

STAR MEDIA GROUP BERHAD

Company No. 197101000523 (10894-D) (Incorporated in Malaysia)

INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FIRST QUARTER ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss

| | Note | 3 month 31.03.2024 RM'000 | ns ended 31.03.2023 RM'000 | Financial pe 31.03.2024 RM'000 | riod ended 31.03.2023 RM'000 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Revenue | | 53,304 | 51,988 | 53,304 | 51,988 |
| Operating expenses | A8 | (57,670) | (55,309) | (57,670) | (55,309) |
| Other operating income | A9 | 4,387 | 4,677 | 4,387 | 4,677 |
| Profit from operations | - | 21 | 1,356 | 21 | 1,356 |
| Finance cost | | (187) | (207) | (187) | (207) |
| (Loss)/Profit before tax | - | (166) | 1,149 | (166) | 1,149 |
| Taxation | B5 | (27) | (11) | (27) | (11) |
| (Loss)/Profit for the financia period | ıl . | (193) | 1,138 | (193) | 1,138 |
| Attributable to: Owners of the parent Non-controlling interests | | (193) - | 1,138 - | (193) - | 1,138 |
| | _ | (193) | 1,138 | (193) | 1,138 |
| Basic/Diluted (loss)/earnings pordinary share (sen): | er | (0.03) | 0.16 | (0.03) | 0.16 |

(The unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023)

Included in the Operating
Expenses are depreciation and amortisation expenses: (3,845) (3,917) (3,845) (3,917)

Unaudited Condensed Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income For the period ended 31 March 2024

| | 3 months 31.03.2024 RM'000 | s ended 31.03.2023 RM'000 | Financial pe 31.03.2024 RM'000 | riod ended 31.03.2023 RM'000 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| (Loss)/Profit for the financial period | (193) | 1,138 | (193) | 1,138 |
| Other comprehensive income | | | | |
| Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss | | | | |
| exchange differences on translating foreign operations | 7 | 1 | 7 | 1 |
| Total comprehensive (loss)/ income for the financial period | (186) | 1,139 | (186) | 1,139 |
| Attributable to: Owners of the parent | (186) | 1,139 | (186) | 1,139 |
| Non-controlling interests | (186) | 1,139 | (186) | - 1,139 |

(The unaudited Condensed Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023)

Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position As at 31 March 2024

| | 31 March 2024 RM'000 | 31 December 2023 RM'000 |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Non-current assets | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 106,818 | 108,632 |
| Investment properties | 178,676 | 179,736 |
| Intangible assets | 22,555 | 22,655 |
| Right-of-use assets | 10,439 | 11,026 |
| Other investments | | |
| -Financial assets at fair value through | | |
| profit or loss | 180 | 224 |
| Deferred tax assets | 581 | 581 |
| | 319,249 | 322,854 |
| Current assets | | |
| Inventories | 45,260 | 35,968 |
| Trade and other receivables | 38,213 | 44,734 |
| Contract assets | 6,335 | 3,352 |
| Current tax assets | 3,465 | 2,443 |
| Cash and bank balances | 357,773 | 364,152 |
| | 451,046 | 450,649 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 770,295 | 773,503 |

Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position As at 31 March 2024 (cont'd)

| | 31 March 2024 RM'000 | 31 December 2023 RM'000 |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | |
| EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | | |
| Share capital | 738,564 | 738,564 |
| Treasury shares | (6,124) | (6,124) |
| Foreign exchange translation reserve | 2,665 | 2,658 |
| Reserves | (82,891) | (82,698) |
| Total equity | 652,214 | 652,400 |
| Non-current liabilities | | |
| Lease liabilities | 9,477 | 9,883 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 203 | 203 |
| | 9,680 | 10,086 |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Trade and other payables | 105,686 | 108,190 |
| Lease liabilities | 2,624 | 2,793 |
| Taxation | 91 | 34 |
| | 108,401 | 111,017 |
| Total Liabilities | 118,081 | 121,103 |
| TOTAL FOLITY AND LIABILITIES | 770.005 | 770 500 |
| TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | 770,295 | 773,503 |
| Net assets per share attributable to | | |
| owners of the parent (RM) | 0.90 | 0.90 |

(The unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023)

Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity For the period ended 31 March 2024

