

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Board of Directors of Ahmad Zaki Resources Berhad ("AZRB" or "the Company") would like to announce the following unaudited consolidated results for the 1st Quarter and period ended 31 March 2019. This announcement should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the quarterly condensed financial report.

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

| RM'000 | Note | Current quarter ended 31.03.2019 | Comparative quarter ended 31.03.2018 | Cumulative quarter ended 31.03.2019 | Cumulative quarter ended 31.03.2018 |
|---|------|--|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| Revenue | | 253,275 | 304,136 | 253,275 | 304,136 |
| Operating expenses | 1 | (250,446) | (294,337) | (250,446) | (294,337) |
| Other operating income | | 187 | 384 | 187 | 384 |
| Profit from operating activities | | 3,016 | 10,183 | 3,016 | 10,183 |
| Finance income | | 14,923 | 15,424 | 14,923 | 15,424 |
| Finance costs | | (14,479) | (12,995) | (14,479) | (12,995) |
| Profit before tax | | 3,460 | 12,612 | 3,460 | 12,612 |
| Income tax expense | | (1,400) | (4,382) | (1,400) | (4,382) |
| Profit for the period | 2 | 2,060 | 8,230 | 2,060 | 8,230 |
| Other comprehensive income, net of tax | | | | | |
| Actuarial loss from employee benefit Foreign currency translation | | (133) | - | (133) | - |
| differences for foreign operations | | (83) | 3,378 | (83) | 3,378 |
| Total comprehensive income for the | | | | | |
| period | | 1,844 | 11,608 | 1,844 | 11,608 |
| Profit/(loss) attributable to: | | | | | |
| Owners of the Company | | 3,733 | 9,132 | 3,733 | 9,132 |
| Non-controlling interests | | (1,673) | (902) | (1,673) | (902) |
| Profit for the period | | 2,060 | 8,230 | 2,060 | 8,230 |



UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

| | Current quarter ended | Comparative quarter ended | Cumulative quarter ended | Cumulative quarter ended |
|---|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| RM'000 Note | 31.03.2019 | 31.03.2018 | 31.03.2019 | 31.03.2018 |
| Total comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to: | | | | |
| Owners of the Company | 3,524 | 12,510 | 3,524 | 12,510 |
| Non-controlling interests | (1,680) | (902) | (1,680) | (902) |
| Total comprehensive income for the | | | | |
| period | 1,844 | 11,608 | 1,844 | 11,608 |
| Earnings per ordinary share (sen): | | | | |
| Basic | 0.62 | 1.72 | 0.62 | 1.72 |
| Diluted | - | 1.63 | - | 1.63 |
| Note 1: Operating expenses represents the following: Cost of sales Other operating expenses | 228,116 22,330 | 262,015 32,322 | 228,116 22,330 | 262,015 32,322 |
| Total | 250,446 | 294,337 | 250,446 | 294,337 |
| Note 2: Profit is arrived at after (crediting)/charging the following items: | (727) | (4.050) | (707) | (4.050) |
| Interest income Accretion of fair value of non-current | (737) | (1,069) | (737) | (1,069) |
| receivables | (14,186) | (14,355) | (14,186) | (14,355) |
| Interest expense Depreciation and amortisation of non-current | 14,227 | 12,995 | 14,227 | 12,995 |
| assets | 6,375 | 5,455 | 6,375 | 5,455 |
| Employee retirement benefits provision | 675 | 678 | 675 | 678 |
| (Gain)/Loss on foreign exchange - unrealised | (4,694) | 4,433 | (4,694) | 4,433 |



UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2019

| RM'000 | Unaudited as at 31.03.2019 | Audited as at 31.12.2018 |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Non-current assets | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 578,411 | 570,113 |
| Prepaid lease payments | 22,273 | 22,577 |
| Land held for development | 41,776 | 56,995 |
| Intangible assets | 20,534 | 20,955 |
| Concession service assets | 1,311,356 | 1,238,196 |
| Goodwill | 41,781 | 41,781 |
| Investments in associates | 2,805 | 2,805 |
| Interests in joint ventures | 34 | 34 |
| Investments in financial assets | 116 | 116 |
| Deferred tax assets | 34,752 | 35,474 |
| Trade and other receivables | 612,132 | 607,015 |
| Total non-current assets | 2,665,970 | 2,596,061 |
| Current assets | | |
| Biological assets | 77 | 77 |
| Inventories | 18,745 | 19,393 |
| Property development cost | 27,097 | 17,480 |
| Current tax assets | 9,668 | 11,339 |
| Construction contract assets | 356,736 | 367,713 |
| Accrued billings from property development | - | 402 |
| Trade and other receivables | 609,247 | 640,992 |
| Other investments | 426,973 | 164,338 |
| Cash and deposits | 263,214 | 622,896 |
| Total current assets | 1,711,757 | 1,844,630 |
| Total assets | 4,377,727 | 4,440,691 |



UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2019

| RM'000 | Unaudited as at 31.03.2019 | Audited as at 31.12.2018 |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | | |
| Capital and reserves | | |
| Share capital | 197,536 | 197,536 |
| Reserves | 267,469 | 263,945 |
| Equity attributable to owners of the Company | 465,005 | 461,481 |
| Non-controlling interests | 9,841 | 11,521 |
| Total equity | 474,846 | 473,002 |
| Non-current and deferred liabilities | | |
| Loans and borrowings | 2,341,315 | 2,308,904 |
| Employee benefits | 4,224 | 3,373 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 81,927 | 82,488 |
| Trade and other payables | 140,314 | 138,339 |
| Total non-current and deferred liabilities | 2,567,780 | 2,533,104 |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Loans and borrowings | 255,500 | 317,491 |
| Trade and other payables | 1,065,663 | 1,098,072 |
| Current tax liabilities | 13,938 | 19,022 |
| Total current liabilities | 1,335,101 | 1,434,585 |
| Total liabilities | 3,902,881 | 3,967,689 |
| Total equity and liabilities | 4,377,727 | 4,440,691 |



UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

| | — | | | itable to the istributable | | he Comp | any ———— Distributable | | | |
|--|------------------|-------|--------------------|---|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|----------|----------------------------------|---------|
| RM'000 | Share capital | | Warrant reserve | Foreign exchange translation reserve | share scheme reserve | Treasury shares | | Subtotal | Non- controlling interests | Total |
| At 1 January 2019 | 197,536 | 872 | 27,889 | 16,123 | 2,331 | (1,026 | 217,756 | 461,481 | 11,521 | 473,002 |
| Profit/(Loss) for the period Foreign currency translation | - | - | - | - | - | | 3,733 | 3,733 | (1,673) | 2,060 |
| differences for foreign operations | - | - | - | (67) | - | - | - | (67) | (16) | (83) |
| Actuarial loss from employee benefits | - | (142) | - | - | - | - | | (142) | 9 | (133) |
| Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period | - | (142) | - | (67) | - | | 3,733 | 3,524 | (1,680) | 1,844 |
| Employee share scheme expenses Issuance of ordinary shares net of | - | - | - | - | - | - | | - | - | - |
| expenses Dividend to owners of the Company | - | - | - | - | - | | | - | - | - |
| Total transactions with owners of the Company | | _ | _ | - | _ | | | _ | _ | _ |
| At 31 March 2019 | 197,536 | 730 | 27,889 | 16,056 | 2,331 | (1,026 |) 221,489 | 465,005 | 9,841 | 474,846 |



UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

| | | | | itable to the distributable | owners of t | he Compa | any ———— Distributable | | | |
|---|------------------|---|--------|-----------------------------|--|--------------------|---------------------------|----------|----------------------------------|---------|
| RM'000 | Share capital | | | | Employee share scheme reserve | Treasury shares | Retained | Subtotal | Non- controlling interests | Total |
| At 1 January 2018 | 197,478 | _ | 27,889 | 20,284 | 1,000 | (1,026) | 200 105 | 445,730 | 16,941 | 462,671 |
| MFRS adoption | - | - | - | (8,753) | - | (1,020) | 8,519 | (234) | - | (234) |
| Restated | 197,478 | - | 27,889 | 11,531 | 1,000 | (1,026) | 208,624 | 445,496 | 16,941 | 462,437 |
| Profit/(Loss) for the period Foreign currency translation differences for | - | - | - | - | - | - | 9,132 | 9,132 | (902) | 8,230 |
| foreign operations | _ | _ | _ | 3,154 | _ | _ | _ | 3,154 | 224 | 3,378 |
| Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period | - | - | - | 3,154 | - | - | 9,132 | 12,286 | (678) | 11,608 |
| Employee share scheme expenses Issuance of ordinary | - | - | - | - | 678 | - | - | 678 | - | 678 |
| shares Dividend to owners of | 58 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 58 | - | 58 |
| the Company | _ | - | _ | - | - | - | _ | - | _ | _ |
| Total transactions with owners of the | | | | | | | | | | |
| Company | 58 | - | - | - | 678 | | - | 736 | - | 736 |
| At 31 March 2018 | 197,536 | - | 27,889 | 14,685 | 1,678 | (1,026) | 217,756 | 458,518 | 16,263 | 474,781 |



UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

| RM '000 | Cumulative quarter ended 31.03.2019 | Cumulative quarter ended 31.03.2018 |
|---|---|---|
| CASH FLOWS FROM/(USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Profit before taxation | 3,460 | 12,612 |
| Adjustments for: | , | • |
| Amortisation of prepaid lease payments | 260 | 90 |
| Amortisation of transaction costs | 339 | 1,509 |
| Amortisation of intangible assets | 421 | 422 |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment | 5,694 | 4,943 |
| Property, plant and equipment written off | 28 | - |
| Accretion of fair value of non-current receivables | (14,186) | (14,355) |
| Interest expenses | 14,227 | 12,995 |
| Interest income | (737) | (1,069) |
| Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment | 15 | - |
| Employee retirement benefits provision | 675 | 678 |
| (Gain)/Loss on foreign exchange - unrealised | (4,694) | 4,433 |
| Operating profit before working capital changes | 5,502 | 22,258 |
| Changes in working capital: | | |
| Decrease in inventories | 648 | 3,330 |
| Decrease in property development costs | 5,906 | 377 |
| Increase in concession service assets | (73,160) | (96,487) |
| Decrease/(Increase) in trade and other receivables | 64,732 | (68,684) |
| (Decrease)/Increase in trade and other payables | (54,851) | 93,410 |
| Decrease in construction contract assets | 10,977 | · - |
| Cash used in operations | (40,246) | (47,352) |
| Income tax paid | (4,726) | (4,760) |
| Interest received | 737 | 1,069 |
| Interest paid | (14,227) | (12,995) |
| Net cash used in operating activities | (58,462) | (64,038) |
| CASH FLOWS FROM/(USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Placement of other investments | (262,635) | - |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment | (14,499) | (17,503) |
| Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment | 204 | 84 |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (276,930) | (17,419) |



UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

| RM '000 | Cumulative quarter ended 31.03.2019 | Cumulative quarter ended 31.03.2018 |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | |
| CASH FLOWS FROM/(USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Increase in pledged cash and deposits | (180) | (267) |
| Addition/(Repayment) of finance lease liabilities | 13,043 | (4,888) |
| Proceeds from drawdown of loans and borrowing | 101,544 | 15,278 |
| Repayment of loans and borrowings | (123,932) | (27,357) |
| Increase in share capital, net of issuance cost | | 58 |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (9,525) | (17,176) |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents | (344,917) | (98,633) |
| Effects of exchange difference on cash and cash equivalents | (544,517) | (247) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period | 497,838 | 202,706 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period | 152,921 | 103,826 |
| Cash and cash equivalents included in the condensed consolidated | | |
| statement of cash flows comprise the following amounts: | | |
| Cash and bank balances | 204,851 | 120,643 |
| Deposits placed with licensed banks | 58,363 | 61,737 |
| | 263,214 | 182,380 |
| Less: | (47.4.7) | (20.225) |
| Bank overdrafts | (17,147) | (28,225) |
| Pledged deposits | (93,146) | (50,329) |
| | 152,921 | 103,826 |



1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The interim financial statements has been prepared in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS") 134, Interim Financial Reporting, and Paragraph 9.22 of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Malaysia").

The interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2018 and these explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements as they provide an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to the understanding of the changes in the financial position and performance of the Group since the financial year ended 31 December 2018.

2. CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The significant accounting policies, method of computation and basis of consolidation applied in the unaudited condensed interim financial statements are consistent with those used in the preparation of the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018, except for the adoption of the following Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRSs"), Amendments to MFRSs and IC Interpretations:

MFRS 16 Leases

Amendments to:

MFRS 9 Financial Instruments - Prepayment Features with Negative

Compensation

MFRS 119 Employee Benefits - Plan Amendment, Curtailment or Settlement
MFRS 128 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures - Long-term Interests

in Associates and Joint Ventures

IC Interpretation 23 Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments

Annual Improvements to MFRSs 2015 - 2017 Cycle



2. CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

The adoption of these MFRSs, Amendments to MFRSs and IC Interpretations did not have a material impact on the financial statements of the Group in the period of initial application, except as disclosed below:

MFRS 16: Leases

MFRS 16 Leases supersedes MFRS 117 Leases and the related interpretations. Under MFRS 16, a lease is a contract (or part of a contract) that conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

MFRS 16 eliminates the classification of leases by the lessee as either finance leases (on balance sheet) or operating leases (off balance sheet). MFRS 16 requires a lessee to recognise a "right-of-use" of the underlying assets and lease liability reflecting future lease payments for most leases.

