EXPLANATORY NOTES FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2012

PART A – EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO MFRS 134

1. Corporate information

Ekowood International Berhad is a public limited liability company incorporated and domiciled in Malaysia, and is listed on Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 21 May, 2012 .

2. First-Time Adoption of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS")

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements, for the period ended 31 March 2012, have been prepared in accordance with MFRS 134: Interim Financial Reporting and paragraph 9.22 of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad. These condensed consolidated interim financial statements also comply with IAS 34: Interim Financial Reporting issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. For the periods up to and including the year ended 31 December 2011, the Group prepared its financial statements in accordance with Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS").

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements are the Group's first MFRS condensed consolidated interim financial statements for part of the period covered by the Group's first MFRS annual financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2012. MFRS 1: First Time Adoption of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS 1") has been applied.

The explanatory notes attached to these condensed consolidated 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 since the year ended 31 December 2011.

In preparing its opening MFRS Statement of Financial Position as at 1 January 2011 (which is also the date of transition), the Group has adjusted the amounts previously reported in financial statements prepared in accordance with FRS. An explanation of how the transition from FRS to MFRS has affected the Group's financial position, financial performance and cash flows is set out in Note 3 below. These notes include reconciliations of equity and total comprehensive income for comparative periods and of equity at the date of transition reported under FRS to those reported for those periods and at the date of transition under MFRS. The transition from FRS to MFRS has not had a material impact on the statement of cash flows.

3. Significant accounting policies and application of MFRS 1

The audited financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2011 were prepared in accordance with FRS. Except for certain differences, the requirements under FRS and MFRS are similar. The significant accounting policies adopted in preparing these condensed consolidated interim financial statements are consistent with those of the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011 except as discussed below:

(a) Business combination

MFRS 1 provides the option to apply MFRS 3: Business Combinations, prospectively from the date of transition or from a specific date prior to the date of transition. This provides relief from full retrospective application of MFRS 3 which would require restatement of all business combination prior to the date of transition.

Acquisition before date of transition

The Group has elected to apply MFRS 3 prospectively from the date of transition. In respect of acquisitions prior to the date of transition:

- (i) The classification of former business combinations under FRS is maintained;
- (ii) There is no re-measurement of original fair values determined at the time of business combination (date of acquisition); and
- (iii) The carrying amount of goodwill recognized under FRS is not adjusted.

(b) Foreign currency translation reserve

Under FRS, the Group recognized translation differences on foreign operations in a separate component of equity. Cumulative foreign currency translation differences for all foreign operations are deemed to be zero as at the date of transition to MFRS. Accordingly, at date of transition to MFRS, the cumulative foreign currency translation differences of RM4,703,750 (31 March 2011: RM4,703,750); 31 December 2011: RM4,703,750) were adjusted to retained earnings.

(c) Estimates

The estimates at 1 January 2011 and at 31 December 2011 were consistent with those made for the same dates in accordance with FRS. The estimates used by the Group to present these amounts in accordance with MFRS reflect conditions at 1 January 2011, the date of transition to MFRS and as of 31 December 2011.

The reconciliations of equity and total comprehensive income for comparative periods and of equity at the date of transition reported under FRS to those reported for those periods and at the date of transition under MFRS are provided below:

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3. Significant accounting policies and application of MFRS 1 (continued)

(i) Reconciliations of equity

•							FRS as at		MFRS as at
	FRS as at		MFRS as at	FRS as at		MFRS as at	31		31
	1 January	Adjustment	1 January	31 March	Adjustment	31 March	December	Adjustment	December
	2011	Note 3(b)	2011	2011	Note 3(b)	2011	2011	Note 3(b)	2011
	RM	RM	RM	RM	RM	RM	RM	RM	RM
Assets									
Non-current assets	56,821,505		56,821,505	55,990,523		55,990,523	52,608,705		52,608,705
Current assets	107,993,843		107,993,843	105,524,452		105,524,452	100,021,243	_	100,021,243
Total assets	164,815,348	_	164,815,348	161,514,975	_	161,514,975	152,629,948		152,629,948
Equity and liabilities	0.4.000.000		0.4.000.000	0.4.000.000		0.4.000.000	0.4.000.000		0.4.000.000
Share capital	84,000,000		84,000,000	84,000,000		84,000,000	84,000,000		84,000,000
Share premium	3,854,541		3,854,541	3,854,541		3,854,541	3,854,541		3,854,541
Employee share									
option reserve	922,871		922,871	926,655		926,655	934,054		934,054
Foreign currency								. = . = . = .	
translation reserve	(4,703,750)	4,703,750	-	(3,668,214)	4,703,750	1,035,536	(4,477,331)	4,703,750	226,419
Retained earnings	51,257,572	(4,703,750)	46,553,822	49,700,182	(4,703,750)	44,996,432	42,662,049	(4,703,750)	37,958,299
Equity attributable to									
owners of the parents	135,331,234		135,331,234	134,813,164		134,813,164	126,973,313		126,973,313
Non-controlling				(251 200)		(251, 200)	(000.020)		(000 020)
interest	-	·	- 127 221 221	(351,399)	_	(351,399)	(899,838)	_	(899,838)
	135,331,234	. <u>-</u>	135,331,234	134,461,765	-	134,461,765	126,073,475	-	126,073,475
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Non-current liability	4,205,028		4,205,028	4,294,138		4,294,138	4,308,461		4,308,461
Current liabilities	25,279,086	·	25,279,086	22,759,071	-	22,759,071	22,248,012	_	22,248,012
Total liabilities	29,484,114		29,484,114	27,053,209	_	27,053,209	26,556,473	_	26,556,473
Total equity and	164 915 249		164 915 249	161 514 075		161 514 075	152 620 049		152 620 049
liabilities	164,815,348	_	164,815,348	161,514,975		161,514,975	152,629,948	_	152,629,948

