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INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009 (THE FIGURES HAVE NOT BEEN AUDITED)

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

					Audited
		3 MONTHS	S ENDED	YEAR EN	NDED
	Note	31/12/2009	31/12/2008	31/12/2009	31/12/2008
		RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Revenue	8	70,118	65,412	282,719	259,239
Cost of sales		(51,442)	(49,500)	(212,069)	(196,668)
Gross profit	_	18,676	15,912	70,650	62,571
Other income		987	570	1,875	1,303
Selling & marketing expenses		(7,999)	(8,102)	(34,804)	(32,768)
Administrative expenses		(3,632)	(3,313)	(12,584)	(12,197)
Other expenses		(933)	(852)	(1,432)	(1,196)
Finance cost		(100)	(262)	(608)	(1,015)
Share of results of associates		5,259	748	6,996	2,321
Profit before tax	8	12,258	4,701	30,093	19,019
Income tax expense	20	(1,737)	(859)	(5,543)	(3,911)
Net profit for the year	=	10,521	3,842	24,550	15,108
Attributable to:					
Equity holders of the parent		8,733	3,633	22,144	14,776
Minority interest		1,788	209	2,406	332
	=	10,521	3,842	24,550	15,108
Earnings per share attributable					
to equity holders of the parent:		Sen	Sen	Sen	Sen
- Basic	28	11.65	4.85	29.54	19.71
- Diluted	28	11.65	4.85	29.54	19.71

The Condensed Consolidated Income Statements should be read in conjunction with the Group's Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the Interim Financial Report.



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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2009

			Audited
	Note	As at	As at
	Note	31/12/2009 RM'000	31/12/2008 RM'000
Non-Current Assets	_		
Property, plant and equipment	9	58,885	59,903
Investment properties	9	3,800	3,850
Prepaid land lease payments	9	7,825	7,035
Intangible assets		1,405	1,479
Investment in associates		35,791	29,296
Deferred tax assets		58	167
	_	107,764	101,730
Current Assets	_		
Inventories		41,562	41,893
Trade and other receivables		68,197	67,706
Deposits, bank and cash balances		19,950	6,919
	_	129,709	116,518
TOTAL ASSETS		237,473	218,248
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	_		
Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent			
Share capital		74,974	74,974
Reserves		12,492	9,297
Retained earnings		75,081	58,419
	_	162,547	142,690
Minority interest		9,836	7,430
TOTAL EQUITY	_	172,383	150,120
Non-Current Liabilities			
Borrowings	24	8,943	11,618
Deferred tax liabilities		3,948	2,702
	_	12,891	14,320
Current Liabilities			
Borrowings	24	2,798	11,541
Trade and other payables		47,829	41,620
Current tax payable		1,572	647
Dividend payable	_	-	-
	_	52,199	53,808
TOTAL LIABILITIES	_	65,090	68,128
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	_	237,473	218,248
		RM	RM
Net Assets per share attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent	_	2.17	1.90

The Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets should be read in conjunction with the Group's Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the Interim Financial Report.



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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

		Non-Dist	<u>ributable</u>	<u>Distributable</u>		
	Share	Share	Revaluation &	Retained	Minority	
	Capital	Premium	other reserves	Profits	Interests	Total
Note _	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009						
Balance as at 1 January 2009	74,974	5,305	3,992	58,419	7,430	150,120
Foreign currency translation, representing amount recognised directly in equity	-	-	67	-	-	67
Net profit for the 12-months period	-	-	-	22,144	2,406	24,550
Total recognised income and expense for the year	-	-	67	22,144	2,406	24,617
Revaluation surplus on properties 9			3,128			3,128
Dividends 7	-	-	-	(5,482)	-	(5,482)
Balance as at 31 December 2009	74,974	5,305	7,187	75,081	9,836	172,383
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008 Balance as at 1 January 2008 As previously stated	74,974	5,305	3,762	49,490		133,531
Effects of adopting FRS 112	77,277	3,303	3,702	2,320	_	2,320
As restated	74,974	5,305	3,762	51,810		135,851
Foreign currency translation, representing amount recognised directly in equity Minority interest in subsidiary	-	-	230	-	7,098	230 7,098
Net profit for the 12-months period	-	-	-	14,776	332	15,108
Total recognised income and expense for the year	-	-	230	14,776	7,430	22,436
Dividends 7	-	-	-	(6,148)	-	(6,148)
Movements of reserves as a result of group restructuring	-	-	-	(2,019)		(2,019)
Balance as at 31 December 2008	74,974	5,305	3,992	58,419	7,430	150,120

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the Group's Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the Interim Financial Report.