The right-of-use asset is depreciated in accordance with the principle in MFRS 116 Property, Plant and Equipment and the lease liability is accreted over time with interest expense recognised in the income statement.

For lessors, MFRS 16 retains most of the requirements in MFRS 117. Lessors continue to classify all leases as either operating leases or finance leases, and account for them differently.

A lessee can choose to apply the standard using either a full retrospective or a modified retrospective transition approach. MFRS 16 is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019, with early application permitted, but not before an entity applies MFRS 15.

The application of MFRS 16 is not expected to have a material impact on the amounts reported and disclosures made in the financial statements of the Group upon initial adoption.



3. STATUS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS QUALIFICATION

The auditors' report of the preceding audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018 was not subject to any qualification.

4. REVIEW OF SEASONALITY OR CYCLICALITY OF OPERATIONS

The Group was not significantly affected by any seasonal or cyclical factors.

5. ITEMS AFFECTING ASSETS, LIABILITIES, EQUITY, NET INCOME OR CASH FLOWS THAT ARE UNUSUAL DUE TO THE NATURE, SIZE OR INCIDENCE

There were no unusual items due to the nature, size or incidence affecting the assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows for the financial quarter ended 31 March 2019.

6. CHANGES IN ESTIMATES REPORTED IN PRIOR FINANCIAL PERIOD

There was no material changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior financial periods which have a material effect on the current quarter.

7. CHANGES IN DEBT AND EQUITY SECURITIES

There were no issuance and repayment of debt securities, share buy-backs, share cancellations, shares held as treasury shares and resale of treasury shares for the current quarter.

8. DIVIDEND PAID

No dividend was paid for the period under review.



9. SEGMENT REPORTING

Segment reporting is presented in respect of the Group's business segments. Inter-segment pricing is determined based on cost plus method.

| | Engineering & | | | | | Other | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|------------|-----------|------------|----------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| RM'000 | Construction | Concession | Oil & Gas | Plantation | Property | operations | Eliminations | Consolidated |
| 31.03.2019 | | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | | | | | | | |
| External revenue | 224,398 | 9,442 | 10,089 | 7,180 | 2,166 | _ | - | 253,275 |
| Inter-segment | , | , | , | , | , | | | , |
| revenue | 1,104 | - | 3,140 | - | - | 3,660 | (7,904) | |
| Total revenue | 225,502 | 9,442 | 13,229 | 7,180 | 2,166 | 3,660 | (7,904) | 253,275 |
| Results | | | | | | | | |
| Segment results | 7,182 | 9,383 | (2,551) | (2,153) | (548) | (7,853) | - | 3,460 |
| · · | | , | | | , , | , , , | | |
| Interest income | 465 | 21 | 2 | 2 | 23 | 224 | - | 737 |
| Interest expenses | (3,020) | (5,455) | (1,601) | (2,210) | (289) | (1,652) | - | (14,227) |
| Non-cash income/ | (43) | 14,186 | _ | 4,276 | _ | (596) | _ | 17,823 |
| (expenses) (Note i) | | , | | , | | , , | | , |
| Depreciation and amortisation of | | | | | | | | |
| non-current assets | (865) | (1) | (1,680) | (3,142) | (128) | (137) | (422) | (6,375) |
| non carrent assets | (663) | (1) | (1,000) | (3)112) | (120) | (137) | (122) | (0,373) |
| 31.03.2018 | | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | | | | | | | |
| External revenue | 247,388 | 8,858 | 11,518 | 32,188 | 4,184 | - | - | 304,136 |
| Inter-segment | | | | | | | | |
| revenue | | - | - | - | - | 3,675 | (3,675) | |
| Total revenue | 247,388 | 8,858 | 11,518 | 32,188 | 4,184 | 3,675 | (3,675) | 304,136 |
| Daguita | | | | | | | | |
| Results Segment results | 12,832 | 13,583 | (506) | (6,345) | 341 | (7,293) | | 12,612 |
| segment results | 12,032 | 15,565 | (300) | (0,343) | 541 | (7,293) | - | 12,612 |
| Interest income | 862 | 12 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 179 | - | 1,069 |
| Interest expenses | (3,256) | (5,763) | (681) | (1,891) | (179) | (1,225) | - | (12,995) |
| Non-cash income/ | | | | | | | | |
| (expenses) (Note i) | - | 14,355 | - | (5,942) | - | (678) | - | 7,735 |
| Depreciation and | | | | | | | | |
| amortisation of | (1.143) | | (072) | (2.640) | (124) | (1.4.4) | (422) | (5.455) |
| non-current assets | (1,142) | - | (973) | (2,640) | (134) | (144) | (422) | (5,455) |



