

Company No. 197901003918 (48166-W) (Incorporated in Malaysia)

INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FINANCIAL QUARTER ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

Explanatory Notes

1. Basis of Preparation

The unaudited interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and paragraph 9.22 of the Main Market Listing Requirements (MMLR) of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad. The accounting policies and method of computation adopted for the interim financial reports were consistent with new standards effective from 1/1/2024 inclusive of those adopted for the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023.

2. Annual Audit Report

The audit report of the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 was not subject to any qualification.

3. Seasonal or Cyclical Operations

The operations of the Group were not affected by any seasonal or cyclical factors.

4. Extraordinary and Exceptional Items

There were no other extraordinary and exceptional items of an unusual nature affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income, or cash flows for the current quarter and financial period ended 30 June 2024.

5. Changes in Material Estimates

There were no significant changes in estimates used in the current quarter and financial period ended 30 June 2024.

6. Movement of Company's Securities

There were no issuance and repayment of debt and equity securities, share cancellations and resale of treasury shares in the current quarter and financial period ended 30 June 2024.

7. Dividend Paid

A 1st interim dividend of 2.0 sen per ordinary share for financial year ended 31 December 2023 declared on 22 February 2024 amounting to RM 51.03 million was paid out on 08 April 2024.

A final single tier dividend of 2.0 sen per ordinary share for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 was approved by shareholders on 30 May 2024 amounting to RM 51.03 million and was paid on 18 July 2024.

Other than the above, there were no other dividends paid in the current quarter and period ended 30 June 2024.

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8. Segmental Reporting

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	Technical Rubber RM '000	Gloves RM '000	Clean-Room RM '000	Others* RM '000	Total RM '000
Financial period ended - 30/06/2024					
Revenue	98,871	732,626	50,032	0	881,529
Profit before tax	19,436	48,646	4,895	6,576	79,553
- 30/06/2023					
Revenue	103,978	633,398	44,875	0	782,251
Profit/(loss) before tax	16,494	(46,976)	3,971	9,967	(16,544)
Quarter ended - 30/06/2024					
Revenue	49,926	352,993	26,986	0	429,905
Profit before tax	10,518	22,081	2,472	3,502	38,573
- 30/06/2023					
Revenue	47,826	315,861	23,856	0	387,543
Profit/(loss) before tax	8,579	(12,073)	2,379	3,645	2,530

* **Others** division of the Group mainly comprise investment holding, engineering and management services which are not of sufficient size to be reported separately.

9. Valuation of Property, Plant and Equipment

There were no changes or amendments to the valuation of property, plant and equipment from the previous year audited financial statements.

10. Material Events Subsequent to the End of the Interim Report

There were no significant event that has occurred between 01 July 2024 and the date of this announcement which will materially affect the earnings or income of the Group.

11. Changes in the Composition of the Group

There were no changes in the composition of the Group including disposal of subsidiaries and long-term investment, restructuring and discontinuing operations of the Group in the current quarter and financial period ended 30 June 2024.

12. Contingent Liabilities

As at 30 June 2024, the Company has unsecured outstanding contingent liabilities amounting to RM17.02 million (31 Dec 2023: RM9.81 million) being corporate guarantees given to financial institutions for banking facilities granted to certain subsidiaries.

13. Capital and other Commitments

	As at financial period ended			
	30/06/2024 RM'000	31/12/2023 RM'000		
Property, plant and equipment				
Within one year: Contracted but not provided	200,963	63,485		

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14. Additional Information required pursuant to MMLR.

