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## **OUR PURPOSE**

We are committed to safeguarding communities and industries by



**Enabling safer and** greener motoring



Providing professional testing services to businesses to ensure safety, reliability and sustainability

## **OUR CORE VALUES**

**V**ersatility



To be able to adapt to changing environments, always staying ahead of the curve and inspiring creativity.

ntegrity



To uphold the values of integrity and honesty, conducting our affairs in a manner consistent with the highest ethical and professional standards.

Care



For all our stakeholders:

- Our customers by putting their needs and requirements first.
- Our business partners and regulators by keeping lines of communication open at all times.
- · Our staff by fostering a safe and conducive environment for growth and development.
- Our community by enhancing the welfare of those in need.

Ownership



Of all that we do – by pursuing professionalism, excellence and ensuring responsibility for all our actions.

Meritocracy 😜



To be fair and objective, always recognising and rewarding

# CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

#### **The Year**

Our vehicle testing business remained robust in 2024. We inspected a total of 525,108 vehicles, increasing our market share to 72.9 percent. In addition, as one of the Authorised Partners appointed by the Land Transport Authority (LTA), we have installed 77,000 On-Board Units (OBUs) so far as part of the ERP 2.0 exercise in 2024.

The manufacturing sector, the key industry served by our non-vehicle testing business, saw subdued sentiment in the first half of 2024, affecting our performance marginally. Fortunately, this sector rebounded in the second half of the year, bolstered partly by the upturn in the global electronics cycle, resulting in satisfactory results for our non-vehicle testing business for the year overall.

We continued to invest in and grow our core strengths and businesses, as well as in the new facilities required to support growth. Construction of the new Jalan Papan integrated testing centre is under way and is expected to be ready in 1H 2026. The new and larger space will enable us to house a larger vehicle inspection centre to meet the growing demand expected in the western part of Singapore, and also bring new testing capabilities on stream for the non-vehicle testing business.

As part of our multi-year growth strategy, we have continued to focus on:

#### 1. Extending current testing capabilities

With the growing concerns around PFAS, otherwise known as "forever chemicals" that have been linked to numerous negative effects on human health, we have developed and taken to market a new testing service to detect such contamination in the environment and food chains.

We now offer Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) tests to support the bio-surveillance of emerging diseases such as SARS-CoV, Zika and mPox viruses in wastewater.

We have also developed a new capability to test the resilient modulus of soil and aggregate materials. Resilient modulus is an essential pavement design parameter, used in the design of special pavements like runways. This capability allows us to secure key airfield projects at Changi.



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# 2. Looking into technological growth areas we are not yet in

In the push for electrification, the government is targeting to deploy 60,000 Electric Vehicle Charging Systems (EVCS) nationwide by 2030. We have collaborated with key partners to set up new capabilities to inspect and maintain these EVCS, opening a new area of business.

#### 3. Enhancing our knowledge and expertise

We continue to invest in the constant upskilling and cross-training of our employees; our vehicle inspectors are trained to inspect electric vehicles safely, and selected groups trained to install, commission, and maintain OBUs. For our non-vehicle testing business, we had also trained several groups of employees in new testing capabilities such as Fatigue testing and analysis, and the new Matrix-assisted laser desorption ionisation time-of-flight mass spectrometer, which allows us to identify micro-organisms such as bacteria and fungi.

#### 4. Deepening customer engagement

We continue to develop new user interfaces to enhance customer experience. This includes various new online booking and payment services, and better back-end support services like e-logistic booking services to deliver and collect customer samples. In addition, we deployed new Al-powered chatbots to respond to enquiries more efficiently and shorten the response time to our customers.

#### **Financial Results**

Our financial results remain strong. Group revenue increased by \$7.6 million to \$119.5 million, and operating profit grew by 4.8% to \$34.6 million. As a result, net profit attributable to shareholders increased by 6.1% to \$29.3 million.

The Directors have recommended a final dividend of 3.00 cents per share, in line with the dividend policy of 70 percent of net profit attributable to shareholders.

#### **Corporate Governance**

VICOM was ranked 22nd out of 477 listed companies in Singapore in the annual Singapore Governance and Transparency Index 2024, attaining a score of 94, which well surpasses the average score of 69.3 among listed companies.

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VICOM also won the Gold Award for the Best Annual Report, and Bronze Awards for the Best Managed Board and for the Best Investor Relations by the Singapore Institute of Directors.

#### **The Year Ahead**

2025 will be a busy year for the vehicle testing business with the full scale installation of the OBU project.

The growth outlook for the construction and manufacturing sector in Singapore remains positive. With some \$47 billion to \$53 billion in construction contracts expected to be awarded in 2025, as compared to the estimated \$44 billion in contracts in 2024, testing demand for the construction sector will increase. The electronics cluster is also projected to continue its expansion, supported by strong demand for semiconductor chips in end-markets such as personal computers as well as smartphones amidst the PC refresh cycle and rollout of artificial intelligence-capable devices. We expect the positive outlook for these two sectors to spur the growth of the non-vehicle testing services.

Barring unforeseen circumstances from global geopolitical tensions or headwinds, the Group is expected to perform satisfactorily in 2025.

#### **Appreciation**

I wish to sincerely thank the management and all our employees for their dedication, diligence, and hard work; as well as to express my deepest appreciation to the Union for their support and collaboration all these years. A special note of appreciation this year goes to the Board Sustainability Committee and the Sustainability team for clinching the Singapore Corporate Sustainability Award (Mid Cap category) at the Securities Investors Association (SIAS) Investors' Choice Awards.

We appreciate the ongoing support of our shareholders, and we look forward to another successful year ahead.

#### **TAN KIM SIEW**

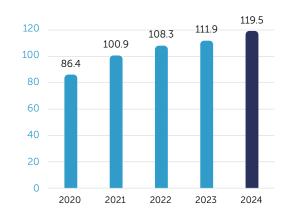
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# GROUP FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

# HIGHLIGHTS

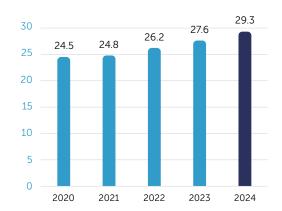
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(\$'mil)



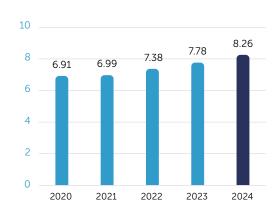
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(\$'mil)



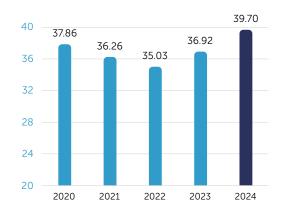
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(cents)



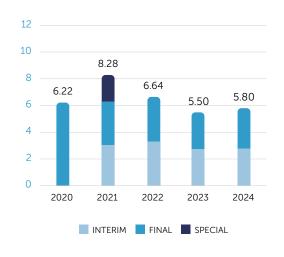
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(cents)



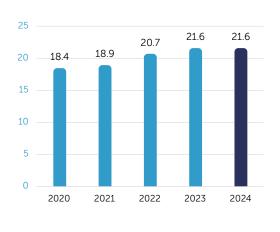
#### **TOTAL DIVIDEND PER ORDINARY SHARE**

(cents)



#### **RETURN ON SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY**

(%)



#### **FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenue (\$'mil)	86.4	100.9	108.3	111.9	119.5
Operating Costs (\$'mil)	57.1	69.9	75.6	78.9	84.9
Operating Profit (\$'mil)	29.3	31.0	32.7	33.0	34.6
Profit Attributable to Shareholders (\$'mil)	24.5	24.8	26.2	27.6	29.
EBITDA (\$'mil)	36.7	38.2	39.9	40.9	43.
Issued Capital (\$'mil)	36.3	36.3	36.3	36.3	36.
Capital and Reserves (\$'mil)*	134.3	128.6	124.2	130.9	140.
Capital Disbursement (\$'mil)	15.0	12.3	8.9	12.8	11.
Return on Shareholders' Equity (%)*	18.4	18.9	20.7	21.6	21.0
Earnings Per Ordinary Share (cents)	6.91	6.99	7.38	7.78	8.2
Net Asset Value Per Ordinary Share (cents)*	37.86	36.26	35.03	36.92	39.7
Interim Dividend Per Ordinary Share (cents)	_	3.04	3.32	2.75	2.8
Final Dividend Per Ordinary Share (cents)	6.22	3.24	3.32	2.75	3.00
Special Dividend Per Ordinary Share (cents)	_	2.00	-	-	-
Total Dividend Per Ordinary Share (cents)	6.22	8.28	6.64	5.50	5.8
Dividend Cover (number of times)	1.1	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### **AS AT 3 MARCH 2025**



TAN KIM SIEW
CHAIRMAN
(INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR)

DATE OF APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

1 MAY 2018

DATE OF LAST RE-ELECTION AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

24 APRIL 2024

**DR TAN KIM SIEW** is the Chairman and an Independent Non-Executive Director of VICOM Ltd. He is the Chairman of the Nominating and Remuneration Committee and a member of both the Technology Committee and the Sustainability Committee. He is also an Independent Non-Executive Director of SBS Transit Ltd.

Dr Tan is presently a Senior Consultant in the Ministry of Finance. From 2012 to 2014, Dr Tan served as the Commissioner of Inland Revenue. Prior to this appointment, Dr Tan was the Permanent Secretary (Defence Development) of the Ministry of Defence from 2003 to 2012. He has also held other appointments in public service, including Chief Executive Officer of the Urban Redevelopment Authority, Deputy Secretary in the Ministry of Finance and in the Ministry of National Development, Chairman of the Defence Science and Technology Agency, and Chairman of the DSO National Laboratories.

Dr Tan was awarded the Public Administration Medal (Silver) (Military) in 1990, the Public Administration Medal (Silver) in 1996, the Public Administration Medal (Gold) in 2001 and the Long Service Medal in 2003 by the President of the Republic of Singapore.

Dr Tan holds a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) (Engineering Tripos) with Distinction in Electronics Engineering and a Doctor of Philosophy (Engineering) from the University of Cambridge, United Kingdom.



CHENG SIAK KIAN
DEPUTY CHAIRMAN
(NON-INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR)

DATE OF APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

**1 JANUARY 2023** 

DATE OF LAST RE-ELECTION AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

26 APRIL 2023

MR CHENG SIAK KIAN is the Deputy Chairman of VICOM Ltd. He is a Non-Independent Non-Executive Director of VICOM Ltd and a member of the Nominating and Remuneration Committee and the Technology Committee. Concurrently, he is the Managing Director/Group Chief Executive Officer (MD/Group CEO) of ComfortDelGro Corporation Limited (ComfortDelGro) which is VICOM Ltd's parent company, and the Non-Executive Deputy Chairman of SBS Transit Ltd which is a related corporation of VICOM Ltd.

Mr Cheng joined ComfortDelGro in September 2015. Prior to his appointment as the MD/Group CEO of ComfortDelGro on 1 January 2023, he served in various positions within the ComfortDelGro Group. Appointments held include CEO of SBS Transit Ltd from 2020 to 2022 with a concurrent appointment as Group Deputy CEO of ComfortDelGro from March 2022 to December 2022, and CEO of ComfortDelGro Corporation Australia Pty Ltd (New South Wales) from 2016 to 2019.

Mr Cheng holds a Bachelor of Electrical and Electronic Engineering (First Class Honours) from the University of Manchester, United Kingdom and a Master of Business Administration from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, United States of America.



SIM WING YEW
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
(NON-INDEPENDENT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR)

DATE OF APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

1 MAY 2012

DATE OF LAST RE-ELECTION AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

26 APRIL 2023

MR SIM WING YEW is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and a Non-Independent Executive Director of VICOM Ltd. He is a member of the Sustainability Committee and the Technology Committee.

Prior to this appointment, he was the Chief Operating Officer of ComfortDelGro Engineering Pte Ltd from August 2008 until he assumed the role of CEO on 1 March 2011. Mr Sim first joined the ComfortDelGro Group in September 2002 as a General Manager in charge of two maintenance workshops in SBS Transit Ltd's (SBS Transit) Fleet Management Department. In June 2006, he assumed responsibility as the General Manager for all five SBS Transit's workshops.

Prior to joining the ComfortDelGro Group, he was the General Manager of SGX Catalist-listed See Hup Seng Limited managing the local as well as overseas projects in China and Hong Kong.

Mr Sim is currently a Senior Accredited Director under the Singapore Institute of Directors' Director Accreditation Framework.

Mr Sim holds a Bachelor of Engineering (Hons) in Mechanical and Production Engineering from the Nanyang Technological University and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Hull, United Kingdom.



KARINA YEW-HOONG GIN
(INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR)

DATE OF APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

#### 1 NOVEMBER 2024

DATE OF LAST RE-ELECTION AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:  ${f N.A.}$ 

**DR KARINA YEW-HOONG GIN** is an Independent Non-Executive Director of VICOM Ltd. She is a member of the Technology Committee.

Dr Karina Gin is a Professor in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the National University of Singapore (NUS) and has been appointed Provost's Chair by NUS from 2025 to 2027. Her research specialisation is in the area of water quality and ecosystem processes, with a particular interest in understanding the fate and transport of emerging microbial and chemical contaminants of concern, including antimicrobial resistance in the urban water cycle and harmful algal blooms in tropical waters. Her research focuses on developing sensitive detection methods to study the prevalence of target contaminants, elucidating their mechanisms of action and interactions with other chemical and biological species in natural water bodies through field and laboratory experimentation, and using this knowledge to develop environmental models for prediction and management purposes.

Dr Karina Gin was awarded the Public Administration Medal (Bronze) (COVID-19) and the COVID Resilience Medal in 2023, and the Dean's Chair Award (NUS) from 2017 to 2019. She co-authored the book "The Environment in Asia Pacific Harbours", which received a UN Atlas of the Ocean award in 2006, and was a co-recipient of the Technology Enterprise Challenge (TEC) Innovator Award in 2005. She has also served on several WHO Expert Panels/Meetings to address the issue of antimicrobial resistance and microbial safety of water in food, drinking water and water reuse.

Dr Karina Gin holds a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Melbourne, Australia and a Master in Engineering from the National University of Singapore. She also holds a Doctor of Science (ScD) degree jointly awarded by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution in the United States of America.

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### **AS AT 3 MARCH 2025**



**OOI BENG CHIN** 

(NON-INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR)

DATE OF APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

**1 JANUARY 2023** 

DATE OF LAST RE-ELECTION AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

26 APRIL 2023

**PROFESSOR OOI BENG CHIN** is a Non-Independent Non-Executive Director of VICOM Ltd. He is a member of the Technology Committee. Concurrently, he is an Independent Non-Executive Director of ComfortDelGro Corporation Limited, which is VICOM Ltd's parent company.

Professor Ooi is the Lee Kong Chian Centennial Professor of Computer Science at the National University of Singapore. He is also an Adjunct Chang Jiang Professor at Zhejiang University, a visiting Chair Professor at Peking University and a visiting Distinguished Professor at Tsinghua University, China.

In 2017, he co-founded MediLot Technologies Pte Ltd (MediLot) which is in the business of healthcare data management and analytics. He currently serves as a Director of MediLot as well as AlDigi Holdings Pte Ltd.

Professor Ooi's research interests include database, blockchain, distributed processing, machine learning and large-scale analytics, in the aspects of system architectures, performance issues, security, accuracy and correctness. He is also interested in leveraging information technology for production and process reengineering, with applications in fintech innovation, healthcare innovation, food analysis, the metaverse and smart cities.

He is a Fellow of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM), the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE), the China Computer Federation (CCF) the Singapore National Academy of Science, and the Singapore Academy of Engineering. He is also a foreign member of the Chinese Academy of Sciences and Academia Europaea. He has received numerous awards in the field of Computer Science, including the Singapore President's Science Award.

Professor Ooi was awarded the Public Administration Medal (Silver) in 2013 and the Long Service Medal in 2018 by the President of the Republic of Singapore.

Professor Ooi holds a Bachelor of Science (First Class Honours) and a Doctor of Philosophy from Monash University, Australia.



**JUNE SEAH LEE KIANG** 

(INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR)

DATE OF APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

**1 OCTOBER 2017** 

DATE OF LAST RE-ELECTION AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

24 APRIL 2024

MS JUNE SEAH LEE KIANG is an Independent Non-Executive Director of VICOM Ltd. She is the Chairperson of the Sustainability Committee and a member of the Audit and Risk Committee.

Ms Seah is currently a Director of SimplyGo Pte Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Land Transport Authority that provides transit ticketing and travel card-related services. Ms Seah was formerly the Executive Director/Senior Advisor of Omise Payment SG Pte Ltd, a payment solutions company registered in Singapore with operations in Japan and Southeast Asia.

Ms Seah is a veteran banker with extensive experience in the cards and payments industry. She was formerly General Manager of UOB Card Center before joining VISA International. She was a member of VISA's Asia Pacific Management Committee and headed up Merchant and Acquirer Partnerships for Asia Pacific, Central Europe, Middle East and Africa.

Ms Seah holds a Bachelor of Social Science Degree with Second Upper Honours in Economics from the University of Singapore.



SHIM PHYAU WUI, VICTOR
(INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR)

DATE OF APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

1 JUNE 2017

DATE OF LAST RE-ELECTION AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

24 APRIL 2024

**PROFESSOR SHIM PHYAU WUI, VICTOR** is an Independent Non-Executive Director of VICOM Ltd. Professor Shim is the Chairman of the Technology Committee and a member of the Audit and Risk Committee and the Sustainability Committee.

Professor Shim is an Emeritus Professor with the National University of Singapore (NUS) and was a full-time academic staff member in the Department of Mechanical Engineering from 1980 to 2021. He has held numerous management appointments at the University, the last as Senior Advisor to the Office of Global Relations. Prior to that, he was Associate Vice-President for Global Relations. Other major responsibilities include being the founding Director of the Office of Corporate Relations (now Office of University Communications), a Vice-Dean (External Relations & Outreach) of the Faculty of Engineering, and a Deputy Head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering. He has been a Visiting Scientist at the Tokyo Institute of Technology, a Visiting Scholar at the University of California, San Diego, and a Visiting Professor at Hiroshima University. Professor Shim established the Impact Mechanics Laboratory at NUS for work on Dynamic Material Behaviour and Impact Engineering. His research interests include dynamic materials testing and modelling, 3D-printed and cellular materials, impact resistance of protective structures, as well as the response of components and products to impacts and shocks. He has served as a consultant to industry and is an Associate Editor of the International Journal of Impact Engineering. Professor Shim continues to supervise projects and students in fundamental and applied research, and through his contacts with overseas researchers and experts in the same field, he keeps abreast of related global developments and emerging areas of interest.

Professor Shim was appointed a Professor at Ningbo University, China, in April 2022, and remains an (honorary) Emeritus Professor at NUS.

Professor Shim was a Colombo Plan Scholar. He holds a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering (First Class Honours) from the University of Auckland, New Zealand, a Master of Engineering from NUS, and a PhD from the University of Cambridge, United Kingdom. He is a registered Professional Engineer and a Senior Member of the Institution of Engineers, Singapore. He has received awards at NUS for Teaching Excellence, Innovative Teaching and Outstanding Service, and was conferred the Singapore National Day Public Administration Medal (Silver) in 2012.



SOH CHUNG HIAN, DANIEL

(INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR)

DATE OF APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

1 MAY 2018

DATE OF LAST RE-ELECTION AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

26 APRIL 2023

MR SOH CHUNG HIAN, DANIEL is an Independent Non-Executive Director of VICOM Ltd. He is the Chairman of the Audit and Risk Committee and a member of the Nominating and Remuneration Committee.

A fellow member of the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants, Mr Soh began his career in 1977 with Ernst & Young LLP, Singapore, and was a partner from 1990 till his retirement in December 2012.

Mr Soh also serves as an independent director of Sunright Limited and Intraco Limited. He is also a member of the Board of Governors of Raffles Girls' School.

Mr Soh holds a Bachelor of Accountancy from the University of Singapore and a Master of Business Administration from the International Centre of Management in the United Kingdom.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### **AS AT 3 MARCH 2025**



TAN POH HONG
(INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR)

DATE OF APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

25 APRIL 2019

DATE OF LAST RE-ELECTION AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

26 APRIL 2023

**MS TAN POH HONG** is an Independent Non-Executive Director of VICOM Ltd. She is a member of the Audit and Risk Committee, the Nominating and Remuneration Committee and the Technology Committee.

She is an Independent Director on the Boards of Sheng Siong Group Limited, Centurion Corporation Limited, AnnAik Limited, APAC Realty Ltd and OTS Holdings Limited. She is also a Board Member of Jilin Food Zone Pte Ltd and Vanguard Healthcare Pte Ltd. She is Singapore's Non-Resident Ambassador to the Kingdom of Denmark.

Ms Tan was the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Agri-Food & Veterinary Authority (AVA) of Singapore from 2009 to 2017. AVA was the national authority responsible for food security and safety. Ms Tan was instrumental in transforming and expanding the organisation's mandate to cater to new challenges facing the country's food security. She initiated and led stakeholder engagement and partnership initiatives, and drove the push to transform the local farming sector.

Prior to her appointment at AVA, Ms Tan was the Deputy CEO of the Housing and Development Board (HDB) from 2004 to 2009. She played a key role in the restructuring of HDB in 2003 and helped to stabilise the organisation after restructuring through various internal communications and engagement processes. She held various leadership positions in HDB which involved policy and strategy development, operations and sales as well as corporate development.

Ms Tan holds a Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Estate Management from the National University of Singapore, and a Master of Business Administration (with distinction) from New York University, United States of America. She was awarded the Public Administration Medal (Gold) in 2013 and the Public Service Medal in 1999 by the Singapore Government and the National Trades Union Congress Medal of Commendation in 2001.



WONG YOKE WOON

(INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR)

DATE OF APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

21 MAY 2020

DATE OF LAST RE-ELECTION AS DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY:

24 APRIL 2024

**MS WONG YOKE WOON** is an Independent Non-Executive Director of VICOM Ltd. She is a member of both the Audit and Risk Committee and the Nominating and Remuneration Committee.

Ms Wong is the Director of the National Trades Union Congress' Administration and Research Unit (NTUC-ARU) Operations Department (OPD). As part of the NTUC-ARU's efforts in supporting related labour movement and business continuity operations, she is responsible for establishing the capability to 'Plan and Act' by monitoring, coordinating and reporting on the myriad activities related to operational readiness and resilience before working out action plans to address them.

Prior to her current role, Ms Wong held the position of Deputy Chief Executive Officer (DY CEO) of the Outreach and Operations Group of the Employment and Employability Institute (e2i) for close to 10 years. As the DY CEO, she implemented many key strategies to engage companies to embark on the Inclusive Growth Programme and enhance companies' operations to drive productivity through boosting the efficiency of workers, which in turn raised workers' welfares.

Ms Wong was also previously with the NTUC LearningHub as the General Manager of the Employability Campus where she was responsible for the employability training for working people across all industries.

Ms Wong holds an Executive Masters in Business Administration from the Singapore Management University, a Bachelor of Social Sciences from the National University of Singapore (NUS) and a Bachelor of Arts and Social Sciences from NUS.

Ms Wong also holds a Professional Diploma in Employment Relations from the NUS-Extension and Ong Teng Cheong Institute and a Graduate Diploma in Personnel Management from the Singapore Institute of Management. ANNUAL REPORT 2024

# KEY MANAGEMENT

#### **SIM WING YEW**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER VICOM LTD

Mr Sim Wing Yew is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and a Non-Independent Executive Director of VICOM Ltd. He is a member of the Sustainability Committee and the Technology Committee.

Prior to this appointment, he was Chief Operating Officer of ComfortDelGro Engineering Pte Ltd from August 2008 until he assumed the role of CEO on 1 March 2011. Mr Sim first joined the ComfortDelGro Group in September 2002 as a General Manager in charge of two maintenance workshops in SBS Transit Ltd's Fleet Management Department. In June 2006, he assumed responsibility as the General Manager for all five SBS Transit's workshops.

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Mr Sim holds a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Mechanical and Production Engineering from the Nanyang Technological University and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Hull, United Kingdom.

#### **CHUNG TYING CHUN**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER SETSCO SERVICES PTE LTD

Mr Chung Tying Chun is the Chief Executive Officer of Setsco Services Pte Ltd. He is responsible for the overall management of SETSCO. Prior to this appointment, he was the Deputy Chief Executive Officer and was managing the Biological & Chemical Technology Division since October 2017. Mr Chung first joined VICOM Ltd in 2013 and is responsible for the Ancillary Operations Division comprising the VICOM Vehicle Emission Test Laboratory (VETL), VICOM Assessment Centre (VAC), as well as motor insurance and advertising. Mr Chung started his career with the Singapore Armed Forces (SAF) where he held several senior command and staff appointments. He holds a Master of Chemical Engineering (Hons) from University College, London and a Master of Business Administration (Strategy) from the National University of Singapore.

#### MARY LEE PECK KIM

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER VICOM LTD

Ms Mary Lee Peck Kim is the Chief Financial Officer of VICOM Ltd and is responsible for the Group's finance and accounting functions. She is an ACCA-qualified accountant and holds an MBA in Finance from the University of Hull, United Kingdom. She is also a Chartered Accountant of the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants. Prior to her appointment, Ms Lee was the Head of Finance at ComfortDelGro Engineering Pte Ltd. She brings with her many years of experience in the Group as well as in other listed and multinational companies.

#### **LIM KOK SENG**

CHIEF TECHNOLOGY OFFICER VICOM LTD

Mr Lim Kok Seng is the Chief Technology Officer of VICOM Ltd. He joined the Company in February 2022 and is responsible for the overall management of the Group's technology capabilities buildup, such as identifying new technology trends and opportunities for the company's business growth. He also oversees VICOM Group's information technology functions, digitalisation programme and process improvement projects. Mr Lim started his career with Defence Science Technology Agency where he held several senior key appointments. He holds a Bachelor of Electrical Engineering (First Class Honours) from the Nanyang Technological University and a Master of Science in Electrical Engineering from the Naval Postgraduate School, California.

#### ZAIDEE BIN BAKEE

CHIEF RISK & SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER VICOM LTD

Mr Zaidee Bin Bakee joined Setsco Services Pte Ltd in 1996. He holds a Master of Business Administration from the University of Leicester, United Kingdom, specialising in Total Quality Management and a Diploma in Sales and Marketing from the Marketing Institute of Singapore. He also graduated from the Singapore Polytechnic with a Diploma in Chemical Process Technology in 1985. Mr Zaidee has extensive experience in Quality Assurance and in-depth knowledge of the processes within the Group. Prior to his appointment to the current position, Mr Zaidee was the Risk & Sustainability Lead for the Group since 2019.

## KEY MANAGEMENT

#### **YUSOOF AYNUDDIN**

DIVISIONAL DIRECTOR
MECHANICAL TECHNOLOGY DIVISION
SETSCO SERVICES PTE LTD

Mr Yusoof Aynuddin joined Setsco Services Pte Ltd in 1988 and is responsible for the overall management of the Mechanical Technology Division. He brings with him experience in a variety of testing services, including stress  $\vartheta$  strain analysis steel structures, calibration of instruments and metallographic examination. He graduated from Singapore Polytechnic with a Diploma in Mechanical Engineering and an Advanced Diploma in Industrial Engineering.

#### **SNG MUI TIANG**

DIVISIONAL DIRECTOR
BIOLOGICAL & CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY DIVISION
SETSCO SERVICES PTE LTD

Ms Sng Mui Tiang joined Setsco Services Pte Ltd in 2021. She is responsible for the development of new test capabilities and the management of the Biological & Chemical Technology Division. Her experience spans from analytical chemistry, sampling, environmental testing to programme management. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and a Master in the Management of Technology from the National University of Singapore.

#### **PRATHIPA DEVI SUNDRAJU**

DIVISIONAL DIRECTOR
CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY DIVISION
SETSCO SERVICES PTE LTD

Ms Prathipa Devi Sundraju joined Setsco Services Pte Ltd in 2004 and is responsible for the overall management of the Construction Technology Division. She is specialised and experienced in geotechnical, pavement and geophysical testing. She started her career in SETSCO in 2000 as an Engineer and left the organisation to join Australian Road Research Board in Brisbane. Ms Prathipa then re-joined SETSCO in 2004 as a Head of Department. She holds a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Civil Engineering from Heriot Watt University, Edinburgh.and multinational companies.

#### **YIP CHUN WAH**

OPERATIONS SUPPORT (VICE PRESIDENT)

Mr Yip Chun Wah joined VICOM Ltd in 1998 as a Project Engineer and is subsequently promoted to Vice President (Operations) in 2007. After more than a decade in Operations, Mr Yip was tasked to oversee Operations Support on 1 October 2019 in which he supervises the Quality and Standards of inspection as well as the management and maintenance of the Group's properties, facilities and test equipment. Mr Yip graduated from the Nanyang Technological University with a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering and holds a Master of Science in Industrial & Systems Engineering from the National University of Singapore.

#### **TEO TENG KANG, ANTHONY**

OPERATIONS (VICE PRESIDENT)
VICOM LTD

Mr Teo Teng Kang, Anthony joined VICOM Ltd in 2019 and is responsible for the vehicle inspection business. He brings with him many years of automotive experience starting as an engineer with SBS Transit in 2000. From 2011 to 2017, Mr Teo was Assistant Vice President responsible for the vehicle construction and components overhaul business at ComfortDelGro Engineering Pte Ltd. Mr Teo holds a Bachelor of Technology, Mechanical Engineering (Hons) from the National University of Singapore.

#### KOH ENG HAUR, DARYL

GENERAL MANAGER
SETSCO-AN SECURITY PTE LTD

Mr Daryl Koh is the General Manager of Setsco-An Security Ptd Ltd. He is the founder of An Security, the first local formal cybersecurity testing lab in Singapore, having gained experience from working in multiple internationally recognised security labs worldwide. Daryl is a pioneer in the formal assurance cybersecurity testing field and played a key role in assisting the Cybersecurity Agency of Singapore in establishing the internationally recognised Common Criteria cybersecurity testing scheme. He holds a Bachelor of Engineering from Nanyang Technological University.

#### **SIAK WEE SEONG**

HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER VICOM LTD

Mr Siak Wee Seong joined VICOM Ltd in September 2022 and is responsible for the overall management of the Group's Human Resources functions. He held several human resource management positions across different industries in the marine and telecommunication sectors in Asia-Pacific and Europe before joining VICOM. Mr Siak graduated from the University of London with a Bachelor of Science in Economics and holds a Master of Business Administration from the University of Manchester, United Kingdom.

#### **ALANCIA WINNIE NEO**

GROUP CHIEF BRANDING AND COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER COMFORTDEL GRO GROUP

Ms Alancia Winnie Neo is the Group Chief Branding and Communications Officer, responsible for driving the Group's strategic communications and brand awareness. She has 20 years of experience in communications and marketing across various industries. Prior to joining the Group, she was the Head of Group Integrated Communications at Sembcorp Industries. Ms Neo has a Master of Business Administration, as well as a Bachelor of Architecture from the National University of Singapore. She also completed programmes at the London School of Economics and Political Science, Yale and IMD.

#### **CHONG YEW FUI, ADRIAN**

GROUP CHIEF INTERNAL AUDIT OFFICER COMFORTDELGRO GROUP

Mr Chong Yew Fui, Adrian is the Group Chief Internal Audit Officer of ComfortDelGro Corporation Limited. He is responsible for the internal audit functions of the Group, including VICOM Ltd's. Prior to joining the Group in 2017, he served several operational roles heading the procurement, commercial and contracts functions in Hyflux Ltd. He has considerable experience in the audit profession in listed companies such as ECS Holdings Ltd and Solectron Corporation.

Mr Chong holds a Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting and Finance) from Murdoch University and is a member of CPA Australia. He is a Certified Information Systems Auditor and Certified Information Security Manager under ISACA.

#### **CHRISTOPHER DAVID WHITE**

GROUP DEPUTY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER COMFORTDELGRO GROUP

Mr Christopher David White is Head of Group Investor Relations of ComfortDelGro Corporation Limited, including VICOM Ltd. He serves as the Group's liaison to the investor community including investment analysts and investors worldwide. Mr White holds a Bachelor of Business Studies (Honours) from the University of Liverpool, United Kingdom, and is a Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

#### **ANGELINE JOYCE LEE**

GROUP GENERAL COUNSEL & COMPANY SECRETARY COMFORTDELGRO GROUP

Ms Angeline Joyce Lee joined the ComfortDelGro Group on 7 September 2020 as Group General Counsel and Company Secretary to oversee the Group's legal and corporate secretariat matters, as well as compliance and corporate governance to facilitate business processes and organisational efficiency. Ms Lee holds a Master in Business Law from the University of Westminster in the United Kingdom and is a Chartered Secretary and Certified Risk-based Auditor.