9. SEGMENT REPORTING (continued)

| Note i: | Cumulative quarter ended | Cumulative quarter ended |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| RM '000 | 31.03.2019 | 31.03.2018 |
| Employee retirement benefits provision | (675) | (678) |
| Accretion of fair value of non-current receivables | 14,186 | 14,355 |
| Amortisation of transaction costs | (339) | (1,509) |
| Gain/(Loss) on foreign exchange - unrealised | 4,694 | (4,433) |
| Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment | (15) | - |
| Property, plant and equipment written off | (28) | |
| Total | 17,823 | 7,735 |

10. VALUATION OF PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

The valuation of property, plant and equipment has been brought forward without amendment from the latest audited annual financial statements.

11. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There was no material event subsequent to the end of the current quarter up to 31 May 2019 (being the latest practicable date from the date of issuance of the 1st Quarter Report) that has not been reflected in the financial statements for the current quarter and financial year.

12. CHANGES IN THE COMPOSITION OF THE GROUP

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

13. CHANGES IN CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND CONTINGENT ASSETS

Ahmad Zaki Saudi Arabia ("AZSR"), a subsidiary of the Company, is currently undergoing a tax review with the General Authority of Zakat & Tax of Saudi Arabia ("DZIT") for additional back taxes. Upon consulting its appointed solicitors, AZRB is of the view that there are strong grounds to disagree with the DZIT and has submitted the necessary supporting documents, and are confident of a favourable outcome.



14. SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION

The significant transactions with the Directors, parties connected to the Directors, and companies in which the Directors have substantial financial interest are as follows:

| | Cumulative quarter ended | Cumulative quarter ended |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| RM'000 | 31.03.2019 | 31.03.2018 |
| Trade | | |
| Purchases from subsidiaries of Chuan Huat Resources Berhad, | | |
| of which a director has substantial financial interests: | | |
| - Chuan Huat Industrial Marketing Sdn Bhd | 17,734 | 14,921 |
| - Chuan Huat Hardware Sdn Bhd | 460 | 357 |
| | | |
| Purchases from following companies which certain directors | | |
| have substantial financial interests and are also directors: | | |
| - QMC Sdn Bhd | 84 | 10 |
| - Kemaman Quarry Sdn Bhd | - | 594 |
| - MIM Waste Services Sdn Bhd | - | - |
| Sales to following companies which certain directors have | | |
| substantial financial interests and are also directors: | | |
| - Kemaman Quarry Sdn Bhd | (24) | (24) |
| - MIM Waste Services Sdn Bhd | (71) | |
| Non-trade | | |
| Administrative service paid or payable to ultimate holding | | |
| company | 31 | 34 |
| Insurance premium paid or payable to ultimate holding | | |
| company | 217 | 227 |
| | | |
| Rental of land paid to a director of the Company | - | 11 |
| Rental payable to ultimate holding company | - | 30 |
| Security services charges paid to MIM Protection Sdn Bhd, | | |
| of which certain directors have substantial financial interests | | |
| and are also directors | 1,420 | 221 |



1. REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE

AZRB and its subsidiaries ("the Group") posted RM253.3 million of revenue for the quarter, a 16.7% decrease from RM304.1 million recorded in the previous corresponding quarter. With the exception of the Concession Division, all other operating divisions of the Group saw a reduction in revenues recorded for the period under review.

Subsequently, the Group recorded lower pre-tax profit of RM3.5 million for the quarter ended 31 March 2019 (1Q19), a decrease from RM12.6 million recorded in the previous corresponding quarter for 2018.

