



LEADER STEEL HOLDINGS BERHAD
(Registration No. 199301012471 (267209-K))
(Incorporated in Malaysia)

**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	NOTE	CURRENT 3 MONTHS ENDED 31 DEC			CUMULATIVE 12 MONTHS ENDED 31 DEC		
		2023	2022	Changes (%)	2023	2022	Changes (%)
		RM'000 (Unaudited)	RM'000 (Audited)		RM'000 (Unaudited)	RM'000 (Audited)	
Continuing operations							
Revenue		55,542	53,096	5	192,257	221,789	-13
Cost of sales		<u>(49,522)</u>	<u>(54,787)</u>		<u>(170,262)</u>	<u>(204,129)</u>	
Gross profit/(loss)		6,020	(1,691)	<i>456</i>	21,995	17,660	<i>25</i>
Other income		16,096	7,802		20,631	9,182	
Distribution expenses		(1,047)	(797)		(3,453)	(2,767)	
Administrative expenses		(5,583)	(3,888)		(14,934)	(12,973)	
Finance costs		<u>(688)</u>	<u>(469)</u>		<u>(2,636)</u>	<u>(2,027)</u>	
Profit before tax	A7	14,798	957	<i>1446</i>	21,603	9,075	<i>138</i>
Taxation	B5	<u>(281)</u>	<u>(368)</u>		<u>(2,628)</u>	<u>(2,585)</u>	
Net profit from continuing operations		14,517	589		18,975	6,490	
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME, NET OF TAX							
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:-							
- Gross revaluation increase of properties		144,008	0		144,008	0	
- Deferred tax relating to revalued properties		<u>(16,291)</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>(16,291)</u>	<u>0</u>	
Other comprehensive income for the financial period		127,717	0		127,717	0	
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR, REPRESENTING TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		142,234	589	<i>24038</i>	146,692	6,490	<i>2160</i>
Net profit for the financial year attributable to:-							
Equity holders of the company		14,519	591		18,982	6,496	
Non-controlling interests		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>		<u>(7)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	
NET PROFIT		14,517	589		18,975	6,490	
Total comprehensive income for the financial year attributable to:-							
Equity holders of the company		142,236	591		146,699	6,496	
Non-controlling interests		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>		<u>(7)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		142,234	589		146,692	6,490	
Basic earnings per share (sen)	B11(a)	<u>9.75</u>	<u>0.44</u>		<u>13.74</u>	<u>4.83</u>	
Diluted earnings per ordinary share (sen)	B11(b)	<u>9.35</u>	<u>0.44</u>		<u>13.13</u>	<u>4.83</u>	

The condensed consolidated statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.



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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	NOTE	31 DEC 2023 RM'000 (Unaudited)	31 DEC 2022 RM'000 (Audited)
ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment		278,951	106,027
Investment properties		52,000	30,945
Right-of-use assets		38,369	24,328
Goodwill		58	58
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		369,378	161,358
Inventories		46,754	34,430
Receivables, deposits and prepayments		43,182	58,764
Current tax assets		466	911
Cash and bank balances		5,959	30,622
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		96,361	124,727
TOTAL ASSETS		465,739	286,085
EQUITY			
Share capital		74,654	67,218
Treasury shares		(2,210)	(2,210)
Reserves		271,194	125,360
TOTAL EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY		343,638	190,368
Non-controlling interests		44	51
TOTAL EQUITY		343,682	190,419
LIABILITIES			
Borrowings	B9	0	280
Lease liabilities		113	729
Deferred tax liabilities		33,334	15,576
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		33,447	16,585
Trade, other payables and accruals		18,738	16,626
Borrowings	B9	68,777	61,404
Lease liabilities		632	1,046
Current tax liabilities		463	5
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		88,610	79,081
TOTAL LIABILITIES		122,057	95,666
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		465,739	286,085
Net Assets Per Share (Sen)		214	136

The condensed consolidated statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.



