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A INFORMATION REQUIRED BY MFRS 134

1. Basis of Preparation

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements, for the period ended 30 June 2021, have been prepared in accordance with MFRS 134: Interim Financial Reporting and paragraph 9.22 of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.

The interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2020.

The significant accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020, except for the adoption of the Amendments to Standards and Issue Committee (IC) Interpretations effective as of 1 January 2021. The initial application of the accounting standards, interpretations or amendments that are effective from 1 January 2021 do not have any material financial impacts to the current and prior financial period of the Group.

		Effective for
		financial periods
<u>Amendments</u>	Improvements to MFRSs	beginning on or after
MFRS 7	Financial Instruments: Disclosures	1 January 2021
MFRS 9	Financial Instruments	1 January 2021
MFRS 16	Leases	1 January 2021
MFRS 139	Financial Instruments: Recognition and	1 January 2021
	Measurement	

Standards issued but not yet effective

At the date of authorization of these interim financial statements, the followings standards were issued but not yet effective and have not been applied by the Group:

Effective for financial periods beginning on or after

New MFRS

MFRS 17 Insurance Contracts 1 January 2023

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Amendment	ts/Improvements to MFRSs	
MFRS 1	First-time Adoption of Malaysian Financial	1 January 2022^/
	Reporting Standards	1 January 2023*
MFRS 3	Business Combinations	1 January 2022/
		1 January 2023#
MFRS 5	Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued	1 January 2023*
	Operations	
MFRS 7	Financial Instruments: Disclosures	1 January 2023#
MFRS 9	Financial Instruments	1 January 2022^/
		1 January 2023 [#]
MFRS 10	Consolidated Financial Statements	Deferred
MFRS 15	Revenue from Contracts with Customers	1 January 2023 [#]
MFRS 16	Leases	1 January 2022
MFRS 101	Presentation of Financial Statements	1 January 2023/
		1 January 2023 [#]
MFRS 107	Statements of Cash Flows	1 January 2023 [#]
MFRS 108	Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting	1 January 2023
	Estimates and Errors	
MFRS 116	Property, Plant and Equipment	1 January 2022/
		1 January 2023 [#]
MFRS 119	Employee Benefits	1 January 2023 [#]
MFRS 128	Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures	Deferred/
		1 January 2023 [#]
MFRS 132	Financial instruments: Presentation	1 January 2023 [#]
MFRS 136	Impairment of Assets	1 January 2023 [#]
MFRS 137	Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and	1 January 2022/
	Contingent Assets	1 January 2023 [#]
MFRS 138	Intangible Assets	1 January 2023 [#]
MFRS 140	Investment Property	1 January 2023 [#]
MFRS 141	Agriculture	1 January 2022 [^]

[^] The Annual Improvements to MFRS Standards 2018-2020

The Group will adopt the above pronouncements when they become effective in the respective financial periods. These pronouncements are not expected to have material effect to the financial statements of the Group upon their initial application.

[#] Amendments as to the consequence of effective of MFRS 17 Insurance Contracts

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2. Audit Report on Preceding Annual Financial Statements

The auditors' report on the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2020 was not subjected to any qualification.

3. Seasonal or Cyclical Factors

The Group's business operations are not affected by any major seasonal or cyclical factors.

4. Unusual Items Due to their Nature, Size or Incidence

There were no items affecting the assets, liabilities, equity, net income, or cash flows in the Group that are unusual because of their nature, size or incidence during the interim period.

5. Changes in Estimates

There are no other changes in estimates that has material effect in the current quarter results.

6. Debt and Equity Securities

There was no issuance, cancellation, resale of shares bought back and repayment of debt and equity security for the financial year other than the following: -

(a) There were no shares bought back during the quarter under review and financial year-to-date. The total number of shares bought back as at 30 June 2021 was 622,000 shares and the shares are being held as treasury shares in accordance with the requirement of Section 127 of the Companies Act 2016.

7. Dividends Paid

No dividend was paid during the 2nd quarter ended 30 June 2021.

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8. Profit before tax

Included in the profit before tax are the following items:

	3 months ended		6 months ended	
	30 Ju	ne	30 Ju	ne
	2021	2020	2021	2020
_	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Interest Income	(279)	(342)	(525)	(722)
Other (income)/ expense including				
investment income	(682)	(183)	(1,487)	(1,328)
Interest expense/ Finance cost	1,605	1,823	3,418	3,860
Depreciation and amortisation	17,924	19,803	35,715	39,703
Provision for & write off of receivables	60	169	158	311
Loss/ (gain) on disposal of property,				
plant and equipment	(365)	348	(595)	355
Foreign exchange loss/ (gain)	(1,173)	(370)	(3,085)	41

9. Segmental Information

Segmental analysis is prepared based on the geographical location of the plant.

