



NORDIC
Group Limited

ANNUAL REPORT 2019



**BUILDING
MOMENTUM
CAPTURING
OPPORTUNITIES**

CORPORATE PROFILE

Listed on the Singapore Stock Exchange Mainboard in 2010, we are a global solutions provider in areas of System Integration, Maintenance, Repair, Overhaul & Trading, Precision Engineering, Scaffolding, Insulation Services, Petrochemical & Environmental Engineering Services and Cleanroom, Air & Water Engineering Services. Our System Integration division turns systems into solutions by providing Flow, Automation and Navigation solutions, while the Maintenance, Repair, Overhaul & Trading division provides after-sales service support for the marine, oil & gas and infrastructure industries. Our Precision Engineering division designs and builds tooling systems, and provides turnkey production solutions for the aerospace, marine, medical, oil & gas, and electronic manufacturing industries. Our Scaffolding Services division provides scaffolding and alternative access solutions for the oil & gas, petrochemical, construction and marine industries. Our Insulation Services ("IS") division specialises in thermal and cryogenic insulation, thermal spray aluminium and passive fireproofing services in the petrochemical, pharmaceutical, marine, oil and gas industries. Our Petrochemical and Engineering services division specialises in a wide range of services: pre and post commissioning cleaning, heat exchanger cleaning, tank cleaning, process plant recovery work, temporary intervention activities in process plants, on line cleaning process, turnaround work and support, decontamination services, temporary equipment support services, product filtering services and support in operation of utility plants in the petrochemical, manufacturing, and infrastructure industries. Our Cleanroom, Air and Water Solutions Engineering Services provides tools hook up services, air pollution control scrubbers and water treatment plants for the semiconductor, oil and gas, power plant and municipality sectors.

Our Precision Engineering operation is based in Suzhou, People's Republic of China. Our head office and System Integration production and warehouse are located in Singapore. Our Cleanroom, Air and Water Solutions Engineering Services is located in Singapore and Malaysia.



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OUR BUSINESSES



SYSTEMS INTEGRATION

We turn systems into solutions by providing Flow, Automation and Navigation solutions that includes valve remote control systems and tank gauging systems. We also offer services such as Engineering, Procurement, Installation, and Commissioning ("EPIC") for conversion, upgrading, factory and infrastructure automation.



MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, OVERHAUL AND TRADING

With our extensive network of service centres spanning across the globe, our dedicated team of consultants readily provides prompt service support round the clock as part of our after-sales service. To date, over 1,000 vessels have been fitted with our systems, with the number steadily increasing with every delivery of new vessel, creating more opportunities for conversion and retrofitting of existing vessels.



SCAFFOLDING SERVICES

We provide scaffolding and alternative access solutions for the oil & gas, petrochemical, construction, marine and semiconductor industries in Singapore. We have the requisite technical capabilities, expertise and infrastructure to execute complex projects. As testament to our strong customer base and long-standing relationships, our subsidiary, Multiheight Scaffolding Pte Ltd is the resident contractor for many major local and multinational companies.



INSULATION SERVICES

We specialize in supplying thermal, cryogenic, acoustic, clean room insulation, passive fireproofing services and industrial coatings such as thermal spray aluminium. With a skilled workforce and technical expertise, our subsidiary, Austin Energy (Asia) Pte Ltd has established a strong presence in several industries including the marine, oil & gas, petrochemical and pharmaceutical industries.

OUR BUSINESSES



PRECISION ENGINEERING

Featuring 5-axis CNC machines at our production facilities in Suzhou, PRC, we specialize in the design and building of tooling systems, and provision of turnkey production solutions in high mix, low volume niche industries, servicing customers mainly from the marine, oil & gas, aerospace, medical and electronic manufacturing services industries.



CLEANROOM AIR & WATER ENGINEERING SOLUTIONS

We specialize in cleanroom, air and water engineering solutions which includes tools hook up services, air pollution control scrubbers and water treatment plants for the semiconductor, oil and gas, power plant and municipality sectors.



PETROCHEMICAL & ENVIRONMENT ENGINEERING SERVICES

We specialize in a wide range of services: pre and post commissioning cleaning, heat exchanger cleaning, tank cleaning, process plant recovery work, temporary intervention activities in process plants, on line cleaning process, turnaround work and support, decontamination services, temporary equipment support services, product filtering services and support in operation of utility plants. We serve the petrochemical, manufacturing, and infrastructure industries.

SALES AND SERVICES NETWORK

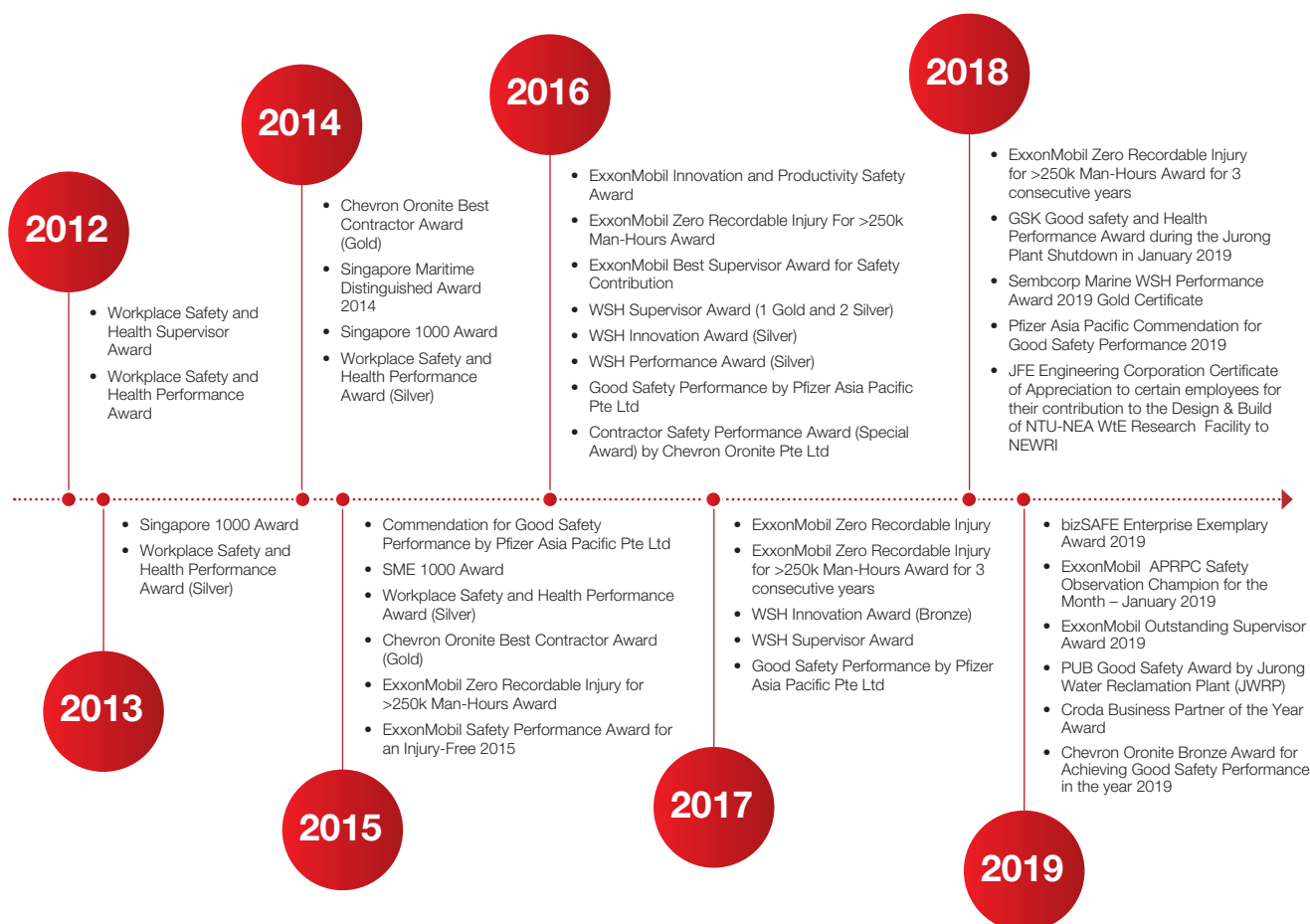
Covering Singapore and various locations globally, our system integration division sales and services network provides prompt and proficient service support.



Existing Presence (Agents)

Nordic

AWARDS & ACCREDITATIONS



SYSTEMS INTEGRATION

All systems, associated equipment and parts offered to our customers are accredited by various marine classification bodies such as ABS, China Classification Society, Germanischer Lloyd, Indian Register of Shipping, Korean Registry of Shipping, Lloyd's Register, Nippon Kaiji Kyokai and Polski Rejester Statkow. Attaining certifications, such as ISO9001:2015 Quality Management System, OHSAS 18001:2007 Occupational Health and Safety Management System and the WSH bizSAFE Star award, further reinforces our steadfast dedication to quality and safety excellence.

INSULATION SERVICES

Our Insulation Services division is committed to providing quality products and solutions to customers. Besides having the quality certification ISO9001:2015, we are also ISO 45001 certified. We are awarded bizSAFE star certification from the Workplace Safety and Health Council.

SCAFFOLDING SERVICES

Our Scaffolding Services division was one of the first in its industry to obtain the ISO 9001 (previously known as ISO 9002) certification in 1997. Multiheight has also received the ISO 45001:2018 occupational health and safety certification for the Erection & Dismantling of Metal Scaffolding. These are testament to our achievements in meeting stringent quality and safety requirements over the years.

PETROCHEMICAL & ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

Our Petrochemical & Environmental Engineering Services division is certified with the valued Integrated Management System (IMS), which encompasses 3 systems, namely the ISO 9001:2015 – Quality Management System, ISO 14001:2015 – Environmental Management System and OHSAS 18001:2007 – Occupational Health & Safety Management System. We are a certified OJT Centre with ITE, Singapore and also certified with the People Developer (PD) standard for our success in the training and development of our people, the Singapore Quality Class (SQC) Star for attaining greater heights of excellence on the business excellence journey and bizSAFE Star for our commendable work safety. We are also the official blood donation center for the Singapore Red Cross Society.

PRECISION ENGINEERING

Our commitment to quality is evident as we attained certification for AS9100C and ISO certification (ISO9001:2015).

CLEANROOM AIR & WATER ENGINEERING SOLUTIONS

Our cleanroom air and water engineering solutions are able to meet the stringent requirements of the industry by attaining and implementing the ISO:9001:2015 Quality Management System, ISO:14001:2015 Environmental Management System and the OHSAS:18001:2007 Occupational Health and Safety Management System. We are also a bizSAFE star certified organisation.

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

DEAR SHAREHOLDERS,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Nordic Group Limited ("Nordic" or together with its subsidiaries, the "Group"), it is my honour and privilege to deliver to you our Annual Report 2019 for the financial year ended 31 December 2019 ("FY2019").

YEAR IN REVIEW

Group revenue declined 4% from our record revenue of S\$87.9 million in FY2018, excluding the sales of carbon allowances, to S\$84.6 million in FY2019. This is also impacted by a reduction of 17% in revenue contribution from Project Services to S\$41.6 million in FY2019. However, revenue from Maintenance Services grew 14% to S\$43.0 million in FY2019.

Despite the major challenges in the current operating environment, our Group had once again delivered a net profit attributable to shareholders of S\$8.5 million or earnings per share of 2.2 Singapore cents per share in FY2019. To reward our valued shareholders, our Group is proposing a final dividend of 0.419 Singapore cents per share subject to shareholders' approval at our Annual General Meeting on 27 April 2020. Along with the interim dividend of 0.429 Singapore cents per share which was distributed in August 2019, this represented a dividend yield of 3.9%¹ which is inline with our dividend pay-out ratio of 40% since FY2015.

Our balance sheet remained robust as cash and cash equivalents stood at S\$43.2 million as of 31 December 2019. Our total borrowings and debt stood at S\$44.1 million as of 31 December 2019. Our net gearing ratio has also improved from 19%² in FY2018 to 2%³ in FY2019, we should be in a net cash position by FY2020.

CONTRACT WINNING MOMENTUM

In FY2019, our Group has secured new contracts of approximately S\$18.6 million. In March 2020, our Group further secured more contracts worth approximately S\$30.4 million.



¹ Based on the closing price of S\$0.215 per share on 20 March 2020

² Higher due to \$10 million loan for the acquisition of factory at 2 Tuas Ave 10

³ Excluded lease liabilities- current and non-current of \$4.0 million as these related mainly to the land rent of our properties which have to be capitalized due to the new accounting standard on leases as compared to being an operating lease commitment in FY2018

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

As a result of our contract winning momentum, our orderbook remained strong at around S\$92.0 million as of 31 December 2019. Our Project Services contributed S\$49.1 million or 53% while our Maintenance Services contributed S\$42.9 million or 47% to our orderbook. These orders will derive sustainable revenue streams for the Group up to FY2022.

Our Maintenance Services continued to grow in revenue contribution as we focused on building more recurring income to tide the Group over difficult times in our core industries – offshore marine, oil and gas sectors.

ACQUISITION ON ENVIPURE

In November 2019, we completed the acquisition of Envipure Pte. Ltd and subsidiaries ("Envipure Group") for S\$14.8 million. Envipure Group provides cleanroom, air and water engineering services such as tools hook up services, air pollution control scrubbers and water treatment plants for the semiconductor, oil and gas, power plant and municipality sectors. This earnings accretive acquisition is in-line with the Group's overall corporate strategy to increase its suite of services to its existing clientele base and to acquire new clientele by diversifying into other industries.

Envipure is our fourth earnings accretive acquisition since our listing in 2010. Once Envipure is fully integrated into our Group's operations, we would expect it to deliver synergistic benefits in cross selling to our existing clients and provide more impetus for our revenue going forward.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK

In February 2020, our Group's operations in China had extended closure due to precautionary measures against the Covid-19 pandemic imposed by the Chinese government. Since mid-March 2020, our factory in China is in full operation. Our Group conducts daily temperature checks to monitor our staff's temperatures, hand sanitizers and masks are also provided. We will continue to work with the relevant authorities and follow their directives in containing the spread of the virus. If this situation worsens, our business activities and productivity will be affected when clients trigger their business continuity planning process. Overall, our business performance for FY2020 will be affected. However, our Group is cautiously optimistic with the contracts secured to date, our prudent risk management and potential opportunities for more acquisitions.

For majority of 2019, Brent crude prices had been trading in a range of US\$60 to US\$70 per barrel. However, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Brent crude prices plunged from US\$68.91 per barrel on 6 January 2020 to a recent low of US\$30.05 per barrel on 16 March 2020.⁴

Oil majors with heavy investments in refineries must choose between extending maintenance contracts or ramping up to take advantage of cheap crude to fill up storage with refined products. Lower crude prices may increase the demand for maintenance and storage in the short to midterm. This bodes well for our Scaffolding, Insulation and Petrochemical & Environmental Engineering divisions.

Overall, our Group remains positive over our longer-term prospects in the industries that we operate and serve in.

APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to our customers for their support over the years. We will continue to work hard to maintain our high safety standards and to consistently deliver quality products and services to you.

Thank you to our Board of Directors, especially Mr Hew Koon Chan and Ms Ong Hua (who retired or will be retiring in this coming AGM) for their contribution and advice since FY2010. I would also like to thank our key management and staff for their dedication, hard work, and commitment over the years. Together, we have proven Nordic to be resilient and profitable over the years while overcoming numerous challenges.

Most importantly, we would like to thank our loyal shareholders for their unwavering faith in the strategic direction of the Group and our management team. We would continue to strive for excellence and to drive future positive financial performance to enhance our shareholder value.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

CHANG YEH HONG
Group Executive Chairman

30 March 2020

⁴ Brent crude prices, Bloomberg data, 17 March 2020

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



CHANG YEH HONG
EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN

Chang Yeh Hong is our Executive Chairman. He was appointed to our Board on 8 April 2010 and was last re-elected at the Company's Annual General Meeting ("AGM") on 26 April 2018. He is responsible for the working of the Board; the reviewing of business plans, strategic positioning and business expansion of the Group. He is a member of our Nominating Committee. He has more than 18 years of experience in the banking industry. From 1999 to 2000, he was the regional managing director of Asia Pacific with Citibank, and from 2000 to 2002, he was the global head of a product group with Standard Chartered Bank. Since he took an executive role with us in 2004, he has played a pivotal role in the growth and development of our Group. Mr Chang holds a Bachelor of Arts degree majoring in Economics from National University of Singapore and has completed the Standard Chartered International Management Programme in INSEAD Fountainbleau, France and the Business Financial Management Programme with Manchester Business School, United Kingdom.



TEO LING LING DORCAS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF NORDIC FLOW CONTROL

Teo Ling Ling Dorcas is our Executive Director. She was appointed to our Board on 30 June 2010 and was last re-elected at the Company's AGM on 29 April 2019. She has been with us since 2003 and was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Nordic Flow Control in 2012. She is responsible for the overall operations, sales and business development and profit and loss management of Nordic Flow Control. She has more than 25 years of experience in the marine and offshore valve remote control industry. From 1994 to 2003, she was with Tyco Flow Control Pte Ltd where she eventually took on the position of sales manager. Ms Teo holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree with major studies in Management from The University of Western Sydney, a Diploma in Sales and Marketing from the Marketing Institute of Singapore as well as a Diploma in Electrical Engineering from the Singapore Polytechnic. In 2006, Ms Teo was awarded the Spirit of Enterprise Award in recognition of her inspiring her fellow Singaporeans to achieve greater entrepreneurial excellence.



LEE KIM LIAN JULIANA
INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

Lee Kim Lian Juliana is our Independent Director. She was appointed to our Board on 16 September 2010 and was last re-elected at the Company's AGM on 26 April 2018. She is currently the Chairwoman of our Nominating Committee, and a member of our Audit Committee and Remuneration Committee. Ms Lee also serves as an independent director on the boards of other listed companies, namely Uni-Asia Group Limited and Dyna-Mac Holdings Ltd. Ms Lee is a Director of Aptus Law Corporation, a law firm in Singapore. She has more than 20 years of experience in legal practice and currently heads the corporate practice of Aptus Law Corporation. Her main areas of practice are corporate law, corporate finance, mergers and acquisitions and venture capital. Ms Lee holds a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) degree from National University of Singapore and is a member of the Singapore Institute of Directors.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**ONG HUA**

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

Ong Hua is our Independent Director. She was appointed to our Board on 16 September 2010 and was last re-elected at the Company's AGM on 26 April 2017. She is the Chairwoman of our Audit Committee, and a member of our Remuneration Committee and Nominating Committee. Ong Hua has over 20 years of working experience. She has more than 10 years of external auditing with the international accounting firms (Deloitte & Touche LLP and RSM Chio Lim LLP) prior to advancing her internal audit career with SingHealth was transferred in year 2010 to MOH Holdings Pte Ltd till year 2017. In March 2017, she joined KK Women's and Children's Hospital as Deputy Director, Finance. In November 2018, she was transferred to National Dental Centre of Singapore and is the Deputy Director, Finance. Ms Ong holds a Bachelor of Accountancy degree from Nanyang Technological University and is a member of the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants.

**LEE KOK KENG ANDREW**

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

Lee Kok Keng Andrew is our Independent Director. He was appointed to our Board on 29 April 2019. He is currently the Chairman of our Remuneration Committee, and a member of our Audit Committee and Nominating Committee. Mr Lee also serves as an Independent Director at OCBC Al-Amin Bank Berhad in Malaysia. He has more than 35 years of experiences in banking and financial services. Mr Lee holds a Bachelor of Social Science (Honours in Economics) from the University of Singapore and has attended the Stanford Executive Programme at Stanford University.

SENIOR MANAGEMENT



LIN CHOON HIN ERIC
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ENSURE

Lin Choon Hin Eric is the Executive Director of Ensure. He is also the founder of Nordic Flow Control. Eric has more than 25 years of experience in the marine, offshore and automation industries. Mr Lin holds a Diploma in Manufacturing Engineering from Singapore Polytechnic.



TANG YEW QUAN
DIRECTOR OF MULTIHEIGHT & AUSTIN ENERGY

Tang Yew Quan is a director Multiheight and Austin Energy. He left our Group as the Chief Financial Officer in April 2014 and rejoined 12 months later to assume the above positions. He has more than 30 years of experience in the banking industry. He held local and regional positions from 1977 to 2008 in Standard Chartered Bank. Prior to joining our Group in December 2009, he was the Country Head of Credit for Small & Medium Enterprises at the Taiwan branch of Standard Chartered Bank. Mr Tang holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the then University of Singapore and a Master of Business Administration (Banking and Finance) degree from Nanyang Technological University.



KOH WEI MING RODNEY
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF AVITOOLS SUZHOU

Koh Wei Ming Rodney is the Chief Executive Officer of Avitools Suzhou. He is responsible for the overall operations, sales and business development and profit and loss management of Avitools Suzhou. Mr Koh was a senior repair development engineer at Pratt & Whitney Services Pte Ltd (SPRO) from 1999 to 2001, and an engineering manager from 2002 to 2005. From 2005 to 2006, he was the Operations Manager of Avitools Singapore. Mr Koh holds a Bachelor of Engineering degree from the University of Aberdeen and a Diploma in Mechanical Engineering from Ngee Ann Polytechnic.

SENIOR MANAGEMENT



TENG POH LIANG

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF AUSTIN ENERGY

Teng Poh Liang is the Chief Executive Officer of Austin Energy. He is responsible for the overall operations, sales and business development and profit and loss management of Austin Energy. He joined the Group as Group Head of Business Excellence and Corporate Development in March 2017. He was appointed as the Chief Operating Officer in October 2017 and Chief Executive Officer in January 2020 of Austin Energy. Prior to joining us, he held various positions in small medium enterprises to multinational companies as project engineer, project manager and general manager. Mr Teng holds a Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical & Production Engineering) degree from the Nanyang Technological University and a Diploma in Marketing Management from Singapore Institute of Management.



HAN MENG SIEW

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF ENSURE

Han Meng Siew is the Chief Executive Officer of Ensure. He is responsible for the overall operations, sales and business development and profit and loss management of Ensure. He has more than 40 years of engineering experience with expertise in the fields of engineering services in the overhauling of rotating and reciprocating equipment, chemical cleaning, process decontamination and commissioning of process plants for the petrochemical industries in the Asia Pacific region. He started his career with Sembawang Shipyard Ltd as an apprentice of the Fitter Machine Shop and upon graduation, was seconded to Neptune Orient Lines for a year as a Junior Marine Engineer. Upon his return to the shipyard, he assumed the role of a Trainee Supervisor and was subsequently transferred to the Estimation Department to do cost estimation of ship repairs. After being in the shipyard for 12 years, he left to join Seng Teck Engineering Company as their Business Development Manager. In 1988, along with 4 other shareholders, they set up ENSURE Engineering Pte Ltd and became their Commercial Manager. In 1994, he assumed the role of Managing Director. In August 2003, Dr Han was conferred by the University of Wisconsin (USA) with a Doctorate Degree of Entrepreneurship.



WONG KAM WAI VINCENT

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF ENVIPURE

Wong Kam Wai Vincent is the Chief Executive Officer of Envipure since 2010. He is responsible for the overall operations, sales and business development and profit and loss management of Envipure since the completion of our acquisition of Envipure Pte Ltd in November 2019. He has more than 30 years of engineering experience in marine and environmental businesses. Prior to 2010, he held various managerial positions in Singapore, Europe and the Gulf in Keppel. Mr Wong holds a Bachelor of Engineering (Naval Architecture) degree from Southampton University, UK and a Masters in Business Administration from Maastricht School of Management, Netherlands.

SENIOR MANAGEMENT



LIM BEE HONG SAMANTHA

HEAD OF BUSINESS EXCELLENCE, CHINA & GENERAL MANAGER, NORDIC SUZHOU

Lim Bee Hong Samantha is the Head of Business Excellence, China and is responsible for all aspects relating to internal controls, risk management and business process improvements of our China subsidiaries as well as serving as country head for Nordic Suzhou. From 1995 to 1999, she was an accounts executive at Planet Hollywood (Asia) Pte Ltd. From 2001 to 2004, Samantha was an accounts supervisor at International Refinery Services Pte Ltd. From 2004 to 2007, she was our Group accountant, and from 2007 to 2008, she was a senior accountant at CapitaLand Limited. From 2008 to 2009, she was Head, Business Control of Nordic Flow Control. Ms Lim holds a Bachelor of Commerce Degree in Accounting and Banking from Curtin University of Technology.



CHOU CHEE FATT

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER OF NORDIC FLOW CONTROL

Chou Chee Fatt is the Chief Operating Officer of Nordic Flow Control and is responsible for the management of the overall operations of Nordic Flow Control. This includes resource management, planning, project execution, budget and cost control. He is also responsible for the continuous improvement in process and overall productivity of the team.

Prior to becoming our Chief Operating Officer, he was our General Manager, Design Software, Technical Support and he was responsible for leading the design and software engineers to provide software and design capabilities to our project team as well as to offer technical support on our products. From 1997 to 2001, he was a project engineer at Flexlink Systems Pte Ltd. From 2002 to 2003, he was a project engineer at Spraying System Pte Ltd. Prior to joining us in 2003, he was a project engineer at Tyco Building Services Pte Ltd. Mr Chou holds a Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical & Electronic Engineering) degree and a Master of Science (Communication Software & Networks) degree from the Nanyang Technological University.



JAMIL BIN PUNGOT

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER OF MULTIHEIGHT

Jamil is the Chief Operating Officer of Multiheight. He is responsible for the management of the overall operations of Multiheight. This includes resource management, planning, project execution, budget and cost control. He is also responsible for the continuous improvement in process and overall productivity of the team. Prior to becoming our Chief Operating Officer in January 2020, he was our Operations Manager and he joined our Group in 2007. Mr Pungot holds a Diploma in Marine Engineering from Singapore Polytechnic.