A general slow-down in nearly all of the divisions that the Group operates in contributed to the lower performance in the current quarter compared against the same period in 2018.

Engineering & Construction

For the quarter under review, the Division recorded RM224.4 million of revenue, a slight drop of 9.3% compared against the same quarter of last year. The slower construction progress from the Division's on-going projects in 2019 was the main catalyst for the lower revenues recognised.

Correspondingly, pre-tax profit recorded was RM7.2 million in 1Q19, decreasing by 44.0% from RM12.8 million previously. The decrease was mainly due to the narrowing of the average margin of projects in the Division; as these were at their different stages of progress and completion.

Concession

The Concession Division currently derives its income from the facilities management of the International Islamic University Malaysia ("IIUM") Medical Centre in Kuantan, Pahang. The Division recorded RM9.4 million of revenue in 1Q19, compared against RM8.9 million in 1Q18. Despite the improvement in quarterly revenue against 2018, the Division's pre-tax profit was lower at RM9.4 million against RM13.6 million, attributable mainly to the recognition of full maintenance cost following the expiry of the defect liability period in May 2018.



1. REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE (continued)

Oil & Gas

The Division recorded RM10.1 million of revenue in 1Q19, a marginal drop of 12.4% from RM11.5 million in the corresponding quarter of last year. The slightly lower volume of bunkering activities and vessel calls contributed to the revenue performance of 2019.

The Division recorded a pre-tax loss due to the continued losses at Tok Bali Supply Base ("TBSB"), as the supply base has yet to reach its optimal level of operation. The Division recorded RM2.6 million of pre-tax loss in 1Q19, compared against loss of RM0.5 million in 1Q18.

Plantation

For the current quarter, the Plantation Division recorded RM7.2 million of revenue compared against RM32.2 million in the previous corresponding quarter. In addition to lower palm product sales, the decrease in revenue was mainly due to decreases in selling prices of crude palm oil ("CPO") and Palm Kernel ("PK") by 20% and 40%, respectively.

Pre-tax losses narrowed to RM2.2 million for the quarter under review from RM6.3 million previously, mainly due to the strengthening of the Indonesian Rupiah against the US Dollar in the first quarter of 2019.



1. REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE (continued)

Property

Property Division which currently derives its income from the development in Paka, Terengganu, recorded lower revenue for the financial year. There was a revenue drop to RM2.2 million posted in 1Q19, from RM3.6 million (after adjusting the effects of MFRS 15, Revenue from Contracts with Customers) in the previous corresponding quarter.

Despite the lower revenue, total property units sold increased. The lower revenue was due to the implementation of the aforementioned accounting standard MFRS 15, which came into effect in financial year 2018 for the Group. As a result, revenues from the Division's 'Perumahan Penjawat Awam Malaysia' ("PPAM") developments were deferred until the construction completion of property units.

In tandem with the lower revenue, the Division recorded a pre-tax loss of RM0.5 million in 1Q19 against adjusted pre-tax profit of RM0.2 million previously.

Despite the above, the revenue which will be recognised upon the completion of the Division's PPAM developments are expected to significantly improve the performance of the Division in the periods to come.



2. REVIEW OF MATERIAL CHANGES BETWEEN CURRENT QUARTER AND PRECEDING QUARTER

| | Current quarter ended | Preceding quarter ended | Variance |
|-------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------|
| RM'000 | 31.03.2019 | 31.12.2018 | +/(-) |
| | | | |
| Revenue | 253,275 | 266,658 | (13,383) |
| Profit before tax | 3,460 | 6,441 | (2,981) |

The Group recorded lower revenue growth during the quarter under review due to a general revenue slow-down in all its' operating divisions with the exception of the Concession Division.

The Group posted a quarterly pre-tax profit of RM3.5 million against RM6.4 million previously. The narrowing of margins in the Engineering & Construction Division was the primary reason for the lower performance for the quarter ended 31 March 2019, against the preceding quarter.

3. PROSPECTS

Engineering & Construction

The recent job award in February 2019 from Petronas to build and refurbish its office complex in Kerteh, Terengganu, amounting to RM150.5 million is a signal that whilst the industry environment is challenging, AZRB is able to remain competitive. Currently, the Group has RM2.94 billion of outstanding order-book as at 31 March 2019. The Group intends to continue replenishing its order-book whilst the current outstanding balance will be able to sustain AZRB for the next two to three years.