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3. Significant accounting policies and application of MFRS 1 (continued)

(ii) Reconciliations of total comprehensive income for the period ended 31 March 2011 and for the year ended 31 December 2011

There is no impact on the total comprehensive income for the period ended 31 March 2011 and for the year ended 31 December 2011, and thus no reconciliation is required.

4. Auditors' report on preceding annual financial statements

The auditors' report of the Group's financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2011 was not qualified.

5. Seasonal or cyclical factors

The effects of seasonal or cyclical fluctuations, if any, are explained under Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part B, i.e. Explanatory Notes Pursuant To Appendix 9B of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia below.

6. Unusual items

There were no unusual items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows for the financial quarter ended 31 March 2012.

7. Changes in estimates

There were no changes in estimates that have had a material impact in the current reporting quarter.

8. Debt and equity securities

There were no issuances, cancellations, repurchases, resale and repayments of debt and equity securities during the quarter ended 31 March 2012.

9. Dividends paid

There were no dividends paid in respect of the quarter ended 31 March 2012.

10. Segment information

a) Geographical segments

	Malaysia RM	Europe RM	United States of America RM	Elimination RM	Consolidated RM
3 months Period ended 31 March 2012					
Revenue External sales Inter-segment sales Total revenue	8,877,840 1,690,862 10,568,702	485,422 - 485,422	562,152 - 562,152	(1,690,862) (1,690,862)	9,925,414
Result Segment result Finance costs Taxation Loss after taxation Non-controlling interests Loss for the period	(5,109,319)	(309,760)	(115,196)	4,728,158	(806,117) (139,979) (38,269) (984,365) 76,546 (907,819)
Assets Segment assets Unallocated assets Total assets	204,087,856	16,028,651	4,650,411	(72,878,788)	151,888,130 1,401,617 153,289,747
Liabilities Segment liabilities Unallocated liabilities Total liabilities	28,438,604	26,219,417	1,882,252	(32,566,357)	23,973,916 4,346,456 28,320,372
Other segment information Capital expenditure Depreciation	67,116 901,977	4,363	- 596	-	67,116 906,936
Other material non-cash Unrealised foreign exchange gain	expenses: (138,721)	-	-	-	(138,721)

10. Segment information (Continued.)

a) Geographical segments

Revenue by geographical location of customers

	Quarter 31.03.2012	Year-to-date 31.03.2012	
	RM	RM	
Asia	434,102	434,102	
Europe	5,187,935	5,187,935	
Malaysia	1,072,653	1,072,653	
United States of America	593,956	593,956	
South-West Pacific	2,164,640	2,164,640	
Others	472,128	472,128	
	9,925,414	9,925,414	

b.) Business segments

The Group operates in a single industry and accordingly, the financial information by business segments is not presented.

11. Valuations

There were no valuations of property, plant and equipment brought forward from the previous annual financial statements. The property, plant and equipment are stated at their historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses as at 31 March 2012.

12. Material events subsequent to the end of the reporting period

There were no material events subsequent to the end of the reporting period.

13. Changes in composition of the group

There were no changes in the composition of the Group during the quarter ended 31 March 2012, including business combinations, acquisitions or disposals of subsidiaries and long-term investments, restructurings and discontinuing operations.

14. Capital commitments

There is no material capital commitments not provided for in the interim financial statements as at 31 March 2012.

15. Changes in contingent liabilities or contingent assets

There were no material changes in contingent liabilities or contingent assets since the last reporting period as at 31 December 2011.

PART B - EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO APPENDIX 9B OF THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS OF BURSA MALAYSIA

1. Review of performance

For the current quarter, the Group's revenue was RM9.9 million compared to the preceding year's corresponding quarter of RM16.6 million. The loss before tax for the quarter was RM0.9 million compared to the preceding year's corresponding quarter loss of RM1.6 million

Malaysia

For Q1, 2012, it registered lower sales revenue compared to Q1, 2011 due to poor overseas demand mainly from Europe market. Despite lower revenue, gross margin is higher compared to Q1, 2011 due to higher average selling price resulted from better sales mix.

The decrease in loss before tax compared to preceding year's corresponding quarter is also due to lower selling and administrative expenses as the Group continues to rationalize the local operation.

Europe

For Q1, 2012, it registered higher loss and lower sale revenue as a result of the declining sale volume (refer chart below) and down sizing of European operations since Q3, 2011.