[------ Attributable to equity holders of the Company ------]

| | Share capital RM'000 | Foreign exchange translation reserves RM'000 | Treasury shares RM'000 | Retained earnings/ (Accumulated losses) RM'000 | Total Equity RM'000 |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Balance as at 1 January 2024 | 738,564 | 2,658 | (6,124) | (82,698) | 652,400 |
| Total comprehensive income for the period | - | 7 | - | (193) | (186) |
| Balance as at 31 March 2024 | 738,564 | 2,665 | (6,124) | (82,891) | 652,214 |

Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity For the period ended 31 March 2024 (cont'd)

[------ Attributable to equity holders of the Company ------

| | Share capital RM'000 | Foreign exchange translation reserves RM'000 | Treasury shares RM'000 | Retained earnings/ (Accumulated losses) RM'000 | Total Equity |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Balance as at 1 January 2023 | 738,564 | 2,651 | (6,124) | (82,940) | 652,151 |
| Total comprehensive income for the period | - | 1 | - | 1,138 | 1,139 |
| Balance as at 31 March 2023 | 738,564 | 2,652 | (6,124) | (81,802) | 653,290 |

(The unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023)

Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows For the period ended 31 March 2024

| | 31 March 2024 RM'000 | 31 March 2023 RM'000 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| (Loss)/Profit before tax | (166) | 1,149 |
| Adjustments for non-cash flow items:- | | |
| Non-cash items | 3,830 | 4,253 |
| Non-operating items | (3,023) | (3,117) |
| Operating profit before working capital changes Changes in working capital | 641 | 2,285 |
| Net change in current assets | (5,690) | 1,122 |
| Net change in current liabilities | (2,512) | (8,431) |
| Cash used in operations | (7,561) | (5,024) |
| Net tax (paid)/refund | (992) | 7,494 |
| Net cash (used in)/generated from operating activities | (8,553) | 2,470 |
| Investing Activities | | |
| Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment | 50 | - |
| Purchases of property, plant and equipment | (297) | (1,525) |
| Purchases of intangible assets | (24) | (42) |
| Interest and investment income received | 3,210 | 3,324 |
| Net cash generated from investing activities | 2,939 | 1,757 |
| Financing Activities | | |
| Interest paid | (187) | (207) |
| Repayment of lease liabilities | (595) | (437) |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (782) | (644) |
| Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash | (6,396) | 3,583 |
| equivalents | 17 | 4 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period | 364,152 | 364,825 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period | 357,773 | 368,412 |

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise the following as at the end of the financial period:

| | 31 March 2024 RM'000 | 31 March 2023 RM'000 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Deposits placed with licensed banks Cash and bank balances | 336,883 20,890 | 348,897 19,515 |
| | 357,773 | 368,412 |

(The unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023).

A1. Basis of Preparation

The interim financial statements are unaudited and have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard ("MFRS") 134, Interim Financial Reporting issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board ("MASB") and paragraph 9.22 of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.

The interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The accounting policies and methods of computation adopted by the Group in these quarterly financial statements are consistent with those adopted in the most recent audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 except for the adoption of the following MFRSs, IC Interpretation and Amendments to MFRSs during the current financial year:

Amendments to MFRS 16 Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback
Amendments to MFRS 107

and MFRS 7 Supplier Finance Arrangements
Amendments to MFRS 101 Non-Current Liabilities with Covenants

Amendments to MFRS 101 Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current

The adoption of the above did not have any significant effects on the interim financial report upon their initial application.

The following MFRSs and Amendments to MFRSs have been issued by MASB but are not yet effective to the Group:

Effective for annual periods on or after 1 January 2025

Amendments to MFRS 121 Lack of Exchangeability

The Group is in the process of assessing the impact of implementing these Standards and Amendments, since the effects would only be observable for future financial years.

A2. Seasonal or cyclical factors

The operations of our major business segment are generally affected by the major festive seasons.

A3. Unusual items

There were no unusual items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income, or cash flows during the financial period ended 31 March 2024.

A4. Changes in estimates

There were no changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior financial years that have a material effect on the current quarter.

A5. Debt and equity securities

There were no issuances and repayment of debts and equity securities, share cancellations and resale of treasury shares during the financial period ended 31 March 2024.

A6. Dividend paid

No dividend was paid in the current financial period ended 31 March 2024.

