## LIAN BENG GROUP LTD

## Third Quarter And Nine-Month Financial Statement And Dividend Announcement

Third Quarter And Nine-Month financial statements on consolidated results for the period ended 28 February 2015.
These figures have not been audited.

## PART I INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS OF QUARTERLY (Q1, Q2 \& Q3), HALF-YEAR AND FULL YEAR

 RESULTS.1(a)(i) An income statement and statement of comprehensive income, or a statement of Comprehensive income for the group, together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

|  | The Group |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Third Quarter Ended |  | \% Increase <br> /(Decrease) | Nine Months Ended |  | \% Increase <br> /(Decrease) |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \hline 28.2 .2015 \\ \text { S\$'000 } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { 28.2.2014 } \\ \text { S\$'000 } \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { 28.2.2015 } \\ \text { S\$'000 } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 28.2.2014 } \\ \text { S\$'000 } \end{gathered}$ |  |
|  |  | Restated |  |  | Restated |  |
| Revenue | 202,276 | 244,516 | -17.3\% | 569,887 | 536,154 | 6.3\% |
| Cost of sales | $(179,153)$ | $(174,707)$ | 2.5\% | $(513,152)$ | $(432,667)$ | 18.6\% |
| Gross profit | 23,123 | 69,809 | -66.9\% | 56,735 | 103,487 | -45.2\% |
| Other operating income | 2,584 | 1,818 | 42.1\% | 7,991 | 5,275 | 51.5\% |
| Distribution expenses | $(1,634)$ | (104) | 1471.2\% | $(1,876)$ | (392) | 378.6\% |
| Administrative expenses | $(7,556)$ | $(9,437)$ | -19.9\% | $(19,086)$ | $(18,294)$ | 4.3\% |
| Other operating expenses | $(2,335)$ | $(2,291)$ | 1.9\% | $(7,172)$ | $(5,216)$ | 37.5\% |
| Finance costs | $(1,338)$ | (867) | 54.3\% | $(4,011)$ | $(1,936)$ | 107.2\% |
| Share of results of associates | 4,368 | 110 | 3870.9\% | 17,484 | $(2,486)$ | *nm |
| Share of results of joint ventures | 3,838 | 2,153 | 78.3\% | 12,178 | 3,785 | 221.7\% |
| Profit before taxation | 21,050 | 61,191 | -65.6\% | 62,243 | 84,223 | -26.1\% |
| Taxation | $(1,670)$ | $(8,618)$ | -80.6\% | $(4,307)$ | $(12,013)$ | -64.1\% |
| Profit for the period | 19,380 | 52,573 | -63.1\% | 57,936 | 72,210 | -19.8\% |
| Other comprehensive income : Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Foreign currency translation (loss) / gain | (15) | 8 | *nm | (17) | 4 | *nm |
| Net gain / (loss) on fair value changes of available-for- sale financial assets <br> Note A | 344 | (92) | *nm | $(6,928)$ | 64 | *nm |
| Other comprehensive income / (loss) for the period, net of tax | 329 | (84) | *nm | $(6,945)$ | 68 | *nm |
| Total comprehensive income for the period | 19,709 | 52,489 | -62.5\% | 50,991 | 72,278 | -29.5\% |
| Profit attributable to : |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Owners of the Company | 18,378 | 33,650 | -45.4\% | 53,869 | 50,947 | 5.7\% |
| Non-controlling interests | 1,002 | 18,923 | -94.7\% | 4,067 | 21,263 | -80.9\% |
|  | 19,380 | 52,573 | -63.1\% | 57,936 | 72,210 | -19.8\% |
| Total comprehensive income attributable to: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Owners of the Company | 18,707 | 33,566 | -44.3\% | 46,924 | 51,015 | -8.0\% |
| Non-controlling interests | 1,002 | 18,923 | -94.7\% | 4,067 | 21,263 | -80.9\% |
|  | 19,709 | 52,489 | -62.5\% | 50,991 | 72,278 | -29.5\% |

## Note :

A) Net loss on fair value changes of available-for-sale financial assets of $\$ 6.9$ million in 9 M 15 was mainly due to the unrealised loss arising from the valuation of 38 million quoted ordinary shares of Centurion Corporation Limited ("CCL").