#### **CHER YA LI, SHERYL**

ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL & COMPANY SECRETARY COMFORTDELGRO GROUP

Ms Cher Ya Li, Sheryl joined the ComfortDelGro Group on 1 November 2021 as Assistant General Counsel and was appointed Company Secretary of VICOM Ltd on 27 April 2022. Ms Cher provides legal and corporate secretarial support to the Group. Ms Cher was formerly a Company Secretary of SPH REIT. She holds a Bachelor of Laws from the National University of Singapore and is admitted to the Singapore Bar.

# CORPORATE INFORMATION

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  **TAN KIM SIEW** 

CHAIRMAN

**CHENG SIAK KIAN DEPUTY CHAIRMAN** 

**SIM WING YEW** 

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

JACKSON CHIA (Stepped down on 19 September 2024)
KARINA YEW-HOONG GIN (Appointed on 1 November 2024)

**OOI BENG CHIN JUNE SEAH LEE KIANG** SHIM PHYAU WUI, VICTOR SOH CHUNG HIAN, DANIEL

TAN POH HONG **WONG YOKE WOON** 

**AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE** 

**SOH CHUNG HIAN, DANIEL** 

**JUNE SEAH LEE KIANG** SHIM PHYAU WUI, VICTOR

TAN POH HONG **WONG YOKE WOON** 

**NOMINATING AND REMUNERATION** COMMITTEE

**TAN KIM SIEW** 

**CHENG SIAK KIAN SOH CHUNG HIAN, DANIEL** 

TAN POH HONG **WONG YOKE WOON** 

**SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE** 

**JUNE SEAH LEE KIANG** 

**JACKSON CHIA** (Stepped down on 19 September 2024)

**SIM WING YEW** 

SHIM PHYAU WUI, VICTOR

**TAN KIM SIEW** 

**TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE** 

SHIM PHYAU WUI, VICTOR

**CHENG SIAK KIAN** KARINA YEW-HOONG GIN (Appointed on 1 November 2024)

**OOI BENG CHIN SIM WING YEW TAN KIM SIEW TAN POH HONG** 

**CORPORATE DIRECTORY** 

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**SHARE REGISTRAR** 

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**AUDITORS** 

Ernst & Young LLP (UEN: T08LL0859H) One Raffles Quay North Tower, Level 18 Singapore 048583

Partner-in-Charge: Lim Huijing Amanda

Date of Appointment: 26 April 2023

# OPERATIONS REVIEW



119.5

Revenue (\$'Million)



The non-vehicle testing business continued expanding its capabilities in existing and adjacent areas, serving diverse sectors including environmental, food, soil, cybersecurity testing and certification services.





VICOM inspector inserting a probe to measure emissions.

#### **Overview**

In 2024, the Group demonstrated steady growth and expansion across its vehicle and non-vehicle testing businesses.

The vehicle inspection business saw a slight increase in market share while the Vehicle Emission Testing Laboratory also saw increased activity due to new testing procedures for private cars. Several digital initiatives, including a new Vehicle Inspection & Type Approval System and an In-Vehicle Unit Inspection Queue System, were launched to enhance customer experience.

The non-vehicle testing business continued expanding its capabilities in existing and adjacent

areas, serving diverse sectors including environmental, food, soil, cybersecurity testing and certification services. The planned development of the Jalan Papan site is also progressing well, with more new testing capabilities planned when the building is ready in the first half of 2026.

The Group made strides in sustainability during the year, acquiring more electric vans to replace the internal combustion engine vans, and generating significant renewable energy from solar panels across multiple premises. Additionally, the Group's commitment to resource conservation also led to energy savings across operations.

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#### **Vehicle Testing Business**

In 2024, VICOM inspected 525,108 vehicles, an increase from 520,895 in 2023, reflecting the core business's continued steady growth. The company's overall market share in the vehicle inspection business rose slightly to 72.9%, up from 72.6% the previous year.

The installation of the new ERP 2.0 On-Board Units (OBUs) began with a small-scale rollout in December 2023, followed by a transition to full-scale deployment in November 2024. By the end of 2024, VICOM had installed 77,000 vehicles with the new OBUs.

Demand for emissions testing at the Vehicle Emission Testing Laboratory in 2024 has been strong, with the Worldwide Harmonised Light Vehicles Test Procedures being expanded to include passenger vehicles.

Several new digital initiatives were introduced to improve client satisfaction. The company launched a new Vehicle Inspection & Type Approval System, making online booking for the service at inspection centres more convenient for customers. Additionally, a new prepayment feature was added to make the process from booking to payment seamless.

A new In-Vehicle Unit Inspection Queue System was introduced at VICOM Bukit Batok and VICOM Kaki Bukit which displays real-time queue status and alerts motorists to prepare for their turn. User feedback has been positive, and a rollout across all centres is planned for 2025.

#### **Non-Vehicle Testing Business**

The non-vehicle testing business experienced varied performance across the different sectors, with increased job volume in the robust construction sector in 2024 but impacted by subdued sentiment in the manufacturing sector during the first half of 2024.

Environmental Testing, including both field sampling and laboratory analysis, remained a strong part of SETSCO. Notable wins included a long-term contract to conduct seawater and sediment analysis for coastal development at Pulau Sudong, along with contracts with major electronics clients for water and air emissions testing, as well as wastewater analysis at the Kranji Water Reclamation Plant.

Additionally, SETSCO also supported environmental testing after the Pasir Panjang oil spill, conducting water quality tests to assess the impact on surrounding offshore fish farms.



Implemented a new In-Vehicle Unit Inspection Queue System that displays real-time queue status.



In 2024, VICOM inspected

**525,108** vehicles, an increase from 520,895 in 2023



Inspecting the undercarriage of a vehicle to detect any unauthorised modifications.



Air sampling with impinger for ion chromatography test.

In Food & Microbiological Testing, SETSCO secured several key projects from the Singapore Food Agency, including contracts for testing of flour, seafood, and ready-to-eat food for bromate or microbiological parameters. A few existing contracts for food safety and sampling services were also extended.

Another major achievement was the award of a contract to provide real-time molecular testing for up to 30,000 environmental samples for the National Environment Agency, enabling the detection of SARS-CoV-2 and other targets. This large-scale undertaking required substantial laboratory capacity and meticulous execution to ensure accurate and timely results.

In Chemical Testing, key achievements included securing a two-year contract with a major client for advanced degradation studies and reaction mixture analysis using various special techniques and specialised equipment.

During the year, SETSCO was featured in three episodes of Talking Point on Singapore-based multinational news network CNA. The programmes showcased SETSCO's microbiological and chemical testing abilities, discussing topics such as the presence of heavy metals in chocolates, the caloric values of hotpot ingredients, and the risks associated with bird droppings.

SETSCO is involved in the testing of flour, seafood, and ready-to-eat food for bromate and microbiological parameters. SETSCO successfully added fatigue testing to its accreditation scope, enabling it to win a tender from the Housing & Development Board (HDB).

In support of the government's goal to deploy 60,000 Electric Vehicle Charging Systems (EVCS) nationwide by 2030, SETSCO partnered with key stakeholders to establish new capabilities for inspecting and maintaining EVCS, unlocking a new business opportunity.

Other key collaborations continued with oil majors, including the renewal of a major non-destructive testing (NDT) contract through February 2029, and additional short-term projects for its facilities and repair, maintenance and pre-turnaround projects at parts of Jurong Island.

Other highlights included the successful execution of multiple NDT services for key aviation companies, radiographic testing on engine blades, and securing a contract with PSA Corporation for load testing on over-height gears.

SETSCO further strengthened its position in the certification sector, securing several notable contracts that showcased its audit expertise across diverse domains. These included data protection trustmark contracts with



**SETSCO** secured significant contracts in the construction sector, including major wins for the Changi East project and longterm core and shell works at Changi Airport to connect Terminal 2 with the broader airport infrastructure

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Highly-trained technician carrying out dimensional calibration on complex artifacts.





Deployment of heavyweight deflectometer in pavement testing.

prominent companies in the banking sector and management system audits such as ISO 27001. The company also received several certification audits requests from overseas clients.

SETSCO secured significant contracts in the construction sector, including major wins for the Changi East project and long-term core and shell works at Changi Airport to connect Terminal 2 with the broader airport infrastructure. The construction materials testing team also expanded its footprint, securing sand and aggregate testing contracts for HDB projects and proactively acquiring water tightness testing contracts for windows.

SETSCO's expertise in advanced testing methods led to multiple contracts for ground-penetrating radar services at prominent sites like NUH Medical Centre and Marina Bay Sands. The polymer testing team secured contracts for long-term flexural creep tests, essential for assessing sewage pipe durability. Other notable achievements included paint quality testing for HDB, pavement integrity evaluations at Changi and Seletar airports, surface friction surveys of runways at Paya Lebar, Tengah, and Changi airbases, and soil investigation work for new HDB developments.

Setsco-AN Security (SANS), SETSCO's cybersecurity arm, further expanded its accreditation scope in 2024 to include the Network Security Assurance Scheme for telecommunication devices, becoming the first test laboratory in Southeast Asia to achieve this.

During the year, SANS also secured ISO 17025 accreditation for Common Criteria evaluations at SETSCO Malaysia and received approval from Cybersecurity Malaysia to certify IT products in the country.

Other notable projects included several Cybersecurity Labelling Scheme evaluations for new router products and medical devices. Additionally, SANS obtained the Cybersecurity Services Provider's License from the Cyber Security Agency of Singapore, bolstering its recognition in Solution Security Acceptance Test and Vulnerability Assessment and Penetration Testing.

#### **New Testing Capabilities**

SETSCO introduced a new testing service to measure the electrical resistivity of soil and rock, adhering to IEEE-81 and BS1377 standards, which is critical for assessing the safety and effectiveness of electrical grounding systems and protecting underground structures like pipelines from corrosion. The service was well sought in major projects, including the Loyang North Substation, Keppel Sakra Cogen JEL on Jurong Island, and the Tuas Water Reclamation Plant.

During the year, SETSCO also launched a testing service for Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) in fire-fighting foam, addressing growing demand following the National Environment Agency's announced ban on PFAS-containing foams. The service was subsequently expanded to include PFAS analysis in drinking water and food products.



Accredited mass calibration ensures traceability to national and international standards.

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As part of its growth strategy, SETSCO also leveraged on the NTUC Company Training Committee grants to develop new capabilities. With the acquiring of a MALDI-TOF mass spectrometer which is able to efficiently and accurately identify micro-organisms, SETSCO was able to expand into new sectors such as pharmaceuticals and healthcare.

#### **Deepening Our Knowledge**

The Group continues to prioritise the importance of continuous learning and development of its staff. To enhance learning experience, the "VICOM Supplementary Learning Modules" were introduced to its online LinkedIn Learning programme, adding more than four hours of curated content to the existing learning pathway. These modules focus on building resilience, adapting to change, fostering positive psychology, promoting effective teamwork, and managing difficult conversations. This initiative aims to strengthen employees' soft skills and mental resilience, enabling them to thrive in a dynamic environment.

To further strengthen the capabilities and skill sets of VICOM's current and future potential Chief Inspectors and Assistant Centre Managers, VICOM partnered with the Singapore Institute of Management and implemented a "Skills for Supervisory Management" course, a three-day programme which equips current and future leaders with essential people management skills to improve teamwork, performance, and motivation.

# Improving Customer Experience and Engagement

The Group places a high value on customer experience, recognising its crucial role in shaping customer perceptions of the brand through every interaction. To enhance this experience, several digital initiatives were implemented during the year, including a new Vehicle Inspection & Type Approval System and an In-Vehicle Unit Inspection Queue System, streamlining online booking and adding a convenient prepayment feature for customers. As a testament to VICOM's ongoing commitment to customer experience, the company received 10,372 compliments, compared to 10,269 in the preceding year.

To enhance branding, strengthen customer engagement, and further distinguish the SETSCO brand from competitors, a year-long branding initiative was undertaken which led to the development of a new brand essence and refresh of the SETSCO corporate logo.



### **"VICOM Supplementary Learning**

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Constant engagement with our customers to know their needs and expectations for improved customer satisfaction.

As part of the rebranding, SETSCO introduced updated marketing collaterals and a corporate video showcasing the new brand narrative. A redesigned website was launched, featuring interactive elements and an AI chatbot named "Ask Laura." The chatbot enables faster connections with sales personnel and provides swift responses to customer enquiries, enhancing the overall user experience.

#### **Progress on the Jalan Papan development**

The plan to develop the new Jalan Papan site is progressing as planned with piling works completed in the third quarter of 2024 and the building is expected to obtain the temporary occupation permit in first half of 2026.

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Upon completion, the site will accommodate a larger vehicle inspection centre to meet the growing demand expected in the western part of Singapore, and also bring on stream new testing capabilities for the non-vehicle testing business. Additionally, the site will house one of Southeast Asia's largest ultrafast EV charging hubs, featuring up to 70 direct-current charging points with 360kW and 120kW capabilities.

#### **Sustainability**

The Group is committed to reducing its environmental impact through the adoption of sustainable technologies.

During the year, the Group added another three EV vans, bringing the total EV fleet to five. This is part of a larger strategy of the Group to progressively electrify its vehicle fleet, with the ambitious goals of electrifying 50% by 2030 and 100% by 2040.

During the year, the Group generated 1.79MWh of electricity from solar panels installed across six of our premises, equivalent to the annual electricity consumption of 400 four-room flats. This renewable energy contributed up to 40% of the total electricity consumed by some of our premises. The surplus electricity generated was sold back to the grid, further supporting sustainability efforts and contributing to the local energy supply.

For more information on our ESG initiatives, please refer to our Sustainability Report 2024.

#### **Safety**

Safety is of paramount importance to the Group.



Certified IRATA rope access inspectors equipped with safety gears during inspection of storage tanks.

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70 direct-current charging points with 360kW and 120kW capabilities



Through the collective effort of both Management and staff, the Group further improved its Lost Time Injury Rate (LTIR) to 0.44 incidents per million hours in 2024, down from the 0.92 achieved in 2023. This marks the second consecutive year of improvement, from a LTIR of 2.4 in 2022.

SETSCO's steadfast commitment to workplace safety, was further underscored by receiving four safety awards during the year. ExxonMobil recognised SETSCO with an award for achieving "Zero recordable injuries over consecutive years" and another for "Exemplary safety performance in maintaining an injury-free record". Similarly, the Petrochemical Corporation of Singapore (PCS) honoured SETSCO with two accolades: one for achieving "Zero lost-time injuries" and a "Safety Excellence Award", acknowledging its contributions toward a combined milestone of 60 million hours worked by employees and contractors without a lost-time injury.

#### Recognitions

- At the Singapore Corporate Awards (SCA),
   VICOM secured a Gold Award for "Best Annual Report" in the mid-cap category. Additionally,
   VICOM received two Bronze Awards at the SCA, one for "Best Managed Board" and another for "Best Investor Relations."
- At the Securities Investors Association Singapore Investors' Choice Awards, VICOM was honoured with two prestigious titles: Winner of the Shareholder Communications Excellence Award 2024 and the Singapore Corporate Sustainability Award (Mid-cap category).
- VICOM was recognised at The Edge Singapore Centurion Club Awards 2024, receiving an award for achieving to the "Highest weighted return on equity over three years" among holding companies in the industrial & commercial services and industrial goods sector.

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# INVESTOR RELATIONS

We are committed to disseminating accurate and pertinent information to the market in a timely manner as part of good corporate governance. Our Investor Relations (IR) programme balances regular, effective and fair communications with Shareholders and the investment community with the need to safeguard commercial sensitivities. The IR team works closely with Senior Management to proactively carry out this engagement programme. Feedback and views gathered are regularly reported to Senior Management and the Board of Directors.

#### **Proactive Communications**

During the year, the IR team addressed queries from investors through emails, telephone calls and the online enquiry form.

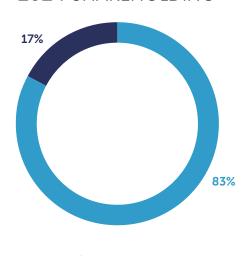
Shareholders have the opportunity to interact with the Board and Senior Management at our Annual General Meeting. Voting is by way of electronic polling for greater transparency in the voting process and the detailed results are announced immediately at the Meeting and subsequently released to the Singapore Exchange.

All material announcements are posted in the IR section of the corporate website to ensure equal and timely access to information.

#### Singapore-Centric Shareholder Base

Our shareholder base consists mainly of institutional and retail investors based in Singapore and Asia with ComfortDelGro Corporation holding a majority stake.

#### 2024 SHAREHOLDING



- Singapore
- Unanalysed

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

VICOM Ltd ("VICOM" or the "Company", and together with its subsidiaries, the "Group"), believes that a fundamental measure of our success is about creating and maintaining long-term shareholder value.

We will continue to:

- Focus unreservedly on our customers;
- Make sound corporate decisions to generate long-term shareholder value rather than for short-term benefits;
- Maintain our lean culture through cost efficiencies to drive value creation without compromising our service quality;
- Build a sustainable talent pool to address the evolving and complex demands of the industry in this highly competitive market;
- Commit to sustainability to make a positive impact on society and the environment; and
- Promote a culture of diversity and inclusivity in the workplace.

#### **Corporate Governance Statement**

VICOM strongly believes that good corporate governance makes sound business sense. To this end, the Group maintains the highest standards of corporate governance, professionalism and integrity as we build an organisation that our shareholders, employees and business partners, the authorities, labour unions and professional bodies and other stakeholders can trust and be proud of.

The Group is committed to ensuring compliance with the Code of Corporate Governance issued by the Monetary Authority of Singapore dated 6 August 2018 and amended on 11 January 2023 (the "Code") and the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST Listing Manual" or "SGX-ST Listing Rules"). It has put in place policies, structures and mechanisms to ensure compliance with the relevant legislative and regulatory requirements to establish a high-performing organizational culture with strong moral standards. The Group has adopted a Code of Business Conduct, which sets out the principles and policies upon which the Group's businesses are to be conducted, as well as a Whistle Blowing Policy, which provides a mechanism for employees and external parties to raise concerns about possible improprieties in financial reporting or other improper business conduct, whilst maintaining confidentiality of the identity of whistleblowers and protecting them from reprisal within the limits of the law.

This **Report** sets out the corporate governance practices that were in place during the Financial Year ended 31 December

2024 ("**FY2024**"), with specific references to the Code. For FY2024, we are pleased to report that the Group complied with all aspects of the Code.

#### 1. Board Matters

The Board of Directors (the "Board") has a duty to protect and enhance the long-term value of the Group and achieve sustainable growth for the Group. It sets the overall strategic direction of the Group and oversees the proper conduct of the business, performance and affairs of the Group. Board members are expected to be aware of their legal responsibilities, act in good faith and exercise independent judgement in the best interests of the Company which include them having to exercise due care and diligence to avoid any conflicts of interest.

In appointing Directors, the Company seeks individuals who have integrity, expertise, business acumen, shareholder orientation and a genuine interest in the Group.

#### **Principle 1: The Board's Conduct of Affairs**

#### **Board's Role and Responsibilities**

At the helm of the decision-making process of the Company is the Board. The Company is headed by an effective Board which is led by its Independent Non-Executive Chairman, Dr Tan Kim Siew ("**Dr Tan**"). The Board is collectively responsible and works with the Management for the long-term success of the Company by:

- (i) Providing entrepreneurial leadership and guidance, setting strategic directions and objectives of the Group (which include appropriate focus on value creation, innovation and sustainability) and ensuring that adequate financial and human resources are in place to achieve the objectives;
- (ii) Ensuring that appropriate and adequate systems of internal controls, risk management processes and financial authority limits are in place to safeguard shareholders' interests and the Group's assets, and to achieve an appropriate balance between exposure to risks and the Group's performance;
- (iii) Challenging the Management constructively and reviewing its performance;
- (iv) Identifying the key stakeholder groups and guiding Management in the Group's strategy and approach in addressing the concerns of these key stakeholder groups, and ensuring transparency and accountability to all stakeholders;

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- Instilling an ethical corporate culture and ensuring the Group's values, standards, policies and practices are consistent with the Group's culture; and
- (vi) Considering environmental, social and governance ("ESG") issues as an integral part of its strategy for sustainability.

The Board comprises two different classes of Directors, with one Executive Director ("**ED**") and nine Non-Executive Directors ("**NED**"). Each class of Directors has a different role:

#### **Executive Director**

The ED is part of the senior management team and is actively involved in the day-to-day operations of the business. The ED's key responsibilities include:

- Providing insights into the Group's day-to-day operations, as appropriate;
- (ii) Presenting Management's perspective while maintaining accountability to the Board; and
- (iii) Collaborating closely with the NEDs for the long-term success of the Group.

#### **Non-Executive Directors**

The NEDs are not part of Management, are not employees of the Group, and do not participate in the day-to-day operations. Their key responsibilities include:

- (i) Staying informed about the Group's business and activities:
- (ii) Constructively challenging Management and contributing to the development of the Group's strategy;
- (iii) Evaluating Management's performance in achieving agreed goals and objectives; and
- (iv) Participating in decisions regarding the appointment, assessment and remuneration of the ED and key management personnel ("KMP").

#### 1.1 Conflicts of Interest

All Directors are required to avoid situations where their own personal or business interests may conflict or appear to conflict with the interests of the Group. In the event that a Director has a conflict of interest, or it appears that he/she may have a conflict of interest in relation to any matter, the Director must immediately declare his/her interest at a meeting of the Board or send a written notice to the Board and the Company containing details of his/her interest in the matter and the actual or potential conflict, and recuse himself/herself from participating in any discussion or decision on the matter. In the case of any matter where the Chairman is conflicted, such as his remuneration or re-election as a Director, he will similarly recuse himself from participating in the discussion, and the other Directors will elect someone among themselves to preside over the discussion and lead the Directors in decision making.

# 1.2 Directors' Competencies, Induction, Training and Development

Upon appointment, the Director will be issued an official letter of appointment, which clearly sets out his/her roles, duties and responsibilities and the Company's expectations of him/her as a Director of the Company. The new Director will also receive a copy of the Company's Constitution, the Company's current and previous years' annual reports and the corporate structure chart of the Group.

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Management will conduct a comprehensive orientation programme for newly appointed Directors, which covers, amongst other matters, duties as a Director and how to discharge those duties and key aspects of the Group's businesses, including financial and corporate governance policies. Site visits will also be arranged for new Directors so that they can better familiarise themselves with the Group's operations. When a Director is appointed to a Board Committee, he/she is provided with a copy of the relevant Board Committee's terms of reference.

If the newly appointed Director has no prior experience as a Director of a company listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST"), the SGX-ST Listing Manual requires that he/she undergoes training as prescribed by the SGX-ST. Such training should be completed within one year of appointment. In this respect, all our newly appointed Directors who are required to undergo such training conscientiously commit their time and effort to complete the training within the first year of appointment. Professor Karina Yew-Hoong Gin, who was appointed to the Board on 1 November 2024, will complete the mandatory training prescribed by the SGX-ST within one year from her appointment.

Directors are encouraged to undergo continual professional development by attending relevant training programmes, seminars and courses organised by the Singapore Institute of Directors ("SID") and other professional bodies to enhance their knowledge and skills, and better equip themselves to effectively discharge their duties as a Director of the Company. The fees for the courses are paid for by the Company. The Chairman and the Nominating and Remuneration Committee ("NRC") review each Director's training and professional development needs on a yearly basis.

The Company Secretaries update and brief the Board on corporate governance practices and changes in or updates to the relevant legal and regulatory requirements pertaining to the Group's businesses. External consultants are also invited to conduct seminars on specific topics as and when necessary. In FY2024, Rajah and Tann Singapore LLP conducted a seminar on Interested Person Transactions and Conflict of Interest Issues for Directors of Listed Companies and their Subsidiaries.

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In FY2024, the Directors attended the courses/seminars listed below:

DATE	TRAINING PROVIDER	TOPIC	ATTENDED BY
10/01/2024	Singapore Institute of Directors	Audit and Risk Committee Seminar 2024	(1) June Seah Lee Kiang (2) Ooi Beng Chin
30/01/2024	Singapore Institute of Directors	NRC Chapter: Board Succession – NRC & Talent Management	(1) Tan Poh Hong
14/02/2024	Setsco-An Security	Cybersecurity Evaluation Test Lab	<ul><li>(1) Tan Kim Siew</li><li>(2) Cheng Siak Kian</li><li>(3) Sim Wing Yew</li><li>(4) Ooi Beng Chin</li><li>(5) Shim Phyau Wui, Victor</li><li>(6) Tan Poh Hong</li></ul>
02/05/2024	Setsco Services Foodchem Instrument Lab	New Per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) testing capability	<ul><li>(1) Tan Kim Siew</li><li>(2) Cheng Siak Kian</li><li>(3) Sim Wing Yew</li><li>(4) Ooi Beng Chin</li><li>(5) Shim Phyau Wui, Victor</li><li>(6) Tan Poh Hong</li></ul>
07/05/2024	SGListCos and Asuene Inc.	Sustainability as Corporate Strategy: Risks and Opportunities beyond Reporting	(1) June Seah Lee Kiang (2) Tan Poh Hong
27/06/2024	Singapore Institute of Directors	Empowerment through Engagement: Sparking Inclusive Conversations	(1) Tan Poh Hong
08/07/2024	Rajah and Tann Singapore LLP	Talk on Interested Person Transactions and Conflict of Interest Issues for Directors of Listed Companies and their Subsidiaries	<ul> <li>(1) Tan Kim Siew</li> <li>(2) Cheng Siak Kian</li> <li>(3) Sim Wing Yew</li> <li>(4) Ooi Beng Chin</li> <li>(5) June Seah Lee Kiang</li> <li>(6) Shim Phyau Wui, Victor</li> <li>(7) Soh Chung Hian, Daniel</li> <li>(8) Tan Poh Hong</li> <li>(9) Wong Yoke Woon</li> </ul>
23/07/2024	Setsco Services Mechanical Technology Division	New fatigue testing capability	<ul><li>(1) Tan Kim Siew</li><li>(2) Sim Wing Yew</li><li>(3) Ooi Beng Chin</li><li>(4) Shim Phyau Wui, Victor</li><li>(5) Tan Poh Hong</li></ul>
10/09/2024	Singapore Institute of Directors	Leadership in the Age of Al with Kearney	(1) Tan Kim Siew
14/10/2024	Land Transport Authority (LTA Academy Bedok Campus)	Land Transport Planning, Financing, Sustainability and Technology	<ul><li>(1) Cheng Siak Kian</li><li>(2) Sim Wing Yew</li><li>(3) Ooi Beng Chin</li><li>(4) Wong Yoke Woon</li></ul>
23/10/2024	Singapore Institute of Directors	Extracting Real Value and Impact from ESG	(1) Tan Poh Hong
06/11/2024 to 08/11/2024	UITP, Land Transport Authority of Singapore and MSI Global Pte Ltd	LTA-UITP Singapore International Transport Congress & Exhibition (SITCE)	(1) Cheng Siak Kian (2) Ooi Beng Chin

Regular presentations are made by Management to the Board to enable the Directors to better familiarise themselves with the Group's businesses. Site visits for the Board are also organised from time to time to enable the Directors to learn more about the Group's operations. During such visits, the Directors spend time with Management to discuss new developments in the market, key strategies and policies pertaining to, not just Company-specific operations, but also the Group's

businesses in general. Such meetings help the Directors to be better equipped to make informed decisions relating to the future direction of the Group. The Group also holds strategy meetings at least once every two years for the Board to collaborate with Management in developing the Group's future plans and proposals for new business opportunities, with the next strategy meeting scheduled for 2025.

#### 1.3 Reserved Matters

VICOM has adopted clear, established and documented internal guidelines for matters which require the Board's approval. Under these guidelines, Board approval is required with regard to matters such as acquisition of business, disposal of or change in equity interests in existing subsidiaries/associates, investment in financial instruments, tender for business, assessing and approving key business decisions, funding and investment initiatives and other corporate actions, in each case above the prescribed limits. The Board also approves the financial authority limits, annual budget and capital expenditure and the release of financial results to the SGX-ST via SGXNET. In addition, the acceptance of credit facilities from banks, the establishment of capital market programmes and the issuance of debt instruments also require the approval of the Board.

The Board periodically reviews the adequacy and effectiveness of internal controls, risk management and financial authority limits to ensure that while there is delegation of authority and empowerment, there are sufficient checks and balances in place to monitor compliance with delegated limits.

#### 1.4 Delegation By The Board

To assist the Board in the detailed consideration of the various issues at hand and to facilitate decision-making, four Board Committees have been established, namely, the Audit and Risk Committee ("ARC"), the NRC, the Sustainability Committee ("SC"), and the Technology Committee ("TC") (collectively, the "Board Committees"). Ad-hoc committees are also formed to look at specific issues from time to time.

Each Board Committee is governed and regulated by its own terms of reference, which sets out the scope of its authority, duties and responsibilities, as well as the regulations and procedures governing the manner in which the Board Committee operates and how decisions are taken.

The terms of reference and summary of the activities of the NRC and the ARC are described in further detail in the relevant sections below from pages 31 to 42.

#### **Sustainability Committee**

The SC assists the Board in fulfilling its corporate governance responsibilities in relation to the Group's sustainability policies and strategies, by providing directions and considering ESG issues as part of its strategic formulation and investments. The Committee seeks to integrate sustainability considerations in the business strategies of the Group in order to deliver steady and sustainable outcomes. As at 31 December 2024, the SC comprised four Directors, including the Chairman Dr Tan and Mr Sim Wing Yew who is the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO"). The Chairperson of the SC is Ms June Seah Lee Kiang. The key terms of reference of the SC include the following:

- Review and monitor the implementation of the Group's sustainability strategy, including materiality assessment and alignment of sustainable development policies with applicable laws and regulations;
- (ii) Review and monitor the Management's commitment and allocation of resources to achieving the desired outcomes of the Group's sustainability strategy;
- (iii) Establish sustainability policies and practices, set and assess ESG targets, and measure the performance against targets;
- (iv) Ensure the Group's sustainability policies, strategies and priorities are integrated into the Group's strategic plans, investment strategy and business goals; and
- (v) Monitor and consider emerging key ESG trends and issues that may have strategic, business and reputational implications for the Group, and receive periodic reports from the Management or external parties on the same, and make recommendations to the Board as necessary.

#### **Technology Committee**

The TC oversees the harnessing of technology to enhance the Group's strategic and business initiatives and new business areas. This includes Group-wide digitalisation and automation.

As at 31 December 2024, the TC comprised seven Directors, including the Chairman and the CEO. The Chairperson of the TC is Professor Shim Phyau Wui, Victor ("**Prof Shim**"). The terms of reference of the TC include the following:

- Oversee technology investments (including digitalisation) to enhance the Group's inspection and testing services;
- Review the requirements for technology talent and expertise to promote innovation across the Group; and
- (iii) Monitor technology trends and identify new opportunities in testing, inspection and certification for the Group.

Although the Board Committees are empowered to make their own decisions, the Board is ultimately responsible for all decisions made by the Board Committees.

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# 1.5 Directors' Attendance at Board and Board Committee Meetings

At least four scheduled Board Meetings are held every year at regular intervals for the purpose of reviewing the results and ongoing performance of the Group, notwithstanding that the financial results are only announced semi-annually. The Board Meetings to approve the half-year financial results are held within 45 days after the end of the first half of the financial year, and not later than 60 days after the end of the financial year for the full-year financial results. The Board Meeting to approve the annual budget is held in the last quarter

of each year after all the budgets of the Company's subsidiaries have been approved by their respective Boards. Ad-hoc Board and Board Committee Meetings are also held from time to time when the need arises.

Directors who are unable to attend meetings in-person, can participate in the discussions through video/audio/tele-conferencing. Decisions of the Board and Board Committees on matters in the ordinary course of business may also be obtained via circular resolutions. Directors are free to seek clarifications and explanations from Management on the reports and papers submitted to the Board and Board Committees.

