

The Board of Directors of Bison Consolidated Berhad is pleased to present the unaudited interim financial report of Bison Consolidated Berhad and its subsidiaries ("Bison" or the "Group") for the third quarter ended 31 July 2017. This report should be read in conjunction with its audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 October 2016 and the accompanying notes attached to the interim financial report.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 31 JULY 2017

### i) Current quarter and financial year to date

	Current Quarter 3 months ended			Cumulative 9 months	s ended				
	31 Jul 2017	31 Jul 2016	Chang Fav/(Ui			31 Jul 2017	31 Jul 2016	Char Fav/(U	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%		RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%
Revenue	81,708	65,115	16,593	25.5		237,199	191,115	46,084	24.1
Cost of sales	(51,273)	(42,794)	(8,479)	(19.8)		(149,214)	(122,918)	(26,296)	(21.4)
Gross profit	30,435	22,321	8,114	36.4	_	87,985	68,197	19,788	29.0
Other income	444	890	(446)	(50.1)		2,077	1,515	562	37.1
Operating expenses	(21,117)	(16,961)	(4,156)	(24.5)		(62,188)	(48,898)	(13,290)	(27.2)
Other expenses	(2,050)	(1,372)	(678)	(49.4)		(5,190)	(3,602)	(1,588)	(44.1)
Finance costs	(108)	(128)	20	15.6		(334)	(392)	58	14.8
Share of profit in jointly controlled entity	395	273	122	44.7		1,290	1,015	275	27.1
Profit before tax	7,999	5,023	2,976	59.2	_	23,640	17,835	5,805	32.6
Tax expense	(1,824)	(968)	(856)	(88.4)	_	(4,905)	(4,008)	(897)	(22.4)
Profit after tax, representing comprehensive income for the period	6,175	4,055	2,120	52.3	_	18,735	13,827	4,908	35.5
Profit attributable to: Owners of the Company	6,175	4,055	2,120	52.3	=	18,735	13,827	4,908	35.5
Basic/diluted earnings per ordinary share (sen) (Note B12)	1.99	1.31	0.68	51.9	=	6.04	5.19	0.85	16.4



# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 31 JULY 2017

# ii) Current quarter compared with immediate preceding quarter

	Current Quarter 3 months ended	Immediate Preceding Quarter		
	31 July 2017 RM'000	30 April 2017 RM'000	Chang Fav/(Un RM'000	
Revenue	81,708	79,259	2,449	3.1
Cost of sales	(51,273)	(49,142)	(2,131)	(4.3)
Gross profit	30,435	30,117	318	1.1
Other income	444	736	(292)	(39.7)
Operating expenses	(21,117)	(21,963)	846	3.9
Other expenses	(2,050)	(1,673)	(377)	(22.5)
Finance costs	(108)	(110)	2	1.8
Share of profit in jointly controlled entity	395	486	(91)	(18.7)
Profit before tax	7,999	7,593	406	5.3
Tax expense	(1,824)	(1,392)	(432)	(31.0)
Profit after tax, representing comprehensive income for the period	6,175	6,201	(26)	(0.4)
Profit attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	6,175	6,201	(26)	(0.4)
Basic/diluted earnings per ordinary share (sen)	1.99	2.00	(0.01)	(0.5)

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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 JULY 2017

	Unaudited 31 July 2017	Audited 31 October 2016
	RM'000	RM'000
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	77,280	65,266
Investment in jointly controlled entity	3,970	2,678
Other investments	-	8,644
Total non-current assets	81,250	76,588
Current assets		
Inventories <sup>(1)</sup>	34,450	29,782
Trade receivables	7,781	6,956
Other receivables	21,446	18,459
Amount due from jointly controlled entity	1,226	1,219
Amount due from related parties	-	14
Other investments <sup>(2)</sup>	51,806	54,691
Short-term deposits with licensed banks	1,828	1,058
Cash and bank balances	17,409	15,675
Total current assets	135,946	127,854
Total assets	217,196	204,442

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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 JULY 2017 (Cont'd)