1(a)(ii) The following items (with appropriate breakdowns and explanations), if significant, must either be included in the income statement or in the notes to the income statement for the current financial period reported on and the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

|  | The Group |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Third Quarter Ended |  | \% Increase <br> /(Decrease) | Nine Months Ended |  | \% Increase <br> /(Decrease) |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 28.2 .2015 \\ \mathrm{~S} \$ \mathbf{\prime} 000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 28.2 .2014 \\ \mathrm{~S} \$ \mathbf{\prime} 000 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} 28.2 .2015 \\ \mathrm{~S} \$ \mathbf{\prime} 000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 28.2 .2014 \\ \mathrm{~S} \$ \mathbf{\prime} 000 \end{gathered}$ |  |
|  |  | Restated |  |  | Restated |  |
| Other income including interest income Note 1 | 2,463 | 1,570 | 56.9\% | 6,564 | 4,369 | 50.2\% |
| Gain on disposal of property, plant \& equipment | 67 | 74 | -9.5\% | 1,049 | 463 | 126.6\% |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment Note 2 | $(4,049)$ | $(3,220)$ | 25.7\% | $(11,664)$ | $(8,818)$ | 32.3\% |
| Foreign exchange (loss) / gain | 17 | (6) | -383.3\% | (19) | (6) | 216.7\% |
| Dividend income from investment securities Note 3 | 4 | 4 | 0.0\% | 204 | 19 | 973.7\% |
| Allowance for doubtful debt \& bad debt written off | (321) | (458) | -29.9\% | (627) | (462) | 35.7\% |

* Not Meaningful


## Explanatory notes:

The increase in other income and interest income by $\$ 2.2 \mathrm{~m}$ from $\$ 4.4 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 14 to $\$ 6.6 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 was mainly due to the increase in corporate bond interest received.

The increase in depreciation of property, plant and equipment by $\$ 2.9 \mathrm{~m}$ from $\$ 8.8 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 14 to $\$ 11.7 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 was mainly due to the addition of plant and equipment as well as purchases of vessels.

The increase in dividend income by $\$ 0.18 \mathrm{~m}$ from $\$ 0.019$ million in 9 M 14 to $\$ 0.2$ million in 9 M 15 mainly arose from the Group's investment securities in CCL.

1(b)(i) A statement of financial position (for the issuer and group), together with a comparative statement as at the end of the immediately preceding financial year.


1(b)(ii) Aggregate amount of group's borrowings and debt securities.

## Amount repayable in one year or less, or on demand

As at 28 February 2015

| Secured (S\$) | Unsecured (S\$) |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| $65,643,000$ |  |  |

## As at 31 May 2014

| Secured (S\$) | Unsecured (S\$) |
| :---: | :---: |
| $56,331,000$ |  |

## Amount repayable after one year

As at 28 February 2015

| Secured (S\$) | Unsecured (S\$) |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| $173,313,000$ |  | - |

As at 31 May 2014

| Secured (S\$) | Unsecured (S\$) |
| :---: | :--- |
| $134,157,000$ |  |

## Details of any collateral

As at 28 February 2015, the Group's borrowings of $\$ 239.0$ million ( 31 May $2014: \$ 190.5$ million) are secured by the Group's freehold and leasehold properties, development properties, investment properties, barges, tug boats, plant, machinery and motor vehicles and investment securities. The bank facilities of the subsidiary companies are also secured by corporate guarantees from the Company.

1(c) A statement of cash flows (for the group), together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