SENIOR MANAGEMENT



WANG LAI SUAN

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER OF ENSURE

Wang Lai Suan is the Chief Operating Officer of Ensure. He is responsible for the management of the overall operations of Ensure. This includes resource management, planning, project execution, budget and cost control. He is also responsible for continuous improvement in process and overall productivity of the team. He has more than 36 years of experience in the fields of ship repairing, manufacturing, chemical cleaning as well as engineering maintenance of the national infrastructure and petrochemical plants. He was also one of the directors and shareholders of Ensure from 2001 to 2017. Before joining Ensure, he was the Senior Vice President of Dovechem Terminals Holdings Limited. Prior to that, he worked in Sembawang Shipyard from 1982 to 1988 where he reached the position of Ship Repair Manager. Mr Wang holds a Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical) degree from National University of Singapore and a Graduate Diploma in Marketing from the Marketing Institute of Singapore and Diploma in Marketing from the The Chartered Institute of Marketing (UK).



LEE MEI HUE JEANETTE

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER OF ENVIPURE

Lee Mei Hue Jeanette is the Chief Operating Officer of Envipure. She is responsible for the management of the overall operations of Envipure. This includes resource management, planning, project execution, budget and cost control. She is also responsible for continuous improvement in process and overall productivity of the team, sales and business development of Envipure. Prior to becoming our Chief Operating Officer, she was our General Manager, Sales in Nordic Flow Control. She joined our Group in 2003. Ms Lee holds a Bachelor of Electrical and Electronics Engineering degree from University of Sunderland and Diploma in Electrical Engineering from Singapore Polytechnic and Specialist Diploma in Marine & Offshore Technology from Ngee Ann Polytechnic.



CHIA MENG RU

GROUP CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Chia Meng Ru was appointed as our Group Chief Financial Officer on 17 August 2017 and Company Secretary on 17 October 2017. She is responsible for the Group's back office functions which includes finance, human resource, payroll, legal and compliance, office administration and information technology. She manages human resource, information technology, office administration, capital, finance, treasury, risk management, tax, legal and compliance matters and mergers and acquisitions. She supports the Group Executive Chairman in the Group's strategic business planning process and participates in all major investment initiatives and decisions, providing sound financing options and optimal structuring of major projects, apart from building and enhancing shareholder and investor relations. Prior to joining our Group, she was an audit partner in RSM Chio Lim LLP. Ms Chia holds a Bachelor of Accountancy (Honours) degree from Nanyang Technological University. She is a member of the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants and a Fellow Member of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS AND INVESTMENT SCORECARD

REVENUE

\$84.6 million

\$91.7 million in 2018

EARNINGS PER SHARE

2.2 cents

2.9 cents in 2018

RETURN ON ASSET⁽³⁾

3.4%

7.5% in 2018

NET PROFIT

\$8.5 million

\$11.3 million in 2018

NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE

21.9 cents

20.6 cents in 2018

RETURN ON INVESTED CAPITAL⁽¹⁾

15.7%

19.4% in 2018

MARKET CAPITALISATION⁽³⁾ AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

\$114 million

\$157 million as at 31 December 2018

EBITDA

\$13.4 million

\$16.0 million in 2018

TOTAL DEBT TO EQUITY⁽³⁾

52.5%

60.8% in 2018

RETURN ON EQUITY⁽³⁾

10.2%

14.4% in 2018

ORDER BOOK AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

\$92.0 million

\$92.7 million as at 31 December 2018

NET PROFIT CAGR OF

21%

from FY2011 to FY2019

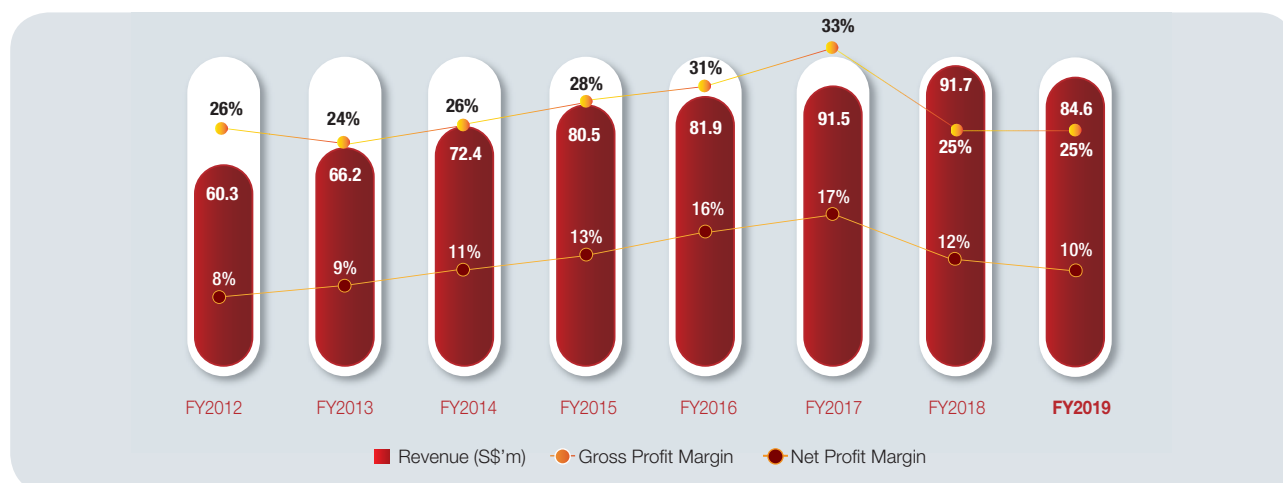
(1) Means that for every \$1 of capital invested in the business, the Company earned about \$15 in profit. Calculated based on profit before interest and tax/tangible capital employed which is tangible non-current asset + current asset – current liabilities (trade and other payables, other liabilities, income tax payable) – excess cash. If assets held for sale is excluded, the ROIC is 22% for 2018 and 18.0% for 2019.

(2) Included liabilities of a disposal group classified as held for sales under FRS 105. If calculated base on (total borrowings less cash)/equity, total debt to equity would be net debt of 19% for 2018 and net debt of 2% for 2019.

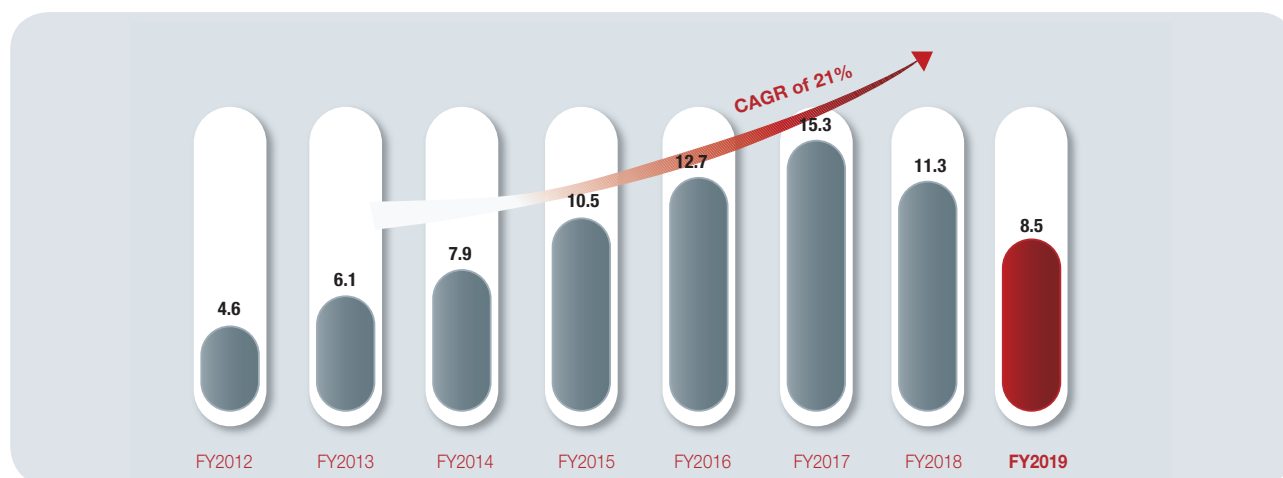
(3) Source: Yahoo! finance, 16 March 2020.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

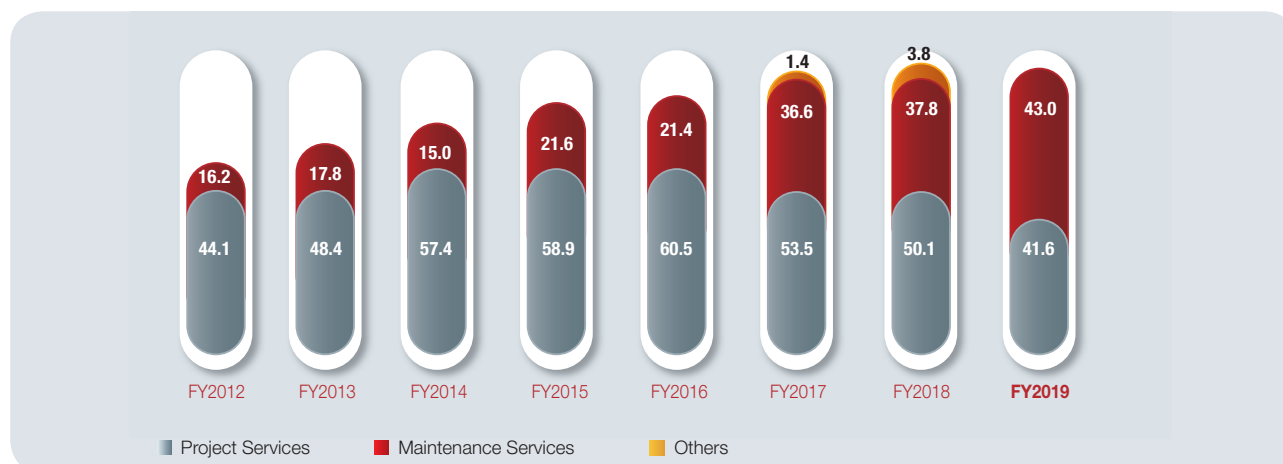
REVENUE AND PROFIT MARGIN



NET PROFIT (S\$m)



REVENUE BY PROJECT AND MAINTENANCE SEGMENT



FINANCIAL AND OPERATION REVIEW

OPERATIONS REVIEW

The Group's **System Integration ("SI")** division offers integrated control and management systems for newly built ships as well as ships that require upgrades or conversions. SI division designs, procures, develops and manufactures actuators, valves and other components for assembly and integration into valve remote control systems, tank gauging systems, anti-heeling systems, alarm monitoring and power management systems used by customers in their vessels.

The Group's **Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul ("MRO") and Trading** division provides customers with after-sales requests for maintenance, repairs and overhauls for the vessels.

The Group's **Precision Engineering ("PE")** division designs and builds tooling systems, and provides turnkey production solutions to customers in the marine, oil and gas, aerospace, medical and electronic manufacturing services industries.

The Group's **Scaffolding Services ("SS")** division is an established leader in metal scaffold works servicing the process, construction and marine industries, offering a full suite of scaffolding services including design, erection, modification and dismantling, sales and rental.

The Group's **Insulation Services ("IS")** division specialises in thermal and cryogenic insulation, thermal spray aluminium and passive fireproofing services in the petrochemical, pharmaceutical, marine, oil and gas industries.

The Group's **Petrochemical & Environmental Engineering Services ("PEES")** division provides repairs, maintenance, operations and plant turnaround services for public environment engineering installations, energy installations, marine and offshore industries, manufacturing industries, oil and petrochemical industries.

The group's **Cleanroom, Air and Water Solutions Engineering Services ("CAW")** provides tools hook up services, air pollution control scrubbers and water treatment plants for the semiconductor, oil and gas, power plant and municipality sectors.

In FY2015, the Group reorganised the business divisions into two major business segments namely **Project Services and Maintenance Services**. The change was to better reflect the nature of the revenue streams and type of products and services rendered. Project Services segment includes projects that requires engineering, design, procurement, construction, machining, scaffolding works, insulation services and passive fireproofing services. Revenue is usually from capital projects which are non-recurring. Maintenance Services segment includes maintenance and repair services, trading and supply of material, spare parts and components. Maintenance Services segment revenue is recurring and the contracts are usually for a period of 1 to 3 years.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATION REVIEW

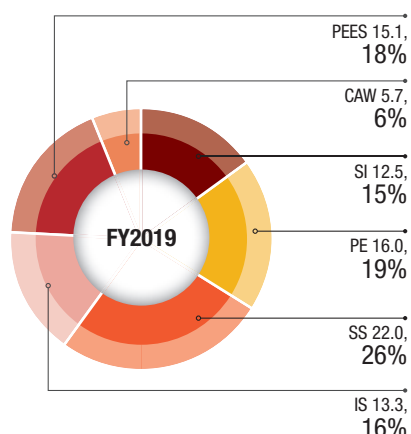
FINANCIAL REVIEW FOR FY2019

The Group's revenue declined 8% from \$91.7 million in FY2018 to \$84.6 million in FY2019. This was mainly attributed to less Project Services of \$8.5 million or 17% and the absence of sales of carbon allowance in Others business segment of \$3.8 million. However, revenue from Maintenance Service segment contributed revenue of \$43.0 million, up \$5.2 million or 14% as compared to \$37.8 million in FY2018.

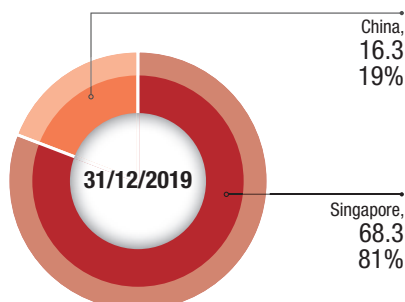
Geographical Information

Geographically, the Group's Singapore market revenue contributed \$68.4 million in FY2019 as compared to \$69.5 million in FY2018. In conjunction, the Group's China market revenue contributed \$22.2 million in FY2019 as compared to \$16.3 million in FY2018.

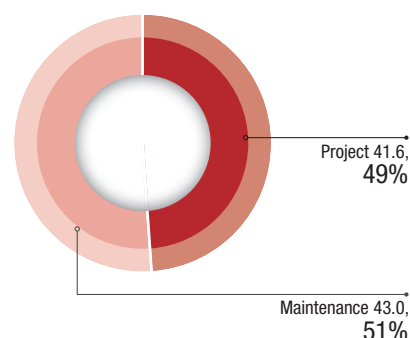
Revenue by Business division



Revenue by Geographical division



Revenue by Project and Maintenance



Gross profit and gross profit margin

Gross profit declined \$2.1 million or 9% from \$23.3 million in FY2018 to \$21.3 million in FY2019. Gross profit margin remained constant at approximately 25% for FY2018 and FY2019.

Other income and gains

Other income and gains declined \$0.5 million or 15% from \$3.4 million in FY2018 to \$2.9 million in FY2019 mainly due to lower gain on disposal of plant and equipment of \$0.4 million or 76%, lower other income and government grant income of approximately \$0.1 million or 18% each. This decrease was offset by an increase in other payables written back – Ensure vendors of \$0.1 million. This write back was because the payable was no longer payable.

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Distribution costs

Distribution costs remained constant at \$0.7 million.

Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses decreased by approximately \$0.3 million or 2% from \$12.3 million in FY2018 to \$12.0 million in FY2019 mainly due to lower staff costs.

Finance costs

Interest expenses increased marginally by \$0.03 million from \$1.5 million in FY2018 to \$1.53 million in FY2019, mainly due to increased borrowings and higher interest rate.

Other losses

Other losses increased approximately \$0.6 million or 487% from \$0.1 million in FY2018 to \$0.7 million in FY2019. This was mainly due to higher foreign exchange losses due to the weakening of United States Dollar against the Singapore dollar. Foreign exchange loss was \$0.6 million in FY2019 as compared to foreign exchange gain of \$0.3 million in FY2018.

Income tax expenses

Effective income tax rate remained constant at approximately 8% for FY2018 and FY2019. The lower effective tax rate is due to merger & acquisition allowance utilised.

Notwithstanding the prolonged weakness in the offshore marine, oil and gas industries, Nordic delivered net profit after tax attributable to shareholders of \$8.48 million in FY2019.

The group proposed a final dividend of 0.419 Singapore cents per share to reward shareholders.

\$'000	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
Non-current assets	64,560	59,818
Current assets	97,277	92,042
Non-current liabilities	12,895	12,822
Current liabilities	63,044	58,046
Total equity	85,898	80,992
Cash and cash equivalents	43,200	39,232
Net asset value per share (cents)	21.9	20.6

FINANCIAL AND OPERATION REVIEW

Non-current assets

Non-current asset increased approximately \$4.7 million or 8% from approximately \$59.8 million as at 31 December 2018 to approximately \$64.6 million as at 31 December 2019. The increase was mainly due to recording of right-of-use asset due to the new accounting standard of \$3.5 million, increase in intangible asset less amortisation from the acquisition of Envipure Group of approximately \$0.7 million and deferred tax asset of \$0.1 million. These increases were offset by a decrease in property, plant and equipment of approximately \$0.5 million due to depreciation charge of property, plant and equipment during the year.

Current assets

Current asset increased approximately \$5.2 million or 6% from approximately \$92.0 million as at 31 December 2018 to \$97.3 million as at 31 December 2019. This increase was due to increase in cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$4.0 million mainly contributed by the newly acquired subsidiaries Envipure Group and inventories of approximately \$2.0 million. Increase in inventories was for deliveries in 1Q2020. Excluding the other assets arising from the acquisition of Envipure Group of \$3.7 million, the decrease in other assets is \$5.0 million. This is mainly due to a decrease in unbilled receivables. This decrease is offset by an increase in deposit to secure service. Excluding the trade and other receivables (less allowance for impairment) arising from the acquisition of Envipure Group of approximately \$7.7 million, trade and other receivables reduced approximately \$7.1 million from \$23.0 million in FY2018 to \$15.9 million in FY2019. The decrease is mainly due to collections from customers.

Non-current liabilities

Non-current liabilities increased by approximately \$0.1 million or 1% from approximately \$12.8 million as at 31 December 2018 to approximately \$12.9 million as at 31 December 2019. The increase was mainly due to provision contributed by Envipure Group of \$0.6 million and increase of lease liabilities of approximately \$3.4 million due to recording of right-of-use liabilities due to the new accounting standard. These increases were offset by a decrease in other financial liabilities due to repayment of bank borrowings of \$2.0 million and decrease in other payables of \$2.1 million. Other payables reduced due to the write back and payment to Ensure vendors.

Current liabilities

Current liabilities increased approximately \$5.0 million or 9%, from approximately \$58.0 million as at 31 December 2018 to \$63.0 million as at 31 December 2019. The increase was due to the increase of other financial liabilities of approximately \$2.7 million due to more borrowings. Arising from the acquisition of Envipure Group, there were also increases in trade and other payable of approximately \$4.2 million, income tax payable of approximately \$1.0 million, provisions of approximately \$1.7 million and other liabilities of approximately \$0.6 million. These increases was offset by a decrease in liabilities held for sale under SFRS(i) 5 of approximately \$5.4 million and from the write back and payment to Ensure vendors of approximately \$2.0 million.

Equity

Our capital and reserves increased by approximately \$4.9 million or 6% from approximately \$81.0 million as at 31 December 2018 to approximately \$85.9 million as at 31 December 2019 mainly due to the increase in retention of net profit from FY2019 of approximately \$5.4 million, offset by increase of treasury shares of approximately \$0.2 million and decrease of other reserve of approximately \$0.3 million.

We continue to maintain a healthy cash position with approximately \$43.2 million in cash and bank balances as at the end of FY2019, while net asset value per share strengthen from 20.6 Singapore cents as at 31 December 2018 to 21.9 Singapore cents as at 31 December 2019¹.

¹ Based on 391,904,000 (FY2018: 392,519,000) ordinary shares in issue excluding treasury shares as of 31 December 2019

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CASH FLOW REVIEW FOR FY2019

\$'000	FY2019	FY2018
Net cash generated from operating activities	16,208	9,043
Net cash generated used in investing activities	(2,451)	(4,042)
Net cash used in financing activities	(9,470)	(6,453)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	43,200	39,232

In FY2019, net cash generated from operating activities amounted to approximately \$16.2 million. We generated net cash of approximately \$13.4 million from operating profits before working capital changes. Net cash generated from operations amounted to approximately \$17.1 million. This was mainly due to cash inflow from decrease in trade and other receivables of approximately \$7.1 million, cash inflow from decrease in other assets of approximately \$5.0 million, cash inflow from increase in provision of approximately \$1.4 million and increase in other liabilities of approximately \$0.1 million. These cash inflows were offset by cash outflow from the decrease in trade and other payables of approximately \$9.8 million and an increase in inventories of approximately \$0.2 million. Our operating cash flow from operations was reduced by income tax payments of approximately \$0.9 million.

Net cash of approximately \$2.5 million was used in investing activities mainly from the purchase of property, plant and equipment of approximately \$3.2 million. This cash outflow was offset by proceeds from disposal of plant and equipment and interest received of approximately \$0.2 million and \$0.5 million.

Net cash of approximately \$9.5 million was used in financing activities. This was mainly due to dividend payment of approximately \$3.1 million, interest payment of approximately \$1.4 million, decrease in other financial liabilities of approximately \$19.5 million and purchase of treasury shares of \$0.2 million. Cash used was offset by an increase in new borrowing of \$15 million.



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COMMITMENT TO OUR SHAREHOLDERS

Our Group is committed to sound corporate governance and transparent practices by providing existing and potential investors with timely and accurate information. Such disclosure helps investors to better evaluate the Group, as well as make informed investment decisions. Information of our Group is available via the following channels:

1. All our corporate announcements, including interim, full-year results and presentation materials, are published on the Singapore Exchange's SGXNet;
2. Our Group's corporate website with easy-to-access business information of our subsidiaries – <http://www.nordicgrouplimited.com>;
3. Our investor relations email: ir@nordicgrouplimited.com;
4. Investor, analyst and media briefings and site visits in relation to our corporate updates. For further information, please email to nordic@financialpr.com.sg or register via the link in the investor's briefing invites on our website <http://www.nordicgrouplimited.com>;
5. Our sustainability report: <http://www.nordicgrouplimited.com>;
6. Our annual general meeting held annually in April where our shareholders and management can interact.

COMMITMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENT

We are committed to environmental protection by reducing carbon emissions, preventing pollution, minimizing wastage, and utilizing our resources efficiently. To reduce pollution,

our Group sets strict operating procedures to handle waste treatment and disposal, while adopting greener solutions in our daily operations. Our ongoing efforts to protect the environment also includes implementing a waste recycling programme, which involves the installation of separate bins to collect reusable waste for reuse. Additionally, chemicals and hydrocarbon waste products, such as paints and engine oil, are treated with special care and disposed through proper biohazard disposal channels.

COMMITMENT TO OUR COMMUNITY

Our Group is committed and constantly looking for ways to give back to our community. In FY2019, we actively took part in several community events as well as making cash donations to community organizations as part of our dedication to this very ideal.

In July 2019, our Group participated in YMCA's Proms @ the Park 2019. More than 550 volunteers, including 30 from the group, met with over 500 beneficiaries from various Voluntary Welfare Organisations ("VWOs") to enjoy a concert, carnival and the Proms' very first Makers' Market at the Lawn @ Marina Bay. Our President, Mdm Halimah Yacob, was the guest of honor at the event. The event sought to encourage social bonding and enhancement of social skills through a shared heritage where volunteers discovered the privilege and joy of spending time with the beneficiaries as one community. The Group was honored to be recognized as the sole Silver Sponsor to the event, and participation in this event demonstrates the Group's commitment to helping those that are less privileged.

This year, our annual blood donation drive was held in October at Ensure Engineering at 1 Tuas Ave 10 Singapore 639125, the official Blood Donation Centre for the



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Singapore Red Cross Society. The collected blood would be used to save lives during emergencies and to sustain the lives of people with medical conditions.

COMMITMENT TO OUR EMPLOYEES

Occupational safety and health

Working in a highly regulated and hazardous industry, our Group adopts a culture where health and safety are of paramount importance. Our Group has set a policy that demands us to adhere to relevant legal and regulatory requirements and recognized industry standards. Our Group places high emphasis on safety and believes strongly in maintaining zero occupational injuries, diseases, property and environmental damage over the course of our work. We constantly review and improve our internal processes; conduct proper training and planning to uphold our safety standards. Our people represent our Group's most important assets and we strive to continuously create a safe and healthy working environment for all our employees to thrive in.

Safety awareness and best practices begin with individual employees and transcend into the Group's overall safety culture. The Group will continue to promote a safe working culture as well as conduct reviews to improve. In 2019, Austin Energy was awarded the bizSAFE Enterprise Exemplary Award 2019 for the first time. This award is testament to the Group's commitment in promoting a safe work culture and providing a safe environment for our clients and employees.

Workforce development

Our people are our most important asset. We believe in providing our employees a safe environment to work in, both from an internal control and industry standard perspective. We remain committed to provide equal and ample opportunities for employees to upgrade and hone their skill sets in order for them to excel.

To highlight the Group's ability in training and aligning its employees with the industry standards, we have a Certified On-the-job Training Centre ("COJTC") at Mutiheight and Ensure. At the COJTC, we are able to integrate new employees with induction programmes and on-the-job training. Employees are also encouraged to upgrade



Blood Donation 2019

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Dinner and Dance 15 and 20 years long service award



Chinese New Year reunion lunch

themselves by attending courses and specialized training. With these sound policies and procedures in place, Nordic has positioned itself as an employer of choice in the industry.

WORK-LIFE BALANCE

The Group understands the importance of work-life balance. As part of our commitment to improving the working environment, various company-wide events will be held throughout the year to show the Group's gratitude as well as providing an opportunity for staff to bond. During the Lunar New Year (CNY) period, the Group organized a CNY Lunch for the employees, regardless of race, language or religion. Attendees also had a chance to win some lucky draw prizes. Towards the middle of the year when it was the durian season, the Group took the opportunity to organize a Fruit Party, with fresh rambutan, coconut, mangosteen and of course durian. We also had our annual dinner and dance in November 2019 where our long serving employees received their 5, 10, 15 and 30 years long service award. Our Christmas lunch in December 2019 sum up all the events for the year. The events served as valuable bonding time amongst coworkers and between top management and staff.