#### Attendance of Directors at Annual General Meeting, Board and Board Committee Meetings in 2024

DIRECTORS' DETAILS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024	DIRECTORS' MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORT  No. of meetings held in FY2024						
Names	Annual General Meeting	Board	Audit & Risk Committe (ARC)	Nominating & Remuneration Committee (NRC)	Technology Committee (TC)	Sustainablility Committee (SC)	
	1	4	4	2	4	2	
TAN KIM SIEW (Board Chairman) (NRC Chairman)	1/1	4/4	-	2/2	4/4	2/2	
CHENG SIAK KIAN (Deputy Chairman)	1/1	4/4	_	2/2	4/4	-	
<b>SIM WING YEW</b> (Chief Executive Officer)	1/1	4/4	4/4 (1)	2/2 (1)	4/4	2/2	
JACKSON CHIA (2)	1/1	3/3	_	-	_	2/2	
KARINA YEW-HOONG GIN (3)	0/0	1/1	_	_	1/1	_	
OOI BENG CHIN	1/1	4/4	_	_	4/4	_	
JUNE SEAH LEE KIANG (SC Chairperson)	1/1	4/4	4/4	-	-	2/2	
SHIM PHYAU WUI, VICTOR (TC Chairman)	1/1	4/4	4/4	-	4/4	2/2	
SOH CHUNG HIAN, DANIEL (ARC Chairman)	1/1	4/4	4/4	2/2	-	-	
TAN POH HONG	1/1	4/4	4/4	2/2	4/4	-	
WONG YOKE WOON	1/1	4/4	4/4	2/2	_	_	

#### Legend:

- Independent Non-Executive Director
- Non-Independent Non-Executive Director
- Non-Independent Executive Director

#### Notes:

- (1) Not a member but attended meetings by invitation of the Committee.
- (2) Mr Jackson Chia stepped down as a Director of the Company and a member of the SC on 19 September 2024.
- (3) Professor Karina Yew-Hoong Gin was appointed Independent Non-Executive Director and a member of the TC on 1 November 2024.

#### 1.6 Access to Information

Prior to each Board and Board Committee Meeting, and where needed, Management provides Directors with complete, adequate and timely information to enable them to make informed decisions and discharge their duties and responsibilities. The Board also receives monthly management accounts, updates on key performance indicators and quarterly Investor Relations ("IR") Reports covering IR activities and updates of

analysts' and investors' views and comments. This enables the Board to make informed and sound business decisions and to keep abreast of key challenges, opportunities and developments for the Group. As a general rule, reports to the Board and Board Committees are disseminated to Directors prior to meetings to provide sufficient time for review and consideration, so that discussions at the meetings are productive and effective. All information is encrypted if distributed electronically.

Directors can request for additional information and have full access to the Management. The Management provides information requested by Directors for their meetings and decision making in a timely manner.

#### 1.7 Independent Professional Advice

Should there be a need to obtain independent professional advice on matters relating to the businesses of the Group or issues affecting the duties of the Directors, the Company will arrange for the appointment of relevant professional advisers at its own cost.

#### 1.8 Company Secretaries

The Company Secretaries assist in organising the Board and Board Committee Meetings, and prepare the agenda in consultation with the Chairman, the CEO and the chairpersons of the respective Board Committees. At least one of the Company Secretaries attends all Board and Board Committee Meetings.

The Company Secretaries keep the Directors informed of any significant developments or events relating to the Group, including updates on all relevant rules and regulations. The Directors have separate and independent access to the Company Secretaries. The appointment and removal of the Company Secretaries are subject to the approval of the Board.

#### **Principle 2: Board Composition and Guidance**

#### **Board Composition**

The Company has consistently met or exceeded the minimum requirements of the Code and Rule 210(5)(c) of the SGX-ST Listing Manual by ensuring that at least one-third of the Board is independent and the majority is non-executive.

Mr Jackson Chia stepped down as a Director of the Company with effect from 19 September 2024 as he had retired from ComfortDelGro Corporation Limited ("ComfortDelGro") who had nominated him to the Board of the Company. As part of the Board's succession and renewal plans, Professor Karina Yew-Hoong Gin ("Prof Gin") was appointed an Independent NED of the Company with effect from 1 November 2024. The Board is of the view that Prof Gin, who has a great wealth of knowledge in the areas of civil and environmental engineering, would be able to fill the competency and skills gap which would be created after Prof Shim steps down as a Director before he ceases to be considered independent under Rule 210(5)(d)(iv) of the SGX-ST Listing Manual.

As at 31 December 2024, the Board comprised ten Directors with 70% of the Board being independent Directors. Except for Mr Sim Wing Yew, the CEO who is a Non-Independent Executive Director, as well as Mr Cheng Siak Kian, the Deputy Chairman, and Professor Ooi Beng Chin who is a Non-Independent NED (Mr Cheng and Professor Ooi are deemed non-independent as they are nominees of ComfortDelGro which is a substantial shareholder of the Company), all the remaining seven NEDs are considered by the NRC to be independent.

#### 2.1 Independent Judgement

All Directors are aware of their fiduciary duties and exercise due diligence and independent judgement in ensuring that their decisions are objective and in the best interests of the Company and its Group.

A Director must not vote in respect of any contract or arrangement in which the Director is interested in accordance with Regulation 93 of the Company's Constitution. Each Director makes it a point to declare to the Board should he/she have any interest in the subject matter before any discussion or decision-making process and recuse himself/herself therefrom to avoid any compromise in the Board's objectivity in its judgement or decision-making.

The Board's practices in relation to conflicts of interest are set out in the section 'Conflicts of Interest' on page 23 above.

#### 2.2 Independent Directors

As mentioned above, as at 31 December 2024, the Board comprised ten Directors with 70% of them being Independent NEDs. There is a strong level of independence in the Board, and the Board composition exceeds the requirement under the SGX-ST Listing Rules and the Code that at least one-third of the Board must be independent Directors. It is also noted that the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and CEO are different persons and are not immediate family members, and the Chairman and Deputy Chairman are not part of the Management team. No person will be able to influence the decisions of the Board as Independent Non-Executive Directors continue to be the majority.

The NRC is responsible for assessing the independence of the Directors on an annual basis. Each Director is required to complete a Confirmation of Independence checklist which is drawn up in accordance with Rule 210(5)(d) of the SGX Listing Rules and the Code and requires each Director to assess his/her own independence. Each Director is required to declare any circumstances in which he/she may be considered non-independent. The NRC will then review the Confirmation of Independence to determine whether a Director is independent.

The NRC deems a Director who is associated with a substantial shareholder in the current and immediate past financial year as non-independent.

In the case of Chairman Dr Tan, the NRC noted that he is an Independent Non-Executive Director of SBS Transit Ltd ("SBST") which is a principal subsidiary of ComfortDelGro. The value of transactions between the Group on the one hand and SBST and its subsidiaries ("SBST Group") on the other was in excess of \$\$200,000 for FY2024. All transactions were on an arm's length basis.

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Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board concurred with the view and recommendation of the NRC that Dr Tan remains an Independent Director of the Company for the following reasons:

- the value of transactions in FY2024 between the Group and the SBST Group was not substantial in relation to the total revenue of the Group or the SBST Group. Further, the transactions were on an arm's length basis;
- (ii) Dr Tan is not a member of the Company's ARC which reviews and approves interested person transactions exceeding \$\$100,000;
- (iii) Dr Tan would declare any conflict of interest and recuse himself from deliberating and voting on any matter that involves the SBST Group;
- (iv) Dr Tan's independence is reviewed annually or as and when necessary; and
- (v) Dr Tan is and has been acting in the best interest of the Company.

Mr Cheng Siak Kian is deemed non-independent as he is both a nominee and the Managing Director/Group CEO ("MD/GCEO") of ComfortDelGro. Mr Sim Wing Yew is deemed non-independent as he is the Executive Director and CEO of the Company. Professor Ooi Beng Chin is deemed non-independent as he is a nominee and Director of ComfortDelGro.

Except for the CEO, none of the Directors had served on the Board for more than nine years as at 31 December 2024. In determining the independence of a Director with less than nine years of service, the NRC's approach has been a holistic one, taking into consideration various factors such as whether the Director has any interest, business, relationship and/or any other material contractual relationship with the Group which could compromise or reasonably be perceived to compromise his/her independence and interfere with the exercise of his/her independent business judgement.

The Board is of the view that all Independent Directors remain independent in the exercise of their judgement on Board matters. Other than the CEO who is in any event the Executive Director and hence non-independent, SGX-ST Listing Rule 210(5)(d)(iv) does not apply to any of the Directors in office as at 31 December 2024.

The NRC will continue to review the independence of the Directors of the Company on an annual basis and as and when material circumstances change.

#### 2.3 Non-Executive Directors

As at 31 December 2024, the Board comprised ten Directors with 90% of them being Non-Executive Directors. The Independent NEDs are led by the Independent Non-Executive Chairman of the Board.

#### 2.4 Board Size, Composition, Diversity and Competency

The NRC examines the size and composition of the Board and the Board Committees annually to ensure an appropriate balance and diversity of skills, knowledge, experience, age and gender and that the size is conducive for effective discussion and decision making, with an appropriate number of independent Directors. The NRC also takes into consideration the promotion of tripartism experience from labour, government and business, to foster constructive debate to enhance the Board's ability to discharge its duties and responsibilities effectively.

The bulk of the Group's businesses is regulated. Having considered the scope and nature of the operations of the Group and the requirements of its businesses, the NRC and the Board are of the view that the current size of ten Directors is appropriate.

The Group is committed to building an open, inclusive and collaborative culture and recognises the importance of all aspects of diversity in supporting the achievement of its strategic objectives, growth and sustainable development.

#### **Board Diversity Policy**

The Company has adopted a Board Diversity Policy since 2019, which is reviewed annually and focusses on ensuring an appropriate balance and mix of skills, knowledge, experience, age, gender and other aspects of diversity within the Board to avoid groupthink and bias, and instead foster constructive debate and achieve effective decision-making in the best interests of the Group. Under the Board Diversity Policy, the NRC will discuss and agree annually the relevant measurable targets for promoting and achieving diversity in the composition of the Board and Board Committees and make its recommendations for consideration and approval by the Board.

In reviewing the Board composition and succession planning, the NRC considers various aspects of diversity, with all Board appointments and re-appointments based on merit, and due consideration being given to a candidate's suitability in strengthening the diversity of skills, experience, age, gender, knowledge and core competencies of the Board relevant to the Group. In relation to gender diversity, the Board ensures that female candidates are included for consideration when identifying suitable candidates for new appointments to the Board, and that at least one female Director sits on each Board Committee including the NRC. As at 31 December 2024, out of ten Directors on the Board, four Directors (or 40%) were females, with three female Directors sitting on the ARC, two female Directors sitting on the NRC and the TC and one female Director sitting on the SC. The number of female Directors on the ARC, the NRC and the TC exceeds the number in the guideline in the Company's Board Diversity Policy while the number of female Directors on the SC meets the guideline. With four females (or 40% female Directors) on the Board, the Board has achieved its target in respect of Board gender composition. The Company has also

exceeded the target of the Council for Board Diversity to have at least 25% of Board seats held by females by 2025.

The Directors are individuals with leadership experiences in business, government and the labour movement and with a broad diversity of expertise and experience including accounting, finance, technical testing, engineering and business management, which are important to the Group as the Group is in the vehicle and non-vehicle testing business and has to deal with various stakeholders including members of the public (being its customers), trade associations and professional bodies and regulators. Each Director provides a valuable network of industry contacts and brings in different perspectives and ideas at Board discussions.

The NRC is satisfied that the current Board and Board Committees comprise Directors who as a group provide an appropriate balance and diversity of skills, knowledge, experience, age, gender, and core competencies required for the Board and Board Committees to discharge their responsibilities effectively and ensure that the Group continues to be able to meet the challenges and demands of the markets in which it operates.

The Board has noted that two of the current Independent Directors, Prof Shim and Ms June Seah Lee Kiang, would cease to be considered independent at the 2027 Annual General Meeting ("AGM") pursuant to Rule 210(5)(d)(iv) of the SGX-ST Listing Rules. In order to allow sufficient time to find suitable replacement candidates, the Board has commenced its search for suitable replacement candidates with competencies and characteristics of diversity in the areas of gaps identified by the Board. Pursuant to this search, Professor Gin was appointed to the Board on 1 November 2024 to fill the technical skills gap which would be created upon Prof Shim's retirement. The NRC and the Board will review the size and composition of the Board annually to determine the optimal Board size and composition, having regard to the business and governance needs of the Group.

The Company sources for suitable candidates through the recommendations of the existing Directors, other contacts, and a variety of independent sources, which may include external consultants, to find the right match of potential candidates with the Company.

Nonetheless, the selection of Directors will ultimately be based on merit against a set of objective criteria that complements and expands the skills, knowledge, industry and business experience of the Board as a whole, and after having given due regard to the overall balance and effectiveness of a diverse Board to serve the needs of the Group.

The individual profile of the Directors, their listed company directorships and principal commitments held currently and/or in the preceding five years, are found in the 'Board of Directors' and 'Directors' Particulars' sections on pages 6 to 10 and pages 47 to 49 of this Annual Report.

#### **BOARD INDEPENDENCE**

(AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024)

Independent Non-Executive Director Non-Independent Non-Executive Director





20%

Non-Independent Executive Director



10%

#### **BOARD GENDER DIVERSITY**

(AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024)



40%





60%

## DIRECTORS' LENGTH OF SERVICE

(AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024)

**Served Less Than 9 Years** 

90%

Served More Than 9 Years



10%

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#### 2.5 Non-Executive Directors' Participation

All the NEDs have unrestricted access to the Management and are well supported by accurate, complete and timely information, including monthly and quarterly performance reports. They participate actively at Board and Board Committee Meetings to constructively challenge the Management and help develop proposals on business strategy and other business and governance issues. They also review the performance of the Management in meeting agreed goals and objectives and monitor the reporting of performance.

As at 31 December 2024, all the members of the ARC and NRC were NEDs. There is no Executive Director on these Board Committees. However, the CEO is invited to attend the ARC and NRC meetings to provide feedback and emphasise the responsibilities placed on the Management.

From time to time when required, the NEDs led by the independent Chairman or other independent NED as appropriate, meet without the presence of the Management before or after Board Meetings. The chairperson of such meetings provides feedback to the Board and/or the Chairman as appropriate.

#### **Principle 3: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer**

#### 3.1 Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

The roles of the Chairman and the CEO are kept separate and distinct to ensure an appropriate balance of power, increased accountability and greater capacity of the Board for independent decision making. This is a deliberate policy agreed by the Board and one that is strictly adhered to. This ensures Management accountability and Board independence.

# 3.2 Roles and Responsibilities of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

The responsibilities of the Chairman and the CEO are set out in writing, with the Chairman responsible for the effective functioning of the Board, and the CEO responsible for the operations and management of the Group's businesses. The Chairman and the CEO are not related.

Roles and responsibilities of Chairman The Chairman:

- Leads the Board, facilitates effective contribution of all Directors, sets the agenda and promotes comprehensive, rigorous and open discussions at Board meetings among the Directors, as well as between the Board and Management;
- (ii) Oversees the translation of the Board's decisions into executive action:

- (iii) Ensures adequacy and timeliness of information flow between the Board and Management and effective communications with shareholders and other stakeholders:
- (iv) Encourages constructive conversations and cordial relations within the Board, between the Board and Management and the Board and the CEO; and
- Promotes high standards of corporate governance and transparency.

#### Roles and responsibilities of CEO

The CEO is the highest-ranking executive in the Group. He is given full executive responsibility in the Group. His primary responsibilities include making major corporate decisions, managing the overall operations and resources of the Group, and acting as the main point of communication between the Board and corporate operations. He is responsible for implementing the corporate strategy and is accountable to the Board for the Group's performance and ensuring efficient allocation of capital across the Group. The CEO is also responsible for setting an example of leadership and creating a conducive environment towards a sustainable work culture that builds teams to succeed and attract talent. The CEO also serves as the public face of the Group, engaging in media and public relations.

The CEO is given full executive responsibility for the management of the Group's businesses and the implementation of the Group's strategies and policies as decided by the Board, and reports to the Board on a regular basis.

#### 3.3 Lead Independent Director

The appointment of a Lead Independent Director is not required, as the majority of the Board (including the Chairman) are independent Directors and none of them is part of the Management or has a relationship with the CEO and his immediate family members. Moreover, the ARC Chairman is readily available to shareholders if they have concerns for which contact through the normal channels of communication with the Chairman or Management may be inappropriate or inadequate.

The Board's practices in relation to conflicts of interest are set out in the section 'Conflicts of Interest' on page 23 above.

#### 3.4 Internal and External Stakeholders Communication

The Chairman, Deputy Chairman and the CEO represent the Board at official functions and meetings with shareholders and other stakeholders such as employees, regulators and customers, according to appropriateness and availability. A detailed description of our engagements with stakeholders can be found in our Sustainability Report.

#### **Principle 4: Board Membership**

There is a formal and transparent process for the appointment and re-appointment of Directors to the Board, taking into account the need for progressive renewal of the Board.

# **4.1** Roles and Responsibilities of the Nominating and Remuneration Committee

The NRC is responsible for (i) regularly reviewing the composition of the Board, identifying and proposing suitable candidates for appointment to the Board and ensuring succession plans are in place for Directors and KMP (the "NC Role"); and (ii) setting the framework for Directors' Fees and the Group's remuneration policies and framework for KMP (the "RC Role"). Details of the RC Role are found on pages 33 to 37 of this Annual Report.

#### **NC** Role

The renewal of Board membership is an ongoing process to ensure good governance and to maintain relevance in a changing business environment. All decisions by the NRC are made by a majority of votes of the NRC members who are present and voting. The key terms of reference of the NRC, in relation to nomination matters, include the following:

- (i) Review the structure, size and composition of the Board;
- (ii) Review the succession plans for Directors and the talent management and succession plans for KMP, and make recommendations to the Board on the appointment, replacement and re-appointment of Directors and KMP, including the appointment and/ or replacement of the Chairman and CEO;
- (iii) Develop and maintain a formal performance evaluation framework to assess and evaluate the effectiveness of the Board, its Board Committees and individual Director's performance;
- (iv) Assess the effectiveness of the Board and Board Committees and contributions by each individual Director to the effectiveness of the Board;
- (v) Determine annually, and as and when circumstances require, if a Director is independent; and
- (vi) Make recommendations to the Board on the review of training and professional development programmes for the Board and the Directors.

# **4.2** Composition of the Nominating and Remuneration Committee

As at 31 December 2024, the NRC comprised five NEDs, of whom four including the NRC Chairman are independent. The composition of the NRC therefore complies with the requirement under the Code that the NC comprises at least three directors, the majority of whom, including the NC Chairman, are independent.

#### 4.3 Process for Selection, Appointment and Re-Appointment of Directors

As part of the Board succession plans, potential candidates may be identified from time to time for appointment to the Board after the NRC evaluates and assesses their suitability in strengthening the diversity of skills, experience, age, gender, knowledge and relevant core competencies of the Board, whilst ensuring that there is a balanced tripartism experience from government, labour and business to avoid unproductive group-think and bias.

The process for selection of new Directors is as follows:

- (i) The NRC assesses the desired competencies and attributes of the Board taking into account the Group's businesses and its strategic objectives as well as the need for diversity on the Board.
- (ii) The NRC then assesses the competencies and attributes to include into the current representation to achieve the desired mix. This forms the basis for selection of new Directors.
- (iii) New Directors are sourced through various channels, including recommendations of Directors and Management and if required, external search consultants.
- (iv) Potential candidates are interviewed by the NRC to assess suitability and commitment.
- (v) The NRC makes recommendations to the Board for approval.

The Constitution of the Company provides that one-third of the Directors are subject to retirement and re-election by rotation at every AGM. All Directors are required to retire from office at least once every three years. Re-election is, however, not automatic, and all Directors are assessed by the NRC on their competencies, commitment, past performance and contributions before being recommended to shareholders for re-election at the AGM. Newly appointed Directors are also subject to retirement and re-election at the AGM immediately following their appointments.

At the forthcoming AGM, Mr Sim Wing Yew, Professor Ooi Beng Chin, Mr Soh Chung Hian, Daniel and Ms Tan Poh Hong are due for re-election pursuant to Regulation 98(b) of the Constitution, while Professor Karina Yew-Hoong Gin is due for re-election pursuant to Regulation 99 of the Constitution.

#### Alternate Director

Consistent with the Code, there is no alternate Director on the Board.

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#### 4.4 Review of Independence

The process undertaken by the NRC to review the independence of the Directors is set out on page 27 above.

#### 4.5 Multiple Directorships and Principal Commitments

The NRC subscribes to the view that it is important for Directors to devote sufficient time and attention to the affairs of the Group. Consistent with the guidelines in the Code, the NRC and the Board have adopted the following as a proactive step to ensure this:

- A Director who is in full-time employment should not serve as a Director on the Board of more than two listed companies; and
- A Director who is not in full-time employment should not serve as a Director on the Board of more than five listed companies.

Listed companies within a group should be considered as one entity.

As the number of board representations should not be the only measure of a Director's commitment and ability to contribute effectively, the NRC takes the view that if a Director wishes to hold more board representations than the maximum stated in the guidelines, a request must be made to the Chairman of the Board for approval. As a policy, the Chairman himself should not hold more than five directorships in listed companies if he is not in full-time employment and not more than two directorships in listed companies if he is in full-time employment.

In assessing a Director's contribution, the NRC takes a holistic approach. Focusing solely on the Directors' attendance at the Board and Board Committee Meetings per se may not be an adequate evaluation of the contribution of the Directors. Instead, their ability to provide valuable insights and strategic networking to enhance the businesses of the Group, availability for guidance and advice outside the scope of formal Board and Board Committee Meetings and contributions in specialised areas are also factors relevant in assessing the contributions of the Directors.

As a policy, the CEO, being an Executive Director of the Company, besides adhering to the guidelines set on the maximum number of board representations on listed companies, will also have to seek the approval of the Chairman before accepting any directorships of companies not within the Group. In considering whether or not to grant the approval, the Chairman will consider the time commitment of the CEO and whether the new external directorships will provide strategic fit and networking for the businesses of the Group. The Chairman will also ensure that the CEO does not accept appointments to the boards of competitors.

As at 31 December 2024, all Directors (except Ms Tan Poh Hong) complied with the guidelines on multiple board representations. Ms Tan Poh Hong has six listed company directorships (including the Company) but she had accepted the invitation for the sixth appointment before the number of board representations was revised by the NRC in November 2023 from six to five and had obtained the previous Chairman's approval before accepting the sixth appointment. Further, the NRC is satisfied that Ms Tan had attended all designated Board and Board Committee meetings in FY2024 and had also contributed actively during discussions with the other Directors and Management. Accordingly, the NRC is satisfied of Ms Tan's ability to diligently discharge her duties as a Director of the Company.

#### 4.6 Board Succession Planning

The NRC makes recommendations to the Board on the review of succession planning for Directors, in particular the Chairman and the CEO, as well as KMP, as follows:

- Long-term planning, to identify competencies needed for the Company's strategy and objectives;
- (ii) Medium-term planning, for the orderly replacement of Board members and KMP; and
- (iii) Contingency planning, for preparedness against sudden and unforeseen changes.

In relation to Directors, the NRC aims to maintain an optimal Board composition by considering the trends and factors affecting the long-term success of the Company, reviewing the skills needed, and identifying gaps, which includes considering whether there is an appropriate level of diversity of thought.

In relation to KMP succession, the NRC takes an active interest in the performance and management of key talent within the Group, including identifying strong candidates and developing them to take on senior positions in the future.

#### **4.7** Key Information on Directors

The profiles of the Directors and key information are set out in this Annual Report from pages 6 to 10. The Notice of AGM sets out the Directors proposed for re-election or re-appointment at the forthcoming AGM. Key information on Directors is also available on the Company's website.

#### **Principle 5: Board Performance**

Each year, the Board undertakes a formal annual assessment of its effectiveness as a whole, and that of each of its Board Committees and individual Directors.

#### **5.1 Board Performance Evaluation**

The NRC is delegated by the Board to undertake a process to assess the effectiveness of the Board in terms of overall performance and growth of the Group, achieving a reasonable return for shareholders, preventing conflicts of interest and balancing the competing demands of the Group. In evaluating the contributions and performance of each individual Director, factors taken into consideration include attendance at AGM, Board and Board Committee Meetings and corporate activities, contributions in specialist areas and maintenance of independence.

The performance criteria are determined by the NRC and approved by the Board, and do not change from year to year.

#### **5.2** Annual Board Performance Evaluation Process

The FY2024 annual evaluation process for the Board, Board Committees and individual Directors involves the following:

- Each Director completes an individual director selfassessment form.
- (ii) The NRC Chairman completes a Board performance evaluation guestionnaire.
- (iii) Each Board Committee Chairperson completes the relevant Board Committee performance evaluation questionnaire.
- (iv) The completed Board performance evaluation questionnaire and the responses to the individual director self-assessment forms are reviewed by the NRC, while each completed Board Committee performance evaluation questionnaire is reviewed by the respective Board Committees.
- (v) The reviewed Board and Board Committee performance evaluation questionnaires and responses to the individual self-assessment forms (collectively, the "Reviewed Responses") are collated by the Company Secretaries and sent to the Chairman for approval to table at the next NRC meeting.
- (vi) The Reviewed Responses are tabled at the NRC meeting for review, and also tabled at the Board meeting for review, endorsement and discussion on possible areas for improvement to enhance overall effectiveness.

The performance evaluation includes key points such as the Board composition and size, Board accountability, conduct of Board and Board Committee meetings, standards of conduct and whether the Directors have discharged their duties effectively.

#### 2. Remuneration Matters

## Principle 6: Procedures for Developing Remuneration Policies

VICOM recognises the importance of having a skilled and dedicated workforce to manage and grow the Group's businesses in an increasingly competitive and challenging environment. It therefore places great emphasis on motivating staff through engagement, recognition and an alignment of rewards to corporate and individual performance as well as long-term interests of the Group and shareholders.

The Board has a formal and transparent process for developing policies on Director and executive remuneration, and for fixing the remuneration packages of individual Directors and KMP. No Director is involved in deciding his or her own remuneration.

# **6.1** Roles and Responsibilities of the Nominating and Remuneration Committee

RC Role

In relation to the RC Role, the NRC plays an important role in setting the Group's remuneration framework and strategy for the compensation of both Directors and KMP. As per the terms of reference, the NRC makes recommendations to the Board on the specific remuneration package for each Director, appropriate to the level of contributions from them. In respect of the KMP, it reviews their remuneration with the purpose of developing talent and building leadership bench strength to ensure the Group's continued success and the enhancement of shareholder value.

# **6.2 Composition of the Nominating and Remuneration Committee**

As at 31 December 2024, the NRC comprised five NEDs, of whom four including the NRC Chairman are independent. The composition of the NRC therefore complies with the requirement under the Code that specifies that the RC comprises at least three Directors, all of whom are non-executive and the majority of whom, including the Chairman of the RC, are independent.

#### **6.3 Remuneration Matters**

The NRC considers all aspects of remuneration, including the terms of termination, to ensure they are fair.

All decisions by the NRC are made by a majority of votes of the NRC members who are present and voting. Any

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member of the NRC with a conflict of interest in relation to the subject matter under consideration will abstain from voting, approving or making recommendations that would affect the decisions of the NRC. The CEO is not present at and does not participate in any NRC discussions pertaining to his own compensation and the review of his performance. He is, however, in attendance when the compensation of other KMP is discussed. No Director is involved in deciding his or her own remuneration

The key terms of reference of the NRC, in relation to remuneration matters, include the following:

- (i) Establish a formal and transparent procedure for developing the Group's remuneration policies and for fixing the remuneration packages of individual Directors and KMP, and review the remuneration framework and strategy for executive compensation, with the purpose of developing talent and building leadership bench strength to ensure the Group's continued success;
- (ii) Review and recommend to the Board the remuneration framework and the specific remuneration packages for the Directors, and ensure that the level of remuneration offered is appropriate to the level of contribution;
- (iii) Review and approve the remuneration framework and the specific remuneration packages of KMP to ensure that they are aligned with the long-term interests of the Group and to ensure that the overall remuneration package is appropriate to attract, retain and motivate KMP to provide good stewardship of the Group and to successfully manage the Group for the long term; and
- (iv) Review the Group's obligations arising in the event of termination of Directors' and KMP's services to ensure that they are fair, reasonable and equitable including the cessation of financial incentives that have been earned but not yet disbursed due to exceptional circumstances of misstatement or misconduct.

#### 6.4 Access to ComfortDelGro Group Chief Human Resource Officer and Appointment of External Remuneration Consultants

The NRC has unrestricted access to the ComfortDelGro Group Chief Human Resource Officer who provides the relevant market remuneration data and practices to the Committee. The NRC may also seek external independent expert advice on such matters where needed. Where such advice is sought, the NRC will ensure that there is no existing relationship between the Group and its appointed consultants that will affect the independence and objectivity of the consultants.

The Group continued to engage the services of an external consulting firm, Willis Towers Watson, in FY2024, to conduct an executive compensation benchmarking exercise for an independent review of the compensation packages of its senior executives.

The NRC is of the view that there is no existing relationship between Willis Towers Watson and the Group that would affect their independence and objectivity.

#### **Principle 7: Level and Mix of Remuneration**

The Group is transparent on its remuneration policies, level and mix of remuneration, the procedures for setting remuneration, and the relationship between remuneration, performance and value creation.

The level and structure of remuneration of the Board and KMP are appropriate and proportionate to the sustained performance and value creation of the Group, taking into account the strategic objectives of the Group, and are appropriate to attract, retain and motivate the Directors and KMP to successfully manage the Group for the long term.

#### 7.1 Performance-Related Remuneration

The Group is committed to creating and enhancing shareholder value through growth that is sustainable and profitable. The remuneration packages of the CEO and KMP comprise fixed and variable components, and are appropriate and proportionate to the sustained performance and value creation of the Group. The variable component in the form of year-end performance bonuses, forms a significant proportion of the remuneration packages and is dependent on the profitability of the Group and individual performance. Subject to market conditions and the operating environment, the Group's guidelines on fixed to variable component ratios in respect of remuneration packages are 70:30 for rank and file employees, 60:40 for middle management staff and 50:50 for senior management staff. Notwithstanding the guidelines, the actual remuneration packages for employees are ultimately determined on a case-by-case basis with the aim of maximising employee engagement and retention. The Group believes that a higher proportion of performancerelated components would ensure greater alignment of interests of the employees with those of shareholders and contribute to sustainable performance and value creation in the long term.

Short-Term and Long-Term Incentive Schemes Eligible employees of the Group are eligible to participate in the ComfortDelGro Executive Share Award Scheme ("CDG ESAS" or the "Scheme").

ComfortDelGro in 2018 implemented the CDG ESAS for Executive Directors and Key Executives as part of the long-term incentive programme to attract talent, retain

them and reward those who make significant contributions to the ComfortDelGro Group. Key executives of the Group are eligible to participate in the Scheme.

The share awards would be granted conditionally upon performance targets being met and would have a vesting schedule whereby only a portion of the benefits would be vested each year. The grant of the shares may be withdrawn or clawed-back in the event of exceptional circumstances of material misstatement of financial results or misconduct resulting in financial or other losses for the ComfortDelGro Group.

The aggregate number of shares which may be issued pursuant to the Scheme and any other share-based schemes (if applicable) shall not exceed in aggregate (for the entire duration of the Scheme) two percent (2%) of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) from time to time.

Total share awards granted to the Executive Director of the Company in FY2024 under the Scheme are as follows:

NAME OF PARTICIPANT	SHARE AWARDS GRANTED DURING FY2024	AGGREGATE SHARE AWARDS GRANTED SINCE COMMENCEMENT OF SCHEME TO END OF FY2024	AGGREGATE SHARE AWARDS VESTED SINCE COMMENCEMENT OF SCHEME TO END OF FY2024	AGGREGATE SHARE AWARDS OUTSTANDING AS AT END OF FY2024 (UNVESTED SHARES)
SIM WING YEW	90,000	280,000	117,500	162,500

#### 7.2 Remuneration of Non-Executive Directors

The structure for the payment of fees to NEDs is based on a framework comprising basic fees, attendance fees and additional fees for serving on Board Committees and also where applicable, for undertaking additional services for the Group. The fees are subject to the approval of Shareholders at the AGM.

The CEO, being the Executive Director of the Company, does not receive any fees paid by the Company's subsidiaries for his directorships with the subsidiaries and such fees are instead paid directly by the subsidiaries to the Company. The CEO does not receive Directors' fees for his directorship with the Company.

