



**ECONPILE HOLDINGS BERHAD**

(Company No. 1017164-M)

**NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - FIRST QUARTER ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2016**

**A1. Basis of preparation**

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements are unaudited and have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Paragraph 9.22 of the Main Market Listing Requirements ("MMLR") of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Securities") and the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS") 134: Interim Financial Reporting. This unaudited interim financial report should be read in conjunction with the Group's most recent audited financial statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2016.

**A2. Significant Accounting Policies**

The accounting policies and method of computation adopted by the Group in this interim financial report are consistent with those adopted in the annual financial statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2016 except for the following new/revised MFRSs and amendments to MFRSs:

		Effective for annual periods beginning on or after
Amendments to MFRS 107	Statement of Cash Flows - Disclosure Initiative	1 January 2017
Amendments to MFRS 112	Income Taxes - Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses	1 January 2017
MFRS 9	Financial Instruments (2014)	1 January 2018
MFRS 15	Revenue from Contracts with Customers	1 January 2018
Clarifications to MFRS 15	Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Amendments)	1 January 2018
MFRS 16	Leases	1 January 2019
Amendments to MFRS 10 and MFRS 128	Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture	Yet to be determined

**A3. Auditors' Report**

The reports of the auditors to the members of Econpile Holdings Berhad and its subsidiary companies on the financial statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2016 were not subject to any qualification and did not include any adverse comments made under subsection (3) of Section 174 of the Companies Act, 1965.

**A4. Seasonality or Cyclicity of Interim Operations**

The Group's results are not materially affected by any seasonal or cyclical factors.

**A5. Unusual Items Affecting Assets, Liabilities, Equity, Net Income or Cash Flows**

There were no items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows that were unusual in nature, size or incidence during the current quarter ended 30 September 2016.

**A6. Material Effect of Changes in Estimates of Amounts Reported in Prior Interim Periods or Prior Financial Years**

There were no changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior interim periods or prior financial years that have a material effect on results for the current period under review.

**A7. Debt and Equity Securities**

There were no issuance, cancellation, repurchase, resale and repayment of debts and equity securities during the current quarter ended 30 September 2016.

**A8. Dividends Paid**

No dividends were paid by the Company in the current quarter ended 30 September 2016.

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The Group is predominantly involved in general construction and piling works, which is the only reportable segment. Other non-reportable segments comprise investment holding and operations related to rental of investment properties and machinery and related accessories. All the Group's operations are carried out in Malaysia.

**A10. Property, Plant and Equipment**

The fair value adopted at the date of transition to MFRSs has been brought forward, without amendment from the most recent annual financial statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2016.

**A11. Significant Post Balance Sheet Event**

There were no material events as at 17 November 2016, being the date not earlier than 7 days from the date of this announcement, that will affect the financial results of the current financial period under review.

**A12. Changes in Composition of the Group**

There were no changes in the composition of the Group including business combinations, acquisition or disposal of subsidiaries and long term investments, restructuring and discontinuing operations during the current quarter under review.

**A13. Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets**

There were no material changes in contingent liabilities and contingent assets since the last audited financial statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2015 to 17 November 2016, being a date not earlier than 7 days from the date of this announcement, save for the following:

	<b>As at 17.11.16 RM'000</b>	<b>As at 30.06.16 RM'000</b>
Contingent Liabilities (Unsecured)		
Group		
- Guarantees given to contract customers and suppliers in relation to construction contracts	133,189	29,324
Company		
- Corporate Guarantee given to customers and suppliers in relation to construction contracts	82,625	22,399

**A14. Capital Commitments**

	<b>As at 30.09.16 RM'000</b>	<b>As at 30.06.15 RM'000</b>
Capital expenditure		
Authorised and contracted for	1,510	1,706

**A15. Significant Related Party Transactions**

There were no significant related party transactions for the current quarter ended 30 September 2016.

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	<b>Current year quarter 30.09.16 RM'000</b>	<b>Preceding year corresponding quarter 30.09.15 RM'000</b>	<b>Current financial period 30.09.16 RM'000</b>	<b>Preceding year corresponding period 30.09.15 RM'000</b>
<b>Revenue</b>	114,080	101,078	114,080	101,078
<b>Profit before taxation</b>	22,047	19,874	22,047	19,874

The Group recorded a revenue of RM114.1 million for the current three (3) months financial period ended 30 September 2016 mainly from the piling and foundation services business segment. Revenue contribution from piling and foundation works from property development projects continue to dominate the Group's revenue, amounting to RM105.2 million or 92.2% and the remaining revenue derived from piling and foundation works from infrastructure and other segments amounting to RM8.9 million or 7.8%.

The Group recorded a profit before tax of RM22.0 million for the current three (3) months financial period ended 30 September 2016, mainly derived from our piling and foundation services being our main revenue stream. Gross profit margin and profit before tax margin stood at 23.7% and 19.3% respectively, for the current financial period ended 30 September 2016.