COMMITMENT TO OUR CUSTOMERS

Our Group firmly believes that a returning customer is the best recognition of our hard work and dedication, supported by our Group's safety and quality track records and capabilities. We strive to deliver the highest satisfaction to our valued customers by regularly meeting and even surpassing their expectations of the Group.

As such, the Group emphasizes greatly on our work quality and value as well as the handling of our customers with honesty and respect. The Group has established a set of internal controls and process manuals to adhere to closely to ensure our work is completed to specification and of high quality. We also aim to achieve "Best in Class" works through our ISO 9001:2015 quality management system requirements, and by continuously investing in the training and upgrading of our workforce. In addition to these, we constantly seek for new innovative solutions to keep abreast with the latest technology and processes in the industry, as well as conduct regular reviews of our quality policy requirements in our bid to adhere to stringent product and service consistency and legal requirements.

As a testament to our Group's high standards in workplace safety and quality of our products and solutions, our Group has won numerous awards and accreditations in FY2019. For instance, our Group's subsidiaries were awarded ExxonMobil APRPC Safety Observation Champion for the Month – January 2019, ExxonMobil Outstanding Supervisor Award 2019, PUB Good Safety Award by Jurong Water Reclamation Plant (JWRP), Croda Business Partner of the Year Award and Chevron Oronite Bronze Award for Achieving Good Safety Performance in the Year 2019. Such awards amplify our Group's high safety standards, all rounded capabilities and quality of work completed for our valued customers. The Group was also actively involved in industry associations such as:

- Member – ASIA (Access & Scaffold Industry Association)
- Member – ASPRI (Association of Process Industry)
- Member – ASMI (Association of Singapore Marine Industries)

CORPORATE INFORMATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chang Yeh Hong
Executive Chairman

Teo Ling Ling
Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of
Nordic Flow Control Pte Ltd

Lee Kim Lian Juliana
Independent Director

Ong Hua
Independent Director

Lee Kok Keng Andrew
Independent Director

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Ong Hua (Chairwoman)
Lee Kim Lian Juliana
Lee Kok Keng Andrew

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

Lee Kok Keng Andrew (Chairman)
Ong Hua
Lee Kim Lian Juliana

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Lee Kim Lian Juliana (Chairwoman)
Ong Hua
Lee Kok Keng Andrew
Chang Yeh Hong

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(Effective from the year ended 31 December 2019)

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CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

The Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Nordic Group Limited (the “Company”) and its subsidiaries (the “Group”) is committed to achieving high standards of corporate governance to ensure investor confidence in the Company as a trusted business enterprise. The Board and management will continue to uphold good corporate governance practices to enhance long-term value and returns for shareholders and protect shareholders’ interests.

This report (the “Report”) describes the Group’s corporate governance structures and practices that were in place during the financial year ended 31 December 2019 with reference made to the principles and provision of the revised Code of Corporate Governance 2018 (the “2018 Code”) and the accompanying Practice Guidance issued in August 2018 which forms part of the continuing obligations of the Listing Rules of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (“SGX-ST”).

The Board is pleased to report on the compliance of the Group with the Code. Such compliance is regularly reviewed to ensure transparency and accountability. Where there are deviations from the Code, appropriate explanations have been provided.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Principle 1: The Company is headed by an effective Board which is collectively responsible and works with Management for the long-term success of the company

The Board provides leadership to the Group by setting the corporate policies and strategic aims. The main functions of the Board, apart from its statutory responsibilities, are to:

- Approve the broad policies, strategies and financial objectives of the Group and ensure that the necessary financial and human resources are in place for the Group to meet its objectives;
- Oversee the processes for evaluating the adequacy of internal controls, risk management, financial reporting and compliance to enable risks to be assessed and managed including safeguarding of shareholders’ interest and the assets of the Group;
- Review the performance of the management and approving the nominations of directors of the Company and appointment of key management personnel;
- Approve annual budgets, major funding proposals, investment and divestment proposals;
- Set the Group’s values and standards (including ethical standards) and ensure that the obligations to the shareholders and other stakeholders are met; and
- Assume responsibility for corporate governance.

The Board exercises due diligence and independent judgement in dealing with the business affairs of the Group and works with the management to make objective decisions in the interest of the Group.

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The Board has established a number of Board Committees to assist it in discharging its responsibilities. These Board Committees operate under clearly defined terms of reference. The three (3) Board Committees are:

- Audit Committee (the “AC”)
- Nominating Committee (the “NC”)
- Remuneration Committee (the “RC”)

Every Director is required to promptly disclose any conflict or potential conflict of Interest in relation to a transaction. Any Director facing a conflict of interest will excuse himself or herself from discussion and decision involving the issue of conflict.

The Board accepts that while the Board Committees have the authority to examine particular issues and will report back to the Board with their decisions and/or recommendations, the ultimate responsibility on all matters lies with the Board.

The Board meets at least four (4) times a year to review and approve, inter alia, the quarterly financial results of the Company, including the half-year and year-end results. The Board also meets as warranted by circumstances to supervise, direct and control the Group’s business and affairs. Apart from Board meetings, important matters are also put to the Board for approval by way of circulating resolutions in writing. Telephonic attendance and conference via audio communication at Board and Board Committee meetings are allowed by the Company’s Constitution.

The attendances of the Directors at meetings of the Board and Board Committees, as well as the frequency of such meetings during the financial year ended 31 December 2019 (“FY2019”) are as follows:

	Board and Board Committees			
	Board	Audit	Nominating	Remuneration
No. of Meeting Held	4	5	2	2
Board Members				
Chang Yeh Hong	4 ^(a)	–	2	–
Teo Ling Ling	4	–	–	–
Ong Hua	4	5 ^(a)	2	2
Lee Kim Lian Juliana	4	5	2 ^(a)	2
Lee Kok Keng Andrew ⁽¹⁾	4	4	1	1 ^(a)
Hew Koon Chan	1	1	1	1

Notes:

(a) Chairman

(1) Mr Lee Kok Keng Andrew was appointed as an Independent Director, Chairman of Remuneration Committee (“RC”), member of Audit Committee (“AC”) and Nominating Committee (“NC”) on 29 April 2019.

(2) Mr Hew Koon Chan retired as Independent Director on 29 April 2019. He also ceased to be Chairman of AC and a member of NC and RC on the same date.

Certain matters specifically reserved for decision by the Board are those relating to approval of strategies and objectives of the Group, announcements of financial results, approval of annual reports and financial statements, convening of shareholders’ meeting, dividend payment, major contracts, material acquisitions and disposal of assets and corporate restructuring.

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During the year, management kept the Directors up-to-date on pertinent developments in the business, financial reporting standards and industry-related matters. Such periodic updates were provided to the Directors to facilitate the discharge of their duties. The Directors are also encouraged to constantly keep abreast of developments in regulatory, legal and accounting frameworks that are of relevance to the Group through the extension of opportunities for participation in the relevant training courses, seminars and workshops as relevant and/or applicable. At each Board meeting, the Chief Executive Officers (“CEO”) and Chief Operating Officers (“COO”) of the Group’s respective business divisions update the Board on the business and strategic developments of their respective business divisions.

Incoming Directors are briefed on the Group’s business and Corporate Governance policies by senior management, to familiarise new directors with business and governance policies. Familiarisation visits, including overseas offices, are organised, if necessary, to facilitate a better understanding of the Group’s operations. The sessions also allow the new directors to get acquainted with senior management, thereby facilitating Board interaction and independent access to senior management.

Board members are encouraged to attend seminars and receive training to improve themselves in the discharge of their duties as Directors. The Company works closely with professionals to provide its Directors with updates on changes to relevant laws, regulations and accounting standards.

Newly appointed Directors will be provided with a formal letter setting out their roles and obligations, among other matters, duties and responsibilities as member of the Board.

Mr Lee Kok Keng Andrew was appointed as an Independent Director of the Company with effect from 29 April 2019. Concurrently, he was also appointed as Chairman of the RC, and as a member of the AC and the NC of the Company respectively. He has attended and completed the training on Qualified Listed Entity Director (QLED) conducted by the Singapore Institute of Directors

The Board considered Mr Lee Kok Keng Andrew to be independent for the purpose of Rule 704(8) of the Listing Manual of SGXST.

Access to Information

The members of the Board in their individual capacity have access to complete information on a timely basis in the form and quality necessary for the discharge of their duties and responsibilities. Prior to each Board meeting, the Directors are each provided with the relevant documents and information to enable them to obtain a comprehensive understanding of the issues to be deliberated upon to enable them to arrive at an informed decision. Senior management attends Board Meetings to answer any queries from the Directors. The Directors also have unrestricted access to the Company’s senior management at all times.

To allow Directors sufficient time to prepare for the meetings, all Board and Board Committee papers are distributed to Directors in advance of the meeting. Any additional material or information requested by the Directors is promptly furnished.

In order to ensure that the Board is able to fulfil its responsibilities, the management provides the Board with regular updates of the financial position of the Group. The Directors have been provided with the phone numbers and email particulars of the Company’s key management personnel to facilitate separate and independent access.

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The Company Secretary attends and prepares minutes for all Board and Board Committee meetings and is responsible for ensuring that the Board Meeting procedures are followed and that applicable rules, acts and regulations are complied with.

As secretary for all the Board Committees, the Company Secretary assists in ensuring coordination and liaison between the Board, the Board Committees and the management. The Company Secretary assists the Chairman, the Chairman of each Board Committee and the management in the development of the agendas for the various Board and Board Committee meetings.

The appointment and removal of the Company Secretary is a matter for the Board as a whole.

Each Director, whether individually or as a group, has the right to seek independent professional advice as and when necessary, in furtherance of their duties. The cost of such professional advice will be borne by the Company.

Principle 2: The Board has an appropriate level of independence and diversity of thought and background in its composition to enable it to make decision in the best interests of the company

As at date of this Report, the Board comprises an Executive Chairman, an Executive Director and three (3) Independent Directors. This composition complies with the Code's requirement that at least one-third of the Board should be made up of Independent Directors and non-executive Directors make up a majority of the Board. Each Director has been appointed on the strength of his calibre, expertise and experience.

The Independent Directors have confirmed that they do not have any relationship with the Company, its related corporations, its officers or its shareholders with shareholdings of 5% or more in the voting shares of the Company that could interfere, or be reasonably perceived to interfere, with the exercise of their independent business judgement with a view to the best interests of the Group.

The NC, in its deliberation as to the independence of a Director, has reviewed, determined and confirmed the independence of the Independent Directors.

The NC reviews the size and composition of the Board and Board Committees and the skills and core competencies of its members to ensure appropriate balance of skills and experience. These competencies include accounting and finance, business acumen, management experience, industry knowledge, strategic planning experience, familiarity with regulatory requirements and knowledge of risk management. The NC is satisfied that the current size and composition of the Board and Board Committees is appropriate for effective decision making, having taken into consideration the nature and scope of the Group's operations. The NC is also of the view that the Directors possess the necessary competencies and knowledge to lead and govern the Group effectively.

When necessary, the Independent Directors of the Board will meet among themselves and with the External Auditor and Internal Auditors without management's presence.

The Board includes three (3) female Directors in recognition of the importance and value of gender diversity.

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Principle 3: There is a clear division of responsibilities between leadership of the Board and Management, and no one individual has unfettered powers of decision-making

The Executive Chairman and the CEOs of each of the Group's respective business divisions are separate persons to ensure an appropriate balance and separation of power and authority, and clear division of responsibilities and accountability.

The Executive Chairman bears responsibility for the working of the Board and, together with the AC, ensures the integrity and effectiveness of the governance process of the Board. Additionally, the Executive Chairman plays a pivotal role in steering the strategic direction for the Board while respective subsidiary CEO manages the business of the subsidiary and ensures the execution of the Board's decisions.

Principle 4: The Board has a formal and transparent process for the appointment and re-appointment of directors, taking into account the need for progressive renewal of the Board

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The NC comprises four (4) members, a majority of whom including the Chairman are independent.

Chairman:	Lee Kim Lian Juliana	(Independent Director)
Members:	Lee Kok Keng Andrew	(Independent Director)
	Ong Hua	(Independent Director)
	Chang Yeh Hong	(Executive Chairman)

The main role of the NC is to make the process of Board appointments and re-appointments transparent and to assess the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and the contribution of individual Director to the effectiveness of the Board.

When a vacancy arises under any circumstances, or where it is considered that the Board would benefit from the services of a new Director with a particular skill, the NC, in consultation with the Board, determines the selection criteria and selects the candidates with the appropriate expertise and experience for the position.

The NC performs the following functions:

- review of succession plans for directors, in particular the appointment and/or replacement of the Chairman, the Chief Executive Officer and key management personnel.
- make recommendations to the Board on the appointment and re-appointment of directors (including alternate directors, if applicable).
- regularly review the Board structure, size and composition and make recommendations to the Board with regard to any adjustments that are deemed necessary.
- determine the process for the search, nomination, selection and appointment of new Board members and assess nominees or candidates for appointment or election to the Board, determining whether or not such nominee has the requisite qualifications and whether or not he/she is independent.
- develop a process for the evaluation of performance of the Board, its Board committees and directors.
- determine how the Board's performance may be evaluated and propose objective performance criteria.

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- assess the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and its Board committees and to assess the contribution by the Chairman and each individual director to the effectiveness of the Board.
- review training and professional development programs for the Board.
- determine, on an annual basis, if a director is independent.
- recommend directors who are retiring by rotation or are newly appointed to be put forward for re-election.

The Constitution of the Company require one-third of the Directors to retire and subject themselves to re-election by the shareholders in every Annual General Meeting. In addition, all Directors of the Company shall retire from office at least once every three years.

Pursuant to the one-third rotation rule, Ms Ong Hua will retire as Director at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting (“AGM”). Ms Ong Hua will not be seeking re-election as a Director of the Company due to the 9 year rule. Mr Chang Yeh Hong and Mr Lee Kok Keng Andrew will be seeking re-election under Regulations 106 and 116 of the Company’s Constitution at the forthcoming AGM.

The NC is satisfied that the Directors retiring in accordance with Regulations 106 and 116 of the Company’s Constitution at the forthcoming AGM are properly qualified for re-appointment by virtue of their skills, experience and their contribution in terms of guidance and time devoted to Board affairs.

On the matter of multiple board representations, and to address the issue of competing time commitments, the Board has endorsed the NC’s recommendation that each Director should not hold in excess of six (6) listed company board representations.

As at the date of this Report, the Company does not have any alternate Director.

The Company has established the following process for the selection and appointment of new Directors:

- The NC determines a suitable size of the Board and evaluates the balance of skills, knowledge and experience of members of the Board required to add value and facilitate effective decision-making, after taking into consideration the scope and nature of the Group’s operations;
- The NC considers various sources of seeking suitable candidate(s) or recommendations from, among others, Directors, business associates and advisors;
- Short-listed candidate(s) will be required to furnish their curriculum vitae stating in detail, among others, their qualification, working experience and employment history;
- The NC evaluates candidate(s) in areas of academic and professional qualifications, knowledge and experiences in relation to the business of the Group, independence status and other present and past directorships; and
- The NC makes recommendation to the Board for approval. The Board is to ensure that the candidate is aware of the expectations and the level of commitment required.

Key information of each member of the Board including directorships and chairmanships, both present and those held over the preceding three (3) years, in other listed companies and other major appointments, academic/professional qualifications, membership/chairmanship in the Board Committees can be found on pages 8 and 9 of this Annual Report.

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Principle 5: The Board undertakes a formal annual assessment of its effectiveness as a whole, and that of each of its board committees and individual directors

The NC has established an appraisal process to assess the performance and effectiveness of the Board as a whole as well as to assess the contribution of individual Director. The objective of the annual appraisal is to identify areas for improvement and to implement appropriate action. The appraisal process focuses on a set of performance criteria which includes qualitative and quantitative factors such as principal functions, fiduciary duties, attendance record, level of participation at meetings, and guidance provided to the management.

All Directors are requested to complete a Board Assessment Checklist and Individual Director Form designed to seek their views on the performance criteria so as to assess the overall performance and effectiveness of the Board and individual Director. The checklists and forms were completed and submitted to the Company Secretary for collation and the consolidated responses were presented to the NC for review and discussion before making any recommendations to the Board. The NC has reviewed the overall performance and effectiveness of the Board and is of the view that the performance and effectiveness of the Board as a whole has been satisfactory. The NC is also of the view that each Director has been adequately carrying out his or her duties as a Director of the Company.

The NC has not engaged any external facilitator in conducting the assessment of the Board's performance. Where relevant, the NC will consider such engagement.

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

Principle 6: The Board has a formal and transparent procedure for developing policies on director and executive remuneration, and for fixing the remuneration packages of individual directors and key management personnel. No director is involved in deciding his or her own remuneration

The RC comprises three (3) members, all of whom including the Chairman are independent.

Chairman:	Lee Kok Keng Andrew	(Independent Director)
Members:	Ong Hua	(Independent Director)
	Lee Kim Lian Juliana	(Independent Director)

To minimise the risk of any potential conflict of interest, each member of the RC shall abstain from voting on any resolution in respect of his/her remuneration package.

The Company may also engage an external consultant to advise on all remuneration and related matters of Directors and senior management, as and when circumstances require to ensure that the Directors' remuneration is fair and reasonable and benchmarked against comparable companies.

The Director's remuneration packages of the Executive Directors and certain key executive officers are based on their respective service agreements. These include a profit sharing scheme that is performance related to align their interests with those of the shareholders.

Independent Directors are paid Directors' fees of an agreed amount and these fees are subject to shareholders' approval at the Annual General Meeting.

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The principal terms of reference of the RC are as follows:

- review and recommend to the Board a general framework of remuneration for the Board and key management personnel and to review and recommend to the Board the specific remuneration packages for each director, key management personnel of the Group and employees who are substantial shareholders of the Company, or are immediate family members of a director, the Chief Executive Officer or a substantial shareholder of the Company.
- consider all aspects of remuneration, including termination terms, to ensure they are fair.
- review whether the executive directors and key management personnel should be eligible for benefits under any long-term incentive schemes which may be set up from time to time and to do all acts necessary in connection therewith.
- administer the performance based bonus scheme and any other share option scheme or share plan established from time to time for the directors and key management personnel.
- carry out its duties in the manner that it deems expedient, subject always to any regulations or restrictions that may be imposed upon the RC by the Board.

The recommendations of the RC are submitted to the Board for endorsement. All aspects of remuneration, including but not limited to directors' fees, salaries, allowances, bonuses, options and benefits in kind are reviewed by the RC.

The RC has access to expert professional advice on human resource matters whenever there is a need to consult externally. In its deliberations, the RC will take into consideration industry practices and norms in compensation in addition to the Company's relative performance to the industry and the performance of the individual Director. No individual Director is involved in deciding his own remuneration.

Principle 7: The level and structure of remuneration of the Board and key management personnel are appropriate and proportionate to the sustained performance and value creation of the company, taking into account the strategic objectives of the company

The remuneration packages of the Executive Chairman, Executive Director and key executive officers generally comprise two components. One component is fixed in the form of a base salary, car allowance and handphone allowance. The other component is variable consisting of incentive or performance bonuses. The remuneration is appropriate to attract, retain and motivate the Directors to provide good stewardship of the Company and key executive officers to successfully manage the Company for the long term.

The incentive and performance bonuses are dependent on the financial performance of the Group or business segments as the RC strongly supports and endorses the flexible wage system which gives the Group more flexibility to ride through economic downturns. The RC has adopted set profitability levels to be achieved before incentive bonuses are payable.

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The Independent Directors are paid Directors' fees for their efforts and time spent, responsibilities and contributions to the Board, subject to the approval by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting.

There are no termination or retirement benefits that are granted to the Directors. The Company has contractual provisions to allow the Company to reclaim performance-based components of remuneration from the Executive Chairman, Executive Director and key executive officers in exceptional circumstances of restatement of financial results. The Executive Chairman and Director owe a fiduciary duty to the Company and the Company should be able to avail itself to remedies against the Executive Chairman and Director in the event of such breach of fiduciary duties.

Principle 8: The company is transparent on its remuneration policies, level and mix of remuneration, the procedure for setting remuneration, and the relationships between remuneration, performance and value creation

The level and mix of remuneration (in percentage terms) of the Directors for FY2019 is as follows:

Directors' Remuneration for FY2019

Name	Remuneration (\$'000)	Fee ^(a)	Salary	Bonus	Allowance	Total
Chang Yeh Hong	712	–	52%	43%	5%	100%
Teo Ling Ling Dorcas	300	–	72%	18%	10%	100%
Lee Kim Lian Juliana	46	100%	–	–	–	100%
Ong Hua	62	100%	–	–	–	100%
Lee Kok Keng Andrew	31	100%	–	–	–	100%
Hew Koon Chan ^(b)	16	100%	–	–	–	100%

(a) Directors' fees of \$137,000 for FY2019 have been approved by the shareholders at the AGM on 29 April 2019. A one-off Director's fee of \$15,000 has been proposed for Ms Ong Hua which is subject to approval by shareholders at the AGM on 27 April 2020. An additional Director's fee of \$1,000 each for additional AC meeting held during the year is subject to approval by shareholders at the AGM on 27 April 2020.

(b) Retired as a director in accordance with Article 104 of the Constitution of the Company at the AGM of the Company held on 29 April 2019 and did not seek re-election due to the 9-year rule.

No option has been granted to the above Directors.

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The breakdown of remuneration of the Group's top five key executives (who are not Directors) in percentage terms for FY2019 is as follows:

Remuneration of Key Executives for FY2019

Total remuneration paid to the top 5 key executives (who are not Directors) for FY2019 is \$1,093,537. The breakdown in percentage terms are set out below:

Name	Salary	Bonus	Allowance	Total
<u>Between \$250,000 and \$350,000</u>				
Han Meng Siew	98%	–	2%	100%
<u>Below \$250,000</u>				
Lin Choon Hin	75%	5%	20%	100%
Wang Lai Suan	97%	–	3%	100%
<u>Below \$200,000</u>				
Koh Wei Ming Rodney	62%	7%	31%	100%
Lim Bee Hong Samantha	67%	5%	28%	100%

In considering the disclosure of remuneration of key executives, the Board has regarded the industry conditions in which the Group operates as well as the confidential nature of such remuneration.

No option has been granted to the above key executives.

Remuneration of Employee who are immediate family members of a Director

Name	Related To	Remuneration
Bong Boon Hean	Cousin of Teo Ling Ling, Executive Director	\$100,000 to \$150,000

Save as disclosed above, there is no other employee who is related to a Director, the CEO or substantial shareholder and whose remuneration exceeded \$100,000 during FY2019.

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Principle 9: The Board is responsible for the governance of risk and ensures that Management maintains a sound system of risk management and internal controls, to safeguard the interests of the company and its shareholders

The Board acknowledges that it is responsible for maintaining a sound system of internal controls to safeguard shareholders' interests and maintain accountability of its assets but acknowledges that no cost-effective risk management and internal controls system will preclude all errors and irregularities. While no cost effective internal control system can provide absolute assurance against loss or misstatement, the Group's internal controls and systems have been designed to provide reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded, operational controls are in place, business risks are suitably protected, proper accounting records are maintained and financial information used within the business and for publication, are reasonable and accurate.

The Group has had in place an Enterprise Risk Management ("ERM") Framework, which governs the risk management processes of the Group. Risk management capabilities and competencies are continuously enhanced through this Framework. The ERM Framework also enables the identification, prioritisation, assessment, management and monitoring of key risks and associated key controls in the Group's businesses. The key risks of the Group are deliberated by Management and reported to the AC at least once a year. The AC reviews the adequacy and effectiveness of the ERM Framework against leading practices in risk management and vis-à-vis the external and internal environments, which the Group operates.

Complementing the ERM framework is a Group-wide system of internal controls, which includes documented policies and procedures, proper segregation of duties, approval procedures and authorisations, as well as checks-and-balances built into the business processes. The Group has in place a risk management process that requires business units to perform regular assessments of the effectiveness of applicable internal controls. In addition to ensuring that internal controls and risk management processes are adequate and effective, the AC is assisted by various independent professional service providers. The external auditor provided assurance over the risk of material misstatements in the Group's financial statements. The Internal auditor conducted audit reviews based on the approved internal audit plans. All audit reports detailing audit findings and recommendations are provided to Management who timely respond to actions to be taken. The AC monitors closely and timely to ensure proper implementation of the required corrective action plans are undertaken by Management.

Management has established the Group's risk profile which identifies the material risks faced by the Group and the counter measures that are in place to manage or mitigate those risks. As the Group does not have a risk management committee, the Board and the management assume the responsibility of the risk management function. The Group's risk profile is reviewed by the AC and the Board annually to ensure regular assessment and update of the Group's key risks, how they are managed, the key personnel responsible for each identified risk type and the various assurance mechanism in place. It allows the Group to address the on-going changes and the challenges in the business environment, reduces uncertainties and facilitates the shareholder value creation process. In addition, the Board reviews and determines the Group's level of risk tolerance and risk policies, and oversees the design, implementation and monitoring of the risk management and internal control systems.

The internal auditor carried out internal audit on the system of internal controls and reported their findings to the AC. The external auditor have also carried out, in the course of their statutory audit, an understanding of the key internal controls assessed to be relevant to the audit. In this respect, the AC has reviewed the findings of both the s and will ensure that the Group follows up on the auditors' recommendations raised during the audit process.

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Based on the Group's framework of management controls in place, the internal control policies and procedures established and maintained by the Group, as well as the reviews performed by the external and internal auditors, the Board, with the concurrence of the AC, is of the opinion that the risk management and internal control systems of the Group, addressing the financial, operational, compliance, information technology risks and risk management systems are adequate and effective as at 31 December 2019 to address the risks that the Group considers relevant and material to its operations.

