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#### A INFORMATION REQUIRED BY MFRS 134

# 1. Basis of Preparation

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements, for the period ended 31 December 2023, 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 2022.

The significant accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022, except for the adoption of the Amendments to Standards and Issue Committee (IC) Interpretations effective as of 1 January 2023. The initial application of the accounting standards, interpretations or amendments that are effective from 1 January 2023 do not have any material financial impacts to the current and prior financial period of the Group.

# New MFRS

MFRS 17 Insurance Contracts

#### Amendments/Improvements to MFRSs

MFRS 1	First-time Adoption of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards #
MFRS 3	Business combinations #
MFRS 5	Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations #
MFRS 7	Financial Instrument: Disclosures #
MFRS 9	Financial Instruments #
MFRS 15	Revenue from Contracts with Customers #
MFRS 17	Insurance Contracts
MFRS 101	Presentation of Financial Statements **
MFRS 107	Statement of Cash Flows #
MFRS 108	Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
MFRS 112	Income Taxes
MFRS 116	Property, Plant and Equipment #
MFRS 119	Employee Benefits #
MFRS 128	Investments in Associates and Joint Venture #
MFRS 132	Financial Instruments: Presentation #
MFRS 136	Impairment of Assets #
MFRS 137	Provision, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets #
MFRS 138	Intangible Assets #
MFRS 140	Investment Property #

<sup>#</sup> Amendments as to the consequences of effective of MFRS 17 Insurance Contracts

<sup>\*</sup> Amendment to MFRS 101 Presentation of Financial Statements in relation to Disclosure of Accounting Policies

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#### 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

MFRS 7	Financial Instruments : Disclosures	1 January 2024
MFRS 10	Consolidated Financial Statements	Deferred
MFRS 16	Leases	1 January 2024
MFRS 101	Presentation of Financial Statements	1 January 2024
<b>MFRS 107</b>	Statement of Cash Flows	1 January 2024
MFRS 121	The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates	1 January 2025
MFRS 128	Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures	Deferred

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.

### 2. Audit Report on Preceding Annual Financial Statements

The auditors' report on the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 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.

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### 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 31 December 2023 was 1,757,200 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 4<sup>th</sup> quarter ended 31 December 2023.

# 8. Loss/(Profit) before tax

## Included in the loss/(profit) before tax are the following items:

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(2,055)
156
5,897
2,249
240
(1,412)
35,924
(7,860)
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## 9. Segmental Information

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

Segmental Revenue and Results

	3 months ended		3 months	ended
	31 Decem	31 December 2023		per 2022
	Segment	Segment Segment Revenue Profit/(Loss)		Segment
	Revenue			Profit /(Loss)
		before tax		before tax
	<u>RM'000</u>	<u>RM'000</u>	<u>RM'000</u>	<u>RM'000</u>
Malaysia	97,131	(19,394)	109,224	(65,820)
Thailand	136,499	2,731	63,626	(12,973)
Others	30,350	2,858	26,868	1,559
	263,980	(13,805)	199,718	(77,234)

	12 month 31 Decem		12 months ended 31 December 2022		
	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	313,977	(59,968)	490,055	(68,216)	
Thailand	481,119	25,497	500,016	45,517	
Others	114,744	14,311	112,615	10,206	
	909,840	(20,160)	1,102,686	(12,493)	

## 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 requires 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.

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### 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 31 December 2023 are as follows:

	<u>RM 000</u>
Approved and contracted for	28,822
Approved but not contracted for	16,032
	44,854

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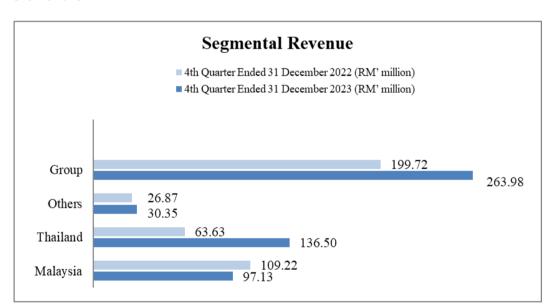
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### B <u>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS</u> OF BURSA MALAYSIA SECURITIES BERHAD

## 1 Performance Review

	3 months ended		Changes	12 months ended		Changes
	31 December	31 December	%	31 December	31 December	%
	2023	2022		2023	2022	
	(RM'000)	(RM'000)		(RM'000)	(RM'000)	
Revenue	263,980	199,718	32.2%	909,840	1,102,686	-17.5%
Operating Profit	37,807	(7,645)	-594.5%	134,138	221,878	-39.5%
Profit/(Loss) Before Interest						
and Tax	(11,945)	(75,197)	-84.1%	(14,675)	(6,596)	122.5%
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax	(13,805)	(77,234)	-82.1%	(20,160)	(12,493)	61.4%
Profit/(Loss) After Tax	(26,397)	(77,153)	-65.8%	(35,624)	(26,083)	36.6%
Profit/(Loss) Attributable to						
Owners of the Company	(26,397)	(77,153)	-65.8%	(35,624)	(26,083)	36.6%

