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Notes to Quarterly Report

1. Basis of Accounting and Accounting Policies.

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the period ended 30 Jun 2023, have been prepared in accordance with MRFS 134, Interim Financial Reporting and Paragraph 9.22 of the Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad (Bursa Securities) Listing Requirements. The Group prepared its financial statements in accordance with applicable Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS")

2. Audit Report on Financial Statements.

The financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 have been reported without any audit qualification.

3. Seasonal or Cyclical Factors

The business activities of the Group tend to have higher sales near the year end festive season but are not significantly affected by any cyclical factors.

Unusual Items Affecting the Assets, Liabilities, Equity, Net Income or Cash Flows

There is no unusual item affecting the assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows of the Group for the period under review.

5. Material changes in estimates

There is no material change in estimates for the period under review.

6. Issuance and Repayment of Debt and Equity Securities

There is no issuance or repayment of any debt and equity securities during the period under review.

7. Segmental Information for the Current Financial Period

No segmental information is presented, as the Group is principally involved in latex bedding business with operations in Malaysia and no overseas plant or office.

8. Valuation of Property, Plant & Equipment

All assets under the Group have not been revalued and are carried at historical cost.

9. Effect of Changes in the Composition of the Group

There is no change in the composition of the Group during the period under review.

10. Status of the Corporate Proposals

There is no corporate proposal being undertaken by the Group as at the reporting date.

11. Profit Forecast / Guarantee

Not applicable.



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12. Discussion and Analysis on Group's Financial Performance

a) Financial review for current quarter and financial year to date

The revenue of the Group for the current quarter decreased slightly by 0.9% to RM31.097 million against RM31.389 million in the previous year corresponding quarter. The profit before tax for the current quarter decreased by 12.6% to RM3.242 million from RM3.711 million in the previous year corresponding quarter.

The main factors affecting the financial performances are as follow

- i) The market condition The domestic revenue in Q2 of 2023 increased by about 6.5% compared to corresponding period in Q2 of 2022. Nevertheless, the export division continued to experience weak demand which resulted in overall decrease in Group turnover.
- ii) Level of operating activities The Group was operating at satisfactory level in Q2 of 2023 for our mattress division for domestic market but latex division for export market remain weak.
- iii) Key factors affecting revenue, costs and profit margin
 - a. The average latex price was higher in Q2 of 2023 by about 6.2% compared to Q1 of 2023. The demand from oversea remain lacklustre.
 - b. Staff cost was higher due to the implementation of minimum wages since May 2022.
 - c. The finance cost was lower due to the active repayment of bank borrowing
- iv) Unusual or one-off issue there is no unusual or one-off issue in Q2 of 2023.
- v) Diversification or penetration into new market there is no diversification or new market penetration for the period under review
- vi) Merger and acquisition exercises There is no Merger and acquisition exercise during the period under review.
- vii) New contracts / termination of existing contract there is no significant new contract or termination of existing contract for the period under review.
- viii) Impairment of Assets or receivables there is an impairment of approximately RM0.330 million for the period under review, on trade receivable pursuant to the Cuckoo Napure rental sales.
- ix) Fair value gain / loss on investment there is no fair value gain or loss on investment for the period under review.
- x) Foreign labour issue the Group is having sufficient workforce for our operating activities.

13. Financial Review for current quarter compared with immediate preceding quarter

	Current Quarter	Immediate Preceding Quarter	Changes %
	30/06/2023	31/03/2023	
	RM' 000	RM' 000	
Revenue	31,097	29,693	+ 4.7%
Operating Profit	3,027	3,752	- 19.3%
Other Income	282	351	- 19.7%
Finance cost	(68)	(77)	-11.7%
Profit Before Tax	3,242	4,026	-19.5%
Profit After Tax	2,642	3,426	-22.9%
Profit Attributable to Ordinary Equity Holders of the Parent	2,641	3,435	-23.1%

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The revenue for current quarter increased by 4.7% to RM31.097 from RM29.693 million in the preceding quarter mainly due higher sales from the domestic division. Profit before tax decreased by 19.5% from RM4.026 million to RM3.242 million against preceding quarter mainly due to lower export sales and higher latex cost.

14. Other Income / Expenses

	Current Quarter	Preceding year
		Corresp'g quarter
	RM' 000	RM' 000
Interest income	68.2	37.8
Other income / (Expenses)	209.6	710.4
Changes in (Provision for)/recovery of doubtful debts	-	-
Gain/ (loss) on disposal of Fixed assets	-	-
Changes in (Provision for)/recovery of Stocks	-	-

Higher interest income is due to the interest rate hike as announced by Bank Negara Malaysia. Higher other income in Q2 of 2022 mainly due to part payment of insurance compensation from the flood incident in 2021 of RM0.293 million and gains on disposal of motor vehicles of RM0.110 million.