|  | The Group |  | The Group |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Third Quarter ended |  | 9 Months ended |  |
|  | 28-Feb-15 | 28-Feb-14 | 28-Feb-15 | 28-Feb-14 |
|  |  | Restated |  | Restated |
| Cash flows from operating activities | S\$'000 | S\$'000 | S\$'000 | S\$'000 |
| Profit before tax | 21,050 | 61,191 | 62,243 | 84,223 |
| Adjustments for:- |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment | 4,049 | 3,220 | 11,664 | 8,818 |
| Dividend income from investment securities | (4) | (4) | (204) | (19) |
| Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment | (67) | (74) | $(1,049)$ | (463) |
| Net fair value (gain) / loss on investment securities | - | (1) | 3 | (1) |
| Gain on disposal of investment securities | - | - | (23) | (154) |
| Gain on bargain purchase | - | (119) | - | (119) |
| Interest income | $(1,670)$ | $(1,312)$ | $(4,627)$ | $(3,418)$ |
| Interest expense | 1,338 | 867 | 4,011 | 1,936 |
| Unrealised exchange differences | (13) | 8 | (13) | 10 |
| Asset written off | - | 1 | - | 5 |
| Allowance for bad debts | 321 | 452 | 321 | 452 |
| Bad debt written off | - | 6 | 306 | 10 |
| Share of results of associates and joint ventures | $(8,206)$ | $(2,263)$ | $(29,662)$ | $(1,299)$ |
| Operating cash flows before changes in working capital | 16,798 | 61,972 | 42,970 | 89,981 |
| Changes in working capital :- |  |  |  |  |
| Development properties | $(6,063)$ | $(2,795)$ | $(2,897)$ | $(17,685)$ |
| Construction work-in-progress | 9,258 | $(12,389)$ | 45,008 | $(9,655)$ |
| Inventories | 2,285 | $(2,012)$ | 1,122 | $(3,993)$ |
| Trade receivables | $(7,191)$ | $(11,407)$ | $(35,495)$ | 1,602 |
| Other receivables and deposits | 4,047 | $(3,240)$ | 9,562 | $(14,324)$ |
| Prepayments | 245 | (440) | 185 | (48) |
| Property held for sale | - | - | - | 421 |
| Trade payables, other payables, accruals and bills payable | $(2,123)$ | $(9,382)$ | 21,858 | 7,898 |
| Balances with related parties | $(3,701)$ | $(11,763)$ | $(15,261)$ | $(31,352)$ |
|  | $(3,243)$ | (53,428) | 24,082 | (67,136) |
| Cash flows from operations | 13,555 | 8,544 | 67,052 | 22,845 |
| Interest paid capitalised in development properties | (82) | (121) | (225) | (468) |
| Income tax paid | $(6,899)$ | $(1,933)$ | $(14,170)$ | $(6,870)$ |
| Net cash flows from operating activities | 6,574 | 6,490 | 52,657 | 15,507 |
| Cash flows from investing activities |  |  |  |  |
| Interest received | 1,126 | 630 | 4,012 | 2,560 |
| Dividend income from investment securities | 4 | 4 | 204 | 19 |
| Dividend income from an associate | - | - | 9,880 | - |
| Additional investment in investment securities | $(4,004)$ | $(5,512)$ | $(7,758)$ | $(68,228)$ |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment | $(2,505)$ | $(3,809)$ | $(16,081)$ | $(11,069)$ |
| Purchase of investment properties | (222) | $(1,515)$ | $(51,834)$ | $(10,636)$ |
| Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment | 72 | 195 | 1,142 | 628 |
| Net cash outflow on acquisition of a subsidiary | - | $(3,705)$ | - | $(3,705)$ |
| (Loan to) / repayment of loan by associates | $(14,191)$ | $(2,804)$ | $(25,522)$ | 12,528 |
| Investment in associates | (980) |  | (982) | $(1,200)$ |
| Repayment by joint ventures | 180 | 6,145 | 24,089 | 20,267 |
| Proceeds from disposal of investment securities | - | - | 1,024 | 7,772 |
| Net cash flows used in investing activities | $(20,520)$ | $(10,371)$ | $(61,826)$ | $(51,064)$ |
| Cash flows from financing activities |  |  |  |  |
| Interest paid | $(1,338)$ | (867) | $(4,011)$ | $(1,936)$ |
| Proceeds from bank loans and bills payable | 1,413 | 3,466 | 46,346 | 66,974 |
| Repayment of hire purchase creditors | $(2,174)$ | $(1,370)$ | $(3,968)$ | $(3,735)$ |
| Repayment of bank loans | (839) | $(21,299)$ | $(1,440)$ | $(21,909)$ |
| Dividend paid on ordinary shares | $(5,101)$ | - | $(17,021)$ | $(6,622)$ |
| Purchase of treasury shares | (675) | - | $(12,647)$ | - |
| Dividend paid to a non-controlling shareholder of a subsidiary | - | - | $(4,500)$ | (300) |
| Loan from the minority shareholder of subsidiary companies | 9,384 | 174 | 11,784 | 2,391 |
| Capital contribution from a non-controlling shareholder | - | - | - | 350 |
| Net cash flows from / (used in) financing activities | 670 | $(19,896)$ | 14,543 | 35,213 |
| Net (decrease) / increase in cash and cash equivalents | $(13,276)$ | $(23,777)$ | 5,374 | (344) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period | 166,885 | 163,959 | 148,237 | 140,531 |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | (2) | - | (4) | (5) |
| *Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period | 153,607 | 140,182 | 153,607 | 140,182 |
| * Breakdown of cash and cash equivalents at the end of period : |  |  |  |  |
| Cash at bank and in hand | 104,647 | 71,897 | 104,647 | 71,897 |
| Fixed deposits | 48,960 | 68,285 | 48,960 | 68,285 |
| Total | 153,607 | 140,182 | 153,607 | 140,182 |

1(d)(i) A statement (for the issuer and group) showing either (i) all changes in equity or (ii) changes in equity other than those arising from capitalisation issues and distributions to shareholders, together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediate preceding financial year.


