



**NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER AND FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010**

**A. EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD (“FRS”) 134: INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORTING**

**1. Basis of Preparation of the Financial Statements and Adoption of New and Revised Financial Reporting Standards (“FRSs”)**

The interim financial statements of the Group are unaudited and have been prepared in accordance with FRS 134: Interim Financial Reporting and paragraph 9.22 of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad and should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2009.

These explanatory notes provide an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in the financial position and performance of the Group since the financial year ended 31 December 2009. The accounting policies and methods of computation adopted for the interim financial statements are consistent with those adopted for the annual audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009, except for the adoption of the following new FRSs, Amendments to FRSs and IC Interpretations (“Int.”) with effect from 01 January 2010:

FRSs and Interpretations		Effective for financial periods beginning on or after
FRS 3	Business Combinations (Revised in 2010)	01 July 2010
FRS 7	Financial Instruments: Disclosures	01 January 2010
FRS 7 **	Financial Instruments: Disclosures (Amendments relating to improving disclosures about financial instruments)	01 January 2011
FRS 8	Operating Segment	01 July 2010
FRS 101	Presentation of Financial Statements (Revised in 2009)	01 January 2010
FRS 123	Borrowing Costs (Revised)	01 January 2010
FRS 127	Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements (Revised in 2010)	01 July 2010
FRS 138	Intangible Assets (Amendments relating to additional consequential amendments arising from revised FRS 3)	01 July 2010
FRS 139	Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement	01 January 2010
Improvements to FRSs (2009)		01 January 2010
IC Int. 10	Interim Financial Reporting and Impairment	01 January 2010
IC Int. 11	FRS 2 – Group and Treasury Share Transactions	01 January 2010
IC Int. 14	FRS 119 – The Limit on a Defined Benefit Asset, Minimum Funding Requirements and Their Interaction	01 January 2010

\*\* This FRS has been issued but is not yet effective and has not been applied by the Group.

The Group is exempted in the respective FRSs from disclosing the possible impact, if any, to the financial statements upon the initial application of FRS 7 and FRS 139.



Other than the application of FRS 8, FRS 101 and FRS 123, the application of the above FRSs, Amendments to FRSs and IC Interpretations did not result in any material impacts on the financial statements of the Group in the current quarter or the comparative financial quarter of the prior financial year.

(a) FRS 8 – Operating Segment

FRS 8, which replaces FRS 114, Segment Reporting, requires identification and reporting segments based on internal reports that are regularly reviewed by our Board and Management in order to allocate resources to the segment and to assess its performance. Currently, the Group presents segment information in respect of its geographical and business segments. As a result, following the adoption of FRS 8 will not have any significant impact on the financial statements of the Group other than expanded disclosure requirements, if any.

(b) FRS 101 – Presentation of Financial Statements (Revised in 2009)

FRS 101 introduces terminology changes (including revised titles for the financial statements) and changes in the format and content of the financial statements. FRS 101 separates owner and non-owner changes in equity. Therefore, the current consolidated statement of changes in equity only includes details of transactions with owners. All non-owner changes in equity are presented as a single line labeled as total comprehensive income. This standard does not have any impact on the financial position and results of the Group.

(c) FRS 123 – Borrowing Costs (Revised)

FRS 123 (Revised) eliminates the option available under the previous version of FRS 123 to recognise all borrowing costs immediately as an expense. An entity shall capitalise borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset as part of the cost of that asset. This principal change in the Standard has no impact on the financial statements of the Group in the period of initial application as it has always been the accounting policy of the Group to capitalise borrowing costs incurred on qualifying assets.

**2. Auditor’s Report on Preceding Annual Financial Statements**

The auditor’s report on the financial statements of the Group and the Company for the previous year ended 31 December 2009 was not subject to any qualification.

**3. Seasonal or Cyclical Factors**

The Group’s products are mainly exported to temperate regions like Europe, USA and Latin America. In tandem with climatic changes, demand for the Group’s products may fluctuate with the seasons. Generally, demand is stronger in the second half of the year.

**4. Unusual Items due to their Nature, Size or Incidence**

There were no unusual items affecting the Group’s assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows in the financial statements ended 31 December 2010.



## 5. Changes in Material Estimates

There were no changes in the nature and amount of estimates reported in prior financial years that have a material effect in the financial statements ended 31 December 2010.

## 6. Changes in Debt and Equity Securities

### 6.1 Medium Term Notes (“MTN”) Programme

The Company did not issue any new medium term notes during the quarter under review.