Segmental Revenue and Results

	3 months ended 30 June 2021		3 months 30 June	
	Segment	Segment Segment		Segment
	Revenue Profit/(Loss)		Revenue	Profit /(Loss)
		before tax		before tax
	<u>RM'000</u>	<u>RM'000</u>	<u>RM'000</u>	<u>RM'000</u>
Malaysia	91,068	(1,925)	87,237	(9,879)
Thailand	103,003	4,215	63,673	(1,980)
Others	19,242 2,2		22,011	3,158
	213,313	4,575	172,921	(8,701)

	6 months ended		6 mont	hs ended	
	30 June	2021	30 Jur	ne 2020	
	Segment	Segment	Segment	Segment	
	Revenue Profit/(Loss) R		Revenue	Profit /(Loss)	
		before tax		before tax	
<u>RM'000</u>		<u>RM'000</u>	<u>RM'000</u>	<u>RM'000</u>	
Malaysia	227,645	9,481	204,023	(16,683)	
Thailand	177,083	1,247	155,310	(4,669)	
Others	thers 41,800		41,000	905	
	446,528	15,994	400,333	(20,447)	

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10. Valuation of Investment and Property, Plant and Equipment

No valuation was conducted during the period on the Group's property, plant and equipment.

11. Subsequent Events

No material events have risen subsequent to the Balance Sheet date that require disclosure or adjustment to the unaudited condensed interim financial statements.

12. Changes in Composition of the Group

There were no material changes in the composition of the Group during the current financial quarter.

13. Contingent Liabilities

As at the date of this announcement, there were no material contingent liabilities incurred by the Group which, upon becoming enforceable, may have a material impact on the financial position of the Group.

14. Capital commitments

The amount of commitments for the purchase of property, plant and equipment not provided for in the interim financial statements as at 30 June 2021 are as follows:

	<u>RIVI 000</u>
Approved and contracted for	4,942
Approved but not contracted for	7,002
	11,944

15. Significant Related Party Transactions

Transactions that have been entered into are in the normal course of business and have been established under mutually agreed terms that are not materially different from those obtainable in transactions with unrelated parties. However, no such transactions arise.

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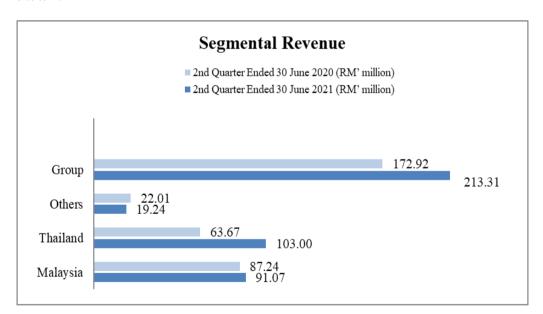
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B <u>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS</u> OF BURSA MALAYSIA SECURITIES BERHAD

1 Performance Review

	3 months ended		Changes	6 months ended		Changes
	30 June	30 June	%	30 June	30 June	%
	2021	2020		2021	2020	
	(RM'000)	(RM'000)		(RM'000)	(RM'000)	
Revenue	213,313	172,921	23.4%	466,528	400,333	16.5%
Operating Profit	35,867	25,436	41.0%	76,503	56,967	34.3%
Profit/(Loss) Before Interest						
and Tax	6,180	(6,878)	189.9%	19,412	(16,587)	217.0%
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax	4,575	(8,701)	152.6%	15,994	(20,447)	178.2%
Profit/(Loss) After Tax	4,213	(9,687)	143.5%	13,852	(22,943)	160.4%
Profit/(Loss) Attributable to						
Owners of the Company	4,213	(11,081)	138.0%	13,852	(23,233)	159.6%

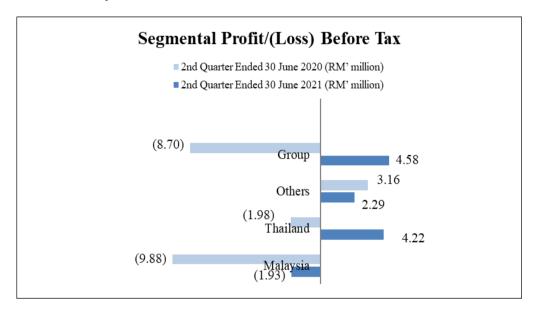
Segmental Revenue and Results – for 2^{nd} Quarter Ended 30/6/2020 vs 30/6/2021