The Board and the AC have also received assurances from the Executive Chairman and the Group Chief Financial Officer that (a) the Company's internal control and risk management systems in place is adequate and effective in addressing the material risks of the Company in its current business environment including financial, operational, compliance and information technology risks; and (b) that the financial records have been properly maintained and the financial statements give a true and fair view of the Group's business operations and finances.

Principle 10: The Board has an Audit Committee which discharges its duties objectively

The AC comprises three (3) members, all of whom including the Chairman are independent.

Chairman:	Ong Hua	(Independent Director)
Members:	Lee Kim Lian, Juliana	(Independent Director)
	Lee Kok Keng Andrew	(Independent Director)

The Board is of the view that the AC has the requisite financial management expertise and experience to discharge its responsibilities properly.

The terms of reference of the AC are as follows:

- review significant financial reporting issues and judgments to ensure integrity of the financial statements of the Company and any announcements relating to the Company's financial performance.
- review and report to the Board at least annually the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's internal controls (including financial, operational, compliance and information technology controls) and risk management systems (such review can be carried out internally or with the assistance of any competent third parties).
- review at least annually the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's internal audit function including ensuring it is staffed with persons with the relevant qualifications and experience.

The internal auditor should carry out its function according to the standards set by nationally or internationally recognised professional bodies including the standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing set by The Institute of Internal Auditors.

- ensure that the internal audit function is adequately resourced and has appropriate standing within the Company.
- review the internal audit programme and ensure co-ordination between the and management.
- review the adequacy, effectiveness, independence, scope and results of the Company's internal audit functions.
- review the adequacy, effectiveness, independence, scope and results of the external audit functions.

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- approve the hiring, removal, evaluation and compensation of the Head of the Internal Audit function, or accounting/auditing firm or corporation if the internal audit function is outsourced.
- make recommendations to the Board on (i) the proposals to shareholders on the appointment, re-appointment, resignation and removal of the external auditor, and (ii) approving the remuneration and terms of engagement of the external auditor.
- ensure co-ordination where more than one auditing firm or corporation is involved.
- review with the internal and external auditors:
 - (a) their audit plan, including the nature and scope of the audit before the audit commences;
 - (b) their evaluation of the system of internal controls;
 - (c) their audit report; and
 - (d) their management letters and -management's responses.
- review interested person transactions (IPTs) falling within the scope of the SGX-ST Listing Manual on a quarterly basis.
- review the quarterly and full year financial statements of the Company before submission to the Board for approval, focusing in particular, on:
 - (a) changes in accounting policies and practices;
 - (b) major risk areas;
 - (c) significant adjustments resulting from the audit;
 - (d) the going concern statement;
 - (e) compliance with accounting standards;
 - (f) compliance with stock exchange and statutory/regulatory requirements;
- review the audited financial statements of the Company and the consolidated balance sheet and statement of comprehensive income, before approval by the Board.
- discuss problems and concerns, if any, arising from quarterly and/or full year audits, in consultation with the s, where necessary.
- meet with the external and internal auditors without the presence of management, at least annually, to discuss any problems or concerns they may have.

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- ensure where deficiencies in internal controls have been identified, appropriate and prompt remedial action is taken by management.
- review the assistance given by management to the s.
- review annually the independence of the external auditor, the aggregate amount of fees paid to the external auditor for the financial year and the breakdown of the fees paid in total for audit and non-audit services respectively.

Where the external auditor also provide non-audit services to the Company, the nature and extent of such services should be reviewed in order to balance the maintenance of objectivity and value for money, and to ensure that the independence of the auditor would not be compromised.

- review and discuss with the external auditor, any suspected fraud or irregularity, or suspected infringement of any applicable law, rules or regulations, which has or is likely to have a material impact on the Company's operating results or financial position, and management's response.
- review the policy and arrangements by which staff of the Company or of the Group and any other persons may, in confidence, raise concerns about possible improprieties in matters of financial reporting or any other matters and conduct an independent investigation of such matters for appropriate follow-up action pursuant to the Company's whistle-blowing program.
- investigate any matter within the Terms of Reference, with full access to and cooperation by management and full discretion to invite any director or executive officer to attend its meetings, and reasonable resources to enable it to discharge its function properly.
- report to the Board its findings from time to time on matters arising and requiring the attention of the AC.
- undertake such other reviews and projects as may be requested by the Board.
- undertake such other functions and duties as may be required by statute or the Listing Manual, and by such amendments made thereto from time to time.

Summary of the Audit Committee's Activities

The AC met five (5) times during the year under review. Details of members and their attendance at meetings are provided on page 26. The Group Chief Financial Officer, internal auditor and external auditor are invited to these meetings. Other members of senior management are also invited to attend as appropriate to present reports.

The AC has explicit authority to investigate any matter within its terms of reference. It has full access to and has had the full cooperation of the management and employees. It also has the full discretion to invite any Director or any member of management to attend its meetings.

During FY2019, the AC has met the external auditor and internal auditor, without the presence of the Company's management, at least once a year. This meeting enabled the external auditor and internal auditor to raise issues encountered in the course of their work directly to the AC.

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The AC has reviewed the amount of non-audit related services rendered to the Group by the external auditor, RSM Chio Lim LLP. During the year 2019, the fees paid to RSM Chio Lim LLP for non-audit related services amounted to \$88,000 or 45% of the audit fee. Being satisfied that the nature and extent of such services will not prejudice the independence and objectivity of the external auditor, the AC has recommended their nomination for re-appointment as external auditor of the Company to the Board.

The Company confirms that it is in compliance with Rule 712 and Rule 715 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual.

The Company has put in place a whistle-blowing framework ("Speaking Up Policy"), endorsed by the AC where the employees of the Group or any other person may, in confidence, raise concerns about possible corporate improprieties in matters of financial reporting or other matters.

Details of the Speaking Up Policy and arrangements have been made available to all employees of the Group. It has a well-defined process which ensures independent investigation of issues/concerns raised and appropriate follow-up action, and provides assurance that whistle blowers will be protected from reprisal within the limits of the law.

The AC reports to the Board on such matters at the Board meetings. Should the AC receive reports relating to serious offences and/or criminal activities in the Group, the AC and the Board have access to appropriate external advice where necessary.

There was one reported incident pertaining to the Speaking Up Policy during FY2019.

Financial reporting and significant financial issues

The AC has considered whether accounting standards are consistently applied across the Group and whether disclosures to the financial statements are clear and sufficient. For the year reported on, the AC reviewed and approved the scope of the audit plans of the external auditor. In its recommendation to the Board to approve the full year financial statements, the AC reviewed the results of the audit, significant findings or areas of emphasis and audit recommendations. The AC also discussed with management the bases of the assumptions and methodologies used by management in relation to matters of significant impact. In particular, the following key audit matter identified by the external auditor was discussed with management and reviewed by the AC:

Assessment of impairment of goodwill

Goodwill is required to be assessed annually for impairment. The AC has reviewed the methodology used by management to determine the recoverable amount of goodwill for impairment assessment. In addition, the AC discussed with the external auditor on their review of the reasonableness and relevance of the assumptions used in the impairment assessment and the sensitivity analysis performed. The AC concurred with the management's conclusion that no impairment loss was recognised for goodwill as at 31 December 2019 as the carrying amount of all cash-generating units was lower than their recoverable amounts and that the disclosures in the financial statements were appropriate.

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ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT

Accountability

The Board is accountable to the shareholders and is mindful of its obligations to furnish timely information and to ensure full disclosure of material information to shareholders in compliance with statutory requirements and the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST.

The Board reviews and approves the results as well as any announcements before its release. In presenting the annual financial statements and quarterly announcements to shareholders, it is the aim of the Board to provide the shareholders with detailed analysis and a balanced and understandable assessment of the Group's performance, position and prospects. This responsibility is extended to regulators.

Financial reports and other price-sensitive information are disseminated to shareholders through announcement via SGXNET.

The Board also reviews legislation and regulatory compliance with management to ensure that the Group complies with the relevant regulatory requirements.

Internal Audit

The AC approves the hiring, removal, evaluation and compensation of the internal auditor. The internal audit function ("IA") of the Company is out-sourced to KPMG Services Pte Ltd ("KPMG"). The IA reviews the effectiveness of key internal controls, including financial, operational and compliance controls for selected scope of review annually, as approved by the AC. Procedures are in place for the IA to report independently on their findings and recommendations to the AC for review. The IA reports primarily to the Chairman of the AC and has full access to the documents, records properties and personnel of the Group, including access to AC.

The primary functions of internal audit are to help:–

- (a) assess if adequate systems of internal controls are in place to protect the assets of the Group and to ascertain whether control procedures are complied with;
- (b) assess if operations of the business processes under review are conducted efficiently and effectively; and
- (c) identify and recommend improvement to internal control procedures, where required.

The AC is satisfied that the internal audit function has adequate resources to perform its function effectively. The AC is satisfied that the internal audit function is staffed by suitably qualified and experienced professionals with the relevant qualifications and experience.

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The Company's IA function is independent of the external audit. The IA is a member of the Institute of Internal Auditors Singapore ("IIA"), a professional internal auditing body affiliated to the Institute of Internal Auditors, Inc. The audit work carried out is guided by KPMG's global internal auditing standards and the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing laid down in the International Professional Practices Framework issued by the IIA. The IA continues to meet or exceed the IIA Standards in all key aspects. KPMG has confirmed their independence to the AC.

During the year, the IA adopted a risk-based audit approach that focused on material internal controls, including financial, operational, compliance and information technology controls. Audits were carried out on all significant business units in the Group. All Group Internal Audit reports are submitted to the AC for deliberation with copies of these reports extended to the Chairman and CEO, Executive Directors and the relevant key management personnel.

The AC has reviewed the Company's internal control assessment and based on the internal auditors' and external auditors' reports and the internal controls in place, it is satisfied that there are adequate and effective internal controls to meet the needs of the Group in its current business environment. The AC is satisfied that the internal audit function is independent, effective and adequately resourced.

The AC reviews the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal audit function of the Company annually.

No former partner or director of the Group's EA and IA is a member of the AC.

SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Principle 11: The company treats all shareholders fairly and equitably in order to enable them to exercise shareholders' rights and have the opportunity to communicate their views on matters affecting the company. The company gave shareholders a balanced and understandable assessment of its performance, position and prospects

The Company's corporate governance practices promote the fair and equitable treatment to all shareholders. To facilitate shareholders' ownership rights, the Company ensures that all material information is disclosed on a comprehensive, accurate and timely basis via SGXNET, especially information pertaining to the Group's business development and financial performance which could have a material impact on the share price of the Company, so as to enable shareholders to make informed decisions in respect of their investments in our Company.

Shareholders are given opportunity to participate effectively and vote at general meetings of the company, where relevant rules and procedures governing such meetings are clearly communicated through Annual Report or Circular to shareholders.

Conduct of Shareholder Meetings

The Company supports active shareholder participation at general meetings. The shareholders are encouraged to attend the general meetings to ensure high level of accountability and to stay informed of the Group's strategies and visions.

If shareholders are unable to attend the meetings, the Company's Constitution allows a shareholder of the Company to appoint up to two proxy to attend and vote in place of the shareholder.

The Board takes note that there should be separate resolution at general meetings on each substantially separate issue and supports the Code's principle as regards to "bundling" of resolutions.

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Resolutions are as far as possible, structured separately and are voted on independently.

All Directors including Chairpersons of the Board, AC, RC and NC and senior management are in attendance at the Annual General Meetings ("AGMs") and Extraordinary General Meetings to allow shareholders the opportunity to air their views and ask Directors or management questions regarding the Company. The external auditor are also invited to attend the AGMs and are available to assist the Directors in addressing any relevant queries by the shareholders relating to the conduct of the audit, the preparation and contents of the independent auditors' report.

Minutes of general meetings, including relevant substantial comments or queries from shareholders relating Board or the Management will be published on the Company's website as soon as practicable.

The Company will be conducting its voting at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting by poll where shareholders are accorded voting rights proportionate to their shareholdings and all votes will be counted.

COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS

Principle 12: The company communicates regularly with its shareholders and facilitates the participation of shareholders during general meetings and other dialogues to allow shareholders to communicate their views on various matters affecting the company

The Group is committed to maintaining high standards of corporate disclosure and transparency through timely communication of information to shareholders and the public. It is the Company's policy that all shareholders and the public be informed of all major developments that impact the Group on a timely basis. Communication is made through:

- Annual reports that are issued to all shareholders, soft copies of which may be accessed through the SGX-ST website;
- Announcement of quarter, half-year and full-year results on the SGX-ST's - SGXNET;
- Disclosure on the SGXNET;
- Press releases on major developments of the Company; and
- Quarterly shareholders' briefings.

Principle 13: The Board adopts an inclusive approach by considering and balancing the needs and interests of material stakeholders, as part of its overall responsibility to ensure that the best interests of the company are served

The Group has identified stakeholders as those who are impacted by the Group's business and operations as well as those who have a material impact on the Group's business and operations. Such stakeholders include employees, contractors and suppliers, government and regulators, community, and shareholders and investors. The Company engages its stakeholders through various channels to ensure that the business interests of the Group are balanced against the needs and interests of its stakeholders.

The Group maintains a corporate website at www.nordicgrouplimited.com to communicate and engage with stakeholders.

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Interested Persons Transactions

The Group has established internal control policies to ensure that transactions with interested persons are properly reviewed and approved, and are conducted at an arm's length basis.

The Group does not have a general mandate from shareholders for interested person transactions pursuant to Rule 920 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual. For the year under review, there have been interested person transactions but these are below \$100,000 in aggregate.

Securities Transaction

The Group has adopted a policy whereby the Directors and employees are prohibited from dealing in the securities of the Company while in possession of price-sensitive information as well as during the period commencing one (1) month before the announcement of the Company's full year results and two (2) weeks before the announcement of the Company's first, second and third quarter financial results until the said results announcement has been made. The Directors and employees of the Group are to refrain from dealing in the Company's securities on short-term considerations.

Directors and employees of the Group are also expected to observe insider trading laws at all times even when dealing with securities within the permitted trading period.

Material Contracts

There was no material contracts entered into by the Company or any of its subsidiaries involving the interest of any Director or controlling shareholder in FY2019.

STATEMENT BY DIRECTORS

The directors of the company are pleased to present the accompanying financial statements of the company and of the group for the reporting year ended 31 December 2019.

1. Opinion of the directors

In the opinion of the directors,

- (a) the accompanying financial statements and the consolidated financial statements are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the company and, of the financial position and performance of the group for the reporting year covered by the financial statements or consolidated financial statements; and
- (b) at the date of the statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

The board of directors approved and authorised these financial statements for issue.

2. Directors

The directors of the company in office at the date of this statement are:

Executive Directors:

Chang Yeh Hong

Teo Ling Ling

Independent Directors:

Lee Kim Lian Juliana

Ong Hua

Lee Kok Keng Andrew (Appointed on 29 April 2019)

3. Directors' interests in shares and debentures

The directors of the company holding office at the end of the reporting year had no interests in shares in or debentures of the company or other related body corporate as recorded in the register of directors' shareholdings kept by the company under section 164 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 ("the Act") except as follows:

Name of directors and companies in which interests are held	Direct		Deemed	
	At beginning of the reporting year or date of appointment if later	At end of the reporting year	At beginning of the reporting year or date of appointment if later	At end of the reporting year
The company - Nordic Group Limited	Number of shares of no par value			
Chang Yeh Hong	6,982,000	7,063,000	210,717,225	210,717,225
Teo Ling Ling	50,000	235,000	32,039,500	32,084,500
Lee Kok Keng Andrew	12,000	82,000	979,800	979,800

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3. Directors' interests in shares and debentures (Continued)

By virtue of section 7 of the Act, the above directors with interests are deemed to have an interest in the company and in all the related body corporate of the company.

The directors' interests as at 21 January 2020 were the same as those at the end of the reporting year.

4. Arrangements to enable directors to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares and debentures

Neither at the end of the reporting year nor at any time during the reporting year did there subsist arrangements to which the company is a party, being arrangements whose objects are, or one of whose objects is, to enable directors of the company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the company or any other body corporate.

5. Options

During the reporting year, no option to take up unissued shares of the company or other body corporate in the group was granted.

During the reporting year, there were no shares issued by virtue of the exercise of an option to take up unissued shares.

At the end of the reporting year, there were no unissued shares under option.

6. Independent auditor

RSM Chio Lim LLP has expressed willingness to accept re-appointment.

7. Report of audit committee

The members of the audit committee at the date of this report are as follows:

Ong Hua	(Chairwoman of the audit committee)
Lee Kim Lian Juliana	
Lee Kok Keng Andrew	

The audit committee performs the functions specified by section 201B (5) of the Act. Among other functions, it performed the following:

- Reviewed with the independent external auditor their audit plan;
- Reviewed with the independent external auditor their evaluation of the company's internal accounting controls relevant to their statutory audit, and their report on the financial statements and the assistance given by management to them;

STATEMENT BY DIRECTORS

7. Report of audit committee (Continued)

- Reviewed with the internal auditor the scope and results of the internal audit procedures (including those relating to financial, operational and compliance controls and risk management) and the assistance given by the management to the internal auditor;
- Reviewed the financial statements of the group and the company prior to their submission to the directors of the company for adoption; and
- Reviewed the interested person transactions (as defined in Chapter 9 of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited's Listing Manual).

Other functions performed by the audit committee are described in the report on corporate governance included in the annual report of the company. It also includes an explanation of how independent auditor objectivity and independence is safeguarded where the independent auditor provides non-audit services.

The audit committee has recommended to the board of directors that the independent auditor, RSM Chio Lim LLP, be nominated for re-appointment as the independent auditor at the next annual general meeting of the company.

8. Directors' opinion on the adequacy of internal controls

Based on the internal controls established and maintained by the company, work performed by the internal and external auditors, and reviews performed by management, other committees of the board and the board, the audit committee and the board are of the opinion that the company's internal controls, addressing financial, operational and compliance risks, are adequate as at the end of the reporting year 31 December 2019.

9. Subsequent developments

There are no significant developments subsequent to the release of the group's and the company's preliminary financial statements, as announced on 24 February 2020, which would materially affect the group's and the company's operating and financial performance as of the date of this report.

On behalf of the directors

Chang Yeh Hong
Director

Teo Ling Ling
Director

30 March 2020

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF NORDIC GROUP LIMITED

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Nordic Group Limited (the "company") and its subsidiaries (the "group"), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position of the group and the statement of financial position of the company as at 31 December 2019, and the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows of the group, and statement of changes in equity of the company for the reporting year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements of the group and the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the company are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 ("the Act") and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (International) ("SFRS (I)") so as to give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the group and the financial position of the company as at 31 December 2019 and of the consolidated financial performance, consolidated changes in equity and consolidated cash flows of the group and the changes in equity of the company for the reporting year ended on that date.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing ("SSAs"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority ("ACRA") Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Public Accountants and Accounting Entities ("ACRA Code") together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Singapore, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ACRA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significant in our audit of the financial statements of the current reporting year. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

- Assessment of impairment of goodwill

Please refer to Note 2 on accounting policies; Note 2C on critical judgements, assumptions and estimation uncertainties, Note 15 on goodwill and the annual report on the section on the audit committee's views and responses to the reported key audit matters.

As at the reporting year end, the group had goodwill of \$29,552,000, which makes up a significant portion of the group's total assets. Goodwill is assessed annually for impairment. Management uses the value in use method to determine the recoverable amount of goodwill. The value in use method requires management to estimate the future cash flows expected to arise from each of the cash-generating units as well as a suitable discount rate in order to measure the recoverable amount. In estimating the future cash flows of the cash-generating units, management forecasted the revenue, growth rates, margins based on presently available information.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF NORDIC GROUP LIMITED

Key audit matters (Continued)

- Assessment of impairment of goodwill (Continued)

With the assistance of our in-house valuation specialists, we compared the valuation methodology to generally acceptable market practices and evaluated management's input to the valuation through discussions with management, checked to supporting documents where applicable as well as compared the inputs against available industry data and performed sensitivity analysis on the outcome of the calculations.

We evaluated the adequacy of the disclosures included in the financial statements.

Other information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the statement by directors and the annual report, but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of management and directors for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the financial reporting standards, and for devising and maintaining a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide a reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorised use or disposition; and transactions are properly authorised and that they are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of true and fair financial statements and to maintain accountability of assets.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors' responsibilities include overseeing the group's financial reporting process.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF NORDIC GROUP LIMITED

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SSAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- a) Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- b) Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the group's internal control.
- c) Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- d) Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- e) Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- f) Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF NORDIC GROUP LIMITED

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements (Continued)

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with the directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

In our opinion, the accounting and other records required by the Act to be kept by the company and by those subsidiary corporations incorporated in Singapore of which we are the auditors have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Yeow Thuan Wee.

RSM Chio Lim LLP
Public Accountants and
Chartered Accountants
Singapore

30 March 2020
Engagement partner – effective from year ended 31 December 2019

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

		Group	
	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Revenue			
Cost of sales	5	84,627 (63,353)	91,694 (68,368)
Gross profit		21,274	23,326
Other income and gains	6	2,922	3,448
Distribution costs		(735)	(687)
Administrative expenses	7	(12,040)	(12,326)
Finance costs	8	(1,537)	(1,485)
Other losses	6	(704)	(120)
Profit before tax from continuing operations		9,180	12,156
Income tax expense	10	(700)	(831)
Profit net of tax		8,480	11,325
Other comprehensive loss:			
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations, net of tax		(338)	(190)
Other comprehensive loss for the year, net of tax:		(338)	(190)
Total comprehensive income for the year		8,142	11,135
Profit attributable to owners of the parent, net of tax		8,480	11,325
Total comprehensive income attributable to owners of the parent		8,142	11,135
Earnings per share			
Earnings per share currency unit		Cents	Cents
Basic and diluted	11	2.2	2.9

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

		Group		Company	
	Notes	2019 \$	2018 \$	2019 \$	2018 \$
ASSETS					
<u>Non-current assets</u>					
Property, plant and equipment	13	30,724	30,266	6,403	6,511
Right-of-use assets	14	3,470	–	1,730	–
Goodwill	15	29,552	29,552	–	–
Intangible assets	16	665	–	–	–
Investments in subsidiaries	17	–	–	1,350	1,350
Deferred tax assets	10C	149	–	–	–
Total non-current assets		64,560	59,818	9,483	7,861
<u>Current assets</u>					
Assets held for sale	18	8,076	8,076	–	–
Inventories	19	12,045	10,095	–	–
Trade and other receivables	20	23,611	23,015	20,324	12,264
Other assets	21	10,345	11,624	665	641
Cash and cash equivalents	22	43,200	39,232	23,819	20,092
Total current assets		97,277	92,042	44,808	32,997
Total assets		161,837	151,860	54,291	40,858
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES					
<u>Equity attributable to owners of the parent</u>					
Share capital	23	22,439	22,439	22,439	22,439
Treasury shares	23	(1,736)	(1,567)	(1,736)	(1,567)
Retained earnings		65,208	59,795	21,679	8,989
Other reserves	24	(13)	325	–	–
Total equity		85,898	80,992	42,382	29,861
<u>Non-current liabilities</u>					
Provisions	25	565	–	–	–
Deferred tax liabilities	10C	3,169	3,013	12	–
Loans and borrowings	26	3,575	5,575	–	–
Financial liabilities – lease liabilities	14	3,642	240	1,716	–
Other payables	27	1,944	3,994	–	–
Total non-current liabilities		12,895	12,822	1,728	–
<u>Current liabilities</u>					
Liabilities of a disposal group classified as held for sales	18	3,000	8,403	–	–
Provisions	25	1,711	–	–	–
Income tax payable		1,989	1,016	239	75
Loans and borrowings	26	37,494	34,830	8,800	9,600
Financial liabilities – lease liabilities	14	396	158	37	–
Trade and other payables	27	17,667	13,488	1,105	1,322
Other non-financial liabilities	28	787	151	–	–
Total current liabilities		63,044	58,046	10,181	10,997
Total liabilities		75,939	70,868	11,909	10,997
Total equity and liabilities		161,837	151,860	54,291	40,858

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

Group:**Current year:**

Opening balance at 1 January 2019

Changes in equity:

Total comprehensive income for the year

Dividends paid (Note 12)

Purchase of treasury shares (Note 23)

Closing balance at 31 December 2019**Previous year:**

Opening balance at 1 January 2018

Changes in equity:

Total comprehensive income for the year

Dividends paid (Note 12)

Purchase of treasury shares (Note 23)

Closing balance at 31 December 2018

Total equity \$'000	Share capital \$'000	Treasury shares \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	Other reserves \$'000
80,992	22,439	(1,567)	59,795	325
8,142	–	–	8,480	(338)
(3,067)	–	–	(3,067)	–
(169)	–	(169)	–	–
85,898	22,439	(1,736)	65,208	(13)
76,614	22,439	(1,303)	54,963	515
11,135	–	–	11,325	(190)
(6,493)	–	–	(6,493)	–
(264)	–	(264)	–	–
80,992	22,439	(1,567)	59,795	325

Company:**Current year:**

Opening balance at 1 January 2019

Changes in equity:

Total comprehensive income for the year

Dividends paid (Note 12)

Purchase of treasury share (Note 23)

Closing balance at 31 December 2019**Previous year:**

Opening balance at 1 January 2018

Changes in equity:

Total comprehensive income for the year

Dividends paid (Note 12)

Purchase of treasury share (Note 23)

Closing balance at 31 December 2018

Total equity \$'000	Share capital \$'000	Treasury shares \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000
29,861	22,439	(1,567)	8,989
15,757	–	–	15,757
(3,067)	–	–	(3,067)
(169)	–	(169)	–
42,382	22,439	(1,736)	21,679
28,232	22,439	(1,303)	7,096
8,386	–	–	8,386
(6,493)	–	–	(6,493)
(264)	–	(264)	–
29,861	22,439	(1,567)	8,989

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
<u>Cash flows from operating activities</u>		
Profit before tax	9,180	12,156
Adjustments for:		
Interest expense	1,537	1,485
Interest income	(479)	(367)
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(117)	(481)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	3,040	2,771
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	167	–
Amortisation of intangible assets	55	–
Foreign exchange adjustment unrealised losses/(gains)	58	(424)
Operating cash flows before changes in working capital	13,441	15,140
Inventories	(220)	3,192
Trade and other receivables	7,076	(874)
Other assets	5,027	(1,721)
Provisions	1,408	–
Trade and other payables	(9,790)	(5,017)
Other non-financial liabilities	137	(347)
Net cash flows from operations	17,079	10,373
Income taxes paid	(871)	(1,330)
Net cash flows from operating activities	16,208	9,043
<u>Cash flows from investing activities</u>		
Acquisition of subsidiaries (net of cash acquired) (Note 29)	83	–
Purchase of property, plant and equipment (Note 22A)	(3,183)	(10,389)
Disposal of property, plant and equipment	170	5,980
Interest received	479	367
Net cash flows used in investing activities	(2,451)	(4,042)
<u>Cash flows from financing activities</u>		
Dividends paid to equity owners	(3,067)	(6,493)
Increase in loans and borrowings	15,000	10,000
Interest paid	(1,429)	(1,485)
Lease liabilities – principal portion paid	(66)	(405)
Loans and borrowings paid	(19,739)	(7,806)
Purchase of treasury shares	(169)	(264)
Net cash flows used in financing activities	(9,470)	(6,453)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	4,287	(1,452)
Effects of exchange rate changes on the balance of cash held in foreign currencies	(319)	393
Cash and cash equivalents, statement of cash flows, beginning balance	39,232	40,291
Cash and cash equivalents, statement of cash flows, ending balance (Note 22)	43,200	39,232

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 DECEMBER 2019

1. General

The company is incorporated in Singapore with limited liability. The financial statements are presented in Singapore dollar and they cover the company (referred to as “parent”) and the subsidiaries.

