

Interim Financial Report on Consolidated Results for the Financial Quarter Ended 30 September 2023

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(The figures have not been audited)

	Individual Financial Quarter Ended				Cumulative Financial Quarter Ended			
	30.09.2023	30.09.2022	Changes		30.09.2023	30.09.2022	Changes	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%
Revenue	85,874	78,903	6,971	8.8%	317,883	363,583	(45,700)	(12.6%)
Results from operating activities	9,083	3,257	5,826	178.9%	15,748	27,430	(11,682)	(42.6%)
Finance costs	(1,013)	(667)	(346)	(51.9%)	(3,115)	(2,623)	(492)	(18.8%)
Finance income	147	91	56	61.5%	471	337	134	39.8%
Net finance costs	(866)	(576)	(290)	(50.3%)	(2,644)	(2,286)	(358)	(15.7%)
Share of loss of equity-accounted joint venture, net of tax	(227)	(106)	(121)	(114.2%)	(313)	(233)	(80)	(34.3%)
Profit before tax	7,990	2,575	5,415	210.3%	12,791	24,911	(12,120)	(48.7%)
Tax expense	(1,457)	(762)	(695)	(91.2%)	(5,811)	(6,049)	238	3.9%
Profit for the period	6,533	1,813	4,720	260.3%	6,980	18,862	(11,882)	(63.0%)

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	30.09.2023	30.09.2022	Changes		30.09.2023	30.09.2022	Changes	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%
Other comprehensive income, net of tax								
Foreign currency translation differences								
for foreign operations	26	256	(230)	(89.8%)	712	579	133	23.0%
Cash flow hedge	-	31	(31)	(100.0%)	-	37	(37)	(100.0%)
Total other comprehensive income for the period	26	287	(261)	(90.9%)	712	616	96	15.6%
Total comprehensive income for the period	6,559	2,100	4,459	212.3%	7,692	19,478	(11,786)	(60.5%)
Profit / (Loss) attributable to:								
Owners of the Company	5,608	2,758	2,850	103.3%	10,282	18,702	(8,420)	(45.0%)
Non-controlling interests	925	(945)	1,870	197.9%	(3,302)	160	(3,462)	(2,163.8%)
	6,533	1,813	4,720	260.3%	6,980	18,862	(11,882)	(63.0%)

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	30.09.2023	30.09.2022	Changes		30.09.2023	30.09.2022	Changes	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%
Total comprehensive income /(expense)								
attributable to:								
Owners of the Company	5,631	3,019	2,612	86.5%	10,923	19,260	(8,337)	(43.3%)
Non-controlling interests	928	(919)	1,847	201.0%	(3,231)	218	(3,449)	(1,582.1%)
	<u>6,559</u>	<u>2,100</u>	4,459	212.3%	<u>7,692</u>	<u>19,478</u>	(11,786)	(60.5%)
Earnings per share:								
- Basic (sen)	<u>2.16</u>	<u>1.06</u>	1.10	103.8%	<u>3.95</u>	<u>7.19</u>	(3.24)	(45.1%)
- Diluted (sen)	<u>2.16</u>	<u>1.03</u>	1.13	109.7%	<u>3.91</u>	<u>6.84</u>	(2.93)	(42.8%)

(The unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 30 September 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to these interim financial statements.)

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	Individual Financial Quarter Ended		Changes	
	30.09.2023	30.06.2023	RM'000	%
	RM'000	RM'000		
Revenue	85,874	87,590	(1,716)	(2.0%)
Results from operating activities	9,083	3,708	5,375	145.0%
Finance costs	(1,013)	(797)	(216)	(27.1%)
Finance income	147	108	39	36.1%
Net finance costs	(866)	(689)	(177)	(25.7%)
Share of (loss) / profit of equity-accounted joint venture, net of tax	(227)	108	(335)	(310.2%)
Profit before tax	7,990	3,127	4,863	155.5%
Tax expense	(1,457)	(3,287)	1,830	55.7%
Profit / (Loss) for the period	6,533	(160)	6,693	4,183.1%
Other comprehensive income, net of tax				
Foreign currency translation differences for foreign operations	26	404	(378)	(93.6%)
Total comprehensive income for the period	6,559	244	6,315	2,588.1%
Profit / (Loss) attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	5,608	1,690	3,918	231.8%
Non-controlling interests	925	(1,850)	2,775	150.0%
	6,533	(160)	6,693	4,183.1%