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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	31 DEC 2023	31 DEC 2022
	RM'000	RM'000
Profit before tax	21,603	9,075
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of:		
- property, plant and equipment	4,192	4,489
- right-of-use assets	1,204	1,076
Impairment losses on trade and other receivables	951	1
Employees' share options expenses	1,153	0
Interest expenses	2,636	2,027
Reversal of impairment losses on trade and other receivables	(2)	(2,742)
Unrealised (gain)/loss on foreign exchange	(524)	644
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	0	(458)
Gain on fair value adjustment on investment properties	(14,885)	0
Revaluation deficit of property, plant and equipment	614	0
Operating profit before working capital changes	16,942	14,112
Changes in:-		
Inventories	(12,323)	48,831
Receivables, deposits and prepayments	(33,917)	9,096
Trade, other payables and accruals	1,883	(3,186)
Cash (used in)/ generated from operations	(27,415)	68,853
Tax paid	(2,629)	(5,311)
Interest paid	(2,636)	(1,971)
Net cash (used in)/ from operating activities	(32,680)	61,571
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	0	599
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(4,241)	(9,813)
Purchase of right-of-use assets	0	(343)
Net cash used in investing activities	(4,241)	(9,557)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Net increase/(decrease) in short-term loans and borrowings	7,628	(25,333)
Dividends paid	(2,018)	(2,018)
Payments of lease liabilities	(1,052)	(1,010)
Proceeds from issuance of share	7,436	0
Repayments of term loans	(480)	(480)
Net cash from/(used in) financing activities	11,514	(28,841)
Currency translation differences	799	(795)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(24,608)	22,378
Cash and cash equivalents brought forward	30,567	8,189
Cash and cash equivalents carried forward	5,959	30,567
<u>Cash and cash equivalents carried forward</u>		
Cash and cash equivalents	5,959	30,622
Bank overdrafts	0	(55)
	5,959	30,567



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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Attributable to equity holders of the Company

	Share Capital RM'000	Revaluation Surplus RM'000	Employee share option reserve RM'000	Treasury Shares RM'000	Retained Earnings RM'000	Equity attributable to owners of the Company RM'000	Non- Controlling Interests RM'000	Total Equity RM'000
Balance as at 1 January 2023	67,218	68,882	0	(2,210)	56,478	190,368	51	190,419
Profit/(Loss) for the financial year	0	0	0	0	18,982	18,982	(7)	18,975
Gross revaluation increase of properties	0	144,008	0	0	0	144,008	0	144,008
Deferred tax relating to revalued properties	0	(16,291)	0	0	0	(16,291)	0	(16,291)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	0	127,717	0	0	18,982	146,699	(7)	146,692
Transactions with owners								
Issuance of ordinary shares	7,436	0	0	0	0	7,436	0	7,436
Dividends paid	0	0	0	0	(2,018)	(2,018)	0	(2,018)
Employees' share options expenses	0	0	1,153	0	0	1,153	0	1,153
Total transactions with owners	7,436	0	1,153	0	(2,018)	6,571	0	6,571
Balance as at 31 December 2023	74,654	196,599	1,153	(2,210)	73,442	343,638	44	343,682

Attributable to equity holders of the Company

	Share Capital RM'000	Revaluation Surplus RM'000	Employee share option reserve RM'000	Treasury Shares RM'000	Retained Earnings RM'000	Equity attributable to owners of the Company RM'000	Non- Controlling Interests RM'000	Total Equity RM'000
Balance as at 1 January 2022	67,218	68,882	0	(2,210)	52,000	185,890	57	185,947
Profit/(Loss) for the financial year	0	0	0	0	6,496	6,496	(6)	6,490
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	0	0	0	0	6,496	6,496	(6)	6,490
Transactions with owners								
Dividends paid	0	0	0	0	(2,018)	(2,018)	0	(2,018)
Purchase of treasury shares	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total transactions with owners	0	0	0	0	(2,018)	(2,018)	0	(2,018)
Balance as at 31 December 2022	67,218	68,882	0	(2,210)	56,478	190,368	51	190,419

The condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

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A. NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT

A1. Basis of Preparation

The interim financial report is unaudited and has been prepared in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards 134 (MFRS134): “Interim Financial Reporting” and Paragraph 9.22 of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad. The interim financial statements also comply with IAS 34, Interim Financial Reporting issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

The interim financial report should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022.