The Directors' fee structure for FY2024 is set out below:

BOARD	BASIC FEE (PER ANNUM)
CHAIRMAN	\$\$64,000
DEPUTY CHAIRMAN	S\$48,000
MEMBER	\$\$32,000

	ADDITIONAL FEES (PER ANNUM)			
BOARD COMMITTEE	CHAIRMAN	MEMBER		
AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE	S\$21,333	S\$14,933		
NOMINATING AND REMUNERATION COMMITTEE	S\$12,800	\$\$8,960		
SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE	S\$10,667	S\$7,468		
TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE	S\$10,667	S\$7,468		

The attendance fees payable to the NEDs for attendance at each Board and Board Committee meeting and the AGM for FY2024 are set out below:

	ATTENDANCE FEE (PER MEETING)
MEETING	IN-PERSON/DIAL-IN
BOARD / BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING HELD LOCALLY AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	S\$2,000 / S\$1,000
BOARD / BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING HELD OVERSEAS	US\$2,000 / US\$1,000

#### 7.3 Remuneration of Directors and Key Management Personnel

The NRC and the Board have reviewed and are satisfied that the framework for remuneration and specific remuneration package for each Director as well as for the KMP are appropriate to attract, retain and motivate the Directors to provide good stewardship of the Company and KMP to successfully manage the Company for the long term.

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#### **Principle 8: Disclosure on Remuneration**

#### 8.1 Remuneration of Directors and Executives

**CEO's Remuneration** 

CEO's remuneration for FY2024 is as follows:

REMUNERATION	BASE OR FIX	ED SALARY	VARIABLE OR PERFORMANCE-RELATED INCOME OR BONUSES		BENEFITS IN KIND		STOCK OPTIONS GRANTED		
FY2024	S\$	%	s\$	%	S\$	%	s\$	%	
SIM WING YEW	390,600.00	45.44%	325,500.00	37.86%	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	

#### Notes:

(1) This is the value of the shares granted in FY2024 in respect of his performance in FY2023. The vesting of these grants comprises two components: (a) restricted shares component to be vested over a 3-year period and (b) performance shares component subject to the achievement of performance targets over a 3-year performance period.

#### **Directors' Fees**

Directors' fees are for services rendered by the NEDs on the Board as well as the various Board Committees and where applicable, for additional services provided to the Group. The amount includes Directors' attendance fees for scheduled Board and Board Committee meetings held throughout the year.

The total Directors' Fees of the NEDs in FY2024 payable by the Group are as follows:

			FY2024
BOARD	DIRECTORS' FEES FROM VICOM	DIRECTORS' FEES FROM SUBSIDIARIES	TOTAL DIRECTORS' FEES
	S\$	S\$	S\$
TAN KIM SIEW	117,736.00	Nil	117,736.00
CHENG SIAK KIAN (1)	85,428.00	15,000.00 (JIC Inspection Services Pte Ltd)	100,428.00
JACKSON CHIA (2)	40,360.88	Nil	40,360.88
KARINA YEW-HOONG GIN (3)	9,578.00	Nil	9,578.00
OOI BENG CHIN	57,468.00	Nil	57,468.00
JUNE SEAH LEE KIANG	79,600.00	Nil	79,600.00
SHIM PHYAU WUI, VICTOR	95,068.00	Nil	95,068.00
SOH CHUNG HIAN, DANIEL	84,293.00	Nil	84,293.00
TAN POH HONG	92,361.00	Nil	92,361.00
WONG YOKE WOON	77,893.00	Nil	77,893.00
TOTAL	739,785.88	15,000.00	754,785.88

#### Notes:

- (1) Mr Cheng is a Director of JIC Inspection Services Pte Ltd which is a subsidiary of VICOM. Mr Cheng's Directors' Fees are paid to the Company's holding company, ComfortDelGro.
- (2) Mr Chia stepped down as a Director of the Company and a member of the Sustainability Committee on 19 September 2024. Mr Chia's Directors' Fees are paid to the Company's holding company, ComfortDelGro.
- (3) Prof Gin was appointed Independent Non-Executive Director and a member of the TC on 1 November 2024.

For FY2024, the NEDs did not receive any variable or performance-related income or bonuses, benefits in kind, stock options, share-based incentives and awards, and/or any other long-term incentives.

The total Directors' fees paid by the Company for FY2024 is within the amount of S\$745,315 that was approved by the Shareholders at the AGM held on 24 April 2024.

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SHARE-BASED INCENTIVES AND AWARDS <sup>(1)</sup>		OTHER LO		EMPLOYER CPF		OTHER EMOLUMENTS		TOTAL AGGREGATE REMUNERATION PAID	
S\$	%	S\$	%	s\$	%	S\$	%	S\$	%
127,800.00	14.86	Nil	Nil	15,301.00	1.78	550.00	0.06	859,751.00	100.00

**Key Management Personnel's Remuneration** 

The remuneration of the top five KMP having regard to the performance of the individuals and the Group, are as follows:

	THE GROUP								
REMUNERATION BAND	BASE OR FIXED SALARY	VARIABLE OR PERFORMANCE- RELATED INCOME OR BONUSES	BENEFITS IN KIND	STOCK OPTIONS GRANTED	SHARE-BASED INCENTIVES AND AWARDS®	OTHER LONG-TERM INCENTIVES	EMPLOYER CPF	OTHER EMOLUMENTS	TOTAL AGGREGATE REMUNERATION PAID
FY2024	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
S\$250,000 to S\$499,999									
CHUNG TYING									
CHUN	53.70	31.33	Nil	Nil	11.55	Nil	3.28	0.14	100.00
LEE PECK KIM, MARY	54.27	31.66	Nil	Nil	7.78	Nil	2.90	3.39	100.00
YUSOOF									
AYNUDDIN	62.96	34.10	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	2.85	0.09	100.00
LIM KOK SENG	64.28	21.43	Nil	Nil	8.06	Nil	6.10	0.13	100.00
BELOW \$\$250,000									
YIP CHUN WAH	59.95	32.80	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	6.57	0.68	100.00

#### Notes

The total remuneration paid to these five KMP holding the key portfolios (who are not Directors or the CEO) amounted to \$\$1.750.816 in FY2024.

Where the KMPs are Directors of the Company's subsidiaries, any Directors' fees paid by the subsidiaries are not paid to the KMPs but are paid to the Company or the subsidiary which is the employer of the KMP.

#### 8.2 Remuneration of Certain Related Employees

During FY2024, no employee whose remuneration exceeded S\$100,000 was a substantial shareholder of the Company, or an immediate family member of a Director or the CEO. "Immediate family member" means the spouse, child, adopted child, step-child, brother, sister and parent.

# 8.3 Remuneration and Other Payments and Benefits from the Company and its Subsidiaries to Directors and Key Management Personnel

During FY2024, no other forms of remuneration and other payments and benefits, were paid by the Company and its subsidiaries to the Directors and KMP of the Company, except as disclosed in Sections 8.1 and 8.2 above.

<sup>(1)</sup> This is the value of the shares granted in FY2024 in respect of the KMP's performance in FY2023. The vesting of these grants comprises two components: (a) restricted shares component to be vested over a 3-year period and (b) performance shares component subject to the achievement of performance targets over a 3-year performance period.

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#### 3. Accountability and Audit

The Board has overall accountability to the shareholders of the Company and ensures that the Group is managed well and guided by sustainable long-term strategic objectives. The Board is responsible for providing a balanced and understandable assessment of the Group's performance, position and prospects. Material price-sensitive and tradesensitive information, annual reports and other material corporate developments are disseminated in a timely and transparent manner and posted on the Company's website as well as SGXNET. The financial results are reported semiannually via SGXNET with an accompanying Negative Assurance by the Board to confirm that nothing has come to its attention that may render the results false or misleading in any material aspect. The Company believes that prompt and full compliance with statutory reporting requirements is fundamental to maintaining shareholder confidence and trust.

#### **Dealings in Securities**

The Group has a formal Policy on Securities – Restrictions Against Dealings to provide Directors and executives of the Group with guidance in relation to dealings in the securities of the Company, ComfortDelGro and SBST. Directors and executives of the Group are prohibited from dealing in the securities of the Company, ComfortDelGro and SBST during the period commencing one month before the announcement of the Company's, ComfortDelGro's and SBST's semi-annual results and full-year results (as the case may be) and ending on the date of the announcement of the relevant results. All Directors and executives are notified of the trading blackout periods before the start of the financial year and are given reminders prior to each trading blackout period.

All Directors and executives of the Group are also told that they must not deal in (i) the securities of the Company, ComfortDelGro and SBST on short-term considerations and/ or while in possession of unpublished material price-sensitive and trade-sensitive information relating to the relevant securities; and (ii) the securities of other listed companies while in possession of unpublished material price-sensitive and trade-sensitive information relating to those securities.

The Group has put in place a standard operating procedure ("**SOP**") on compilation of information on privy persons who have access to material information of transactions that have yet to be disclosed to the public. The SOP prescribes that the person-in-charge of such transactions must remind all privy persons to keep all material information strictly confidential.

#### **Principle 9: Risk Management and Internal Controls**

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.

# 9.1 Determination of the Nature and Extent of Significant Risks

Risk management is an important and integral part of the Group's strategic planning and decision-making process. Key risks are identified and presented to the ARC and the Board annually. Ownership of the risk management process is clearly defined and cascaded to the executive and functional levels, with stewardship retained at Senior Management. Action plans that are necessary to manage the risks are in place and closely monitored. The adequacy and effectiveness of the risk governance, risk policy and internal controls in place are also assessed as part of the process. Based on these reviews, the Board is of the view, with the concurrence of the ARC, that adequate and effective internal controls (including financial, operational, compliance and information technology control) and risk management systems are in place within the Group. A detailed description of the Group's approach to internal controls and risk management can be found from pages 50 to 56 of this Annual Report.

As part of the risk management process, all businesses are required to refresh their risk inventories, conduct risk prioritisation exercises, identify key and emerging risks, and develop the requisite risk controls and risk treatment action plans. The identified risks, their indicators and action plans are continually reviewed and reported.

The Internal and External Auditors conduct reviews in accordance with their respective audit plans. Any material non-compliance and recommendations for improvements on the internal controls are reported to the ARC. The ARC also reviews the effectiveness of the actions taken by Management on the recommendations made by the Internal and External Auditors. The recommendations are followed up as part of the Group's continuous review of the system of internal controls.

- 9.2 Assurance from the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and the Key Management Personnel For FY2024, the Board has received assurance from the CEO and the Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") that:
  - (i) the financial records have been properly maintained and the financial statements are prepared in compliance with the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (International) and are correct in all material aspects and give a true and fair view of the operations and finances of the Group; and
  - (ii) the Group's internal control systems (including financial, operational, compliance and information technology control) and risk management systems are adequate and effective.

#### **Principle 10: Audit and Risk Committee**

As at 31 December 2024, the ARC comprised five Independent NEDs. None of the ARC members are previous partners or directors of the External Auditors within the previous 24 months and none of the ARC members hold any financial interest in the External Auditors. The Chairman and members of the ARC are rotated periodically. The Board has reviewed and is satisfied that the members of the ARC are appropriately qualified to discharge their responsibilities.

## 10.1 Roles and Responsibilities of the Audit and Risk Committee

The terms of reference of the ARC are aligned with the provisions of Section 201B(5) of the Companies Act 1967 (the "Companies Act") and include the following:

- (i) Review the half-year and full-year financial statements including significant accounting and financial reporting issues and judgements to ensure the integrity of the financial statements, as well as any formal announcements relating to the Group's financial performance and recommend to the Board the acceptance of such financial statements;
- (ii) Review and report to the Board at least annually the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's internal control systems (including financial, operational, compliance and information technology control) and risk management systems;
- (iii) Review the assurance from the CEO and the CFO on the financial records and financial statements;
- (iv) Make recommendations to the Board on: (i) the proposals to the shareholders on the appointment, re-appointment and removal of the External Auditors; and (ii) the fees and terms of engagement of the External Auditors;
- (v) Review the effectiveness, adequacy, independence, scope and results of the Group's external audit and internal audit functions;

- (vi) Review the scope and results of the audits undertaken by the Internal and External Auditors, including non-audit services performed by the External Auditors to ensure that there is a balance between maintenance of objectivity and cost effectiveness;
- (vii) Review and approve the annual audit plans of the External Auditors;
- (viii) Review and approve the Internal Auditors' annual and three-year rolling work plans;
- (ix) Review the policy and arrangements for concerns about possible improprieties in financial reporting or other matters to be safely raised, independently investigated and appropriately followed up on, including the Group's Whistle Blowing Policy.
  - The Whistle Blowing Policy is described on page 42 of this Annual Report;
- (x) Review interested person transactions; and
- (xi) Assist the Board in fulfilling its corporate governance responsibilities and legal obligations in relation to the Group's performance, practices, strategies and policies for workplace safety and health of its employees, contractors, customers, and others affected by its activities, including its obligations under the Workplace Safety and Health Act 2006, the Approved Code of Practice on Chief Executives' and Board of Directors' Workplace Safety and Health ("WSH") Duties ("COP") and other relevant legislation and regulations.

The members of the ARC keep abreast of relevant changes to accounting standards and issues through attendance at relevant seminars/talks, articles and news circulated by the Company Secretaries and regular updates by the External Auditors at ARC Meetings.

#### **10.2** Composition of the Audit and Risk Committee

As at 31 December 2024, the ARC comprised five Independent NEDs. The ARC members who collectively bring with them recent and relevant managerial and professional expertise in accounting and related financial management domains, are as follows:

(i) Mr Soh Chung Hian, Daniel, Chairman of the ARC, is an Independent Non-Executive Director of VICOM. He is also a member of the NRC. Mr Soh is a fellow member of the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants. Mr Soh began his career in 1977 with Ernst & Young LLP, Singapore, and was a partner from 1990 till his retirement in December 2012. His 35 years of experience saw him auditing many publicly listed companies and working on many IPOs of listed companies. Mr Soh holds a Bachelor of Accountancy from the University of Singapore

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and a Master of Business Administration from the International Centre of Management in the United Kingdom.

- (ii) Ms June Seah Lee Kiang is an Independent Non-Executive Director of VICOM. She is a member of the ARC and also the Chairperson of the SC. Ms Seah was formerly the Executive Director/Senior Advisor of Omise Payment SG Pte Ltd, a payment solutions company registered in Singapore with operations in Japan and Southeast Asia. She was also formerly General Manager of UOB Card Center before joining VISA International. She was a member of VISA's Asia Pacific Management Committee and headed up Merchant and Acquirer Partnerships for Asia Pacific, Central Europe, Middle East and Africa. Ms Seah holds a Bachelor of Social Science Degree with Second Upper Honours in Economics from the University of Singapore.
- (iii) Professor Shim Phyau Wui, Victor is an Independent Non-Executive Director of VICOM. He is also the Chairman of the TC and a member of the ARC and the SC. Professor Shim was a Colombo Plan Scholar. He holds a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering (First Class Honours) from the University of Auckland, New Zealand, a Master of Engineering from the National University of Singapore ("NUS"), and a Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Cambridge, United Kingdom. He is a registered Professional Engineer and a Senior Member of the Institution of Engineers, Singapore. He has received awards at NUS for Teaching Excellence, Innovative Teaching and Outstanding Service, and was conferred the Singapore National Day Public Administration Medal (Silver) in 2012.
- (iv) Ms Tan Poh Hong is an Independent Non-Executive Director of VICOM. She is a member of the ARC and also a member of the NRC and the TC. Ms Tan holds a BSc (Honours) in Estate Management from NUS, and a Master of Business Administration (with distinction) from New York University. She was awarded the Public Administration Medal (Gold) in 2013 and the Public Service Medal in 1999 by the Singapore Government, and the NTUC Medal of Commendation in 2001.
- (v) Ms Wong Yoke Woon is an Independent Non-Executive Director of VICOM. She is a member of the ARC and the NRC. Ms Wong holds an Executive Masters in Business Administration from the Singapore Management University, a Bachelor of Social Sciences from NUS and a Bachelor of Arts and Social Sciences from NUS. She also holds a Professional Diploma in Employment Relations from the NUS-Extension and Ong Teng Cheong Institute and a Graduate Diploma in Personnel Management from the Singapore Institute of Management.

The details of the ARC members' credentials are found on pages 6 to 10 of this Annual Report.

#### 10.3 Confirmation of no Former Partners or Financial Interest

None of the ARC members are previous partners or directors of the Company's existing External Auditors within the previous 24 months and none of the ARC members hold any financial interest in the Company's existing External Auditors.

#### 10.4 Internal Audit

The Internal Audit function of the Group is performed by the ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit Division comprising suitably qualified and experienced Internal Audit staff including the ComfortDelGro Group Chief Internal Audit Officer ("GCIAO"). The ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit staff have professional qualifications and are either members of the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants, CPA Australia, the Information Systems Audit and Control Association or the Institute of Internal Auditors. The GCIAO reports functionally to the Chairman of the ARC and administratively to the MD/Group CEO of ComfortDelGro. The ComfortDelGro ARC, NRC and MD/GCEO review the performance of the GCIAO annually and decide on the hiring, removal and evaluation of the GCIAO. The VICOM ARC Chairman participates in the review and decision-making process by providing feedback through the ARC Chairman and the MD/GCEO of ComfortDelGro.

The ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit Division adopts a risk-based approach in its continuous audit work with focus on material internal control systems including financial, operational, information technology and compliance control. It provides an independent and objective evaluation of the internal control systems and corporate governance processes of the Group. The annual audit plan is developed by the GCIAO in consultation with, but independent of, Management and is subject to the ARC's approval before the start of each financial year. Quarterly internal audit reports are also prepared and submitted to the ARC. Any material non-compliance or lapses in internal controls are reported to the ARC and the CEO for improvements to be made. The ARC conducts review of the adequacy, effectiveness, independence, scope and results of the internal audit function. The ARC has full access to the GCIAO, and meets with the GCIAO at least once a year in the absence of Management. The ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit Division is given unfettered access to all the Group's documents, records, properties and personnel, including access to the ARC, and has appropriate standing within the Group.

The activities and organisational structure of the ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit Division are monitored and reviewed by the ARC periodically to ensure that it has the necessary resources to adequately

perform its functions and that there are no unjustified restrictions and limitations placed on the performance of its duties. The ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit Division has adopted the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing laid down in the International Professional Practices Framework issued by the Institute of Internal Auditors ("IIA Standards").

The ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit Division successfully completed its external Quality Assurance Review in 2023 by Protiviti Pte Ltd and continues to meet or exceed the IIA Standards in all key aspects. The Quality Assurance Review is conducted every 5 years.

The ARC finds the ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit Division independent, effective and adequately resourced.

#### 10.5 Audit and Risk Committee's Activities

The ARC held four meetings during FY2024. The CEO, CFO and GCIAO were present at these meetings. The External Auditors attended the meetings that discussed the half-year and full-year results. The ARC reviewed and considered the following:

- Overall scope of both internal and external audits and results of their respective audits;
- (ii) Significant internal and external audit observations and Management's responses;
- (iii) Group Internal Audit Goals in response to Internal Audit Quality Assurance Review;
- (iv) Half-year and full-year results announcements and the financial statements and recommendation to the Board:

- (v) Adoption of the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (International);
- (vi) Interested person transactions;
- (vii) Corporate service charges;
- (viii) Risk management and adequacy and effectiveness of internal controls;
- (ix) Independence of the External Auditors;
- (x) Recommendation to the Board of the appointment or re-appointment of External Auditors and its remuneration; and
- (xi) Significant matters (if any) raised through the whistle-blowing channel.

In the performance of its duties, the ARC has explicit authority to investigate the affairs falling within its terms of reference, with full access to and cooperation from Management, discretion to invite any Director or executive officer to attend its meetings and reasonable resources to enable it to discharge its duties properly.

The ARC meets with the Internal and External Auditors annually in the absence of Management. During these meetings, the Internal Auditors and External Auditors may raise issues encountered in the course of their work directly to the ARC.

#### 10.6 Significant Financial Reporting Matters

In the review of the financial statements of the Group for FY2024, the ARC considered the following key audit matters:

SIGNIFICANT MATTERS	REVIEW OF SIGNIFICANT MATTERS BY THE ARC
Goodwill impairment review	The ARC has considered the approach and methodology applied to the valuation model for goodwill impairment assessment.
	Following the review with Management and the External Auditors, the ARC is satisfied that the key assumptions used in the impairment assessment of goodwill are reasonable.

Following the review and discussions on the above, the ARC recommended to the Board to approve the financial statements of the Group for FY2024.

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#### 10.7 Review of Independence of External Auditors

The ARC assesses the independence of the External Auditors based on the guidelines set by the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority ("ACRA") and the Accountants Act 2004 of Singapore. The current External Auditors, Ernst & Young LLP ("EY") did not provide any non-audit services in FY2024 and hence no non-audit fees were paid to EY in FY2024. The ARC is satisfied that Rules 712, 715 and 716 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual have been complied with. The ARC has recommended to the Board that EY be nominated for re-appointment as the Company's External Auditors at the next AGM.

The partner in charge of auditing the Company is changed every five years as a further safeguard of EY's independence.

#### 10.8 Whistle Blowing Policy

The Group's Whistle Blowing Policy provides a mechanism for employees and external parties to raise concerns about possible improprieties in financial reporting or other improper business conduct, whilst protecting the whistleblowers from reprisal within the limits of the law. Under the Whistle Blowing Policy, incidents may be reported to the GCIAO, whose contact information is set out in the policy. Where the incident involves the GCIAO, the complaint may be made to the ARC Chairman.

The contact information is as follows:

- Group Chief Internal Audit Officer at DID: +65 6383 7010 or by email to gciao@comfortdelgro.com or via the intranet.
- Chairman of the ARC via this email: arc\_chairman@vicom.com.sg

All cases are investigated and overseen by the ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit Division, and dealt with promptly and thoroughly. The identity of whistleblowers is kept confidential, and the Group is committed to ensuring the protection of whistleblowers against detrimental or unfair treatment. The ARC is responsible for oversight and monitoring of whistleblowing.

#### 4. Shareholder Rights and Engagement

# Principle 11: Shareholder Rights and Conduct of General Meetings

#### 11.1 Disclosure of Information to Shareholders

The Company notifies shareholders in advance of the dates of release of its financial results through the Company's website as well as SGXNET. Communications with shareholders are conducted through announcements to the SGXNET, media and analyst briefings (if appropriate) after the announcement

of the financial results together with its presentation materials, as well as the posting of announcements and press releases on the Company's website. The Group has formulated a Policy on Securities – Drafting and Releasing SGX-ST Announcements to provide guidance on preparation of SGX-ST announcements.

Shareholders may send in their requests or queries through the feedback channel provided on the Company's website (https://www.vicom.com.sg/Financials/Investor-Relations). The IR function of the Group is performed by the ComfortDelGro Group's IR team ("Group IR Team"), led by the ComfortDelGro Head, Group Investor Relations ("GHIR"). The Group IR Team is accessible throughout the year to address shareholders' queries. The contact details of the GHIR can be found on the Company's website.

Beyond complying with the requirements of the Code, the SGX-ST Listing Manual and the Companies Act, the Company has also taken various additional measures to enhance corporate governance and improve transparency, including:

- The Notice of AGM is released publicly at least 28 days before the AGM is held; and
- (ii) The Annual Report is available to all shareholders at the Company's website at least 28 days before the AGM to ensure that all shareholders have adequate time to review the Annual Report before the AGM. The electronic documentation demonstrates the Group's commitment towards green and sustainability efforts. Upon request, hard copies are provided to shareholders.

#### 11.2 Resolutions and Voting at General Meetings

Each issue or matter requiring shareholders' approval is tabled as a separate and distinct resolution. All the resolutions at general meetings are single item resolutions. The Company does not practice bundling of resolutions. The Company will consider implementing absentia voting methods such as voting via mail, e-mail or fax when security, integrity and other pertinent issues are satisfactorily resolved.

The Constitution of the Company provides for voting in person and by proxy at the AGM of the Company. Each shareholder is allowed to appoint up to two proxies to vote on his/her behalf at general meetings through proxy forms sent in advance. Relevant intermediaries such as the Central Provident Fund and custodian banks are entitled to appoint more than two proxies to attend, speak and vote at general meetings. Shareholders who hold shares through these relevant intermediaries will be allowed to attend, speak and vote at the AGM subject to being appointed a proxy by their respective relevant intermediaries.

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The Company has adopted electronic poll voting for general meetings since 2013 to ensure greater transparency and efficiency in the voting process and results. Shareholders are invited to vote on each of the resolutions by poll, using an electronic voting system. The results of all votes cast for or against each resolution or abstentions, if any, and the respective percentages (voting results) and the names of the independent scrutineers for the AGM are presented during the AGM and are announced via the SGXNET after the AGM. Voting by poll is the most accurate means of tabulating shareholders' votes according to the number of shares owned. The Company believes that this will encourage greater shareholder participation at the Company's general meetings and demonstrates VICOM's commitment to high standards of corporate governance and transparency.

# 11.3 Conduct of Shareholder Meetings Including Directors' Attendance

The Company encourages and supports shareholder participation at general meetings, and views the AGM as a good opportunity for shareholders to meet the Board and Senior Management. The top criterion for selecting the AGM venue is an easy to reach location within Singapore accessible by public transport. Shareholders are informed of shareholders' meetings through notices published in the newspapers and circulars sent to all shareholders. All registered shareholders are invited to attend and participate actively at the AGM and are given the opportunity to seek clarification or question the Group's strategic direction, business, operations, performance and proposed resolutions.

All Directors including the Chairman, CEO and the Chairpersons of the various Board Committees, together with Senior Management and the Company Secretaries, are present to address any question or feedback raised by the shareholders at the AGM and thereafter, including those pertaining to the proposed resolutions before they are voted on. The External Auditors are also present to address shareholders' queries about the conduct of audit and the preparation and contents of the Auditor's Report.

The Board had since 2009 removed and stopped seeking the general authority to issue shares, to address concerns from the shareholders that this would dilute their shareholding percentages and affect their voting rights.

#### 11.4 Voting at General Meeting of Shareholders

Similar to the Company's AGM for the Financial Year ended 31 December 2023 held on 24 April 2024, the Company's FY2024 AGM scheduled to be held on 23 April 2025 will also be held both physically ("Physical Meeting") and by way of electronic means ("Virtual Meeting"). This is to facilitate high levels of shareholder engagement, with real-time communication and real-

time live voting to be conducted during the AGM for shareholders and proxies attending the Physical Meeting and the Virtual Meeting. Shareholders who are not able to attend the AGM in person or those who prefer to attend the live webcast may do so by audio or audiovisual means. The Company will adhere to the SGX-ST's guiding principle to provide answers to shareholders' questions within reasonable timelines. Please refer to the Notice of the FY2024 AGM of the Company for more information.

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#### 11.5 Minutes of General Meetings

The Company prepares minutes of general meetings that include substantial and relevant comments or queries from shareholders relating to the agenda of the meeting and the responses from the Board and Management. The minutes are available to shareholders on the Company's website and SGXNET within one month after the date of the AGM.

#### 11.6 Dividend Policy

The Company's dividend policy is to pay out at least 70% of profit attributable to shareholders of the Company. The dividend policy takes into account the long-term objective of maximising shareholder value, availability of cash and retained earnings, projected capital expenditure and growth opportunities. The Company declares dividends semi-annually and informs its shareholders of the dividend payments via announcements to SGXNET. Dividends are paid to shareholders in an equitable and timely manner.

#### **Principle 12: Engagement with Shareholders**

# 12.1 Regular, Effective and Fair Communications with Shareholders

The Company is committed to ensuring that accurate and pertinent information is disseminated to the market in a timely and transparent manner as part of good corporate governance. Shareholders can access the corporate website at <a href="https://www.vicom.com.sg">www.vicom.com.sg</a>. The Group's Investor Relations Policy ("IR Policy") is available on the corporate website.

Communications with the SGX-ST are handled by the Company Secretaries, while communications with shareholders, analysts and fund managers are handled by the GHIR. Specific guidelines have been laid down for compliance in respect of all public communications. The Company does not practise selective disclosure in the communication of material information.

In addition, the Company has put in place operational procedures to respond promptly to queries from the SGX-ST on any unusual trading activities in its securities and to clear all announcements to the SGXNET with the Board.

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#### 12.2 Investor Relations Policy

The IR Policy sets out the process and mechanism to promote regular, effective and fair communications with shareholders and the investment community. The dedicated Group IR Team works with Senior Management to proactively carry out the IR engagement programme.

#### 12.3 Investor Relations Policy and Avenues for Communication

The Company is committed to treating all shareholders fairly and equitably, and engaging with shareholders and the investment community through various platforms including (where appropriate):

- (i) The Company's general meetings, namely AGMs and as and when necessary, Extraordinary General Meetings;
- (ii) Media briefings and analyst briefings;
- (iii) Announcements via SGXNET in compliance with the SGX-ST Listing Rules;
- (iv) Investor meetings, roadshows and conferences;
- (v) Annual reports and sustainability reports;
- (vi) Media releases and statements; and
- (vii) Corporate website (www.vicom.com.sg).

#### 5. Managing Stakeholders Relationships

#### **Principle 13: Engagement with Stakeholders**

The Company adopts an inclusive approach by balancing the needs and interests of material stakeholders as part of its overall responsibility to ensure that the best interests of the Group are served.

# **13.1 Identification of and Engagement with Material Stakeholders**

The Company has arrangements in place to enable it to engage stakeholders so as to better understand and take action to address their needs and interests. Since the COVID-19 pandemic, the Company has been taking every opportunity to make use of digital means to communicate with shareholders. We were one of the first companies in Singapore to hold hybrid meetings for its shareholders, with real-time communication and real-time live voting.

#### 13.2 Management of Stakeholder Relationships

The basis for and methods of engagement with the stakeholders, along with the key areas of focus for each stakeholder group, can be found in our Sustainability Report. Our Sustainability Report highlights the governance, environmental and social aspects of our developments and operations in accordance with the GRI Sustainability Reporting Standards 2021 and complies with the relevant requirements under the SGX-ST Listing Manual including Rules 711A and 711B. As part of the Company's sustainability efforts and to ensure more efficient engagement, the Company encourages all shareholders to give their express consent to receive communications to shareholders via email and digital platforms, including statutory notices for general meetings and other circulars.

#### 13.3 Corporate Website

The Company's corporate website is regularly updated to communicate and engage with stakeholders.

#### 6. Additional Measures to Enhance Corporate Governance

The Company has also undertaken various additional measures to enhance corporate governance as follows:

#### **Corporate Gifts/Entertainment Policy**

Whilst business gifts and entertainment are courtesies that build goodwill and sound working relationships among business partners, the Group does not tolerate the improper use of gifts or entertainment to gain any special advantage in a business relationship.

The Group discourages the receipt of gifts or acceptance of entertainment, loans or other favours as these may compromise an employee's ability to make objective, independent and fair business decisions. Offering excessive gifts in whatever form or entertainment to others can also be open to misinterpretation.

Employees are therefore not permitted to offer or accept any gifts or entertainment without first seeking their supervisor's authorisation. Employees who receive gifts directly or indirectly in relation to their employment with the Group are expected to notify their supervisors and declare such gifts to the Group Human Resource Department. All gifts declared are processed through structured corporate procedures to ensure proper accountability.

Business gifts presented and entertainment on the Group's behalf are consistent with generally accepted corporate governance business practices and ethical standards and do not violate any applicable laws, regulations or policies of any country that the Group operates in or any company with which the Group has dealings.

#### **Anti-Corruption Policy**

The Group complies with all applicable laws of the jurisdictions in which it operates and conducts business in an open and transparent manner. It prohibits employees from directly or indirectly offering, promising to pay, or authorising the payment of money or anything of value for the purpose of gaining perceived advantage for the Group. All employees are responsible for following the Group's procedures, including audit controls, for carrying out and reporting business transactions.

#### **Block Leave Policy**

As a further risk mitigation measure and to enhance governance, the Group has a Block Leave Policy in place which applies to employees holding key functions. This arrangement allows covering officers to fully step into the duties of the employees on leave as an additional check and balance against any breaches.

#### **Health and Safety Policy**

Given the nature of the Group's businesses, the health and safety of the employees and customers are of paramount importance. Safety is the top priority for the Group's operations. The Group complies with applicable statutory requirements and regulations in respect of health and safety, and has put in place procedures to guide proper safe work practices for the well-being of all employees and customers.

In 2022, following the issuance of the COP, the Group reviewed its work procedures and processes to ensure that its safety policies, standards and practices comply with the Workplace Safety and Health Act 2006 and the COP. The Group's current safety policies, standards and practices adhere to the core principles and measures set out in the COP.

Employees are sent for training to equip them with greater awareness and knowledge of good WSH practices.

Employees are required to observe safety rules and carry out safe work practices that apply to their jobs to ensure a safe work environment for everyone. They are also strongly encouraged to surface safety issues to improve safety standards at the workplace.

#### **Information Protection Policy**

The Group has also implemented an Information Protection Policy to ensure that all documents and data information of the Group are properly safeguarded.

Information is classified into strictly confidential, confidentialsensitive, restricted and unrestricted use based on its nature, contents and implications. Processes and systems used to store, process or communicate information provide protection against unauthorised disclosure and use.