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	Individual Financial			
	Quarter Ended			
	30.09.2023	30.06.2023	Changes	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%
Total comprehensive income / (expense)				
attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	5,631	2,053	3,578	174.3%
Non-controlling interests	928	(1,809)	2,737	151.3%
	<u>6,559</u>	<u>244</u>	6,315	2,588.1%
Earnings per share:				
- Basic (sen)	<u>2.16</u>	<u>0.65</u>	1.51	232.3%
- Diluted (sen)	2.16	0.65	1.51	232.3%

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
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	Note	30.09.2023 RM'000 (Unaudited)	30.09.2022 RM'000 (Audited)
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		44,511	44,042
Right-of-use assets		8,882	8,420
Intangible assets		225	278
Investment properties		9,920	9,604
Investment in joint venture		1,222	1,535
Other investments		-	10
Deferred tax assets		6,305	5,243
Total non-current assets		71,065	69,132
Current assets			
Inventories		49,868	43,219
Contract assets		97,079	82,860
Trade and other receivables		70,729	61,234
Current tax assets		3,122	3,058
Deposits and prepayments		10,396	10,094
Derivative financial assets		2,599	71
Other investments		1,096	1,029
Cash and cash equivalents		60,534	77,230
Total current assets		295,423	278,795
TOTAL ASSETS		366,488	347,927
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity			
Share capital		69,382	69,382
Reserves		143,995	139,575
Total equity attributable to owners of the Company		213,377	208,957
Non-controlling interests		668	3,917
TOTAL EQUITY		214,045	212,874

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	Note	30.09.2023 RM'000 (Unaudited)	30.09.2022 RM'000 (Audited)
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES (continued)			
Non-current liabilities			
Loans and borrowings	B7	10,341	13,389
Lease liabilities		2,566	2,266
Deferred tax liabilities		1,023	1,238
Total non-current liabilities		13,930	16,893
Current liabilities			
Loans and borrowings	B7	56,572	31,791
Lease liabilities		1,944	1,588
Provision for warranties		671	408
Trade and other payables		64,162	53,967
Contract liabilities		14,009	28,790
Current tax payable		968	1,004
Derivative financial liabilities		187	612
Total current liabilities		138,513	118,160
TOTAL LIABILITIES		152,443	135,053
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		366,488	347,927
Net assets per share attributable to equity holders of the Company (RM)		0.82	0.80

(The unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 30 September 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to these interim financial statements.)

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

(The figures have not been audited)

	Attributable to owners of the Company		Retained Profits RM'000	Total RM'000	Non-Controlling Interests RM'000	Total Equity RM'000
	Non-Distributable	Distributable				
<u>Year Ended 30 September 2023</u>	Share Capital RM'000	Translation Reserve RM'000				
At 1 October 2022	69,382	1,608	137,967	208,957	3,917	212,874
Foreign currency translation differences for foreign operation	-	641	-	641	71	712
Profit / (Loss) for the year	-	-	10,282	10,282	(3,302)	6,980
Total comprehensive income / (expenses) for the year	-	641	10,282	10,923	(3,231)	7,692
Changes in ownership in a subsidiary	-	-	-	-	122	122
Dividend to owners of the Company	-	-	(6,503)	(6,503)	-	(6,503)
Dividends to non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	(140)	(140)
Total transactions with owners of the Company	-	-	(6,503)	(6,503)	(18)	(6,521)
At 30 September 2023	69,382	2,249	141,746	213,377	668	214,045

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (continued)

(The figures have not been audited)