The accounting policies and methods of computation adopted for the interim financial statements are consistent with those adopted for the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2022.

Adoption of Standards, Amendments and Issues Committee (“IC”) Interpretations and changes in accounting policies

During the financial period, the Group has adopted the following Standards, Amendments and IC Interpretations:

MFRS 17 Insurance Contracts

Amendments to MFRS 17 Initial Application of MFRS 17 and MFRS 9 - Comparative Information

Amendments to MFRS 101 Disclosure of Accounting Policies

Amendments to MFRS 108 Definition of Accounting Estimates

Amendments to MFRS 112 Deferred tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction

Adoption of the above Standards did not have any material effect on the financial performance or position of the Group.

Standards issued but not yet effective

The following are Standards of the MFRS Framework that have been issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board (“MASB”) but have not been earlier adopted by the Group:

Title	Effective Date
<i>Amendments to MFRS 16 Lease – Lease liability in a Sale and Leaseback</i>	1 January 2024
<i>Amendments to MFRS 101 Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current</i>	1 January 2024
<i>Amendments to MFRS 101 Non-current Liabilities with Covenants</i>	1 January 2024
<i>Amendments to MFRS 107 and MFRS 7 Supplier Finance Arrangements</i>	1 January 2024
<i>Amendments to MFRS 112 International Tax Reform - Pillar Two Model Rules</i>	See MFRS 112 paragraph 98M
<i>Amendments to MFRS 121 Lack of Exchangeability</i>	1 January 2025
<i>Amendments to MFRS 10 and MFRS 128 Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture</i>	Deferred

The Group is in the process of assessing the impact of implementing these Standards, since the effects would only be observable for future financial periods.

A2. Seasonal or Cyclical Factors

The business of the Group was not affected by any significant seasonal or cyclical factors.

A3. Unusual Items

There were no items of unusual nature, size or incidence which affect assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows during the current quarter under review.

A4. Changes in Accounting Estimates

There were no changes in accounting estimates of amounts reported in prior year that have a material effect in the current quarter under review.

A5. Debts and Equity or Securities

There were no issuance, cancellations, resale and repayment of debt and equity securities for the current quarter and period under review, other than as disclosed below:

- (a) 6,407,300 options granted to the eligible employees at an option price of RM0.4510 in accordance with the By-Laws of the ESOS on 31 May 2023 and 7 June 2023;
- (b) 20,000,000 new ordinary shares were under Private Placement on 27 October 2023.

A6. Dividend

A first single-tier interim dividend of 1.5 sen per ordinary share amounting to RM2,017,988 was paid on 8 August 2023 in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2023.

No dividend has been paid or proposed for the current quarter ended 31 December 2023.

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A7. Profit for the Period

Current Quarter Ended		Cumulative Period Ended	
31-Dec 2023	31-Dec 2022	31-Dec 2023	31-Dec 2022
RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000

Profit before tax is arrived at after charging

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	1,057	1,207	4,192	4,489
Depreciation of investment property	(185)	352	0	0
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	349	0	1,204	1,076
Reversal of impairment losses on trade and other receivables	(2)	(2,742)	(2)	(2,742)
Impairment losses on trade and other receivables	951	1	951	1
Interest expense	688	469	2,636	2,027
Foreign exchange (gain)/loss	(63)	(571)	344	(1,017)
Unrealised foreign exchange loss/(gain)	77	867	(524)	644
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	0	(105)	0	(458)
Gain on fair value adjustment on investment properties, net of tax	(14,885)	0	(14,885)	0
Revaluation deficit of property, plant and equipment	614	0	614	0

A8. Segment Information

Segmental reporting for the financial year is as below:

