UCHI TECHNOLOGIES BERHAD

(Company No.: 457890-A)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements (Condensed Report) is unaudited and has been prepared in accordance with the 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 Group's financial statements for the financial year ended December 31, 2018 have been prepared in accordance with MFRSs.

At the date of authorisation of these interim financial statements, the following MFRSs and Amendments to MFRSs were issued but not yet effective and have not been applied by the Group:

MFRSs and Amendments to MFRSs		Effective for annual period beginning on or after
Amendments to MFRS	References to the Conceptual Framework in MFRS Standards	January 1, 2020
Amendments to MFRS 3	Definition of a Business	January 1, 2020
Amendments to MFRS and MFRS 108	101Definition of Material	January 1, 2020
MFRS 17	Insurance Contracts	January 1, 2021
Amendments to MFRS and MFRS 128	10Sale or Contribution of Assets between an investor and it Associate or joint venture	s Deferred to a date to be determined and announced

The interim financial report should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements of the Group for the year ended December 31, 2018.

During the current financial year, the Group has adopted all the new and revised MFRSs and IC Interpretation that are relevant and effective for an accounting period that begins on or after January 1, 2019 as follows:

- MFRS 16: Leases
- Amendments to MFRS 9: Financial Instrument Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation
- Amendments to MFRS 119: Employee Benefits Plan Amendment, Curtailment or Settlement
- Amendments to MFRS 128: Long-term interests in Associated and Joint Ventures
- IC Interpretation 23: Uncertainty over Income Tax Payments
- Amendments to MFRSs: Annual Improvements to MFRS 2015 2018 Cycle: Amendments to MFRS 3 Business Combination, MFRS 11 Joint Arrangement, MFRS 112 Income Taxes and MFRS 123 Borrowing Costs

The adoption of these new and revised MFRSs and IC Interpretation does not have any material impact on the amounts reported in the financial statements of the Group in the current and previous financial year.

2. AUDIT REPORT OF THE PRECEDING ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The audit report of the preceding annual financial statements was not subject to any qualification.

3. SEASONAL OR CYCLICAL FACTORS

The Group serves a wide base of multi-national companies in the consumer and industrial electrical and electronic appliances industries. The demand for the Group's products in the normal course of event is seasonal with demand peaking during the third quarter of the year.

4. UNUSUAL MATERIAL EVENT

There was no unusual material event during the reporting quarter.

5. MATERIAL CHANGES IN ESTIMATES

There were no material changes in estimates of amount from either the prior interim period or prior financial years.

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6. CHANGES IN DEBT AND EQUITY SECURITIES

There were no issuances, cancellations, repurchases, resale and repayments of debt and equity securities during the reporting period except the issuance of 157,400 new ordinary shares for cash pursuant to the Employees' Share Option Scheme of the Company at exercise price RM1.57 per ordinary shares.

7. DIVIDENDS PAID

	9 months ended September 30		
	2019	2018	
	RM'000	RM'000	
Interim tax exempt dividend of 7 Sen per share and a special interim			
tax exempt dividend of 10 Sen per share, for 2017	-	76,009	
Final tax exempt dividend of 8 Sen per share, for 2017	-	35,839	
Interim tax exempt dividend of 7 Sen per share, for 2018	31,408	-	
Final tax exempt dividend of 7 Sen per share, for 2018	31,419	-	
	62,827	111,848	

8. REVENUE

	,	9 months ended September 30		is ended iber 30
	2019 RM'000	2018 RM'000	2019 USD'000	2018 USD'000
Revenue	117,230	100,955	28,366	25,342
	•	3 months ended September 30		ns ended nber 30
	2019 RM'000	2018 RM'000	2019 USD'000	2018 USD'000

9. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Segment revenue and results

segment revenue and re-	Investment				
	holding	Manufacturing	Trading	Eliminations	Total
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
9 months ended Septemb	per 30, 2019				
Revenue					
External sales	-	117,230	-	-	117,230
Inter-segment sales	1,590	<u> </u>	812	(2,402)	
Total revenue	1,590	117,230	812	(2,402)	117,230
Results					
Profit/(loss) before tax	108	58,379	122	(65)	58,544
Income tax expense	(245)	(2,011)	(50)	· -	(2,306)
Net profit/(loss) for the					
year	(137)	56,368	72	(65)	56,238
9 months ended Septemb	per 30, 2018				
Revenue					
External sales	=	100,955	-	=	100,955
Inter-segment sales	1,691		779	(2,470)	
Total revenue	1,691	100,955	779	(2,470)	100,955
Results					
Profit/(loss) before tax	2,306	48,920	249	152	51,627
Income tax expense	(872)	(2,314)	(65)		(3,251)
Net profit/(loss) for the					
year	1,434	46,606	184	152	48,376

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Segment assets and liabilities