United State of America

For the Q1, 2012, its sale revenue slightly improved compared to Q1, 2011. However, it registered a higher loss due to higher selling and marketing expenses.

Segment	Sale Volumes (M ²)		
	Q1,2012	Q1,2011	
Malaysia			
- Export	86,896	155,547	
- Local market	3,591	7,119	
Europe	4,141	18,771	
USA	4,580	4,331	

2. Material changes in profit before taxation for the quarter reported as compared with the immediate preceding quarter

Loss before tax of the Group was RM0.9 million for the quarter ended 31 March 2012 compared to loss of RM4.7 million for the preceding quarter ended 31 December 2011. Q4, 2011 registered higher loss mainly due to provision for doubtful debts of RM2.8 million. The higher loss in Q4,2011 is also due to the seasonal low sales volume period during the long year end holiday break in Europe.

3. Commentary on prospects

The Group's export sales to European countries make up over 50% of the total revenue. Given the lingering debt crisis and stalling economic growth in Europe, the Group is expecting a protracted recovery in the export market. The Group is now looking to grow the businesses in Australia, Asia, local market as well selected market in Europe to turn it around.

In view of the grim economic outlook in Europe, the Group performances for the coming months will continue to be challenging whilst initiatives are underway to increase the sale revenues.

4. Profit forecast or profit guarantee

The disclosure requirements for explanatory notes for the variance of actual profit after tax and minority interest and for the shortfall in profit guarantee are not applicable.

5. Loss before tax

The following amounts have been included in arriving at loss before tax:

	As at		
	Quarter	Year-to-date	
	31.03.2012	31.03.2012	
	RM	RM	
Interest expense	139,979	139,979	
Depreciation and amortization	906,936	906,936	
Foreign exchange (gain) / loss			
- realised	(119,665)	(119,665)	
- unrealised	(138,721)	(138,721)	
Rental Income	38,027	38,027	
Net fair value (gain)/loss on derivative	62,550	62,550	

6. Taxation

	Quarter ended		Year-to-date ended	
	31.03.2012 RM	31.03.2011 RM	31.03.2012 RM	31.03.2011 RM
Current tax:				
Malaysian tax	4,314	2,854	4,314	2,854
Foreign tax	-	-	-	
	4,314	2,854	4,314	2,854
Under/(Over) provision in				_
prior years:				
Malaysian tax	-	-	-	-
Foreign tax	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	
Deferred tax:				
Current year	33,955	86,377	33,955	86,377
Under provision in prior year	-	-	-	-
	33,955	86,377	33,955	86,377
	38,269	89,231	38,269	89,231

The tax represents mainly tax on rental income, interest and deferred tax liabilities.

7. Corporate proposals

There was no corporate proposal announced at the date of this quarterly report.

8. Group borrowings and debt securities

	As a	As at		
	31.03.2012 RM	31.12.2011 RM		
Short term borrowings				
Unsecured	15,544,788	14,159,049		

All borrowings are denominated in Ringgit Malaysia except as follows:

	As at 31.03.2012		
	Amount in foreign currencies	Amount in RM equivalent	
EURO	529,657	2,165,236	
USD	1,906,079	5,841,180	
	<u>.</u>	8,006,416	

9. Changes in material litigation

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is engaged in any material litigation either as plaintiff or defendant as at the date of this report and the Directors do not have any knowledge of any proceeding pending or threatened against the Company or its subsidiaries or of any facts likely to give rise to any proceedings which might materially affect the position of the Company and its subsidiaries.

10. Proposed dividend

The Company did not declare any interim dividend for the current quarter ended 31 March 2012.

11. Earnings per share

a) Basic earnings per ordinary share

	Quarter ended		Year-to-da	
	31.03.2012	31.03.2011	31.03.2012	31.03.2011
Net loss for the period (RM)	(907,819)	(1,557,390)	(907,819)	(1,557,390)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	168,000,000	168,000,000	168,000,000	168,000,000
Basic loss per ordinary share (sen)	(0.54)	(0.93)	(0.54)	(0.93)

b) Diluted earnings per ordinary share

This is not applicable to the Group.

12. Authorisation for issue

The interim financial statements were authorized for issue by the Board of Directors in accordance with a resolution of directors on 21 May 2012.

PART C. BREAKDOWN OF REALISED AND UNREALISED PROFITS OR LOSSES

The breakdown of the retained profits of the Group as at 31 March 2012 and 31 December 2011 into realised and unrealised profits is presented in accordance with the directives issued by Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad dated 25 March 2010 prepared in accordance with Guidance on Special Matter No. 1, Determination of Realised and Unrealised Profits or Losses in the Context of Disclosure Pursuant to Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad Listing Requirements, as issued by the Malaysian Institute of Accountants.

	As at 31.03.2012 RM	As at 31.12.2011 RM
Total retained profits of the Company and its subsidiaries		
- Realised	37,286,052	43,160,836
- Unrealised	(3,454,878)	(3,509,774)
	33,831,174	39,651,062
Add: Consolidation adjustment	3,219,306	3,010,987
Total Group retained profits as per		
financial statements	37,050,480	42,662,049