15. Deferred Taxation

The deferred tax liabilities on deductible temporary differences recognised in the financial statements as required under the MFRS 112 were as follows: -

	YTD ended 30 Jun 2023
Tax effect of	RM' 000
Timing difference between excess of capital allowance over accumulated depreciation on property, plant & equipments and timing difference on taxability of income recognition	5,154
	5,154

16. Group Borrowings

a) The Group borrowings as at the end of the reporting quarter are as follows:

	As at 2 nd Quarter ended 2023					
	Long Term		Short Term		Total Borrowings	
	Foreign deno'	RM deno'n	Foreign deno'	RM deno'n	Foreign deno'	RM deno'n
	RM' 000	RM' 000	RM' 000	RM' 000	RM' 000	RM' 000
Secured	-	2,653		3,601	-	6,254
Unsecured	-	-	-	-	-	-

	As at 2 nd Quarter ended 2022					
]	Long Term		Short Term		Total Borrowings	
	Foreign deno	RM deno'n	Foreign deno	RM deno'n	Foreign deno	RM deno'n
	RM' 000	RM' 000	RM' 000	RM' 000	RM' 000	RM' 000
Secured	-	5,359		5,364	-	10,723
Unsecured	-	-	-	-	-	

b) Group net gearing or net cash position

	Current Quarter	Preceding year Corresp'g quarter	
	RM' 000	RM' 000	
Total borrowings	(6,254)	(10,723)	
Cash	17,673	22,369	
Net (Borrowings)/ Cash	11,419	11,646	



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Net Assets	68,981	64,750
Net Gearing Ratio	Net cash	Net cash

Commentaries on Group Borrowings and Debt Securities

- Total borrowings decreased from RM10.723 million to RM6.254 million against previous year corresponding quarter due to positive cashflow from operations.
- ii) The net cash position decreased slightly to RM11.419 million in Q2 of 2023 from RM11.646 million in previous year corresponding quarter due to normal fluctuation in working capital movement.
- iii) The interest rates are on the upward trend for period under review, though the impact is not expected to be material to the Group.
- iv) The Group occasionally financed certain import purchase denominated in USD using Foreign Currency Trade Loan (FCTL). The Group is having more USD proceeds from export than USD imports thus is practicing natural hedging for USD imports as well as settlement of FCTL.

17. Contingent Liabilities

RM' 000

Corporate guarantees issued to licensed banks for credit facilities granted to subsidiaries

6,254

18. Financial Instruments under MFRS 139

As at 30 Jun 2023, the unrealized gains or loss for the Group is as follows

	Derivatives / year end balances	Contract value (RM' 000)	Balance Shee value (RM' 000)	Fair Value (RM' 000)	Unrealised Gain (loss) (RM' 000)
1	Foreign Exchange Contracts				
	- Less than 1 year	-	-	-	-
2	Trade related balances	-	(1,546.9)	(1,633.3)	(86.4)
	Total		(1,546.9)	(1,633.3)	(86.4)

19. Foreign Exchange Exposure / Hedging Policy

The main export currency is USD. The Group has imports in USD for certain of its raw materials and trading goods. The Group practices natural hedging for export proceeds with import payments and may occasionally hedge some of the expected excess USD proceeds.

20. Trade Receivables

The Group practices prudent credit control with average debtor days of within 1-2 months. The increase in total trade receivables compared to previous year corresponding quarter was mainly due to the financing of Cuckoo Napure mattress collaboration under the rental model. Under this rental sharing model, the collection would be spread over up to 60 months and the Group would recognize profit spreading over the period.

During the period under review, there is an impairment of approximately RM0.330 million on trade receivables pursuant to the Cuckoo Napure rental sales.



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21. Related Party Transactions

There is no significant related party transactions during the period under review, save for some tenancy agreements.

22. Material Impairment of Assets

There is no material impairment of Assets during the period under review.

23. Prospects for the Current Financial Year

The Board expects that the changes in any of the following factors may have a direct impact on the performance of the Group in 2023:

- The demand from oversea market which is currently weak amid high global inflation and high interest rates which dampens consumer spending.
- ii) Key Raw Material The fluctuation of the centrifuged latex price which is the main raw materials for the Group's operation.
- iii) The Cuckoo Napure mattress collaboration this division contributed about 20% of total group revenue. The Group is expected to channel substantial working capital to finance this which would put our excess cash in hand into profitable use.
- iv) Foreign Exchange The changes in exchange rate especially the US Dollar which remains the main foreign currency for our export business, would impact on the Group's operations and margins.
- v) Consumer sentiment and confidence level in spending.
- vi) Property sector The health of the property sector will have direct impact on furnishing requirements, any recovery in the residential property sector would have positive impact on the Group performance.
- vii) Workers Any revision to the minimum wages or the labour law that may cause the labour cost to hike.

24. Material Litigation

The Group does not have any material litigation as at 21 Aug 2023.

25. Dividend

The interim dividend of 3.5 sen per ordinary shares for FY 2022 amounting to approximately RM5.65 million, was paid on 31 Mar 2023.

The interim dividend of 2.5 sen per ordinary shares for FY 2021 amounting to approximately RM4.04 million was paid on 31 Mar 2022.

26. Significant Subsequent Events

There are no material events subsequent to the end of the period under review which have not been reflected in this interim financial report.

27. Net Earnings Per Ordinary Share

The earnings per ordinary share is calculated based on the Group's profit after taxation on the number of ordinary shares of RM0.10 each of 161,412,304 in issue (net of treasury shares).



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	YTD ended 30 Jun 2023
	RM' 000
Profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent	6,076
No of Ordinary shares of RM0.10 each (net of treasury shares)	161,412
Net EPS - Basic (sen)	3.76
Net EPS – Diluted (sen)	3.76

On Behalf of the Board

Dato' Eric Lee **Managing Director**

21 Aug 2023