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1. Accounting policies

The interim financial report is unaudited and has been prepared in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard ("MFRS") 134 "Interim Financial Reporting" and paragraph 9.22 of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad. The report should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2022.

The accounting policies and methods of computation adopted by the Group in this interim financial report are consistent with those adopted in the most recent audited annual financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022, except for the adoption of the following Amendments to MFRSs that are effective for the financial statements effective from 1 January 2023, as disclosed below:

Title	Effective Date
Amendments to MFRS 101, Presentation of Financial Statements - Disclosure of	1 January 2023
Accounting Policies	
Amendments to MFRS 108, Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates	1 January 2023
and Errors – Definition of Accounting Estimates	
Amendments to MFRS 112, Income Taxes - Deferred Tax related to Assets and	
Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction	1 January 2023

Malaysian Accounting Standards Board had issued the following amendments and new standards which are effective for the following financial years:

Title	Effective Date
Amendments to MFRS 16, Leases – Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback	1 January 2024
Amendments to MFRS101, Presentation of Financial Statements - Non-current	1 January 2024
Liabilities with Covenants	
Amendments to MFRS 10, Consolidated Financial Statements and MFRS 128,	Yet to be
Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures - Sale or Contribution of Assets	confirmed
between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture	

The Group and the Company will adopt the above pronouncements when they become effective in the respective financial periods. These pronouncements are not expected to have any material effect to the financial statements of the Group and the Company upon their initial applications.

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2. Audit qualification

The audit report on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 was not qualified.

3. Seasonal or cyclical factors

Demands for speaker systems and its related products are generally seasonal and are affected by economic conditions in countries in which the products are sold.

4. Unusual items

There were no unusual items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income and cash flow for the current financial year.

5. Changes in estimates of amount reported

There were no significant changes in estimates of amount reported in the prior interim period or prior financial year that have a material effect in the current financial year.

6. Issuance and repayment of debt and equity securities

Other than the following, there were no issuance, cancellation and repayment of debt and equity securities for the financial period ended 30 September 2023.

- (a) The number of issued and paid-up ordinary shares of the Company was increased from 256,266,166 to 256,965,666 by way of the issuance of 699,500 new ordinary shares arising from the exercise of the ESOS for a total cash consideration of RM1,783,725.00 or at an exercise price of RM2.55 a share.
- (b) Total 1,853,100 shares were repurchased in the open market at an average price of RM2.35 per share and retained as treasury shares of the Company as disclosed below:

Date of share buy back	No. of share purchase (units)	Total (RM)
24.05.2023	1,039,300	2,450,027
29.05.2023	813,800	1,897,855

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7. Dividend paid

	Current year	Preceding year
	to date	to date
	RM'000	RM'000
First interim single tier of 21.0 sen per ordinary share		
for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 (31		
December 2021 : 20.0 sen per ordinary share)	53,963	51,055

8. Segmental reporting

The Group's operations by geographical segments were as follows:

Revenue 519,940 - 519,94 Inter-segment sales 76,921 (76,921) Total revenue 596,861 (76,921) 519,94 Results Segment results 107,586 (331) 107,25 Finance cost (87) - (87) Profit before tax 107,16 Tax expense (22,277)	0
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Profit for the period 84,89	1
9-month ended 30-9-2022	
Revenue	Λ
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Total revenue 872,325 (69,035) 803,29	<u> </u>
Results	
Segment results 127,731 150 127,88	1
Finance cost (68) - (68)	5)
Profit before tax 127,81	3
Tax expense (30,003	
Profit for the period 97,81	

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9. Valuation of property, plant and equipment

The valuations of property, plant and equipment have been brought forward without any amendments from the previous annual financial statements which are deemed at cost upon the adoption of MFRS.

10. Subsequent events

There were no material events subsequent to 30 September 2023 that have not been reflected in the interim report except for:

(i) The Board of Directors of the Company announced that the Company had on 24 July 2023 entered into a conditional Share Sale Agreement ("SSA") with Wistron Technology (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd for the disposal by the Company of 371 ordinary shares of USD10,000.00 each, representing 70% equity interest in the issued and paid-up share capital of Heracles Enterprises Limited for a cash consideration of RM31,833,647.00 ("Proposed Disposal").

The Proposed Disposal is subject to the approvals of the following:

- (a) the shareholders of FPI at the EGM to be convened for the Proposed Disposal; and
- (b) any other relevant authorities and/or parties, if required.

On 24 October 2023, the Board of Directors of the Company announced that all the Conditions Precedent as stated in the SSA have been fulfilled on 24 October 2023.

11. Changes in composition of the Group

There were no changes in the composition of the Group during the current quarter and financial period ended 30 September 2023.

12. Contingent liabilities or contingent assets

There were no changes in contingent liabilities or contingent assets since the last annual balance sheet date.

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13. Related Party Disclosures

Significant related party transactions with a major corporate shareholder, Wistron Corporation ("Wistron") are as follows:

	Individual		Cumulative	
	Preceding Current Year		Current	Preceding Year
	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter
	30/9/2023	30/9/2022	30/9/2023	30/9/2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Sales of speakers to Wistron	17,602	24,993	31,340	88,835
Parts supply by Wistron	6,678	7,471	10,461	36,710

14. Review of performance

	Indiv	idual		Cumu	lative	
		Preceding			Preceding	
	Current	Year	Changes	Current	Year	Changes
	Quarter	Quarter		Quarter	Quarter	
	30/9/2023	30/9/2022		30/9/2023	30/9/2022	
	RM'000	RM'000	%	RM'000	RM'000	%
Revenue	234,458	300,098	(21.9)	519,940	803,290	(35.3)
Profit before tax	61,183	57,944	5.6	107,168	127,813	(16.2)
Profit after tax	48,836	44,235	10.4	84,891	97,810	(13.2)
Profit attributable to ordinary equity						
holders of the parent	48,871	44,241	10.5	84,936	97,842	(13.2)
EBITDA	60,313	59,833	0.8	105,451	135,045	(21.9)

Third quarter ended 30 September 2023

The Group recorded lower sales of RM234.5 million, a decrease of 21.9% from the previous year's corresponding quarter of RM300.1 million mainly due to lower sales volume. Nevertheless, earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA") increased 0.8% to RM60.3 million for the current quarter compared to RM59.8 million in the previous year's corresponding quarter mainly attributable to gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment of RM7.3 million.