#### **Data Protection Policy**

All Business Units are required to comply with applicable laws pertaining to data protection. In particular, the business units in Singapore have implemented data protection policies and practices to ensure compliance with the obligations under the Personal Data Protection Act 2012, including the Do Not Call provisions that came into force in 2014.

#### **Cybersecurity Policy**

The Group has adopted the international Information Security Standard ISO 27000 in assessing and formulating the Group's cybersecurity framework. The Group regularly reviews its cybersecurity measures to ensure effective protection of its information technology systems and databases. The Group has implemented multi-layered defences, including firewalls, intrusion prevention system, network access control, server hardening, data encryption and employee security training. The Group keeps abreast of the evolving threats and the latest techniques, and actively collaborates with cybersecurity authorities and regulators to develop appropriate countermeasures.

The Group will continue to strengthen its capabilities in light of the way cybersecurity risks will evolve with the digital age. As and when necessary, the Group will take appropriate risk management decisions and implement security controls to secure its information infrastructure systems and databases.

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#### **Supplier Ethics Policy**

The Group procures a wide range of goods and services from various businesses, companies, persons and entities and requires its suppliers to be in full compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. It practices fair competition in accordance with local anti-trust and competition regulations. Suppliers must conduct their businesses with integrity, transparency and honesty and the Group does not condone any corrupt and fraudulent practice.

Suppliers must have in place health and safety policies for their employees and be committed to good environmental, social and governance practices. Suppliers must not trade in the securities of the Group while in possession of confidential non-public information.

#### **Creditors' Payment Policy**

The Group values its suppliers and is committed to safeguarding creditors' rights and acknowledges the importance of paying invoices, especially those of small businesses, in a timely manner. It is the Group's practice to agree terms with suppliers when entering into contracts. The Group negotiates with suppliers on an individual basis and meets its obligations accordingly.

#### 7. Interested Person Transactions

SGX-ST Listing Manual - Rule 907

NAME OF INTERESTED PERSON	NATURE OF RELATIONSHIP	AGGREGATE VALUE OF ALL INTERESTED PERSON TRANSACTIONS DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR UNDER REVIEW (EXCLUDING TRANSACTIONS LESS THAN \$\$100,000 AND TRANSACTIONS CONDUCTED UNDER SHAREHOLDERS' MANDATE PURSUANT TO RULE 920)	AGGREGATE VALUE OF ALL INTERESTED PERSON TRANSACTIONS CONDUCTED UNDER SHAREHOLDERS' MANDATE PURSUANT TO RULE 920 (EXCLUDING TRANSACTIONS LESS THAN \$\$100,000)
COMFORTDELGRO CORPORATION LIMITED	ComfortDelGro is the majority shareholder of the Company	S\$3,216,000	Nil

There is no shareholders' mandate for interested person transactions pursuant to Rule 920 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual.

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# DIRECTORS' PARTICULARS

### **AS AT 3 MARCH 2025**

NAME	AGE	PRESENT DIRECTORSHIPS	PAST DIRECTORSHIPS HELD OVER THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS	PRESENT PRINCIPAL COMMITMENTS	PAST PRINCIPAL COMMITMENTS OVER THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS
TAN KIM SIEW  Chairman (Independent Non- Executive Director)	71	(1) VICOM Ltd* (2) SBS Transit Ltd*	Nil	Nil	Nil
CHENG SIAK KIAN  Deputy Chairman (Non-Independent Non-Executive Director)	55	Directorships in the VICOM Group  (1) VICOM Ltd* (2) Setsco Services Pte Ltd (3) JIC Inspection Services Pte Ltd (4) VICOM Inspection Centre Pte Ltd  Principal Directorships in the ComfortDelGro Corporation Limited* (2) Comfort Transportation Pte Ltd (3) CityCab Pte Ltd (4) ComfortDelGro Engineering Pte. Ltd. (5) ComfortDelGro (China) Pte. Ltd. (6) ComfortDelGro Corporation Australia Pty Ltd (7) Braddell Limited (8) Metroline Limited (9) CityFleet Networks Limited (10) CMAC Group Limited (11) CFN Apex TopCo Limited (12) CFN Apex BidCo Limited (13) Addison Lee Group Limited  Directorships in the SBS Transit Group (1) SBS Transit Ltd* (2) SBS Transit Rail Pte. Ltd.  Other Directorships	<ul> <li>(1) ComfortDelGro Swan Pty Ltd</li> <li>(2) Swan Taxis Pty Ltd</li> <li>(3) SBS Transit Mobility Pte. Ltd.</li> <li>(4) CDC Private Mobility Pty Ltd</li> </ul>	(1) ComfortDelGro Corporation Limited* – Managing Director/ Group Chief Executive Officer	(1) SBS Transit Ltd*
		(1) Epworth Community Services			

# DIRECTORS' PARTICULARS

### **AS AT 3 MARCH 2025**

NAME	AGE	PRESENT DIRECTORSHIPS	PAST DIRECTORSHIPS HELD OVER THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS	PRESENT PRINCIPAL COMMITMENTS	PAST PRINCIPAL COMMITMENTS OVER THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS
Chief Executive Officer (Non-Independent Executive Director)	57	<ol> <li>VICOM Ltd*</li> <li>VICOM Inspection Centre Pte Ltd</li> <li>Setsco Services Pte Ltd</li> <li>JIC Inspection Services Pte Ltd</li> <li>Setsco Consultancy International Pte Ltd</li> <li>Setsco-An Security Pte. Ltd.</li> <li>Setsco Services (M) Sdn Bhd</li> <li>Setsco Middle East Laboratory LLC</li> </ol>	(1) ComfortDelGro Engineering Pte. Ltd.	(1) VICOM Ltd* – Chief Executive Officer	Nil
KARINA YEW-HOONG GIN (Independent Non- Executive Director)	59	(1) VICOM Ltd* (2) Magnuson Trust Limited	Nil	(1) National University of Singapore – Professor	(1) National University of Singapore – Associate Professor
OOI BENG CHIN  (Non-Independent Non-Executive Director)	63	<ul> <li>(1) VICOM Ltd*</li> <li>(2) ComfortDelGro</li></ul>	Nil	(1) National University of Singapore – Lee Kong Chian Centennial Professor of Computer Science (2) Zhejiang University China – Adjunct Chang Jiang Professor (3) Tsinghua University – Distinguished Visiting Chair Professor (4) Peking University – Visiting Chair Professor	<ol> <li>National University of Singapore –         Distinguished Professor</li> <li>National University of Singapore –         Director of Smart Systems Institute</li> </ol>
JUNE SEAH LEE KIANG (Independent Non- Executive Director)	71	(1) VICOM Ltd* (2) SimplyGo Pte Ltd	(1) Omise Payment SG Pte Ltd	Nil	<ul> <li>(1) The Peranakan at Claymore Connect         <ul> <li>Partner</li> </ul> </li> <li>(2) Omise Payment SG         <ul> <li>Pte Ltd – Senior</li> <li>Advisor</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

NAME	AGE	PRESENT DIRECTORSHIPS	PAST DIRECTORSHIPS HELD OVER THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS	PRESENT PRINCIPAL COMMITMENTS	PAST PRINCIPAL COMMITMENTS OVER THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS
SHIM PHYAU WUI, VICTOR (Independent Non- Executive Director)	71	(1) VICOM Ltd*	Nil	<ul> <li>(1) National University         of Singapore –         Emeritus Professor</li> <li>(2) Ningbo University         (China) – Professor</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(1) National University of Singapore –         Associate Vice-         President for Global Relations</li> <li>(2) National University of Singapore –         Professor</li> </ul>
SOH CHUNG HIAN, DANIEL (Independent Non- Executive Director)	71	(1) VICOM Ltd* (2) Sunright Limited* (3) Intraco Limited*	<ul> <li>(1) Lum Chang Holdings         Limited*</li> <li>(2) British and Malayan         Trustees Limited</li> <li>(3) Agency for Integrated Care         Pte Ltd</li> <li>(4) British and Malayan         Holdings Limited*</li> </ul>	Nil	Nil
TAN POH HONG (Independent Non- Executive Director)	66	<ul> <li>(1) VICOM Ltd*</li> <li>(2) Sheng Siong Group Ltd*</li> <li>(3) Centurion Corporation Limited*</li> <li>(4) AnnAik Limited*</li> <li>(5) APAC Realty Ltd*</li> <li>(6) OTS Holdings Limited*</li> <li>(7) Jilin Food Zone Pte Ltd</li> <li>(8) Vanguard Healthcare Pte. Ltd.</li> </ul>	(1) Barramundi Asia Pte Ltd	Nil	Nil
WONG YOKE WOON  (Independent Non-Executive Director)	51	(1) VICOM Ltd*	Nil	(1) National Trades Union Congress (NTUC) Operations Department - Director	<ul> <li>(1) Employment and Employability         Institute (e2i) –         Deputy CEO</li> <li>(2) Healthcare Services         Employees' Union         (HSEU) – Deputy         Executive Secretary</li> </ul>

# RISK MANAGEMENT

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT CHAPTER IN ANNUAL REPORT 2024**

The VICOM Group's Risk Management Framework provides a systematic process for the Group and its Business Units (BUs) to identify and review the nature and complexity of the risks involved in their business operations and to prioritise resources to manage them. The Group is committed to enhancing shareholder value through growth that is sustainable and profitable while taking measured and well-considered risks.

The Group's approach to risk management is underpinned by several key principles:

- The risk management process is a continuous and iterative one, as the Group's businesses and operating environments are dynamic. Risk identification, assessment, and risk management practices are reviewed and updated regularly to manage risks proactively.
- We promote and inculcate risk awareness among all our employees by embedding risk management processes into day-to-day business operations and setting an appropriate tone at the top. Regular briefings, continuous education and training, as well as communications through various forums on risk management are carried out to sustain a risk-informed and risk-aware culture in the Group.
- Ownership and accountability for the risk management process are clearly defined and assigned to the BUs, departments, and individuals. Managers at each level have intimate knowledge of their businesses and take ownership of risk management, with stewardship retained at Senior Management.

In line with the current dynamics in the global and local economies, the Group also reviewed its risk management policies and processes and refreshed the risk registers for the Group and its BUs. These refreshed risk registers reflect the current risk portfolios of the Group in mitigating business and operational risks while exploiting opportunities in the present technology-driven economy.

#### **Risk Management Model**

The Group has adopted the "Four Lines of Defence" as our assurance framework in risk management. The Board has the ultimate responsibility for the governance of risk and sets the tone and direction for the Group. It delegates the oversight of risk management and internal control to the Audit and Risk Committee (ARC). The ARC helps the Board ensure that the Management establishes and enforces a sound system of risk management and internal controls to safeguard the Group's assets and shareholders' interests and that a robust system and processes are in place to identify and manage risks enterprise-wide.

#### Sharing Risk Management Responsibilities Through The "Four Lines Of Defence" (LOD)

HIGHEST OVERSIGHT The Board is responsible for the oversight of VICOM Group risk management, internal control, policies and systems

The Board consists of the Chairman, Executive Directors and Non-Executive Directors who hold their Board meetings on a quarterly basis.



**3RD LINE** 

responsible for testing the effectiveness of the risk management, the internal control and compliance set up by Management as an independent assurance. The whistleblowing and results of investigated issues will be reported directly to the Audit and Risk Committee.

Internal Auditors report independently to the ARC. They adopt a risk-based approach when conducting their review.



2ND LINE

The VICOM Risk Steering Committee is responsible for the risk management framework and strategy. They set up the risk management strategy, implement control self-assessment and monitor regulatory compliance.

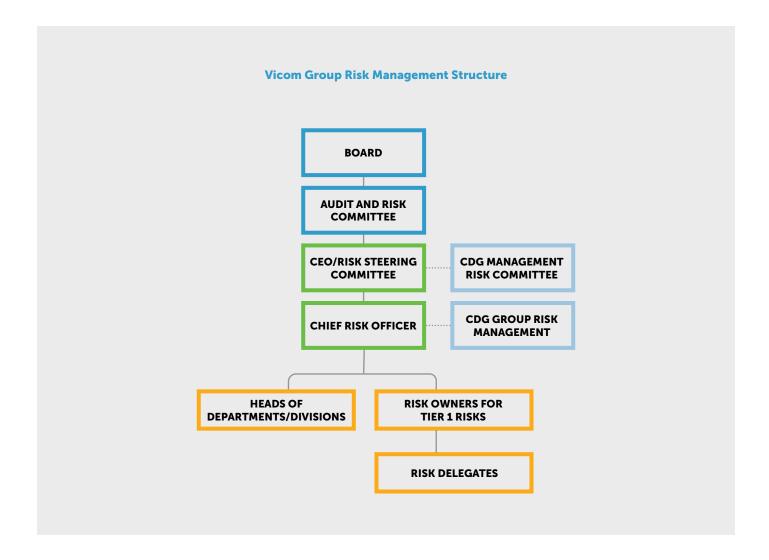
The VICOM RSC consists of CEO and Senior Management staff who will be responsible for the risk in their functional area.



**1ST LINE** 

Business Units are responsible for setting up the policy management, identify risk, build a robust internal control environment and construct a strong financial and operational governance. The Business Units Department Heads, Managers and employees embed risk mitigating factors when designing their operational process and procedures.

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The Group CEO chairs the Risk Steering Committee (RSC), and members are drawn from BUs' senior management staff. He is also a member of ComfortDelGro's Management Risk Committee and has appointed a Risk Officer to work closely with ComfortDelGro's Group Risk Management to ensure alignment and that the Risk Management Framework is diligently implemented. Key risks for the Group are identified and presented to the ARC and the Board annually.

The Group RSC meetings serve as the platform where Group and BU-level risks are shared and discussed, including the progress of the respective risk treatment action plans and the key risk indicators. Different BUs will have different risk

profiles but the risk assessment methodology, approach and processes are aligned with that of the Group, including the risk taxonomy. BUs are expected to continually refine and review their risk profiles and to detect and report any emerging risks promptly. This is to prevent unexpected risks and disruptions to our business operations and growth.

#### **Group Risk Profile**

The key risks faced by the Group, the relevant mitigating factors, and how they are managed are set out in the paragraphs below. The risks are categorised into Operational, Financial, Compliance, and Information Technology risks.

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#### **Operational Risks**

#### Safety Risk

The safety of our customers and employees has always been our top priority. To achieve assurance, we regularly update and revisit our safety policies and procedures. We apply zero tolerance to non-compliance with these policies. We also carry out risk assessment and safety inspections on our premises and conduct fire drills as part of our preventive measures.

The Group will continue to comply with the latest requirements imposed by the Ministry of Manpower (MOM).

#### **Competition Risk**

Competition remains keen in the Testing, Inspection, and Certification (TIC) industry, as evidenced by the 487 accredited laboratories, 138 accredited Inspection Bodies, and 203 accredited Certification Bodies. To remain relevant, the Group and its BUs will have to improve our offerings and services, enhance efficiency and productivity through digitalisation and automation, and leverage on partnerships and collaborations to enhance our value propositions. The Group must also continue to exploit technology to diversify its revenue stream and venture into a business that is still in its infancy.

#### Economic cycle

Changes in economic conditions may impact the businesses in terms of customer demand and the cost of providing the services. We manage these risks by continuously scanning and monitoring the economic climate and its impact across industries. We also monitor demand trends, cost structures, and operating margins closely. Expenses are managed in the light of revenue patterns and changing market conditions. Where possible, revenue risks are mitigated by diversifying revenue streams and reducing dependency on a specific industrial sector.

#### **Operational Performance Risk**

The Group and its BUs have established the requisite frameworks, standard operating procedures and Business Continuity Plans (BCPs) to ensure operational effectiveness and enable compliance and control of our various business operations and services. The BCPs are to mitigate the risks of disruption and catastrophic loss to our operations, people, information databases and other assets. Such risks can arise from adverse natural events like flooding, fires, or pandemic

outbreaks. The BCPs include identification and planning of alternate operation centres, operational procedures to maintain communication, measures to ensure continuity of critical business functions, protection of our employees and customers, and recovery of information databases. We update and test the BCP regularly. Drills and emergency response exercises are conducted to familiarise employees with the various incident management plans. The BCPs enhance the Group's operational readiness and resilience to potential business disruptions.

The Group also seeks to adopt the best industry practices, harmonise and streamline our processes, and attain 3rd party accreditation from the Singapore Accreditation Council (SAC) as an attestation to our technical competency and professionalism. Besides this, the Group works closely with the various regulatory bodies to keep abreast of the latest regulatory requirements and ensure compliance. Ensuring high standards and operational excellence will enable us to deliver the desired outcomes and mitigate the risk of operating licences, certifications, and accreditations being revoked.

#### Manpower Risk

The Group's ability to develop and grow the business depends on the quality of its people, and it is committed to investing in developing its talent pool. We believe in developing a strong workforce by putting in place various programmes and processes. These include talent management, building management bench strength, succession planning, performance management, compensation and benefits, training and development, and employee conduct and supervision. We ensure that our employees are selected and promoted based on merit and that they understand their responsibilities and are given access to the necessary training. At all times, a positive, constructive and productive working climate based on strong tripartite relations is fostered. We work with the Authorities and the Unions to ensure that our people are fairly recognised, remunerated and taken care of.

#### **Property and Liability**

The Group's exposure to property damage, business interruption and other liability risks is constantly monitored and reviewed with ComfortDelGro's wholly-owned insurance broking subsidiary. We ensure the sufficiency of insurance coverage and maintain an optimal balance between risks that are internal and risks that are placed out with underwriters.

### RISK MANAGEMENT

#### **Financial Risks**

#### **Budgetary Control**

A robust and comprehensive Annual Budget is prepared and approved by the Board prior to the commencement of each financial year. Material variations between actual and budgeted performance are reviewed on a monthly basis. The capital expenditure budget is approved in principle by the Board as part of the Annual Budget. Each capital expenditure is subjected to rigorous justification and review before it is incurred in accordance with the Group's financial authority limits. Specific approvals must be sought for unbudgeted expenditures. Tight control of manpower is exercised through the headcount budget.

#### Financial Management Risk

The Group upholds the highest integrity in financial statement disclosure. Financial Authority Limits are put in place for capital expenditure, operating expenses, treasury matters, direct investments, revenue tender participation, and disposal and write-off of assets. These authority limits are delegated based on the organisational hierarchy with the Board retaining the ultimate authority.

#### Fraud Risk

Committed to shareholder value and strategic growth, the Group prioritises proactive fraud prevention through comprehensive internal controls and audits, ensuring compliance and transparency. Vigilant risk awareness and ethical conduct are ingrained in our culture, securing our future through unwavering vigilance and integrity.

Our key deterrent and mitigation actions include:

Commitment, Oversight, and Tone from Top: The
Management sets the tone from the top in promoting
ethical culture and having zero tolerance to fraud. Our
employees are required to declare any conflicts of
interest annually. They undergo frequent trainings on
Anti-corruption, Anti-bribery, Ethics, and Competition Law.
To ensure our supply chain partners maintain the same
level of rigour we set internally, our suppliers are required
to comply with our Supplier Code of Conduct.

- The Group has established a Whistle Blowing Policy that provides a whistleblowing alert line that empowers our employees to report any misconduct or fraud directly to the Chairman of ARC and/or the Group Chief Internal Audit Officer. The policy is communicated to all employees twice yearly through Electronic Distribution Mails (EDMs) with their acknowledgment. The ARC provides independent oversight on the investigations conducted by Group Internal Audit. Reported incidents will be dealt with promptly and thoroughly.
- Proactive Risk Identification and Mitigation: Our commitment in preventing and detecting fraud extends beyond robust internal controls, including checks and balances and multi-step approvals. We leverage our comprehensive Minimum Acceptable Controls Self-Assessment (MACSA) to establish consistent baseline controls across the Group, enhancing the effectiveness of our finance and business processes.
- The Group has continually attained the ISO370001:2016
   Anti-Bribery Management System (ABMS) certification to further attest and strengthen its policies, internal processes, and procedures in preventing and mitigating the risk of fraud and bribery. Such certification demonstrates the Group's uncompromising commitment to combating fraud and bribery and its policy of zero tolerance for corruption.

#### **Compliance Risks**

#### Compliance & Regulatory Risk

The Group is committed to ensuring that all BUs comply with the laws and regulations in the country they operate in. These laws and regulations include, but are not limited to, labour, taxation, and environmental laws. As part of the risk management process, we maintain a compliance framework to monitor closely for any changes in the laws and regulations. Any changes are disseminated and updated in the respective compliance registers. We proactively engage the regulatory authorities for any updated policies. As and where necessary, our BUs will also provide feedback on proposed regulatory changes during industry or public consultation exercises.

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#### **Information Technology Risks**

#### **Cybersecurity Risk**

Cybersecurity remains a key risk for the Group, given the trend of increasing cyber-attacks globally, and that our digital footprint has grown with increased digitalisation. Coupled with the ever-evolving digital terrain, it is pertinent that the Group put in place a comprehensive and robust security framework, with regular reviews to ensure continuing relevance in the face of changing threats.

The Group's information technology security management framework complies with the latest industry standards. We have put in place various controls and data recovery measures to mitigate the risks, including the use of intrusion prevention systems, multi-level firewalls, server protection, software code hardening, and data loss prevention controls to manage internet security and cyber threats. Penetration tests are carried out regularly to test the systems, identify potential vulnerabilities and to strengthen the security hardening of our websites. Information security policies and procedures, including education and training for all staff, are reviewed and enhanced regularly.

#### **Data Confidentiality Risk**

As a data custodian for our employees' and customers' personal data, the Group has implemented various policies, practices, and controls to protect the confidentiality of these data. We regularly review our means of collecting, managing, safekeeping, sharing, and disposal of such data to ensure compliance with the personal data protection regulations. The Group and the BUs also evaluate and update our data inventory map bi-annually. Data Protection Officers and other organisational representatives involved in the

management of personal data are also sent for training to ensure that they are equipped with the required competencies.

The Group has attained the Data Protection Trust Mark (DPTM) from the Infocomm and Media Development Authority (IMDA) since 2020 as a testament to the adequacy and effectiveness of its policies, internal processes, and procedures in preventing personal data breaches.

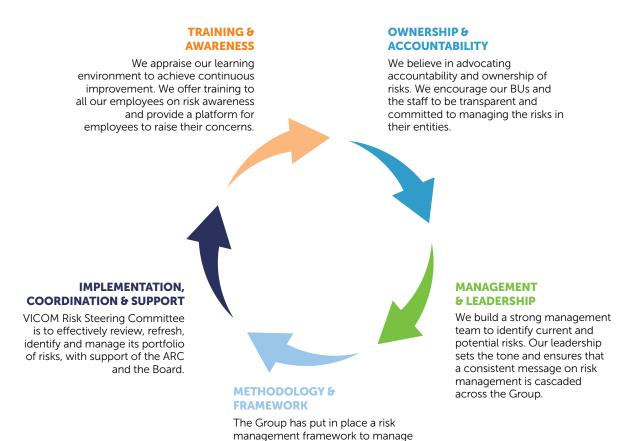
#### **Audit Process**

The Internal and External Auditors conduct reviews in accordance with their audit plans to assess the adequacy of the internal controls that are in place. A risk-based approach has been adopted for the annual internal audit plan, which extends to the auditable universe of the Group. In the course of their audits, the Internal and External Auditors will highlight to the Management and the ARC the areas with material deficiencies, non-compliance, weaknesses or occurrences or potential occurrence of significant risk events. The auditors will also propose mitigating measures and treatment plans. The audit recommendations are to be followed up as part of the Group's continuous review of its system of internal controls, and the implementation status is reported to the ARC. The Group Internal Audit is independent of the activities it audits, and has unfettered access to the ARC, the Board and the Management. In line with best practices, Group Internal Audit has a Quality Assurance Programme that covers all aspects of its audit activities and conforms to international standards of auditing. The Group Internal Audit successfully completed its external Quality Assurance Review in 2023 by Protiviti Pte Ltd and continues to meet or exceed the IIA Standards in all key aspects. The Quality Assurance Review is conducted every 5 years.

### RISK MANAGEMENT

#### **Risk Culture**

The Group believes in setting a robust risk management culture by ensuring good awareness, attitudes and behaviour toward risk management. We aim for continuous improvement by aligning ourselves with best practices and lessons learnt. The diagram below best describes the processes that the Group advocates to sustain continuous improvement in our risk management.



#### **Code of Business Conduct**

The Group has adopted a Code of Business Conduct that sets out the principles and policies upon which businesses are conducted. The Code of Business Conduct includes anti-corruption and anti-bribery policies that stress on zero tolerance for fraud, and improper use of monetary favours, gifts, or entertainment. In addition, employees should not put themselves in a position of conflict of interest with the Group. If there is a potential conflict of interest, employees should declare to their immediate supervisors and recuse themselves from the decision process.

risks at the Group and BU levels. The risks are regularly updated to reflect changes in the business environment and the risk terrain.

# FINANCIAL CALENDAR

2024

Announcement of 2023 Full Year Results	21 February 2024

Annual General Meeting 24 April 2024

Payment of 2023 Final Dividend (2.75 cents/share) 13 May 2024

Announcement of 2024 Half Year Results 7 August 2024

Payment of 2024 Interim Dividend (2.8 cents/share) 23 August 2024

2025

Announcement of 2024 Full Year Results 21 February 2025

Annual General Meeting 23 April 2025

Payment of 2024 Final Dividend (3.0 cents/share) 9 May 2025

(Subject to Shareholders' approval at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting)

Announcement of 2025 Half Year Results 11 August 2025\*

\* Provisional – Updates will be posted on www.vicom.com.sg

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# DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

The Directors present their statement to the members together with the audited consolidated financial statements of the VICOM Ltd (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") and statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

#### **OPINION OF THE DIRECTORS**

In the opinion of the Directors,

- (i) the consolidated financial statements of the Group and the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group and of the Company as at 31 December 2024 and of the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group and changes in equity of the Company for the year ended on that date; and
- (ii) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

#### 1. DIRECTORS

The Directors of the Company in office at the date of this statement are:

Tan Kim Siew (Chairman)

Cheng Siak Kian (Deputy Chairman)
Sim Wing Yew (Chief Executive Officer)

Shim Phyau Wui, Victor

Karina Yew-Hoong Gin (Appointed on 1 November 2024)

Ooi Beng Chin June Seah Lee Kiang Soh Chung Hian, Daniel

Tan Poh Hong Wong Yoke Woon

# 2. ARRANGEMENTS TO ENABLE DIRECTORS TO ACQUIRE BENEFITS BY MEANS OF THE ACQUISITION OF SHARES AND DEBENTURES

Neither at the end of the financial year nor at any time during the financial year did there subsist any arrangement whose object is to enable the Directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares or debentures in the Company or any other body corporate, except for the options mentioned in paragraphs 3 of the Directors' Statement.

# DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

#### 3. DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND DEBENTURES

The Directors of the Company holding office at the end of the financial year had no interests in the share capital and debentures of the Company and its related corporations as recorded in the register of Directors' shareholdings kept by the Company under Section 164 of the Singapore Companies Act 1967 except as follows:

		Shareholdings registered in the name of Director			
		At 1 January 2024	At 31 December 2024	At 21 January 2025	
Inte	rest in the Company				
(a)	Ordinary shares				
	Sim Wing Yew Shim Phyau Wui, Victor (Deemed interest)	40,000 24,000	40,000 24,000	40,000 24,000	
Inte	rest in related company, SBS Transit Ltd				
(a)	Ordinary shares				
	Cheng Siak Kian Sim Wing Yew	7,500 30,000	35,000 30,000	35,000 30,000	
(b)	Unvested performance share awards under the SBS	Executive Share Award	Scheme		
		N	umber of unvested		
			held by Director		
		At 1 January	At 31 December	At 21 January	
		2024	2024	2025	
Chei	ng Siak Kian	102,500	75,000	75,000	
		s	hareholdings regis in the name of Dire		
		At	At	At	
		1 January 2024	31 December 2024	21 January 2025	
Inte	rest in ultimate holding company, ComfortDelGro	Corporation Limited			
(a)	Ordinary shares				
	Chang Cial Vian	78,750	152,500	152,500	
	Cheng Siak Kian Sim Wing Yew	527,500	567,500	567,500	

### DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

#### 3. DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND DEBENTURES (CONT'D)

(b) Unvested performance share awards under the ComfortDelGro Executive Share Award Scheme

	N	Number of unvested share held by Directors				
	At	At	At			
	1 January	31 December	21 January			
	2024	2024	2025			
Cheng Siak Kian	236,250	362,500	362,500			
Sim Wing Yew	112,500	162,500	162,500			

#### 4. OPTIONS TO TAKE UP UNISSUED SHARES

During the financial year, no options to take up unissued shares of the Company or any corporation in the Group were granted.

#### 5. OPTIONS EXERCISED

During the financial year, there were no shares of the Company or any corporation in the Group issued by virtue of the exercise of an option to take up unissued shares.

#### 6. UNISSUED SHARES UNDER OPTION

At the end of the financial year, there were no unissued shares of the Company or any corporation in the Group under option.

### DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

#### 7. AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE

At the date of this report, the Audit and Risk Committee comprises five independent non-executive Directors:

Soh Chung Hian, Daniel (Chairman) June Seah Lee Kiang Shim Phyau Wui, Victor Tan Poh Hong Wong Yoke Woon

The Audit and Risk Committee carried out its functions in accordance with Section 201B (5) of the Singapore Companies Act 1967 and the Code of Corporate Governance 2018.

In performing its functions, the Audit and Risk Committee reviewed the overall scope of both internal and external audits and the assistance given by the Company's officers to the auditors.

It met with the Company's internal and external auditors four times during the year to discuss the scope and results of their respective audits, and at least once annually without the presence of management. The Audit and Risk Committee has reviewed the independence of the external auditors, Ernst & Young LLP, including the scope of the non-audit services performed and confirmed that the auditors are independent.

The Audit and Risk Committee has full access to and has the co-operation of management and has been given the resources required for it to discharge its function properly. It also has full discretion to invite any director and executive officer to attend its meetings. The external and internal auditors have unrestricted access to the Audit and Risk Committee.

In addition, the Audit and Risk Committee reviewed the financial statements of the Group before their submission to the Board of Directors of the Company and provided assurance to the Board on the adequacy of financial, operational, compliance and information technology controls.

#### 8. AUDITORS

Ernst & Young LLP have expressed their willingness to accept re-appointment as auditor.

On behalf of the board of directors,

#### **Tan Kim Siew**

Chairman

#### **Sim Wing Yew**

Chief Executive Officer

Singapore 21 February 2025

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF VICOM LTD

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of VICOM Ltd (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group"), which comprise the statements of financial position of the Group and the Company as at 31 December 2024, the statements of changes in equity of the Group and the Company and the consolidated income statement, consolidated statement of comprehensive income and consolidated cash flow statement of the Group for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements of the Group, the statement of financial position and the statement of changes in equity of the Company are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1967 (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 2024 and of the consolidated financial performance, consolidated changes in equity and consolidated cash flows of the Group and changes in equity of the Company for the 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 Group 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 significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current 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. For each matter below, our description of how our audit addressed the matter is provided in that context.

We have fulfilled our responsibilities described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report, including in relation to these matters. Accordingly, our audit included the performance of procedures designed to respond to our assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements. The results of our audit procedures, including the procedures performed to address the matters below, provide the basis for our audit opinion on the accompanying financial statements.

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

#### TO THE MEMBERS OF VICOM LTD

#### Key audit matters (cont'd)

#### Goodwill impairment review

The Group is required to test goodwill for impairment annually, or when an indicator of impairment is identified. The carrying value of goodwill is disclosed in Note 13 to the consolidated financial statements. The impairment assessment requires determination of the recoverable amount of the assets based on the higher of value in use and fair value less costs of disposal that are determined by applying valuation techniques such as the discounted cash flow method. This assessment requires the exercise of significant judgement about forecast of future cash flows that are affected by management's plans for sales growth, operational development and capital expenditures, the future economic and market conditions, and the suitable discount rates that reflect the risks associated with the forecasts. These key assumptions and inputs are subject to estimation uncertainty and they can significantly impact the results of the impairment review. As such, we have considered this to be a key audit matter.