14.1 Review of Results

	Individ	Cumulative Period				
	Current Year Quarter 30/06/24 RM '000	Quarter) Preceding Y Correspondi Quarter 30/06/23 RM '000		Current Year to-date 30/06/24 RM '000	Preceding Ye Correspondi Period 30/06/23 RM '000	
Revenue	429,905	387,543	10.93	881,529	782,251	12.69
Operating profit/(loss)	38,653	2,787	1286.90	79,691	(15,839)	603.13
Profit/(loss) Before						
Interest and Tax	38,653	2,787	1286.90	79,691	(15,839)	603.13
Profit/(loss) before tax	38,573	2,530	1424.62	79,553	(16,544)	580.86
Profit/(loss) after tax	32,146	(2,656)	1310.32	64,190	(26,231)	344.71
Profit/(loss) attributed To Ordinary Equity				- -		
Shareholders	31,341	(3,298)	1050.30	62,895	(27,553)	328.27

	Technical Rubber RM '000	Gloves RM '000	Clean-Room RM '000	Others RM '000	Total RM '000
Financial period ended - 30/06/2024					
Revenue	98,871	732,626	50,032	0	881,529
Profit before tax	19,436	48,646	4,895	6,576	79,553
PBT/Revenue %	19.66	6.64	9.78	na	9.02
Revenue	103,978	633,398	44,875	0	782,251
Profit/(loss) before tax	16,494	(46,976)	3,971	9,967	(16,544)
PBT/(LBT)/Revenue %	15.86	(7.42)	8.85	na	(2.12)
Comparison of financial	period				
Percentage change	%	%	%	%	%
Revenue	(4.91)	15.67	11.49	na	12.69
Profit before tax	17.84	203.56	23.27	(34.02)	580.86

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14.1 Review of Results (continue)

	Technical Rubber RM '000	Gloves RM '000	Clean-Room RM '000	Others RM '000	Total RM '000
Quarter ended - 30/06/2024					
Revenue	49,926	352,993	26,986	0	429,905
Profit before tax	10,518	22,081	2,472	3,502	38,573
PBT/Revenue %	21.07	6.26	9.16	na	8.97
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Revenue	47,826	315,861	23,856	0	387,543
Profit/(loss) before tax	8,579	(12,073)	2,379	3,645	2,530
PBT/(LBT)/Revenue %	17.94	(3.08)	9.97	na	0.65
Comparison of quarter	period				
Percentage change	%	%	%	%	%
Revenue	4.39	11.76	13.12	na	10.93
Profit/(loss) before tax	22.60	282.90	3.91	(3.92)	1424.62

Comparison of Current financial period ("1H24") with Preceding year corresponding financial period ("1H23")

For the current financial period ended 30 June 2024, the Group recorded revenue of RM881.53 million, an increase of 12.69% as compared with RM782.25 million in corresponding period ended 30 June 2023. Profit before taxation (PBT) for 1H24 was RM79.55 million as compared with loss before taxation (LBT) of RM16.54 million for 1H23.

The Gloves division's revenue increased by 15.67% to RM732.63 million in 1H24 as compared with RM633.40 million in 1H23 mainly due to improved sales volume. PBT was RM48.65 million in 1H24 as compared with LBT of RM46.98 million in 1H23. The increase in PBT was mainly due to higher revenue recorded.

The TRPs division's revenue decreased by 4.91% to RM98.87 million in 1H24 as compared with RM103.98 million in 1H23 due to lower sales. However, the PBT increased by 17.84% to RM19.44 million as compared with RM16.49 million in 1H23 due to better higher margin products mix.

The Clean-Room division's revenue increased by 11.49% to RM50.03 million in 1H24 as compared with RM44.88 million in 1H23. PBT recorded at RM4.90 million in 1H24 as compared with RM3.97 million in 1H23 in tandem with higher sales.

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14.1 Review of Results (continue)

Comparison of Current quarter ("2Q24") with Preceding year corresponding quarter ("2Q23")

For the second quarter ended 30 June 2024, the Group recorded an increase in revenue for all division with a total of RM429.91 million, an increase of 10.93% as compared with RM387.54 million in 2Q23. Profit before taxation (PBT) was RM38.57 million as compared with RM2.53 million in 2Q23.

The Gloves division's revenue increased by 11.76% to RM352.99 million in 2Q24 as compared with RM315.86 million in 2Q23. Profit before tax was RM22.08 million in 2Q24 as compared with a loss before tax of RM12.07 million in 2Q23 due to the higher sales volume and improved production efficiencies.