Financial year-to-date ended 30 September 2023

The Group recorded lower sales of RM519.9 million, a decrease of 35.3% from the previous year's corresponding period of RM803.3 million mainly attributable to lower sales volume. Together with lower gain on foreign exchange, these have contributed to lower profitability which has resulted in a lower EBITDA of RM105.5 million compared to RM135.0 million in the previous year's corresponding period.

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14. Review of performance (continued)

In respect of the Group financial position, it remains solid with net cash position. The Group remains mindful on trade receivables collection which was within the normal range of 60 to 90 days and the inventory level which is supportive to subsequent production and delivery requirements.

15. Comparison with previous quarter's results

	Current	Preceding	Changes
	Quarter	Quarter	
	30/9/2023	30/06/2023	%
	RM'000	RM'000	
Revenue	234,458	176,247	33.0
Profit before tax	61,183	33,559	82.3
Profit after tax	48,836	26,332	85.5
Profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of			
the parent	48,871	26,350	85.5
EBITDA	60,313	33,004	82.7

The Group recorded higher sales of RM234.5 million in the current quarter or an increase of 33.0% when compared to RM176.3 million in the immediate preceding quarter mainly due to higher sales volume. Consequently, coupled with the gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment of RM7.3 million, the EBITDA rose significantly by 82.7% to RM60.3 million from RM33.0 million in the immediate preceding quarter.

16. Current Year Prospects

With still persistent strong headwinds from inflationary pressure and high interest rates, and inventory adjustments in the market, the Board anticipates that the operating environment continues to be challenging in the coming quarters.

The Group is aware of these circumstances and will continue to monitor the situation closely and take necessary steps to mitigate any adverse impact and to optimize its operations to adapt to the volatile business environment. Notwithstanding the above and barring unforeseen circumstances, the Board of Directors expects the Group to achieve profitable results for the financial year ending 31 December 2023.

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17. Deviation from profit forecast and profit guarantee

Not applicable.

18. Notes to the statement of comprehensive income

	Indivi	dual	Cumula	ative
	Current	Preceding Year	Current	Preceding Year
	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter
	30/9/2023	30/9/2022	30/9/2023	30/9/2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Profit for the year is arrived at after charging / (crediting):				
Income from short term funds	(2,568)	(929)	(6,824)	(2,168)
Interest income	(1,153)	(397)	(3,857)	(472)
Interest expenses	5	3	32	40
Impairment loss on trade receivables	424	676	136	1,277
Interest - Lease liabilities	9	12	26	28
Depreciation and amortization	2,317	2,649	7,299	8,167
Amortisation of right-of-use assets	520	551	1,608	1,637
Foreign exchange gain	(10,366)	(18,273)	(19,769)	(35,046)
Gain on disposal of property,				
plant and equipment	(7,314)	(12)	(7,530)	(45)

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19. Taxation

	Indivi	Individual		lative
	Current	Preceding	Current	Preceding
		Year		Year
	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter
	30/9/2023	30/9/2022	30/9/2023	30/9/2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
In respect of current period:				
- Income tax	11,155	12,004	20,720	27,141
- Deferred tax	1,192	2,289	1,557	3,446
In respect of prior year :-				
- Income tax	-	(584)	-	(584)
	12,347	13,709	22,277	30,003

The effective tax rate of the Group for the current quarter and year to-date was lower than the 24% statutory tax rate mainly attributed to certain items that were not taxable.

20. Corporate proposals

There were no corporate proposals announced but not completed as at the date of this report save for those as disclosed in Note 10 of this interim report.

21. Group borrowings (interest bearing) and debt securities

The Group does not have any borrowings and debt securities as at 30 September 2023.

22. Material litigation

There was no pending material litigation since the last annual balance sheet date.

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23. Dividend

The Group paid a first interim single tier tax exempt dividend of 21.0 sen per share in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: 20.0 sen per share) on 28 April 2023 to shareholders whose names appeared in the Record of Depositors of the Company at the close of business on 7 April 2023.

The Directors have not recommended any dividend for the current quarter.

24. Earnings per share

(a) Basic

	Individual		Cumulative	
	Current	Preceding	Current	Preceding
		Year		Year
	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter
	30/9/2023	30/9/2022	30/9/2023	30/9/2022
Net profit attributable to equity holders of the parent (RM'000)	48,871	44,241	84,936	97,842
Weighted average number of shares ('000)	255,113	255,452	255,951	254,750
Basic earnings per share (sen)	19.16	17.32	33.18	38.41

(a) Diluted

	Individual		Cumulative	
	Current	Preceding	Current	Preceding
		Year		Year
	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter
	30/9/2023	30/9/2022	30/9/2023	30/9/2022
Net profit attributable to equity				
holders of the parent (RM'000)	48,871	44,241	84,936	97,842
Weighted average number of shares ('000)	255,177	256,169	256,231	255,836
Diluted earnings per share (sen)	19.15	17.27	33.15	38.24