|  |  |  |  |  | Group |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (iii) Group - 3Q FY2014 | Share <br> Capital | Treasury Shares | Capital reserve | Translation Reserves | Fair Value Adjustment Reserves | Retained earnings | Non-controlling interests | Total equity |
|  | S\$ '000 | S\$ '000 | S\$ '000 | S\$ '000 | S\$ '000 | S\$ '000 | S\$ '000 | S\$ '000 |
| Balance as at 1 Dec 2013 | 82,275 | - | 474 | (15) | 748 | 234,613 | 32,079 | 350,174 |
| Profit for the period |  |  |  | - | - | 33,650 | 18,923 | 52,573 |
| Other comprehensive income |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net loss on fair value changes of available-for-sale financial assets | - | - | - | - | (92) | - | - | (92) |
| Foreign currency translation gain | - | - | - | 8 | - | - | - | 8 |
| Other comprehensive income / (loss) for the period, net of tax | - | - | - | 8 | (92) | - | - | (84) |
| Total comprehensive income / (loss) for the period <br> Contribution by and distribution to owners | - | - | - | 8 | (92) | 33,650 | 18,923 | 52,489 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capital contributed by noncontrolling interest | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| Dividend on ordinary shares | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| Total transactions with owners in their capacity as owners | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| Balance as at 28 Feb 2014 | 82,275 | - | 474 | (7) | 656 | 268,263 | 51,002 | 402,663 |
| (iv) Group - 3Q FY2015 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Balance as at 1 Dec 2014 | 82,275 | $(11,972)$ | (221) | (10) | 170 | 328,025 | 60,005 | 458,272 |
| Profit for the period | - | - | - | - | - | 18,378 | 1,002 | 19,380 |
| Other comprehensive income |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net gain on fair value changes of available-for-sale financial assets | - | - |  | - | 344 | - | - | 344 |
| Foreign currency translation loss | - | - | - | (15) | - | - | - | (15) |
| Other comprehensive (loss) / income for the period, net of tax | - | - | - | (15) | 344 | - | - | 329 |
| Total comprehensive (loss) / income for the period <br> Contribution by and distribution to owners | - | - | - | (15) | 344 | 18,378 | 1,002 | 19,709 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Disposal and acquisition of noncontrolling interests without a change in control | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Dividend paid to non-controlling shareholders of subsidiaries | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Dividend on ordinary shares | - | - | - | - | - | $(5,101)$ | - | $(5,101)$ |
| Purchase of treasury shares | - | (675) | - | - | - | - | - | (675) |
| Total transactions with owners in their capacity as owners | - | (675) | - | - | - | $(5,101)$ | - | $(5,776)$ |
| Balance as at 28 Feb 2015 | 82,275 | $(12,647)$ | (221) | (25) | 514 | 341,302 | 61,007 | 472,205 |


|  | Company |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Share Capital | Treasury Shares | Fair Value Adjustment Reserves | Retained earnings | Total equity |
| (v) Company - 9M FY2014 | S\$ '000 | S\$ '000 | S\$ '000 | S\$ '000 | S\$ '000 |
| Balance as at 1 June 2013 | 82,275 | - | - | 23,353 | 105,628 |
| Loss for the period | - | - | - | (822) | (822) |
| Other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax | - | - | - | - |  |
| Total comprehensive loss for the period | - | - | - | (822) | (822) |
| Distribution to owners |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends on ordinary shares | - | - | - | $(6,622)$ | $(6,622)$ |
| Balance as at 28 Feb 2014 | 82,275 | - | - | 15,909 | 98,184 |
| (vi) Company - 9M FY2015 |  |  |  |  |  |
| As at 1 June 2014 | 82,275 | - | 6,400 | 41,988 | 130,663 |
| Profit for the period | - | - | - | 30,141 | 30,141 |
| Other comprehensive income |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net loss on fair value changes of available-for-sale financial assets | - | - | $(6,460)$ |  | $(6,460)$ |
| Other comprehensive loss for the period, net of tax | - | - | $(6,460)$ | - | $(6,460)$ |
| Total comprehensive loss for the period | - | - | $(6,460)$ | 30,141 | 23,681 |
| Distribution to owners |  |  |  |  |  |
| Purchase of treasury shares | - | $(12,647)$ | - | - | $(12,647)$ |
| Dividends on ordinary shares | - | - | - | $(17,021)$ | $(17,021)$ |
| Balance as at 28 Feb 2015 | 82,275 | $(12,647)$ | (60) | 55,108 | 124,676 |