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Malaysia segment

The Malaysia segment's revenue for the quarter ended 30 June 2021 increased by 4.4% or RM3.83 million to RM91.07 million from RM87.24 million recorded in the preceding year corresponding quarter. The increase in revenue was mainly contributed from higher average selling price and sales volume from panel boards as well as from downstream products.

Loss before tax for the quarter ended 30 June 2021 decreased to RM1.93 million from RM9.88 million recorded in the corresponding quarter of the preceding year. Despite higher raw material costs, loss before tax decreased due to higher revenue, lower operation cost as the result of higher production efficiency and lower foreign exchange loss.

Thailand segment

The Thailand segment's revenue for the quarter ended 30 June 2021 increased by 61.8% or RM39.33 million to RM103.00 million from RM63.67 million recorded in the preceding year corresponding quarter. The increase in revenue was mainly contributed from higher average selling price and sales volume.

Profit before tax for the quarter ended 30 June 2021 increased by RM6.20 million to RM4.22 million from loss before tax of RM1.98 million recorded in the corresponding quarter of the preceding year. Despite higher raw material costs, the increase in profit before tax was mainly derived from higher revenue, higher average selling price, lower operation cost as the result of higher production efficiency and higher foreign exchange gain.

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Others segment

On Others segment's revenue for the quarter ended 30 June 2021 decreased by 12.6% to RM19.24 million from RM22.01 million recorded in the preceding year corresponding quarter. Despite higher average selling price, lower sales volume resulted in the decrease in revenue.

Profit before tax for the quarter ended 30 June 2021 decreased by RM0.87million to RM2.29 million from RM3.16 million recorded in the corresponding quarter of the preceding year. The decrease in profit before tax was mainly due to lower foreign exchange gain recorded in the current quarter.

Consolidated

The Group's revenue for the quarter ended 30 June 2021 increased by 23.4% or RM40.39 million to RM213.31 million from RM172.92 million recorded in the preceding year corresponding quarter. The increase in revenue was mainly contributed from higher average selling price and sales volume from panel boards and downstream products.

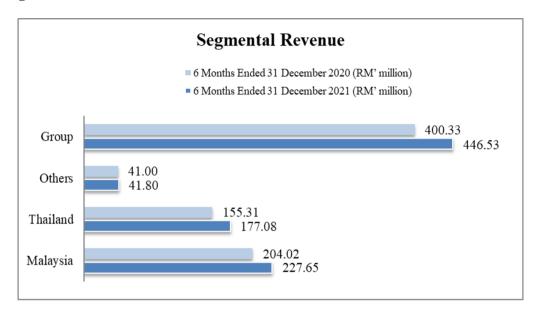
Profit before tax for the quarter ended 30 June 2021 increased by RM13.28 million to RM4.58 million from a loss before tax of RM8.70 million recorded in the corresponding quarter of the preceding year. The increase in profit before tax was mainly contributed from higher revenue from panel boards and downstream products, lower operation cost as the result of higher production efficiency and higher foreign exchange gain recorded in the current quarter.

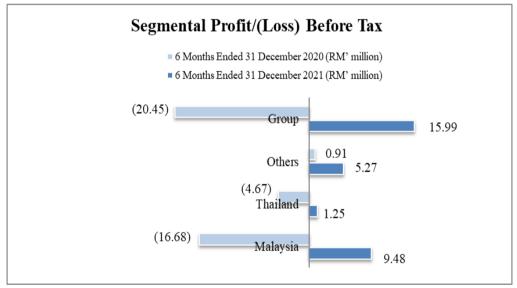
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Segmental Revenue and Results – for 6 Months Ended 30/06/2020 vs 30/06/2021





Malaysia segment

For the current year to date, the Malaysia segment's revenue has increased by 11.6% to RM227.65 million, as compared to the revenue of RM204.02 million for the corresponding period last year. The increase in revenue was mainly contributed from higher average selling price and sales volume from panel boards and downstream products.