<u>Year Ended 30 September 2022</u>	< ----- Attributable to owners of the Company ----- >				Total RM'000	Non-Controlling Interests RM'000	Total Equity RM'000
	Share Capital RM'000	Translation Reserve RM'000	Hedging Reserve RM'000	Retained Profits RM'000			
At 1 October 2021	69,305	1,087	(37)	127,717	198,072	3,828	201,900
Foreign currency translation differences for foreign operation	-	521	-	-	521	58	579
Cash flow hedge	-	-	37	-	37	-	37
Profit for the year	-	-	-	18,702	18,702	160	18,862
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	521	37	18,702	19,260	218	19,478
Dividend to owners of the Company	-	-	-	(8,452)	(8,452)	-	(8,452)
Dividend to non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-	(129)	(129)
Share options exercised	77	-	-	-	77	-	77
Total transactions with owners of the Company	77	-	-	(8,452)	(8,375)	(129)	(8,504)
At 30 September 2022	69,382	1,608	-	137,967	208,957	3,917	212,874

(The unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 30 September 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to these interim financial statements.)

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
(The figures have not been audited)

	12 Months Year Ended	
	30.09.2023	30.09.2022
	RM'000	RM'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit before tax	12,791	24,911
Adjustments for:		
Allowance / (Reversal of allowance) for foreseeable losses	64	(143)
Amortisation of development costs	63	60
Amortisation of investment properties	128	118
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	3,377	3,025
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	2,207	2,070
Fair value (gain) / loss on forward exchange contracts - net	(2,953)	1,688
Finance costs	3,115	2,623
Finance income	(471)	(337)
Gain on modification of right-of-use assets	(6)	(10)
Loss / (Gain) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	656	(318)
Property, plant and equipment written off	3	11
Provision for liquidated and ascertained damages	1,013	671
Provision of warranties-net	406	254
Share of loss of equity-accounted joint venture, net of tax	313	233
Unrealised foreign exchange loss / (gain)	631	(403)
Operating profit before changes in working capital	21,337	34,453
Changes in working capital:		
Inventories	(6,557)	(128)
Trade and other receivables, deposits and prepayments	(25,851)	337
Trade and other payables	(5,749)	418
Cash (used in) / generated from operations	(16,820)	35,080
Income taxes paid	(7,198)	(7,986)
Interest paid	(273)	(284)
Interest received	471	337
Net cash (used in) / generated from operating activities	(23,820)	27,147
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Acquisition of intangible assets	(10)	(34)
Acquisition of investment properties	(443)	(1,698)
Proceeds from issue of ordinary shares	122	-
Proceeds from disposal of other investment	10	-
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	14	318
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(3,131)	(4,666)
Net cash used in investing activities	(3,438)	(6,080)

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(The figures have not been audited)

	12 Months Year Ended	
	30.09.2023	30.09.2022
	RM'000	RM'000
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Dividend paid to non-controlling interest	(140)	(129)
Dividend paid to owners of the company	(6,503)	(8,452)
Interest paid	(2,842)	(2,339)
Proceeds from share options exercised	-	76
Proceeds from loans and borrowings, net	21,148	6,974
Repayment of lease liabilities, net	(2,330)	(2,169)
Net cash generated from / (used in) financing activities	9,333	(6,039)
Net (decrease) / increase in cash and cash equivalents	(17,925)	15,028
Foreign exchange differences on cash held	643	965
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the financial year	76,950	60,957
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the financial year	59,668	76,950
Cash and cash equivalents included in the statements of cash flows comprise:		
Cash and bank balances	49,393	60,471
Liquid investments	11,141	16,759
Bank overdrafts	(866)	(280)
	59,668	76,950

(The unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 30 September 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to these interim financial statements.)

A. Explanatory Notes Pursuant to Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard 134 (“MFRS 134”)

A1. Basis of Preparation

The financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards 134 (“MFRS 134”) : Interim Financial Reporting, International Financial Reporting Standards 34 : Interim Financial Reporting, the requirements of paragraph 9.22 of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad and the requirements of the Companies Act 2016 in Malaysia, and should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 30 September 2022.