The TRPs division's revenue increased by 4.39% to RM49.93 million in 2Q24 as compared with RM47.83 million in 2Q23 due to higher deliveries. PBT increased by 22.60% to RM10.52 million in 2Q24 as compared with RM8.58 million in 2Q23 due to better higher margin products.

The Clean-Room division's revenue increased by 13.12% to RM26.99 million in 2Q24 as compared with RM23.86 million in 2Q23. PBT increased at 3.91% to RM2.47 million in 2Q24 as compared with RM2.38 million in 2Q23.

14.2 Explanatory comments on any material change in the profit before taxation for the quarter reported on as compared with the preceding quarter.

	Current Quarter 30/06/2024 RM '000	Immediate Preceding Quarter 31/03/2024 RM '000	Changes %
Revenue	429,905	451,625	(4.81)
Operating profit	38,653	41,039	(5.81)
Profit Before Interest and Tax	38,653	41,039	(5.81)
Profit before tax	38,573	40,981	(5.88)
Profit after tax	32,146	32,045	0.32
Profit attributable To			
Ordinary Equity Shareholders	31,341	31,454	(0.36)

	Divisions						
	Technical Rubber RM '000	Gloves RM '000	Clean-Room RM '000	Others RM '000	Total RM '000		
Current Quarter ended - 30/06/2024 (2Q24)							
Revenue	49,926	352,993	26,986	0	429,905		
Profit before tax	10,518	22,081	2,472	3,502	38,573		
PBT/Revenue %	21.07	6.26	9.16	na	8.97		
Preceding Quarter ender - 31/03/2024 (1Q24)	d						
Revenue	48,945	379,633	23,047	-	451,625		
Profit before tax	8,918	26,565	2,423	3,075	40,981		
PBT/Revenue %	18.22	7.00	10.51	na	9.07		
Comparison of quarters							
Percentage change	%	%	%	%	%		
Revenue	2.00	(7.02)	17.09	na	(4.81)		
Profit/before tax	17.94	(16.88)	2.02	13.89	(5.88)		

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14.2 Explanatory comments on any material change in the profit before taxation for the quarter reported on as compared with the preceding quarter (continued)

Comparison of Current Quarter ("2Q24") with immediate Preceding Quarter ("1Q24")

In 2Q24, the Group's revenue was recorded at RM429.91 million as compared with 1Q24 of RM451.63 million. Profit before taxation (PBT) was RM38.57 million in 2Q24 compared with RM40.98 million in 1Q24.

The Gloves division's revenue decreased by 7.02% to RM352.99 million in 2Q24 from RM379.63 million in 1Q24 mainly due to the logistic challenges caused by the ongoing global shipment constraints. A lower PBT of RM22.08 million was recorded in 2Q24 as compared with PBT of RM26.57 million in 1Q24 mainly due to lower sales recorded and higher raw material cost and natural gas price in 2Q24.

The TRPs division's revenue recorded at RM49.93 million in 2Q24 as compared with RM48.95 million in 1Q24. PBT recorded at RM10.52 million in 2Q24 as compared with RM8.92 million in 1Q24 due to deliveries of higher margin products.

The Clean-Room division's revenue was recorded at RM26.99 million in 2Q24 as compared with RM23.05 million in 1Q24. PBT recorded at RM2.47 million in 2Q24 compared with RM2.42 million in 1Q24.

14.3 **Commentary on Prospects**

The glove industry is anticipated to face a persistent supply-demand imbalance throughout FY2024, compounded by the pressure on average selling prices (ASP) from international competitors. The challenging operating conditions will be further impacted by rising costs of raw materials and natural gas. Moreover, the ongoing global logistics disruptions and container shortages, particularly due to the Red Sea Crisis, will continue to impact glove shipments.

