,539	(272)	(110)	-	4,155	5,312
Dividends	20	-	-	-	-	-	(5,218)	(5,218)
Share buy-backs	17(a)	-	-	-	-	(89)	-	(89)
At 30 September 2023	_	187,756	(8,507)	36,323	(3,118)	(38,539)	353,304	527,219



Condensed consolidated statement of cash flows for the second financial quarter ended 30 September 2023

		6 months ended			
		30 September	30 September		
		2023 Unaudited	2022 Unaudited		
	Note	RM'000	RM'000		
Operating activities Profit before tax		5 250	10 622		
		5,250	19,632		
Adjustments for: Interest income		(3,851)	(2,316)		
Finance costs		5,308	5,050		
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	10	(90)	(179)		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment		2,167	1,804		
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	13	301 898	271 899		
Amortisation of other intangible assets Inventories written down	13	69	142		
Reversal on inventories written down	14	(336)	(699)		
Fair value (gain)/loss on financial assets at FVTPL		(9)	` 1´		
Unrealised gain on foreign exchange		(6,301)	(8,757)		
Share of results of associates		6,314	3,974		
Income derived from short-term investments Dividend income from financial assets at FVTOCI		(209) (303)	(449) (269)		
Dividend income from financial assets at FVTPL		(303)	(209)		
Operating profit before working capital changes		9,204	19,101		
Changes in working capital:					
Inventories		15,834	(42,564)		
Trade and other receivables		(25,396)	8,032		
Contract assets/liabilities		29,771	44,189		
Trade and other payables	•	<u>(11,680)</u> 17,733	(14,608)		
Cash generated from operations Tax paid		(1,344)	14,150 (3,109)		
Tax refunded		-	1,000		
Net cash from operating activities		16,389	12,041		
Investing activities					
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(1,088)	(560)		
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		128	307		
Acquisition of other intangible assets Acquisition of an associate		(725)	(633) (10,000)		
Purchase of financial assets at FVTOCI		(2,646)	(10,000) (8,436)		
Dividend received from financial assets at FVTPL		4	2		
Dividend received from financial assets at FVTOCI		303	269		
Interest received		3,851	2,316		
Income derived from short-term investments Change in time deposits		209 3,353	449 136		
Net cash from/(used in) investing activities	•	3,389	(16,150)		
Financing activities			(10,100)		
Drawdown of other bank borrowings		60,777	70,968		
Repayments of other bank borrowings		(59,083)	(67,683)		
Repayments of lease liabilities		(343)	(431)		
Interest paid		(5,308)	(5,055)		
Dividends paid		(5,218)	(7,834)		
Share buy-backs Net cash used in financing activities	·	<u>(89)</u> (9,264)	(150) (10,185)		
-		10,514			
Net change in cash and cash equivalents Effect of foreign exchange rate changes		4,791	(14,294) 6,215		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial period		219,654	257,484		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial period	16	234,959	249,405		

The condensed consolidated statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements.



1 Corporate information

George Kent (Malaysia) Berhad is a public limited liability company incorporated and domiciled in Malaysia, and is listed on Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa").

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 30 November 2023.

2 Basis of preparation

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements are unaudited and had been prepared in compliance with the requirements of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard ("MFRS") 134: Interim Financial Reporting and paragraph 9.22 of the Listing Requirements of Bursa and should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 March 2023.

Adoption of New and Revised Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards

During the current period, the Group has adopted all the new and revised Standards and Interpretation issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board ("MASB") that are relevant to their operations and effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023 as follows:

- Amendments to MFRS 101: Presentation of Financial Statements Disclosure of Accounting Policies
- Amendments to MFRS 108: Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors Definition of Accounting Estimates
- Amendments to MFRS 112: Income Taxes Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction
- Amendments to MFRS 112: International Tax Reform: Pillar Two Model Rules

The adoption of the above Standards and Amendments did not result in significant changes in the accounting policies and have no significant effect on the financial position, results and disclosures in the financial statements of the Group in the period of initial application.