9 months ended Septembe	Investment holding RM'000 er 30, 2019	Manufacturing RM'000	Trading RM'000	Eliminations RM'000	Total RM'000
Assets	,				
Segment assets	94,194	167,585	9,040	(58,881)	211,938
Income tax asset	400	61	37		498
Consolidated total assets	94,594	167,646	9,077	(58,881)	212,436
Liabilities					
Segment liabilities	2,076	36,530	323	(3,629)	35,300
Income tax liabilities		1,079	<u> </u>	307	1,386
Consolidated total					
liabilities	2,076	37,609	323	(3,322)	36,686

Revenue from major products and services

	9 months ended	
	Septemb	er su
	2019	2018
	RM'000	RM'000
Real-time centralised energy measurement and control system, high precision hot fluid temperature control system and ultra-low temperature and mass sensing control system for bio-chem equipments. Touch screen advance display, high precision light measurement (optoelectronic) equipment and mix signal control system for	103,965	76,313
centrifuge laboratory equipments	11,155	24,500
Others	2,110	142
	117,230	100,955

Geographical information

	9 months ended September 30		
	2019 20		
	RM'000	RM'000	
Europe	111,184	96,871	
Asia Pacific	5,170	3,534	
United States of America	876	550	
	117,230	100,955	

Information about the Group's assets by locations are detailed below:

9 months ended September 30, 2019	RM'000
Malaysia	187,286
People's Republic of China	25,150
	212,436

Information about the Group's liabilities by locations are detailed below:

9 months ended September 30, 2019	RM'000
Malaysia	35,574
People's Republic of China	1,112
	36,686

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10. VALUATION OF PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

The property, plant and equipment of the group have been brought forward without amendments from the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2018.

11. MATERIAL SUBSEQUENT EVENT

There was no significant or material events subsequent to the end of the period reported on that have not been reflected in the financial statements for the said period.

12. CHANGES IN THE COMPOSITION OF THE GROUP

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

13. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND CONTINGENT ASSETS

There were no contingent liabilities or contingent assets arising since December 31, 2018.

14. PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Revenue in RM and Operating Profit for the quarter ended September 30, 2019 increased by 18% and 21% to RM43.0 million and RM23.3 million respectively as compared to the quarter ended September 30, 2018 (Revenue: RM36.3 million; Operating Profit: RM19.3 million) mainly due to increase in demand for the Group's products and services (Revenue for 3 months ended September 30, 2019: USD10.3 million; September 30, 2018: USD8.9 million) and appreciation of USD against Ringgit Malaysia during the reporting quarter. (September 30, 2019: RM4.1595:USD1.00; September 30, 2018: RM4.0701:USD1.00)

There were no significant changes to the cost structure where material consumption made up the highest percentage of the Group's expenditure at 62%, followed by employee benefit expense at 21%, depreciation and amortization at 9%.

15. FINANCIAL REVIEW FOR CURRENT QUARTER COMPARED WITH IMMEDIATE PRECEDING QUARTER

	Current Quarter	Immediate Preceding Quarter	Changes
	September 30, 2019	June 30, 2019	
	RM'000	RM'000	%
Revenue	42,951	39,193	10
Operating profit	23,306	17,546	33
Profit before tax	24,095	18,088	33
Profit after tax	23,029	17,275	33

The Group recorded a profit before taxation of RM24.1 million for the current quarter as compared to RM18.1 million in the immediate preceding quarter ended June 30, 2019 mainly due to:

- a. increase in demand for the Group's products and services (Revenue for 3 months ended September 30, 2019: USD10.3 million; June 30, 2019: USD9.5 million); and
- b. appreciation of USD against Ringgit Malaysia during the reporting period. (September 30, 2019: RM4.1595:USD1.00; June 30, 2019: RM4.1378:USD1.00); and
- c. decrease in research and development expenses (3 months ended September 30, 2019: RM0.9 million; June 30, 2019: RM1.7 million).

16. COMMENTARY ON CURRENT YEAR PROSPECT

To the best of our knowledge, based on our customers positive outlook on demand, the Group expects a high single digit of revenue growth in USD for the financial year ending December 31, 2019.

We do not expect any significant changes in our principal geographical areas of distribution and product group contributions. Factors that will affect our performance include fluctuations in USD, material shortages or fluctuations in material prices and increasing labour costs.

Nonetheless, the Group is confident that we will remain profitable and maintain a strong balance sheet.

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17. VARIANCE OF ACTUAL AND FORECASTED PROFIT AND SHORTFALL IN PROFIT GUARANTEE

Not applicable.

18. INCOME TAX EXPENSES

		3 months ended September 30		s ended iber 30
	2019 RM'000	2018 RM'000	2019 RM'000	2018 RM'000
Estimated tax expense:				
Current	1,066	1,264	2,306	3,251

The Group's income tax for the year under review reflects an effective tax rate which is lower than the statutory income tax rate mainly due to one of its subsidiary companies, Uchi Optoelectonic (M) Sdn. Bhd. was granted pioneer status by the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) for the design, development and manufacture of real-time centralised energy measurement and control system, high precision hot fluid temperature control system and ultra-low temperature and mass sensing control system for bio-chem equipments.