### 6.2 Irredeemable Convertible Unsecured Loan Stocks (“ICULS”) with free Warrants

As a result of the Share Split exercise involving the subdivision of every one(1) ordinary share of RM1.00 each into two(2) ordinary shares of RM0.50 each in the Company, the conversion price of ICULS have been adjusted from RM1.70 to RM0.85 per ordinary share with effect from 10 February 2010.

During the current quarter, a total of 275,060 ICULS were converted into 323,600 new ordinary shares of RM0.50 each.

As at 31 December 2010, a total of 23,046,060 ICULS remain outstanding.

Pursuant to the adjustments arising from the Share Split exercise, the exercise price of Warrants has also been adjusted to RM0.85 for every one(1) new ordinary share of RM0.50 each in the Company. A total of 26,490,710 additional Warrants were listed and quoted on Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad on 10 February 2010.

No warrants were exercised during the current quarter and as at 31 December 2010, a total of 52,979,420 Warrants remain outstanding.

### 6.3 Share Buy-back

In the current quarter, the Company purchased 40,000 ordinary shares of RM0.50 each from Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad, for a total consideration of RM34,289. The shares are currently maintained as Treasury Shares.

As at 31 December 2010, a total of 90,000 ordinary shares were held as Treasury Shares by the Company.

## 7. Dividends Paid

A first interim dividend of 6 sen tax-exempt per ordinary share of RM1.00 each held as at 08 January 2010 in respect of the current financial year was paid on 22 January 2010.

On 22 November 2010, the Company declared a first interim dividend of 2.5 sen less tax per ordinary share of RM0.50 each in respect of the financial year 2011; this was paid on 24 January 2011.



## 8. Segmental Information

Segmental information is presented in accordance to the Group's business and geographical segments by location of assets, which is the primary reporting format.

	Current Quarter ended 31 December 2010 RM'000	Cumulative year-to- date ending 31 December 2010 RM'000
<b>Segment Revenue:</b>		
Malaysia	38,861	139,604
People's Republic of China	69,759	349,435
Europe	9,171	39,963
	117,791	529,002
Adjustments	(38,472)	(185,737)
<b>Total</b>	<b>79,319</b>	<b>343,265</b>
<b>Segment Results:</b>		
Malaysia	8,927	22,634
People's Republic of China	111	9,023
Europe	1,475	3,524
	10,513	35,181
Adjustments	827	2,255
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,340</b>	<b>37,436</b>

## 9. Valuation of Property, Plant and Equipment

The Group did not carry out any revaluations on its property, plant and equipment during the current quarter and financial period ended 31 December 2010.

The values of property, plant and equipment have been brought forward without amendment from the previous annual financial statements ended 31 December 2009.

## 10. Subsequent Events

There was no other material events subsequent to the end of the current quarter that have not been reflected in the financial period ended 31 December 2010.

## 11. Changes in the Composition of the Group

On 14 October 2010, the Company successfully completed its acquisition exercise to purchase the remaining 20% equity interest in Rubberex (Hong Kong) Limited. Consequently, Rubberex (Hong Kong) Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company.

## 12. Changes in Contingent Liabilities or Contingent Assets

There were no changes in contingent liabilities or assets since the last annual balance sheet date as at 31 December 2009.



### 13. Capital Commitments

The amount of commitments for the purchase of property, plant and equipment not provided for in the interim financial statements as at 31 December 2010 is as follows:-

	RM'000
Capital expenditure approved and contracted for	5,485

## B. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PURSUANT TO APPENDIX 9B OF THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS OF BURSA MALAYSIA SECURITIES BERHAD

### 1. Review of Performance

The Group achieved a sales turnover of RM79.3 million for the fourth quarter ended 31 December 2010 (2009: RM83.9 million). Group pretax profit recorded in the current quarter was RM0.3 million compared to RM6.2 million in the corresponding quarter of year 2009, a decrease of 95%. The decrease in profits was due to the persistently high raw material costs and strengthening of the Ringgit and Chinese Yuan against major trading currencies such as the U.S. Dollar and Euro.

### 2. Material change in the profit before tax of the current quarter compared with preceding quarter

Sales for the fourth quarter 2010 amounted to RM79.3 million compared to RM86.7 million reported for the third quarter, a decrease of 9%. Pre-tax profit of RM0.3 million was recorded in the fourth quarter of 2010 compared to RM2.3 million in the previous quarter, a decline of 87%. The overall lower performance was mainly due to the persistently high raw material costs especially natural latex and plastic resins and the strengthening of the Ringgit and Chinese Yuan against major trading currencies. The softening of demand of certain Group products in the third quarter also aggravated the negative effects.