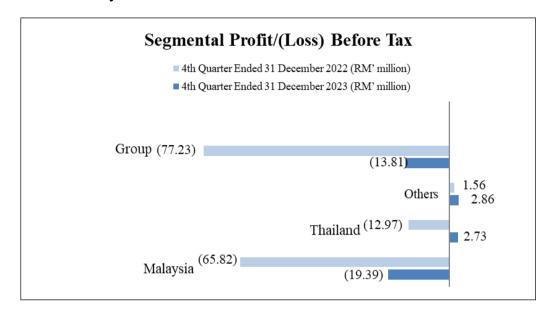
# Segmental Revenue and Results – for $4^{th}$ Quarter Ended 31/12/2022 vs 31/12/2023



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### Malaysia segment

The Malaysia segment's revenue for the quarter ended 31 December 2023 decreased by 11.1% or RM12.09 million to RM97.13 million from RM109.22 million recorded in the preceding year corresponding quarter. The decrease in revenue was mainly due to lower sales volume especially from panel boards as one of the production line was idled and is being relocated to Indonesia. Sales volume was lower due to continued soft furniture demand from the USA and Europe regions caused by high interest rates limiting consumer spending. This impacts both RTA and panel board segments.

Loss before tax for the quarter ended 31 December 2023 decreased by RM46.43 million to RM19.39 million from RM65.82 million recorded in the corresponding quarter of the preceding year. The current loss before tax was due to foreign exchange loss, lower sales margin, higher operational cost as a result of hike in electricity surcharge, higher minimum wage and lower productivity from idling cost. The higher loss before tax in corresponding quarter of the preceding year was mainly due to impairment of goodwill, plant, machineries and inventories of RM44.7 million which is non-cash in nature.

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#### **Thailand segment**

The Thailand segment's revenue for the quarter ended 31 December 2023 increased by 114.5% or RM72.87 million to RM136.50 million from RM63.63 million recorded in the preceding year corresponding quarter. The increase in revenue was due to higher sales volume and average selling price.

Profit before tax was reported at RM2.73 million for the quarter ended 31 December 2023, as compared to a loss before tax of RM12.97 million recorded in the corresponding period last year. The increase in profit before tax was mainly contributed from higher revenue and lower operation cost as the result of higher production efficiency. Besides that, the loss before tax in corresponding quarter of the preceding year was mainly due to impairment of inventories of RM7.8 million which is non-cash in nature and loss on disposal of a subsidiary amounting to RM6.3 million which is non-cash in nature.

#### Others segment

The Others segment's revenue for the quarter ended 31 December 2023 increased by 13.0% or RM3.5 million to RM30.4 million from RM26.9 million recorded in the preceding year corresponding quarter. The increase in revenue was due to higher sales volume.

Profit before tax for the quarter ended 31 December 2023 increased by RM1.3 million to RM2.9 million from RM1.6 million recorded in the corresponding quarter of the preceding year. The increase in profit was mainly due higher revenue and lower foreign exchange loss being recorded in the current quarter.

#### Consolidated

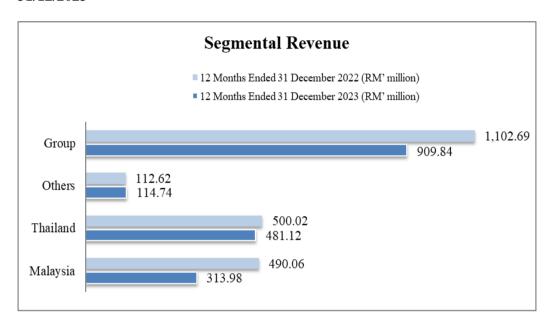
The Group's revenue for the quarter ended 31 December 2023 increased by 32.2% or RM64.3 million to RM264.0 million from RM199.7 million recorded in the preceding year corresponding quarter. The increase in revenue was mainly contributed by Thailand segment's higher sales volume and average selling price.