The following are accounting standards, amendments and interpretations that have been issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board (“MASB”) and have been adopted by the Group:

MFRSs, interpretations and amendments effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022

- Amendments to MFRS 1, *First-time Adoption of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards (Annual Improvements to MFRS Standards 2018–2020)*
- Amendments to MFRS 3, *Business Combinations – Reference to the Conceptual Framework*
- Amendments to MFRS 9, *Financial Instruments (Annual Improvements to MFRS Standards 2018–2020)*
- Amendments to Illustrative Examples accompanying MFRS 16, *Leases (Annual Improvements to MFRS Standards 2018–2020)*
- Amendments to MFRS 116, *Property, Plant and Equipment – Proceeds before Intended Use*
- Amendments to MFRS 137, *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets – Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract*

The adoption of the abovementioned accounting standards and amendments does not have any material impact on the financial statements of the Group.

A2. Auditors’ Report on Preceding Annual Financial Statements

There was no qualification in the audit report of the preceding annual financial statements.

A3. Seasonality or Cyclical Factors

Save for certain business activities which are project based, our Group does not experience any material seasonality.

A4. Unusual Items Affecting Assets, Liabilities, Equity, Net Income or Cash Flows

During the current financial quarter under review, there were no items or events that arose, which affected assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows, that are unusual by reason of their nature, size or incidence.

A. Explanatory Notes Pursuant to Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard 134 (“MFRS 134”) (continued)

A5. Nature and Amount of Changes in Estimates

There were no material changes in estimates during the financial quarter under review.

A6. Dividends Paid and Distributed

On 26 May 2023, the Board of Directors’ (“Board”) has declared a first interim dividend of 1.0 sen per ordinary share in respect of the financial year ending 30 September 2023, which was paid on 7 July 2023.

A7. Segmental Information

Segmental information in respect of the Group’s business activities for the financial year to date ended 30 September 2023.

	Revenue RM’000	Profit / (Loss) before Tax RM’000
Marketing and Distribution	92,795	8,663
Manufacturing	118,296	(1,000)
Services	41,718	13,538
High Voltage System	65,074	(8,410)
Reportable segments	317,883	12,791

A8. Subsequent Material Event

There was no material event subsequent to the end of the current financial quarter that has not been reflected in the financial statements.

A9. Changes in the Composition of the Group

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

A. Explanatory Notes Pursuant to Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard 134 (“MFRS 134”) (continued)

A10. Capital Commitments

The Group’s outstanding capital commitments as at 30 September 2023 not provided for in the financial statements are as follows:

	RM’000
Balance purchase consideration for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment	<u>820</u>

A11. Changes in Contingent Liabilities

Corporate guarantee given by the Company to secure banking facilities granted to subsidiaries:

	RM’000
At 1 October 2022	522,809
Decrease in borrowing facilities	<u>(25,000)</u>
At 30 September 2023	<u>497,809</u>

Performance guarantee given by subsidiaries for performance of contracts issued to third parties:

	RM’000
At 1 October 2022	50,854
Addition	<u>5,560</u>
At 30 September 2023	<u>56,414</u>

A. Explanatory Notes Pursuant to Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard 134 (“MFRS 134”) (continued)

A12. Significant Related Party Transactions

The Group has the following significant transactions with the related parties during the financial quarter under review:

Company	Relationship	Cumulative Financial Quarter Ended	
		30.09.2023 RM'000	30.09.2022 RM'000
CTL Automation Sdn Bhd	A company in which two (2) of the directors and substantial shareholders are the brother and sister-in-law of the Group Managing Director, Mr. Lim Joo Swee.		
Sigriner Automation (MFG) Sdn Bhd	A 50% joint venture company of EITA-Schneider (Mfg) Sdn Bhd in which two (2) of the directors are the Executive Directors of EITA, the holding company of ESM.		
QL Foods Sdn Bhd	A company in which a director and substantial shareholder is also the Non-Independent Non-Executive Director of EITA.		
<u>CTL Automation Sdn Bhd</u>			
- Sales of electrical equipment		42	56
- Supply, install, testing and commissioning of electrical work and equipment		(2)	(5)
- Repairs and purchase of elevator parts		(564)	(821)
<u>Sigriner Automation (MFG) Sdn Bhd</u>			
- Provision of management services and rental		367	276
- Sales of elevator parts and components		248	387
- (Purchase) / Sales of robotic		(50)	101
- Purchase of elevator controllers		(3,508)	(4,359)
<u>QL Foods Sdn Bhd</u>			
- Sales of electrical equipment		304	322