1(d)(ii) Details of any changes in the company's share capital arising from rights issue, bonus issue, share buy-backs, exercise of share options or warrants, conversion of other issues of equity securities, issue of shares for cash or as consideration for acquisition or for any other purpose since the end of the previous period reported on. State also the number of shares that may be issued on conversion of all the outstanding convertibles as at the end of the current financial period reported on and as at the end of the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

As at 1 June 2014
Share buyback during the financial period Note 1
As at 28 February 2015

| 28-Feb-15 |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Number of Shares <br> (excluding treasury shares) | Share Capital <br> (S\$'000) |
| $529,760,000$ | 82,275 |
| $(19,635,000)$ | - |
| $510,125,000$ | 82,275 |

## Note:

(1) In the months of October, November and December 2014, the Company purchased an aggregate of 19,635,000 ordinary shares by way of open market purchases for a total consideration of $\mathrm{S} \$ 12,647,000$. These shares were held as treasury shares in the Company as at 28 Feb 2015.

As at 28 Feb 2015, the Company held 19,635,000 ordinary shares as treasury shares (28 Feb 2014: Nil).
Total number of issued shares of the Company excluding treasury shares as at 28 Feb 2015 and 28 Feb 2014 were 510,125,000 and $529,760,000$ shares respectively.
Save for the foregoing, there are no other changes in the Company's share capital arising from rights issue, bonus issue, share buybacks, exercise of share options or warrants, conversion of other issues of equity securities, issue of shares for cash or as consideration for acquisition or for any other purpose since 1 June 2014.

1(d)(iii) To show the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares as at the end of the current financial period and as at the end of the immediately preceding year.

Total number of issued shares
Treasury shares
Total number of issued shares, excluding treasury shares

| 28-Feb-15 | 31-May-14 |
| ---: | ---: |
| $529,760,000$ | $529,760,000$ |
| $(19,635,000)$ |  |
| $510,125,000$ | $529,760,000$ |

1(d)(iv) A statement showing all sales, transfer, disposals, cancellations and/or use of treasury shares as at the end of the current financial period reported on.

There were no sales, transfer, disposals, cancellations and/or use of treasury shares by the Company during the financial period ended 28 February 2015 (June 2013 to February 2014: Nil).

Whether the figures have been audited, or reviewed and in accordance with which standard (e.g. the Singapore Standard on Auditing 910 (Engagements to Review Financial Statements), or an equivalent standard).

The figures have not been audited nor reviewed by the Company's auditors.

Where the figures have been audited or reviewed, the auditors' report (including any qualifications or emphasis of matter).

Not Applicable

Whether the same accounting policies and methods of computation as in the issuer's most recently audited annual financial statements have been applied.

The Group has applied the same accounting policies and methods of computation in the financial statements for the current reporting period compared with the audited financial statements as at 31 May 2014, except for the adoption of accounting standards (including its consequential amendments) and interpretations applicable for the financial period beginning 1 June 2014.

Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS") which became effective for the Group's financial period beginning 1 June 2014 are :

FRS 27 Separate Financial Statements

FRS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures
FRS 110 Consolidated Financial Statements
FRS 111 Joint Arrangements
FRS 112 Disclosures of Interests in Other Entities
FRS 32 Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities
FRS 36 Amendments to FRS 36: Recoverable Amount Disclosures for Non-financial Assets

FRS 39 Amendments to FRS 39: Novation of Derivatives and Continuation of Hedge Accounting
Improvements to FRSs (January 2014)
FRS 19 Amendments to FRS 19: Defined Benefit Plans: Employee Contributions
Improvements to FRSs (February 2014)

## INT FRS 121 Levies

Except for FRS 111, Revised FRS 28 and FRS 112, the directors expect that the adoption of the other standards above will have no material impact on the financial statements in the period of initial application. The nature of the impending changes in accounting policy on adoption of FRS 111, Revised FRS 28 and FRS 112 are described in paragraph 5 below.

If there are any changes in the accounting policies and methods of computation, including any required by an accounting standard, what has changed, as well as the reasons for, and the effect of, the change.

## FRS 111 Joint Arrangements and Revised FRS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures:

FRS 111 Joint Arrangements and Revised FRS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures are effective for financial periods beginning on or after 1 June 2014.
FRS 111 classifies joint arrangements either as joint operations or joint ventures. A joint operation is a joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the assets, and obligations for the liabilities of the arrangement whereas a joint venture is a joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the net assets of the arrangement.
FRS 111 requires the determination of joint arrangement's classification to be based on the parties' rights and obligations under the arrangement, with the existence of a separate legal vehicle no longer being the key factor. FRS 111 disallows proportionate consolidation and requires joint ventures to be accounted for using the equity method. The revised FRS 28 was amended to describe the application of equity method to investments in joint ventures in addition to associates.
Management has assessed the impact of the above change in accounting standards on the Group's financials, and as a result, equity accounting for the Group's six joint venture companies, namely, Great Development Pte Ltd (25\%), Phileap Pte Ltd (25\%), Spottiswoode Development Pte Ltd (50\%), Paul Y. - Lian Beng JV Pte Ltd (50\%), Oxley - Lian Beng Pte Ltd (50\%), and Wealth Development Pte Ltd (40\%), has been applied in accordance with FRS 111 and the revised FRS 28. The change has been applied retrospectively, and accordingly, the financials as at 31 May 2014 have been restated.

