



ADVANCED SYSTEMS AUTOMATION LIMITED

(Company Registration No: 198600740M)
(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

Results for the Third Quarter Financial Period
Ended 30 September 2019

Unaudited Financial Statements and Dividend Announcement

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The Board of Directors of the Company announces the unaudited financial results of the Group and the Company for the financial period ended 30 September 2019.

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.

Discontinued operations and subsidiary classified as held for sale:

On 28 September 2018, the Company announced that it has entered into a sale and purchase agreement in relation to the Company's proposed disposal of the entire issued and paid-up share capital of Microfits (Beijing) Technology Co., Ltd ("MBT"). In compliance with FRS 105 *Non-Current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations*, its results for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year are presented separately in the statement of comprehensive income as "Discontinued Operations". The change in classification and presentation has no effect to the profit or loss after tax and net asset value of the Group.

	Group					
	3 months ended			9 months ended		
	30-Sep-19	30-Sep-18	change	30-Sep-19	30-Sep-18	change
	S\$'000	S\$'000	%	S\$'000	S\$'000	%
Continuing operations						
Revenue	5,395	4,356	24	14,986	12,533	20
Cost of sales	(3,916)	(2,662)	47	(10,565)	(8,649)	22
Gross profit	1,479	1,694	(13)	4,421	3,884	14
Other income	42	66	(36)	68	88	(23)
Other expenses						
Selling and marketing costs	(332)	(370)	(10)	(1,026)	(1,257)	(18)
Research and development costs	(139)	(241)	(42)	(575)	(609)	(6)
General and administrative costs	(1,510)	(804)	88	(4,711)	(3,006)	57
Finance costs, net	(111)	(53)	>100	(331)	(136)	>100
Foreign exchange gain/(loss)	112	(66)	NM	22	69	(68)
(Loss)/profit before tax from continuing operations	(459)	226	NM	(2,132)	(967)	>100
Income tax expense	(107)	(148)	(28)	(279)	(371)	(25)
(Loss)/profit from continuing operations, net of tax	(566)	78	NM	(2,411)	(1,338)	80
Discontinued operations						
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax	-	(2,629)	NM	-	(3,129)	NM
Loss for the period	(566)	(2,551)	(78)	(2,411)	(4,467)	(46)
Attributable to:						
Owners of the Company						
- Continuing operations	(552)	58	NM	(2,352)	(1,321)	78
- Discontinued operations	-	(2,629)	NM	-	(3,129)	NM
	(552)	(2,571)	(79)	(2,352)	(4,450)	(47)
Non-controlling interests						
- Continuing operations	(14)	20	NM	(59)	(17)	>100
Total	(566)	(2,551)	(78)	(2,411)	(4,467)	(46)

NM: Not meaningful



Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Group for the Third Quarter Ended 30 September 2019

	Group					
	3 months ended			9 months ended		
	30-Sep-19	30-Sep-18	change	30-Sep-19	30-Sep-18	change
	S\$'000	S\$'000	%	S\$'000	S\$'000	%
Loss for the period	(566)	(2,551)	(78)	(2,411)	(4,467)	(46)
Other comprehensive income items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss						
Foreign currency translation	6	(48)	NM	3	(98)	NM
Total comprehensive loss for the period	<u>(560)</u>	<u>(2,599)</u>	(78)	<u>(2,408)</u>	<u>(4,565)</u>	(47)
Attributable to:						
Owners of the Company						
- Continuing operations	(537)	(11)	>100	(2,347)	(1,417)	66
- Discontinued operations	-	(2,629)	NM	-	(3,129)	NM
	<u>(537)</u>	<u>(2,640)</u>	(80)	<u>(2,347)</u>	<u>(4,546)</u>	(48)
Non-controlling interests						
- Continuing operations	(23)	41	NM	(61)	(19)	>100
Total comprehensive loss for the period	<u>(560)</u>	<u>(2,599)</u>	(78)	<u>(2,408)</u>	<u>(4,565)</u>	(47)

Additional Information

Loss from continuing operations is determined after crediting/(charging):