Under this incentive, upon certain terms and conditions being fulfilled, 100% of the statutory income derived from the design, development and manufacture of the abovementioned products will be exempted from income tax for a period of five years commencing from January 1, 2018.

The applicable statutory income tax rate of the foreign subsidiary company incorporate in the People's Republic of China is 25%.

19. OTHER INCOME

	3 months ended September 30		,	hs ended mber 30
	2019 RM'000	2018 RM'000	2019 RM'000	2018 RM'000
Interest on short-term deposits	740	1,427	2,139	4,470
Gain/ (loss) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	66	1	82	(55)
Net foreign exchange gain/ (loss)	540	992	756	910
Miscellaneous income	134	124	528	446
- -	1,480	2,544	3,505	5,771

20. STATUS OF CORPORATE PROPOSALS ANNOUNCED BUT YET TO BE COMPLETED

There were no corporate proposals announced but yet to be completed as of November 15, 2019.

21. GROUP BORROWINGS AND DEBT SECURITIES

There was no group borrowing as of September 30, 2019.

22. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

As of September 30, 2019, the foreign currency forward contracts, which the Group had entered into to sell and remain outstanding is USD16,200,000 at approximately RM4.1602 per United States Dollar. The settlement will complete in August 2020.

As of September 30, 2019, the outstanding forward contracts are as follows:

Type of Derivatives	Contract Value USD'000	Notional Value RM'000	Fair Value (favourable) RM'000
Foreign Currency Forward Contracts			
- Less than 1 year	16,200	67,395	(636)

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Summary of the gains / (losses) arising from the fair value changes of financial assets was as follow:

	Individual	
	3 months ended	9 months ended
Type of Financial Assets	September 30 RM'000	September 30 RM'000
Foreign Currency Forward Contracts	KW 000	KW 000
- Realised gain / (loss)	(156)	(314)
- Unrealised gain / (loss)	(535)	(636)

The above foreign currency forward contracts were entered into by the Group to minimize its exposure to foreign currency risks as a result of transactions denominated in currencies other than its functional currency, arising from the normal business activities. In line with the Group's Forward Contract Management Policy, hedging is only considered for firm commitments and highly probable transactions of which hedging shall not exceed the net exposure value. The cash requirement for settling these foreign currency forward contracts is solely from the Group's working capital. These derivatives and their underlying exposures will be monitored on an on-going basis.

Foreign Currency Forward Contracts are stated at fair value, which is equivalent to the marking of the Foreign Currency Forward Contracts to market, using prevailing market rate. Foreign Currency Forward Contracts with positive market values (unrealised gain) are included under current assets and Foreign Currency Forward Contracts with negative market values (unrealised losses) are included under current liabilities in the statement of financial position.

23. MATERIAL LITIGATION

There was no material litigation pending since December 31, 2018.

24. DIVIDENDS DECLARED OR PAYABLE

A final dividend of 7 Sen per share, exempt from income tax for the year ended December 31, 2018, has been paid on July 23, 2019 to depositors registered in the Record of Depositors at the closed of business on June 28, 2019.

As of the date of this announcement, the Board of Directors proposed an interim dividend of 7.5 Sen per share, exempt from income tax for the year ending December 31, 2019. The date of the entitlement and payment for the aforesaid dividend shall be determined by the Board of Directors at a later date.

25. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	9 months ended September 30
	RM'000
Trade receivables	16,344
Interest receivable	479
Other receivables	151
	16,974

The average credit periods granted to trade receivables on sale of goods range from 30 to 45 days. No interest is charged on trade receivables outstanding balance.

Trade receivables disclosed above include amounts that are past due at the end of the reporting period for which the Group has not recognised an allowance for doubtful debts because there has not been a significant change in credit quality and the amounts are still considered recoverable. The Group does not hold any collateral or other credit enhancements over these balances nor does it have a legal right of offset against any amounts owed by the Group to the counterparty.

Ageing analysis of trade receivables:

9 months ended September 30
RM'000
12,935
3,404
5
16,344

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26. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per share

The earnings and weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation of basic earnings per share are as follows:

	3 months ended September 30		9 months ended September 30	
	2019 '000	2018 '000	2019 '000	2018 '000
Profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company (RM)	23,029	19,605	56,238	48,376
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purposes of basic earnings per share (unit)	448,728	447,377	448,750	447,533
Basic earnings per share (sen)	5.13	4.38	12.53	10.81
Diluted earnings per share The earnings used in the calculation of diluted earnings per	ser share are as follows: 3 months ended September 30 2019 2018 '000 '000		9 months ended September 30 2019 2018 '000 '000	
Profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company (RM)	23,029	19,605	56,238	48,376
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation of basic earnings per share (unit)	448,728	447,377	448,750	447,533
Shares deemed to be issued for no consideration in respect of employee share options (unit)	4,548	5,460	4,548	5,460
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation of diluted earnings per share (unit)	453,276	452,837	453,298	452,993
Diluted earnings per share (sen)	5.08	4.33	12.41	10.68