Profit before tax was reported at RM9.48 million for the current year to date, as compared to a loss before tax of RM16.68 million recorded in the corresponding period last year. The increase in profit before tax was mainly contributed from higher revenue and higher average selling price from panel boards and downstream

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products, lower operation cost as the result of higher production efficiency and foreign exchange gain recorded in the current year to date.

Thailand segment

For the current year to date, the Thailand segment's revenue was RM177.08 million, with an increase of 14.0% or RM21.77 million, as compared to the revenue of RM155.31 million for the corresponding period last year The increase in revenue was mainly contributed from higher average selling price despite lower sales volume.

For the current year to date, profit before tax was reported at RM1.25 million, as compared to a loss before tax of RM4.67 million recorded in the corresponding period last year. The increase in profit before tax was mainly due to higher margin resulted from higher average selling prices and lower operation cost as the result of higher production efficiency.

Others Segment

For the current year to date, on Other segment's revenue, has increased by 2.0% to RM41.80 million, as compared to the revenue of RM41.00 million for the corresponding period last year. The increase in revenue was mainly attributable to higher average selling price and sales volume.

Profit before tax was reported at RM5.27 million for the current year to date, as compared to RM0.91 million recorded in the corresponding period last year. The increase in profit before tax was mainly due to higher margin and lower operation cost as the result of higher production efficiency.

Consolidated profit before tax

For the current year to date, the Group's revenue has increased by 11.5% or RM46.20 million to RM446.53 million, as compared to RM400.33 million for the corresponding period last year. The increase in revenue was mainly contributed from higher average selling price and sales volume from panel boards and downstream products.

Profit before tax was reported at RM15.99 million for the current year to date, as compared to a loss before tax of RM20.45 million recorded in the corresponding period last year. The increase in profit before tax was mainly contributed from higher revenue from panel boards and downstream products, lower operation cost as the result of higher production efficiency and foreign exchange gain recorded in the current year to date.

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2 Comment on Material Change in Profit Before Taxation Against Preceding Quarter

	Current	Immediate	
	Quarter	Preceding Quarter	
	30-Jun-21	31-Mar-21	Changes
	RM'000	RM'000	<u>%</u>
Revenue	213,313	233,215	-8.5%
Operating Profit	35,867	40,636	-11.7%
Profit/(Loss) Before Interest and Tax	6,180	13,232	-53.3%
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax	4,575	11,419	-59.9%
Profit/(Loss) After Tax	4,213	9,639	-56.3%
Profit/(Loss) Attributable to			
Owners of the Company	4,213	9,639	-56.3%

The current quarter revenue decreased by 8.53% or RM19.91 million to RM213.31 million, as compared to RM233.22 million recorded in the preceding quarter. Despite higher average selling price, the decrease in revenue was mainly due to lower sales volume from panel boards and downstream products as a result of the stoppage of almost all of the Group's Malaysian operations due to the implementation of the Full Movement Control Order (FMCO) in Malaysia.

The Group's profit before tax was reported at RM4.58 million for the current quarter, compared to RM11.42 million recorded in the preceding quarter. The decrease in profit before tax was mainly due to lower sales revenue and high fixed operation cost as the result of lower sales volume and lower foreign exchange gain recorded in the current quarter.

3 Profit Forecast or Profit Guarantee

Not applicable as no Profit Forecast or Profit Guarantee has been issued by the Group.

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4 Commentary of Prospects

Most major economies of the world have seen a lowering of Covid19 cases since their worst. There is concern that it might worsen again due to the Delta variant.

Meanwhile, Malaysia is reporting more Covid19 cases despite more than 2 months of FMCO lockdown nationwide. The Group's Malaysian operations have largely stopped since FMCO began on June 1st, 2021.

The logistics industry is still facing limited shipping capacities. Whilst the Group has focused on local markets for its panel board production facilities in Malaysia, thereby relieving some of the logistical pressure on downstream products which are exported to meet growing demand in economies like the US, the Group is also making preparations together with its overseas customers to overcome logistical challenges to increase export sales as Malaysia remains under lockdown.

Aside from limited shipping availability, other challenges include rising raw material prices especially in glue, shortage of labor and cautious management of operations to reduce the risk of spread of Covid19 in its premises.

Nonetheless, these are tempered with good product order outlook, especially panel board and downstream segment, better efficiency and cost structure due to various restructuring efforts carried out in previous year and higher average selling price. The Group's operations in Thailand and Indonesia contributed positively in the second quarter of 2021 to help alleviate the losses in Malaysia.