**B2. Comparison with Preceding Quarter's Results**

	<b>Current quarter ended 30.09.16 RM'000</b>	<b>Preceding quarter ended 30.06.16 RM'000</b>
<b>Revenue</b>	114,080	128,353
<b>Profit before taxation</b>	22,047	25,232

In the current first quarter ended 30 September 2016, the Group recorded a decrease in revenue of RM14.3 million to RM114.1 million from RM128.4 million in the most preceding quarter ended 30 June 2016. This decrease in revenue in the current quarter is due mainly to the few major projects nearing completion coupled with the newly secured project at its initial commencement stage. The piling and foundation works from property development projects and infrastructure projects during the current quarter ended 30 September 2016, amounted to RM105.2 million and RM9.2 million respectively, as compared to RM119.2 million and RM9.2 million respectively, in the preceding quarter ended 30 June 2016.

The decrease in the profit before tax for the current quarter ended 30 September 2016 of RM3.2 million or 12.6% as compared to the preceding quarter ended 30 June 2016 was due to bad debts recovered of approximately RM3.0 million in the last preceding quarter.

**B3. Prospects**

The Directors expect the Group's 2017 performance to be challenging but sustainable on the back of the continued growth expected from the piling and foundation services in the infrastructure segment.

**B4. Profit Forecast or Profit Guarantee**

Not applicable as there was no profit forecast or profit guarantee issued.

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Profit for the current quarter ended 30 September 2016 is stated after charging/(crediting) :-

	<b>Current quarter ended 30.09.16 RM'000</b>
Depreciation of investment properties	11
Depreciation of properties, plant and equipments	5,159
Expenses related to defined benefit plan	113
Finance income	(218)
Finance expense	284

**B6. Taxation**

	<b>Current quarter ended 30.09.16 RM'000</b>
Current tax expense	
- current year	5,602
Deferred tax expense	-
	<u>5,602</u>

The effective tax rate for the current quarter ended 30 September 2016 was higher than the statutory tax rate of 24 percent is primarily due to certain expenses not allowable for tax purposes.

**B7. Status of Corporate Proposal**

There were no pending corporate proposals up to 17 November 2016, being a date not earlier than 7 days from the date of this announcement.

**B8. Investment in Quoted Securities**

There were no purchases or disposals of quoted securities during the current quarter ended 30 September 2016.

**B9. Sale of Unquoted Investments and/or Properties**

There were no sale of unquoted investment and/or properties during the current quarter ended 30 September 2016, save for the disposal of a unit of freehold semi-detached villa in Seksyen U1, Shah Alam, Selangor and a unit of leasehold terrace house in Section 12, Bandar Puncak Alam, Selangor for a cash consideration of RM4,450,000.00 and RM240,000.00, respectively.

**B10. Group Borrowings and Debt Securities**

The Group's borrowings as at 30 September 2016 are as follows:

	<b>Short Term RM'000</b>	<b>Long Term RM'000</b>	<b>Total RM'000</b>
<b><u>Secured</u></b>			
Bankers acceptances	18,467	-	18,467
Finance lease liabilities	3,422	1,154	4,576
Term loans	107	2,595	2,702
	<u>21,996</u>	<u>3,749</u>	<u>25,745</u>

All borrowings of the Group are denominated in Ringgit Malaysia.

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	As at <b>30.09.16</b> RM'000	As at <b>30.06.16</b> RM'000
Total retained earnings of the Company and its subsidiaries		
- realised	219,375	202,945
- unrealised	(4,679)	(4,694)
Total retained earnings as per consolidated accounts	<u>214,696</u>	<u>198,251</u>

**B12. Off Balance Sheet Financial Instruments**

Save for below, there were no financial instruments with off balance sheet risks as at 17 November 2016, being a date not earlier than 7 days from the date of this announcement.

	As at <b>17.11.16</b> RM'000	As at <b>30.06.16</b> RM'000
Group		
Performance guarantees given to contract customers and suppliers in relation to construction contracts	<u>133,189</u>	<u>29,324</u>

**B13. Material Litigation**

In June 2015, a subsidiary of the Group, Econpile (M) Sdn Bhd ("EMS B") filed a litigation against a customer for default in payment and wrongful termination, and therefore served a Notice of Adjudication in accordance with the Construction Industry Payment and Adjudication Act 2012 against the customer. In September 2015, the customer served a Notice of Demand on the subsidiary for alleged liquidated and ascertained damages and loss of profit resulting from the non-performance of the contract, and thereafter served the subsidiary a Notice of Arbitration.

On 15 July 2016, the Company announced that EMS B had on 11 July 2016, received a sum of RM2,033,225.03 being the judgement sum together with interest and costs awarded to EMS B in relation to the adjudication decision on 30 October 2015.

Save for the above, the Group does not have any material litigation as at 17 November 2016, being a date not earlier than 7 days from the date of this announcement.

**B14. Dividend**

The Board of Directors has approved and declared a single tier interim dividend of 1.5 sen per ordinary share, amounting to RM8,025,000.15 which is to be paid on 21 December 2016.

**B15. Earnings Per Share**

The earnings per share for the current quarter ended 30 September 2016 is computed as follows:-

	Current quarter ended <b>30.06.16</b> RM'000
Profit for the quarter, attributable to owners of the parent	<u>16,445</u>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares of RM0.20 each in issue	<u>535,000</u>
Basic Earnings Per Share (sen)	<u>3.07</u>

There is no diluted earnings per share as the Company does not have any convertible financial instruments as at the end of the quarter ended 30 September 2016.