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1Q2019 Results Briefing

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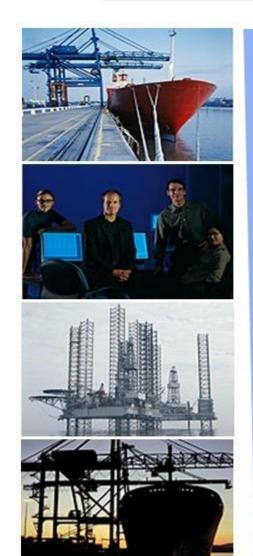


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Outline



- 1. Financial Review
- 2. Business Outlook
- 3. Investment Merits



Financial Highlights

Revenue

\$19.5m

1Q18: \$22.7m, 14%↓

Net profit

\$2.06m

1Q18: \$3.4m, 40%↓

EBITDA

\$3.3m

1Q18: \$4.7, 30%↓

Order book

\$95.5m

as at 31 March 2019

EPS

0.5 cents

1Q2018: 0.9 cents, 44%↓ NTA per share

21.2 cents

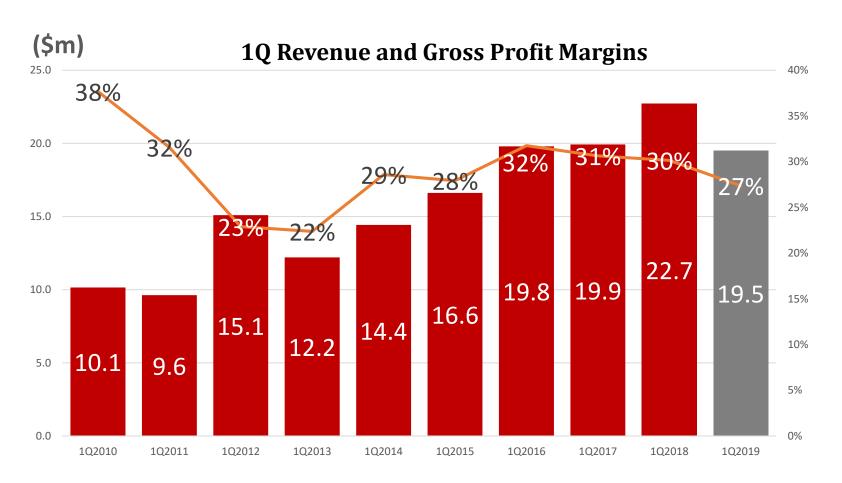
1Q2018: 20.6 cents, 2.9%↑



S\$'000	Unaudited 1Q2019	Unaudited 1Q2018	Change (%)
Revenue	19,506	22,708	(14)
Gross Profit	5,337	6,845	(12)
Gross Profit Margin	27.4%	30.1%	(2.7) ppts
Net Profit after Tax	2,060	3,441	(22)
Net Profit Margin	10.6%	15.2%	(4.6) ppts
EBITDA	3,272	4,671	(30)
EBITDA Margin	16.8%	20.6%	(3.8)ppts
EPS (cents) (1)	0.5	0.9	(44)

⁽¹⁾ Computed based on weighted average number of 392,519,000 ordinary shares for 1Q2019 and 393,102,000 ordinary shares for 1Q2018