In addition to projects for the Government, the Group also tenders for projects in the private sector which in turn, keeps its clientele base sufficiently diversified. Additionally, the exemption of Sales and Service Tax ("SST") for construction services and building materials are expected to provide some cushion on depressing profit margins.

Moving forward, the Group intends to leverage on its position as a reputable builder of distinction to tap into any suitable opportunities on offer in the sector.



3. PROSPECTS (continued)

Concession

This Division currently consists of a concession for the maintenance and facilities management of the IIUM Medical Centre in Kuantan, Pahang, which is expected to provide the Group a stable recurring income over the years ahead. With the concession lasting until 2038, the Division is expected to continue its positive contribution to the Group for the foreseeable future, coupled with improving ancillary revenue from a growth in the hospital's utilisation.

Oil & Gas

While the Oil & Gas sector remains challenging, the price of Brent crude has demonstrated the ability to remain resilient, maintaining above USD60 per barrel in the year 2019. From a pure bunkering operator out of Kemaman Supply Base, the Division's prospects are positive with the inclusion of Tok Bali Supply Base ("TBSB") as a full-fledged supply base in the East Coast of Peninsular Malaysia.

Currently, TBSB is gearing itself to welcome the next major oil and gas operator to the base. Going forward, the Group intends to continue to invest and install more facilities to better accommodate current customers as well as to attract new ones to set up their base of operations at TBSB.

Plantation

The Group expects CPO prices to remain volatile in 2019, as the uncertainty in the global economy remains. As a result, the Group is now concentrating efforts on implementing division-wide cost-cutting measures as well as continuously seeking avenues to operate more efficiently.

Despite the challenging current environment, the Group still believes that the Plantation Division will have a role in contributing positively in the long-run.



3. PROSPECTS (continued)

Property

The Property Division will continue to focus on its on-going developments, namely Puncak Temala in Marang as well as industrial park and residential developments in Paka, with new launches expected in 2019. The Division is expected to contribute positively to the Group in the future, mainly deriving from its unbilled sales from its current launches amounting to RM19.6 million.

4. VARIATION OF ACTUAL PROFIT FROM FORECAST PROFIT AND SHORTFALL IN PROFIT GUARANTEE

Not applicable.

5. TAXATION

| RM '000 | Cumulative quarter ended 31.03.2019 | Cumulative quarter ended 31.03.2018 |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| Current tax expense | 830 | 1,000 |
| Deferred tax expense: - Origination of temporary differences | 570 | 3,382 |
| Tax expense | 1,400 | 4,382 |



6. CORPORATE PROPOSALS

There are no corporate proposals which have been announced by the Company but not completed as at 31 May 2019 (being the latest practicable date from the date of issuance of the 1st Quarter Report).

7. GROUP BORROWINGS AND DEBT SECURITIES

The Group borrowings (secured) as at 31 March 2019 are as follows:

| | Denominated | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------|---------|-------------|-----------|
| RM'000 | in currency | Current | Non-current | Total |
| | | | | |
| Bank overdrafts | RM | 17,147 | - | 17,147 |
| Trust receipts | RM | 769 | - | 769 |
| Revolving credits | RM | 159,059 | - | 159,059 |
| Term loans | RM | 34,354 | 960,464 | 994,818 |
| Term loans | USD | - | 317,487 | 317,487 |
| Term loans | IDR | 7 | 18,131 | 18,138 |
| Finance lease liabilities | RM | 6,137 | 33,143 | 39,280 |
| Sukuk | RM | - | 1,012,090 | 1,012,090 |
| Bankers acceptance | RM | 30,031 | - | 30,031 |
| Invoice financing | RM | 7,996 | - | 7,996 |
| Total | | 255,500 | 2,341,315 | 2,596,815 |



8. MATERIAL LITIGATION

At the date of this announcement, the Directors are not aware of any proceedings pending or threatened, or of any fact likely to give rise to any proceedings which might materially and adversely affect the position or business of the Group and the Company except as disclosed as follows:

(a) Arbitration in respect of Al-Faisal University ("AFU") project

On 3 March 2011, the Company filed its arbitration notice with the ICC International Court of Arbitration seeking various reliefs and claims including the bonds liquidated by King Faisal Foundation ("KFF") in respect of the contract entered into by AFU and the Company pertaining to Al-Faisal University Campus Development Project Phase 1 and 2 in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia ("the Contract"). AZRB filed its statement of claim in respect of the final relief on 18 January 2012.