A7. Segment Reporting

| | Print, digital and events RM'000 | Radio Broadcasting RM'000 | Property Development & Investment RM'000 | Others RM'000 | Elimination RM'000 | Consolidated RM'000 |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Financial period ended 31 March 2024 | | | | | | |
| Sales to external customers | 41,102 | 7,274 | 4,928 | - | - | 53,304 |
| Inter-segment sales | 1,653 | 15 | - | 6,803 | (8,471) | - |
| Total revenue | 42,755 | 7,289 | 4,928 | 6,803 | (8,471) | 53,304 |
| (Loss)/Profit before tax | (2,450) | 643 | 1,316 | 325 | - | (166) |
| Assets | 488,299 | 57,649 | 221,218 | 3,129 | - | 770,295 |
| Financial period ended 31 March 2023 | | | | | | |
| Sales to external customers | 43,107 | 7,592 | 1,289 | - | - | 51,988 |
| Inter-segment sales | 276 | - | - | 6,637 | (6,913) | - |
| Total revenue | 43,383 | 7,592 | 1,289 | 6,637 | (6,913) | 51,988 |
| Profit/(Loss) before tax | 516 | 810 | (529) | 352 | - | 1,149 |
| Assets | 489,300 | 74,395 | 195,539 | 5,473 | - | 764,707 |

A8. Operating expenses

| | 3 months ended | | Financial period end | |
|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | 31.03.2024 RM'000 | 31.03.2023 RM'000 | 31.03.2024 RM'000 | 31.03.2023 RM'000 |
| Allowance of credit losses | - | 513 | - | 513 |
| Foreign exchange loss | 7 | 3 | 7 | 3 |

A9. Other operating income

| | 3 month 31.03.2024 RM'000 | ns ended 31.03.2023 RM'000 | Financial po 31.03.2024 RM'000 | eriod ended 31.03.2023 RM'000 |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Interest income | 101 | 132 | 101 | 132 |
| Investment income | 3,109 | 3,192 | 3,109 | 3,192 |
| Reversal of allowance of credit losses | 64 | 141 | 64 | 141 |
| Foreign exchange gain | 490 | 16 | 490 | 16 |
| Other income | 623 | 1,196 | 623 | 1,196 |
| Total | 4,387 | 4,677 | 4,387 | 4,677 |

A10. Events subsequent to the end of the reporting period

There are no material events subsequent to the end of the reporting period under review that have not been reflected in the quarterly financial statements.

A11. Changes in composition of the Group

There are no changes in the composition of the Group during the quarter under review.

A12. Capital commitments

| Authorised capital expenditure not provided for in the financial statements - contracted - not contracted | 157 7,244 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| | 7,401 |

DM'000

B1. Review of performance

| | | Preceding Year |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| | Current Year | Corresponding |
| | Quarter | Quarter |
| | 31.03.2024 | 31.03.2023 |
| | (1Q 2024) | (1Q 2023) |
| | RM'000 | RM'000 |
| Revenue | 53,304 | 51,988 |
| Consolidated (Loss)/Profit before tax | (166) | 1,149 |
| Consolidated (Loss)/Profit after tax | (193) | 1,138 |

The Group's total revenue in 1Q 2024 is RM53.3 million, an increase of 3% as compared to 1Q 2023. The Group registered a loss before tax of RM0.2 million in 1Q 2024 as compared to a profit before tax of RM1.1 million in 1Q 2023 which was attributed to higher operating costs incurred.

Performance of the respective business segments for 1Q 2024 compared to the corresponding quarter of 2023 are as follows:-

Print, Digital and Events – This segment recorded a decline of 1% in revenue in 1Q 2024 of RM42.8 million compared to RM43.4 million in 1Q 2023 due to weaker market sentiment. The segment recorded a loss before tax of RM2.5 million in 1Q 2024 as compared to a profit before tax of RM0.5 million in 1Q 2023 due to the lower revenue achieved and higher operating costs incurred.

Radio Broadcasting – Radio generated a lower revenue by 4% amounting to RM7.3 million in 1Q 2024 as compared to RM7.6 million in 1Q 2023, attributed to lower revenue contribution from commercial airtime. This segment recorded a profit before tax of RM0.6 million as compared to 1Q 2023 of RM0.8 million due to the lower revenue recorded.