	Group					
	3 months ended			9 months ended		
	30-Sep-19	30-Sep-18	change	30-Sep-19	30-Sep-18	change
	S\$'000	S\$'000	%	S\$'000	S\$'000	%
Continuing Operations						
Interest income	7	4	75	24	10	>100
Interest expense	(80)	(54)	48	(335)	(138)	>100
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	(335)	(94)	>100	(968)	(295)	>100
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	5	163	(97)	18	163	(89)
Impairment loss on property, plant and equipment	-	-	NM	(2)	-	NM
Write-back of allowance for trade receivables	-	-	NM	-	324	NM
(Allowance for)/write-back of stock obsolescence, net	(75)	1	NM	(273)	(215)	27
Over provision of income tax in respect of prior years	-	14	NM	-	14	NM
Provision for warranty	(28)	(14)	100	(83)	(113)	(27)
Discontinued Operations						
Interest income	-	-	NM	-	2	NM
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	-	(5)	NM	-	(13)	NM
(Loss)/gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	(22)	NM	-	53	NM
Impairment loss of discontinued operations	-	(2,432)	NM	-	(2,432)	NM
Write-back of/(allowance for) other receivables	-	1	NM	-	(16)	NM
Allowance for stock obsolescence, net	-	(98)	NM	-	(278)	NM

NM: Not meaningful



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.

	Group		Company	
	30-Sep-19 S\$'000	31-Dec-18 S\$'000	30-Sep-19 S\$'000	31-Dec-18 S\$'000
Non-Current Assets				
Property, plant and equipment	6,763	6,886	-	-
Right-of-use assets	1,022	-	-	-
Intangible assets	4,288	4,288	64	64
Investment in subsidiaries	-	-	14,699	14,699
	<u>12,073</u>	<u>11,174</u>	<u>14,763</u>	<u>14,763</u>
Current Assets				
Inventories	1,872	3,579	-	-
Trade and other receivables	5,840	4,990	747	32
Contract assets	40	109	-	-
Prepayments and advances	357	139	26	7
Cash at bank and on hand	3,434	4,576	92	224
Tax recoverable	52	55	-	-
	<u>11,595</u>	<u>13,448</u>	<u>865</u>	<u>263</u>
Current Liabilities				
Provisions	139	103	-	-
Other liabilities	2,589	2,019	1,000	296
Trade and other payables	12,990	12,777	9,856	8,469
Contract liabilities	127	97	-	-
Income tax payable	238	208	-	-
Lease creditors	1,268	283	-	-
Bank overdraft	771	740	-	-
Loans and borrowings	248	438	-	-
	<u>18,370</u>	<u>16,665</u>	<u>10,856</u>	<u>8,765</u>
Net Current Liabilities	(6,775)	(3,217)	(9,991)	(8,502)
Non-Current Liabilities				
Trade and other payables	1,735	1,735	2,000	2,000
Lease creditors	152	297	-	-
Loans and borrowings	332	435	-	-
Deferred tax liabilities	188	172	-	-
	<u>2,407</u>	<u>2,639</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>
Net Assets	2,891	5,318	2,772	4,261
Equity attributable to owners of the Company				
Share capital	148,841	148,841	148,841	148,841
Other reserves	(3,402)	(3,407)	-	-
Accumulated losses	(141,688)	(139,317)	(146,069)	(144,580)
	<u>3,751</u>	<u>6,117</u>	<u>2,772</u>	<u>4,261</u>
Non-controlling interests	(860)	(799)	-	-
Total Equity	2,891	5,318	2,772	4,261



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

Amount repayable in one year or less, or on demand

(S\$'000)

As at 30 Sep 19		As at 31 Dec 18	
Secured	Unsecured ⁽¹⁾	Secured	Unsecured ⁽¹⁾
1,193	7,221	831	7,880

Amount repayable after one year

(S\$'000)

As at 30 Sep 19		As at 31 Dec 18	
Secured	Unsecured ⁽¹⁾	Secured	Unsecured ⁽¹⁾
301	183	322	410

Details of any collateral

The above borrowings are from financial institutions and are secured by the following:

- 1) Approximately S\$10,000 is secured on certain plant and machinery of a subsidiary;
- 2) Trust receipts is secured by a fixed charge over certain properties;
- 3) Bank overdraft is repayable on demand and is secured over certain properties; and
- 4) Term loan is secured by joint and several guarantees of certain directors and by corporate guarantee of a subsidiary.