B. EXPLANATORY NOTES AS PER MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS (APPENDIX 9B)

B1. Review of Performance for the Current Financial Quarter and Financial Year To-Date

	Individual Financial Quarter Ended		%	Cumulative Financial Quarter Ended		%
	30.09.2023 RM'000	30.09.2022 RM'000	change	30.09.2023 RM'000	30.09.2022 RM'000	change
Revenue						
Marketing and Distribution	23,110	24,483	(5.6%)	92,795	91,369	1.6%
Manufacturing	28,670	23,380	22.6%	118,296	98,734	19.8%
Services	10,614	11,142	(4.7%)	41,718	44,554	(6.4%)
High Voltage System	23,480	19,898	18.0%	65,074	128,926	(49.5%)
Total	85,874	78,903	8.8%	317,883	363,583	(12.6%)
Profit / (Loss) before Tax						
Marketing and Distribution	1,702	1,249	36.3%	8,663	9,993	(13.3%)
Manufacturing	135	337	(59.9%)	(1,000)	(1,726)	42.1%
Services	3,563	4,171	(14.6%)	13,538	16,162	(16.2%)
High Voltage System	2,590	(3,182)	181.4%	(8,410)	482	(1,844.8%)
Total	7,990	2,575	210.3%	12,791	24,911	(48.7%)

The Group's revenue for the current quarter increased by RM7.0 million or 8.8% as compared to the preceding year's corresponding quarter mainly due to higher revenue from the Manufacturing and High Voltage System segments but partly offset by the lower revenue from the Marketing and Distribution and Services segments.

Cumulatively, the Group's revenue decreased by RM45.7 million or 12.6% as compared to the preceding corresponding period mainly due to lower revenue from the High Voltage System and Services segments but partly offset by the higher revenue from the Manufacturing and Marketing and Distribution segments.

The Group's profit before tax ("PBT") for the current quarter increased by RM5.4 million or 210.3% mainly due to higher PBT from the High Voltage System and the Marketing and Distribution segments but partly offset by the lower PBT from the Manufacturing and Services segments.

Cumulatively, the Group's PBT decreased by RM12.1 million or 48.7% mainly due to the loss before tax ("LBT") recorded for the High Voltage System segment and the lower PBT from the Marketing and Distribution and Services segments but partly offset by the lower LBT from the Manufacturing segment.

**B. EXPLANATORY NOTES AS PER MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS
(APPENDIX 9B) (continued)**

**B1. Review of Performance for the Current Financial Quarter and Financial Year To-Date
(continued)**

(i) Marketing and Distribution Segment

The Marketing and Distribution segment's revenue for the current quarter decreased by RM1.4 million or 5.6% mainly due to lower revenue from the Power business. However, this was partially mitigated by higher sales from the Control business.

The Marketing and Distribution segment's cumulative revenue increased by RM1.4 million or 1.6% mainly due to higher revenue from the Control business. However, this was partially mitigated by lower sales from the Power and ELV businesses.

The Marketing and Distribution segment's PBT for the current quarter increased by RM0.5 million or 36.3% mainly due to lower administrative and distribution expenses.

The Marketing and Distribution segment's cumulative PBT decreased by RM1.3 million or 13.3% mainly due to a higher allowance for doubtful debts, higher distribution costs and administrative expenses, and a higher provision for inventories written down to net realisable value.

(ii) Manufacturing Segment

The Manufacturing segment's revenue for the current quarter increased by RM5.3 million or 22.6% mainly due to higher revenue from the Elevator and Ballast businesses. However, these were partially mitigated by lower revenue from the Busduct business.

The Manufacturing segment's cumulative revenue increased by RM19.6 million or 19.8% mainly due to higher revenue from the Elevator, Busduct and Ballast businesses.

The Manufacturing segment's PBT for the current quarter decreased by RM0.2 million or 59.9% mainly due to higher administrative and distribution expenses, a higher realised loss on foreign exchange and a higher unrealised loss on foreign exchange. These were partially mitigated by the higher fair value gain on derivatives, the higher reversal of allowance for doubtful debts and the higher reversal of inventories written down to net realisable value during the current quarter.