Year ended	Manufacturing & Trading of Steel Products ("Steel Segment")	Trading & Processing of Minerals ("Mineral Segment")	Eliminations	Consolidated
31 December 2023	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Revenue				
- External	176,471	15,786	0	192,257
Total Revenue	176,471	15,786	0	192,257
Results				
Operating profit	35,902	227	(6,494)	29,635
Depreciation of				
- property, plant and equipment	(3,993)	(199)	0	(4,192)
- right-of-use assets	(1,602)	(86)	484	(1,204)
Finance cost	(2,596)	(391)	351	(2,636)
Tax expenses	(2,410)	(218)	0	(2,628)
Segment profit/(loss)	25,301	(667)	(5,659)	18,975

A8. Segment Information (Cont'd)

Segmental reporting for the financial year is as below:

Year ended	Manufacturing & Trading of Steel Products ("Steel Segment")	Trading & Processing of Minerals ("Mineral Segment")	Eliminations	Consolidated
31 December 2022	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Revenue				
- External	182,039	39,750	0	221,789
Total Revenue	182,039	39,750	0	221,789
Results				
Operating profit	20,126	3,190	(6,649)	16,667
Depreciation of - property, plant and equipment	(4,303)	(186)	0	(4,489)
- right-of-use assets	(1,483)	(77)	484	(1,076)
Finance cost	(2,025)	(246)	244	(2,027)
Tax expenses	(2,302)	(283)	0	(2,585)
Segment profit	10,013	2,398	(5,921)	6,490

A9. Events after the Interim Period

On 10 January 2024, the Company announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Ferronet Asia Sdn. Bhd. had, on 10 January 2024, received and accepted a Notis Award dan Tawaran Pampasan ("Borang H") from the Pentadbir Tanah Klang invoking compulsory acquisition under Land Acquisition Act, 1960 ("Act 486") to acquire approximately 28,903 square meter in area of land forming part of H.S.(D) 166444, No. PT85119 Mukim Kapar, Daerah Klang, Negeri Selangor for a cash consideration of RM42,558,626.99.

A10. Changes in the Composition of the Group

There were no changes in the composition of the Group during the financial year.

A11. Capital Commitment

	As at 31.12.2023 RM'000	As at 31.12.2022 RM'000
Capital expenditure in respect of purchase of property, plant and equipment: Contracted but not provided for	<u>10,485</u>	<u>6,304</u>

A12. Changes in Contingent Liabilities

	As at 31.12.2023 RM'000	As at 31.12.2022 RM'000
Unsecured		
Corporate guarantees given to banks for credit facilities granted to		
- subsidiaries	<u>212,270</u>	<u>171,470</u>
Amount utilised		
- subsidiaries	<u>68,777</u>	<u>61,684</u>

A13. Related Party Transactions

Companies in which certain directors are deemed to have substantial financial interests	12 months ended 31 Dec 2023
Eonmetall Group Berhad and its subsidiaries	RM'000
Sales of goods	2,106
Purchases of goods	69
Rental income	3,211

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B. EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO APPENDIX 9B OF THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS OF BURSA MALAYSIA SECURITIES BERHAD

B1. Current quarter compared to the corresponding quarter of last year

For the Quarter

The Group recorded a revenue of RM55.54 million for the current quarter under review, compared to RM53.10 million for the corresponding quarter of the preceding year, representing an increase of RM2.44 million or 4.60%. The increase in revenue was mainly due to the higher sales generated from the Steel Segment.

The Steel Segment recorded a revenue of RM52.81 million for the current quarter, up from RM42.28 million for the corresponding quarter of the preceding year, marking an increase of RM10.53 million or 24.91%. The increase in revenue was driven by higher demand, despite a drop in the average selling price.

In the Minerals Segment, revenue for the current quarter amounted to RM2.73 million, compared to the RM10.82 million recorded in the corresponding quarter of the preceding year, representing a decrease of RM8.09 million or 74.77%. This decrease in revenue was mainly due to timing of shipment.

The Group's profit before tax for the current quarter was RM14.80 million, compared to a profit before tax of RM0.96 million in the corresponding quarter of the preceding year, representing an increase of RM13.84 million or 1441.67%. This increase in profit before taxation was primarily attributed to a gain on fair value adjustment on investment properties amounted to RM14.89 million, offset by lower rental income, revaluation deficit of property and changes in the impairment losses on receivables during the current quarter.