	Unaudited 31 July 2017 RM'000	Audited 31 October 2016 RM'000
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Equity		
Share capital	129,334	62,014
Share premium	-	67,320
Revaluation reserve	8,561	8,561
Merger deficit	(45,952)	(45,952)
Retained earnings	79,216	60,481
Total equity	171,159	152,424
LIABILITIES		
Non-current liabilities		
Bank borrowings	5,943	6,934
Finance lease liabilities	707	377
Deferred tax liabilities	2,939	2,588
Total non-current liabilities	9,589	9,899
Current liabilities		
Trade payables	21,308	26,081
Other payables	13,052	14,337
Amount due to related parties	-	60
Amount due to a director	-	36
Bank borrowings	1,335	1,335
Finance lease liabilities	267	216
Tax payable	486	54
Total current liabilities	36,448	42,119
Total liabilities	46,037	52,018
Total equity and liabilities	217,196	204,442
Net assets per share (RM)	0.55	0.49

# Notes:

- (1) Included in inventories is RM315,000 in foreign currencies held for the money changing business.
- (2) Other investments comprised placement of funds in money market instrument funds.



# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 31 JULY 2017

	Share Capital RM'000	Share Premium RM'000	Revaluation Reserve RM'000	Merger Deficit RM'000	Retained Earnings RM'000	Total Equity RM'000
As at 1 November 2016	62,014	67,320	8,561	(45,952)	60,481	152,424
Transfer pursuant to S618(2) of CA 2016 (1)	67,320	(67,320)	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	-	18,735	18,735
As at 31 July 2017	129,334	-	8,561	(45,952)	79,216	171,159
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As at 1 November 2015	45,890	-	8,561	(45,952)	47,000	55,499
Issuance of new shares (2)	16,124	72,558	-	-	-	88,682
Share issuance expenses (3)	-	(5,238)	-	-	-	(5,238)
Dividends						
Total comprehensive					(4,652)	(4,652)
income for the period	-	-	-	-	13,827	13,827
As at 31 July 2016	62,014	67,320	8,561	(45,952)	56,175	148,118

#### Notes:

- (1) Pursuant to Section 618(2) of the Companies Act 2016 ("CA 2016") which came into effect on 31 January 2017, any outstanding share premium and capital redemption reserve accounts shall become part of the share capital account. Under the transitional provision in Section 618 (3) of the CA 2016, the Company on 30 August 2017 proposed to use the credit of RM67,320,000 being transferred from the share premium account to the share capital account for the issuance of bonus shares on the basis of one (1) bonus share for every existing Bison share held on the entitlement date to be determined later at RM0.20 per bonus share being the par value of the Bison shares immediately before the effective date of the CA 2016.
- (2) The Company issued 80,620,000 new ordinary shares of RM0.20 each at an issue price of RM1.10 per share to the public in conjunction with its initial public offering for the listing and quotation of the Company's enlarged and paid-up share capital comprising 310,070,000 ordinary shares on the Main Market of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad in March 2016 ("IPO").
- (3) Total share issuance expenses for the IPO exercise amounted to RM6,387,000 of which RM5,238,000 was written off against share premium account pursuant to Section 60 of the Companies Act 1965 and the balance of RM1,149,000 was recognised in the profit or loss in the financial year ended 31 October 2016.



# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 31 JULY 2017

	Cumulative Quarter 9 months ended	
	31 JULY 2017	31 JULY 2016
	RM'000	RM'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit before tax	23,640	17,835
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	4,306	3,190
Bad debts written off	-	12
Amortisation of intangible asset	-	_*
Loss / (Gain) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	34	(5)
Negative goodwill on acquisition of subsidiary	- (4.54.4)	(51)
Dividend income from other investments Interest expense	(1,514) 334	(767) 392
Share of profit in jointly controlled entity	(1,290)	(1,015)
Property, plant and equipment written off	848	394
Interest income	(127)	(242)
Initial public offering exercise expenses	(127)	1,149
Unrealised foreign exchange gain	-	(11)
Operating profit before working capital changes	26,231	20,881
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Changes in working capital		
Increase in inventories	(4,668)	(5,022)
Increase in receivables	(3,812)	(2,616)
(Decrease) / Increase in payables	(5,340)	1,186
Decrease in amount due to a director	(36)	(5)
(Increase) / Decrease in amount due from jointly controlled		
entity	(7)	79
Decrease in amount due to related parties	(46)	(99)
Cash generated from operations Tax refunded	12,322	14,404 20
Tax paid	(4,121)	(2,891)
Net cash from operating activities	8,201	11,533
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Dividend income from other investments	1,051	767
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	113	61
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(17,317)	(10,353)
Withdrawal/(Placement) of funds in other investments	11,994	(72,824)
Placement of fixed deposits	(70)	(60)
Interest income	53	242
Acquisition of a subsidiary		(145)
Net cash used in investing activities	(4,176)	(82,312)



# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 31 JULY 2017 (Cont'd)

	Cumulative Quarter 9 months ended		
	31 JULY 2017	31 JULY 2016	
	RM'000	RM'000	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Interest paid	(334)	(392)	
Repayment of term loan	(991)	(943)	
Repayment of finance lease liabilities	(340)	(193)	
Proceeds from issuance of shares	-	88,682	
Share issuance expenses Dividends paid	-	(6,387) (4,652)	
Net cash (used in)/from financing activities	(1,665)	76,115	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	2,358	5,336	
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 November	16,074	6,418	
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 July	18,432	11,754	
Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents			
Cash and bank balances	17,409	11,427	
Short-term deposits with licensed banks	1,828	985	
	19,237	12,412	
Less: short-term deposits pledged to a licensed bank	(805)	(658)	
	18,432	11,754	

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#### NOTES TO INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 31 JULY 2017

# A. COMPLIANCE WITH MALAYSIAN FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD NO. 134: INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORTING ('MFRS")

#### A1 CORPORATE INFORMATION

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding while its subsidiaries are principally involved in the business of press and convenience retailing, comprising the operations of a press and convenience retail chain in Malaysia predominantly under the trade name of "myNEWS.com".

### A2 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The interim financial report is unaudited and has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of MFRS No. 134: Interim Financial Reporting issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board and Appendix B of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Securities"). It should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements of Bison for the financial year ended 31 October 2016.

#### A3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies and methods of computation adopted in the preparation of these interim financial statements are consistent with those adopted in the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2016. In the previous years, the financial statements of the Group and the Company were prepared in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard ("MFRSs").

At the date of issuance of this quarterly report, the MFRSs, and amendments to MFRSs which are in issue but not yet effective are listed below:

Description	Effective for annual financial periods beginning on or after
Amendments to MFRS 107 Statement of Cash Flows: Disclosures Initiatives	1 January 2017
Amendments to MFRS 112 Income Taxes: Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses	1 January 2017
Amendments to MFRS 12: Disclosure of Interest in Other Entities (under Annual Improvements to MFRS Standards 2014 - 2016 Cycle)	1 January 2017
Amendments to MFRS 2 Share-based Payment: Classification and Measuremen Share-based Payment Transactions	t of 1 January 2018
MFRS 15: Revenue from Contracts with Customers	1 January 2018
Amendments to MFRS 4 Insurance Contracts: Applying MFRS 9 Financial Instruments with MRFS 4 Insurance Contracts	1 January 2018



NOTES TO INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 31 JULY 2017 (Cont'd)

# A. COMPLIANCE WITH MALAYSIAN FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD NO. 134: INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORTING ('MFRS") (Cont'd)

### A3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

Amendments to MFRS 140 Investment Property: Transfers of Investment Property	1 January 2018
Annual Improvements to MFRS Standards 2014 - 2016 Cycle:	1 January 2018
IC Interpretation 22: Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration	1 January 2018
MFRS 16: Leases	1 January 2019
IC Interpretation 23 Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments	1 January 2019
MFRS 17 Insurance Contracts	1 January 2021
Amendments to MFRS 10 and MFRS 128: Sale or Contribution of Assets between a Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture	n Deferred indefinitely

The Group has not early adopted any of the new or revised standards and amendments to standards that have been issued but not yet effective for the Group. The Group intends to adopt these standards, if applicable, when they become effective. The initial application of the new or revised MFRSs and Amendments to MFRSs, which will be applied prospectively or which requires extended disclosures, is not expected to have any significant financial impacts to the financial statements of the Group upon their initial adoption, other than MFRS 16: Leases which will be effective from 1 January 2019. The adoption of MFRS 16: Leases will have an effect on the classification and measurement of the Group's lease assets and liabilities.

#### A4 AUDITORS' REPORT

There was no qualification on the audited financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 October 2016.

### A5 SEASONAL OR CYCLICAL FACTORS

The Group does not experience any material seasonality in sales except for the shorter month in February, which thereafter normalises until the Ramadan fasting month where sales generally experience a reduction.