The board of directors approved and authorised these financial statements for issue on the date of the statement by directors. The directors have the power to amend and reissue the financial statements.

The principal activities of the company are those of an investment holding company and providing management and administrative support to its subsidiaries. It is listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited.

The principal activities of the subsidiaries are described in the Notes to the financial statements below.

The registered office is: 2 Tuas Avenue 10, Singapore 639126. The company is situated in Singapore.

Statement of compliance with financial reporting standards

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (International) (“SFRS(I)s”) and the related Interpretations to SFRS(I) (“SFRS (I) INT”) as issued by the Singapore Accounting Standards Council. They are in compliance with the provisions of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 and with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention except where a financial reporting standard requires an alternative treatment (such as fair values) as disclosed where appropriate in these financial statements. The accounting policies in the financial reporting standards may not be applied when the effect of applying them is not material. The disclosures required by financial reporting standards may not be provided if the information resulting from that disclosure is not material.

Basis of preparation of the financial statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting year. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The estimates and assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Apart from those involving estimations, management has made judgements in the process of applying the entity’s accounting policies. The areas requiring management’s most difficult, subjective or complex judgements, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed at the end of this footnote, where applicable.

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1. General (Continued)

Basis of presentation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements made up to the end of the reporting year of the company and all of its subsidiaries. The consolidated financial statements are the financial statements of the group (the parent and its subsidiaries) presented as those of a single economic entity and are prepared using uniform accounting policies for like transactions and other events in similar circumstances. All significant intragroup balances and transactions are eliminated on consolidation. Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date the reporting entity obtains control of the investee and cease when the reporting entity loses control of the investee.

Changes in the group's ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in the loss of control are accounted for within equity as transactions with owners in their capacity as owners. The carrying amounts of the group's and non-controlling interests are adjusted to reflect the changes in their relative interests in the subsidiary. When the group loses control of a subsidiary it derecognises the assets and liabilities and related equity components of the former subsidiary. Any gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss. Any investment retained in the former subsidiary is measured at fair value at the date when control is lost and is subsequently accounted as equity investments financial assets in accordance with the financial reporting standard on financial instruments.

The company's separate financial statements have been prepared on the same basis, and as permitted by the Companies Act, Chapter 50, the company's separate statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income is not presented.

2. Significant accounting policies and other explanatory information

2A. Significant accounting policies

Revenue recognition

The financial reporting standard on revenue from contracts with customers establishes a five-step model to account for revenue arising from contracts with customers. Revenue is recognised at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring goods or services to a customer (which excludes estimates of variable consideration that are subject to constraints, such as right of return exists, trade discounts, volume rebates and changes to the transaction price arising from modifications), net of any related sales taxes and excluding any amounts collected on behalf of third parties. An asset (goods or services) is transferred when or as the customer obtains control of that asset. As a practical expedient the effects of any significant financing component is not adjusted if the payment for the good or service will be within one year.

Sale of goods – Revenue is recognised at a point in time when the performance obligation is satisfied by transferring a promised good or service to the customer. Control of the goods is transferred to the customer, generally on delivery of the goods (in this respect, incoterms are considered).

Services – Revenue from service orders and term projects is recognised when the entity satisfies the performance obligation at a point in time generally when the significant acts have been completed and when transfer of control occurs or for services that are not significant transactions revenue is recognised as the services are provided. This is typically for short term services.

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2. Significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (Continued)

2A. Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Revenue recognition (Continued)

Distinct goods or services in a series – For distinct goods or services in a series such as routine or recurring service contracts where the promise under the contract is for a specified quantity of goods or services that meets the over time criteria or is a stand-ready or single continuous service and if the nature of each good or service is distinct, substantially the same and has the same pattern of transfer or each time increment is distinct, then revenue is recognised at the amount that the entity has the right to bill a fixed amount for each unit of goods or service provided.

Distinct goods or services created over time – For long-term service contracts and projects for constructing, manufacturing or developing an asset the customer value is created over time during the contract period and it is accounted for as a single performance obligation that is satisfied over time. This is because the customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits of the entity's performance in processing each transaction as and when each transaction is processed; the performance creates or enhances an asset (for example, work in progress) that the customer controls as the asset is created or enhanced; or the performance does not create an asset with an alternative use to the entity and the entity has an enforceable right to payment for performance completed to date. The revenue is recognised over time by using the input method. For the input method the revenue is recognised on the basis of the efforts or inputs to the satisfaction of a performance obligation such as costs incurred, relative to the total expected inputs to the satisfaction of that performance obligation.

Provisions for losses on contracts – When the current estimates of the total amount of consideration expected to be received in exchange for transferring promised goods or services to the customer, and contract cost indicate a loss, a provision for the entire loss on the contract is made as soon as the loss becomes evident. An adjustment is also made to reflect the effects of the customer's credit risk. The loss on a contract is reported as an additional contract cost (an operating expense), and not as a reduction of revenue or a non-operating expense.

Other income

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised at fair value when there is reasonable assurance that the conditions attaching to them will be complied with and that the grants will be received. Grants in recognition of specific expenses are recognised in profit or loss on a systematic basis over the periods necessary to match them with the related costs that they are intended to compensate.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 DECEMBER 2019

2. Significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (Continued)

2A. Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Employee benefits

Contributions to a defined contribution retirement benefit plan are recorded as an expense as they fall due. The entity's legal or constructive obligation is limited to the amount that it is obligated to contribute for the Singapore employees to an independently administered fund (such as the Central Provident Fund in Singapore, a government managed defined contribution retirement benefit plan). Certain subsidiaries overseas have defined contribution retirement benefit plans in which employees are entitled to join upon fulfilling certain conditions. The assets of the fund may or may not be held separately from those of the entity in an independently administered fund. The entity contributes an amount equal to a fixed percentage of the salary of each participating employee. For employee leave entitlement the expected cost of short-term employee benefits in the form of compensated absences is recognised in the case of accumulating compensated absences, when the employees render service that increases their entitlement to future compensated absences; and in the case of non-accumulating compensated absences, when the absences occur. A liability for bonuses is recognised where the entity is contractually obliged or where there is constructive obligation based on past practice.

Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs are interest and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowings and are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred. Interest expense is calculated using the effective interest rate method.

Foreign currency transactions

The functional currency is the Singapore dollar as it reflects the primary economic environment in which the entity operates. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded in the functional currency at the rates ruling at the dates of the transactions. At each end of the reporting year, recorded monetary balances and balances measured at fair value that are denominated in non-functional currencies are reported at the rates ruling at the end of the reporting year and fair value measurement dates respectively. All realised and unrealised exchange adjustment gains and losses are dealt with in profit or loss except when a gain or loss on a non-monetary item is recognised in other comprehensive income, any exchange component of that gain or loss is recognised in other comprehensive income. The presentation is in the functional currency.

Translation of financial statements of other entities

Each entity in the group determines the appropriate functional currency as it reflects the primary economic environment in which the relevant reporting entity operates. In translating the financial statements of such an entity for incorporation in the consolidated financial statements in the presentation currency the assets and liabilities denominated in other currencies are translated at end of the reporting year rates of exchange and the income and expense items for each statement presenting profit or loss and other comprehensive income are translated at average rates of exchange for the reporting year. The resulting translation adjustments (if any) are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in a separate component of equity until the disposal of that relevant reporting entity.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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2. Significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (Continued)

2A. Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Income tax

The income taxes are accounted using the asset and liability method that requires the recognition of taxes payable or refundable for the current year and deferred tax liabilities and assets for the future tax consequence of events that have been recognised in the financial statements or tax returns. The measurements of current and deferred tax liabilities and assets are based on provisions of the enacted or substantially enacted tax laws; the effects of future changes in tax laws or rates are not anticipated. Tax expense (tax income) is the aggregate amount included in the determination of profit or loss for the reporting year in respect of current tax and deferred tax. Current and deferred income taxes are recognised as income or as an expense in profit or loss unless the tax relates to items that are recognised in the same or a different period outside profit or loss. For such items recognised outside profit or loss the current tax and deferred tax are recognised (a) in other comprehensive income if the tax is related to an item recognised in other comprehensive income and (b) directly in equity if the tax is related to an item recognised directly in equity. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when they relate to income taxes levied by the same income tax authority. The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each end of the reporting year and is reduced, if necessary, by the amount of any tax benefits that, based on available evidence, are not expected to be realised. A deferred tax amount is recognised for all temporary differences, unless the deferred tax amount arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction which (i) is not a business combination; and (ii) at the time of the transaction, affects neither accounting profit nor taxable profit (tax loss). A deferred tax liability or asset is recognised for all taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries except where the reporting entity is able to control the timing of the reversal of the taxable temporary difference and it is probable that the taxable temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future or for deductible temporary differences, they will not reverse in the foreseeable future and they cannot be utilised against taxable profits.

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are carried at cost on initial recognition and after initial recognition at cost less any accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on a straight-line method to allocate the gross carrying amounts of the assets less their residual values over their estimated useful lives of each part of an item of these assets. The annual rates of depreciation are as follows:

Leasehold properties	–	3%
Plant and equipment	–	6% to 33%

An asset is depreciated when it is available for use until it is derecognised even if during that period the item is idle. Fully depreciated assets still in use are retained in the financial statements.

The gain or loss arising from the derecognition of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised in profit or loss. The residual value and the useful life of an asset is reviewed at least at each end of the reporting year and, if expectations differ significantly from previous estimates, the changes are accounted for as a change in an accounting estimate, and the depreciation charge for the current and future periods are adjusted.

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2. Significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (Continued)

2A. Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

Cost also includes acquisition cost, borrowing cost capitalised and any cost directly attributable to bringing the asset or component to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

Subsequent costs are recognised as an asset only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the entity and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to profit or loss when they are incurred.

Right-of-use assets

The right-of-use assets are accounted and presented as if they were owned such as property, plant and equipment. The annual rate of depreciation is as follows:

Leasehold properties	–	3%
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Leases

A lease is a contract, or part of a contract, that conveys the right to use an asset (the underlying asset) for a period of time in exchange for consideration. A right-of-use asset is capitalised in the statement of financial position, measured at the present value of the unavoidable future lease payments to be made over the lease term. A liability corresponding to the capitalised lease is also recognised, adjusted for lease prepayments, lease incentives received, initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of any future restoration, removal or dismantling costs. The right-of-use asset is depreciated over the earlier of the end of the useful life of the right-of-use asset or the end of the lease term and an interest expense on the recognised lease liability (included in finance costs). For short-term leases of 12 months or less and leases of low-value assets (such as personal computers and small office equipment) where an accounting policy choice exists under the lease standard, the lease payments are expensed to profit or loss as incurred on a straight line basis over the remaining lease term.

Intangible assets

An identifiable non-monetary asset without physical substance is recognised as an intangible asset at acquisition cost if it is probable that the expected future economic benefits that are attributable to the asset will flow to the entity and the cost of the asset can be measured reliably. After initial recognition, an intangible asset with finite useful life is carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. An intangible asset with an indefinite useful life is not amortised. An intangible asset is regarded as having an indefinite useful life when, based on an analysis of all of the relevant factors, there is no foreseeable limit to the period over which the asset is expected to generate net cash inflows for the entity.

The amortisable amount of an intangible asset with finite useful life is allocated on a systematic basis over the best estimate of its useful life from the point at which the asset is ready for use. The useful lives is as follows:

Order backlog	–	2 years
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2. Significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (Continued)

2A. Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Intangible assets (Continued)

Identifiable intangible assets acquired as part of a business combination are initially recognised separately from goodwill if the asset's fair value can be measured reliably, irrespective of whether the asset had been recognised by the acquiree before the business combination. An intangible asset is considered identifiable only if it is separable or if it arises from contractual or other legal rights, regardless of whether those rights are transferable or separable from the entity or from other rights and obligations.

Subsidiaries

A subsidiary is an entity including unincorporated and special purpose entity that is controlled by the reporting entity and the reporting entity is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee. The existence and effect of substantive potential voting rights that the reporting entity has the practical ability to exercise (that is, substantive rights) are considered when assessing whether the reporting entity controls another entity.

In the reporting entity's separate financial statements, an investment in a subsidiary is accounted for at cost less any allowance for impairment in value. Impairment loss recognised in profit or loss for a subsidiary is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognised. The carrying value and the net book value of the investment in a subsidiary are not necessarily indicative of the amount that would be realised in a current market exchange.

Business combinations

A business combination is a transaction or other event which requires that the assets acquired and liabilities assumed constitute a business. It is accounted for by applying the acquisition method of accounting. The cost of a business combination includes the fair values, at the date of exchange, of assets given, liabilities incurred or assumed, and equity instruments issued by the acquirer, in exchange for control of the acquiree. The acquisition-related costs are expensed in the periods in which the costs are incurred and the services are received except for any costs to issue debt or equity securities are recognised in accordance with the financial reporting standard on financial instruments. As of the acquisition date, the acquirer recognises, separately from goodwill, the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed and any non-controlling interest in the acquiree measured at acquisition-date fair values as defined in and that meet the conditions for recognition under the financial reporting standard on business combinations. If there is gain on bargain purchase, for the gain on bargain purchase a reassessment is made of the identification and measurement of the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities and the measurement of the cost of the business combination and any excess remaining after this reassessment is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

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2. Significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (Continued)

2A. Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Goodwill

Goodwill is an asset representing the future economic benefits arising from other assets acquired in a business combination that are not individually identified and separately recognised. Goodwill is recognised as of the acquisition date measured as the excess of (a) over (b); (a) being the aggregate of: (i) the consideration transferred which generally requires acquisition-date fair value; (ii) the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree measured in accordance with the financial reporting standard on business combinations (measured either at fair value or as the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the acquiree's net identifiable assets); and (iii) in a business combination achieved in stages, the acquisition-date fair value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree; and (b) being the net of the acquisition-date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed measured in accordance with the financial reporting standard on business combinations.

After initial recognition, goodwill acquired in a business combination is measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill is not amortised. Irrespective of whether there is any indication of impairment, goodwill and also any intangible asset with an indefinite useful life or any intangible asset not yet available for use are tested for impairment at least annually. Goodwill impairment is not reversed in any circumstances.

For the purpose of impairment testing and since the acquisition date of the business combination, goodwill is allocated to each cash-generating unit, or groups of cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the acquiree were assigned to those units or groups of units. Each unit or group of units to which the goodwill is so allocated represents the lowest level within the entity at which the goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes and is not larger than a segment.

Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost (weighted average method and first in first out method) and net realisable value. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale. Cost includes all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. In the case of manufactured inventories and work in progress, cost includes an appropriate share of overheads based on normal operating capacity.

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2. Significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (Continued)

2A. Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Impairment of non-financial assets

Irrespective of whether there is any indication of impairment, an annual impairment test is performed at about the same time every year on an intangible asset with an indefinite useful life or an intangible asset not yet available for use. The carrying amount of other non-financial assets is reviewed at each end of the reporting year for indications of impairment and where an asset is impaired, it is written down through profit or loss to its estimated recoverable amount. The impairment loss is the excess of the carrying amount over the recoverable amount and is recognised in profit or loss. The recoverable amount of an asset or a cash-generating unit is the higher of its fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. When the fair value less costs of disposal method is used, any available recent market transactions are taken into consideration. When the value in use method is adopted, in assessing the value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash-generating units). At each end of the reporting year non-financial assets other than goodwill with impairment loss recognised in prior periods are assessed for possible reversal of the impairment. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been measured, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

Financial instruments

Recognition and derecognition of financial instruments:

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the entity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. All other financial instruments (including regular-way purchases and sales of financial assets) are recognised and derecognised, as applicable, using trade date accounting or settlement date accounting. A financial asset is derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred or in which the entity neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset. A financial liability is removed from the statement of financial position when, and only when, it is extinguished, that is, when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged or cancelled or expires. At initial recognition the financial asset or financial liability is measured at its fair value plus or minus, in the case of a financial asset or financial liability not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of the financial asset or financial liability.

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2. Significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (Continued)

2A. Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Financial instruments (Continued)

Classification and measurement of financial assets:

1. Financial asset classified as measured at amortised cost: A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL), that is (a) the asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and (b) the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. Typically trade and other receivables, bank and cash balances are classified in this category.
2. Financial asset that is a debt asset instrument classified as measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI): There were no financial assets classified in this category at reporting year end date.
3. Financial asset that is an equity investment classified as measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI): There were no financial assets classified in this category at reporting year end date.
4. Financial asset classified as measured at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL): There were no financial assets classified in this category at reporting year end date.

Classification and measurement of financial liabilities:

Financial liabilities are classified as at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL) in either of the following circumstances: (1) the liabilities are managed, evaluated and reported internally on a fair value basis; or (2) the designation eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise. All other financial liabilities are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Reclassification of any financial liability is not permitted.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents in the statement of cash flows include bank and cash balances, on demand deposits and any highly liquid debt asset instruments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less. For the statement of cash flows the item includes cash and cash equivalents less cash subject to restriction and bank overdrafts payable on demand that form an integral part of cash management.

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2. Significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (Continued)

2A. Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Fair value measurement

The fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. When measuring the fair value of an asset or a liability, market observable data to the extent possible is used. If the fair value of an asset or a liability is not directly observable, an estimate is made using valuation techniques that maximise the use of relevant observable inputs and minimise the use of unobservable inputs (eg by use of the market comparable approach that reflects recent transaction prices for similar items, discounted cash flow analysis, or option pricing models refined to reflect the issuer's specific circumstances). Inputs used are consistent with the characteristics of the asset/liability that market participants would take into account. The entity's intention to hold an asset or to settle or otherwise fulfil a liability is not taken into account as relevant when measuring fair value.

Fair values are categorised into different levels in a fair value hierarchy based on the degree to which the inputs to the measurement are observable and the significance of the inputs to the fair value measurement in its entirety: Level 1 fair value measurements are those derived from quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Level 2 fair value measurements are those derived from inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (ie as prices) or indirectly (ie derived from prices). Level 3 fair value measurements are those derived from valuation techniques that include inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs). Transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy are recognised at the end of the reporting period during which the change occurred.

The carrying values of current financial instruments approximate their fair values due to the short-term maturity of these instruments and the disclosures of fair value are not made when the carrying amount of current financial instruments is a reasonable approximation of the fair value. The fair values of non-current financial instruments may not be disclosed separately unless there are significant differences at the end of the reporting year and in the event the fair values are disclosed in the relevant notes to the financial statements.

2B. Other explanatory information

Provisions

A liability or provision is recognised when there is a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. A provision is made using best estimates of the amount required in settlement and where the effect of the time value of money is material, the amount recognised is the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation.

The increase in the provision due to passage of time is recognised as interest expense. Changes in estimates are reflected in profit or loss in the reporting year they occur.

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2. Significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (Continued)

2B. Other explanatory information (Continued)

Segment reporting

The reporting entity discloses financial and descriptive information about its consolidated reportable segments. Reportable segments are operating segments or aggregations of operating segments that meet specified criteria. Operating segments are components about which separate financial information is available that is evaluated regularly by the chief operating decision maker in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing the performance. Generally, financial information is reported on the same basis as is used internally for evaluating operating segment performance and deciding how to allocate resources to operating segments.

Assets classified as held for sale

Identifiable assets and liabilities and any disposal groups are classified as held for sale if their carrying amount is to be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. The sale is expected to qualify for recognition as a completed sale within one year from the date of classification, except as permitted by the financial reporting standard on non-current assets held for sale and discontinued operations in certain circumstances. It can include a subsidiary acquired exclusively with a view to resale. Assets that meet the criteria to be classified as held for sale are measured at the lower of carrying amount and fair value less costs of disposal and are presented separately on the face of the statement of financial position. Once an asset is classified as held for sale or included in a group of assets held for sale no further depreciation or amortisation is recorded. Impairment losses on initial classification of the balances as held for sale are included in profit or loss, even when there is a revaluation. The same applies to gains and losses on subsequent remeasurement.

Treasury shares

Where the entity reacquires its own equity instruments as treasury shares, the consideration paid, including any directly attributable incremental cost is deducted from equity attributable to the entity's owners until the shares are cancelled, reissued or disposed of. Where such shares are subsequently sold or reissued, any consideration received, net of any directly attributable incremental transaction costs and the related income tax effects, is included in equity attributable to the entity's owners and no gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss.

2C. Critical judgements, assumptions and estimation uncertainties

The critical judgements made in the process of applying the accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements and the key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of the reporting year, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities currently or within the next reporting year are discussed below. These estimates and assumptions are periodically monitored to ensure they incorporate all relevant information available at the date when financial statements are prepared. However, this does not prevent actual figures differing from estimates.

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2. Significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (Continued)

2C. Critical judgements, assumptions and estimation uncertainties (Continued)

Assessment of impairment of goodwill:

The amount of goodwill is tested annually for impairment. This annual impairment test is significant and the process is complex and highly judgmental and is based on assumptions that are affected by expected future market or economic conditions. As a result, judgement is required in evaluating the assumptions and methodologies used by management, in particular those relating to the forecasted revenue growth and profit margins. The disclosures about goodwill are included in Note 15, which explains that small changes in the key assumptions used could give rise to an impairment of the goodwill balance in the future. Actual outcomes could vary from these estimates.

Allowance for trade receivables:

The trade receivables are subject to the expected credit loss model under the financial reporting standard on financial instruments. The expected lifetime losses are recognised from initial recognition of these assets. These assets are grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due for measuring the expected credit losses. The allowance matrix is based on its historical observed default rates (over a period of certain months) over the expected life of the trade receivables and is adjusted for forward-looking estimates. At every reporting date the historical observed default rates are updated and changes in the forward-looking estimates are analysed. The loss allowance was determined accordingly. In addition for the larger amounts with customers, an evaluation is made whether there is a significant change in credit risk by comparing the debtor's credit risk at initial recognition (based on the original, unmodified cash flows) with the credit risk at the reporting date (based on the modified cash flows). Adjustment to the loss allowance is made for any increase or decrease in credit risk. The carrying amounts might change materially within the next reporting year but these changes may not arise from assumptions or other sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of the reporting year. The carrying amount is disclosed in the note on trade and other receivables.

Net realisable value of inventories:

A review is made on inventory for excess inventory and declines in net realisable value below cost and an allowance is recorded against the inventory balance for any such declines. The review requires management to consider the future demand for the products. In any case the realisable value represents the best estimate of the recoverable amount and is based on the acceptable evidence available at the end of the reporting year and inherently involves estimates regarding the future expected realisable value. The usual considerations for determining the amount of allowance or write-down include ageing analysis, technical assessment and subsequent events. In general, such an evaluation process requires significant judgement and materially affects the carrying amount of inventories at the end of the reporting year. Possible changes in these estimates could result in revisions to the stated value of the inventories. The carrying amount of inventories at the end of the reporting year is disclosed in the note on inventories.

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2. Significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (Continued)

2C. Critical judgements, assumptions and estimation uncertainties (Continued)

Useful lives of plant and equipment:

The estimates for the useful lives and related depreciation charges for plant and equipment are based on commercial and other factors which could change significantly as a result of innovations and in response to market conditions. The depreciation charge is increased where useful lives are less than previously estimated lives, or the carrying amounts written off or written down for technically obsolete items or assets that have been abandoned. It is impracticable to disclose the extent of the possible effects. It is reasonably possible, based on existing knowledge, that outcomes within the next reporting year that are different from assumptions could require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of the balances affected. The carrying amount of the specific asset at the end of the reporting year affected by the assumption is \$14,078,000 (2018: \$12,853,000).

3. Related party relationships and transactions

The financial reporting standard on related party disclosures requires the reporting entity to disclose: (a) transactions with its related parties; and (b) relationships between parents and subsidiaries irrespective of whether there have been transactions between those related parties. A party is related to a party if the party controls, or is controlled by, or can significantly influence or is significantly influenced by the other party.

The ultimate controlling party is Chang Yeh Hong, a director and significant shareholder.

3A. Related party transactions:

There are transactions and arrangements between the reporting entity and related parties and the effects of these on the basis determined between the parties are reflected in these financial statements. The related party balances and transfer of resources, services or obligations if any are unsecured, without fixed repayment terms and interest or charge unless stated otherwise.

Intragroup transactions and balances that have been eliminated in these consolidated financial statements are not disclosed as related party transactions and balances below.