For year to date

The Group recorded a revenue of RM192.26 million for the financial year ended 31.12.2023, compared to RM221.79 million for the previous financial year, representing a decrease of RM29.53 million or 13.31%. The decrease in revenue was mainly due to the drop in the selling price of Steel Segment product and reduced export quantity in the Mineral Segment.

The Group recorded a profit before tax of RM21.60 million for the financial year ended 31.12.2023, compared to a profit before tax of RM9.08 million for the previous financial year, representing an increase of RM12.52 million or 137.89%. The increase in profit before taxation was primarily attributed to improved gross profit margin and gain on fair value adjustment on investment properties, offset by one-off expenses related to employees' share options granted during the year, revaluation deficit of property and changes in the impairment losses on receivables.

B2. Current quarter compared to the preceding quarter

	Current Quarter	Immediate Preceding Quarter	Changes
	31/12/2023	30/09/2023	
	RM'000	RM'000	(%)
Revenue	55,542	42,676	30.15
Gross Profit	6,020	4,246	41.78
Profit Before Tax	14,798	1,465	910.10

B2. Current quarter compared to the preceding quarter (Continued)

The Group reported a revenue of RM55.54 million, compared to RM42.68 million in the preceding quarter, representing an increase of RM12.86 million or 30.13%. This growth was primarily driven by higher sales generated by both Steel and Mineral Segments.

The Steel Segment recorded a revenue of RM52.81 million for the current quarter, compared to RM42.68 million for the preceding quarter, indicating an increase of RM10.13 million or 23.73%. The increase in revenue was mainly due to an increase in sales quantity during the current quarter.

In the Minerals Segment, revenue amounted to RM2.73 million in the current quarter, compared to nil in the previous quarter. The increase in revenue was mainly due to the resolution of a supply chain issue during the current quarter.

The Group reported a profit before tax of RM14.80 million in the current quarter, compared to RM1.47 million in the preceding quarter. This increase is primarily attributed to better gross profit margin and gain on fair value adjustment on investment properties amounted to RM14.89 million, offset by increased employee benefits and directors' remuneration due to accrued bonuses, higher professional fees related to loan documentation fee, revaluation deficit of property and impairment losses on receivables.

B3. Prospects

The Board is aware of the continuing challenges faced by the Group including rising interest rates and volatility in international steel prices.

Against the above backdrop, the Group will continue to exercise caution to manage these challenges and vie to maintain a positive performance for the financial year 2024.

B4. Profit Forecast

Not applicable as no profit forecast was issued.

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B5. Tax expenses

	Current Quarter		Cumulative Period	
	3 months ended 31 Dec		12 months ended 31 Dec	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
- Current tax	(1,187)	122	(3,534)	(2,298)
- Prior year tax	2	0	2	203
- Deferred tax	904	(490)	904	(490)
Total tax expenses	(281)	(368)	(2,628)	(2,585)

Income tax is calculated at the Malaysia statutory tax rate of 24%.

B6. Audit Report

The audited report of the preceding annual financial statements ended 31 December 2022 was not subject to any qualification.

B7. Status of Corporate Proposal Announced

Save as disclosed below, there was no corporate proposal announced and not completed as at the date of this announcement: -

- (a) On 15 April 2022, the Company announced to undertake the Proposed Private Placement and Proposed Employees' Share Option Scheme ("ESOS") (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Proposals"). Subsequently, on 5 May 2022, the Company announced that Bursa Securities has approved the listing and quotation of:
 - (i) up to 40,359,700 new Shares to be issued pursuant to the Proposed Private Placement; and
 - (ii) such number of additional new Shares, representing up to 15% of the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares) to be issued pursuant to the Proposed ESOS.
- (b) The Proposals were approved by the shareholders at an extraordinary general meeting ("EGM") held on 30 May 2022.
- (c) On 26 August 2022, the Company announced the implementation of the Proposed ESOS following compliance with all relevant requirements.
- (d) On 29 September 2022, the Board announced that the Company has submitted an application to Bursa Securities for an extension of time to complete the implementation of the Proposed Private Placement and approval was granted on 6 October 2022 for extension of time of up to 28 April 2023.
- (e) On 3 April 2023, the shareholders had, at an EGM, approved the waiver of pre-emptive rights for the Company to implement the Proposed Private Placement and Proposed ESOS.