# A6 UNUSUAL ITEMS AFFECTING ASSETS, LIABILITIES, EQUITY, NET INCOME OR CASH FLOW

There were no unusual items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flow of the Group during the quarter under review.

#### A7 CHANGES IN ESTIMATES

There were no changes in estimates that had a material effect in the financial quarter under review.



NOTES TO INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 31 JULY 2017 (Cont'd)

# A. COMPLIANCE WITH MALAYSIAN FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD NO. 134: INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORTING ('MFRS") (Cont'd)

#### A8 DEBT AND EQUITY SECURITIES

There was no issuance, cancellation, repurchase, resale and repayment of debt and equity securities for the financial quarter under review.

### A9 DIVIDEND PAID

No dividend was paid during the financial quarter under review.

#### A10 SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

The Group operates in the press and retail convenience segment in Malaysia and has a licensing arrangement in Myanmar. The contribution from Myanmar is insignificant and as such the Group does not present its results by geographical or industry segment.

#### A11 SUBSEQUENT MATERIAL EVENTS

On 30 August 2017, the Company announced that it proposed to undertake the following:

- a) Private placement of up to 31,007,000 new ordinary shares ("Private Placement Shares") representing 10% of the total number of issued shares of Bison pursuant to Section 75 of the CA 2016;
- b) Acquisition by Bison Stores Sdn Bhd, its wholly owned subsidiary, of a parcel of leasehold industrial land, measuring 17,869 square metres together with a single storey warehouse with an annexed 3-storey office block bearing postal address Lot 3, Jalan Teknologi 3/1, Taman Sains Selangor, Seksyen 3, PJU 5, Kota Damansara, 47810 Petaling Jaya from Leno Marketing Sdn Bhd for a purchase consideration of RM50,000,000 (Ringgit Malaysia Fifty million) ("Proposed Acquisition") only;
- c) Bonus issue of up to 341,077,000 new Bison shares on the basis of one (1) bonus share for every one (1) existing Bison share held by the entitled shareholders whose names appear in the Record of Depositors of Bison on an entitlement date to be determined later; and
- d) Establishment of an Employees' Share Option Scheme of up to 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company at any point in time to be granted to eligible directors and employees of Bison and its subsidiaries.

Bursa Securities had on 14 September 2017 approved the listing of and quotation for the Private Placement Shares. On 21 September 2017, the application letter for the submission of the valuation report in relation to the Proposed Acquisition was submitted to Bursa Securities.

As at the date of this report none of the above proposals has been completed.

#### A12 CHANGES IN COMPOSITION OF THE GROUP

There was no change in the composition of the Group during the financial quarter under review.



NOTES TO INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 31 JULY 2017 (Cont'd)

# A. COMPLIANCE WITH MALAYSIAN FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD NO. 134: INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORTING ('MFRS") (Cont'd)

#### A13 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES OR CONTINGENT ASSETS

There were no contingent assets as at the date of this interim report.

Contingent liabilities of the Group as at 31 July 2017 comprised of bank guarantees totalling RM754,000 issued for security deposits in respect of tenancy of outlets of the jointly controlled entity and security deposit for the money remittance business.

#### A14 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The capital commitments of the Group as at 31 July 2017 were as follows:

	RM'000
Authorised and contracted for the purchase of	
property, plant and equipment	3,685

### A15 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

For the nine (9) months ended 31 July 2017, the Group acquired assets at the cost of RM17.32 million comprised of mainly a factory building in Johor Bahru to be used as a distribution centre, furniture and fittings, renovation, equipment and computers, principally for the setting up of new outlets.

### A16 SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

	Current Quarter 3 months ended		Cumulative 9 months	•
	31 July 2017 RM'000	31 July 2016 RM'000	31 July 2017 RM'000	31 July 2016 RM'000
Transactions with jointly controlled entity				
Management fees income	(143)	(108)	(421)	(356)
Transactions with related parties				
Purchases of stocks	119	167	411	619
Office rental expense	18	18	54	54
Hostel rental expense	17	17	52	52
Advertising and promotion income	(58)	(37)	(58)	(39)



NOTES TO INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 31 JULY 2017 (Cont'd)

# B COMPLIANCE WITH APPENDIX 9B OF THE MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS OF BURSA MALAYSIA SECURITIES BERHAD

#### **B1** REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE

#### Review of current quarter performance

Bison recorded revenue of RM81.71 million for the third quarter ended 31 July 2017, an increase of RM16.60 million or 25.5% over the corresponding period of 2016 of RM65.12 million. The increased revenue was attributed to improved sales from the existing outlets and contributions from the new outlets.