3 Changes in estimates

There were no changes in estimates that have had a material effect in the current interim results.

4 Changes in composition of the Group

There were no significant changes in the composition of the Group during the current period.

5 Segment information

Segment information is presented in respect of the Group's operating segments. The activities within each of these segments are explained below:

(a) Engineering

Engineering comprises mainly revenue derived from the execution of construction contracts.

(b) Metering

Metering comprises mainly revenue derived from the production, marketing and trading of water related product and services.

There has been no material change in total assets and no differences in the basis of segmentation or in the basis of measurement of segment profit or loss as compared to the last annual financial statements.



5 Segment information (continued)

Segment information (continued)				Der
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				Adjustments	condensed consolidated
				and	financial
	Engineering	Metering	Others	eliminations	statements
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Current quarter					
3 months period ended 30 Septe	mber 2023				
Revenue:					
External customers	2,733	34,966	-	-	37,699
Results:					
Interest income	6	247	820	1,041	2,114
Depreciation and amortisation	28	1,430	-	250	1,708
Share of results of associates	14	-	(4,919)	-	(4,905)
Segment profit/(loss) (Note A)	443	7,359	(2,474)	(4,596)	732
3 months period ended 30 Septe	mber 2022				
Revenue:	04.000	00.044			04.007
External customers	24,986	36,841	-	-	61,827
Results:					
Interest income	6	7	472	1,047	1,532
Depreciation and amortisation	21	, 1,245		226	1,492
Share of results of associates	26	-	(3,421)	-	(3,395)
Segment profit/(loss) (Note A)	1,707	9,669	81	(3,718)	7,739
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Cumulative quarter					
6 months period ended 30 Septe	mber 2023				
Revenue:					
External customers	6,197	63,516	-	-	69,713
Results:					
Interest income	12	339	1,527	1,973	3,851
Depreciation and amortisation	55	2,836	-	475	3,366
Share of results of associates	35	-	(6,349)	-	(6,314)
Segment (loss)/profit (Note A)	(278)	11,362	20	(5,854)	5,250
6 months period ended 30 Septe	mbor 2022				
Revenue:					
External customers	74,223	73,874	_	_	148,097
	17,220	10,017			1-10,007
Results:					
Interest income	12	13	693	1,598	2,316
Depreciation and amortisation	47	2,481	-	446	2,974
Share of results of associates	26	-	(4,000)	-	(3,974)
Segment profit/(loss) (Note A)	5,585	20,323	1 ,966	(8,242)	19,632



5 Segment information (continued)

Note A

The following items are deducted from segment profit/(loss) to arrive at "Profit before tax" presented in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income:

	Current quarter 3 months ended		Cumulative quarter 6 months ended			
	30	30 30 3		30 30 30		30
	September	September	September	September		
	2023	2022	2023	2022		
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000		
Interest income	1,041	1,047	1,973	1,598		
Other (losses)/gains	(218)	1,392	4,183	2,273		
Finance costs	(2,672)	(2,554)	(5,308)	(5,050)		
Employees benefits expenses	(2,287)	(2,555)	(4,968)	(5,147)		
Other unallocated corporate expenses	(460)	(1,048)	(1,734)	(1,916)		
	(4,596)	(3,718)	(5,854)	(8,242)		

Engineering

Revenue of RM2.73 million for the quarter ended 30 September 2023 was 89% lower as compared to RM24.99 million for the corresponding quarter in 2022. Segment profit of RM0.44 million for the current quarter ended 30 September 2023 as compared to RM1.71 million for the corresponding quarter in 2022.

Revenue of RM6.20 million for the period ended 30 September 2023 was 92% lower as compared to RM74.22 million for the corresponding period in 2022. Segment loss was RM0.28 million for the period ended 30 September 2023 as compared to profit of RM5.59 million for the period ended 30 September 2022.