B7. Status of Corporate Proposal Announced (Cont'd)

- (f) On 13 April 2023, the Board announced that an application has been submitted to Bursa Securities to seek its approval for an extension of time of 6 months for the Company to complete the implementation of the Private Placement. The approval was granted on 19 May 2023 for extension of time up to 28 October 2023.
- (g) A total of 6,509,700 ESOS options under the ESOS Scheme was offered to eligible directors and employees at RM0.4510 on 31 May 2023 and 7 June 2023.
- (h) On 20 October 2023, the Company announced that the issue price for the Placement Shares has been fixed at RM0.3718 per Placement Share, representing a discount of 19.99% to the five (5)-day VWAMP of LSH Shares up to and including 19 October 2023, being the last trading day immediately before the date of fixing the Issue Price, of RM0.4647 per LSH Share.
- (i) On 27 October 2023, the Company announced the listing and quotation of 20,000,000 new ordinary shares for RM0.3718 per share concurrent with the conclusion of a private placement exercise. The Company has decided not to place out the remaining 20,359,700 Placement Shares under the Private Placement. The Company raised total proceeds of approximately RM7.44 million from the Private Placement.
- (j) On 10 January 2024, the Company announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Ferronet Asia Sdn. Bhd. had, on 10 January 2024, received and accepted a Notis Award dan Tawaran Pampasan (“Borang H”) from the Pentadbir Tanah Klang invoking compulsory acquisition under Land Acquisition Act, 1960 (“Act 486”) to acquire approximately 28,903 square meter in area of land forming part of H.S.(D) 166444, No. PT85119 Mukim Kapar, Daerah Klang, Negeri Selangor for a cash consideration of RM42,558,626.99.

B8. Status of utilisation of proceeds raised from corporate proposal

As at 31 December 2023, the status of utilisation of proceeds raised pursuant to the Private Placement is as follows:-

Details of Utilisation	Proposed Utilisation RM'000	Actual Utilisation RM'000	Balance Unutilised RM'000	Intended Timeframe for Utilisation*
Working capital	7,086	7,086	-	Within 12 months
Estimated expenses in relation to the Proposed Private Placement	350	350	-	Immediate
	<u>7,436</u>	<u>7,436</u>	<u>-</u>	

B9. Borrowings

	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22
	RM'000	RM'000
Current		
<i>Secured</i>		
Bank overdraft	0	55
Bankers' acceptances	63,593	55,938
Revolving credit	4,904	4,931
Term loans	280	480
	<u>68,777</u>	<u>61,404</u>
Non-current		
<i>Secured</i>		
Term loans	0	280
	<u>0</u>	<u>280</u>

Borrowings are subject to floating interest rate.

B10. Changes in Material Litigation

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

B11. Earnings per Share ("EPS")**(a) Basic EPS**

	Current Quarter		Cumulative Period	
	Ended 31-Dec		Ended 31-Dec	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Net earnings attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company (RM'000)	14,519	591	18,982	6,496
Weighted average number of ordinary shares ('000)	148,880	134,533	138,149	134,533
Basic EPS (sen)	9.75	0.44	13.74	4.83

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B11. Earnings per Share (“EPS”) (Cont’d)**(b) Diluted EPS**

	Current Quarter Ended 31-Dec		Cumulative Period Ended 31-Dec	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Net earnings attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company (RM’000)	14,519	591	18,982	6,496
Weighted average number of ordinary shares (’000)	148,880	134,533	138,149	134,533
Adjustment for dilutive effect of ESOS (’000)	6,407	0	6,407	0
	155,287	134,533	144,556	134,533
Diluted EPS (sen)	9.35	0.44	13.13	4.83

By the order of the Board

Datin Tan Pak Say
Managing Director
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26 February 2024