The continuing efforts to manage its products and services offerings and collaborations with suppliers enabled the Group to achieve a gross profit for the current quarter of RM30.44 million or margin of 37.2%, an improvement of RM8.11 million or 36.4% over the corresponding quarter of 2016 of RM22.32 million and margin of 34.3%.

Operating expenses for the current quarter was RM21.12 million, higher than the previous year's corresponding quarter of RM16.96 million by RM4.16 million or 24.5%. The increase comprised of mainly establishment costs and salaries arising from the increase in number of outlets and recruitment of staff.

Arising from the above, Bison's profit before taxation was RM8.00 million for the current quarter which is RM2.98 million or 59.2% better than the RM5.02 million reported for the corresponding quarter of 2016.

### Review of nine-months period performance

For the period ended 31 July 2017, Bison's revenue was RM237.20 million, an increase of RM46.08 million or 24.1% over its 2016's corresponding period of RM191.12 million, resulting from the improved sales of existing outlets and contributions from new outlets.

The Group's gross profit for the period was RM87.99 million (margin of 37.1%) and profit before tax was RM23.64 million compared to the corresponding period of 2016 of RM68.20 million (margin of 35.7%) and RM17.84 million respectively. Improvements in gross profit of RM19.79 million or 29.0% and profit before tax of RM5.81 million or 32.6% were the result of improved margins of products and services on the back of higher revenue.

Operating expenses were higher in tandem with the increased business volume and the continuous outlets expansion by Bison which also entailed the recruitment of more talents.

Bison is on course in its new stores opening and during the nine-months period under review, there is a net increase of 44 outlets. Bison ended the third quarter with 338 outlets verses 276 as at 31 July 2016.



NOTES TO INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 31 JULY 2017 (Cont'd)

# B COMPLIANCE WITH APPENDIX 9B OF THE MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS OF BURSA MALAYSIA SECURITIES BERHAD (Cont'd)

# B2 MATERIAL CHANGES IN THE PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION FOR THE CURRENT QUARTER AS COMPARED WITH THE IMMEDIATE PRECEDING QUARTER

Bison's profit before taxation for the current quarter was RM8.00 million verses its immediate preceding quarter of RM7.59 million, higher by RM0.41 million or 5.3%. This performance was attributed to an increase in revenue of RM2.45 million or 3.1% for the current quarter to RM81.71 million from RM79.26 million in the immediate preceding quarter. The marginal increase in sales was due to slower sales during the Ramadan month.

#### **B3 PROSPECTS**

In spite of the current market challenges and growing competition, the Board of Directors remains positive that Bison can continue to deliver profitable results with the on-going efforts to improve products and services offerings and margins coupled with the on-going improvements to its backend processes and infrastructures to support outlets expansion and growth.

#### B4 VARIANCE OF ACTUAL PROFIT FROM PROFIT FORECAST AND PROFIT GUARANTEE

The Group has not issued any profit forecast or profit guarantee in any form of public document or announcement.

# B5 NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Current Qu 3 months e 31 July 2017 RM'000		Cumulative Quarter 9 months ended 31 July 31 July 2017 20 RM'000 RM'0	
Profit before tax is arrived at after charging:				
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment Property, plant and equipment	1,524	1,163	4,306	3,190
written off Loss/(Gain) on disposal of	500	209	848	394
property, plant and equipment Interest expense Bad debts written off Initial public offering exercise	108	- 128 -	34 334 -	(5) 392 12
expenses	-	-	-	1,149



NOTES TO INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 31 JULY 2017 (Cont'd)

B COMPLIANCE WITH APPENDIX 9B OF THE MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS OF BURSA MALAYSIA SECURITIES BERHAD (Cont'd)

# B5 NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (Cont'd)

, ,	Current Quarter 3 months ended		Cumulative Quarter 9 months ended	
	31 July 2017 RM'000	31 July 2016 RM'000	31 July 2017 RM'000	31 July 2016 RM'000
And after crediting:				
Interest Income	(91)	(29)	(127)	(242)
Dividend income from other investments Unrealised foreign	(254)	(678)	(1,514)	(767)
exchange loss/(gain)	5	(11)	-	(11)

Other disclosure items pursuant to Appendix 9B Note 16 of the Main Market Listing Requirements are not applicable.