Note:

- ⁽¹⁾ Certain unsecured borrowings include joint and several guarantees from Mr Seah Chong Hoe (shareholder and Chief Operating Officer of 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.

	Group	
	9 months ended	
	30-Sep-19	30-Sep-18
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Loss before taxation from Continuing Operations	(2,132)	(967)
Loss before taxation from Discontinued Operations	-	(3,129)
Adjustments for:		
Effect of unrealised exchange loss/(gain)	5	(69)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	968	308
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(18)	(216)
Impairment loss on property, plant and equipment	2	-
Impairment loss of Discontinued Operations	-	2,432
Provision for warranty	83	182
Interest expenses	335	138
Interest income	(24)	(12)
Write-back of allowance for trade receivables	-	(324)
Allowance for other receivables	-	16
Allowance for stock obsolescence, net	273	493
Operating cash flows before changes in working capital	(508)	(1,148)
<u>Changes in working capital</u>		
Decrease/(increase) in :		
Inventories	1,434	(1,303)
Receivables	(993)	(1,687)
Due from related parties	-	211
(Decrease)/increase in :		
Payables	(410)	696
Due to related company	113	-
Due to related parties	76	367
Cash flows used in operations	(288)	(2,864)
Income tax paid	(230)	(169)
Interest received	24	12
Interest paid	(157)	-
Net cash flows used in operating activities	(651)	(3,021)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(463)	(769)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	38	216
Net cash flows used in investing activities	(425)	(553)
Cash flow from financing activities		
Loan from related party	800	800
Repayment of obligations under finance leases	(594)	-
Repayment of bank borrowings	(293)	-
Net cash flows (used in)/generated from financing activities	(87)	800
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(1,163)	(2,774)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(10)	(28)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	3,836	4,799
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	2,663	1,997
Cash at bank and on hand	3,434	1,787
Bank overdraft	(771)	-
Assets in subsidiary classified as held for sale	-	210
Cash and cash equivalents	2,663	1,997



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 immediately preceding financial year.

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

Group (All figures in S\$'000)	Attributable to equity holders of the Company						Total	Non- controlling interests	Total equity
	Share capital	Accumulated losses (Distributable)	Foreign currency translation reserve ----- (Non-distributable)	Merger reserve	Other reserve	Total reserves			
Balance at 1 January 2019, as previously reported	148,841	(139,317)	(43)	(2,136)	(1,228)	(3,407)	6,117	(799)	5,318
Effect of adopting SFRS(I) 16 <i>Leases</i>	-	(19)	-	-	-	-	(19)	-	(19)
Balance at 1 January 2019, as restated	148,841	(139,336)	(43)	(2,136)	(1,228)	(3,407)	6,098	(799)	5,299
Loss for the period	-	(2,352)	-	-	-	-	(2,352)	(59)	(2,411)
<u>Other comprehensive income for the period</u>									
Foreign currency translation	-	-	5	-	-	5	5	(2)	3
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	(2,352)	5	-	-	5	(2,347)	(61)	(2,408)
At 30 September 2019	148,841	(141,688)	(38)	(2,136)	(1,228)	(3,402)	3,751	(860)	2,891
Balance at 1 January 2018, as previously reported	142,351	(134,773)	1,392	(2,136)	(1,228)	(1,972)	5,606	(761)	4,845
Effect of transition to SFRS(I)	-	1,497	(1,497)	-	-	(1,497)	-	-	-
Balance at 1 January 2018, as restated	142,351	(133,276)	(105)	(2,136)	(1,228)	(3,469)	5,606	(761)	4,845
Loss for the period	-	(4,450)	-	-	-	-	(4,450)	(17)	(4,467)
<u>Other comprehensive income for the period</u>									
Foreign currency translation	-	-	(96)	-	-	(96)	(96)	(2)	(98)
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	(4,450)	(96)	-	-	(96)	(4,546)	(19)	(4,565)
At 30 September 2018	142,351	(137,726)	(201)	(2,136)	(1,228)	(3,565)	1,060	(780)	280



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 immediately preceding financial year. (Cont'd)