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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

		Audited
	YEAR E	NDED
	31/12/2009	31/12/2008
	RM'000	RM'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Profit before tax	30,093	19,019
Adjustments:		
Depreciation and amortization	6,306	6,224
Net (profit)/loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(171)	126
Impairment of assets net of reversals	268	441
Fair value adjustment on investment properties	50	50
Share of results of associates	(6,996)	(2,321)
Inventories written off and written down	1,442	758
Allowance for doubtful debts less written back	962	485
Other non-cash items	511	969
Operating profit before working capital changes:	32,465	25,751
Inventories	(1,112)	(2,292)
Receivables	(1,225)	(5,499)
Payables	6,210	(313)
Cash generated from operations	36,338	17,647
Tax paid	(3,518)	(2,955)
Net cash generated from operating activities	32,820	14,692
Cash flows from investing activities		
Acquisition of associate paid in cash	-	(6,562)
Dividends received from associate	501	-
Purchase of property, plant and equipment & intangible assets	(3,029)	(4,168)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	179	593
Interest received	98	125
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,251)	(10,012)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Term loans repaid	(2,990)	(3,696)
Dividends paid	(5,482)	(6,148)
Other financing activities (repaid)/received	(7,830)	3,303
Net cash used in financing activities	(16,302)	(6,541)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	14,267	(1,861)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year	5,711	7,524
Currency translation difference	(28)	48
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	19,950	5,711

The Condensed Consolidated Cash Flow Statement should be read in conjunction with the Group's Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the Interim Financial Report.



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NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

1 Accounting policies and methods of computation

The interim financial report has been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the revaluation of properties included within property, plant and equipment, prepaid land leases and investment properties as disclosed in note 9.

The significant accounting policies adopted are consistent with those adopted in the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008.

The Interim Financial Report is unaudited and has been prepared in compliance with FRS No.134, "Interim Financial Reporting" and Paragraph 9.22 of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad. It should be read in conjunction with the Group's most recent audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008.

2 Audit report qualifications of the preceding annual financial statements

The Auditors had reported without any qualifications on the Group's audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008.

3 Seasonality or cyclicality of interim operations

The Group's interim operations are not affected materially by any seasonal or cyclical factors.

4 Unusual items

There were no unusual items that affected the assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows for the year ended 31 December 2009.

5 Changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior interim periods of the current financial year or in prior financial year

There were no changes in estimates of amounts reported in the prior interim periods of the current financial year or prior financial year.

6 <u>Issuances</u>, cancellations, repurchases, resale and repayments of debt and equity securities

There were no issuance and/or repayment of debt and equity securities, share buy-backs, share cancellations, shares held as treasury shares and resale of treasury shares during the year ended 31 December 2009.

7 Dividends paid

The amount of dividends paid/payable during the current and previous years are as follows:

	31/12/2009	31/12/2008
In respect of the financial year ended 31 December	RM'000	RM'000
2009: Interim Dividend of 5.25 sen gross per share less tax payable on 16-Oct-09	2,952	
2008: Final Dividend of 4.5 sen gross per share less tax paid on 23-Jun-09	2,530	-
2008: Interim Dividend of 5 sen gross per share less tax payable on 16-Oct-08	-	2,774
2007: Final Tax-exempt Dividend of 4.5 sen per share paid on 23-Jun-08		3,374
	5,482	6,148

8 Segmental Reporting

		Marketing and	Investment	
BUSINESS SEGMENTS	Manufacturing	distribution	holding	GROUP
YEAR ENDED 31/12/2009	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Total Revenue	65,445	235,686	16,801	317,932
Inter-segment revenue	(19,075)	-	(16,138)	(35,213)
External Revenue	46,370	235,686	663	282,719
Segment Results (external)	15,723	11,023	(1,884)	24,862
Unallocated corporate expenses				(1,157)
Finance costs				(608)
Share of results of associate				6,996
Profit before tax				30,093



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8 Segmental Reporting - cont'd

	I	Marketing and	Investment	
BUSINESS SEGMENTS	Manufacturing	distribution	holding	GROUP
YEAR ENDED 31/12/2008	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Total Revenue	55,376	221,720	13,293	290,389
Inter-segment revenue	(18,489)	-	(12,661)	(31,150)
External Revenue	36,887	221,720	632	259,239
Segment Results (external)	12,365	8,032	(1,412)	18,985
Unallocated corporate expenses				(1,272)
Finance costs				(1,015)
Share of results of associate				2,321
Profit before tax				19,019

9 Valuations of Property, Plant & Equipment, Investment Properties and Prepaid Land Lease

The carrying value of land and buildings is based on a valuation carried out in the current year ended 31 December 2009 by independent qualified valuers using the comparison and depreciated replacement cost methods to reflect their market value.

10 Significant Post Balance Sheet Events

There were no significant events that had arisen subsequent to the end of this current year.