The Manufacturing segment's cumulative LBT decreased by RM0.7 million or 42.1% mainly due to higher revenue, lower fair value loss on derivatives and lower stock written off. These were partially mitigated by the higher realised loss on foreign exchange, higher administrative and distribution expenses, higher allowance for doubtful debts and higher unrealised loss on foreign exchange.

**B. EXPLANATORY NOTES AS PER MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS
(APPENDIX 9B) (continued)**

**B1. Review of Performance for the Current Financial Quarter and Financial Year To-Date
(continued)**

(iii) Services Segment

The Services segment's revenue for the current quarter decreased by RM0.5 million or 4.7% mainly due to lower elevator service maintenance contract revenue. However, this was partially mitigated by higher revenue from the elevator repair maintenance contract revenue.

The Services segment's cumulative revenue decreased by RM2.8 million or 6.4% mainly due to lower elevator service maintenance contract revenue. However, this was partially mitigated by higher revenue from the elevator repair maintenance contract revenue.

The Services segment's PBT for the current quarter decreased by RM0.6 million or 14.6% mainly due to lower revenue and higher administrative expenses.

The Services segment's cumulative PBT decreased by RM2.6 million or 16.2% mainly due to lower revenue, and higher administrative and distribution expenses. These were partially mitigated by the lower allowance for doubtful debts.

(iv) High Voltage System Segment

The High Voltage System segment's revenue for the current quarter increased by RM3.6 million or 18.0% mainly due to the higher execution of Transmission Sub-Station projects in East Malaysia.

The High Voltage System segment's cumulative revenue decreased by RM63.9 million or 49.5% due to lower execution of Transmission Sub-Station projects in Peninsular Malaysia.

The High Voltage System segment's recorded PBT for the current quarter as compared to LBT for the preceding quarter mainly due to higher revenue, a reversal of provision for liquidated ascertained damages and a higher realised gain on foreign exchange. However, these were partially mitigated by higher fair value loss on derivatives.

The High Voltage System segment recorded a cumulative LBT of RM8.4 million as compared to the cumulative PBT for the preceding year's corresponding quarter amounting to RM0.5 million mainly due to the lower revenue, higher unrealised loss on foreign exchange, higher provision for liquidated ascertain damages and higher distribution expenses. However, these were partially mitigated by the higher fair value gain on derivatives and higher scrap income.

B. EXPLANATORY NOTES AS PER MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS (APPENDIX 9B) (continued)

B2. Review of Current Financial Quarter Performance against Preceding Quarter

	Individual Financial Quarter Ended		% change
	30.09.2023 RM'000	30.06.2023 RM'000	
Revenue			
Marketing and Distribution	23,110	22,910	0.9%
Manufacturing	28,670	26,880	6.7%
Services	10,614	11,938	(11.1%)
High Voltage System	23,480	25,862	(9.2%)
Total	85,874	87,590	(2.0%)
Profit / (Loss) before Tax			
Marketing and Distribution	1,702	3,690	(53.9%)
Manufacturing	135	(1,317)	110.3%
Services	3,563	4,083	(12.7%)
High Voltage System	2,590	(3,329)	177.8%
Total	7,990	3,127	155.5%

The Group's revenue for the current quarter decreased by RM1.7 million or 2.0% against the preceding quarter mainly due to lower revenue from the High Voltage System and Services segments but partly offset by the higher revenue from the Manufacturing segment.

The Group's PBT for the current quarter increased by RM4.9 million or 155.5% as compared to the preceding quarter mainly due to the higher PBT from the High Voltage System and Manufacturing segments. These were partly offset by the lower PBT recorded from the Marketing and Distribution and Services segments.

(i) Marketing and Distribution Segment

The Marketing and Distribution segment's revenue for the current quarter was relatively stable as compared to the preceding quarter.

The Marketing and Distribution segment's PBT for the current quarter decreased by RM2.0 million or 53.9% mainly due to higher administrative and distribution expenses, a lower reversal of inventories written down to net realisable value and a higher allowance for doubtful debts. However, these were partially mitigated by the lower stock written off.