Company	Share capital	Accumulated losses	Total equity
(All figures in S\$'000)			
At 1 January 2019	148,841	(144,580)	4,261
Loss for the period	-	(1,489)	(1,489)
Total comprehensive loss for the period	-	(1,489)	(1,489)
At 30 September 2019	148,841	(146,069)	2,772
At 1 January 2018	142,351	(139,654)	2,697
Loss for the period	-	(3,058)	(3,058)
Total comprehensive loss for the period	-	(3,058)	(3,058)
At 30 September 2018	142,351	(142,712)	(361)



- 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 or cash or as consideration for acquisition or for any other purpose since the end of the previous period reported on. State the number of shares that may be issued on conversion of all the outstanding convertibles, if any, against the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings of the issuer, 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. State also the number of shares held as treasury shares and the number of subsidiary holdings, if any, and the percentage of the aggregate number of treasury shares and subsidiary holdings held against the total number of shares outstanding in a class that is listed 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.**

	<u>Company</u>	
	Number of ordinary shares	Issued and paid-up share capital S\$'000
Balances as at 30 September 2019 and 30 June 2019	22,324,126,058	148,841

The Company does not have any outstanding convertibles, treasury shares and subsidiary holdings as at 30 September 2018 and 30 September 2019.

- 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 excluding treasury shares was 22,324,126,058 as at 30 September 2019 (31 December 2018: 22,324,126,058).

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

Not applicable. The Company does not have any treasury shares.

- 1(d)(v) A statement showing all sales, transfers, cancellation and/or use of subsidiary holdings as at the end of the current financial period reported on.**

Not applicable. The Company does not have any subsidiary holdings.

- 2. Whether the figures have been audited, or reviewed, and in accordance with which standard or practice.**

The figures have not been audited or reviewed by the Company's auditors.

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

Not applicable.



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

Except as disclosed in paragraph 5 below, the Group has applied the same accounting policies and methods of computation in the preparation of the financial statements for the current financial period as those for the financial year ended 31 December 2018.

5. 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.

On 1 January 2019, the Group adopted SFRS(I) 16 *Leases*, a new accounting standard that became effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019.

SFRS(I) 16 introduces a single, on-balance sheet lease accounting model for lessees. A lessee recognises a right-of-use (“**ROU**”) asset representing its right to use the underlying asset and a lease liability representing its obligation to make lease payments. Remaining lease payments under the operating leases will be recognised at their present value discounted using an appropriate discount rate and the nature of expenses will now change as SFRS(I) 16 replaces the straight-line operating lease expense with depreciation charge of ROU assets (where relevant) and interest expense on lease liabilities.

As a lessee, the Group has adopted SFRS(I) 16 using the modified retrospective approach. Therefore, the cumulative effect of adopting SFRS(I) 16 has been recognised as an adjustment to the opening balance as at 1 January 2019, with no restatement of comparative information.

6. 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.

	Group			
	3 months ended		9 months ended	
	30-Sep-19	30-Sep-18	30-Sep-19	30-Sep-18
<u>Continuing Operations</u>				
Basic loss per share (cents)	(0.002)	0.000	(0.011)	(0.008)
Weighted average number of shares	22,324,126,058	15,824,126,058	22,324,126,058	15,824,126,058
<u>Discontinued Operations</u>				
Basic loss per share (cents)	-	(0.017)	-	(0.020)
Weighted average number of shares	22,324,126,058	15,824,126,058	22,324,126,058	15,824,126,058

Loss per share is calculated based on the net loss attributable to owners of the Company divided by the weighted average number of shares.

The diluted loss per share is the same as the basic loss per share as there were no outstanding convertible securities or other dilutive equity instruments for both financial periods ended 30 September 2019 and 30 September 2018.



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

	Group		Company	
	30-Sep-19	31-Dec-18	30-Sep-19	31-Dec-18
Net assets value per share (cents)	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.02
Number of ordinary shares	22,324,126,058	22,324,126,058	22,324,126,058	22,324,126,058

Net assets value per share is calculated based on the equity attributable to the owners of the Company divided by the number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares).

8. 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.

Discontinued operations and subsidiary classified as held for sale:

On 28 September 2018, the Company announced that it has entered into a sale and purchase agreement in relation to the Company's proposed disposal of the entire issued and paid-up share capital of MBT. In compliance with FRS 105 *Non-Current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations*, its results for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year are presented separately in the statement of comprehensive income as "Discontinued Operations". The change in classification and presentation has no effect to the profit or loss after tax and net asset value of the Group.