Nonetheless, the long-term outlook for glove demand remains positive. The glove industry has undergone significant changes since the post-pandemic period, with demand patterns stabilising. This stability is due to the gradual recovery in sales orders, driven by the reduction in pandemic stockpiles, as well as stricter standards and increased hygiene awareness in both medical and industrial sectors. Additionally, the industry consolidation and capacity adjustments by key domestic players, along with the exit of new entrants in the pandemic period, have collectively helped to alleviate the oversupply situation.

The Group remains committed to strengthen its glove division amidst these operational challenges by enhancing cost efficiency through accelerating automation, digital solutions, ongoing human resources training, and improving management systems. These efforts have already shown positive results and will continue to further strengthen the Group's competitiveness as the market recovers. Furthermore, the Group is enhancing its sustainability initiatives, acknowledging the increasing significance of social and environmental responsibility to our customers.

The Technical Rubber Products (TRP) division expects some project delays in the infrastructure segment during 2HFY2024. However, with the positive outlook in the automotive segment, this division anticipated to achieve a satisfactory performance for FY2024.

Despite the challenging landscape, the Group remains cautiously optimistic about its performance for FY2024.

14.4 Explanatory notes for variance of actual from forecast profit and shortfall in the profit guarantee (only applicable to the final quarter).

Not applicable.

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14.5 Taxation

	· ·		Financial po 30/06/2024 RM'000	eriod ended 30/06/2023 RM'000
Tax expense Deferred taxation	5,927 500	4,211 975	14,863 500	8,712 975
Defence taxation	6,427	5,186	15,363	9,687

14.6 **Profit after taxation**

Profit after taxation arrived after charging/(crediting):

	C	Financial period ended
	30/06/2024	30/06/2024
	RM'000	RM'000
Interest expense	80	138
Depreciation	28,051	54,120
Foreign exchange (gain)/loss – realised	458	106
Foreign exchange (gain)/loss – unrealised	(697)	(1,572)
Loss on derivatives – unrealised	1,408	1,338
Interest income	(10,325)	(20,502)
Investment income	(1,300)	(2,747)
Fair value gains on financial assets at FVTPL	(5,208)	(10,656)

14.7 Status of Corporate Proposal announced but not completed

There were no corporate proposals announced but not completed, for the current quarter and financial period ended 30 June 2024.

14.8 Group Borrowings

a) The Group borrowings as at 30 June were as follows:

	Total Unsecured			
	As at 30/06/2024 RM'000	As at 31/12/2023 RM'000		
Short Term Bankers' acceptance Term loans due within 12 months	17,021	9,521 292		
	17,021	9,813		

b) There were no debt securities for the financial period ended 30 June 2024.

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14.9 **Derivative Financial assets/(liabilities)**

	As at			As at		
		30/06/2024	4	31/12/2023		
	Nominal			Nominal		
	Value RM'000	Assets RM'000	Liabilities RM'000	Value RM'000	Assets RM'000	Liabilities RM'000
Group						
Derivatives at fair value						
through profit and loss						
-Forward foreign exchange						
Contracts to sell	229,318	-	1,338	34,923	523	

Forward foreign exchange contracts are used to manage the foreign currency exposures arising from the Group's receivables and payables denominated in currencies other than the functional currencies of Group entities. These forward foreign exchange contracts have maturities of less than one year after the end of the reporting period.

15. Material Litigation

There were no pending material litigation since the last audited annual financial statements date to the date of issue of the quarterly report.

16. Earnings Per Share

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		Current Qu	arter ended	Financial period ended		
		30/06/2024 30/06/2023		30/06/2024 30/06/2023		
		RM'000	RM'000	RM'000 RM'000		
	Profit/(loss) after tax and minority interest	31,341	(3,298)	62,895 (27,553)		
	Basic earnings per share					
	Weighted average number of					
	ordinary shares in issue ('000)	2,551,620	2,551,620	2,551,620 2,551,620		
	Basic earnings/(loss) per share (sen)	1.23	(0.13)	2.46 (1.08)		

There is no dilution in earnings per share as there are no dilutive potential ordinary shares.

On behalf of the Board

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