**B. EXPLANATORY NOTES AS PER MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS
(APPENDIX 9B) (continued)**

B2. Review of Current Financial Quarter Performance against Preceding Quarter (continued)

(ii) Manufacturing Segment

The Manufacturing segment's revenue for the current quarter increased by RM1.8 million or 6.7% mainly due to higher revenue from the Elevator business.

The Manufacturing segment recorded a PBT of RM0.1 million as compared to the LBT of RM1.3 million in the preceding quarter mainly due to higher revenue, a higher fair value gain on derivatives and a higher reversal of allowance for doubtful debts. However, these were partially mitigated by higher administrative expenses and a higher realised losses on foreign exchange.

(iii) Services Segment

The Services segment's revenue for the current quarter decreased by RM1.3 million or 11.1% mainly due to lower repair maintenance contract revenue.

The Services segment's PBT for the current quarter decreased by RM0.5 million or 12.7% mainly due to lower revenue and a higher allowance for doubtful debts. However, these were partially mitigated by lower administrative expenses.

(iv) High Voltage System Segment

The High Voltage System segment's revenue for the current quarter decreased by RM2.4 million or 9.2% mainly due to lower execution of Transmission Sub-Station projects in East Malaysia.

The High Voltage System segment recorded a PBT of RM2.6 million as compared to the LBT for the preceding quarter of RM3.3 million mainly due to higher realised gain on foreign exchange, lower administrative expenses and a reversal of provision for liquidated ascertained damages. However, these were partially mitigated by the higher fair value on derivative and higher unrealised loss on foreign exchange.

B3. Commentary on Prospects

The Group expects to continue facing some challenges such as the inflationary pressure on operational cost due to high interest rates. In addition, the weakening of the Ringgit Malaysia against other currencies such as the USD and Renminbi may continue to impact the Group's financial performance.

The cost-overrun in the High Voltage System segment has shown improvement. The Group will continue to adopt a prudent approach to navigate the Group's business operations and mitigate the risk as much as possible during this challenging period.

With the Group's current order book in hand and barring any unforeseen circumstances, the Board is cautiously optimistic of the Group's financial performance for the financial quarter ending 31 December 2023.

B. EXPLANATORY NOTES AS PER MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS (APPENDIX 9B) (continued)
B4. Profit Forecast

No profit forecast has been issued by the Group previously in any public document.

B5. Tax Expense

	Individual Financial Quarter Ended 30.09.2023 RM'000	Cumulative Financial Quarter Ended 30.09.2023 RM'000
Current tax expense		
- current period	1,308	6,650
- prior period	-	440
	1,308	7,090
Deferred tax expense		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences		
- current period	149	(1,400)
- prior period	-	121
	149	(1,279)
Total current tax recognised in profit or loss	1,457	5,811
Share of tax of equity-accounted joint venture	(15)	(37)
Total tax expense	1,442	5,774

The effective tax rate of the Group for the cumulative financial quarter under review is 45% which is higher than the statutory tax rate of 24%. The higher effective tax rate was mainly due to the losses of the High Voltage System segment which cannot be set off against the taxable profits made by the other business segments. In addition, there are certain expenses which are not deductible for tax purposes.

B6. Status of Corporate Proposals Announced

There were no corporate proposals announced as at the date of this report.

B. EXPLANATORY NOTES AS PER MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS (APPENDIX 9B) (continued)
B7. Group Borrowings

The Group's borrowings are as follows:

	As at 30.09.2023		
	Long Term RM'000	Short Term RM'000	Total Borrowings RM'000
Secured			
Finance lease liabilities	640	284	924
Term loans	9,701	2,826	12,527
Unsecured			
Banker's acceptance	-	36,296	36,296
Bank overdrafts	-	866	866
Revolving credit	-	16,300	16,300
	10,341	56,572	66,913

	As at 30.09.2022		
	Long Term RM'000	Short Term RM'000	Total Borrowings RM'000
Secured			
Finance lease liabilities	1,158	337	1,495
Term loans	12,231	2,426	14,657
Unsecured			
Banker's acceptance	-	16,148	16,148
Bank overdrafts	-	280	280
Revolving credit	-	12,600	12,600
	13,389	31,791	45,180

B. EXPLANATORY NOTES AS PER MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS (APPENDIX 9B) (continued)

B8. Change in Material Litigations

There were no outstanding material litigations as at the date of this report.