## FRS 112 Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities :

FRS 112 Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities is effective for financial periods beginning on or after 1 June 2014.
FRS 112 is a new and comprehensive standard on disclosure requirements for all forms of interests in other entities, including joint arrangements, associates, special purpose vehicles and other off balance sheet vehicles. FRS 112 requires an entity to disclose information that helps users of financial statements to evaluate the nature and risks associated with its interests in other entities and the effects of those interests on its financial statements. As this is a disclosure standard, it has no impact on the financial performance and position of the Group.

The effects on the Financial Statements for the adoption of the Amendments to FRS 111 are as follows: Increase / (Decrease) :
Consolidated Statement of Financial Position
As at


Increase / (Decrease)
Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

## Revenue

Cost of sales
Other operating income 276
Distribution expenses (873)
Administrative expenses
(289)

Other operating expenses
(3)

9 Months Ended
3 months ended 28-Feb-14 28 -Feb-14 S\$' 000 S\$' 000

Finance cost
Share of results of associates
1
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Share of results of joint ventures } & 2,153 & 3,785\end{array}$
Taxation (500)
Profit for the period, net of tax
Increase / (Decrease)
Consolidated Statement of Cash flows

|  | 3 months ended | 9 months ended |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 28 -Feb-14 | 28-Feb-14 |
|  | S\$' 000 | S\$' 000 |
| Operating | $(1,609)$ | $(34,194)$ |
| Investing | 6,425 | 31,546 |
| Financing | $(5,502)$ | $(1,741)$ |
| Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | (686) | $(4,389)$ |

Earnings per ordinary share of the group for the current period reported on and the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year, after deducting any provision for preference dividends.

| Earnings per share attributable to equity holders of the Group (cents per share) | Third Quarter Ended |  | Nine Months Ended |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 28-Feb-15 | 28-Feb-14 | 28-Feb-15 | 28-Feb-14 |
|  |  | Restated |  | Restated |
| (a) On the weighted average number of ordinary shares on issue | 3.60 | 6.35 | 10.34 | 9.62 |
| (b) On a fully diluted basis | 3.60 | 6.35 | 10.34 | 9.62 |
| Computed based on the following average number of shares |  |  |  |  |
| Basic | 510,185,200 | 529,760,000 | 520,853,476 | 529,760,000 |
| Diluted | 510,185,200 | 529,760,000 | 520,853,476 | 529,760,000 |

Net asset value (for the issuer and group) per ordinary share based on the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares of the issuer at the end of the (a) current period reported on and (b) immediately preceding financial year.

|  | Group |  | Company |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | As at <br> 28-Feb-15 | As at <br> 31-May-14 | As at <br> 28-Feb-15 | As at <br> 31-May-14 |
|  |  | Restated |  | Restated |
| Net asset value per ordinary share (cents) | 80.61 | 74.49 | 24.44 | 24.66 |
| Number of issued shares excluding treasury shares at the <br> end of the financial period | $510,125,000$ | $529,760,000$ | $510,125,000$ | $529,760,000$ |

A review of the performance of the group, to the extent necessary for a reasonable understanding of the group's business. The review must discuss any significant factors that affected the turnover, costs, and earnings of the group for the current financial period reported on, including (where applicable) seasonal or cyclical factors. It must also discuss any material factors that affected the cash flow, working capital, assets or liabilities of the group during the current financial period reported on.

## Comprehensive Income Statements

Group revenue increased by $6.3 \%$ or $\$ 33.7 \mathrm{~m}$ from $\$ 536.2 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 14 to $\$ 569.9 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 . The increase in the Group revenue in 9 M 15 was due to increase in revenue by the Construction division arising from the higher revenue recognition from the on-going and new construction projects offsetted by the decrease in revenue from the Property Development division following the completion of M-Space in 9M14.

The decrease in gross profit by $\$ 46.8 \mathrm{~m}$ or $45.2 \%$ from $\$ 103.5 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 14 to $\$ 56.7$ million in 9 M 15 was mainly due to the full recognition of gross profit from its industrial development property namely, M-Space in 9M14.