We obtained the discounted cash flow workings which were prepared based on financial and operating budgets approved by management and evaluated the reasonableness of key assumptions and inputs used, including but not limited to profit margins, growth and discount rates by comparing to historical information, external market data and observed trends. We evaluated the robustness of management's budgeting process by comparing the actual results to previously forecasted results. We performed sensitivity analysis on certain key assumptions for alternative reasonably possible scenarios. We assessed the reasonableness of the discount rates applied with the assistance of our internal valuation specialist. We also reviewed the disclosures in relation to the Group's goodwill in Notes 3.2(a) and Note 13 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### Other information

Other information consists of the information included in the Group's 2024 Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. We obtained the Directors' Statement prior to the date of our auditor's report, and we expect to obtain the remaining other information included in the annual report after the date of our auditor's report. Management is responsible for the other information.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not and will 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 on the other information obtained prior to the date of the auditor's report, 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 SFRS(I), 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

#### TO THE MEMBERS OF VICOM LTD

#### 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:

- 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.
- 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.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- 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.
- 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.
- Plan and perform the group audit to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group as a basis for forming 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.

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 year 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.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO THE MEMBERS OF VICOM LTD

#### **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 Lim Huijing Amanda.

#### **Ernst & Young LLP**

Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants Singapore

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# STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

		Gı	roup	Company	
	Note	2024 \$′000	2023 \$'000	2024 \$′000	2023 \$'000
ASSETS					
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	5	60,705	55,066	57,068	52,071
Trade receivables	6	17,503	14,378	5,021	2,645
Other receivables and prepayments	7	2,186	2,315	855	968
Due from subsidiary	8	_	_	_	3,416
Inventories		12	28	_	_
Total current assets		80,406	71,787	62,944	59,100
Non-current assets					
Subsidiaries	9	_	_	25,941	25,941
Associate	10	25	25	_	_
Due from subsidiary	8	_		6,181	_
Financial assets at fair value through	-			, -	
other comprehensive income	11	6.439	6,262	6,439	6.262
Vehicles, premises and equipment	12	111,546	105,515	30,456	33,039
Goodwill	13	11,588	11,588	_	_
Intangible assets		8	16	_	_
Deferred tax assets	17	1,197	1,178	1,048	1,131
Total non-current assets		130,803	124,584	70,065	66,373
Total assets		211,209	196,371	133,009	125,473
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY					
Current liabilities					
Trade and other payables	14	26,870	24,024	8,849	7,992
Due to subsidiaries	15	_	_	26,560	24,760
Lease liabilities	16	1,147	1,444	617	650
Income tax payable		6,602	5,851	3,941	3,335
Total current liabilities		34,619	31,319	39,967	36,737
Non-current liabilities					
Other payables	14	720	720	_	_
Deferred tax liabilities	17	2,624	2,053	_	_
Lease liabilities	16	30,733	29,977	24,341	23,774
Total non-current liabilities		34,077	32,750	24,341	23,774
Total liabilities		68,696	64,069	64,308	60,511
Capital, reserves and non-controlling interests					
Share capital	18	36,284	36,284	36,284	36,284
Other reserves	19	4,875	4,698	4,875	4,698
Foreign currency translation reserve		(89)	(180)	. –	_
Accumulated profits		99,700	90,095	27,542	23,980
Equity attributable to shareholders of the Company		140,770	130,897	68,701	64,962
Non-controlling interests		1,743	1,405	-	_
Total equity		142,513	132,302	68,701	64,962
Total liabilities and equity		211,209	196,371	133,009	125,473

# GROUP INCOME STATEMENT

### FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

		Group		
	Note	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000	
Revenue	20	119,482	111,903	
Staff costs	21	(53,040)	(52,385)	
Depreciation and amortisation		(8,547)	(7,894)	
Contract services		(5,971)	(2,367)	
Materials and consumables		(3,722)	(3,598)	
Utilities and communication costs		(3,708)	(3,074)	
Premises costs		(2,270)	(2,002)	
Repairs and maintenance costs		(2,090)	(1,985)	
Other operating costs		(5,510)	(5,548)	
Total operating costs		(84,858)	(78,853)	
Operating profit		34,624	33,050	
Finance costs	22	(866)	(866)	
Interest income		1,938	1,886	
Profit before taxation		35,696	34,070	
Taxation	23	(6,074)	(6,056)	
Profit after taxation	24	29,622	28,014	
Profit attributable to:				
Shareholders of the Company		29,284	27,601	
Non-controlling interests		338	413	
		29,622	28,014	
Earnings per share (in cents):				
Basic	25	8.26	7.78	
Diluted	25	8.26	7.78	

# GROUP COMPREHENSIVE INCOME STATEMENT

### FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

		Group		
	Note	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000	
cher comprehensive income: Institute may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss Is that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss Is that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss In a value adjustment on equity investments  11  Ther comprehensive income for the year  Ital comprehensive income attributable to: In a comprehensive income	29,622	28,014		
Other comprehensive income:				
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss				
Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations		91	(89)	
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss				
Fair value adjustment on equity investments	11	177	690	
Other comprehensive income for the year		268	601	
Total comprehensive income for the year		29,890	28,615	
Total comprehensive income attributable to:				
Shareholders of the Company		29,552	28,202	
Non-controlling interests		338	413	
		29,890	28,615	

# STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

### FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Att	ributable	to sharehold	ers of the Comp	oany	_	
			Foreign				
			currency			Non-	
	Share			Accumulated		controlling	Total
	capital \$'000	reserves \$'000	reserve \$'000	profits \$'000	Total \$'000	interests \$'000	equity \$'000
Group	7 000	<b>+</b> 555	<del>-                                    </del>	<del> </del>	7 333	<del> </del>	7 000
At 1 January 2024	36,284	4,698	(180)	90,095	130,897	1,405	132,302
Profit for the year	_			29,284	29,284	338	29,622
Other comprehensive income	_	177	91	_	268	_	268
Total comprehensive income							
for the year	-	177	91	29,284	29,552	338	29,890
Contribution by and							
distributions ushareholders							
Payment of dividends (Note 30)	_	_	-	(19,679)	(19,679)	_	(19,679)
Total contributions by shareholders	_	_	_	(19,679)	(19,679)	-	(19,679)
At 31 December 2024	36,284	4,875	(89)	99,700	140,770	1,743	142,513
At 1 January 2023 (restated)	36,284	4,008	(91)	84.016	124,217	914	125,131
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Profit for the year	_	_	_	27,601	27,601	413	28,014
Other comprehensive income	_	690	(89)	_	601		601
Total comprehensive income							
for the year	_	690	(89)	27,601	28,202	413	28,615
Contribution by and distributions to shareholders							
Payment of dividends (Note 30)	_	_	_	(21,522)	(21,522)	_	(21,522)
Total contributions by shareholders	_	_	_	(21,522)			(21,522)
Acquisitions of subsidiary	-	_	-	-	-	78	78
At 31 December 2023	36,284	4.698	(180)	90,095	130,897	1,405	132,302

# STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Share capital \$'000	Other reserves \$'000	Accumulated profits \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Company				
At 1 January 2024	36,284	4,698	23,980	64,962
Profit for the year	_	_	23,241	23,241
Other comprehensive income	_	177	_	177
Total comprehensive income for the year	_	177	23,241	23,418
Contribution by and distributions				
to shareholders				
Payment of dividends (Note 30)		_	(19,679)	(19,679)
Total contributions by shareholders	_	_	(19,679)	(19,679)
At 31 December 2024	36,284	4,875	27,542	68,701
At 1 January 2023 (restated)	36,284	4,008	16,816	57,108
Profit for the year	_	_	28,686	28,686
Other comprehensive income	_	690	_	690
Total comprehensive income for the year	_	690	28,686	29,376
Contribution by and distributions to shareholders				
Payment of dividends (Note 30)	_		(21,522)	(21,522)
Total contributions by shareholders	_	_	(21,522)	(21,522)
At 31 December 2023	36,284	4,698	23,980	64,962

# GROUP CASH FLOW STATEMENT

## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Operating activities			
Profit before taxation		35,696	34,070
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation and amortisation		8,547	7,894
Interest expense	22	866	866
Interest income		(1,938)	(1,886)
Loss/(gain) on disposal of vehicles, premises and equipment	24	12	(24)
Writeback of allowance for expected credit losses	6	(436)	(163)
Operating cash flows before changes in working capital		42,747	40,757
Changes in working capital			
Trade receivables		(2,689)	(1,831)
Other receivables and prepayments		(318)	(286)
Inventories		16	(18)
Trade and other payables and provision for relocation costs		825	(1,243)
Cash flows generated from operations		40,581	37,379
Interest paid		(866)	(866)
Income tax paid		(4,772)	(4,851)
Net cash flows generated from operating activities		34,943	31,662
Investing activities			
Purchase of vehicles, premises and equipment		(11,906)	(12,793)
Proceeds from government grant	12	1,352	_
Interest received		2,385	1,388
Proceeds from disposal of vehicles and equipment		10	40
Purchase of unquoted equity instruments	11	_	(2,355)
Acquisition of subsidiary, net of cash acquired	13	_	(492)
Net cash flows used in investing activities		(8,159)	(14,212)
Financing activities			
Repayments of lease liabilities		(1,524)	(1,301)
Dividends paid	30	(19,679)	(21,522)
Net cash flows used in financing activities		(21,203)	(22,823)
Net effect of foreign exchange rates in consolidating subsidiaries		58	(52)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		5,639	(5,425)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year		55,066	60,491
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	5	60,705	55,066

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

The Company (Registration No. 198100320K) is incorporated in the Republic of Singapore with its registered office at 205 Braddell Road, Singapore 579701. Its principal place of business is at 385 Sin Ming Drive, Singapore 575718. The Company is listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited.

The principal activities of the Company are those of an investment holding company and the provision of motor vehicle evaluation and other related services. The principal activities of the companies in the Group are in the business of testing services which include the provision of motor vehicle inspection services and provision of non-vehicle testing, inspection and consultancy services, as described in Note 9.

The financial statements are expressed in Singapore dollars and all values are expressed in thousand (\$'000) except when otherwise indicated.

The consolidated financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2024 and the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company as at 31 December 2024 were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 21 February 2025.

#### 2. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION

#### 2.1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost basis, except as disclosed in the accounting policies below and are drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act 1967 and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (International) ("SFRS(I)s").

Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for goods and services.

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, regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique. In estimating the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Group takes into account the characteristics of the asset or liability which market participants would take into account when pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. Fair value for measurement and/or disclosure purposes in these Consolidated financial statements is determined on such a basis, except for share-based payment transactions that are within the scope of SFRS(I) 2 Share-based Payment, leasing transactions that are within the scope of SFRS(I) 16 Leases, and measurements that have some similarities to fair value but are not fair value, such as net realisable value in SFRS(I) 1-2 Inventories or value in use in SFRS(I) 1-36 Impairment of Assets.

## 2.2 Adoption of new and revised standards

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year except in the current financial year, the Group has adopted all the new and revised standards which are effective for annual financial periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024. The adoption of these standards did not have any material effect on the financial performance or position of the Group and the Company.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 2. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONT'D)

### 2.3 New/revised standards and improvements to the standards not yet adopted

The Group has not applied the following accounting standards that are relevant to the Group and have been issued as at the end of the reporting period but not yet effective:

- Amendments to SFRS(I) 9 and SFRS(I) 7: Amendments to the Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments (1)
- Annual improvements to SFRS(I)s—Volume 11<sup>(1)</sup>
- SFRS(I) 18: Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements (2)
- SFRS(I) 19: Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures (2)
- (1) Applies to annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2026
- (2) Applies to annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2027

Management anticipates that the adoption of the above new/revised standards and improvements to the standards in future periods will not have a material impact on the financial statements of the Group in the period of their initial adoption.

#### 2.4 Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and entities controlled by the Company and its subsidiaries. Control is achieved when the Company:

- Has power over the investee;
- Is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee; and
- Has the ability to use its power to affect its returns.

The Company reassesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control listed above.

Consolidation of a subsidiary begins when the Company obtains control over the subsidiary and ceases when the Company loses control of the subsidiary. Specifically, income and expenses of a subsidiary acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the Group income statement and Group comprehensive income statement from the date the Company gains control until the date when the Company ceases to control the subsidiary.

Profit or loss and each component of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests. Total comprehensive income of subsidiaries is attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

When necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of the subsidiary to bring its accounting policies in line with those consistently used by the Group.

All intra-group transactions, balances, income and expenses are eliminated on consolidation.

Non-controlling interests in the net assets of consolidated subsidiaries are identified separately from the Group's equity therein. Non-controlling interests consist of the amount of those interests at the date of the original business combination (see below) and the non-controlling interests' share of changes in equity since the date of the combination. Losses are attributed to non-controlling interests even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

In the statement of financial position of the Company, investments in subsidiaries and associates are carried at cost.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 2. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONT'D)

#### 2.5 Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the Group's statement of financial position when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition.

#### Financial assets

All recognised financial assets are subsequently measured in their entirety at either amortised cost or fair value, depending on the classification of the financial assets.

#### Classification of financial assets

Debt instruments that meet the following conditions are subsequently measured at amortised cost:

- the asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets in order to collect contractual cash flows;
   and
- the contractual terms of the instrument give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Despite the aforegoing, the Group may make the following irrevocable election/designation at initial recognition of a financial asset:

• the Group may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in fair value of an equity investment in Other Comprehensive Income if certain criteria are met.

#### Amortised cost and effective interest method

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a debt instrument and of allocating interest income over the relevant period.

The amortised cost of a financial asset is the amount at which the financial asset is measured at initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount, adjusted for any loss allowance.

#### Equity instruments designated as at FVTOCI

On initial recognition, the Group may make an irrevocable election (on an instrument-by-instrument basis) to designate investments in equity instruments as at FVTOCI. Designation at FVTOCI is not permitted if the equity investment is held for trading or if it is contingent consideration recognised by an acquirer in a business combination to which SFRS(I) 3 applies.

A financial asset is held for trading if:

- it has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling it in the near term; or
- on initial recognition it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the Group manages together and has evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- it is a derivative (except for a derivative that is a financial guarantee contract or a designated and effective hedging instrument).

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 2. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONT'D)

#### 2.5 Financial instruments (cont'd)

Financial assets (cont'd)

Equity instruments designated as at FVTOCI (cont'd)

Investments in equity instruments at FVTOCI are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value with gains and losses arising from changes in fair value recognised in Other Comprehensive Income and accumulated in the revaluation reserve. The cumulative gain or loss will not be reclassified to profit or loss on disposal of the equity investments, instead, they will be transferred to retained earnings.

The Group has designated its investment in equity instruments, which comprises of an unquoted equity security and is not held for trading, as at FVTOCI (see Note 11).

Dividends on this investment in equity instruments is recognised in profit or loss when the Group's right to receive the dividends is established, unless the dividends clearly represent a recovery of part of the cost of the investment.

#### Impairment of financial assets

The Group applies the simplified approach permitted by SFRS(I) 9 for trade receivables. The expected credit losses ("ECL") on these financial assets are estimated based on the Group's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors as well as current and forecast general economic conditions at the reporting date. The amount of ECL is updated at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition of the respective financial instrument.

For all other financial instruments, the Group recognises lifetime ECL when there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. However, if the credit risk on the financial instrument has not increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group measures the loss allowance for that financial instrument at an amount equal to 12-month ECL.

Lifetime ECL represents the expected credit losses that will result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument. In contrast, the 12-month ECL represents the portion of lifetime ECL that is expected to result from default events on a financial instrument that are possible within 12 months after the reporting date.

To assess whether there is a significant increase in credit risk, the Group compares the risk of a default occurring on the asset as at the reporting date with the rate of default as at the date of initial recognition. It considers available reasonable and supportive forward-looking information, where relevant. The internal credit rating of these financial assets are categorised as "Doubtful". The basis for recognition of ECL for financial assets with significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition is lifetime ECL - not credit impaired.

A default on a financial asset is when the counterparty fails to make contractual payments within a specific period after the credit period granted. The internal credit rating of these financial assets are categorised as "Non-performing". The basis for recognition of ECL for financial assets with evidence indicating credit-impaired is lifetime ECL – credit impaired.

A financial asset is credit-impaired when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of that financial asset have occurred. Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired include taking into consideration observable data about the significant financial difficulty of the issuer or the borrower; a breach of contract, such as a default or past due event; it is becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation.

Where receivables have been written off, the Group continues to recover the receivables due. Where recoveries are made, these are recognised in profit or loss.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 2. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONT'D)

#### 2.5 Financial instruments (cont'd)

Financial assets (cont'd)

#### Derecognition of financial assets

The Group derecognises a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another party.

On derecognition of a financial asset measured at amortised cost, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable is recognised in profit or loss.

On derecognition of an investment in equity instrument which the Group has elected on initial recognition to measure at FVTOCI, the cumulative gain or loss previously accumulated in the revaluation reserve is not reclassified to profit or loss, but is transferred to retained earnings.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments

#### Classification as debt or equity

Financial liabilities and equity instruments issued by the Group are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument.

#### **Equity instruments**

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Group after deducting all of its liabilities. Equity instruments are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

#### Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are initially measured at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method, with interest expense recognised on an effective yield basis.

#### Derecognition of financial liabilities

The Group derecognises financial liabilities when, and only when, the Group's obligations are discharged, cancelled or they expire. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognised and the consideration paid and payable, including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

#### 2.6 Leases

## The Group as lessor

When the Group is an intermediate lessor, it accounts for the head lease and the sublease as two separate contracts. The sublease is classified as an operating lease by reference to the right-of-use asset arising from the head lease.

Rental income from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 2. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONT'D)

#### 2.6 Leases (cont'd)

The Group as lessee

The Group assesses whether a contract is or contains a lease, at inception of the contract. The Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability with respect to all lease arrangements in which it is the lessee, except for short-term leases (defined as leases with a lease term of 12 months or less) and leases of low value assets. For these leases, the Group recognises the lease payments as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease unless another systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the leased assets are consumed.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted by using the rate implicit in the lease. If this rate cannot be readily determined, the Group uses the incremental borrowing rate specific to the lessee.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise:

- Fixed lease payments (including in-substance fixed payments), less any lease incentives;
- Variable lease payments that depend on an index or rate, initially measured using the index or rate at the commencement date;
- The amount expected to be payable by the lessee under residual value guarantees;
- The exercise price of purchase options, if the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise the options; and
- Payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the exercise of an option to terminate
  the lease.

The lease liability is presented as a separate line in the Statements of Financial Position.

The lease liability is subsequently measured by increasing the carrying amount to reflect interest on the lease liability (using the effective interest method) and by reducing the carrying amount to reflect the lease payments made.

The Group remeasures the lease liability (and makes a corresponding adjustment to the related right-of-use asset) whenever:

- the lease term has changed or there is a significant event or change in circumstances resulting in a change in the assessment of exercise of a purchase option, in which case the lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate;
- the lease payments change due to changes in an index or rate or a change in expected payment under a guaranteed
  residual value, in which cases the lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using the
  initial discount rate (unless the lease payments change is due to a change in a floating interest rate, in which case a
  revised discount rate is used); or
- a lease contract is modified and the lease modification is not accounted for as a separate lease, in which case the lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate at the effective date of the modification.

The right-of-use assets comprise the initial measurement of the corresponding lease liability, lease payments made at or before the commencement day and any initial direct costs. They are subsequently measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 2. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONT'D)

#### 2.6 Leases (cont'd)

The Group as lessee (cont'd)

Whenever the Group incurs an obligation for costs to dismantle and remove a leased asset, restore the site on which it is located or restore the underlying asset to the condition required by the terms and conditions of the lease, a provision is recognised and measured under SFRS(I) 1-37 *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*. The costs are included in the related right-of-use asset, unless those costs are incurred to produce inventories.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated over the shorter period of lease term and useful life of the underlying asset. If a lease transfers ownership of the underlying asset or the cost of the right-of-use asset reflects that the Group expects to exercise a purchase option, the related right-of-use asset is depreciated over the useful life of the underlying asset. The depreciation starts at the commencement date of the lease.

The right-of-use assets are presented within vehicles, premises and equipment in the statements of financial position.

The Group applies SFRS(I) 1-36 to determine whether a right-of-use asset is impaired.

Variable rents that do not depend on an index or rate are not included in the measurement of the lease liability and the right-of-use asset. The related payments are recognised as an expense in the period in which the event or condition that triggers those payments occurs and are included in the line 'Other operating costs' in the Group Income Statement.

For a contract that contains a lease component and one or more additional lease or non-lease components, the Group allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of the relative stand-alone price of the lease component and the aggregate stand-alone price of the non-lease components.

#### 2.7 Vehicles, premises and equipment

Vehicles, premises and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any provision for impairment.

Capital projects in progress comprising development and construction costs incurred during the period of construction are carried at cost, less any recognised provision for impairment. Depreciation on these assets, on the same basis as other vehicles, premises and equipment, commences when the assets are available for use.

Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost of the assets, other than capital projects in progress, over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method, on the following bases:

Number of years

	Number of years
Leasehold land, buildings and other assets	Over the remaining lease period
Furniture, fittings and equipment	5
Workshop machinery, tools and equipment	
<ul> <li>General workshop machinery, tools and equipment</li> </ul>	3 to 10
<ul> <li>Specalised inspection and testing equipment</li> </ul>	20
Motor vehicles	5 to 10
Computers and automated equipment	3 to 5

The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate accounted for on a prospective basis.

The gain or loss arising on disposal or retirement of an item of vehicles, premises and equipment is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amounts of the asset and is recognised in profit or loss.

Fully depreciated vehicles, premises and equipment are retained in the financial statements until they are no longer in use.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 2. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONT'D)

#### 2.8 Goodwill

Goodwill arising on the acquisition of a subsidiary represents the excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's interest in the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the subsidiary recognised at the date of acquisition.

Goodwill is initially recognised as an asset at cost and is subsequently measured at cost less any provision for impairment.

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination. Cash-generating units to which goodwill has been allocated are tested for impairment annually at year end, or more frequently when there is an indication that the unit may be impaired.

#### 2.9 Impairment of non-financial assets excluding goodwill

At the end of each reporting year, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its non-financial assets, if any, to determine whether there is any indication of impairment.

#### 2.10 Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Group will be required to settle that obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the present value of the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting year, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation.

## 2.11 Staff costs

These comprise the following:

## (a) Defined contribution plans

The Company and some of the subsidiaries participate in defined contribution retirement benefit plan (Central Provident Fund for Singapore-incorporated subsidiaries and Employees Provident Fund for Malaysia-incorporated subsidiary). Payments made to the plan are charged as an expense as they fall due.

## (b) Employee leave entitlement

Employee entitlements to annual leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the end of the reporting period.

## 2.12 Government grants

Government grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the Group will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Government grants are recognised in profit or loss on a systematic basis over the periods in which the Group recognises as expenses the related costs for which the grants are intended to compensate.

Government grants that are receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the Group with no future related costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they become receivable.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 2. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONT'D)

## 2.13 Revenue recognition

The Group recognises revenue from the following major sources:

- Vehicle inspection services; and
- Testing and inspection testing

Vehicle inspection services

Revenue from vehicle inspection services is recognised at a point in time upon completion of the inspection services.

Testing services

Revenue from testing services for aerospace, marine and offshore, biotechnology, oil and petrochemical, building construction and electronics manufacturing industries is recognised at a point in time upon completion of the final test report.

Rental income

Rental income is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

## 2.14 Interest income

Interest income is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable.

#### 2.15 Income tax

Current income tax liabilities (and assets) for current and prior periods are recognised at the amounts expected to be paid to (or recovered from) the tax authorities, using the tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting year.

Deferred income tax assets/liabilities are recognised for deductible/taxable temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts. The principal temporary differences arise from depreciation and future tax benefits from certain provisions are not allowed for tax purposes until a later period. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised on taxable temporary differences arising from investment in subsidiaries except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting year and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Group intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

Current and deferred tax are recognised as an expense or income in profit or loss, except when they relate to items credited or debited outside profit or loss (either in Other Comprehensive Income or directly in equity), in which case the tax is also recognised outside profit or loss (either in Other Comprehensive Income or directly in equity), or where they arise from the initial accounting for a business combination.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 2. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONT'D)

#### 2.16 Foreign currency transactions

The individual financial statements of each Group entity are measured and presented in the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (its functional currency). The Consolidated financial statements of the Group and the statement of financial position and Statement of Changes in Equity of the Company are presented in Singapore dollars, which is the functional currency of the Company and the presentation currency for the Consolidated financial statements.

Transactions in currencies other than each Group entity's functional currency are recorded at the rate of exchange prevailing on the date of the transaction. At the end of each reporting period, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at the end of each reporting period. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates prevailing on the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

On consolidation, exchange differences arising from the translation of the net investment in foreign entities are recognised in Other Comprehensive Income and accumulated in the currency translation reserve.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign operation are treated as assets and liabilities of a foreign operation and translated at the closing rate.

### 2.17 Cash and cash equivalents in the cash flow statement of the Group

Cash and cash equivalents in the cash flow statement of the Group comprise cash on hand and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

#### 3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, which are described in Note 2, the management is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

#### 3.1 Critical judgements in applying the Group's accounting policies

Management is of the opinion that there were no significant judgements made in applying the accounting policies in the consolidated financial statements.

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#### 3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (CONT'D)

## 3.2 Key sources of estimation uncertainty

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of the reporting period, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are discussed below:

#### (a) Goodwill impairment review

The Group tests goodwill annually for impairment, or more frequently if there are indicators that goodwill might be impaired.

Determining whether goodwill is impaired requires an estimation of the value in use of the cash-generating units ("CGU") to which goodwill has been allocated. The value in use calculation requires the entity to estimate the future cash flows expected to arise from the cash-generating unit and a suitable discount rate in order to calculate present value. No provision for impairment has been recognised.

The recoverable amounts of the CGUs are determined from value in use calculations. The key assumptions for the value in use calculations are those regarding the discount rates and growth rates.

The Group prepares cash flow forecasts derived from the most recent financial budgets approved by management for the next year and extrapolates cash flows for the next four years based on a range of estimated growth rates of approximately 2.0% to 10.0% (2023: 1.2% to 10.1%). Cash flows for the terminal year have been extrapolated using 2.5% (2023: 2.1%) per annum growth rate. The estimated terminal growth rate does not exceed the average long-term growth rate for the relevant markets in which the CGUs operates. The discount rate applied to the forecast is 7.36% (2023: 7.36%).

The carrying amount of goodwill at the end of the reporting period is disclosed in Note 13.

## (b) Allowance for expected credit losses

The Group makes allowances for expected credit losses based on an assessment of the recoverability of trade receivables.

The impairment provisions for trade receivables are based on assumptions about risk of default by reference to past default experience and different loss patterns for different customer segments, and incorporate forward looking estimates specific to the debtors and economic environment that the debtors' operation is in. For instance, if forecast economic conditions are expected to deteriorate over the next year which can lead to an increased number of defaults in the relevant sectors in which the customers operate in, the historical default rates are adjusted. At every reporting date, the historical observed default rates are updated and changes in the forward-looking estimates are analysed.

The identification of loss allowance requires use of judgement and estimates. The carrying amount of trade receivables is disclosed in Note 6.

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#### 4. HOLDING COMPANY, RELATED COMPANY AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company's immediate and ultimate holding company is ComfortDelGro Corporation Limited, incorporated in Singapore, which is also the Company's ultimate holding company. Related companies in these financial statements refer to members of the holding company's group of companies.

Some of the Group's transactions and arrangements and terms thereof are arranged by or between members of the holding company's group of companies. The intercompany balances are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand unless otherwise stated.

Transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries, which are related companies of the Company, have been eliminated on consolidation and are not disclosed in this note.

Related company transactions are as follows:

	Group	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
	<b>4 000</b>	7 000
Inspection and testing services charged to related companies	1,834	1,769
Refuelling outlet (variable rental) income charged to related company	243	261
Rental income charged to related companies	296	274
Assessment fee charged to related companies	37	120
Other fees charged to related companies	39	58
Shared services charged by holding company	(1,276)	(1,253)
Corporate services charged by holding company	(312)	(348)
Subcontractor fees charged by related company	(822)	_
Others charged by related companies	(385)	(402)
Lease expense charged by related companies	(246)	(237)

No guarantees have been given or received. No expense has been recognised in the period for bad debts allowance in respect of the amounts owed by related companies.

## 5. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	Group		Group Comp	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$′000	2024 \$′000	2023 \$'000
Cash and bank balances	3,819	3,865	669	1,259
Money market funds	6,217	1,400	6,217	1,400
Fixed deposits with financial institutions	50,669	49,801	50,182	49,412
	60,705	55,066	57,068	52,071

Fixed deposits and money market funds are placed on a staggered basis based on the Group's cashflow projections, bear effective interest rates ranging from 2.84% to 3.84% (2023: 3.43% to 4.55%) per annum. The money market fund invests in high quality short-term debt securities, deposits with credit institutions and other diverse financial instruments to achieve a return in line with prevailing money market rates whilst preserving capital and maintaining high degree of liquidity. These deposits and money market fund are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

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#### 6. TRADE RECEIVABLES

	Group		Company	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Third parties	18,920	16,655	3,239	657
Allowance for expected credit losses	(1,736)	(2,376)	(97)	(19)
Allowance for discount allowed	(32)	(229)	_	_
Net	17,152	14,050	3,142	638
Subsidiaries	_	_	1,803	1,945
Related companies	351	328	76	62
·	351	328	1,879	2,007
Total	17,503	14,378	5,021	2,645

The average credit period on sale of goods and provision of services is 30 days (2023: 30 days).

Before accepting any new corporate customer, the Group assesses the potential customer's credit quality and defines credit limits by customer.

An allowance has been made for estimated irrecoverable amounts from the provision of services to third parties of the Group of \$1,736,000 (2023: \$2,376,000) and of the Company of \$97,000 (2023: \$19,000). The expected credit losses on trade receivables are estimated by reference to past default experience and different loss patterns for different customer segments, ranging from 4.3% to 29.4% (2023: 9.6% to 33.4%). The expected credit losses incorporate forward looking estimates.

Movement in allowance for expected credit losses:

	Group		Company	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Balance at beginning of the year	2,376	2,591	19	43
(Written back)/allowance recognised in				
profit or loss (Note 24)	(436)	(163)	78	(24)
Amounts written off during the year	(218)	(38)	_	_
Exchange differences	14	(14)	_	_
Balance at end of the year	1,736	2,376	97	19

The Group's and Company's trade receivables that are not denominated in the functional currencies of the respective entities are as follows:

	Gı	Group		Company	
	2024	2023	2024	2023	
	\$′000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Croat Pritain nound	1.4	19			
Great Britain pound	14	19	_	_	
United States dollar	47	51	_	_	

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### 7. OTHER RECEIVABLES AND PREPAYMENTS

	Gre	Group		pany
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Other receivables	953	974	132	166
Interest receivable	341	788	283	711
Deposits	107	97	6	6
Prepayments	785	456	434	85
	2,186	2,315	855	968

The Group's and Company's other receivables and interest receivable are due from third parties and these receivables are current. The Group and Company have not recognised any allowance as the management assessed the credit risk to be low.

#### 8. DUE FROM SUBSIDIARY

The current portion of amount due from subsidiary is non-trade, unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.

The non-current portion of amount due from subsidiary is non-trade, unsecured, interest-free and is not expected to be repayable within the next 12 months.

#### 9. SUBSIDIARIES

	Coi	npany
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Unquoted equity shares, at cost	25,941	25,941

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## 9. SUBSIDIARIES (CONT'D)

		Country of	Company's effective interest	
Name of entity	Principal activity	incorporation/ operation	<b>2024</b> %	2023 %
VICOM Inspection Centre Pte Ltd (1)	Provision of vehicle inspection services	Singapore	100	100
JIC Inspection Services Pte Ltd (1)	Vehicle inspection and other related services	Singapore	78	78
Setsco Services Pte Ltd (1)	Provision of testing, inspection and consultancy services	Singapore	100	100
Subsidiaries of Setsco Services Pte Ltd				
Setsco Consultancy International Pte Ltd (1)	Provision of professional inspection and engineering services	Singapore	100	100
Setsco Services (M) Sdn Bhd (2)	Provision of testing, inspection and consultancy services	Malaysia	100	100
Setsco-An Security Pte Ltd (1)	Provision of IT security consultancy services	Singapore	70	70

<sup>(1)</sup> Audited by Ernst & Young LLP, Singapore

The Group is in compliance with Listing Rules 712 and 715 of The Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited as suitable auditing firms have been appointed to meet the Group's audit obligations.

In accordance to Rule 716, the Audit and Risk Committee and Board of Directors of the Company confirmed that they are satisfied that the appointment of different auditors for Setsco Services (M) Sdn Bhd would not compromise the standard and effectiveness of the audit of the Group.