The lower revenue and gross profit for the quarter and the period is mainly attributed to the completion of the hospital projects.

Metering

Revenue of RM34.97 million for the quarter ended 30 September 2023 was 5% lower as compared to RM36.84 million for the corresponding quarter in 2022. Segment profit of RM7.36 million for the current quarter ended 30 September 2023 was 24% lower as compared to RM9.67 million for the corresponding quarter in 2022.

Revenue of RM63.52 million for the period ended 30 September 2023 was 14% lower as compared to RM73.87 million for the corresponding period in 2022 mainly attributed to deferment of certain export sales. Segment profit of RM11.36 million for the period ended 30 September 2023 was 44% lower as compared to RM20.32 million for the period ended 30 September 2022 mainly due to the lower revenue and gross profit.

Consolidated revenue

The Group mainly derives its revenue from Malaysia and other ASEAN countries. Its core businesses are centred in the water industry and engineering works. The main factors which have affected the Group's revenue have been stated above.



5 Segment information (continued)

Consolidated profit before tax

The Group reported profit before tax of RM0.73 million in the current quarter (30 September 2022: RM7.74 million) was 91% lower mainly attributed to lower contribution from both the Engineering and Metering divisions. In the corresponding quarter, other gains mainly arose from unrealised gain on foreign exchange of RM5.60 million (30 September 2023: loss of RM1.05 million) on foreign currencies held.

The Group's profit before tax for the current period of RM5.25 million (30 September 2022: RM19.63 million) was 73% lower mainly attributed to lower contribution from both the Engineering and Metering divisions.

6 Seasonality of operations

The Group's performance was not affected by any significant seasonal or cyclical factors.

7 Profit before tax

Included in the profit before tax are the following items:

	Current quarter 3 months ended 30 30 September September 2023 2022 RM'000 RM'000		Cumulative quarter 6 months ended 30 30 September September 2023 2022 RM'000 RM'000	
Interest income from: - deposits with licensed banks - financial assets at FVTOCI - associate	(1,884) (230)	(696) (357) (479)	(3,490) (361) -	(1,109) (512) (695)
(Gain)/Loss on foreign exchange: - realised - unrealised	(1,010) 1,052	266 (5,604)	(1,247) (6,301)	(348) (8,757)

8 Tax expense

Current quarter 3 months ended		Cumulative quarter		
		6 months ended		
30 30		30	30	
eptember 2023 RM'000	September 2022 RM'000	September 2023 RM'000	September 2022 RM'000	
700	1,803	1,073	4,135	
32	157	158	259	
732	1,960	1,231	4,394	
(140)	-	(140)	-	
592	1,960	1,091	4,394	
35	(138)	4	(239)	
627	1,822	1,095	4,155	
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Domestic income tax is calculated at the Malaysian statutory rate of 24% of the estimated assessable profit. Taxation for other jurisdictions is calculated at the rates prevailing in the respective jurisdictions.

The effective tax rate (excluding the results of associates which is equity accounted net of tax) was lower than the statutory tax rate mainly due to the tax effect of certain income not being taxable for tax purposes.



9 Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing profit for the period, net of tax attributable to owners by the number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period.

Diluted earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing profit for the period, net of tax attributable to owners by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period, plus the weighted average number of ordinary shares that would be issued on the conversion of the dilutive potential ordinary shares into ordinary shares.

The following reflect the profit and share data used in the computation of earnings per share:

	Current quarter 3 months ended		Cumulative quarter 6 months ended	
	30 September 2023	30 September 2022	30 September 2023	30 September 2022
Profit attributable to the owners used in computation of earnings per share (RM'000)	105	5,917	4,155	15,477
Weighted average number of ordinary shares (excluding treasury shares) for earnings per share computation ('000)	521,759	521,959	521,840	522,078
Basic/Diluted earnings per share (sen)	0.02	1.13	0.80	2.96

The basic and diluted earnings per share are the same as the Company has no dilutive potential ordinary shares.