The post-tax loss for the corresponding period ended 30 September 2018 from the discontinued operations attributable to the Group is presented below:

	9 months ended 30-Sep-18 S\$'000
Revenue	10,691
Costs of sales	(9,891)
Gross profit	800
Other income	27
Selling and marketing costs	(517)
General and administrative costs	(1,016)
Foreign exchange gain	10
Total operating costs, net	(1,496)
Operating loss before finance costs and impairment loss	(696)
Finance costs, net	(1)
Impairment loss ⁽¹⁾	(2,432)
Loss before tax from discontinued operations	(3,129)
Income tax expense	-
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax	(3,129)

⁽¹⁾ Impairment loss relate to write-down of assets to net realizable values.



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Income Statement

Continuing Operations

In FY2018, the Group completed the acquisition of (i) Yumei Technologies Sdn. Bhd.; (ii) Yumei REIT Sdn. Bhd.; and (iii) Pioneer Venture Pte. Ltd. (collectively known as the “**Target Group**”) on 4 December 2018 (refer to announcement dated on 4 December 2018).

The Group reported revenue of S\$5.4 million in the 3 months ended 30 September 2019 (“**3Q2019**”); an increase of S\$1.0 million or 24% from S\$4.4 million recorded in the previous corresponding period ended 30 September 2018 (“**3Q2018**”). Revenue from the equipment business posted an increase of 84% in 3Q2019 when compared to 3Q2018 due to increased customers’ demands during the quarter. Equipment Contract Manufacturing Services (“**ECMS**”) business also recorded an increase in revenue of 11% in 3Q2019 when compared to 3Q2018 mainly due to the contribution from the Target Group in 3Q2019.

The Group’s revenue of S\$15.0 million for nine months ended 30 September 2019 (“**9M2019**”), was S\$2.5 million or 20% higher when compared to the previous corresponding period ended 30 September 2018 (“**9M2018**”) of S\$12.5 million. Equipment business increased by 47% in 9M2019 when compared to 9M2018 due to increase of customers’ demands and ECMS recorded an increase in revenue of 11% in 9M2019 when compared to 9M2018.

Gross profit margin (“**GPM**”) of the Group dropped by 12 percentage-point (“**ppt**”); from 39% in 3Q2018 to 27% in 3Q2019. GPM of the Equipment business declined by 26ppts; from 57% in 3Q2018 to 31% in 3Q2019, due to a shift in sales mix during the quarter. GPM of the ECMS business in 3Q2019 was 26%, which was a 9ppt decrease from GPM in 3Q2018 of 35%.

GPM of the Group in 9M2019 was 30%, which was relatively comparable to the GPM in 9M2018 of 31%. GPM of the Equipment business in 9M2019 was 38%, representing a slight increase of 2ppts compared to the GPM of 36% in 9M2018, due to better sales mix in 9M2019. GPM of ECMS business in 9M2019 was 26%, which was a 3ppts decrease from the GPM in 9M2018 of 29%.

Selling and marketing (“**S&M**”) costs in 3Q2019 has declined by 10% as compared to 3Q2018. S&M costs incurred by the Equipment business in 3Q2019 were 16% lower when compared to 3Q2018 mainly due to lower manpower costs during the quarter. S&M costs incurred by the ECMS business in 3Q2019 were comparable to the costs incurred in 3Q2018.

S&M costs in 9M2019 fell 18% mainly due to reduced headcounts and lower warranty costs incurred during the period. S&M costs incurred by the Equipment business in 9M2019 has declined by 19% as compared to 9M2018 and costs incurred by the ECMS business in 9M2019 were 18% lower compared against 9M2018.

Research and development costs in 3Q2019 and 9M2019 were 42% and 6% lower when compared to the costs incurred in 3Q2018 and 9M2018 respectively. This was mainly due to new projects undertaken in 3Q2018 and 9M2018.

General and administrative (“**G&A**”) costs in 3Q2019 and 9M2019 increased by 88% and 57% as compared to the costs incurred in 3Q2018 and 9M2018. The increase was due to the absence of 9 months G&A costs from the newly acquired Target Group and write back of allowance for trade receivables of S\$0.3 million in 9M2018.