Property Development & Investment – This segment generated revenue of RM4.9 million in 1Q 2024 compared to RM1.3 million in 1Q 2023. This is mainly attributed to the recognition of revenue from the sale of the Star Business Hub project and higher occupancy rates of investment properties. Property development & investment segment recorded a profit before tax of RM1.3 million in 1Q 2024 compared to a loss before tax of RM0.5 million in 1Q 2023, mainly due to the revenue from the Star Business Hub project.

B2. Variation of results against preceding quarter

| | Current | Preceding |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| | Quarter | Quarter |
| | 31.03.2024 | 31.12.2023 |
| | (1Q 2024) | (4Q 2023) |
| | RM'000 | RM'000 |
| Revenue | 53,304 | 55,073 |
| Consolidated (Loss)/Profit before tax | (166) | 5,471 |
| Consolidated (Loss)/Profit after tax | (193) | 5,505 |

1Q 2024 recorded a revenue of RM53.3 million as compared to RM55.1 million in 4Q 2023 due to challenging market conditions. The Group recorded a loss before tax of RM0.2 million as compared to a profit before tax of RM5.5 million in the preceding quarter. This was mainly due to the gain on disposal of investment property of RM6.5 million recognised in 4Q 2023.

B3. Prospects

The Group expects industry outlook in relation to advertising expenditure to continue to be challenging. The Group is cautiously optimistic that the property development & investment segment will continue to contribute positively to the Group's financial performance.

In addition, the Group is continuing to explore potential merger and acquisition opportunities, to diversify the income streams of the Group.

B4. Profit forecast

The Group has not provided any profit forecast in a public document.

B5. Taxation

Taxation comprises the following: -

| · | 3 months | s ended | Financial period ended | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--|
| | 31.03.2024 RM'000 | 31.03.2023 RM'000 | 31.03.2024 RM'000 | 31.03.2023 RM'000 | |
| Current period tax expense based on profit for the financial period | | | | | |
| Malaysian taxation | 27 | 11 | 27 | 11 | |
| 2. Foreign taxation3. Deferred taxation | - | - | - | - | |
| | 27 | 11 | 27 | 11 | |

The Group's tax expense for the financial period is mainly due to income tax expense incurred by profitable subsidiaries within the Group.

B6. Status of corporate proposal announced

a) On 12 May 2017, the Company announced that Laviani Pte Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary company, entered into a conditional share purchase agreement with Lucrum 1 Investment for the proposed disposal of its entire equity interest in Cityneon Holdings Limited for a disposal consideration of SGD115,612,731 (equivalent to RM360,179,902) to be satisfied entirely via cash.

Subsequently, the Company obtained approval from its shareholders at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 7 July 2017 for the abovementioned disposal.

On 12 July 2017, the Company announced the completion on the disposal of Cityneon Holdings Limited by Laviani Pte Ltd. Accordingly, Cityneon Holdings Limited and its subsidiaries ceased to be the indirect subsidiary companies of the Company.

On 1 August 2019, the Company announced that it had only utilised RM207.68 million out of the disposal proceeds and had proposed a variation to the utilisation of proceeds. Subsequently, the Company had utilised a further RM86.00 million, resulting in a total utilisation of RM293.68 million.

B6. Status of corporate proposal announced (cont'd)

On 27 May 2024, the Company had obtained shareholders' approval at a general meeting for the proposed variation of the remaining proceeds of RM66.50 million.

The details of utilisation of proceeds are as follows:-

| Purposes | 3 | Revised Amount (as at 27 May 2024) | Actual utilisation | Remaining Balance | Estimated Timeframe Utilisation | for |
|-----------|----------|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|-----|
| | | RM'000 | RM'000 | RM'000 | | |
| General | working | | | | | |
| capital | | 66,500 | - | 66,500 | By 30 June 202 | 25 |
| Total | | 66,500 | - | 66,500 | | |

B7. Lease liabilities

The Group's lease liabilities as at the end of the financial period are as follows:

| | As at 31.03.2024 RM'000 | As at 31.03.2023 RM'000 |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Short Term Lease Liabilities Unsecured - Lease liabilities | 2,624 | 2,741 |
| Long Term Lease Liabilities Unsecured - Lease liabilities | 9,477 | 11,055 |

All lease liabilities in 2024 and 2023 are denominated in Ringgit Malaysia.