10 Property, plant and equipment

Acquisitions and disposals

During the period ended 30 September 2023, the Group acquired assets at a cost of RM2.00 million (30 September 2022: RM0.56 million).

Assets with carrying amount of RM38,000 (30 September 2022: RM128,000) were disposed of by the Group during the period ended 30 September 2023, resulting in a gain on disposal of RM90,000 (30 September 2022: RM179,000), recognised in profit or loss.

11 Right-of-use assets

Acquisitions and disposals

There were no additions and termination of lease contracts during the current period.

12 Goodwill

Goodwill arising on an acquisition of a business is carried at cost as established at the date of acquisition of the business less accumulated impairment losses, if any. Impairment is assessed annually and whenever there is an indication that the goodwill may be impaired.



Explanatory notes pursuant to MFRS 134

for the second financial guarter ended 30 September 2023

13 Other intangible assets

	Computer	d	Product evelopment	
	software RM'000	License RM'000	costs RM'000	Total RM'000
Cost:				
At 1 April 2023	977	12,061	16,587	29,625
Additions	9	-	716	725
Exchange differences	3	-	-	3
At 30 September 2023	989	12,061	17,303	30,353
Accumulated amortisation:				
At 1 April 2023	787	3,169	1,619	5,575
Amortisation	37	613	248	898
Exchange differences	-	-	-	-
At 30 September 2023	824	3,782	1,867	6,473
Carrying amount:				
At 1 April 2023	190	8,892	14,968	24,050
At 30 September 2023	165	8,279	15,436	23,880

Computer software

Computer software is stated at cost less any accumulated impairment losses and are amortised on a straight-line basis over the estimated economic useful lives at the annual rate of 20%. The amortisation of computer software is recognised in profit or loss.

License

The license, considered to have a finite useful lives, is stated at cost less any accumulated impairment losses and is amortised using the straight-line basis from the later of commencement of the contract to which it relates or when the related machinery and equipment are ready for their intended use over the period of its expected benefit not exceeding 10 years.

Product development costs

Product development costs relate to costs incurred in the development of new products which have finite useful lives are stated at cost less any accumulated impairment losses and are amortised over the period of expected benefit not exceeding 10 years on a straight-line basis. The amortisation of product development costs is recognised in profit or loss.

14 Inventories

During the period ended 30 September 2023, the Group recognised the inventories written down of RM69,000 (30 September 2022: RM142,000) and reversal of inventories written down of RM336,000 (30 September 2022: RM699,000) in profit or loss.



15 Fair value hierarchy

The Group used the following hierarchy for determining the fair value of all instruments carried at fair value:

- Level 1 Quoted price (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2 Input that are based on observable market data
- Level 3 Input that are not based on observable market data

As at the reporting date, the Group held the following assets that are measured at fair value:

	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
At 30 September 2023	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Financial assets at FVTPL:				
 Quoted equity securities 	132	132	-	-
Financial assets at FVTOCI:				
- Quoted bonds	14,580	14,580	-	-
 Quoted equity securities 	18,925	18,925	-	-
 Unquoted equity securities 	14,808	-	-	14,808
Non-financial assets:				
- Freehold land	91,350	-	-	91,350
 Buildings on freehold land 	14,611	-	-	14,611
 Long-term leasehold land 	1,228	-	-	1,228
 Building on long-term leasehold land 	947	-	-	947
At 31 March 2023				
Financial assets at FVTPL:				
 Quoted equity securities 	123	123	-	-
Financial assets at FVTOCI:				
- Quoted bonds	13,903	13,903	-	-
 Quoted equity securities 	18,405	18,405	-	-
 Unquoted equity securities 	11,732	-	-	11,732
Non-financial assets:				
- Freehold land	91,350	-	-	91,350
 Building on freehold land 	14,913	-	-	14,913
 Long-term leasehold land 	1,206	-	-	1,206
 Building on long-term leasehold land 	947	-	-	947