### 3. Current Year Prospects

In 2010, the Group showed an overall revenue growth of approximately 8% compared to 2009. However, the Group also faced strong headwinds from escalating raw material prices, labour cost hikes in China as well as the strengthening of the Ringgit and Chinese Yuan against major trading currencies such as the U.S. Dollar and Euro.

The above factors had adversely affected the profit margins of the Group's products, in which the effect was more eminent in the second half of 2010.

The Board and Management foresee this challenging scenario to persist in 2011. However, the Management will strive to mitigate any negative impacts through constantly monitoring the product price adjustment mechanism as well as the implementation of various cost saving measures.

### 4. Profit Forecast or Profit Guarantee

No profit forecast or profit guarantee has been issued for the current quarter.



## 5. Taxation

	Current quarter ended 31 December 2010 RM'000	Cumulative year-to- date RM'000
Current year – Malaysian income tax	830	2,502
Current year – Foreign income tax	312	597
Deferred Taxation	(667)	(1,104)
Total income tax expense	<b>475</b>	<b>1,995</b>
Effective tax rate	n/a	19.6%

The lower effective tax rate during the current financial year was mainly due to profits generated from certain overseas subsidiaries that were exempted from income tax.

## 6. Sale of Unquoted Investments and/or Properties

There were no sales of unquoted investments and/or properties for the current quarter ended 31 December 2010.

## 7. Purchase/disposal of Quoted Securities

There were no purchase and/or disposal of quoted securities for the current quarter ended 31 December 2010.

## 8. Status of Corporate Proposals

On 23 September 2010, the Company announced its proposal to acquire the remaining 20% equity interest Rubberex (Hong Kong) Limited, from Diamond Silk International Sdn Bhd., for a total consideration of RM5.6 million.

The acquisition was completed on 14 October 2010 and announced to Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad on 18 October 2010.

There are no corporate proposals not announced or outstanding as at 31 December 2010.

## 9. Group Borrowings and Debt Securities

	As at 31 December 2010		
	Secured RM'000	Unsecured RM'000	Total RM'000
Short Term Borrowings including trade financing	57,965	14,441	72,406
Term Loans	5,352	-	5,352
Medium Term Notes (“MTN”)	-	43,000	43,000
Irredeemable Convertible Unsecured Loan Stocks (“ICULS”)	-	20,188	20,188
	<b>63,317</b>	<b>77,629</b>	<b>140,946</b>



### 10. Financial Instruments Risks

As at 31 December 2010, the Group has the following foreign currency contracts outstanding:-

Currency	Contracted Amounts '000	Ringgit Equivalent RM'000	Fair Values RM'000	Expiry Period(s)
U.S. Dollar (USD)	6,650	20,754	20,937	March – June 2011
Euro (EUR)	2,900	11,940	12,035	March – July 2011
		<b>32,694</b>	<b>32,972</b>	

The above foreign currency contracts are entered into with a local licensed bank to hedge the Group's receivables in foreign currencies. The contracted rates will be used to translate the underlying foreign currencies into Ringgit Malaysia.

These foreign currency contracts are of a short-term nature. The accounting policy adopted with regards to off balance sheet financial instruments was consistent with those applied in the last audited financial statements as at 31 December 2009.

### 11. Changes in Material Litigation

There is no outstanding material litigation as at 31 December 2010.

### 12. Disclosure of Realised and Unrealised Profits/Losses

Group	Current quarter ended 31 December 2010 RM'000
Total retained profits/(loss):	
- Realised	25,162
- Unrealised	(1,540)
	<b>23,622</b>

Comparative figures are not required in the first financial year of complying with the Realised and Unrealised Profits/Losses disclosure.

### 13. Dividend Payable

No dividend is proposed for the current quarter under review.



#### 14. Earnings per Share (“EPS”)

		Cumulative Year-to-Date ended 31 December 2010	Cumulative Year-to-Date ended 31 December 2009 <i>(Restated)</i>
Comprehensive income attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company	RM’000	6,604	17,308
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	Shares	201,677,960	86,264,179
<b>Basic EPS</b>	<b>sen</b>	<b>3.27 sen</b>	<b>20.06 sen</b>
Diluted weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	Shares	228,790,972	109,518,268
<b>Fully diluted EPS</b>	<b>sen</b>	<b>2.89 sen</b>	<b>15.80 sen</b>

The EPS has been diluted in the current financial year as a result of lower profits and increase in the number of issued and paid-up ordinary shares of our Company pursuant to the Share Split.

#### 15. Authorisation for Issue

The interim financial statements and explanatory notes were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 28 February 2011.

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