<sup>(2)</sup> Audited by WT Ng & Co, Malaysia

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#### 10. ASSOCIATE

	Group	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Unquoted equity shares, at cost	50	50
Less: Share of post-acquisition reserves	(25)	(25)
	25	25

#### (a) Details of the associate is as follows:

Associate of Setsco		Country of	Gro effective	•
Consultancy International		incorporation/	2024	2023
Pte Ltd	Principal activity	operation	%%	%
Setsco Middle East	Provision of testing,	Abu Dhabi,	49	49
Laboratory LLC	inspection, training,	United Arab		
	certification and	Emirates/		
	consultancy services	Dormant		

The associate was set up on 30 November 2010 and has been dormant since 2012. The accounts have not been audited and is insignificant to the Group.

(b) Summarised financial information in respect of the Group's associate is set out below:

	2024 \$′000	2023 \$'000
Total assets	80	80
Total liabilities	(29)	(29)
Net assets	51	51
Group's share of associate's net assets	25	25
Loss for the year, representing comprehensive income for the year		
Group's share of associate's loss for the year		

## 11. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ("FVTOCI")

	Group and	Company
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Investment in unquoted equity shares designated as at FVTOCI		
Balance as at beginning of the year	6,262	3,217
Additions during the year	_	2,355
Fair value adjustment	_	797
Foreign exchange gain/(loss)	177	(107)
Balance as at end of the year	6,439	6,262

This investment in equity instrument is not held for trading and it is held for medium to long-term strategic purposes. Accordingly, management has elected to designate this investment in equity instrument as at FVTOCI as management believe that recognising short-term fluctuations in the investment's fair value in profit or loss would not be consistent with the Group's strategy of holding this investment for long-term purposes and realising its performance potential in the long run.

In prior year, the Group has subscribed to a new round of shares through the latest round of fund raising at the investment for an amount of \$\$2,355,000 which was fully paid in cash.

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## 12. VEHICLES, PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT

	Group		Company	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$′000	2024 \$′000	2023 \$'000
Vehicles, premises and equipment Right-of-use assets classified within vehicles,	74,364	67,793	6,325	9,005
premises and equipment	37,182	37,722	24,131	24,034
	111,546	105,515	30,456	33,039

## (a) Vehicles, premises and equipment

			Workshop		Computers		
		Furniture,	machinery,		and	Capital	
	Leasehold	fittings and	tools and	Motor	automated	projects in	
	buildings	equipment	equipment		equipment	progress	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Group							
Cost:							
At 1 January 2023	96,355	1,048	44,969	4,954	2,513	1,327	151,166
Additions	1,708	138	5,238	616	447	175	8,322
Disposals	(51)	(64)	(1,015)	(408)	(225)	_	(1,763)
Reclassification from							
right-of-use assets	_	_	_	_	_	301	301
Transfer from capital projects							
in progress	_	_	1,286	_	41	(1,327)	_
Exchange differences	(46)	(2)	(34)	(12)	(1)	_	(95)
At 31 December 2023	97,966	1,120	50,444	5,150	2,775	476	157,931
Additions	216	182	2,739	352	536	9,902	13,927
Disposals	(47)	(31)	(632)	(144)	(162)	_	(1,016)
Reclassification from							
right-of-use assets	_	_	_	_	_	361	361
Proceeds from government grant	_	_	(1,352)	_	_	_	(1,352)
Exchange differences	45	1	34	11	1	_	92
At 31 December 2024	98,180	1,272	51,233	5,369	3,150	10,739	169,943
Accumulated depreciation:							
At 1 January 2023	42,855	762	36,952	3,429	2,114	_	86,112
Depreciation	2,944	117	2,215	316	239	_	5,831
Disposals	(51)	(64)	(1,003)	(404)	(225)	_	(1,747)
Exchange differences	(17)	(1)	(28)	(11)	(1)	_	(58)
At 31 December 2023	45,731	814	38,136	3,330	2,127	_	90,138
Depreciation	3,016	122	2,490	385	364	_	6,377
Disposals	(47)	(31)	(615)	(139)	(162)	_	(994)
Exchange differences	18	1	28	10	1	_	58
At 31 December 2024	48,718	906	40,039	3,586	2,330	-	95,579
Carrying amount:							
At 31 December 2024	49,462	366	11,194	1,783	820	10,739	74,364
At 31 December 2023	52,235	306	12,308	1,820	648	476	67,793

The Group acquired vehicles, premises and equipment with an aggregate cost \$13,927,000 (2023: \$8,322,000) out of which \$3,848,000 (2023: \$1,827,000) remains unpaid and included as part of trade and other payables as at 31 December 2024.

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## 12. VEHICLES, PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT (CONT'D)

(a) Vehicles, premises and equipment (cont'd)

			Workshop		Computers		
		Furniture,	machinery,		and	Capital	
	Leasehold	-	tools and	Motor		projects in	
	buildings	equipment	equipment	vehicles	equipment	progress	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Company							
Cost:							
At 1 January 2023	38,909	416	221	231	746	1,302	41,825
Additions	405	28	1,782	-	121	_	2,336
Transfer from capital projects							
in progress	_	_	1,286	_	16	(1,302)	_
Disposals	(51)	(30)	(40)	(81)	(26)	_	(228)
At 31 December 2023	39,263	414	3,249	150	857	_	43,933
Additions	15	9	40	-	189	_	253
Proceeds from government gran	t –	_	(1,352)	-	_	_	(1,352)
Disposals	(46)	(10)	(11)	-	(113)	_	(180)
At 31 December 2024	39,232	413	1,926	150	933	_	42,654
Accumulated depreciation:							
At 1 January 2023	32,437	356	137	175	609	_	33,714
Depreciation	1,235	25	103	12	57	_	1,432
Disposals	(51)	(29)	(31)	(81)	(26)	_	(218)
At 31 December 2023	33,621	352	209	106	640	_	34,928
Depreciation	1,290	24	147	12	104	_	1,577
Disposals	(47)	(10)	(6)	_	(113)	_	(176)
At 31 December 2024	34,864	366	350	118	631	_	36,329
Carrying amount:							
At 31 December 2024	4,368	47	1,576	32	302	_	6,325
At 31 December 2023	5,642	62	3,040	44	217	_	9,005

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## 12. VEHICLES, PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT (CONT'D)

(a) Vehicles, premises and equipment (cont'd)

Details of the leases by the Group and the Company are as follows:

Location	Approximate land area	Tenure	Usage	Group's effective interest
Held by the Company				
No. 385 Sin Ming Drive Singapore 575718	10,852.6 sq m	30 years from January 2011 (16 years unexpired)	Inspection and assessment services	100%
No. 23 Kaki Bukit Avenue 4 Singapore 415933	9,796.9 sq m	30 years from January 1997 with option to renew another 30 years (2 years unexpired)	Inspection and assessment services	100%
No. 511 Bukit Batok Street 23 Singapore 659545	9,625.0 sq m	30 years from October 1995 with option to renew another 30 years (9 months unexpired)	Inspection, testing and assessment services	100%
No. 20 Changi North Crescent Singapore 499613	6,015.0 sq m	30 years from May 1995 (4 months unexpired)	Inspection services	100%
501 Yishun Industrial Park A Singapore 768732	5,190.3 sq m	60 years from July 1983 (18 years 6 months unexpired)	Inspection services	100%
501 Yishun Industrial Park A Singapore 768732	1,104.9 sq m	30 years from July 2013 (18 years 6 months unexpired)	Inspection services	100%
Held by Setsco Services Pte Ltd	1			
No. 531 Bukit Batok Street 23 Singapore 659547	7,554.5 sq m	7 years from October 2018 with option to renew another 30 years (9 months unexpired)	Testing, inspection and consultancy services	100%
Jalan Papan Plot 2 Singapore	12,400.4 sq m	20 years from March 2023 (18 years 2 months unexpired)	Testing, inspection and consultancy services	100%
Held by Setsco Services (M) Sdi	n Bhd			
31 Jln Industri Mas 12 Taman Mas 47100 Puchong Selangor Darul Ehsan West Malaysia	791.5 sq m	99 years from December 2009 (83 years 11 months unexpired)	Testing, inspection and consultancy services	100%
Held by JIC Inspection Services	s Pte Ltd			
No. 53 Pioneer Road Singapore 628505	9,190.0 sq m	30 years from December 1994 with further extension of 2 years (1 years 11 months unexpired)	Inspection services	78%
No. 15 Ang Mo Kio Street 63 Singapore 569117	2,145.0 sq m	1 year 9 months from March 2023 with further extension of 3 months (2 months unexpired)	Inspection services	78%

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## 12. VEHICLES, PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT (CONT'D)

(b) Right-of-use assets classified within vehicles, premises and equipment

The average lease term is 21 years (2023: 21 years), where the Group make periodic payments which are used for its day to day operations.

		Motor	Other	
	Land \$′000	vehicles \$'000	assets# \$'000	Total \$'000
Group				
Cost:				
At 1 January 2023	58,853	145	1,225	60,223
Additions	7,219	30	568	7,817
Lease modification	_	152	299	451
Remeasurement	513	_	_	513
At 31 December 2023	66,585	327	2,092	69,004
Lease modifications	259	31	158	448
Remeasurement	1,527	-	8	1,535
At 31 December 2024	68,371	358	2,258	70,987
Accumulated depreciation:				
At 1 January 2023	27,750	123	1,145	29,018
Depreciation	1,532	89	342	1,963
Reclassification to vehicles,				
premises and equipment	301	_	_	301
At 31 December 2023	29,583	212	1,487	31,282
Depreciation	1,567	100	495	2,162
Reclassification to vehicles,				
premises and equipment	361	_	_	361
At 31 December 2024	31,511	312	1,982	33,805
Carrying amount:				
At 31 December 2024	36,860	46	276	37,182
At 31 December 2023	37,002	115	605	37,722
At 31 December 2023	57,002	115	605	5/,/2

<sup>#</sup> Other assets comprise of office, inspection centre and employees' accommodation.

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## 12. VEHICLES, PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT (CONT'D)

(b) Right-of-use assets classified within vehicles, premises and equipment (cont'd)

		Other	
	Land	assets#	Total
	\$′000	\$'000	\$'000
Company			
Cost:			
At 1 January 2023	48,728	45	48,773
Remeasurement	506	_	506
At 31 December 2023	49,234	45	49,279
Lease modifications	_	13	13
Remeasurement	1,195	1	1,196
At 31 December 2024	50,429	59	50,488
Accumulated depreciation:			
At 1 January 2023	24,124	38	24,162
Depreciation	1,077	6	1,083
At 31 December 2023	25,201	44	25,245
Depreciation	1,105	7	1,112
At 31 December 2024	26,306	51	26,357
Carrying amount:			
At 31 December 2024	24,123	8	24,131
At 31 December 2023	24,033	1	24,034

<sup>#</sup> Other assets comprise of office

## 13. GOODWILL

	Gr	oup
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Carrying amount:		
At beginning of the year	11,588	11,325
Arising from acquisition of subsidiary	_	263
At end of the year	11,588	11,588

Goodwill acquired in business combination is allocated, at acquisition, to the cash-generating units ("CGUs") that are expected to benefit from that business combination. The carrying amount of goodwill had been allocated as follows:

	Gr	oup
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Testing and inspection services	9,531	9,531
Vehicle inspection services	2,057	2,057
At end of the year	11,588	11,588

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### 13. GOODWILL (CONT'D)

#### **Business combination**

In prior year, the Group completed the acquisition of 70% stake in Setsco-An Security Pte. Ltd. The Company is in the business of providing Information Technology security evaluation and testing services for cybersecurity products such as smart devices, as well as consultancy services in this domain. The acquisition will allow the Group to expand its testing service offerings in this new growth sector.

Assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of acquisition:

	2023 \$'000
Fair value of assets and liabilities	·
<u>Assets</u>	
Cash and cash equivalents	40
Trade and other receivables	231
Intangible assets	116
Liabilities	
Trade and other payables	(9)
Income tax payable	(3)
Less: Non-controlling interest	(78)
Total identifiable net assets at fair value	297
Goodwill arising from acquisition	263
	560
Consideration transferred for the acquisition	
Cash consideration	560
Less: Unpaid purchase consideration as at end of year	(28)
Less: Cash and cash equivalents acquired	(40)
Net cash outflow on acquisition of subsidiary	492

#### Assets acquired and liabilities assumed

Trade and other receivables acquired comprise gross trade and other receivables amounting to \$231,000, which approximates fair value. It is expected that the full contractual amount of the receivables can be collected.

### Goodwill arising from acquisition

Goodwill of \$263,000 represents the synergies expected to be achieved from potential for future growth, access to new markets, expanded product offerings, and the ability to leverage complementary strengths.

## Transaction costs

Total transaction costs related to all acquisitions of \$64,000 have been recognised in the 'Other operating costs' line item in the Group's profit and loss account for the financial year from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023.

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### 13. GOODWILL (CONT'D)

Impact of the acquisitions on profit and loss

From acquisition date, the revenue and profit or loss contribution by the subsidiary acquired during the financial year is not material to the Group. Had the acquisitions taken place at the beginning of the financial year, the revenue and profit or loss contribution is not expected to be material as well.

Non-controlling interest

The Group has elected to measure the non-controlling interest at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of Setsco-An Security's net identifiable assets.

#### 14. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	Gr	oup	Com	pany
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	\$'000	\$′000	\$'000	\$'000
Third parties	7,857	6,359	3,190	2,800
Holding company	589	521	250	240
Related companies	594	153	482	41
Accruals	12,992	14,300	4,269	3,920
Deferred income	552	242	35	19
Deposits received from customers	833	954	456	548
Others	4,173	2,215	167	424
	27,590	24,744	8,849	7,992
Analysed as:				
Current	26,870	24,024	8,849	7,992
Non-current	720	720	_	_
	27,590	24,744	8,849	7,992

The average credit period on purchases of goods and services is 30 days (2023: 30 days).

The non-current portion of the trade and other payables pertains to provision for restoration cost in relation to a leasehold land and building and it is expected to be utilised in 2026.

## 15. DUE TO SUBSIDIARIES

Included in amount due to subsidiaries is an amount of \$7,905,000 (2023: \$6,815,000) that relates to a non wholly-owned subsidiary that receives interest at the rate of 2.84% to 3.84% (2023: 3.91% to 4.06%) per annum. This balance is non-trade, unsecured and repayable on demand.

The remaining balances are non-trade, unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.

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#### 16. LEASE LIABILITIES

Lease liabilities

	Group		Company	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Maturity analysis:				
Within one year	1,996	2,284	1,285	1,302
In the second to fifth year inclusive	6,345	6,103	4,951	4,766
After five years	38,104	37,702	30,259	29,977
	46,445	46,089	36,495	36,045
Less: Future finance charges	(14,565)	(14,668)	(11,537)	(11,621)
Total	31,880	31,421	24,958	24,424
Analysed as:				
Current	1,147	1,444	617	650
Non-current	30,733	29,977	24,341	23,774
	31,880	31,421	24,958	24,424

The following are the amounts recognised in profit or loss:

	Gı	oup
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Depreciation of right-of-use assets (Note 12(b))	2,162	1,963
Interest expense on leases liabilities (Note 22)	866	866
Expense relating to short-term leases	262	444
Expense relating to low-value assets	1	1
Total amount recognised in profit or loss	3,291	3,274

The Group had total cash outflows for leases of \$2,653,000 (2023: \$2,612,000).

The Group and the Company do not face a significant liquidity risk with regard to its lease liabilities. Lease liabilities are monitored within the Group's and the Company's treasury function.

### Reconciliation of liabilities arising from financing activities

The table below details changes in the Group's liabilities arising from financing activities, including both cash and non-cash changes. Liabilities arising from financing activities are those for which cash flows were, or future cash flows will be, classified in the Group cash flow statement as cash flows from financing activities.

	1 January 2024 \$'000	cash flows \$'000	New lease liabilities \$'000	2024 \$'000
Lease liabilities	31,421	(1,524)	1,983	31,880
	1 January 2023 \$'000	Financing cash flows \$'000	New lease liabilities \$'000	31 December 2023 \$'000

31,160

(1,301)

1,562

31,421

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### 17. DEFERRED TAX ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)

	Group		Company	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Deferred tax assets	1,197	1,178	1,048	1,131
Deferred tax liabilities	(2,624)	(2,053)	_	_
Net	(1,427)	(875)	1,048	1,131
At beginning of year	(875)	(93)	1,131	1,260
(Charge)/credit to income statement (Note 23)	(724)	(679)	51	(123)
Over/(under) provision in prior years (Note 23)	172	(103)	(134)	(6)
	(1,427)	(875)	1,048	1,131

The balances in the account comprise the tax effects of:

	Group		Company	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Lease liabilities	5,420	5,342	4,243	4,152
Provisions	1,026	554	281	163
Tax losses	47	_	_	_
Accelerated tax depreciation	(7,920)	(6,771)	(3,476)	(3,184)
	(1,427)	(875)	1,048	1,131

### 18. SHARE CAPITAL

Group and Company			
2024	2023	2024	2023
Number o	of ordinary		
shares	s ('000)	\$'000	\$'000
354,568	354,568	36,284	36,284
	Number o share:	2024 2023 Number of ordinary shares ('000)	2024 2023 2024 Number of ordinary shares ('000) \$'000

Fully paid ordinary shares, which have no par value, carry one vote per share and a right to dividends as and when declared by the Company. The ordinary shares have no par value.

#### 19. OTHER RESERVES

	Group and Company		
	Revaluation reserve \$'000	Capital	
		reserve \$'000	Total \$'000
At 1 January 2023	935	3,073	4,008
Revaluation changes during the year in other comprehensive income	690	_	690
At 31 December 2023	1,625	3,073	4,698
Revaluation changes during the year in other comprehensive income	177	_	177
At 31 December 2024	1,802	3,073	4,875

The capital reserve relates to one-off revaluation reserve for the leasehold land valued in March 1995 and is not available for distribution to the Company's shareholders.

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## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 20. REVENUE

	Gı	Group	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000	
Inspection and testing services	115,084	107,843	
Rental income	2,326	2,356	
Others	2,072	1,704	
	119,482	111,903	

Majority of the revenue is derived from Singapore.

Rental income relates to income arising from subleasing right-of-use assets.

#### 21. STAFF COSTS

Included in staff costs are:

(a) The remuneration of the Directors (executive and non-executive) and key executives comprised mainly short term benefits amounting to \$3,350,000 (2023: \$3,142,000).

		Group	
		2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
(b)	Cost of contribution to Central Provident Fund	4,237	4,168
	Government grant income (included in staff costs)	(606)	(512)

The employees of the Company and some of the subsidiaries are members of defined contribution retirement schemes. The Company and these subsidiaries are required to contribute a specified percentage of their payroll costs to the retirement schemes to fund the benefits. The only obligation of the Company and these subsidiaries with respect to the schemes is to make the specified contributions.

#### 22. FINANCE COSTS

	Gr	oup
	2024	2023
	\$'000	\$'000
	0.55	0.5.5
Interest expense on lease liabilities (Note 16)	866	866

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## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

## 23. TAXATION

	Group	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Tax charge in respect of profit for the financial year:		
Current taxation		
Singapore	5,770	5,649
Foreign	76	11
Deferred tax (Note 17)	724	679
Adjustments in respect of (over)/under provision in prior years:		
Current taxation	(324)	(386)
Deferred tax (Note 17)	(172)	103
Overprovision in prior years (net)	(496)	(283)
	6,074	6,056

The taxation charge varied from the amount of taxation charge determined by applying the Singapore income tax rate of 17% (2023: 17%) to profit before taxation as a result of the following differences:

	Group	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Profit before taxation	35,696	34,070
Taxation charge at Singapore statutory rate 17% (2023: 17%)	6,068	5,792
Non-deductible items	571	631
Tax-exempt income	(76)	(87)
Overprovision in prior years (net)	(496)	(283)
Effect of different tax rates of other countries	7	3
	6,074	6,056

## 24. PROFIT AFTER TAXATION

Profit after taxation is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	Group	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Directors' fees	805	781
Foreign currency exchange adjustment loss	33	75
Net loss/(gain) on disposal of vehicles, premises and equipment	12	(24)
Writeback of allowance for expected credit losses (net) (Note 6) Audit fees:	(436)	(163)
Auditors of the Company	103	95
Other auditors	2	3

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#### 25. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Earnings per share is calculated by dividing the Group's net profit attributable to shareholders of the Company for the year by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the financial year as follows:

	2024	2023
Profit attributable to shareholders of the Company (\$'000)	29,284	27,601
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	354,568	354,568
Basic earnings per share (in cents)	8.26	7.78

Fully diluted earnings per share is the same as the basic earnings per share as there is no dilutive shares outstanding at the end of financial years ended 31 December 2024 and 31 December 2023.

### 26. BUSINESS SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Group operates predominantly in Singapore. All vehicle inspection and non-vehicle testing services are managed and reported together as one segment in order to improve productivity and efficiency as these services have similar economic characteristics and processes. Hence there are no other reportable segments to be presented.

#### 27. COMMITMENTS

As at 31 December 2024, the Group has capital expenditure commitments contracted for but not provided for in the financial statements:

	Gro	Group	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000	
Purchase of vehicles, premises and equipment	56,461	2,646	

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#### 28. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

### The Group as lessee

At 31 December 2024, the Group is committed to \$153,000 (2023: \$51,000) for short-term leases.

## The Group as intermediate lessor

Operating leases, in which the Group is the intermediate lessor, relate to lettable space in Singapore with lease terms of between 1 to 4 years, with no extension option. The lessee does not have an option to purchase the property at the expiry of the lease period.

Maturity analysis of operating lease payments:

	Gre	Group	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000	
Year 1	1,530	1,279	
Year 2	1,091	922	
Year 3	20	613	
Total	2,641	2,814	

## 29. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, FINANCIAL RISKS AND CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT

### (a) Categories of financial instruments

The following table sets out the financial instruments as at the end of the reporting period:

	Group		Company	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000	2024 \$′000	2023 \$'000
Financial assets				
Amortised cost	79,609	71,303	62,510	59,015
Financial assets at FVTOCI	6,439	6,262	6,439	6,262
Financial liabilities				
Amortised cost	25,485	22,828	34,918	32,185
Lease liabilities	31,880	31,421	24,958	24,424

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#### 29. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, FINANCIAL RISKS AND CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

(b) Financial risk, management policies and objectives

The Group recognises that management of financial risk is an important aspect in its drive towards creating shareholders' value. It is the Group's policy not to participate in speculative financial instruments. Management oversees financial risk management and regularly reviews its policy governing risk management practices.

There has been no change to the Group's exposure to these financial risks or the manner in which it manages and measures the risk.

Foreign exchange rate risk management

The Group operates predominantly in Singapore and therefore is not exposed to any material foreign currency exchange risk.

Interest rate risk management

The Group's primary interest rate risk relates to fixed deposits placements with financial institutions. The Group's policy is to obtain the most favourable interest rate available without exposing itself to any unnecessary risk. Interest rate risk is managed by placing deposits on varying maturities and terms. Based on the current interest rate level, any future variations in interest rates are not expected to have significant impact on the Group's results.

#### Credit risk management

The Group has policies in place to ensure that customers are of adequate financial standing and have appropriate credit history. In its management of credit risk, the Group practises stringent credit review and sets counterparty credit limits. There is no significant concentration of credit risk.

The Group develops and maintains its credit risk gradings to categorise exposures according to their degree of risk of default. The Group uses its own trading records to rate its major customers and other debtors.

The Group's current credit risk grading framework comprises the following categories:

Category	Description	Basis for recognising expected credit losses ("ECL")
Performing	The counterparty has a low risk of default and does not have any past-due amounts.	Trade receivables: Lifetime ECL – not credit impaired Other financial assets: 12-month ECL
Doubtful	Amount is > 30 days past due or there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition.	Lifetime ECL – not credit-impaired
Non-performing	Amount is > 60 to 150 days past due or there is evidence indicating the asset is credit-impaired.	Lifetime ECL – credit-impaired Trade receivables are determined to be credit impaired when they are past due for more than 60 to 150 days based on different customer segments and the customer exhibits slow payment trends.
Write-off	There is evidence indicating that the debtor is in severe financial difficulty and the Group has no realistic prospect of recovery. (i.e. when it is becoming probable that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation).	Amount is written off

The Group's and Company's exposure to credit risk arises primarily from trade and other receivables, and amounts due from subsidiaries. Cash and deposits are placed with reputable financial institutions. The carrying amount of financial assets represents the Group's maximum exposure to credit risk as disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

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## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

### 29. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, FINANCIAL RISKS AND CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

(b) Financial risk, management policies and objectives (cont'd)

Liquidity risk management

The Group regularly reviews its liquidity position comprising free cash flows from its operations and credit facilities with banks. It ensures that there are sufficient credit lines available to support its liquidity needs.

Analysis of financial instruments by remaining contractual maturities

The table below summarises the maturity profile of the Group's and Company's financial liabilities at the end of the reporting period based on contractual undiscounted repayments obligations.

	One year or less \$'000	One to five years \$'000	Beyond five years \$'000	Total \$′000
Group				
Financial liabilities:				
2024				
Trade and other payables	25,485	_	_	25,485
Lease liabilities	1,996	6,345	38,104	46,445
Total undiscounted financial liabilities	27,481	6,345	38,104	71,930
2023				
Trade and other payables	22,828	_	_	22,828
Lease liabilities	2,284	6,103	37,702	46,089
Total undiscounted financial liabilities	25,112	6,103	37,702	68,917
Company				
Financial liabilities: 2024				
Trade and other payables	8,358	_	_	8,358
Due to subsidiaries	26,560	_	_	26,560
Lease liabilities	1,285	4,951	30,259	36,495
Total undiscounted financial liabilities	36,203	4,951	30,259	71,413
2023				
Trade and other payables	7,425	_	_	7,425
Due to subsidiaries	24,760	_	_	24,760
Lease liabilities	1,302	4,766	29,977	36,045
Total undiscounted financial liabilities	33,487	4,766	29,977	68,230

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## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 29. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, FINANCIAL RISKS AND CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

(b) Financial risk, management policies and objectives (cont'd)

Fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, trade and other current receivables and payables and other liabilities approximate the respective fair values due to the relatively short-term maturity of these financial instruments.

The Group classifies fair value measurements using a fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements. The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

- (a) quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1);
- (b) inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly (Level 2); and
- (c) inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (Level 3).

Fair value hierarchy

The table below analyses financial instruments by the levels in the fair value hierarchy based on inputs to valuation techniques.

	Group and Company	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income		
– Level 2	_	6,262
– Level 3	6,439	_

In prior year, the fair value of the investment was determined by reference to the price per share in relation to fund-raising exercise during the financial year by the underlying investee.

In current year, the fair value of the investment is based on the net value of the investment with a consideration of comparable companies within the industry. Any significant increase or decrease in the unobservable input relating to the projected share price based on latest round of financing can result in a higher or lower fair value measurement respectively.

Equity price risk management

Equity price risk relates to price risk which exists due to changes in market prices that will affect the Group's income or the value of its holdings in investment. The objective of the Group's investment risk management is to manage and control the price risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return on risk.

The Company is exposed to equity price risk changes arising from its investment in an unquoted equity instrument.

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## FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 29. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, FINANCIAL RISKS AND CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

(b) Financial risk, management policies and objectives (cont'd)

#### Equity price sensitivity

A 10% increase in the equity price of the underlying investment in the unquoted equity instrument at the reporting date would increase the fair value reserve for the year by \$644,000 (2023: \$626,000).

A 10% decrease in the equity price of the underlying investment in the unquoted equity instrument would have an equal but opposite effect on the fair value reserve.

This analysis assumes that all other variables remain constant.

Capital risk management policies and objectives

For the purpose of the Group's capital management, capital includes issued capital, and all other equity reserves attributable to the equity holders of the parent.

The Group manages its capital to ensure that entities in the Group will be able to continue as a going concern while maximising the return to shareholders through the optimisation of the debt and equity balance.

The Group's capital management objectives are to safeguard its ability to continue as a going concern and to maximise shareholder value. Management monitors the gross and net gearing of the Group and its implication on weighted average cost of capital in deciding the optimal capital structure. These objectives determine the Group's decisions on the amount of dividends to be paid to shareholders and the sources of capital to be raised, be it equity or debt.

No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes during the years ended 31 December 2024 and 31 December 2023.

## 30. DIVIDENDS

(a) During the financial year, the Company paid dividends as follows

	2024 \$′000	2023 \$'000
Tax-exempt one-tier final dividend in respect of the previous financial year: 2.75 cents (2023: 3.32 cents) per ordinary share	9,750	11,772
Tax-exempt one-tier interim dividend in respect of the current financial year:		
2.80 cents (2023: 2.75 cents) per ordinary share	9,929	9,750
	19,679	21,522

(b) Subsequent to the end of the financial year, the Directors of the Company recommended that a tax-exempt one-tier final dividend of 3.00 cents per ordinary share totalling \$10,637,000 be paid for the financial year ended 31 December 2024. The dividend is subject to approval by shareholders at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting and hence the proposed dividend has not been accrued as a liability for the current financial year.

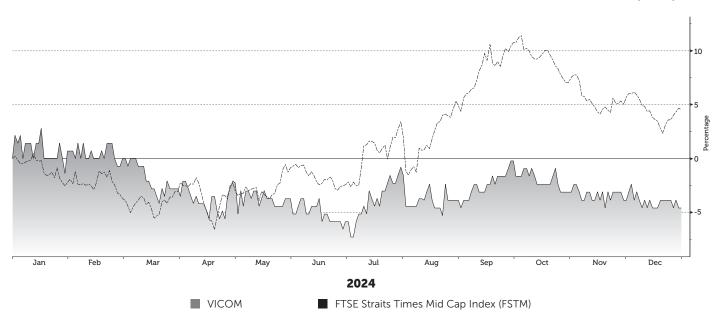
Together with the tax exempt one-tier interim dividend of 2.80 cents per ordinary share (2023: 2.75 cents per ordinary share), total distributions paid and proposed in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2024 will be 5.80 cents per ordinary share (2023: 5.50 cents per ordinary share).

# SHARE PRICE MOVEMENT CHART

## **VICOM'S SHARE PRICE MOVEMENT AND VOLUME TURNOVER**



#### COMPARISON OF PERFORMANCE OF VICOM'S SHARE PRICE AND THE FTSE STRAITS TIMES MID CAP INDEX (FSTM)



Source: Bloomberg Finance L.P.

## SHAREHOLDING STATISTICS

#### **AS AT 3 MARCH 2025**

#### **SHAREHOLDING STATISTICS AS AT 3 MARCH 2025**

Issued and Fully Paid-Up Capital : \$\$36,284,000 Number of Shares Issued : \$54,568,000

Class of Shares : Ordinary Shares Fully Paid
Voting Rights : One (1) Vote Per Ordinary Share
The Company does not hold any Treasury Shares and Subsidiary Holdings.

#### **DISTRIBUTION OF SHAREHOLDERS BY SIZE OF SHAREHOLDINGS AS AT 3 MARCH 2025**

#### SIZE OF SHAREHOLDINGS **SHAREHOLDERS** % **NO. OF SHARES** % 1 - 990.07 230 0.00 100 - 1,000865 15.31 570,053 0.16 1,001 - 10,000 3,655 64.70 16,612,456 4.69 10,001 - 1,000,000 1,108 19.62 53,006,404 14.95 1,000,001 & ABOVE 17 0.30 284,378,857 80.20 TOTAL 5,649 100.00 100.00 354,568,000

#### **LIST OF TWENTY (20) LARGEST SHAREHOLDERS**

(As recorded in the Depository Register as at 3 March 2025)

	NAME OF SHAREHOLDER	NO. OF SHARES	<b>%</b> <sup>(1)</sup>
1	COMFORTDELGRO CORPORATION LIMITED	237,760,000	67.06
2	DBS NOMINEES PTE LTD	13,750,600	3.88
3	CITIBANK NOMINEES SINGAPORE PTE LTD	5,096,939	1.44
4	CHU CHEE LEONG	3,768,000	1.06
5	SZE THIAM SIONG	3,088,000	0.87
6	UNITED OVERSEAS BANK NOMINEES PTE LTD	2,687,400	0.76
7	OCBC NOMINEES SINGAPORE PTE LTD	2,451,028	0.69
8	MRS HELEN ONG YONG KHEE NEE TANG HELEN @ HELEN TAN SIOK WAN	2,128,000	0.60
9	QUAH SIEW KWEE	2,006,000	0.56
10	PHILLIP SECURITIES PTE LTD	1,941,958	0.55
11	RAFFLES NOMINEES (PTE) LIMITED	1,723,032	0.48
12	QUAH SIEW ENG EILEEN	1,660,000	0.47
13	EUNICE QUAH SIEW THYE	1,520,000	0.43
14	IFAST FINANCIAL PTE LTD	1,253,600	0.35
15	TAN KUANGXU	1,228,000	0.35
16	PANG CHEOW JOW	1,192,000	0.34
17	HSBC (SINGAPORE) NOMINEES PTE LTD	1,124,300	0.32
18	HONG LEONG FINANCE NOMINEES PTE LTD	909,800	0.26
19	OCBC SECURITIES PRIVATE LTD	833,800	0.23
20	QUAH SIEW CHOON	690,000	0.19
TOT	AL .	286,812,457	80.89

#### Notes:

Notes:

#### **SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS**

(As recorded in the Register of Substantial Shareholders as at 3 March 2025)

	Direct Into	erest	Deemed Int	erest
	NO. OF SHARES	% <sup>(1)</sup>	NO. OF SHARES	% <sup>(1)</sup>
COMFORTDELGRO CORPORATION LIMITED	237,760,000	67.06	_	_

<sup>(1)</sup> The percentage of shareholding is calculated based on 354,568,000 issued shares of the Company as at 3 March 2025.

#### COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 723 OF THE SINGAPORE EXCHANGE SECURITIES TRADING LIMITED ("SGX-ST") LISTING MANUAL

Based on information available and to the best knowledge of the Company as at 3 March 2025, approximately 32.92% of the ordinary shares of the Company are held by the public. Accordingly, the Company has complied with Rule 723 of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST.

 $<sup>^{</sup> ext{(I)}}$  The percentage of shareholding is calculated based on 354,568,000 issued shares of the Company as at 3 March 2025.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### **VICOM LTD**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

(Co. Reg. No.: 198100320K)

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Forty-Fourth Annual General Meeting (the "**AGM**") of VICOM Ltd (the "**Company**") will be held on Wednesday, 23 April 2025 at 10.00 a.m. via electronic means and in person at:

AUDITORIUM
COMFORTDELGRO HEADQUARTERS
205 BRADDELL ROAD
SINGAPORE 579701

The AGM is for the purpose of transacting the following businesses:

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS:**

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following Resolutions:

- 1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Statement and Audited Financial Statements for the financial year **(Resolution 1)** ended 31 December 2024 together with the Auditors' Report thereon.
- 2. To declare a tax-exempt one-tier final dividend of 3.00 Singapore cents (\$\$0.03) per ordinary share in **(Resolution 2)** respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2024.
- 3. To approve Directors' fees of up to \$\$768,000 for the financial year ending 31 December 2025. **(Resolution 3)** (FY2024: \$\$745,315) [Please refer to Explanatory Note (a)]
- 4. To re-elect Mr Sim Wing Yew, a Director retiring pursuant to Regulation 98(b) of the Company's Constitution. **(Resolution 4)** [Please refer to Explanatory Note (b)]
- 5. To re-elect Professor Ooi Beng Chin, a Director retiring pursuant to Regulation 98(b) of the **(Resolution 5)** Company's Constitution.
  [Please refer to Explanatory Note (c)]
- 6. To re-elect Mr Soh Chung Hian, Daniel, a Director retiring pursuant to Regulation 98(b) of the **(Resolution 6)** Company's Constitution.

  [Please refer to Explanatory Note (d)]
- 7. To re-elect Ms Tan Poh Hong, a Director retiring pursuant to Regulation 98(b) of the Company's Constitution. **(Resolution 7)** [Please refer to Explanatory Note (e)]
- 8. To re-elect Professor Karina Yew-Hoong Gin, a Director retiring pursuant to Regulation 99 of the **(Resolution 8)** Company's Constitution.

  [Please refer to Explanatory Note (f)]
- 9. To re-appoint Messrs Ernst & Young LLP as the Auditors of the Company and to authorise the Directors **(Resolution 9)** to fix their remuneration.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### NOTICE OF RECORD AND DIVIDEND PAYMENT DATES

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that the Share Transfer Books and Register of Members of the Company will be closed at 5.00 p.m. on Friday, 2 May 2025 for the purpose of determining Shareholders' entitlements to the proposed tax-exempt one-tier final dividend of 3.00 Singapore cents (\$\$0.03) per ordinary share for the financial year ended 31 December 2024 (the "**Proposed Final Dividend**").

Duly completed and stamped transfers received by the Company's Share Registrar, B.A.C.S. Private Limited, at 77 Robinson Road, #06-03 Robinson 77, Singapore 068896, up to 5.00 p.m. on Friday, 2 May 2025 will be registered to determine Shareholders' entitlements to the Proposed Final Dividend. Shareholders (being depositors) whose securities accounts with The Central Depository (Pte) Limited are credited with ordinary shares in the capital of the Company as at 5.00 p.m. on Friday, 2 May 2025 will be entitled to such Proposed Final Dividend.

The Proposed Final Dividend, if approved by the Shareholders at the Forty-Fourth AGM of the Company, will be paid on Friday, 9 May 2025.

## BY ORDER OF THE BOARD VICOM LTD

Angeline Joyce Lee Siang Pohr Cher Ya Li Sheryl Company Secretaries

Singapore 24 March 2025

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES:**

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS:**

- (a) Resolution 3 is to approve the Directors' fees for the Non-Executive Directors of the Company for the financial year ending 31 December 2025 ("FY2025") so that such fees can be paid during the financial year in which they are incurred. The actual amount of Directors' fees paid out for the financial year ended 31 December 2024 is \$\$739,785.88. The proposed Directors' fees for FY2025 are computed based on the anticipated number of Directors on the Board and composition of the Board Committees, as well as the anticipated number of Board and Board Committee meetings for FY2025. In the event that the amount proposed is insufficient, approval will be sought at the next Annual General Meeting before any payments are made to the Non-Executive Directors for the shortfall.
- (b) Mr Sim Wing Yew<sup>(1)</sup> will, upon re-election as a Director of the Company, continue to serve as the Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and a member of the Sustainability Committee and the Technology Committee. Mr Sim will be considered a Non-Independent Executive Director of the Company.
- (c) Professor Ooi Beng Chin<sup>(1)</sup> will, upon re-election as a Director of the Company, continue to serve as a member of the Technology Committee. Professor Ooi will be considered a Non-Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company.
- (d) Mr Soh Chung Hian, Daniel<sup>(1)</sup> will, upon re-election as a Director of the Company, continue to serve as the Chairman of the Audit and Risk Committee and a member of the Nominating and Remuneration Committee. Mr Soh will be considered an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company, pursuant to Rule 704(8) of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST.
- (e) Ms Tan Poh Hong<sup>(1)</sup> will, upon re-election as a Director of the Company, continue to serve as a member of the Audit and Risk Committee, the Nominating and Remuneration Committee and the Technology Committee. Ms Tan will be considered an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company, pursuant to Rule 704(8) of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST.
- (f) Professor Karina Yew-Hoong Gin<sup>(1)</sup> will, upon re-election as a Director of the Company, continue to serve as a member of the Technology Committee. Professor Gin will be considered an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company.

Detailed information on the Directors who are proposed to be re-elected can be found under the sections entitled "Board of Directors", "Directors' Particulars" and "Additional Information on Directors Seeking Re-election" in the FY2024 Annual Report of the Company.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### **NOTES:**

1. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. The Chairman of the Meeting, as proxy, need not be a member of the Company.

- 2. Where a member appoints two (2) proxies, he/she should specify the proportion of his/her shareholding to be represented by each proxy, failing which the nomination shall be deemed to be alternative.
- 3. A member who is a relevant intermediary entitled to attend the meeting and vote is entitled to appoint more than two (2) proxies to attend and vote instead of the member, but each proxy must be appointed to exercise the rights attached to a different share or shares held by each member. Where such member appoints more than two (2) proxies, the appointments shall be invalid unless the member specifies the number of shares in relation to which each proxy has been appointed.

"Relevant intermediary" means:

- (a) a banking corporation licensed under the Banking Act 1970 of Singapore, or a wholly-owned subsidiary of such a banking corporation, whose business includes the provision of nominee services and who holds shares in that capacity;
- (b) a person holding a capital markets services licence to provide custodial services for securities under the Securities and Futures Act 2001 of Singapore, and who holds shares in that capacity; or
- (c) the Central Provident Fund Board ("**CPF Board**") established by the Central Provident Fund Act 1953 of Singapore, in respect of shares purchased under the subsidiary legislation made under that Act providing for the making of investments from the contributions and interest standing to the credit of members of the Central Provident Fund, if the CPF Board holds those shares in the capacity of an intermediary pursuant to or in accordance with that subsidiary legislation.
- 4. Investors holding shares under the Central Provident Fund Investment Schemes ("CPF Investors") and/or Supplementary Retirement Scheme ("SRS Investors") who wish to vote at the AGM should approach their respective agent banks to submit their votes at least seven (7) working days before the date of the AGM (i.e. by 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, 10 April 2025). CPF/ SRS Investors should contact their respective agent banks for any queries they may have with regard to the appointment of proxy for the AGM.
- 5. The instrument appointing a proxy, together with the power of attorney or other authority under which it is signed (if applicable) or a duly certified copy thereof, must be submitted in the following manner:
  - (a) If submitted by post, be deposited at the Company's registered office at 205 Braddell Road, Singapore 579701; or
  - (b) If submitted by electronic mail, be sent to agm2025@vicom.com.sg; or
  - (c) If submitted electronically, be lodged at the Company's AGM pre-registration website, **www.conveneagm.sg/VICOM\_AGM2025**,

in each case, by 10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 20 April 2025, being not less than seventy-two (72) hours before the time appointed for the holding of the AGM.

- 6. In the case of shares entered in the Depository Register, the Company may reject any instrument appointing proxy lodged if the member, being the appointor, is not shown to have shares entered against his/her name in the Depository Register as at seventy-two (72) hours before the time appointed for holding the AGM (i.e. by 10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 20 April 2025), as certified by The Central Depository (Pte) Limited to the Company.
- 7. A corporation which is a member of the Company may authorise by resolutions of its directors or other governing body, such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at the meeting.
- 8. The instrument appointing a proxy must be signed by the appointor or his/her attorney duly authorised in writing. Where the instrument appointing a proxy is executed by a corporation, it shall be executed either under its common seal or under the hand of any officer or attorney duly authorised. The power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which the instrument of proxy is signed on behalf of the member or duly certified copy of that power of attorney or other authority (failing previous registration with the Company) shall be attached to the instrument of proxy, failing which the instrument may be treated as invalid.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The AGM is being convened and will be held physically ("Physical Meeting") and by electronic means ("Virtual Meeting").

Shareholders of the Company ("**Shareholders**") shall take note of the following arrangements for the conduct of the AGM on Wednesday, 23 April 2025 at 10.00 a.m.:

#### 1. Attendance

The pre-registration procedures are set out below:

#### **Virtual Meeting**

Proceedings of the AGM will be broadcasted through live audio visual and audio-only feeds ("Live Webcast").

All Shareholders who wish to follow the proceedings of the AGM must pre-register online at the URL: **www.conveneagm.sg/VICOM\_AGM2025** for verification purposes by 10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 20 April 2025.

Shareholders who are appointing proxy(ies) ("Proxy(ies)") to attend the Virtual Meeting should inform his/her Proxy(ies) to pre-register at the URL: www.conveneagm.sg/VICOM\_AGM2025 not less than seventy-two (72) hours before the time appointed for the holding of the AGM (i.e. by 10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 20 April 2025), failing which the appointment shall be invalid.

Following verification, the Company will provide verified Shareholders and Proxy(ies) with a confirmation email by Monday, 21 April 2025 ("Confirmation Email for Virtual Meeting") via the email address provided during the pre-registration or as indicated in the Proxy Form to access the Live Webcast to watch the live feed of the AGM proceedings via the log-in credentials created during the pre-registration or log-in with their SingPass account.

Please use the registered identification credentials to access the Live Webcast. Shareholders must not forward the above-mentioned link to other persons who are not Shareholders and who are not entitled to attend the AGM. This is also to avoid any technical disruptions or overload to the Live Webcast.

Shareholders who have registered by 10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 20 April 2025 but have not received the Confirmation Email for Virtual Meeting by Monday, 21 April 2025, please email to **ir@vicom.com.sg**.

If you have any queries on the Live Webcast, please email to **ir@vicom.com.sg** or **support@conveneagm.com** or call the telephone number +65 6856 7330.

#### **Physical Meeting**

Please pre-register for verification purposes by 10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 20 April 2025 at the URL: **www.conveneagm.sg/VICOM\_AGM2025** and indicate your interest to attend the AGM physically at the AGM venue.

Shareholders who are appointing Proxy(ies) to attend the Physical Meeting on his/her behalf should inform his/her Proxy(ies) to pre-register and specify his/her/their intention to attend the Physical Meeting at the URL: www.conveneagm.sg/VICOM\_AGM2025 not less than seventy-two (72) hours before the time appointed for the holding of the AGM (i.e. by 10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 20 April 2025), failing which the appointment shall be invalid.

Verified Shareholders and Proxy(ies) who are successful in the pre-registration to attend the Physical Meeting will receive an email by Monday, 21 April 2025 ("Confirmation Email for Physical Meeting") via the email address provided during the pre-registration or as indicated in the Proxy Form.

Shareholders who have registered by 10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 20 April 2025 but have not received the Confirmation Email for Physical Meeting, by Monday, 21 April 2025, please email to **ir@vicom.com.sg**.

If you have any queries on the attendance at the AGM venue, please email to **ir@vicom.com.sg**.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### 2. Submission of Questions

(a) Submission of questions in advance of the AGM:

Shareholders can submit questions in advance relating to the businesses of the AGM either via:

- (i) electronic mail, to **ir@vicom.com.sg**; or
- (ii) the Company's AGM pre-registration website, www.conveneagm.sg/VICOM\_AGM2025.

All questions must be submitted by 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, 10 April 2025.

The Company will endeavour to address questions which are substantial and relevant by 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, 17 April 2025, which is seventy-two (72) hours prior to the closing date and time for the lodgement of the proxy forms (i.e. 10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 20 April 2025).

(b) Submission of questions during the AGM:

#### **Virtual Meeting**

# Shareholders and Proxy(ies) who have pre-registered and been verified to attend the AGM proceedings via the Live Webcast will be able to ask questions relating to the agenda of the AGM during the AGM by:

- (i) Submitting text-based questions via the Live Webcast by clicking the "Ask a Question" feature and then clicking "Type Your Question" to input their queries in the questions text box.
- (ii) Clicking the "Ask a Question" feature and then clicking the "Queue for Video Call" via the Live Webcast. The relevant Shareholder or Proxy will be informed once it is appropriate for him/her to speak and can thereafter raise his/her question via audio-visual means during the AGM within a certain prescribed time limit.

#### **Physical Meeting**

Verified Shareholders and Proxy(ies) attending the Physical Meeting will be able to ask questions in person at the AGM venue.

(c) Where there are substantially similar questions for the Virtual Meeting and Physical Meeting, the Company will consolidate such questions. As a result, the questions received may not be addressed individually.

#### 3. Voting

Live voting will be conducted during the AGM for Shareholders and Proxy(ies) attending the Physical Meeting or Virtual Meeting. It is important for Shareholders and Proxy(ies) to bring their own web-browser enabled devices for voting at the Physical Meeting or have their own web-browser enabled devices ready for voting during the Virtual Meeting.

Shareholders and Proxy(ies) will be required to log-in via the email address provided during the pre-registration or as indicated in the Proxy Form.

The Proxy Form for the AGM may be accessed at the Company's website at **www.vicom.com.sg/agm2025proxyform**, or on SGXNET. The electronic proxy form is also available on the Company's AGM pre-registration site, **www.conveneagm.sg/VICOM\_AGM2025**.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### (a) Live Voting

Shareholders and Proxy(ies) may cast their votes in real time for each resolution to be tabled during the AGM via the log-in credentials created during the pre-registration or via their SingPass accounts. Shareholders and Proxy(ies) will have the opportunity to cast their votes via the live voting feature. Shareholders and Proxy(ies) must bring a web-browser enabled device in order to cast their votes.

CPF/SRS Investors who have used their CPF/SRS monies to buy the Company's shares should instead approach their respective relevant intermediary as soon as possible to specify voting instructions.

(b) Voting via appointing the Chairman of the Meeting as proxy:

As an alternative to the above, Shareholders may also vote at the AGM by appointing the Chairman of the Meeting as proxy to vote on their behalf. Duly completed Proxy Forms must be:

- (i) deposited at the Company's registered office at 205 Braddell Road, Singapore 579701; or
- (ii) sent via electronic mail to agm2025@vicom.com.sg; or
- (iii) lodged at the Company's AGM pre-registration website, www.conveneagm.sg/VICOM\_AGM2025,

and submitted by 10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 20 April 2025, being not less than seventy-two (72) hours before the time appointed for the holding of the AGM.

(c) CPF/SRS Investors:

CPF/SRS Investors who have used their CPF/SRS monies to buy the Company's shares should not make use of the Proxy Form and should instead approach their respective intermediary as soon as possible to specify voting instructions. CPF/SRS Investors who wish to vote should approach their respective CPF Agent Bank/SRS Operator at least seven (7) working days before the AGM (i.e. by 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, 10 April 2025), to ensure that their votes are submitted.

#### 4. Access to documents or information relating to the AGM

The Annual Report for the financial year ended 31 December 2024 has been uploaded on SGXNET on 24 March 2025 and may be accessed via SGXNET and also the Company's website at **www.vicom.com.sg**.

#### 5. Filming and Photography

When a Shareholder or Proxy attends, speaks and votes at the AGM via electronic means or physically, he/she consents to his/her video and/or photographs being taken for the purpose of publication on the Company's website and publicity materials without further notification.

#### PERSONAL DATA PRIVACY:

By submitting an instrument appointing a proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to attend, speak and vote at the Annual General Meeting 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 proxies and representatives appointed for the Annual General Meeting (including any adjournment thereof) and the preparation and compilation of the attendance lists, minutes and other documents relating to the Annual General Meeting (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(ies) and/or representative(s) to the Company (or its agents), the member has obtained the prior consent of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the collection, use and disclosure by the Company (or its agents) of the personal data of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the Purposes, and (iii) agrees that the member will indemnify the Company in respect of any actions, proceedings, penalties, liabilities, claims, demands, costs, expenses, losses and damages suffered or incurred by the Company as a result of the member's breach of warranty.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS SEEKING RE-ELECTION

#### **AS AT 3 MARCH 2025**

The following additional information on Mr Sim Wing Yew, Professor Ooi Beng Chin, Mr Soh Chung Hian, Daniel, Ms Tan Poh Hong and Professor Karina Yew-Hoong Gin, all of whom are seeking re-election as Directors of the Company at the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting to be held on Wednesday, 23 April 2025, is to be read in conjunction with their respective biographies on pages 6 to 10.

	SIM WING YEW Chief Executive Officer (Non-Independent Executive Director)	OOI BENG CHIN (Non-Independent Non-Executive Director)
Date of appointment	1 May 2012	1 January 2023
Date of last re-appointment	26 April 2023	26 April 2023
Age	57	63
Country of principal residence	Singapore	Singapore
The Board's comments on this appointment	Mr. Sim, who has served as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of VICOM Ltd since 2012, possesses the experience, qualifications, and capability to continue driving the growth of the Group as the CEO and Executive Director.	Professor Ooi's extensive knowledge and expertise in new technologies and digital platforms and cybersecurity will support Management in guiding the Group toward its growth vision.
	Please refer to Mr Sim's profile on page 7 of the Annual Report 2024.	Please refer to Professor Ooi's profile on page 8 of the Annual Report 2024.
Working experience and occupations(s) during the past 10 years	<ol> <li>Current Directorships:         <ol> <li>VICOM Ltd* – Director (Appointed on 1 May 2012)</li> <li>Mr Sim's directorships under the VICOM Group can be found under the section entitled "Directors' Particulars" on page 48 of the Annual Report 2024.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Current Principal Commitments:         <ol> <li>VICOM Ltd* – CEO (since 1 May 2012)</li> </ol> </li> <li>Past 10 years Directorships and Principal Commitments:         <ol> <li>ComfortDelGro Engineering Pte. Ltd. – Director (14 Dec 2009 to 19 Sep 2024)</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Current Directorships:         <ol></ol></li></ol>

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS SEEKING RE-ELECTION

**AS AT 3 MARCH 2025** 

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Please refer to Mr Soh's profile on page 9 of the Annual Report 2024.	Please refer to Ms Tan's profile on page 10 of the Annual Report 2024	Please refer to Professor Gin's profile on page 7 of the Annual Report 2024.
Mr. Soh's strong commercial sense and extensive audit and accounting experience will remain a valuable asset and complement to the Board's decision-making process.	Ms. Tan's extensive experience in organisational leadership and management will strengthen Board deliberations and enhance its core competencies.	Professor Karina Gin's vast experience and knowledge in civil and environmental engineering will bring valuable technical knowledge and skills to the Board and enhance deliberations on the Company's strategic plans in the non-vehicle testing business.
Singapore	Singapore	Singapore
71	66	59
26 April 2023	26 April 2023	N.A.
1 May 2018	25 April 2019	1 November 2024
<b>SOH CHUNG HIAN, DANIEL</b> (Independent Non-Executive Director)	<b>TAN POH HONG</b> (Independent Non-Executive Director)	KARINA YEW-HOONG GIN (Independent Non-Executive Director)

#### **Current Directorships:**

- VICOM Ltd\* Director (Appointed on 1 May 2018)
- Sunright Limited\* Director (Appointed on 3 Dec 2018)
- 3. Intraco Limited\* Director (Appointed on 26 Apr 2024)

# **Current Principal Commitments:**NIL

# Past 10 years Directorships and Principal Commitments:

- British and Malayan Holdings Limited\* – Director (10 Feb 2017 to 27 Sep 2023)
- 2. British and Malayan Trustees Limited
   Director (2016 to 2021)
- 3. Lum Chang Holdings Limited\*
  - Director (2013 to 2021)
- 4. Agency for Integrated Care Pte Ltd– Director (2015 to 2021)
- 5. JDJ Investment Pte Ltd Director (till 2019)
- QAF Limited Director (2014 – 2016)
- 7. Eu Yang San International Ltd
  - Director (till 2016)

#### **Current Directorships:**

- VICOM Ltd\* Director (Appointed on 25 Apr 2019)
- Sheng Siong Group Ltd\* Director (Appointed on 5 Jan 2018)
- 3. Centurion Corporation Limited\*– Director (Appointed on 8 May 2018)
- 4. AnnAik Limited\* Director (Appointed on 26 Jul 2018)
- 5. APAC Realty Ltd\* Director (Appointed on 1 Oct 2020)
- OTS Holdings Limited\* Director (Appointed on 19 May 2021)
- 7. Jilin Food Zone Pte Ltd Director (Appointed on 1 Oct 2019)
- 8. Vanguard Healthcare Pte Ltd– Director (Appointed on 1 Nov 2022)

#### <u>Current Principal Commitments:</u> NIL

# Past 10 years Directorships and Principal Commitments:

- Barramundi Asia Pte Ltd Director (2018 to 2021)
- Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority

   Chief Executive Officer and Board
   Member (2009-2017)

### **Current Directorships:**

- VICOM Ltd\* Director (Appointed on 1 November 2024)
- 2. Magnuson Trust Limited Director (Appointed on 1 Nov 2018)

#### **Current Principal Commitments:**

National University of Singapore
 Professor (1 Jul 2023 to present)

#### <u>Past 10 years Directorships and</u> <u>Principal Commitments:</u>

National University of Singapore

 Associate Professor (22 Jul 2010 to 30 Jun 2023)

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS SEEKING RE-ELECTION

	SIM WING YEW Chief Executive Officer (Non-Independent Executive Director)	OOI BENG CHIN (Non-Independent Non-Executive Director)
Shareholding interest in the listed issuer and its subsidiaries	<b>Direct Interest:</b> VICOM Ltd* – 40,000 ordinary shares	NIL
Any relationship (including immediate family relationships) with any existing director, existing executive officer, the issuer and/or substantial shareholder of the listed issuer or of any of its principal subsidiaries	No	No
Conflict of interest (including any competing business)	No	No
Undertaking (in the format set out in Appendix 7.7) under Rule 720(1) has been submitted to the listed issuer (Yes or No)	Yes	Yes
(a) Whether at any time during the last 10 years, an application or a petition under any bankruptcy law of any jurisdiction was filed against him or against a partnership of which he was a partner at the time when he was a partner or at any time within 2 years from the date he ceased to be a partner?	No	No
(b) Whether at any time during the last 10 years, an application or a petition under any law of any jurisdiction was filed against an entity (not being a partnership) of which he was a director or an equivalent person or a key executive, at the time when he was a director or an equivalent person or a key executive of that entity or at any time within 2 years from the date he ceased to be a director or an equivalent person or a key executive of that entity, for the winding up or dissolution of that entity or, where that entity is the trustee of a business trust, that business trust, on the ground of insolvency?	No	No
(c) Whether there is any unsatisfied judgment against him?	No	No

<sup>\*</sup> Listed company

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS SEEKING RE-ELECTION

SOH CHUNG HIAN, DANIEL (Independent Non-Executive Director)	TAN POH HONG (Independent Non-Executive Director)	KARINA YEW-HOONG GIN (Independent Non-Executive Director)
NIL	NIL	NIL
No	No	No
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# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS SEEKING RE-ELECTION

		SIM WING YEW Chief Executive Officer (Non-Independent Executive Director)	OOI BENG CHIN (Non-Independent Non-Executive Director)
(d)	Whether he has ever been convicted of any offence, in Singapore or elsewhere, involving fraud or dishonesty which is punishable with imprisonment, or has been the subject of any criminal proceedings (including any pending criminal proceedings of which he is aware) for such purpose?	No	No
(e)	Whether he has ever been convicted of any offence, in Singapore or elsewhere, involving a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, or has been the subject of any criminal proceedings (including any pending criminal proceedings of which he is aware) for such breach?	No	No
(f)	Whether at any time during the last 10 years, judgment has been entered against him in any civil proceedings in Singapore or elsewhere involving a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, or a finding of fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty on his part, or he has been the subject of any civil proceedings (including any pending civil proceedings of which he is aware) involving an allegation of fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty on his part?	No	No No
(g)	Whether he has ever been convicted in Singapore or elsewhere of any offence in connection with the formation or management of any entity or business trust?	No	No
(h)	Whether he has ever been disqualified from acting as a director or an equivalent person of any entity (including the trustee of a business trust), or from taking part directly or indirectly in the management of any entity or business trust?	No	No

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS SEEKING RE-ELECTION

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SOH CHUNG HIAN, DANIEL (Independent Non-Executive Director)	<b>TAN POH HONG</b> (Independent Non-Executive Director)	KARINA YEW-HOONG GIN (Independent Non-Executive Director)
No	No	No

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS SEEKING RE-ELECTION

		SIM WING YEW Chief Executive Officer (Non-Independent Executive Director)	OOI BENG CHIN (Non-Independent Non-Executive Director)
(i)	Whether he has ever been the subject of any order, judgment or ruling of any court, tribunal or governmental body, permanently or temporarily enjoining him from engaging in any type of business practice or activity?	No	No
(j)	Whether he has ever, to his knowledge, been concerned with the management or conduct, in Singapore or elsewhere, of the affairs of :—	No	No
	(i) any corporation which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement governing corporations in Singapore or elsewhere; or		
	(ii) any entity (not being a corporation) which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement governing such entities in Singapore or elsewhere; or		
	(iii) any business trust which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement governing business trusts in Singapore or elsewhere; or		
	(iv) any entity or business trust which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere,		
	in connection with any matter occurring or arising during that period when he was so concerned with the entity or business trust?		
(k)	Whether he has been the subject of any current or past investigation or disciplinary proceedings, or has been reprimanded or issued any warning, by the Monetary Authority of Singapore or any other regulatory authority, exchange, professional body or government agency, whether in Singapore or elsewhere?	No	No

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# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS SEEKING RE-ELECTION

AS AT 3 MARCH 2025		
<b>SOH CHUNG HIAN, DANIEL</b> (Independent Non-Executive Director)	<b>TAN POH HONG</b> (Independent Non-Executive Director)	KARINA YEW-HOONG GIN (Independent Non-Executive Director)
No	No	No
No	No	No
No	No	No



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# PROXY FORM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### **IMPORTANT**

- The Forty-fourth Annual General Meeting (the "AGM") of the Company will be held physically ("Physical Meeting") and by electronic means ("Virtual Meeting").
- CPF/SRS investors who intend to exercise the voting rights attached to their VICOM Ltd shares purchased using their CPF/SRS monies are requested to contact their respective CPF/SRS Approved Nominees.
- 3. By submitting an instrument appointing a proxy(ies) and/or representative(s), the member accepts and agrees to the personal data privacy terms set out in the Notice of AGM dated 24 March 2025.
- 4. Please read the notes overleaf which contain instructions on, inter alia, the appointment of a proxy(ies).

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- 1. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. The Chairman of the Meeting, as proxy, need not be a member of the Company.
- 2. Where a member appoints two (2) proxies, he/she should specify the proportion of his/her shareholding to be represented by each proxy, failing which the nomination shall be deemed to be alternative.
- 3. A member, who is a relevant intermediary entitled to attend the meeting and vote, is entitled to appoint more than two (2) proxies to attend and vote instead of the member, but each proxy must be appointed to exercise the rights attached to a different share or shares held by each member. Where such member appoints more than two (2) proxies, the appointments shall be invalid unless the member specifies the number of shares in relation to which each proxy has been appointed.

"Relevant intermediary" means:

- (a) a banking corporation licensed under the Banking Act 1970 of Singapore, or a wholly-owned subsidiary of such a banking corporation, whose business includes the provision of nominee services and who holds shares in that capacity;
- (b) a person holding a capital markets services licence to provide custodial services for securities under the Securities and Futures Act 2001 of Singapore, and who holds shares in that capacity; or
- (c) the Central Provident Fund Board ("CPF Board") established by the Central Provident Fund Act 1953 of Singapore, in respect of shares purchased under the subsidiary legislation made under that Act providing for the making of investments from the contributions and interest standing to the credit of members of the Central Provident Fund, if the CPF Board holds those shares in the capacity of an intermediary pursuant to or in accordance with that subsidiary legislation.
- 4. A member should insert the total number of shares held. If the member has shares entered against his/her name in the Depository Register (maintained by The Central Depository (Pte) Limited), he/she should insert that number of shares. If the member has shares registered in his/her name in the Register of Members of the Company, he/she should insert that number of shares. If the member has shares entered against his/her name in the Depository Register and shares registered in his/her name in the Register of Members, he/she should insert the aggregate number of shares. If no number is inserted, this form of proxy will be deemed to relate to all the shares held by the member.
- 5. The instrument appointing a proxy, together with the power of attorney or other authority under which it is signed (if applicable) or a duly certified copy thereof, must be submitted in the following manner:
  - (a) If submitted by post, be deposited at the Company's registered office at 205 Braddell Road, Singapore 579701; or
  - (b) If submitted by electronic mail, be sent to agm2025@vicom.com.sg; or
  - (c) If submitted electronically, be lodged at the Company's AGM pre-registration website, www.conveneagm.sg/VICOM\_AGM2025,
  - in each case, by 10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 20 April 2025, being not less than seventy-two (72) hours before the time appointed for the holding of the AGM.
- 6. The instrument appointing a proxy must be signed by the appointor or his/her attorney duly authorised in writing. Where the instrument appointing a proxy is executed by a corporation, it shall be executed either under its common seal or under the hand of any officer or attorney duly authorised. The power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which the instrument of proxy is signed on behalf of the member or duly certified copy of that power of attorney or other authority (failing previous registration with the Company) shall be attached to the instrument of proxy, failing which the instrument may be treated as invalid.
- 7. CPF or SRS Investors who wish to vote at the AGM should approach their respective agent banks to submit their votes at least seven (7) working days before the date of the AGM (i.e. by 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, 10 April 2025). CPF/SRS Investors should contact their respective agent banks for any queries they may have with regard to the appointment of proxy for the AGM.
- 8. The Company shall be entitled to reject an instrument appointing a proxy if it is incomplete, improperly completed, illegible or where the true intentions of the appointor are not ascertainable from the instructions of the appointor specified on the instrument. In addition, in the case of shares entered in the Depository Register, the Company may reject any instrument appointing a proxy which has been lodged if the member, being the appointor, is not shown to have shares entered against his/her 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.

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THE COMPANY SECRETARY
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PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF VICOM LTD WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 23 APRIL 2025, AT 10.00 A.M. VIA ELECTRONIC MEANS AND IN PERSON AT:

AUDITORIUM COMFORTDELGRO HEADQUARTERS 205 BRADDELL ROAD SINGAPORE 579701





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