16 Deposits, cash and bank balances

	30 September 2023 RM'000	31 March 2023 RM'000
Deposits with licensed banks	169,188	152,763
Cash and bank balances	69,396	76,586
Short-term investment	20,402	20,828
Deposits, cash and bank balances	258,986	250,177
Less: time deposits	(24,027)	(27,341)
Less: bank overdraft	-	(3,182)
Cash and cash equivalents	234,959	219,654



17 Debt and Equity Securities

(a) Share capital and treasury shares

At the 72nd AGM of the Company held on 13 September 2023, shareholders' approval was obtained for the Share Buy-Back scheme to be renewed from 13 September 2023 until the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company to be convened in 2024.

As at 30 September 2023, the Company repurchased a total of 41,510,000 of its shares from the open market for a total consideration of RM38,539,127. Subsequent to 30 September 2023 and up to the date of this report, no shares were repurchased from the open market. All these repurchased shares are held as treasury shares in accordance with Section 127 of the Companies Act, 2016 and no treasury shares have been cancelled or resold to date. The repurchases of these shares were financed by internally generated funds.

(b) Bond payables

Status of Sukuk Wakalah Programme

On 26 March 2021, the Company announced that it has completed its inaugural issuance of the Islamic Medium Term Notes (iMTN) of RM132.00 million in nominal value under the iMTN Programme with the periodic distribution rate of 5.5% p.a.. The tenure of the iMTN is 5 years. It is rated A+/S (stable) by Malaysian Rating Corporation Berhad.

The cumulative drawdown of the facility at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

Date of drawdown	Amount of drawdown RM'000	Repayment RM'000	Amount outstanding RM'000
26 March 2021	132,000	-	132,000

Save for the above, there were no other issuances, cancellations, repurchases, resale and repayments of debt and equity securities during the current period.

18 Loans and borrowings

	30		
	September	31 March	
	2023	2023	
	RM'000	RM'000	
Short-term borrowings			
Secured:			
Bank overdraft	-	3,182	
Revolving credits	44,097	43,878	
Bankers' acceptances	20,777	19,275	
Lease liabilities	179	-	
	65,053	66,335	
Unsecured:			
Bond	80	99	
Lease liabilities	585	546	
	65,718	66,980	
Long-term borrowings			
Secured:			
Lease liabilities	669	-	
Unsecured:			
Bond	131,360	131,233	
Lease liabilities	1,140	1,376	
	133,169	132,609	
	198,887	199,589	



19 Provisions for costs of restructuring

Not applicable.

20 Dividend

The Board of Directors has declared an interim dividend of 0.75 sen per share for FY2024 (FY2023: 1.00 sen per share), payable on 8 January 2024 to shareholders whose names appear in the Record of Depositors on 18 December 2023, being the Book Closure Date ("BCD").

On the assumption that as announced to date, the treasury shares of 41,510,000 (which are not entitled to dividends), remained the same as at BCD, the dividend pay-out on 521,759,065 shares will amount to approximately RM3.91 million (FY2023: RM5.22 million on 521,959,065 shares).

21 Commitments

Capital expenditure as at the reporting date is as follows:

	30 September 2023 RM'000	31 March 2023 RM'000
Approved and contracted for: Property, plant and equipment	3,416	4,280
Approved but not contracted for: Property, plant and equipment		5

22 Contingencies

With reference to our Annual Report for the financial year ended 31 March 2023, at the hearing of Royal Malaysian Customs Department's ("Customs") appeal against the decision of the High Court on 14 November 2023, the Court of Appeal has decided in favour of the Company and dismissed the Customs appeal. The Court of Appeal affirmed the decision of the High Court that the contract is zero rated under the transitional provisions of the Goods and Services Tax Act, 2014 ("GST Act"). This is the final appeal for this case.