B8. Changes in material litigation

The Company had on 19 August 2011 entered into a Sale and Purchase Agreement with JAKS Island Circle Sdn Bhd ("JIC") for the proposed disposal of the Company's land held under H.S. (D) 259880, No. Lot PT 16, Seksyen 13, Bandar Petaling Jaya, Daerah Petaling, Negeri Selangor together with the buildings erected thereon to JIC for a consideration of RM135,000,000 only ("JAKS SPA").

Under the JAKS SPA, JIC shall pay the purchase consideration partly through the completion, delivery and transfer of the legal title with vacant possession and certificate of completion and compliance, free from all encumbrances whatsoever of a fifteen (15) storey office block to be constructed on PT 16 ("Tower A") to the Company as the Company's entitlement.

Pursuant to the JAKS SPA, JIC shall also provide a bank guarantee for the sum of RM50,000,000 only in favour of the Company to guarantee, among others, the completion and delivery of the vacant possession of the Tower A in accordance with the terms of the JAKS SPA. In addition, JIC's holding company, JAKS Resources Berhad ("JRB") shall also provide a corporate guarantee in favour of the Company to guarantee the performance of the obligations of JIC under the JAKS SPA ("JRB Corporate Guarantee").

As JIC had failed to deliver the vacant possession of Tower A by the stipulated timeline, the Company had, on 15 February 2018, made a demand on the bank guarantees amounting to RM50,000,000 ("JIC Bank Guarantees") in accordance with the terms of the JAKS SPA. In an attempt to injunct or prevent the Company from calling on the JIC Bank Guarantees, JIC had, on 23 February 2018, initiated suits WA-24C(ARB)-11-02/2018 and WA-24C(ARB)-12-02/2018 (collectively, "OS 11 & 12") in the High Court.

The High Court in OS 11 & 12 had ruled in favour of the Company for the release of the JIC Bank Guarantees by the financial institutions in the sum of RM50,000,000 to the Company and ultimately rejected JIC's contention that the Company's calls on the JIC Bank Guarantees were unconscionable and premature. This decision was further upheld by the Court of Appeal, and JIC's motions for leave to appeal to the Federal Court against the decision of the Court of Appeal were dismissed on 7 January 2019.

Subsequently, the Company had on 19 April 2019 filed a Writ of Summons and a Statement of Claim against JRB vide the Civil Suit No. WA-22NCvC-258-04/2019 ("Suit 258") for JRB's alleged breach and failure to perform its obligations under the JRB Corporate Guarantee. The Company has claimed for, among others, specific performance to order JRB to complete or cause to be completed JIC's obligations under the JAKS SPA by 31 October 2019 in full and proper compliance with the terms of the JAKS SPA and damages being the late payment interest calculated at eight (8%) per annum on the balance purchase price under the JAKS SPA of RM134,500,000 from 25 October 2015 until the date of full payment of the RM134,500,000.

B8. Changes in material litigation (cont'd)

Thereafter, JRB and JIC (collectively, "JAKS") had filed a counterclaim and served a Writ of Summons and a Statement of Claim both dated 30 May 2019 against the Company for an alleged premature call on the JIC Bank Guarantees. JAKS in this Suit No. WA-22NCvC-374-05/2019 ("Suit 374") has claimed for among others, the sum of RM50,000,000 pursuant to the JIC Bank Guarantees to be refunded or returned and the sum of RM248,242,988 as liquidated and ascertained damages and RM297,035,481 for loss of proceeds from JRB's corporate fundraising exercises.

The Company had on 1 August 2019 filed an application for a preliminary determination under Order 14A of the Rules of Court and to strike out JAKS' counter claim in Suit 258 and Suit 374 respectively on the grounds of res judicata and multiplicity of proceedings. The Company contended that JAKS' position in both Suit 258 and Suit 374 on the alleged variations of the building plans which required the resubmission of the plans for the approval of Majlis Bandaraya Petaling Jaya and the alleged new completion date under the JAKS SPA being 20 June 2020 were exactly the same arguments raised by JIC ("Alleged Variations and Alleged New Completion Date") in the previous suits OS 11 & 12, which had been fully litigated in the High Court.