Other operating income increased to $\$ 8.0 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 from $\$ 5.3 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 14 was due to increase in corporate bonds interest received in 9M15. Other operating expenses increased from $\$ 5.2 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 14 to $\$ 7.2 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 which was mainly due to increase in depreciation and increase in property tax expenses. Finance cost increased from $\$ 1.9 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 14 to $\$ 4.0 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 which was due to interest paid for the loans obtained from the associates and joint ventures as well as interest for loan in the investment in corporate bonds.

The share of results of associates and joint ventures increased to profit of $\$ 29.7 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 from $\$ 1.3 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 14 was mainly due to the disposal of the effective $19 \%$-owned joint venture company, 122 Middle Investment Pte Ltd which owned the proposed hotel development at 122 Middle Road. The recognition of the Group's share of profits of associates and joint ventures from the development projects namely, Newest, KAP Residences and The Midtown also contributed to the share of profits of associates and joint ventures in 9M15.

Taxation decreased by $64.1 \%$ or $\$ 7.7 \mathrm{~m}$ from $\$ 12.0 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 14 to $\$ 4.3 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 which was mainly due to claims made by the Group for the investment in innovation and productivity improvements under the Productivity and Innovation Credit ("PIC") Scheme.

The decrease in non-controlling interest ("NCI") from $\$ 21.3 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 14 to $\$ 4.1 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 was mainly due to NCI's share of profit from the industrial development, M-Space following the completion of M-Space in 9Q14.

After taking into account the other operating income, administrative, other operating and finance expenses, share of results of associates and joint ventures as well as taxation, the Group recorded a $19.8 \%$ decrease in profit after tax to $\$ 57.9 \mathrm{~m}$ for 9 M 15 , compared to $\$ 72.2 \mathrm{~m}$ for 9 M 14 .

## Financial Position Statements

Property, plant and equipment increased to $\$ 93.9 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 from $\$ 82.0 \mathrm{~m}$ in FY2014 was mainly due to purchase of vessels and plant and machinery for the construction and ready-mixed concrete business.

Long term investment properties increased to $\$ 314.2 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 from $\$ 262.4 \mathrm{~m}$ in FY2014 was mainly due to the acquisition of investment property located at 24 Leng Kee Road for redevelopment.
Investment in joint ventures increased to $\$ 17.8 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 from $\$ 5.6$ million in FY2014 was mainly due to the Group's share of profits in the joint ventures.
Investment in associates increased from a negative of $\$ 0.4 \mathrm{~m}$ in FY2014 to a positive of $\$ 8.3 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 was mainly due to the Group's share of profits in the associates.

While long term investment securities decreased from $\$ 98.9 \mathrm{~m}$ in FY2014 to $\$ 57.6 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 , short term investment securities increased from $\$ 1.0 \mathrm{~m}$ to $\$ 42.8 \mathrm{~m}$. This was mainly due to the reclassification of long-term investment bonds to short term investment securities as their maturity periods fall within the next 12 months.

Other receivables and deposits decreased from $\$ 22.0 \mathrm{~m}$ in FY2014 to $\$ 12.4 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 was mainly due to the reclassification of deposit for the purchase of property located at 24 Leng Kee Road to investment property following the legal completion of the purchase.

Amounts due from joint ventures decreased from $\$ 74.9 \mathrm{~m}$ in FY2014 to $\$ 58.7 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 was mainly due to the settlement of non-trade debts offset by increase in the trade debts between the joint ventures and the Group.

Amounts due from associates increased from $\$ 94.6 \mathrm{~m}$ in FY2014 to $\$ 128.1 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 was mainly due to contributions to the associates for the purchase of land for hotel and residential development in Australia, purchase of office property, Prudential Tower and purchase of land for development of dormitory at Jalan Papan as well as increase in the trade debts between the associates and the Group.

Trade receivables, progress billings in excess of construction work in progress, trade and other payables all recorded increases in line with increase in the business activities.

Total borrowings increased from $\$ 190.5 \mathrm{~m}$ in FY2014 to $\$ 239.0 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 mainly due to bank borrowing to finance the purchase of investment property located at 24 Leng Kee Road.

## C ) Cash Flow Statements

Net cash generated from operating activities of $\$ 52.7 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 was mainly due to operating cash flow before changes in working capital of $\$ 43.0 \mathrm{~m}$ and net working capital inflow of $\$ 24.1 \mathrm{~m}$ after deducting payment of income tax and interest charges.