11 Changes in Group Composition

The Group did not undertake any business combinations, acquisitions or disposals of subsidiaries and long-term investments, restructuring or discontinuation of operations during the year ended 31 December 2009.

12 Changes in Contingent liabilities or Contingent assets.

There were no changes in contingent liabilities or contingent assets of the Group since the end of the last annual balance sheet date except as disclosed in note 26.

13 Capital Commitments

Capital commitments of property, plant and equipment not provided for in the financial statements as at 31 December 2009 is as follows:

	RM'000
Authorised capital expenditure approved and contracted for	777
Authorised capital expenditure approved but not contracted for	8,608
	9,385

14 Related Party Transactions

There were no related party transactions during the year ended 31 December 2009.

15 Review of Performance

The Group's revenue for the final quarter of 2009 was RM70.1 million and its profit before tax was RM 12.3 million. For the 12 months to December 2009, the Group achieved record revenues of RM282.7 million and profit before tax of RM 30.1 million, representing increases of 9.1% and 58.2% respectively over the result for the previous financial year.

Manufacturing revenue and profits exceeded budget in the fourth quarter, helped by good acceptance of newly launched products, better export and tender sales. A Representative Office in Vietnam was opened to direct and strengthen marketing initiatives. Wholesale and Distribution returned improved gross margins, attributed to a greater proportion of own brand products in the sales mix and better purchasing.

Profit contribution from the Group's associated company, Xiamen Maidiken Science & Technology Co Ltd ('MDK'), China, rose to RM 7.1 million on the back of an 18% growth in revenue in the year 2009. During the year, MDK's intermediate holding company for its retail and distribution operations, Luyan (Fujian) Pharma Co Ltd, issued new shares at a premium to new investors for a 24.5% equity stake. Recognition of the Group's share of the premium further enhanced Group profits in the fourth quarter of 2009.



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16 Material changes in the profit before tax for the quarter

Profit before taxation for the current quarter is RM 12.3 million, which is a 94% increase over that achieved in the third quarter of 2009. This is mainly attributed to improved gross profits arising from a higher proportion of own brand products in the Group's sales mix, increased manufacturing efficiency at Xepa-Soul Pattinson (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd and a strong profit contribution from the Group's associate company in China, Xiamen Maidiken Science and Technology Co Ltd.

17 Commentary

(a) Prospects

The strong performance of the Group in 2009 is the result of sound strategic planning and execution, continuous upgrading of manufacturing facilities, careful regional expansion, focused brand management and an emphasis on staff training and development. Barring unforeseen circumstances, the Board expects these foundations to enable the Group to return another satisfactory performance in 2010.

(b) <u>Progress to achieve forecast revenue or profit estimate</u> Not applicable.

18 Statement by the Board of Directors' opinion on the achievability of forecast revenue or profit estimate Not applicable.

19 <u>Profit Forecast /Profit Guarantee</u> Not applicable.

20 Income Tax Expense

*	3 MONTHS	3 MONTHS ENDED		IDED
	31/12/2009	31/12/2008	31/12/2009	31/12/2008
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
In respect of current year:				
income tax	1,628	597	4,338	3,571
deferred tax	109	262	1,327	548
others		-	-	
	1,737	859	5,665	4,119
In respect of prior year:				
income tax		-	(122)	(208)
deferred tax	-	-	-	-
	1,737	859	5,543	3,911

The effective tax rate for the current quarter and financial year was lower than the statutory tax rate principally due to the non-taxable profits contributed by the Group's associated companies.

21 Sale of Unquoted Investments and/or Properties

There were no sale of unquoted investments and/or properties during the year ended 31 December 2009.

22 Quoted Securities

- (a) There were no acquisitions or disposals of quoted securities during the year ended 31 December 2009.
- (b) There were no quoted securities held as at 31 December 2009.

23 Status of Corporate Proposals

There were no corporate proposals announced but not completed as at 16th February 2010.

24 Group Borrowings and Debt Securities

AS A1	
31/12/2009	31/12/2008
RM'000	RM'000
254	250
2,544	11,291
2,798	11,541
	31/12/2009 RM'000 254 2,544

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24	Groun	Borrowings	and Debt	Securities	- cont'd
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4 Group Borrowings and Debt Securities - cont'd	AS AT	
	31/12/2009	31/12/2008
Long term bank borrowings	RM'000	RM'000
Secured	64	312
Unsecured	8,879	11,306
Total	8,943	11,618
Bank borrowings denominated in foreign currency as at 31 December 2009:	SGD'000	RM'000
Singapore Dollars	130	318

The Group did not have any non-current debt securities denominated in Ringgit Malaysia or foreign currency as at 31 December 2009.