In respect of the Customs Bill of Demand for RM28.8 million, the application for judicial review is scheduled for further case management on 13 December 2023 to enable Customs to update the court on its stance with regards to the bill of demand in view of the decision of the Court of Appeal.

Save for the above, there were no other material contingent liabilities or contingent assets.

23 Provision of Financial Assistance

There were no material provision of financial assistance as at the date of this report.

24 Related party transactions

The Group had the following transactions with related parties during the period ended 30 September:

		Cumulative quarter 6 months ended	
	30	30	
	September	September	
	2023	2022	
	RM'000	RM'000	
Related companies: *			
Construction of a manufacturing plant	5,963	42,218	

* Related companies are companies within the Johan Holdings Berhad group.

25 Events after the reporting period

There were no material event subsequent to the end of current period.



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26 Performance review

	Current quarter 3 months ended		Cumulative quarter 6 months ended			
	30 September	30 September	Changes	30 September	30 September	Charges
	2023 RM'000	2022 RM'000	Changes %	2023 RM'000	2022 RM'000	Changes %
Revenue	37,699	61,827	- 39	69,713	148,097	- 53
Profit before tax	732	7,739	- 91	5,250	19,632	- 73
Profit after tax	105	5,917	- 98	4,155	15,477	- 73

Explanatory comment on the performance of each of the Group's business activities is provided in Note 5.

27 Comment on material change in profit before tax

	Current quarter 3 months ended 30 September 2023 RM'000	Preceding quarter 3 months ended 30 June 2023 RM'000	Changes %
Revenue	37,699	32,014	+ 18
Profit before tax	732	4,518	- 84
Profit after tax	105	4,050	- 97

The change in the profit before tax of -84% mainly arose from unrealised loss on foreign exchange of RM1.05 million (30 June 2023: gain of RM7.35 million) on foreign currencies held.

28 Commentary on prospects

The Group achieved a revenue of RM37.70 million for the quarter ended 30 September 2023, underscoring the resilience of the Group's metering business.

The Metering Division has successfully secured its first overseas order for its proprietary AMR meters, marking a pivotal entry into the international market. The delivery of these meters is scheduled for the fourth quarter of FY2024. The division is also optimistic on securing more orders for its Class C and D water meters from the ASEAN region. These prospective orders are expected to result in better performance for the Division towards the end of the second half of the financial year.

In the Engineering segment, the Group continues to submit tenders and looks forward to succeeding in some of these tenders. Meanwhile, the Group continues to seek opportunities in acquiring businesses with technical capabilities to strengthen our Engineering division.

Looking ahead, the dynamic and ever-changing macro environment presents ongoing challenges, but our resilience and adaptability continue to drive us forward. Despite geopolitical uncertainties and persistent inflation, the Group is optimistic for the rest of the financial year.



Explanatory notes pursuant to Bursa Malaysia Listing Requirements:

Chapter 9, Appendix 9B, Part A

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29 Commentary on progress to achieve revenue or profit estimate, forecast, projection or internal targets

Not applicable.

30 Statement by directors on achievability of revenue or profit estimate, forecast, projection or internal targets

Not applicable.

31 Profit forecast or profit guarantee Not applicable.

32 Corporate proposals There were no corporate proposals announced but not completed as at the date of this report.

- **33 Changes in material litigation** There was no outstanding material litigation as at the date of this report.
- **34 Dividend payable** Please refer to Note 20 for details.
- 35 Derivative financial instruments

The Group did not enter into any derivatives during the current period.

36 Disclosure of gains/losses arising from fair value changes of financial liabilities

The Group did not have gains/losses arising from fair value changes of financial liabilities (other than derivative financial instruments) as at 30 September 2023 and 31 March 2023.

37 Auditors' report on preceding annual financial statements

The auditors' report on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 was not qualified.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

TEH YONG FAH (MACS00400) GAN LEE MEI (MAICSA7057081) Company Secretaries

30 November 2023