In respect of Suit 258, the High Court had on 7 August 2020 allowed the Company's application for preliminary determination under Order 14A partially and, among others, ordered JRB to compensate the Company at the rate of eight (8%) per annum on the balance purchase price of RM134,500,000 from 25 October 2015 to 6 July 2020 which will continue to run from 6 July 2020 to the date JRB completes or cause to be completed JIC's obligations under the JAKS SPA. However, the High Court dismissed the Company's question in the same application to compel JRB to provide full set of the construction drawings, details and specifications requested by the Company in order to carry out a proper and meaningful joint inspection ("the Dismissal"). Therefore, JRB had on 21 August 2020 appealed against the decision delivered in favour of the Company and the Company had on 1 September 2020 also appealed against the Dismissal.

In respect of Suit 374, the High Court had on 28 September 2020 dismissed the Company's application for preliminary determination. Subsequently, the Company had on 2 October 2020 filed an appeal against the decision of the High Court in respect of Suit 374.

Hence, there were three (3) appeals in total filed in the Court of Appeal as follows:

- a) Appeal No. W-02(IM)(NCVC)-1122-08/2020 filed by JRB against the orders in favour of the Company's preliminary determination in Suit 258;
- b) Appeal No. W-02(IM)(NCVC)-1188-09/2020 filed by the Company against the Dismissal in Suit 258; and
- c) Appeal No. W-02(IM)(NCVC)-1435-09/2020 filed by the Company against the dismissal of the Company's application for preliminary determination in Suit 374.

B8. Changes in material litigation (cont'd)

On appeal, the Court of Appeal heard the three (3) appeals together and decided against the Company on 27 July 2021. As a result, the Company had on 25 August 2021 filed three (3) motions for leave to appeal to the Federal Court against the decision of the Court of Appeal. As JIC has been put into creditors' voluntary winding-up, any legal proceedings against a company in liquidation shall be subject to leave from the High Court being obtained. The Company filed an Originating Summon for leave which was granted by the High Court on 6 October 2022 to continue the appeal proceedings against JIC. The leave application to the Federal Court in respect of the three (3) motions was heard on 23 February 2023 whereupon the Federal Court has unanimously granted the Company the leave to appeal against the Court of Appeal's decision, to the Federal Court.

Accordingly, the Company had on 6 March 2023 filed and served the notices of appeal to the Federal Court and JAKS ("Federal Court Appeals"). The Federal Court had sealed and registered the notices of the Federal Court Appeals and fixed 8 May 2023 for case management. During the case management on 8 May 2023, the Federal Court set the next case management on 3 July 2023 for the Company to update on the status of the filing of the grounds of judgement from the Court of Appeal as a Supplementary Records of Appeal.

On 15 August 2023, the Federal Court had directed the filing of a supplemental record of appeal to include the Court of Appeal's grounds of the three (3) appeals by 29 August 2023. The hearing of the Federal Court Appeals which was initially fixed on 6 December 2023 was subsequently adjourned to 7 March 2024. The Federal Court had on 7 March 2024, dismissed the Federal Court Appeals with costs of RM150,000. Suits 258 and 374, which will be heard together will now proceed to the High Court for trial which the High Court had tentatively fixed for 25 August to 28 August 2025.

B9. <u>Dividend</u>

No interim dividend has been recommended for the current quarter under review.

B10. Basic (loss)/earnings per share

The basic (loss)/earnings per share has been calculated based on the Group's (loss)/profit after tax attributable to owners of the parent divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial period.

| | 3 months ended | | Financial period ended | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------|------------------------|------------|
| | 31.03.2024 | 31.03.2023 | 31.03.2024 | 31.03.2023 |
| Group's (loss)/profit after tax attributable to owners of the parent (RM'000) | (193) | 1,138 | (193) | 1,138 |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding ('000) | 724,765 | 724,765 | 724,765 | 724,765 |
| Basic (loss)/earnings per share (sen) | (0.03) | 0.16 | (0.03) | 0.16 |

Diluted earnings per share

The Group did not issue any financial instrument or other contract that may entitle its holder to ordinary shares and therefore, dilutive to its basic earnings per share.

By Order of the Board

Hoh Yik Siew Group Company Secretary 28 May 2024 Petaling Jaya, Selangor Darul Ehsan