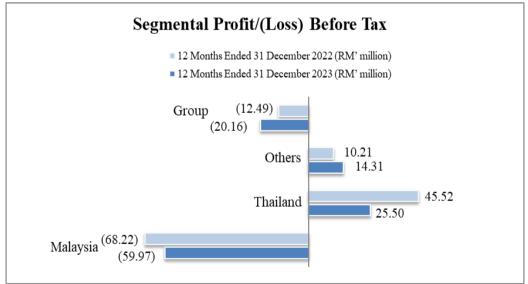
Loss before tax for the quarter ended 31 December 2023 decreased by RM63.4 million to RM13.8 million from RM77.2 million recorded in the corresponding quarter of the preceding year. The loss before tax was due to foreign exchange loss, lower sales margin, higher operational cost as a result of hike in electricity surcharge, higher minimum wage and lower productivity from idling cost. Besides that, the loss before tax in corresponding quarter of the preceding year was mainly due to impairment of goodwill, plant, machineries and inventories of RM52.5 million which is non-cash in nature and loss on disposal of a subsidiary of RM6.3 million which is non-cash in nature.

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Segmental Revenue and Results – for 12 Months Ended 31/12/2022 vs 31/12/2023





# Malaysia segment

For the current year to date, the Malaysia segment's revenue has decreased by 35.9% to RM314.0 million, as compared to the revenue of RM490.1 million for the corresponding period last year. The decrease in revenue was mainly due to lower sales volume especially from panel boards as one of the production line was idled and is being relocated to Indonesia. Sales volume was lower due to continued soft furniture demand from the USA and Europe regions caused by high interest rates limiting consumer spending. This impacts both RTA and panel board segments.

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Loss before tax was reported at RM59.97 million for the current year to date, as compared to a loss before tax of RM68.22 million recorded in the corresponding period last year. The loss before tax was due to lower sales margin, higher operational cost as a result of hike in electricity surcharge, higher minimum wage and foreign exchange loss being recorded in current year to date. Besides that, the loss before tax in corresponding quarter of the preceding year was mainly due to impairment of goodwill, plant, machineries and inventories of RM49.8 million which is non-cash in nature.

### Thailand segment

For the current year to date, the Thailand segment's revenue was RM481.1 million, with a decrease of 3.8% or RM18.9 million, as compared to the revenue of RM500.0 million for the corresponding period last year. The decrease in revenue was due to lower average selling price as a result from continued soft furniture demand from the USA and Europe regions caused by high interest rates limiting consumer spending.

For the current year to date, profit before tax was reported at RM25.5 million, as compared to a profit before tax of RM45.5 million recorded in the corresponding period last year. The decrease in profit was mainly due lower sales margin, higher operational cost and lower foreign exchange gain in the current year to date.

## **Others Segment**

For the current year to date, on Other segment's revenue, has increased by 1.9% to RM114.7 million, as compared to the revenue of RM112.6 million for the corresponding period last year. The increase in revenue was mainly attributable to higher sales volume despite lower average selling price.

For the current year to date, profit before tax stood at RM14.3 million, which is higher than the profit before tax of RM10.2 million recorded in the corresponding period last year. The increase in profit was mainly due to higher sales and insurance income received.

#### Consolidated profit before tax

For the current year to date, the Group's revenue has decreased by 17.5% or RM192.9 million to RM909.8 million, as compared to RM1,102.7 million for the corresponding period last year. The decrease in revenue was mainly resulted from lower average selling price. Average selling price was lower due to continued soft furniture demand from the USA and Europe regions caused by high interest rates limiting consumer spending. This impacts both RTA and panel board segments.

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Loss before tax was reported at RM20.16 million for the current year to date, as compared to a loss before tax of RM12.49 million recorded in the corresponding period last year. The loss before tax was mainly due to foreign exchange loss compared to a forex gain in the previous year, lower sales volume and higher operational cost as a result of hike in electricity surcharge and higher minimum wage recorded in the current year to date. Besides that, the loss before tax in corresponding quarter of the preceding year was mainly due to impairment of goodwill, plant, machineries and inventories of RM57.6 million which is non-cash in nature and loss on disposal of a subsidiary of RM6.3 million which is non-cash in nature.

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

	Current	Immediate	
	Quarter	Preceding Quarter	
	31-Dec-23	30-Sep-23	Changes
	RM'000	RM'000	<u>%</u>
Revenue	263,980	240,084	10.0%
Operating Profit	37,807	43,586	-13.3%
Profit/(Loss) Before Interest and Tax	(11,945)	9,782	222.1%
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax	(13,805)	8,706	258.6%
Profit/(Loss) After Tax	(26,397)	5,544	576.1%
Profit/(Loss) Attributable to			
Owners of the Company	(26,397)	5,544	576.1%

The current quarter revenue increased by 10.0% to RM263.98 million, as compared to RM240.08 million recorded in the preceding quarter. The increase in revenue was mainly resulted from higher sales volume from panel boards as well as downstream products.