- 8. 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. (Cont'd)**

Finance costs incurred in 3Q2019 and 9M2019 increased by 109% and 143% when compared to 3Q2018 and 9M2018. These were mainly due to the increased borrowings from ASTI Holdings and consolidation of finance costs from the newly acquired Target Group.

Depreciation expense increased by 256% and 228% in 3Q2019 and 9M2019 compared to 3Q2018 and 9M2018 mainly due to consolidation of depreciation expense from the newly acquired Target Group and depreciation expense relating to ROU assets in the Group.

The Group reported foreign exchange gains of S\$112,000 and S\$22,000 in 3Q2019 and 9M2019 respectively as compared to foreign exchange loss of S\$66,000 in 3Q2018 and foreign exchange gain of \$69,000 in 9M2018.

As a result of the above, the Group reported a net loss attributable to owners of the Company from continuing operations of S\$0.6 million in 3Q2019 compared to the net profit of S\$0.1 million in 3Q2018 and a net loss of S\$2.4 million in 9M2019 compared to a net loss of S\$1.3 million in 9M2018.

Balance Sheet

Property, plant and equipment (“PPE”) decreased by approximately S\$0.1 million, from S\$6.9 million as at 31 December 2018 to S\$6.8 million as at 30 September 2019. This was mainly due to depreciation and foreign currency translation changes during the period, which was offset by the purchase of PPE by the Group.

Right-of-use assets of S\$1.0 million as at 30 September 2019 were due to the adoption of the new accounting standard of SFRS(I)16 Leases that came into effect from 1 January 2019.

Inventories decreased by S\$1.7 million from S\$3.6 million at 31 December 2018 to S\$1.9 million at 30 September 2019, mainly due to lower work-in-progress inventories.

Trade and other receivables increased by S\$0.8 million, from S\$5.0 million at 31 December 2018 to S\$5.8 million at 30 September 2019. The increase was mainly due to the higher turnover.

Prepayments and advances of S\$357,000 at 30 September 2019, increased by S\$218,000 or 157% from S\$139,000 at 31 December 2018 were mainly due to higher advances to vendors.

Trade and other payables increased by approximately S\$0.2 million, from S\$12.8 million at 31 December 2018 to S\$13.0 million at 30 September 2019, in line with the increase in Group's business and loan from related party.

Total lease creditors increased by approximately S\$0.8 million from S\$0.6 million as at 31 December 2018 to S\$1.4 million as at 30 September 2019. This was mainly due to the adoption of the new accounting standard of SFRS(I)16 Leases that came into effect from 1 January 2019.

Total loans and borrowings of S\$0.6 million at 30 September 2019, dropped by S\$0.3 million or 34% from S\$0.9 million at 31 December 2018 due to the repayment of loans during the period.

As at 30 September 2019, the Group reported net current liabilities of S\$6.8 million and net assets of S\$2.9 million.



- 8. 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. (Cont'd)**

In view of the above, the Board is of the opinion that the Group will be able to continue as a going concern as there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to meet its short-term obligations for the next 12 months, as the Group has obtained a letter of undertaking from ASTI Holdings Limited and Mr. Seah Chong Hoe (Chief Operating Officer of the Company) that they will not recall the amounts due to themselves for the next 12 months, and the Group is expected to generate sufficient cash flows from its operations by limiting its expenditure on PPE and managing its repayment of payables to improve its working capital position. The Group is also looking at options to raise funds for working capital so as to strengthen its balance sheet and provide additional resources for the projects that the Group is working on.

Cash Flows

Net cash flows used in operating activities amounted to S\$0.7 million in 9M2019. This was mainly due to operating cash flows before changes in working capital of S\$0.5 million, interest paid of S\$0.2 million and income tax paid of S\$0.2 million during the period.

Net cash flows used in investing activities amounted to S\$0.4 million and was mainly due to purchase of PPE, offset by proceeds from disposal of PPE.

Net cash flow used in financing activities amounted to S\$0.1 million and was mainly due to the repayment of finance lease obligations and bank borrowings, offset by loans from related party of S\$0.8 million.

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

Not applicable.