25 Off Balance Sheet Financial Instruments

- (a) The Group's policy is that all foreign currency transactions are hedged by short-term forward contracts. These are translated to the functional currency of the respective entities of the Group at the rates specified in such forward contracts. The Group enters into these forward contracts to protect the Group from movements in exchange rates.
- (b) The Group does not anticipate any market or credit risks arising from these financial instruments.
- (c) As at 16th February 2010, the Group's outstanding forward foreign exchange contracts to hedge its foreign currency transactions are as follows -

Contracted amount in fo	Contracted amount in foreign		Contracted	Maturity dat	e Nature	Terms
currency to the nearest thousand		equivalent	rate			
SGD	91	221	2.43	25-Feb-10	Purchase of goods	1.2 months
USD	82	281	3.43	31-Mar-10	Purchase of goods	1.9 months
EURO	44	210	4.81	15-Apr-10	Purchase of machinery	2.4 months
SGD	180	434	2.41	30-Jun-10	Sale of goods	5.5 months
USD	90	304	3.37	30-Jun-10	Purchase of goods	5.6 months
SGD	54	130	2.42	30-Jul-10	Sale of goods	6.0 months
		1,580				

26 Material Litigations

(a) Shah Alam High Court Writ of Summons between APM and SDP and ABIO and SDP

On 17th October 2007, the Company announced that Apex Pharmacy Marketing Sdn Bhd ("APM") and ABio Marketing Sdn Bhd ("ABIO"), both wholly owned subsidiaries of the Company, had filed a Writ of Summons against Sante de Pharma Sdn Bhd ("SDP") for breach of contract in respect of distribution agreements ('Agreements') entered into between APM and SDP and ABIO and SDP.

APM and ABIO have taken legal action against SDP to seek court orders:

- for SDP to pay RM1,247,427, this being the total net sum owed to APM and ABIO by SDP pursuant to the Agreements;
- compelling SDP to collect stocks valued at RM838,076 currently in the possession of APM and ABIO and to pay APM and ABIO the said sum, failing which APM and ABIO shall seek an order to dispose of the stock to recover the value; and
- damages to be assessed based on estimated loss of profits as a result of the wrongful termination of the Agreements.

APM and ABIO have in addition instituted legal proceedings to restrain SDP or any other party from dealing with or attempting to distribute the products referred to in the said Agreements.

Subsequently on 17th December 2007, SDP has filed a counter claim against APM and ABIO claiming the following:

- against APM, the sum of RM 2,514,740 being the amount allegedly owed by APM to SDP, loss of profit of RM 230,000, loss of reputation and goodwill to be determined by the court, interest, legal costs and other reliefs; and
- against ABIO, the sum of RM 1,420,719 being the amount allegedly owed by ABIO to SDP, loss of profit of RM 120,000, loss of reputation and goodwill to be determined by the court, interest, legal costs and other reliefs.

The Company is of the opinion that the counter claims have no merit, and the Company's legal counsel has taken action to prosecute the Company's claims and defend against the counter claims.

There has been no further developments save that the Court has postponed the case to 7th April 2010 for further Case Management.



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26 Material Litigations - cont'd

(b) Shah Alam High Court Writ of Summons between Memory Tech Sdn Bhd and APM

There has been no change in status from that which has been reported in the previous quarters save that the plaintiff, Memory Tech Sdn Bhd is currently undergoing liquidation and their lawyers have officially discharged themselves. Our solicitors has requested the Official Assignee to withdraw the suit, failing which they will apply to the court to strike out the suit.

27 Dividends

- (a) The Board of Directors is recommending a final dividend of 4.50 sen gross per share less 25% tax and a special dividend of 10.00 sen gross per share less 25% tax in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2009 for shareholders' approval at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting (Year 2008: Final taxable dividend of 4.50 sen gross per share less 25% tax).
- (b) The total dividend for the current financial year is 19.75 sen gross per share less tax. (Year 2008: Total taxable dividend of 9.5 sen gross per share).
- (c) The date of the book closure and payment for the final and special dividends will be announced in due course.

28 Earnings per share

		3 MONTHS ENDED		YEAR ENDED	
		31/12/2009	31/12/2008	31/12/2009	31/12/2008
	_				
Basic Earnings per share					
Profit after tax RM'000		8,733	3,633	22,144	14,776
Weighted average number of					
ordinary shares in issue	'000	74,974	74,974	74,974	74,974
Basic earnings per share	sen	11.65	4.85	29.54	19.71
Diluted Earnings per share					
Profit after tax RM'000		8,733	3,633	22,144	14,776
Weighted average number of					
ordinary shares in issue	'000	74,974	74,974	74,974	74,974
Adjustment for share options	'000	-	-	-	_
Weighted average number of	_				
ordinary shares in issue for diluted					
earnings per share	'000	74,974	74,974	74,974	74,974
	_				
Diluted earnings per share	sen	11.65	4.85	29.54	19.71