Although Covid19 situation in Malaysia have been worsening, there is anticipation to see improvement with the increased vaccination rate. The Group has also participated in the Public-Private Partnership COVID-19 Industry Immunization Program (PIKAS) to get the majority of its Malaysian employee vaccinated faster whereas its overseas operations have also started vaccinating its staff. Nonetheless, the FMCO would have a bigger impact on the Group in the third quarter due to the longer duration for which the Malaysian operations were shutdown compared to the second quarter. However, once Malaysia ends its nationwide lockdown and restrictions, the Group is cautiously hopeful to deliver positive results.

5 Tax Expense

Major Components of tax expense

J	¹ 3 month	s ended	6 months ended		
	30 June 2021 30 June 2020		30 June 2021	30 June 2020	
	<u>RM'000</u>	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	
Current tax expense	1,006	1,554	3,422	3,645	
Deferred tax expense	(644)	(568)	(1,280)	(1,149)	
	362	986	2,142	2,496	

The effective tax rate of the Group for the current quarter is lower than the statutory rate mainly due to tax benefits carried forward from some companies in the Group.

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6 Status of Corporate Proposal Announced

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

7 Borrowings and Debt Securities

The Group's borrowings are as follows: -

As at 30 June 2021						
Denominated	In RM	In Baht	In USD	In Euro	Total	
				and		
				Others		
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	
Short Term Borrowin	gs:					
Secured						
Trade facilities	-	45,395	-	-	45,395	
Term loans	7,609	-	8,453	-	16,062	
Lease liabilities	25	-	-	151	176	
<u>Unsecured</u>						
Trade facilities	96,570	-	8,117	-	104,687	
Term Loans	-	-	-	6,907	6,907	
Lease liabilities	1,097	10	-	-	1,107	
_	105,301	45,405	16,570	7,058	174,334	
Long Term Borrowing	gs:					
Secured						
Term loans	11,645	-	17,464	-	29,109	
Lease liabilities	6	=	-	189	195	
<u>Unsecured</u>						
Term Loans	-	-	-	24,176	24,176	
Lease liabilities	1,902	-	-	-	1,902	
<u>-</u>	13,553	-	17,464	24,365	55,382	
Total	118,854	45,405	34,034	31,423	229,716	
Exchange rate RM to U	SD1.00	4.1555				
Exchange rate RM to Tl		0.1297				
Exchange rate RM to El		4.9239				
Exchange rate RM to SGD1.00		3.0876				

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	As at 30 June 2020						
Denominated	In RM	In Baht	In USD	In Euro	Total		
				and			
				Others			
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000		
Short Term Borrowin	ngs:						
Secured							
Trade facilities	-	58,820	-	-	58,820		
Term loans	7,808	-	9,480	-	17,288		
Hire purchase and							
finance lease payables	24	113	-	61	198		
<u>Unsecured</u>							
Trade facilities	85,419	-	8,668	-	94,087		
Term Loans	4,817	-	-	6,752	11,569		
Hire purchase and							
finance lease payables	2,502	23			2,525		
	100,570	58,956	18,148	6,813	184,487		
Long Term Borrowin	ıgs:						
Secured							
Term loans	14,979	-	22,026	-	37,005		
Hire purchase and							
finance lease payables	31	-	-	254	285		
1 7							
Unsecured							
Term Loans	2,497	-	-	30,385	32,882		
Hire purchase and							
finance lease payables	1,702	9	-	-	1,711		
	19,209	9	22,026	30,639	71,883		
Total	119,779	58,965	40,174	37,452	256,370		
Exchange rate RM to U	JSD1.00	4.2850					
Exchange rate RM to T	HB1.00	0.1384					
Exchange rate RM to E	UR1.00	4.8133					
Exchange rate RM to S	GD1.00	3.0743					

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8 Changes in Material Litigation

There was no material litigation pending as at 16 August 2021.

9 Dividend Payable

The Board of Directors does not recommend any interim dividend for the current quarter under review.

10 Earnings Per Share

a. Basic

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the net profit for the period attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period.

	3 month		6 months ended		
Net profit/(loss) for the period attributable to owners of the Parent	30 June 2021	30 June 2020	30 June 2021	30 June 2020	
(RM'000)	4,213	(11,081)	13,852	(23,233)	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	845,802	845,802	845,802	845,802	
Basic EPS (sen)	0.50	(1.31)	1.64	(2.75)	

b. Diluted

No diluted earnings per share is calculated as there is no potential dilution of ordinary share.