The hearing was held on 27 May 2012 and on 29 July 2013; the Company received notification that the Sole Arbitrator in ICC Arbitration case No. 17768/ND/MCP, AZRB vs. AFU and KFF pertaining to the Contract has issued his final judgment and award. In the aforesaid final judgment and award, the Sole Arbitrator had ordered AFU and KFF to jointly and severally pay to AZRB the total amount of SAR92,570,300 in respect of claims made by the Company in the Arbitration ("ICC Award").

In April 2018, the Company's solicitors confirmed that the 22nd Circuit of the Riyadh Enforcement Court was in the midst of exercising its jurisdiction to enforce the said ICC Award and the Group is now awaiting for the outcome of the enforcement proceedings under the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia's Enforcement Law.

The Company's solicitors on 5 September 2018 further confirmed that the 21st Circuit of the Riyadh Enforcement Court already ordered the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency ("SAMA"), which acts as the central bank for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to transfer the amount corresponding to the aforesaid final judgment and award from the account of the King Faisal Foundation to the account of the 21st Circuit of the Riyadh Enforcement Court.



8. MATERIAL LITIGATION (continued)

(a) Arbitration in respect of Al-Faisal University ("AFU") project (continued)

AFU and KFF filed an application for a stay of the enforcement proceedings but it was dismissed by the 21st Circuit of the Riyadh Enforcement Court. On 21 November 2018, AFU and KFF filed an appeal against the order for the enforcement of the Award and the matter is now pending the decision of the Appeal Judge.

(b) Notice of Arbitration by Cobrain Holdings Sdn Bhd ("Cobrain")

On 20 October 2014, AZRB received a Notice of Arbitration from its subcontractor, Cobrain, seeking the full payment of the final claim totaling SAR14,370,941.28.

Cobrain was appointed by AZRB to undertake the sub-contract work to "Supply, Install, Testing and Commissioning of Electrical High Tension, Low Voltage and Structure Cabling Services for the Construction of Phase 1 and Phase 2" for the project known as "Al-Faisal University Campus Development Project" in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

On 14 September 2015, the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration sought clarification on numbers of arbitrators for the dispute but to date there was no response from Cobrain's solicitors, making the case now in abeyance pending further direction from Cobrain.

Cobrain had subsequently appointed a new solicitor, who had recently served AZSB with a notice dated 16 August 2018 for nomination of an Arbitrator.

Sole Arbitrator was appointed by the Asian International Arbitration Centre ("AIAC") (which was formerly known as the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration) on 19 October 2018, and the Preliminary Meeting with the said appointed Arbitrator was held on 7 December 2018.

On March 2019, the Arbitrator issued an order for Cobrain to proceed with the filing of their application claim by 30 September 2019, before the hearing date can be fixed.



9. DIVIDEND

No dividend was declared or paid for the period under review.

10. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The basic earnings per share was calculated based on the consolidated profit after taxation and minority interests over the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period calculated as follows:

| | Current quarter ended | Comparative quarter ended | Cumulative quarter ended | Cumulative quarter ended |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| RM'000 | 31.03.2019 | 31.03.2018 | 31.03.2019 | 31.03.2018 |
| Profit attributable to owners | | | | |
| of the Company | 3,733 | 9,132 | 3,733 | 9,132 |
| Basic | | | | |
| Weighted average number of | | | | |
| ordinary shares in issue | 598,098 | 531,561 | 598,098 | 531,561 |
| Diluted | | | | |
| Weighted average number of | | | | |
| ordinary shares in issue | 598,098 | 531,561 | 598,098 | 531,561 |
| Effect of warrants issue | _* | 27,969 | _* | 27,969 |
| Adjusted weighted average number of ordinary shares in | | | | |
| issue | 598,098 | 559,530 | 598,098 | 559,530 |
| | - | | | |
| Basic (sen) | 0.62 | 1.72 | 0.62 | 1.72 |
| Diluted (sen) | _* | 1.63 | _* | 1.63 |

^{*} The effect of potential ordinary shares ongoing from the exercise of warrants was anti-dilutive and accordingly was excluded from the diluted earnings per share computation above.



11. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS - DERIVATIVES

Not applicable.

12. GAINS AND LOSSESS ARISING FROM FAIR VALUE CHANGES OF FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

Not applicable. All financial liabilities are measured using the amortised cost method.