B9. Proposed Dividend

On 22 November 2023, the Board has declared and approved the payment of a second interim single-tier dividend of 1.0 sen per ordinary share (2022: 1.5 sen per ordinary share) in respect of the financial year ending 30 September 2023.

The dividend will be paid on 15 January 2024 to shareholders registered in the Record of Depositors as at 18 December 2023. With this payment of second interim dividend, the total payment of dividends by the Company for the financial year ended 30 September 2023 amounts to 2.0 sen per ordinary share.

B10. Earnings per Ordinary Share

(a) Basic earnings per ordinary share ("EPS")

The calculation of EPS was based on the profit attributable to ordinary shareholders and a weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the financial period.

	Individual Financial Quarter Ended		Cumulative Financial Quarter Ended	
	30.09.2023	30.09.2022	30.09.2023	30.09.2022
Profit for the period attributable to owners (RM'000)	<u>5,608</u>	<u>2,758</u>	<u>10,282</u>	<u>18,702</u>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	260,113	260,113	260,113	260,031
Basic EPS (sen)	<u>2.16</u>	<u>1.06</u>	<u>3.95</u>	<u>7.19</u>

B. EXPLANATORY NOTES AS PER MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS (APPENDIX 9B) (continued)

B10. Earnings per Ordinary Share (continued)

(b) Diluted earnings per ordinary share ("DEPS")

The calculation of DEPS was based on the profit attributable to ordinary shareholders and a weighted average number of ordinary shares that would have been in issue upon full exercise of the warrants, adjusted for the number of such shares that have been exercised.

	Individual Financial Quarter Ended		Cumulative Financial Quarter Ended	
	30.09.2023	30.09.2022	30.09.2023	30.09.2022
Profit for the period attributable to owners (RM'000)	<u>5,608</u>	<u>2,758</u>	<u>10,282</u>	<u>18,702</u>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000) (basic)	260,113	260,113	260,113	260,031
Effect of dilution of share options ('000)	<u>-</u>	<u>6,822</u>	<u>2,739</u>	<u>13,537</u>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000) (diluted)	261,113	266,935	262,852	273,568
Diluted EPS (sen)	<u>2.16</u>	<u>1.03</u>	<u>3.91</u>	<u>6.84</u>

B11. Financial Instruments

Outstanding derivatives as at 30 September 2023 are as follow:

Type of derivatives	Contract / Notional Value RM'000	Fair Value RM'000
Less than 1 year:		
Forward exchange contract	<u>95,697</u>	<u>2,412</u>

There are no changes to policies related to financial instruments since the last financial year.

B. EXPLANATORY NOTES AS PER MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS (APPENDIX 9B) (continued)
B12. Notes to Condensed Consolidated Statements of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

	Individual Financial Quarter Ended		Year-to-date Ended	
	30.09.2023 RM'000	30.09.2022 RM'000	30.09.2023 RM'000	30.09.2022 RM'000
Profit / (Loss) for the period is arrived after charging / (crediting):				
Allowance / (Reversal of allowance) foreseeable loss	5	231	64	(143)
Bad debts written off	58	6	358	92
Depreciation and amortisation	986	853	3,568	3,203
Depreciation for right-of-use assets	568	515	2,207	2,070
Fair value loss / (gain) on forward exchange contracts, net	1,052	634	(2,953)	1,688
Foreign exchange gain, net	(481)	(628)	(481)	(3,488)
(Gain) / Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	(11)	656	(318)
Interest expense on lease liabilities	41	35	164	163
Inventories written down to net realisable value	162	371	911	1,242
Property, plant and equipment written off	3	-	3	11
(Reversal of) / Provision for impairment loss on receivables	(180)	804	942	(123)
(Reversal of) / Provision for liquidated and ascertained damages	(711)	421	1,013	671
Provision for warranties-net	55	48	406	254

B13. Authority for Issue

The interim financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board in accordance with a resolution of the Directors dated 22 November 2023.