3B. Key management compensation:

Salaries and other short-term employee benefits

Group	
2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
2,261	2,415

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3. Related party relationships and transactions (Continued)

3B. Key management compensation: (Continued)

The above amounts are included under employee benefits expense. Included in the above amounts are the following items:

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Remuneration of directors of the company	1,013	1,157
Fees to directors of the company	155	152

Further information about the remuneration of individual directors is provided in the report on corporate governance.

Key management personnel include the directors and those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the group, directly or indirectly.

4. Financial information by operating segments

4A. Information about reportable segment profit or loss, assets and liabilities

Disclosure of information about operating segments, products and services, the geographical areas, and the major customers are made as required by the financial reporting standard on operating segments. This disclosure standard has no impact on the reported financial performance or financial position of the reporting entity.

For management purposes the reporting entity is organised into the following major strategic operating segments that offer different products and services: (1) Product services, (2) Maintenance services and (3) Others. The results of all other activities, mainly investment holding which are not included within the two primary segments, are included in the "Others" segment. Such a structural organisation is determined by the nature of risks and returns associated with each business segment and it defines the management structure as well as the internal reporting system. It represents the basis on which the management reports the primary segment information that is available and that is evaluated regularly by the chief operating decision maker in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing the performance. They are managed separately because each business requires different strategies.

The segments and the types of products and services are as follows:

- (1) The Project services segment includes projects that requires engineering, design, procurement, construction, machining, scaffolding works, insulation services and passive fireproofing services.
- (2) The Maintenance services segment includes maintenance and repair services, including trading and supply of material, spare parts and components.
- (3) The Others segment relates to other revenue streams.

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4. Financial information by operating segments (Continued)

4A. Information about reportable segment profit or loss, assets and liabilities (Continued)

Inter-segment sales are measured on the basis that the entity actually used to price the transfers. Internal transfer pricing policies of the reporting entity are as far as practicable based on market prices. The accounting policies of the operating segments are the same as those described in the significant accounting policies.

The management reporting system evaluates performances based on a number of factors. However, the primary measurement to evaluate segment's operating results is the earnings from operations before depreciation and amortisation, interests and income taxes (called "EBITDA").

The following tables illustrate the information about the reportable segment profit or loss, assets and liabilities.

4B. Profit or loss from continuing operations and reconciliations

	Project services \$'000	Maintenance services \$'000	Others \$'000	Elimination \$'000	Group \$'000
Continuing operations 2019					
Revenue by segment					
Total revenue by segment	44,089	43,414	–	(2,876)	84,627
Inter-segment sales	(2,499)	(377)	–	2,876	–
Total revenue	41,590	43,037	–	–	84,627
Recurring EBITDA	3,098	5,733	1,065	3,604	13,500
Inter-segment expenses	1,700	1,904	–	(3,604)	–
Adjusted EBITDA	4,798	7,637	1,065	–	13,500
Finance costs	(349)	(872)	(316)	–	(1,537)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	(1,166)	(1,630)	(244)	–	(3,040)
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	–	–	(167)	–	(167)
Amortisation of intangible assets	(2)	(53)	–	–	(55)
	3,281	5,082	338	–	8,701
Unallocated:					
Interest income					479
Income tax expenses					(700)
Profit from continuing operations					8,480

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4. Financial information by operating segments (Continued)

4B. Profit or loss from continuing operations and reconciliations (Continued)

	Project services \$'000	Maintenance services \$'000	Others \$'000	Elimination \$'000	Group \$'000
Continuing operations 2018					
Revenue by segment					
Total revenue by segment	53,704	38,230	6,927	(7,167)	91,694
Inter-segment sales	(3,615)	(412)	(3,140)	7,167	–
Total revenue	50,089	37,818	3,787	–	91,694
Recurring EBITDA					
Inter-segment expenses	5,046	7,241	618	3,140	16,045
Adjusted EBITDA	1,929	1,211	–	(3,140)	–
Finance costs	6,975	8,452	618	–	16,045
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	(446)	(1,039)	–	–	(1,485)
	(1,241)	(1,530)	–	–	(2,771)
	5,288	5,883	618	–	11,789
Unallocated:					
Interest income					367
Income tax expenses					(831)
Profit from continuing operations					11,325

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4. Financial information by operating segments (Continued)

4C. Assets and reconciliations

2019

Reportable segment assets

Unallocated:

Assets held for sale

Cash and cash equivalents

Inventories

Trade and other receivables, and other assets

Property, plant and equipment

Other non-current assets

Total group assets

2018

Reportable segment assets

Unallocated:

Assets held for sale

Cash and cash equivalents

Inventories

Trade and other receivables, and other assets

Property, plant and equipment

Other non-current assets

Total group assets

Project services \$'000	Maintenance services \$'000	Others \$'000	Group \$'000
4,443	3,981	–	8,424
			8,076
			43,200
			12,045
			25,532
			30,724
			33,836
			161,837
7,665	4,007	–	11,672
			8,076
			39,232
			10,095
			22,967
			30,266
			29,552
			151,860

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4. Financial information by operating segments (Continued)

4D. Liabilities and reconciliations

2019

Reportable segment liabilities	729	58	–	787
Unallocated:				
Provision				2,276
Liabilities of a disposal group classified as held for sale				3,000
Trade and other payables				19,611
Loans and borrowings				41,069
Financial liabilities – lease liabilities				4,038
Income tax payable and deferred tax liabilities				5,158
Total group liabilities				75,939

2018

Reportable segment liabilities	–	151	–	151
Unallocated:				
Liabilities of a disposal group classified as held for sale				8,403
Trade and other payables				17,482
Loans and borrowings				40,405
Financial liabilities – lease liabilities				398
Income tax payable and deferred tax liabilities				4,029
Total group liabilities				70,868

4E. Geographical information

Group	Revenue		Non-current assets	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
China	16,277	22,204	4,071	4,163
Singapore	68,350	69,490	60,340	55,655
	84,627	91,694	64,411	59,818

Revenues are attributed to countries on the basis of the customer's location, irrespective of the origin of the goods and services. The non-current assets are analysed by the geographical area in which the assets are located. The non-current assets exclude any financial instruments and deferred tax assets.

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4. Financial information by operating segments (Continued)

4F. Other material items and reconciliations

Expenditures for non-current assets of \$3,183,000 (2018: \$10,635,000) are recognised in respect of property, plant and equipment. Segment information is not available for expenditures for non-current assets as the information is not available and the cost to allocate to the segment would be excessive.

4G. Information about major customers

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Top 1 customer in more than one segment	9,881	11,639
Top 2 customers in more than one segment	15,077	20,566
Top 3 customers in more than one segment	20,091	25,226

5. Revenue

Revenue from contracts with customers

A. Revenue classified by type of good or service:

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Services	56,483	56,800
Sale of goods	28,144	29,238
Construction contracts	–	1,869
Other revenue	–	3,787
Total revenue	84,627	91,694

B. Revenue classified by duration of contract:

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Short-term contracts – less than 12 months	84,627	89,825
Long-term contracts – more than 12 months	–	1,869
Total revenue	84,627	91,694

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5. Revenue (Continued)

C. Revenue classified by timing of revenue recognition:

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Point in time	28,144	33,025
Over time	56,483	58,669
Total revenue	84,627	91,694

D. Other information on revenue:

Distinct goods or services created over time – For long-term service contracts and projects for constructing, manufacturing or developing an asset include the following:

The group's System Integration ("SI") division offers integrated control and management systems for newly built ships as well as ships that require upgrades or conversions. SI division designs, procures, develops and manufactures actuators, valves and other components for assembly and integration into valve remote control systems, tank gauging systems, anti-heeling systems, alarm monitoring and power management systems used by customers in their vessels.

The group's Precision Engineering ("PE") division designs and builds tooling systems, and provides turnkey production solutions to customers in the marine, oil and gas, aerospace, medical and electronic manufacturing services industries.

The group's Scaffolding Services ("SS") division is an established leader in metal scaffold works servicing the process, construction and marine industries, offering a full suite of scaffolding services including design, erection, modification and dismantling, sales and rental.

The group's Insulation Services ("IS") division specialises in thermal and cryogenic insulation, thermal spray aluminium and passive fireproofing services in the petrochemical, pharmaceutical, marine, oil and gas industries.

The group's Petrochemical and Engineering services division specialises in a wide range of services: pre and post commissioning cleaning, heat exchanger cleaning, tank cleaning, process plant recovery work, temporary intervention activities in process plants, on line cleaning process, turnaround work and support, decontamination services, temporary equipment support services, product filtering services and support in operation of utility plants. We serve the petrochemical, manufacturing, and infrastructure industries.

The group's Cleanroom, Air and Water Solutions Engineering service provides tools hook up services, air pollution control scrubbers and water treatment plants for the semiconductor, oil and gas, power plant and municipality sectors.

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5. Revenue (Continued)

Distinct goods or services in a point in time include the following:

The group's Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul ("MRO") and Trading division provides customers with after-sales requests for maintenance, repairs and overhauls for the vessels. MRO division includes maintenance and repair services, trading and supply of material, spare parts and components.

The group's Others division relates to other revenue streams such as carbon allowances.

6. Other income and gains and (other losses)

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Allowance for impairment on trade receivables – loss	(15)	(22)
Foreign exchange adjustments (losses)/gains	(630)	272
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	117	481
Government grant	188	227
Interest income	479	367
Inventories written down	(59)	(98)
Other payables to ex-shareholders of Ensure Engineering Pte Ltd written back	1,700	1,567
Other income	438	534
Net	2,218	3,328
Presented in profit or loss as:		
Other income and gains	2,922	3,448
Other losses	(704)	(120)
Net	2,218	3,328

7. Administrative expenses

The major component includes the following:

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Employee benefits expense (Note 9)	8,857	9,222

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8. Finance costs

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Interest expense	1,429	1,485
Interest on lease liabilities	108	–
Total finance costs	1,537	1,485

9. Employee benefits expense

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Short term employee benefits expense	27,647	28,645
Other benefits	3,909	4,669
Contributions to defined contribution plan	986	1,141
Total employee benefits expense	32,542	34,455
Allocation of employee benefits expense:		
Administrative expenses	8,857	9,222
Cost of sales	23,445	25,101
Distribution costs	240	132
Total employee benefits expense	32,542	34,455

10. Income tax

10A. Components of tax expense recognised in profit or loss include:

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
<u>Current tax expense:</u>		
Current tax expense	877	1,212
Over adjustments in respect of prior periods	(184)	(296)
Subtotal	693	916
<u>Deferred tax expense/(income):</u>		
Deferred tax expense/(income)	7	(85)
Subtotal	7	(85)
Total income tax expense	700	831

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10. Income tax (Continued)

10A. Components of tax expense recognised in profit or loss include: (Continued)

The income tax in profit or loss varied from the amount of income tax amount determined by applying the Singapore income tax rate of 17.0% (2018: 17.0%) to profit or loss before income tax as a result of the following differences:

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Profit before tax	9,180	12,156
Income tax expense at the above rate	1,561	2,066
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	113	22
Income not subject to tax	(374)	(518)
Over adjustments to tax in respect of prior periods	(184)	(296)
Effect of different tax rates in different countries	34	91
Previously unrecognised deferred tax assets recognised this year	(79)	–
Stepped income exemption and tax rebate	(87)	(188)
Merger and acquisition allowances	(235)	(317)
Others	(49)	(29)
Total income tax expense	700	831

There are no income tax consequences of dividends to owners of the company.

10B. Deferred tax expense/(income) recognised in profit or loss includes:

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Excess of tax over book depreciation on plant and equipment	136	–
Excess of book over tax depreciation on plant and equipment	–	(26)
Merger and acquisition allowances	(314)	–
Tax loss carryforwards	137	(52)
Others	48	(7)
Total deferred income tax expense/(income) recognised in profit or loss	7	(85)

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10. Income tax (Continued)

10C. Deferred tax balance in the statements of financial position:

	Group		Company	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
From deferred tax liabilities recognised in profit or loss:				
Excess of book value of plant and equipment over tax values	(3,260)	(3,124)	–	–
Tax loss carryforwards	–	137	–	–
Merger and acquisition allowances carryforwards	314	–	–	–
Others	(74)	(26)	(12)	–
Net balance	(3,020)	(3,013)	(12)	–
Presented in the statement of financial position as follows:				
Deferred tax asset	149	–	–	–
Deferred tax liabilities	(3,169)	(3,013)	(12)	–
Net balance	(3,020)	(3,013)	(12)	–

It is impracticable to estimate the amount expected to be settled or used within one year.

Temporary differences arising in connection with interests in subsidiaries are insignificant.

11. Earnings per share

The following table illustrates the numerators and denominators used to calculate basic and diluted earnings per share of no par value:

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Numerators: earnings attributable to equity:		
Continuing operations: attributable to equity holders	8,480	11,325
Denominators: weighted average number of equity shares		
Basic and diluted	392,145	392,967

The weighted average number of ordinary shares refers to shares in issue outstanding during the reporting period.

The basic amount per share ratio is based on the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during each reporting year. It is after the neutralisation by the treasury shares.

Both basic and diluted earnings per share are the same as there are no diluted ordinary share equivalents outstanding during the reporting years.

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12. Dividends on equity shares

	Group and Company			
	Rate per share			
	2019 cents	2018 cents	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Final tax exempt (one-tier) dividend paid	0.353	0.873	1,386	3,431
Interim tax exempt (one-tier) dividend paid	0.429	0.779	1,681	3,062
Total dividends paid in the year	0.782	1.652	3,067	6,493

In respect of the current reporting year, the directors have proposed that a final dividend of 0.419 cents per share with a total of \$1,643,000 be paid to shareholders after the annual general meeting to be held on 27 April 2020. There are no income tax consequences on the reporting entity. This dividend is subject to approval by shareholders at the next annual general meeting and has not been included as a liability in these financial statements. The proposed dividend is payable in respect of all ordinary shares in issue at the end of the reporting year and including the new qualifying shares issued up to the date the dividend becomes payable.

13. Property, plant and equipment

	Leasehold properties \$'000	Plant and equipment \$'000	Total \$'000
<u>Group</u>			
<u>Cost:</u>			
At 1 January 2018	14,274	44,525	58,799
Foreign exchange adjustments	–	(375)	(375)
Additions	6,568	4,067	10,635
Disposals	–	(1,231)	(1,231)
At 31 December 2018	20,842	46,986	67,828
Arising from acquisition of subsidiaries	–	2,893	2,893
Foreign exchange adjustments	–	(254)	(254)
Additions	135	3,048	3,183
Disposals	–	(157)	(157)
At 31 December 2019	20,977	52,516	73,493

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13. Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

<u>Group</u>	Leasehold properties \$'000	Plant and equipment \$'000	Total \$'000
<u>Accumulated depreciation:</u>			
At 1 January 2018	2,712	33,371	36,083
Foreign exchange adjustments	–	(217)	(217)
Depreciation for the year	717	2,054	2,771
Disposals	–	(1,075)	(1,075)
At 31 December 2018	3,429	34,133	37,562
Arising from acquisition of subsidiaries	–	2,450	2,450
Foreign exchange adjustments	–	(179)	(179)
Depreciation for the year	902	2,138	3,040
Disposals	–	(104)	(104)
At 31 December 2019	4,331	38,438	42,769
<u>Carrying value:</u>			
At 1 January 2018	11,562	11,154	22,716
At 31 December 2018	17,413	12,853	30,266
At 31 December 2019	16,646	14,078	30,724

Allocation of the depreciation expense:

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Cost of sales	1,482	1,463
Administrative expenses	1,558	1,308
Total	3,040	2,771

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13. Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

<u>Company</u>	Leasehold properties \$'000	Plant and equipment \$'000	Total \$'000
<u>Cost:</u>			
At 1 January 2018	–	–	–
Additions	6,277	291	6,568
At 31 December 2018	6,277	291	6,568
Additions	3	132	135
At 31 December 2019	6,280	423	6,703
<u>Accumulated depreciation:</u>			
At 1 January 2018	–	–	–
Depreciation for the year	50	7	57
At 31 December 2018	50	7	57
Depreciation for the year	201	42	243
At 31 December 2019	251	49	300
<u>Carrying value:</u>			
At 1 January 2018	–	–	–
At 31 December 2018	6,227	284	6,511
At 31 December 2019	6,029	374	6,403

Certain items are under finance lease agreements (see Note 14).

The leasehold properties are mortgaged or pledged as security for the bank facilities (see Note 26A).

14. Right-of-use assets and financial liabilities – lease liabilities

The leases are for motor vehicles, office space, production facilities and warehouses. The lease contracts are usually for fixed periods of 5 to 30 years but may have extension options. Lease terms contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. The lease agreements do not impose any covenants, but leased assets may not be used as security for borrowing purposes.

At the date of transition to the new standard on leases, management elected to measure the right-of-use assets at an amount equal to the lease liability adjusted for any prepaid or accrued lease payments that existed at the date of transition (applied to leases previously classified as finance leases or operating leases). The lease liability above does not include the short-term leases and leases of low-value underlying assets. Variable lease payments which do not depend on an index or a rate or based on a percentage of revenue are not included from the initial measurement of the lease liability and the right-of-use assets.

Lease payments to be made under reasonably certain extension options are also included in the measurement of the liabilities.

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14. Right-of-use assets and financial liabilities – lease liabilities (Continued)

The right-of-use assets and lease liabilities are in the statement of financial position. The movements are as follows:

	Group		Company	
	Right-of-use assets \$'000	Lease liabilities \$'000	Right-of-use assets \$'000	Lease liabilities \$'000
<u>Cost:</u>				
At 31 December 2018	–	398	–	–
Lease liabilities recognised at 1 January 2019 on adoption of SFRS(I) 16	3,637	3,637	1,788	1,788
Total lease liability at date of application	3,637	4,035	1,788	1,788
Accretion of interest	–	143	–	18
Lease payment – principal portion paid	–	(66)	–	(53)
Interest paid	–	(74)	–	–
At 31 December 2019	3,637	4,038	1,788	1,753
<u>Accumulated depreciation:</u>				
At 31 December 2018	–	–	–	–
Depreciation for the year	167	–	58	–
At 31 December 2019	167	–	58	–
<u>Carrying value:</u>				
At 31 December 2018	–	398	–	–
At 31 December 2019	3,470	4,038	1,730	1,753

The right-of-use assets are for the land use rights for the land in 1 Tuas Avenue and 2 Tuas Avenue (Singapore) for office and factory space. They are amortised over the period of the lease term on the straight line method. The land use rights expire in August 2035 and December 2049 respectively. They are not transferable.

Lease liabilities are presented in the statement of financial position as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Lease liabilities, current	396	158	37	–
Lease liabilities, non-current	3,642	240	1,716	–
	4,038	398	1,753	–

The new standard on leases has been applied using the modified retrospective transition approach. Therefore, no comparative amounts for the year ended 31 December 2018 are presented.

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14. Right-of-use assets and financial liabilities – lease liabilities (Continued)

On transition to the new standard on leases the weighted average incremental borrowing rate applied to lease liabilities recognised was 3.0% per annum. The finance leases, right-of-use assets and lease liabilities before the date of initial application are measured at the same amounts as under the new standard.

The obligations under finance leases are secured by a legal charge over the leased assets.

Reconciliation of lease commitments and lease liabilities at the date of initial application:

	2019 \$'000
Operating lease commitments as at 31 December 2018	7,851
Relief option for short-term leases	(2,742)
Subtotal – Operating lease liabilities before discounting	5,109
Discounted using incremental borrowing rate	(1,472)
Operating lease liabilities, net	3,637
Finance lease obligations recognised as at 31 December 2018	398
Total lease liabilities recognised at 1 January 2019	4,035

A summary of the maturity analysis of lease liabilities that shows the remaining contractual maturities is as follows:

Group	Minimum payments \$'000	Finance charges \$'000	Present value \$'000
2019:			
Minimum lease payments payable:			
Due within 1 year	513	(117)	396
Due within 2 to 5 years	1,433	(463)	970
More than 5 years	3,451	(779)	2,672
Total	5,397	(1,359)	4,038
Net book value of plant and equipment under finance leases			787

Group	Minimum payments \$'000	Finance charges \$'000	Present value \$'000
2018:			
Minimum lease payments payable:			
Due within 1 year	175	(17)	158
Due within 2 to 5 years	266	(26)	240
Total	441	(43)	398
Net book value of plant and equipment under finance leases			824

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14. Right-of-use assets and financial liabilities – lease liabilities (Continued)

<u>Company</u>	Minimum payments \$'000	Finance charges \$'000	Present value \$'000
<u>2019:</u>			
Minimum lease payments payable:			
Due within 1 year	89	(52)	37
Due within 2 to 5 years	443	(242)	201
More than 5 years	2,121	(606)	1,515
Total	2,653	(900)	1,753

Total cash outflows for leases for the year ended 31 December 2019 are shown in the statement of cash flows.

There were no future cash outflows to which the lessee is potentially exposed that are not reflected in the measurement of lease liabilities above.

Other disclosures on leases:

Apart from the disclosures made in other notes to the financial statements, amounts relating to leases include the following:

	2019 \$'000
Expense relating to short-term leases included in other expenses	2,781
Total commitments on short-term leases at year end date	1,534

15. Goodwill

	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Cost:		
At beginning and end of the year	29,552	29,552

Goodwill is allocated to cash-generating units for the purpose of impairment testing. Each of those cash-generating units represents the group's investment by each subsidiary as follows:

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
<u>Name of subsidiary:</u>		
Multiheight Scaffolding Pte Ltd	12,292	12,292
Austin Energy (Asia) Pte Ltd	10,159	10,159
Ensure Engineering Pte Ltd	7,101	7,101
Net book value at end of the year	29,552	29,552

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15. Goodwill (Continued)

The goodwill was tested for impairment at the end of the reporting year. No impairment allowance was required because the carrying amount of all cash-generating units was lower than their estimated recoverable amount.

The value in use was measured by management. The key assumptions for the value in use calculations are as follows. The value in use is a recurring fair value measurement (Level 3). The quantitative information about the value in use measurement using significant unobservable inputs for the cash generating unit are consistent with those used for the measurement last performed and is analysed as follows:

	2019	2018
<u>Asset or CGU Valuation technique and Unobservable inputs</u>		
<u>Discounted cash flow method:</u>		
1. Estimated discount rates using pre-tax rates that reflect current market assessments at the risks specific to the CGUs.		
Multiheight Scaffolding Pte Ltd	18%	18%
Austin Energy (Asia) Pte Ltd	18%	18%
Ensure Engineering Pte Ltd	18%	18%
2. Cash flow forecasts derived from the most recent financial budgets and plans approved by management.	5 years	5 years
3. Growth rates based on industry growth forecasts and not exceeding the average long-term growth rate for the relevant markets.	1%	1%

Actual outcomes could vary from these estimates. If the revised estimated revenue at the end of the reporting year had been 10% less favourable than management's estimates at the end of the reporting year, there would not be a need to reduce the carrying amount of goodwill. If the revised estimated gross margin at the end of the reporting year had been 10% less favourable than management's estimates at the end of the reporting year, there would not be a need to reduce the carrying amount of goodwill. If the revised estimated pre-tax discount rate applied to the discounted cash flows had been 1 percent point less favourable than management's estimates, there would not be a need to reduce the carrying amount of goodwill.

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16. Intangible asset

Group

Cost:

At 1 January 2019

Arising from acquisition of subsidiaries

At 31 December 2019

Accumulated amortisation:

At 1 January 2019

Amortisation for the year

At 31 December 2018

Carrying value:

At 1 January 2019

At 31 December 2019

Order backlog \$'000
–
720
720
–
55
55
–
665

The amortisation is charged to administrative expenses.

17. Investments in subsidiaries

Movements during the year. At cost:

At beginning and end of the year

Total cost comprising:

Unquoted equity shares at cost

Net book value of subsidiaries

Company	
2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
1,350	1,350
1,350	1,350
43,516	51,129

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17. Investments in subsidiaries (Continued)

The listing of and information on the subsidiaries are given below.

#A. The following subsidiaries are wholly owned by the group:

Name of subsidiaries, country of incorporation, place of operations and principal activities (and independent auditor)	Cost in books of the group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Nordic Flow Control Pte. Ltd. (a) Singapore Integration, assembly, trading, importing and exporting of hydraulic systems and marine components	1,350	1,350
Avitools (Suzhou) Co., Ltd (b) The People's Republic of China Engineering works and manufacturing of aircraft components and hydraulic actuators for the marine, oil and gas industry (Suzhou Allpro Certified Public Accountants Co., Ltd.)	3,500	3,500
Austin Energy (Asia) Pte Ltd (a) Singapore Provision of construction, scaffolding, insulation, painting and fireproofing services	25,747	25,747
Austin Energy Offshore Pte Ltd (a) Singapore Building construction specialist (insulation and fireproofing) contractor in process plan construction and general wholesale trade	1,350	1,350
Ensure Engineering Pte Ltd (a) Singapore Chemical and engineering activities for marine, manufacturing refineries, utilities and petrochemical industries	16,325	16,325
Multiheight Scaffolding Pte Ltd (a) Singapore Scaffolding works for refinery, marine and construction industries and sales and rental of tubular frames and aluminium scaffolds	28,945	28,945

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17. Investments in subsidiaries (Continued)

Name of subsidiaries, country of incorporation, place of operations and principal activities (and independent auditor)	Cost in books of the group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Multiheight Marine Pte Ltd (a) Singapore Repairing ships, tankers and other ocean going vessels and providing scaffolding works	204	204
Nordic Flow Control (Suzhou) Co., Ltd (b) The People's Republic of China Integration, assembly, trading, importing and exporting of hydraulic systems and marine components (Suzhou Allpro Certified Public Accountants Co., Ltd.)	1,347	1,347
Envipure Pte. Ltd. (a) Singapore Providers of facilities engineering services, undertaking projects for air pollution control systems, water and waste water treatment systems (Acquired on 21 November 2019)	14,800	—
Envipure Sdn Bhd. (b) Malaysia Integration, assembly, trading, importing and exporting of hydraulic systems and marine components (Mazars LLP) 49% is held in trust by employees (Acquired on 21 November 2019)	2,781	—
Pollution Control Pte Ltd (c) Singapore Dormant (Acquired on 21 November 2019)	143	—

(a) Audited by RSM Chio Lim LLP in Singapore.