- 10. A commentary at the date of the announcement of the significant trends and 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.**

Our business is prone to economic uncertainties and the cyclical nature of the semiconductor industry and consumer business. Other unforeseeable factors including but not limited to foreign exchange fluctuations, intellectual property litigations, product and technology obsolescence, and inventory adjustments may also pose challenges to our business.

The uncertainties surrounding the global economic landscape continue to weaken purchasing power. Notwithstanding the challenges, through our Malaysian presence, we were able to capture an opportunity that would enable us to expand our manufacturing capabilities that would help to contribute to the future performance of the Group.

In the next quarter, operating conditions will remain challenging and the Group will maintain its cautionary approach in its business management.



11. Dividend

(a) Current Financial Period Reported On

Any dividend declared for the current financial period reported on?

None.

(b) Corresponding Period of the Immediately Preceding Financial Year

Any dividend declared for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year?

None.

(c) Date payable

Not applicable.

(d) Books closure date

Not applicable.

12. If no dividend has been declared/recommended, a statement to that effect and the reason(s) for the decision.

No dividend has been declared or recommended for 3Q2019 as the Group is in a loss-making position in this quarter.

13. Interested person transactions

The Group does not have an existing general mandate from shareholders for interested person transactions pursuant to Rule 920(1)(a)(ii) of the Catalyst Rules following the expiry of the general mandate obtained from shareholders on 30 April 2018. The Company did not renew the general mandate for interested person transactions at the annual general meeting held on 30 July 2019 as the trade-related transactions were carried out mainly between the Company and ASTI Holdings Limited ("ASTI"), in particular a subsidiary of ASTI, Semiconductor Technologies & Instruments Pte Ltd ("STI"). With the completion of the disposal of STI by ASTI on 26 September 2018, the Company does not expect any trade-related transactions between ASTI and the Company.

Name of interested person	Aggregate value of all interested person transactions during the financial period under review (excluding transactions less than \$100,000 and transactions conducted under shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920)	Aggregate value of all interested person transactions conducted under the shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920 (excluding transactions less than \$100,000)
	9M2019	9M2019
ASTI Holdings Limited ("ASTI") and its subsidiary of companies	Interest expense amounting to \$168,000 ⁽¹⁾	Nil

Note:

⁽¹⁾ Relates to interest payable on the loan extended by ASTI Group. As at 30 September 2019, ASTI Group had provided an aggregate of S\$6.6 million loan (the "Loan") to the Group. The Loan which bears effective interest rates ranging from 3.24% to 3.39% is unsecured.

The Company will convene an extraordinary general meeting to seek shareholders' approval for, among others, the ratification of the above interested party transaction in due course.



14. Negative Confirmation by the Board pursuant to Rule 705(5) of the Catalist Rules.

To the best of our knowledge, nothing has come to the attention of the Board of Directors of the Company which may render the unaudited financial results for the third quarter and nine months financial period ended 30 September 2019 to be false or misleading in any material aspect.

15. Confirmation that the issuer has procured undertaking from all its directors and executive officers (in the format set out in Appendix 7H) under Rule 720(1) of the Catalist Rules.

We hereby confirm that we have procured all the required undertakings from all the Directors and Executive Officers of the Company in the format set out in Appendix 7H under Rule 720(1) of the Catalist Rules.

**PART II - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR FULL YEAR ANNOUNCEMENT
(This part is not applicable to Q1, Q2, Q3 or Half Year Results)**

16. Segmented revenue and results for operating 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 to quarterly announcement.

17. In the review of performance, the factors leading to any material changes in contributions to turnover and earnings by the operating segments.

Not applicable to quarterly announcement.

18. A breakdown of sales.

Not applicable to quarterly announcement.

19. A breakdown of the total annual dividend (in dollar value) for the issuer's latest full year and its previous full year.

Not applicable to quarterly announcement.

20. Disclosure of person occupying a managerial position in the issuer of any of its principal subsidiaries who is a relative of a director or chief executive officer or substantial shareholder of the issuer pursuant to Rule 704(13) of the Catalist Rules in the format below. If there are no such persons, the issuer must make an appropriate negative statement.

Not applicable to quarterly announcement.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Dato' Michael Loh Soon Gnee
Executive Chairman and CEO

14 November 2019