Net cash used in investing activities of $\$ 61.8 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 was mainly attributable to the purchase of investment property located at 24 Leng Kee Road and purchase of machineries and vessels, as well as loan to associates offsetted partially by repayment of loans from the joint ventures and dividend received from the associate.

Net cash generated from financing activities of $\$ 14.5 \mathrm{~m}$ in 9 M 15 was mainly attributable to additional bank loan drawn down to finance the purchase of the investment property located at 24 Leng Kee Road which was offset partially by dividend paid to shareholders and purchase of treasury shares.

Overall, cash and cash equivalents stood at \$153.6m as at 28 February 2015, compared to $\$ 140.2$ million as at 28 February 2014.

Where a forecast, or a prospect statement, has been previously disclosed to shareholders, any variance between it and the actual results.

The Group's Third Quarter Results is in line with the cautious market outlook previously announced in the paragraph 10 of the Half Year Results announcement.

A commentary at the date of the announcement of the competitive conditions of the industry in which the group operates and any known factors or events that may affect the group in the next reporting period and the next 12 months.

BCA has forecasted construction demand for 2015 for the Singapore construction industry to reach between $\$ 29$ billion and $\$ 36$ billion, driven by a sustained pipeline of public sector projects. Annual construction demand projection for 2016 and 2017 will be between $\$ 27$ billion and $\$ 36$ billion and for 2018 and 2019 will be between $\$ 26$ billion and $\$ 37$ billion of which $60 \%$ will come from building works and $40 \%$ from the civil engineering projects.

The construction industry outlook is expected to remain challenging in the next 12 months in the light of keen competition and increasing cost pressure arising from the increase in labour cost.

Despite the challenging market conditions in the construction industry, the Group is cautiously optimistic as it has secured a pipeline of construction projects worth approximately S $\$ 640$ million as at 28 February 2015 which will provide it with a sustainable flow of activities through FY2017.

The Group's $50 \%$ joint venture development projects such as the Midtown and Spottiswoode Suites which the Group has sold $96 \%$ and $78 \%$ of its development projects respectively will contribute profit respectively to the Group in FY15. The Group's $65 \%$ joint venture development project at Mandai Link has sold $93 \%$ of its development project and this will contribute revenue and profit to the Group in FY18. The Group's $10 \%$ and $15 \%$ associates' development projects such as NEWest and KAP Residences which have sold $90 \%$ and $99 \%$ of its development projects will contribute profit respectively to the Group in FY15.

The Group will also be co-developing a workers' dormitory and training centre for The Association of Process Industry ("ASPRI") at Jalan Papan. The proposed dormitory, when completed in mid- 2016 will also contribute to the Group's recurring income.
(a) Current Financial Period Reported On

Any dividend recommended for the current financial period reported on?
No
(b) Corresponding Period of the Immediately Preceding Financial Year.

Any dividend declared for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year?
(c) Date payable.

No dividend has been declared/recommended during the financial period.
(d) Books closure date.

No dividend has been declared/recommended during the financial period.

If no dividend has been declared/recommended, a statement to that effect.

No dividend has been declared/recommended during the financial period.

If the Group has obtained a general mandate from shareholders for IPTs, the aggregate value of such transactions as required under Rule 920(1)(a)(ii). If no IPT mandate has been obtained, a statement to that effect.

Not applicable as no IPT mandate has been obtained.

## PART II ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR FULL YEAR ANNOUNCEMENT

 (This part is not applicable to Q1, Q2, Q3 or Half Year Results)Segmented revenue and results for business or geographical segments (of the group) in the form presented in the issuer's most recently audited annual financial statements, with comparative information for the immediately preceding year.

Not applicable

15 In the review of performance, the factors leading to any material changes in contributions to turnover and earnings by the business or geographical segments.

Not applicable
A breakdown of sales.
Not applicable
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A breakdown of the total annual dividend (in dollar value) for the issuer's latest full year and its previous full year.
Not applicable

## BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Ong Pang Aik
Chairman and Managing Director
13-Apr-2015

# CONFIRMATION PURSUANT TO RULE 705(5) OF THE LISTING MANUAL OF THE SINGAPORE EXCHANGE SECURITIES TRADING LIMITED 

## For the announcement of unaudited financial statements

 for the third quarter ended 28 February 2015We, Ong Pang Aik and Ong Lay Koon, being Directors of Lian Beng Group Ltd ( the "Company"), do hereby confirm, for and on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Company, that, to the best of our knowledge, nothing has come to the attention of the Board which may render the unaudited half year financial results for the third quarter ended 28 February 2015 to be false or misleading in any material aspect.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors.

## Ong Pang Aik

Chairman and Managing Director

Ong Lay Koon
Executive Director