(b) Other independent auditors. Audited by firms of accountants other than member firms of RSM International of which RSM Chio Lim LLP in Singapore is a member. Their names are indicated above.

(c) The subsidiary is dormant during the reporting year.

As is required by Rule 716 of the Listing Manual of The Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited, the audit committee and the board of directors of the company have satisfied themselves that the appointment of different auditor for certain of its overseas subsidiaries would not compromise the standard and effectiveness of the audit of the group.

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18. Assets held for sale and liabilities of a disposal group classified as held for sales

Two leasehold properties are held for sale following the decision of management in September 2017 to sell. The sales are expected to be completed by 2020.

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Assets held for sale:		
Leasehold properties at net book value	8,076	8,076
Less liabilities associated with assets classified as held for sale:		
Loans and borrowings (Note 26A)	(3,000)	(8,403)
Net assets/(liabilities) held for sale	5,076	(327)

19. Inventories

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Raw material, consumables and supplies	6,548	6,633
Work in progress	3,682	1,005
Finished goods	1,815	2,457
	12,045	10,095
Inventories are stated after allowance.		
Movements in allowance:		
At beginning of the year	1,272	1,262
Arising from acquisition of subsidiaries	447	–
Charged to profit or loss included in other losses	59	98
Reversed to profit or loss included in cost of sales	(89)	(77)
Foreign exchange adjustments	(9)	(11)
At end of the year	1,680	1,272
Raw materials, consumables and supplies used	22,678	20,467

There are no inventories pledged as security for liabilities.

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20. Trade and other receivables

	Group		Company	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
<u>Trade receivables:</u>				
Outside parties	26,203	22,726	–	–
Less allowance for impairment	(3,339)	(281)	–	–
Subsidiaries (Note 3)	–	–	20,175	12,102
Retention receivables	597	400	–	–
Net trade receivables – subtotal	23,461	22,845	20,175	12,102
<u>Other receivables:</u>				
Outside parties	150	170	149	162
Net other receivables – subtotal	150	170	149	162
Total trade and other receivables	23,611	23,015	20,324	12,264
Movements in above allowance on trade receivables:				
At beginning of the year	281	259	–	–
Arising from acquisition of subsidiaries	3,061	–	–	–
Charge for trade receivables to profit or loss included in other losses	15	22	–	–
Charge for trade receivables to profit or loss included in administrative expenses	16	–	–	–
Used	(34)	–	–	–
At end of the year	3,339	281	–	–

The trade receivables are subject to the expected credit loss model under the financial reporting standard on financial instruments. The methodology applied for impairment loss is the simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses (ECL) which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for all trade receivables. The expected lifetime losses are recognised from initial recognition of these assets. These assets are grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due for measuring the expected credit losses. The allowance matrix is based on its historical observed default rates (over a period of 36 months) over the expected life of the trade receivables and is adjusted for forward-looking estimates. At every reporting date the historical observed default rates are updated and changes in the forward-looking estimates are analysed.

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20. Trade and other receivables (Continued)

	Gross amount		Loss allowance	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<u>Group</u>				
Trade receivables:				
Current	16,523	12,469	–	–
1 to 30 days	3,788	4,928	–	–
31 to 60 days	1,987	1,601	–	–
61 to 90 days	834	652	–	–
Over 90 days	3,668	3,476	3,339	281
Total	26,800	23,126	3,339	281
<u>Company</u>				
Trade receivables:				
Current	1,408	419	–	–
31 to 60 days	11,369	–	–	–
61 to 90 days	–	241	–	–
Over 90 days	7,398	11,442	–	–
Total	20,175	12,102	–	–

The loss allowance disclosed above is based on individual accounts totalling \$3,339,000 (2018: \$281,000) that are determined to be impaired at the end of the reporting year.

There are no collateral held as security and other credit enhancements for the trade receivables.

As part of the process of setting customer credit limits, different credit terms are used. The average credit period generally granted to trade receivable customers is about 30 to 90 days (2018: 30 to 90 days). But some customers take a longer period to settle the amounts.

Concentration of trade receivable customers as at the end of reporting year:

	Group	
	2019	2018
	\$'000	\$'000
Top 1 customer	2,857	2,047
Top 2 customers	4,744	3,935
Top 3 customers	5,497	5,661

The other receivables at amortised cost shown above are subject to the expected credit loss model under the financial reporting standard on financial instruments.

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20. Trade and other receivables (Continued)

The other receivables at amortised cost and which can be graded as low risk individually are considered to have low credit risk. At the end of the first reporting period a loss allowance is recognised at an amount equal to 12 month expected credit losses because there has not been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. No loss allowance is necessary.

Other receivables are normally with no fixed terms and therefore there is no maturity.

At each subsequent reporting date, an evaluation is made whether there is a significant change in credit risk by comparing the debtor's credit risk at initial recognition (based on the original, unmodified cash flows) with the credit risk at the reporting date (based on the modified cash flows). Adjustment to the loss allowance is made for any increase or decrease in credit risk.

21. Other assets

	Group		Company	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Unbilled revenue	8,318	9,948	654	576
Prepayments	641	765	4	65
Deposits to secure services	1,386	911	7	–
	10,345	11,624	665	641

22. Cash and cash equivalents

	Group		Company	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Not restricted in use	43,200	39,232	23,819	20,092

The interest earning balances are not significant.

22A. Non-cash transactions:

In 2018, there were acquisitions of certain assets under property, plant and equipment with a total cost of \$246,000 acquired by means of finance leases.

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22. Cash and cash equivalents (Continued)

22B. Reconciliation of liabilities arising from financing activities:

	2018 \$'000	Cash flows \$'000	Non-cash changes \$'000	2019 \$'000
Finance lease liabilities	398	(66)	3,706 ^(a)	4,038

	2017 \$'000	Cash flows \$'000	Non-cash changes \$'000	2018 \$'000
Finance lease liabilities	557	(405)	246 ^(b)	398

(a) Arising from adoption of SFRS(I) 16

(b) Acquisition (Note 22A)

23. Share capital

	Number of shares issued '000	Share capital \$'000	Treasury shares \$'000	Total \$'000
Group and Company				
Ordinary shares of no par value:				
Balance at beginning of the year				
1 January 2018	393,112	22,439	(1,303)	21,136
Treasury shares purchased ^(a)	(593)	–	(264)	(264)
Balance at end of the year				
31 December 2018	392,519	22,439	(1,567)	20,872
Treasury shares purchased ^(a)	(615)	–	(169)	(169)
Balance at end of the year				
31 December 2019	391,904	22,439	(1,736)	20,703

The ordinary shares of no par value are fully paid, carry one vote each and have no right to fixed income. The company is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements.

(a) Pursuant to the share purchase mandate approved at the extraordinary general meeting on 29 April 2015 and renewed at the annual general meeting on 29 April 2019, during the reporting year the company acquired 615,600 ordinary shares (2018: 593,800 ordinary shares) on the Singapore Stock Exchange and held as treasury shares. The total is 8,096,500 (2018: 7,480,900) treasury shares.

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23. Share capital (Continued)

The objectives when managing capital are: to safeguard the reporting entity's ability to continue as a going concern, so that it can continue to provide returns for owners and benefits for other stakeholders, and to provide an adequate return to owners by pricing the sales commensurately with the level of risk. The management sets the amount of capital to meet its requirements and the risk taken. There were no changes in the approach to capital management during the reporting year. The management manages the capital structure and makes adjustments to it where necessary or possible in the light of changes in conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the management may adjust the amount of dividends paid to owners, return capital to owners, issue new shares, or sell assets to reduce debt. Adjusted capital comprises all components of equity (that is, share capital and reserves).

In order to maintain its listing on the Singapore Stock Exchange it has to have share capital with a free float of at least 10% of the shares. The company met the capital requirement on its initial listing and the rules limiting treasury share purchases mean it will continue to satisfy that requirement, as it did throughout the reporting year. Management receives a report from the share registrars frequently on substantial share interests showing the non-free float to ensure continuing compliance with the 10% limit throughout the reporting year.

The management does not set a target level of gearing but uses capital opportunistically to support its business and to add value for shareholders. The key discipline adopted is to widen the margin between the return on capital employed and the cost of that capital.

The management monitors the capital on the basis of the debt-to-adjusted capital ratio. This ratio is calculated as net debt/adjusted capital (as shown below). Net debt is calculated as total borrowings less cash and cash equivalents.

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Net debt:		
All current and non-current borrowings excluding lease liabilities	44,069	48,808
Less cash and cash equivalents	(43,200)	(39,232)
Net debt	869	9,576
Adjusted capital (less goodwill and intangible asset)	55,681	51,440
Debt-to-adjusted capital ratio	1.6%	18.6%

The favourable change as shown by the decrease in the debt-to-adjusted capital ratio for the reporting year resulted primarily from the decrease in borrowings and increase in cash and cash equivalent.

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24. Other reserves

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Foreign currency translation reserve (Note 24A)	(248)	90
Statutory reserve (Note 24B)	235	235
Total at the end of the year	(13)	325

All the reserves classified on the face of the statements of financial position as retained earnings represents past accumulated earnings and are distributable as cash dividends. The other reserves are not available for cash dividends unless realised.

24A. Foreign currency translation reserve

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
At beginning of the year	90	280
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations	(338)	(190)
At end of the year	(248)	90

24B. Statutory reserve

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
At beginning and end of the year	235	235

The subsidiaries in China is required by local regulation to appropriate 10% of the profits each year to a non-distributable statutory reserve. Contribution to this reserve is no longer mandatory when the reserve reaches 50% of the registered share capital. The use of the funds in the non-distributable statutory reserve is subject to approval by the relevant authorities in China.

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25. Provisions

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
<u>Non-current:</u>		
Warranties	565	–
Total non-current portion	565	–
<u>Current:</u>		
Warranties	1,711	–
Total current portion	1,711	–
Total non-current and current	2,276	–
Movements in above provisions:		
At beginning of the year	–	–
Arising from acquisition of subsidiaries	868	–
Charge to profit or loss included in cost of sales	1,434	–
Reversed to profit or loss included in cost of sales	(26)	–
At end of the year	2,276	–

Certain products are covered by product warranty plans of varying periods. If the customer has the option to purchase a warranty separately or is negotiated separately, the warranty is accounted as a performance obligation and a portion of the transaction price is allocated to that performance obligation and recognised as revenue over the period the warranty services are provided. The warranty obligations are affected by actual product failure rates and by material usage and service delivery costs incurred in correcting a product failure.

26. Loans and borrowings

	Group		Company	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
<u>Non-current:</u>				
Financial instruments with floating interest rates:				
Bank loans (secured) (Note 26A)	3,575	5,575	–	–
Total non-current portion	3,575	5,575	–	–
<u>Current:</u>				
Financial instruments with floating interest rates:				
Bank loans (secured) (Note 26A)	18,800	18,073	8,800	9,600
Bank loans (Note 26B)	15,312	10,200	–	–
Invoice financing and trust receipts (Note 26B)	3,382	6,557	–	–
Total current portion	37,494	34,830	8,800	9,600
Total non-current and current	41,069	40,405	8,800	9,600

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26. Loans and borrowings (Continued)

The non-current portion is repayable as follows:

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Due within 2 to 5 years	3,575	5,575

The range of floating rate interest rates paid was as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Bank loans, invoice financing and trust receipts	2.6% to 3.4%	2.5% to 3.2%	2.6%	2.1% to 2.5%

26A. Bank loans (secured)

The bank agreements for certain of the bank loans and other credit facilities provide among other matters for the following:

1. Corporate guarantee from the company.
2. Legal mortgage over the leasehold properties (Notes 13 and 18).
3. Need to comply with certain financial covenants.
4. The bank loans comprise of:
 - a. Loan repayable in 1 instalment of \$312,500 and 8 quarterly instalments of \$937,500 from September 2017. This loan was fully repaid in June 2019.
 - b. Short term borrowings with an average maturity period of 1 to 3 months and are settled at the end of maturity period.
 - c. Loan repayable in 16 semi-annual instalments of \$1,000,000 from June 2017.
 - d. Loan repayable in 30 quarterly instalments of \$200,000 from June 2018. Although the loan is for a period of 7.5 years from June 2018, it has been classified as "current" because the entity does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the end of the reporting year.

During the reporting year, two leasehold properties under legal mortgage were classified as assets held for sale. The corresponding bank loans are classified as liabilities of a disposal group classified as held for sale accordingly (Note 18).

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26. Loans and borrowings (Continued)

26B. Bank loans, invoice financing and trust receipts

The bank agreements for certain of the bank loans and other credit facilities provide among other matters for the following:

1. Corporate guarantee from the company.
2. Need to comply with certain financial covenants.
3. Short term borrowings (invoice financing, trust receipts and money market loans) with an average maturity period of 1 to 3 months and are settled at the end of maturity period.

27. Trade and other payables

	Group		Company	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
<u>Trade payables:</u>				
Outside parties and accrued liabilities	17,360	12,861	1,105	1,322
Trade payable – subtotal	17,360	12,861	1,105	1,322
<u>Other payables:</u>				
Other payables	–	85	–	–
Other payables – acquisition of subsidiary ^(a)	2,251	4,536	–	–
Other payable – subtotal	2,251	4,621	–	–
Total trade and other payables	19,611	17,482	1,105	1,322
Presented as:				
Trade and other payables, current	17,667	13,488	1,105	1,322
Other payables, non-current	1,944	3,994	–	–
	19,611	17,482	1,105	1,322

(a) This is for the contingent liability payable to the vendors for the acquisition of Ensure Engineering Pte Ltd in 2017.

28. Other non-financial liabilities

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Deferred revenue	787	151
Total non-financial liabilities	787	151

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29. Acquisition of subsidiaries

On 21 November 2019 the group acquired 100% of the share capital in Envipure Pte. Ltd. (incorporated in Singapore) and its subsidiaries ("Envipure Group") and from that date, the group gained control. Envipure Group became subsidiaries (also see Note 17 for the principal activities). The transaction was accounted for by the acquisition method of accounting.

The consideration transferred is as follows:

Consideration transferred:

Cash paid

2019
\$'000

14,800

The expenses of acquisition (net of government grant) of \$65,000 were included in profit or loss under administrative expenses.

The fair values of identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed shown below for Envipure Group are provisional as the hindsight period (of not more than twelve months) allowed by the financial reporting standard on business combinations has not yet expired. Management has since finalised the purchase price allocation exercise and there was no change to the provisional fair values shown below.

	Pre-acquisition book value under SFRS \$'000	At fair value \$'000
2019: Envipure Group		
Intangible assets	–	720
Property, plant and equipment	443	443
Inventories	1,769	1,769
Trade and other receivables	7,672	7,672
Other assets	3,748	3,748
Cash and cash equivalents	14,883	14,883
Trade and other payables	(11,919)	(11,919)
Provisions	(868)	(868)
Other non-financial liabilities	(499)	(499)
Income tax payable	(1,149)	(1,149)
Net assets	14,080	14,800

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29. Acquisition of subsidiaries (Continued)

The net cash inflow on acquisition was as follows:

	2019 \$'000
Purchase consideration	14,800
Less cash taken over	(14,883)
Net cash inflow for statement of cash flows purposes at end of the year	(83)

The contributions from the acquired subsidiaries for the period between the date of acquisition and the end of the reporting year were as follows:

	From date of acquisition in 2019 \$'000	For the reporting year 2019 \$'000
Revenue	5,743	38,015
Profit before income tax	1,143	2,650

30. Financial instruments: information on financial risks

30A. Categories of financial assets and liabilities

The following table categorises the carrying amount of financial assets and liabilities recorded at the end of the reporting year:

	Group		Company	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
<u>Financial assets:</u>				
Financial assets at amortised cost	66,811	62,247	44,143	32,356
At end of the year	66,811	62,247	44,143	32,356
<u>Financial liabilities:</u>				
Financial liabilities at amortised cost	67,718	66,688	11,658	10,922
At end of the year	67,718	66,688	11,658	10,922

Further quantitative disclosures are included throughout these financial statements.

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30. Financial instruments: information on financial risks (Continued)

30B. Financial risk management

The main purpose for holding or issuing financial instruments is to raise and manage the finances for the entity's operating, investing and financing activities. There are exposures to the financial risks on the financial instruments such as credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk comprising interest rate, currency risk and price risk exposures. Management has certain practices for the management of financial risks. However these are not formally documented in written form. The guidelines include the following:

1. Minimise interest rate, currency, credit and market risks for all kinds of transactions.
2. Maximise the use of "natural hedge": favouring as much as possible the natural off-setting of sales and costs and payables and receivables denominated in the same currency and therefore put in place hedging strategies only for the excess balance (if necessary). The same strategy is pursued with regard to interest rate risk.
3. All financial risk management activities are carried out and monitored by senior staff.
4. All financial risk management activities are carried out following acceptable market practices.

There have been no changes to the exposures to risk; the objectives, policies and processes for managing the risk and the methods used to measure the risk.

30C. Fair values of financial instruments

The analyses of financial instruments that are measured subsequent to initial recognition at fair value, grouped into Levels 1 to 3 are disclosed in the relevant notes to the financial statements. These include the significant financial instruments stated at amortised cost and at fair value in the statement of financial position. The carrying values of current financial instruments approximate their fair values due to the short-term maturity of these instruments and the disclosures of fair value are not made when the carrying amount of current financial instruments is a reasonable approximation of the fair value.

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30. Financial instruments: information on financial risks (Continued)

30D. Credit risk on financial assets

Financial assets that are potentially subject to concentrations of credit risk and failures by counterparties to discharge their obligations in full or in a timely manner. These arise principally from cash balances with banks, cash equivalents and receivables. The maximum exposure to credit risk is the total of the fair value of the financial assets at the end of the reporting year. Credit risk on cash balances with banks and any other financial instruments is limited because the counter-parties are entities with acceptable credit ratings. For expected credit losses (ECL) on financial assets, the three-stage approach in the financial reporting standard on financial instruments is used to measure the impairment allowance. Under this approach the financial assets move through the three stages as their credit quality changes. However, a simplified approach is permitted by the financial reporting standards on financial instruments for financial assets that do not have a significant financing component, such as trade receivables. On initial recognition, a day-1 loss is recorded equal to the 12 month ECL (or lifetime ECL for trade receivables), unless the assets are considered credit impaired. For credit risk on trade receivables an ongoing credit evaluation is performed on the financial condition of the debtors and an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss. Reviews and assessments of credit exposures in excess of designated limits are made. Renewals and reviews of credits limits are subject to the same review process.

Note 22 discloses the maturity of the cash and cash equivalents balances. Cash and cash equivalents are also subject to the impairment requirements of the standard on financial instruments. There was no identified impairment loss.

30E. Liquidity risk – financial liabilities maturity analysis

The following table analyses the non-derivative financial liabilities by remaining contractual maturity (contractual undiscounted cash flows):

Group	Less than 1 year \$'000	2 to 5 years \$'000	More than 5 years \$'000	Total \$'000
Non-derivative financial liabilities:				
2019:				
Gross loans and borrowings	40,830	3,872	–	44,702
Gross lease liabilities	513	1,433	3,451	5,397
Trade and other payables	17,667	1,944	–	19,611
At end of the year	59,010	7,249	3,451	69,710
Non-derivative financial liabilities:				
2018:				
Gross loans and borrowings	43,699	5,875	–	49,574
Gross lease liabilities	175	266	–	441
Trade and other payables	13,488	3,994	–	17,482
At end of the year	57,362	10,135	–	67,497

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30. Financial instruments: information on financial risks (Continued)

30E. Liquidity risk – financial liabilities maturity analysis (Continued)

Company	Less than 1 year \$'000	2 to 5 years \$'000	More than 5 years \$'000	Total \$'000
Non-derivative financial liabilities:				
2019:				
Gross loans and borrowings	8,822	–	–	8,822
Gross lease liabilities	89	443	2,121	2,653
Trade and other payables	1,105	–	–	1,105
Financial guarantee contracts	32,008	3,872	–	35,880
At end of the year	42,024	4,315	2,121	48,460
Non-derivative financial liabilities:				
2018:				
Gross loans and borrowings	9,621	–	–	9,621
Trade and other payables	1,322	–	–	1,322
Financial guarantee contracts	34,078	5,875	–	39,953
At end of the year	45,021	5,875	–	50,896

The undiscounted amounts on the borrowings with fixed and floating interest rates are determined by reference to the conditions existing at the reporting date.

The liquidity risk refers to the difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. It is expected that all the liabilities will be settled at their contractual maturity. The average credit period taken to settle trade payables is about 30 to 60 days (2018: 30 to 60 days). The classification of the financial assets is shown in the statement of financial position as they may be available to meet liquidity needs and no further analysis is deemed necessary.

Financial guarantee contracts – For issued financial guarantee contracts the maximum amount of the guarantee is allocated to the earliest period in which the guarantee could be called. At the end of the reporting year no claims on the financial guarantees are expected to be payable. The above table shows the maturity analysis of the contingent liabilities from financial guarantees.

The above amounts disclosed in the maturity analysis are the contractual undiscounted cash flows and such undiscounted cash flows differ from the amount included in the statement of financial position. When the counterparty has a choice of when an amount is paid, the liability is included on the basis of the earliest date on which it can be required to pay.

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30. Financial instruments: information on financial risks (Continued)

30E. Liquidity risk – financial liabilities maturity analysis (Continued)

Bank facilities:

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Undrawn borrowings and trade lines	52,179	39,352
Undrawn foreign exchange lines and interest rate swap	44,900	44,900
Total undrawn borrowing facilities	97,079	84,252

The undrawn borrowing facilities are available for operating activities and to settle other commitments. Borrowing facilities are maintained to ensure funds are available for the operations. A schedule showing the maturity of financial liabilities and unused bank facilities is provided regularly to management to assist in monitoring the liquidity risk.

30F. Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk arises on interest-bearing financial instruments recognised in the statement of financial position and on some financial instruments not recognised in the statement of financial position. The following table analyses the breakdown of the significant financial instruments by type of interest rate:

	Group		Company	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Financial liabilities with interest:				
Fixed rates	4,038	398	1,753	–
Floating rates	44,069	48,808	8,800	9,600
Total at end of the year	48,107	49,206	10,553	9,600

The floating rate debt asset instruments are with interest rates that are re-set at regular intervals. The interest rates are disclosed in the respective notes.

Sensitivity analysis: The effect on pre-tax profit is not significant.

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30. Financial instruments: information on financial risks (Continued)

30G. Foreign currency risk

Foreign exchange risk arises on financial instruments that are denominated in a foreign currency, ie in a currency other than the functional currency in which they are measured. For the purpose of this financial reporting standard on financial instruments: disclosures, currency risk does not arise from financial instruments that are non-monetary items or from financial instruments denominated in the functional currency.

Analysis of amounts denominated in non-functional currency:

Group

2019:

Financial assets:

Cash

Loans and receivables

Total financial assets

Financial liabilities:

Trade and other payables

Total financial liabilities

Net financial assets (liabilities) at end of the year

2018:

Financial assets:

Cash

Loans and receivables

Total financial assets

Financial liabilities:

Borrowings

Trade and other payables

Total financial liabilities

Net financial assets (liabilities) at end of the year

United States		
Dollar	Euro	Total
\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
29,409	73	29,482
6,585	–	6,585
35,994	73	36,067
(262)	(110)	(372)
(262)	(110)	(372)
35,732	(37)	35,695

23,611	7	23,618
4,380	–	4,380
27,991	7	27,998
(81)	(322)	(403)
(431)	(179)	(610)
(512)	(501)	(1,013)
27,479	(494)	26,985

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30. Financial instruments: information on financial risks (Continued)

30G. Foreign currency risk (Continued)

Company

2019:

Financial assets:

Cash

Total financial assets at end of the year

United States Dollar \$'000	Total \$'000
23,047	23,047
23,047	23,047

2018:

Financial assets:

Cash

Total financial assets at end of the year

16,860	16,860
16,860	16,860

There is exposure to foreign currency risk as part of normal business.

Sensitivity analysis:

	Group		Company	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
A hypothetical 10% strengthening in the exchange rate of the functional currency \$ against the US\$ with all other variables held constant would have an adverse effect on pre-tax profit of	(3,248)	(2,498)	(2,095)	(1,533)
A hypothetical 10% strengthening in the exchange rate of the functional currency \$ against the Euro with all other variables held constant would have a favourable effect on pre-tax profit of	3	45	—	—

The above table shows sensitivity to the hypothetical percentage variations in the functional currency against the relevant non-functional foreign currencies. The sensitivity rate used is the reasonably possible change in foreign exchange rates. For similar rate weakening of the functional currency against the relevant foreign currencies above, there would be comparable impacts in the opposite direction.

In management's opinion, the above sensitivity analysis is unrepresentative of the foreign currency risks as the historical exposure does not reflect the exposure in future.

The hypothetical changes in exchange rates are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs). The sensitivity analysis is disclosed for each non-functional currency to which the entity has significant exposure at end of the reporting year. The analysis above has been carried out on the basis that there are no hedged transactions.

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31. Items in profit or loss

In addition to the profit and loss line items disclosed elsewhere in the notes to the financial statements, this item includes the following expenses:

	Group	
	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Audit fees to the independent auditor of the company	194	172
Audit fees to the other independent auditors	46	46
Other fees to the independent auditor of the company	88	39

32. Events after the end of the reporting year

There are current uncertainties in the economy related to the COVID-19 outbreak that emerged since early 2020. These uncertainties has impacted the Group's operations and it will have an impact on the group's productivity and financial performance for the next financial year, the extent of which will depend on how long the outbreak lasts.

33. Changes and adoption of financial reporting standards

For the current reporting year new or revised financial reporting standards were issued by the Singapore Accounting Standards Council. Those applicable to the reporting entity are listed below. Those applicable new or revised standards did not require any significant modification of the measurement methods or the presentation in the financial statements except for SFRS (I) 16 Leases discussed below.