### **B6** TAX EXPENSE

	Current Quarter 3 months ended			Cumulative Quarter 9 months ended	
	31 July 2017 RM'000	31 July 2016 RM'000	31 July 2017 RM'000	31 July 2016 RM'000	
Income tax expense:					
Provision for current period	1,643	920	4,734	3,991	
Overprovision in prior year	(179)	(100)	(179)	(130)	
Deferred tax:					
Provision for current period	360	148	350	149	
Overprovision in prior year	-	-	-	(2)	
Total tax expense	1,824	968	4,905	4,008	

Tax expense is recognised based on management's best estimates. The Group's effective tax rate is lower than the Malaysian's statutory tax rate because one of its wholly-owned subsidiaries is a MSC status company which enjoys certain tax incentives.

### **B7** STATUS OF CORPORATE PROPOSAL

Except as reported in Note A11, there is no other corporate proposal during the period under review.



NOTES TO INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 31 JULY 2017 (Cont'd)

B COMPLIANCE WITH APPENDIX 9B OF THE MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS OF BURSA MALAYSIA SECURITIES BERHAD (Cont'd)

#### **B8** UTILISATION OF PROCEEDS

The status of utilisation of the proceeds from its initial public offering of 80,620,000 new ordinary shares at RM1.10 per share as at 31 July 2017 is as follows:

	Purposes	Proposed Utilisation RM'000	Actual Utilisation RM'000	Deviation RM'000	Balance RM'000	Estimated Timeframe for Utilisation
a)	Capital expenditure	50,000	34,601	-	15,399	Within 36 months
b)	Working capital	32,230	18,880	63	13,413	(until 28 March 2019)
c)	Listing expenses	6,450	6,387	(63)	-	
	Total	88,680	59,868	-	28,812	

### **B9 BORROWINGS AND DEBT SECURITIES**

The Group's borrowings as at 31 July 2017 are as follows:

	Unaudited As at 31 July 2017	Audited As at 31 October 2016
	RM'000	RM'000
Short term borrowings - Secured		
Term loans	1,335	1,335
Finance lease liabilities	267	216
	1,602	1,551
Long term borrowings – Secured		
Term loans	5,943	6,934
Finance lease liabilities	707	377
	6,650	7,311
Total Borrowing -Secured		
Term loans	7,278	8,269
Finance lease liabilities	974	593
	8,252	8,862

Note: All the loans in the Group are in RM denomination.



NOTES TO INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 31 JULY 2017 (Cont'd)

# B COMPLIANCE WITH APPENDIX 9B OF THE MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS OF BURSA MALAYSIA SECURITIES BERHAD (Cont'd)

### **B10 MATERIAL LITIGATION**

There is no material litigation against or by the Group as at the date of this report.

### **B11 DIVIDEND**

The Board of Directors approved an interim single-tier dividend of 2.00 sen per ordinary share amounting to RM6,201,400 for the financial year ending 31 October 2017 which was paid on 15 August 2017.

#### **B12 EARNINGS PER SHARE**

	Current Quarter 3 months ended		Cumulative Quarter 9 months ended	
	31 July 2017	31 July 2016	31 July 2017	31 July 2016
Profit attributable to owners of the Company (RM'000)	6,175	4,055	18,737	13,827
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	310,070	310,070	310,070	246,229
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Basic/diluted earnings per share (sen)	1.99	1.31	6.04	5.19

The basic/diluted earnings per share is computed based on the profit attributable to the owners of the Company divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue for the period under review. The Company does not have any dilutive potential ordinary shares in issue for the period under review.

### B13 BREAKDOWN OF REALISED AND UNREALISED PROFITS

The retained earnings as at 31 July 2017 is analysed as follows:

Retained earnings of the Group	Unaudited As at 31 July 2017 RM'000	Audited As at 31 October 2016 RM'000
- Realised	75,630	57,311
- Unrealised	3,586	3,170
Retained earnings as per condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity	79,216	60,481