The Group's loss before tax was reported at RM13.81 million for the current quarter, compared to profit before tax of RM8.71 million recorded in the preceding quarter. The loss before tax was mainly due to higher raw material cost and foreign exchange loss being recorded for the current quarter compared to a foreign exchange gain in the previous quarter. Loss after tax is inclusive of withholding taxes and additional tax provisions due to non-recognition of certain tax assets such as losses from some loss making companies and certain expenses not deductible for tax purposes.

## 2 Profit Forecast or Profit Guarantee

Not applicable as the Group did not issue any Profit Forecast or Profit Guarantee.

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### 3 Commentary of Prospects

With conflicts continuing in Ukraine and in Israel/Gaza, world supply chain remains susceptible to disruption. Signs of economic weakness in China contrasted with resilience in the US economy. Whilst the stronger US Dollar against the Malaysian Ringgit is beneficial to the Group, the high interest rate in US continues to limit consumer spending there. As a result, furniture demand from the USA and European regions remained underwhelming. In Malaysia, the situation remains challenging as the government increases service tax and considers furthering reducing subsidies. On a brighter note, MDF demand in the Middle East region remained strong.

The Group continues to focus on completing the relocation of one of its production line from Malaysia to Indonesia, targeted to be fully installed by the second half of this year. Management remains cautious and aims to maintain a healthy cash balance, to ensure sufficient liquidity.

### 4 Tax Expense

Major Components of tax expense

	3 month	s ended	12 months ended		
	31 December 31 December		31 December	31 December	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	
	<u>RM'000</u>	<u>RM'000</u>	<u>RM'000</u>	<u>RM'000</u>	
Current tax expense	9,164	883	15,639	18,400	
Deferred tax expense	3,428	(964)	(175)	(4,810)	
_	12,592	(81)	15,464	13,590	

The effective tax rate for the current quarter was higher than the statutory tax rate mainly due to the tax expense is mainly from profitable companies, non-recognition of tax assets from some loss-making companies and certain expenses are not deductible for tax purpose.

# 5 Status of Corporate Proposal Announced

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

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## 6 Borrowings and Debt Securities

The Group's borrowings are as follows: -

	As at 31 December 2023						
Denominated	In RM	In Baht	In USD	In Euro	Total		
				and			
				Others			
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000		
Short Term Borrowing	gs:						
Secured							
Trade facilities	-	-	3,992	-	3,992		
Term loans	5,303	-	6,433	-	11,736		
Lease liabilities	63	-	-	73	136		
Unsecured							
Trade facilities	108,660	-	6,430	7,550	122,640		
Term Loans	-	-	-	7,112	7,112		
Lease liabilities	709	-	-	-	709		
	114,735	-	16,855	14,735	146,325		
Long Term Borrowing	gs:						
Secured							
Term loans	893	-	81,435	-	82,328		
Lease liabilities	68	-	-	12	80		
<u>Unsecured</u>							
Term Loans	-	-	-	7,112	7,112		
Lease liabilities	1,446	-	-	-	1,446		
	2,407	-	81,435	7,124	90,966		
Total	117,142	-	98,290	21,859	237,291		
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Exchange rate RM to USD1.00		4.5930					
Exchange rate RM to THB1.00		0.1344					
Exchange rate RM to EU		5.0698					
Exchange rate RM to SO	GD1.00	3.4795					

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	As at 31 December 2022					
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	-	-	-	-	_	
Term loans	5,757	-	7,750	-	13,507	
Lease liabilities	62	-	-	70	132	
<u>Unsecured</u>						
Trade facilities	96,426	-	3,124	-	99,550	
Term Loans		-	-	6,586	6,586	
Lease liabilities	1,053	-	-	-	1,053	
	103,298	-	10,874	6,656	120,828	
Long Term Borrowin	igs:					
Secured						
Term loans	6,196	-	8,103	-	14,299	
Lease liabilities	68	-	-	86	154	
<u>Unsecured</u>						
Term Loans	-	-	-	13,173	13,173	
Lease liabilities	1,603	-	-	-	1,603	
	7,867	-	8,103	13,259	29,229	
Total	111,165	-	18,977	19,915	150,057	
Exchange rate RM to USD1.00		4.4000				
Exchange rate RM to THB1.00		0.1277				
Exchange rate RM to E		4.6952				
Exchange rate RM to So	GD1.00	3.2808				

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## 7 Changes in Material Litigation

There was no material litigation pending as at 19 February 2024.

# 8 Dividend Payable

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

# 9 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 months ended		12 months ended 31 December 31 Decemb	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Net profit/(loss) for the period attributable to owners of the Parent (RM'000)	(26,397)	(77,153)	(35,624)	(26,083)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	844,667	844,848	844,667	844,848
Basic EPS (sen)	(3.13)	(9.13)	(4.22)	(3.09)

### b. Diluted

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