SFRS (I) No.	Title
SFRS (I) 16	Leases (and Leases – Illustrative Examples & Amendments to Guidance on Other Standards)
SFRS (I) INT23	Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments
SFRS (I) 1-12	Improvements (2017) – Amendments: Income Taxes
SFRS (I) 1-23	Improvements (2017) – Amendments: Borrowing Costs
SFRS (I) 3	Improvements (2017) – Amendments: Business Combinations

Leases:

The financial reporting standard on leases is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019 and it supersedes the previous reporting standard and the related interpretations on leases. For the lessee almost all leases are brought onto the statements of financial position under a single model (except leases of less than 12 months and leases of low-value assets), eliminating the distinction between operating and finance leases. Thus, the entity has recognised a right-of-use asset and a corresponding liability in respect of all these leases (unless they qualify for low value or short-term leases) which might have a material impact on the amounts recognised in the financial statements. The amount by which each financial statement line item is impacted (debits/(credits)) in the current reporting year 2019 by the application of the new standard on leases are disclosed in Note 14. The reporting entity elected to apply the modified retrospective approach for this standard new standard on leases. Under the modified retrospective approach the comparative Information is not restated and therefore there is no presentation of a third column for the statement of financial position. Any cumulative effect of initially applying this standard is recognised as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings at the date of initial application.

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34. New or amended standards in issue but not yet effective

For the future reporting years certain new or revised financial reporting standards were issued by the Singapore Accounting Standards Council and these will only be effective for future reporting years. Those applicable to the reporting entity for future reporting years are listed below. The transfer to the applicable new or revised standards from the effective dates is not expected to result in any significant modification of the measurement methods or the presentation in the financial statements for the following year from the known or reasonably estimable information relevant to assessing the possible impact that application of the new or revised standards may have on the entity's financial statements in the period of initial application.

SFRS (I) No.	Title	Effective date for periods beginning on or after
SFRS (I) 3	Definition of a Business – Amendments	1 January 2020
SFRS (I) 1-1 and 1-8	Definition of Material – Amendments to The Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting	1 January 2020

SHAREHOLDINGS STATISTICS

AS AT 24 MARCH 2020

Number of Issued Shares	400,000,000
Number of Issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings)	391,155,300
Number of Subsidiary holdings	Nil
Class of Shares	Ordinary Shares
Voting Rights (excluding Treasury Shares)	1 vote per share

As at 24 March 2020, the total number of ordinary shares held in treasury is 8,844,700^(a). The percentage of such holding against the total number of issued ordinary shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) is 2.26%.

DISTRIBUTION OF SHAREHOLDERS BY SIZE OF SHAREHOLDINGS AS AT 24 MARCH 2020

SIZE OF SHAREHOLDINGS	NO. OF SHAREHOLDERS	%	NO. OF SHARES	% ^(b)
1 – 99	0	0.00	0	0.00
100 – 1,000	90	8.79	62,875	0.02
1,001 – 10,000	396	38.67	2,425,600	0.62
10,001 – 1,000,000	522	50.98	37,588,900	9.61
1,000,001 and above	16	1.56	351,077,925	89.75
Total	1,024	100.00	391,155,300	100.00

SHAREHOLDING HELD IN HANDS OF PUBLIC

As at 24 March 2020, approximately 22.9% of the issued ordinary shares of the Company is held by the public and therefore, Rule 723 of the Listing Manual is complied with.

TWENTY LARGEST SHAREHOLDERS AS AT 24 MARCH 2020

Name	No. of Shares	% ^(b)
CHANG YEH HONG	212,706,725	54.38
DBS NOMINEES PTE LTD	44,455,400	11.37
LIN CHOON HIN	44,050,000	11.26
OCBC SECURITIES PRIVATE LTD	12,103,400	3.09
CITIBANK NOMINEES SINGAPORE PTE LTD	10,640,800	2.72
CHOU CHEE FATT	4,877,000	1.25
PHILLIP SECURITIES PTE LTD	4,040,900	1.03
CHANG HUI MIN MARISSA	3,157,400	0.81
CHANG YEH FUNG	2,833,700	0.72
QUEK HUILING JOANNE	2,437,800	0.62
MAYBANK KIM ENG SECURITIES PTE. LTD.	1,947,000	0.50
CHIA MENG RU	1,871,600	0.48
TAN HEE SENG	1,603,100	0.41
UNITED OVERSEAS BANK NOMINEES PTE LTD	1,514,000	0.39
OCBC NOMINEES SINGAPORE PTE LTD	1,459,200	0.37
RAFFLES NOMINEES (PTE) LIMITED	1,379,900	0.35
TAN KHOON SENG	1,000,000	0.26
LEE HENG SWEE	903,000	0.23
TAN KOK CHING	800,000	0.20
WANG LAI SUAN	800,000	0.20
TOTAL:	354,580,925	90.64

(a) 542,400 treasury shares purchased on 18 March 2020, 19 March 2020, 23 March 2020 and 27 March 2020 are not reflected as treasury shares due to timing in settlement date.

(b) Percentage is calculated based on 391,155,300 shares (excluding shares held as treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) as at 24 March 2020.

SHAREHOLDINGS STATISTICS

AS AT 24 MARCH 2020

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS AS AT 24 MARCH 2020 as recorded in the Register of Substantial Shareholders

Name of Substantial Shareholder	Direct Interest	Number of Ordinary Shares		Deemed Interest	%
		%			
Chang Yeh Hong ⁽¹⁾	218,017,325	55.74	—	—	—
Lin Choon Hin	44,050,000	11.26	—	—	—
Teo Ling Ling ⁽²⁾	32,319,500	8.26	—	—	—

(1) 5,310,600 shares are held under DBS Nominees Pte Ltd and they are treated as direct interest

(2) 32,084,500 shares are held under DBS Nominees Pte Ltd and they are treated as direct interest

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NORDIC GROUP LIMITED (INCORPORATED IN SINGAPORE) REGISTRATION NO. 201007399N

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of Nordic Group Limited (the “Company”) will be held at 2 Tuas Ave 10 Singapore 639126 on Monday, 27 April 2020 at 10:00 am to transact the following business:

AS ORDINARY BUSINESS

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| 1. To receive and consider the Directors’ Statement and Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2019 together with the Auditor’s Report thereon. | Resolution 1 |
| 2. To declare a final tax exempt (one-tier) dividend of 0.419 Singapore cent per ordinary share for the financial year ended 31 December 2019. | Resolution 2 |
| 3. To re-elect Mr Chang Yeh Hong who is retiring pursuant to Regulation 106 of the Constitution of the Company, as a Director of the Company. | Resolution 3 |
| 4. To note the retirement of Ms Ong Hua as a Director of the Company, who is retiring pursuant to Regulation 106 of the Constitution of the Company and has decided not to seek re-election. | |
| [See Explanatory Note (i)] | |
| 5. To re-elect Mr Lee Kok Keng Andrew who is retiring pursuant to Regulation 116 of the Constitution of the Company, as a Director of the Company. | Resolution 4 |
| 6. To approve the Directors’ fees of S\$137,000 for the financial year ending 31 December 2020, payable half-yearly in arrears. | Resolution 5 |
| 7. To approve additional Directors’ fees of S\$3,000 for the financial year ended 31 December 2019. | Resolution 6 |
| 8. To approve a one-off Director’s fee of S\$15,000 payable to Ms Ong Hua for the financial year ended 31 December 2019. | Resolution 7 |
| 9. To re-appoint Messrs RSM Chio Lim LLP as Auditor of the Company and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration. | Resolution 8 |

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AS SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions, with or without amendments:

10. Authority to allot and issue shares

Resolution 9

That pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 and Rule 806 of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST"), the Directors of the Company be authorised and empowered to:

- (a) (i) allot and issue shares in the Company ("shares") whether by way of rights, bonus or otherwise; and/or
- (ii) make or grant offers, agreements or options (collectively, "Instruments") that might or would require shares to be issued, including but not limited to the creation and issue of (as well as adjustments to) options, warrants, debentures or other instruments convertible into shares,

at any time and upon such terms and conditions and for such purposes and to such persons as the Directors of the Company may in their absolute Discretion deem fit; and

- (b) (notwithstanding the authority conferred by this Resolution may have ceased to be in force) issue shares in pursuance of any Instruments made or granted by the Directors of the Company while this Resolution was in force,

provided that:

- (1) the aggregate number of shares (including shares to be issued in pursuance of the Instruments, made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) to be issued pursuant to this Resolution shall not exceed fifty per centum (50%) of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) in the capital of the Company (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below), of which the aggregate number of shares to be issued other than on a pro rata basis to shareholders of the Company shall not exceed twenty per centum (20%) of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) in the capital of the Company (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below);

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- (2) (subject to such calculation as may be prescribed by the SGX-ST) for the purpose of determining the aggregate number of shares that may be issued under sub-paragraph (1) above, the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) shall be based on the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) in the capital of the Company at the time of the passing of this Resolution, after adjusting for:

- (a) new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities;
- (b) new shares arising from exercising share options or vesting of share awards;
- (c) any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of shares; and

provided such adjustments in sub-paragraphs (2)(a) and (b) above are made in respect of new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities, share options or share awards which were issued and are outstanding or subsisting at the time of passing of this Resolution;

- (3) in exercising the authority conferred by this Resolution, the Company shall comply with the provisions of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST for the time being in force (unless such compliance has been waived by the SGX-ST) and the Constitution of the Company; and
- (4) unless revoked or varied by the Company in a general meeting, such authority shall continue in force until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company or the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is earlier

[See Explanatory Note (ii)]

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11. Renewal of Share Purchase Mandate

Resolution 10

That:

- (a) for the purposes of Sections 76C and 76E of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 (the “Companies Act”), the Directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to exercise all the powers of the Company to purchase or otherwise acquire ordinary shares in the capital of the Company (“Shares”) not exceeding in aggregate the Maximum Limit (as hereinafter defined), at such price(s) as may be determined by the Directors of the Company from time to time up to the Maximum Price (as hereinafter defined), whether by way of:
 - (i) on-market purchases (each a “Market Purchase”) transacted through the SGX-ST’s trading system, through one or more duly licensed stock brokers appointed by the Company for that purpose; and/or
 - (ii) off-market purchases (each an “Off-Market Purchase”) pursuant to an equal access scheme(s) as may be determined or formulated by the Directors in their discretion, which scheme(s) shall satisfy all the conditions prescribed by the Companies Act and otherwise be in accordance with all other laws and other regulations and rules of the SGX-ST (the “Share Purchase Mandate”);
- (b) any Share that is purchased or otherwise acquired by the Company pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate shall, at the discretion of the Directors of the Company, either be cancelled or held in treasury and dealt with in accordance with the Companies Act;
- (c) unless varied or revoked by the Company in general meeting, the authority conferred on the Directors of the Company pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate may be exercised by the Directors at any time and from time to time during the period commencing from the passing of this Resolution and expiring on the earlier of:
 - (i) the date on which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is held or is required by law to be held;
 - (ii) the date on which the share purchase is carried out to the full extent mandated; or
 - (iii) the date on which the authority contained in the Share Purchase Mandate is varied or revoked;

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(d) for purposes of this Resolution:

“Maximum Limit” means 10% of the total number of issued Shares of the Company as at the date of passing of this Resolution (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings (as defined in the Listing Manual of SGX-ST));

“Maximum Price” in relation to a Share to be purchased, means the purchase price (excluding brokerage, commission, applicable goods and services tax and other related expenses) not exceeding:–

- (i) in the case of a Market Purchase, 105% of the Average Closing Price of the Shares; and
- (ii) in the case of an Off-Market Purchase pursuant to an equal access scheme, 120% of the Average Closing Price of the Shares, where:

“Average Closing Price” means the average of the closing market prices of a Share over the last five Market Days on which the Shares are transacted on the SGX-ST or, as the case may be, such securities exchange on which the Shares are listed or quoted, immediately preceding the day of the Market Purchase by the Company or, as the case may be, the day of the making of the offer pursuant to the Off-Market Purchase, and deemed to be adjusted, in accordance with the rules of the SGX-ST, for any corporate action that occurs during the relevant five-day period and the day on which the Market Purchase is made; and

“day of the making of the offer” means the day on which the Company makes an offer for the purchase or acquisition of Shares from holder of Shares, stating therein the relevant terms of the equal access scheme for effecting the Off-Market Purchase; and

- (e) any of the Directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to complete and do all such acts and things (including without limitation, to execute all such documents as may be required and to approve any amendments, alterations or modifications to any documents), as they or he may consider desirable, expedient or necessary to give effect to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

[See Explanatory Note (iii)]

- 12. To transact any other business which may be properly transacted at an Annual General Meeting.

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Explanatory Notes:

- (i) Ms Ong Hua has informed the Company that she will not be seeking re-election at this Annual General Meeting. Accordingly, she will retire as a Director of the Company at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting. Ms Ong Hua will, upon retirement, cease to be the Chairman of the Audit Committee and as a member of the Nominating Committee and Remuneration Committee.
- (ii) The proposed Resolution 9, if passed, will empower the Directors of the Company, from the date of the Annual General Meeting until the date the next Annual General Meeting is to be held or is required by law to be held, whichever is the earlier, to allot and issue shares and convertible securities in the Company. The number of shares and convertible securities, which the Directors may allot and issue under this Resolution shall not exceed 50% of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) of the Company at the time of passing this Resolution. For allotment and issue of shares and convertible securities other than on a pro-rata basis to all shareholders of the Company, the aggregate number of shares and convertible securities to be allotted and issued shall not exceed 20% of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) of the Company. This authority will, unless previously revoked or varied at a general meeting, expire at the next Annual General Meeting.
- (iii) The proposed Resolution 10, if passed, will empower the Directors of the Company, from the date of the Annual General Meeting until the date the next Annual General Meeting is to be held or is required by law to be held, whichever is the earlier, to repurchase (whether by way of Market Purchases or Off-Market Purchases on an equal access scheme) from time to time of up to 10% of the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings at prices up to but not exceeding the Maximum Price.

NOTICE OF RECORD DATE AND DIVIDEND PAYMENT DATE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Share Transfer Books and Register of Members of the Company will be closed on 5 May 2020 for the purpose of determining members' entitlements to the final tax exempt (one-tier) (the "Final Dividend") to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held on 27 April 2020.

Duly completed registrable transfers in respect of the shares in the Company received up to the close of business at 5:00 p.m. on 4 May 2020 by the Company's Share Registrar, Tricor Barbinder Share Registration Services (A division of Tricor Singapore Pte Ltd), 80 Robinson Road #02-00 Singapore 068898 will be registered to determine members' entitlements to the proposed Final Dividend. Members whose Securities Accounts with The Central Depository (Pte) Limited are credited with shares in the Company as at 5:00 p.m. on 4 May 2020 will be entitled to such proposed Final Dividend.

The proposed Final Dividend, if approved at the Annual General Meeting will be paid on 14 May 2020. .

By Order Of the Board

Chia Meng Ru
Company Secretary

Date: 09 April 2020

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Notes:

- (a) A member entitled to attend and vote at this meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- (b) If a proxy is to be appointed, the form must be deposited at the business office of Share Registrar of the Company, Tricor Barbinder Share Registration Services (A division of Tricor Singapore Pte Ltd) at 80 Robinson Road #11-02 Singapore 068898 not less than 72 hours before the meeting.
- (c) The form of proxy must be signed by the appointor or his attorney duly authorised in writing.
- (d) In the case of joint shareholders, all holders must sign the form of proxy.

Personal Data Privacy:

By submitting an instrument appointing a proxy and/or representatives to attend, speak and vote at the AGM and/or any adjournment thereof, a member of the Company (i) consents to the collection, use and disclosure of the member's personal data by the Company (or its agents) for the purpose of the processing and administration by the Company (or its agents) of proxy and representatives appointed for the AGM (including any adjournment thereof) and the preparation and compilation of the attendance lists, minutes and other documents relating to the AGM (including any adjournment thereof), and in order for the Company (or its agents) to comply with any applicable laws, listing rules, regulations and/or guidelines (collectively, the "Purposes"), (ii) warrants that where the member discloses the personal data of the member's proxy and/or representative(s) to the Company (or its agents), the member has obtained the prior consent of such proxy and/or representative(s) for the collection, use and disclosure by the Company (or its agents) of the personal data of such proxy and/or representative(s) for the Purposes, and (iii) agrees that the member will indemnify the Company in respect of any penalties, liabilities, claims, demands, losses and damages as a result of the member's breach of warranty.

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Important:

1. For investors who have used their CPF/SRS monies to buy shares in the Company, this proxy form is not valid for use and shall be ineffective for all intents and purposes if used or purported to be used by them.
2. CPF/SRS investors are requested to contact their respective Agent Banks for any queries they may have with regard to their appointment as proxy.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING PROXY FORM

I/We, _____ (Name) _____ (NRIC No./Passport No./Company

Registration No.) of _____ (Address)
being a member/members of NORDIC GROUP LIMITED (the “**Company**”), hereby appoint the Chairman of the Annual General Meeting (“**AGM**”), as *my/our proxy to attend and to vote for *me/us on *my/our behalf at the AGM of the Company to be held at 2 Tuas Ave 10 Singapore 639126 on Monday, 27 April 2020 at 10.00 a.m. and at any adjournment thereof.

*I/We direct *my/our proxy to vote for or against, or abstain from voting the Ordinary Resolutions to be proposed at the AGM as indicated hereunder. If no specified directions as to voting is given, the proxy will vote or abstain from voting at *his/her discretion, as he/she will on any other matter arising at the AGM and at any adjournment thereof.

No.	Resolutions relating to:	For**	Against**	Abstain**
ORDINARY BUSINESS				
1.	To receive and consider the Directors' Statement and Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2019 together with the Auditor's Report thereon.			
2.	To declare a final tax exempt (one-tier) dividend of 0.419 Singapore cent per ordinary share for the financial year ended 31 December 2019.			
3.	To re-elect Mr Chang Yeh Hong who is retiring pursuant to Regulation 106 of the Constitution of the Company, as a Director of the Company.			
4.	To re-elect Mr Lee Kok Keng Andrew who is retiring pursuant to Regulation 116 of the Constitution of the Company, as a Director of the Company.			
5.	To approve the Directors' fees of S\$137,000 for the financial year ending 31 December 2020, payable half-yearly in arrears.			
6.	To approve additional Directors' fees of S\$3,000 for the financial year ended 31 December 2019.			
7.	To approve a one-off Director's fee of S\$15,000 payable to Ms Ong Hua for the financial year ended 31 December 2019.			
8.	To re-appoint Messrs RSM Chio Lim LLP as Auditor of the Company and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.			
SPECIAL BUSINESS				
9.	To authorise the Directors to allot and issue shares.			
10.	To approve the renewal of Share Purchase Mandate.			

Notes:

* Delete accordingly

** Voting will be conducted by poll. If you wish to exercise all your votes “For” or “Against” the relevant resolution, please tick “X” in the relevant box provided. Alternatively, please indicate the number of votes “For” or “Against” each resolution. If you mark “X” in the abstain box for a particular resolution, you are directing your proxy not to vote on that resolution.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2020

Total No. of Shares in	No. of Shares
CDP Register	
Register of Members	

Signature of Member(s) or Common Seal

IMPORTANT: Please Read Notes for This Proxy Form.

NOTES:

1. Please insert the total number of shares held by you. If you have shares entered against your name in the Depository Register (as defined in Section 81SF of the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore), you should insert that number of shares. If you have shares registered in your name in the Register of Members, you should insert that number of shares. If you have shares entered against your name in the Depository Register and shares registered in your name in the Register of Members, you should insert the aggregate number of shares entered against your name in the Depository Register and registered in your name in the Register of Members. If no number is inserted, the instrument appointing a proxy shall be deemed to relate to all the shares held by you.
2. The instrument appointing a proxy must be under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney duly authorised in writing. Where the instrument appointing a proxy is executed by a corporation, it must be executed either under its common seal or under the hand of an officer of the corporation or attorney duly authorised.
3. Where an instrument appointing a proxy is signed on behalf of the appointor by an attorney, the power of attorney (or other authority) or a duly certified copy thereof must (failing previous registration with the Company) be lodged with the instrument of proxy, failing which the instrument may be treated as invalid.
4. Pursuant to the joint statement issued by ACRA, MAS and SGX-ST on 31 March 2020 on safe distancing measures when conducting general meetings, the Chairman of the AGM shall be the appointed proxy to all members desirous of appointing a proxy for the forthcoming AGM.
5. A corporation which is a member may authorise by resolution of its directors or other governing body such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at the AGM, in accordance with Section 179 of the Act.
6. An investor who buys shares using CPF monies ("**CPF Investor**") and/or SRS monies ("**SRS Investor**") (as may be applicable) may inform their CPF and/or SRS Approved Nominees to appoint the Chairman of the AGM to act as their proxy.

GENERAL:

The Company shall be entitled to reject the instrument appointing a proxy if it is incomplete, improperly completed or illegible or where the true intentions of the appointor are not ascertainable from the instructions of the appointor specified in the instrument appointing a proxy. In addition, in the case of a member whose shares are entered in the Depository Register, the Company may reject any instrument appointing a proxy lodged if the member, being the appointor, is not shown to have shares entered against his name in the Depository Register as at seventy-two (72) hours before the time appointed for holding the AGM, as certified by The Central Depository (Pte) Limited to the Company.

PERSONAL DATA PRIVACY:

By submitting a proxy form appointing a proxy and/or representative(s) to attend, speak and vote at the AGM and/or any adjournment thereof, a member of the Company (i) consents to the collection, use and disclosure of the member's personal data by the Company (or its agents) for the purpose of the processing and administration by the Company (or its agents) of proxy and representatives appointed for the AGM (including any adjournment thereof) and the preparation and compilation of the attendance lists, minutes and other documents relating to the AGM (including any adjournment thereof), and in order for the Company (or its agents) to comply with any applicable laws, listing rules, regulations and/or guidelines (collectively, the "Purposes"), (ii) warrants that where the member discloses the personal data of the member's proxy and/or representative(s) to the Company (or its agents), the member has obtained the prior consent of such proxy and/or representative(s) for the collection, use and disclosure by the Company (or its agents) of the personal data of such proxy and/or representative(s) for the Purposes, and (iii) agrees that the member will indemnify the Company in respect of any penalties, liabilities, claims, demands, losses and damages as a result of the member's breach of warranty.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS SEEKING RE-ELECTION AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Details	Name of Director	
	Chang Yeh Hong	Lee Kok Keng Andrew
Date of Appointment	8 April 2010	29 April 2019
Date of last re-appointment (if applicable)	26 April 2018	NIL
Age	59	67
Country of principal residence	Singapore	Singapore
The Board's comments on this appointment (including rationale, selection criteria, and the search and nomination process)	The Board had considered the Nominating Committee's recommendation and assessment on Mr Chang's background, experience and commitment in the discharge of his duties as a Director of Nordic Group Limited, and is satisfied that he will continue to contribute to the Board.	The Board had considered the Nominating Committee's recommendation and assessment on Mr Lee's background, experience, independence and commitment in the discharge of his duties as a Director of Nordic Group Limited, and is satisfied that he will continue to contribute to the Board.
Whether appointment is executive, and if so, the area of responsibility	Executive appointment. Mr Chang is responsible for the working of the Board; the reviewing of business plans, strategic positioning and business expansion of the Group.	Non-Executive
Job Title (e.g. Lead ID, AC Chairman, AC Member etc.)	Executive Chairman and member of the Nominating Committee	Independent Director, Chairman of the Remuneration Committee and member of the Audit Committee and Nominating Committee
Professional qualifications	Bachelor of Arts degree majoring in Economics from National University of Singapore	Bachelor of Social Science (Honours in Economics) from the University of Singapore
Working experience and occupation(s) during the past 10 years	<p>1999 to 2000, Mr Chang was the regional managing director of Asia Pacific with Citibank.</p> <p>2000 to 2002, Mr Chang was the global head of a product group with Standard Chartered Bank.</p> <p>From 2004, Mr Chang took an executive role with Nordic Group Limited and he has played a pivotal role in the growth and development of our Group.</p>	<p>2005 to 2017, Mr Lee was the senior executive vice president, head, global consumer financial services of OCBC Bank</p> <p>2010, Mr Lee was the executive chairman, BCS (Bank Clearing System) Information System Pte Ltd</p> <p>2010 to 2017, Mr Lee was the Group Chief Marketing Officer, Great Eastern Life Assurance Co Ltd</p> <p>April 2019, Mr Lee was appointed as Nordic Group Limited's independent director</p>

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS SEEKING RE-ELECTION AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Shareholding interest in the listed issuer and its subsidiaries	Yes – 218,017,325 ordinary shares in Nordic Group Limited	Yes – 467,000 ordinary shares in Nordic Group Limited and deemed interest 594,800 ordinary shares in Nordic Group Limited held through his spouse
Any relationship (including immediate family relationships) with any existing director, existing executive officer, the issuer and/or substantial shareholder of the listed issuer of any of its principal subsidiaries	Nil	Nil
Conflict of interest (including any competing business)	Nil	Nil
Undertaking (in the format set out in Appendix 7.7 under Rule 720(1) has been submitted to the listed issuer	Yes	Yes
Other Principal Commitments Including Directorships	Nil	Mr Lee also serves as an Independent Director at OCBC Al-Amin Bank Berhad in Malaysia.
Information required under items (a) to (k) of Appendix 7.4.1 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual	There is no change to the responses previously disclosed by Mr Chang under items (a) to (k) of Appendix 7.4.1 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual which were all “No”. The Appendix 7.4.1 information in respect of Mr Chang’s appointment as Director was announced in 2010.	There is no change to the responses previously disclosed by Mr Lee under items (a) to (k) of Appendix 7.4.1 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual which were all “No”. The Appendix 7.4.1 information in respect of Mr Lee’s appointment as Director was announced on 29 April 2019.

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