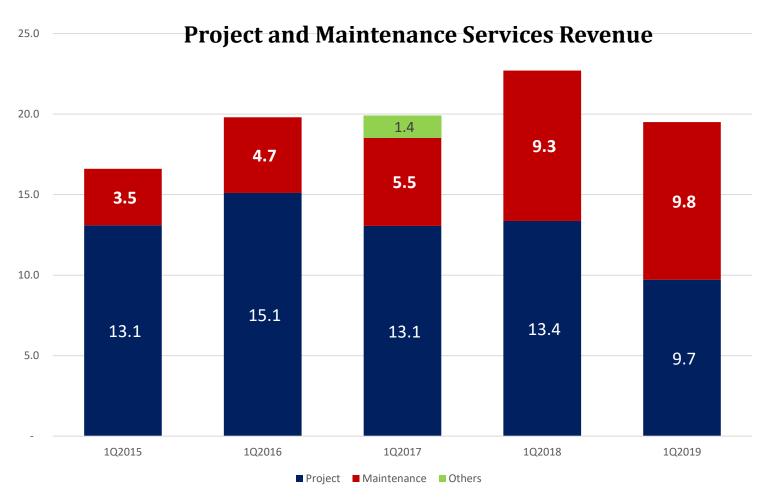




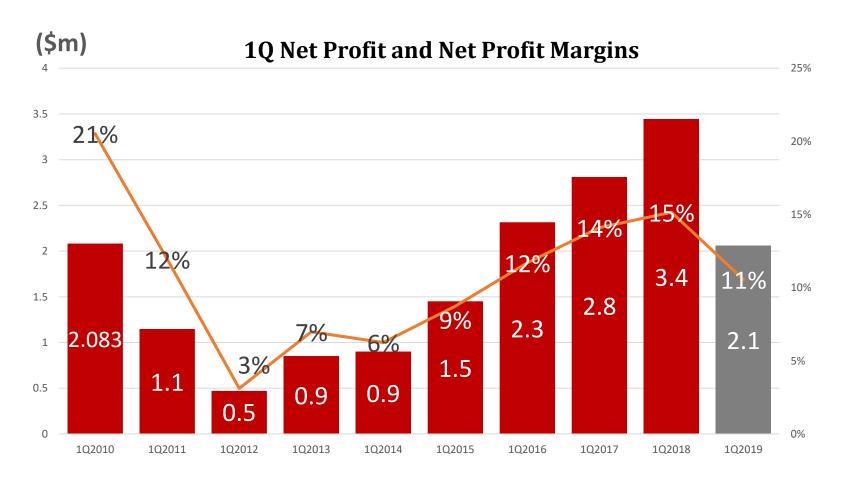
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Balance Sheet Highlights

S\$'000	Unaudited as at 31 March 2019	Audited as at 31 December 2018
Current Assets (1)	89,986	92,042
Non-current Assets	63,697	59,818
Current Liabilities (2)	54,056	58,045
Non-current Liabilities	16,489	12,823
Total Equity	83,138	80,992
Cash and Cash Equivalents	39,986	39,232
Net Asset Value per share (cents) [3]	21.2	20.6

 $^{^{[1]}}$ Included asset held for sale of \$8.1m (31 Dec 18: \$8.1m) for the properties for sale.

^[2] Included liabilities held for sale of \$8.4m (31 Dec 18: \$8.4m)

^[3] Computed based on number of 392,519,000 (31 Dec 18: 392,519,000) ordinary shares, excluding treasury shares

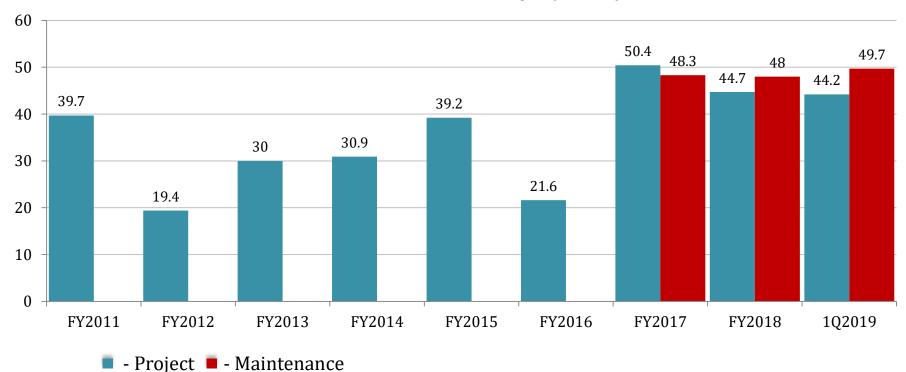


	As at end of							
S\$'000	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	1Q2019
Total Borrowings	26,834	21,539	25,320	32,155	28,085	46,612	48,807	46,944
Cash and Cash Equivalents	23,965	14,852	32,799	35,566	32,325	40,291	39,232	39,986
Net Debt/(Cash)	2,869	6,687	(7,479)	(3,411)	(4,240)	6,321	9,575	6,958(6)
Net Gearing Ratio ⁽¹⁾	10%	19%	-19%(2)	-10%(2)	-11%(2)	13%(3)	19%(4)	13%(5)

- (1) Computed based on Total Borrowings less Cash and Cash Equivalents / Total Equity less Goodwill x 100%
- (2) Negative due to the Group being in a Net Cash position
- (3) Increase due to \$21million loan from the acquisition of Ensure in April 2017
- (4) Increase due to \$10million loan for the acquisition of factory at 2 Tuas Ave 10. Net debt as of 24 Feb is \$6million
- (5) Excluded lease liabilities- current and non current of \$4.023m as these related mainly to the land rent of our properties and certain dormitory leases which have to be capitalized due to the new accounting standard on leases as compared to being a operating lease commitment in the past.
- (6) Net debt as of 9 May 2019 is S\$5.3m.



Order Book Summary (S\$'m)



Note:

The order book from FY2011 to FY2016 does not include maintenance contracts as they do not have a contract value upfront. From FY2017, maintenance contracts are included and the values are estimated based on historical revenue trends.

SIP contract of \$23.4 million (FY2018: \$25.2 million) is included in project order book.



Recent Contract Winning Momentum

Feb 21, 2019 - Total value: \$\\$12.9m

- Scaffolding, Precision Engineering and System Integration: capital contracts from repeat customers for scaffolding works, machining and mechanical assembly and supply of electric actuators, valves, sensors and tank gauging systems.
- Scaffolding, Insulation and Petrochemical: maintenance contracts from repeat and new customers from the petrochemical and infrastructure industries for insulation and scaffolding works and rental of boiler.

May 9, 2019 - Total value: \$\\$5.7m

- Precision Engineering and System Integration: capital contracts from repeat customers for machining and mechanical assembly and supply of valves remote control system and tank gauging systems.
- Scaffolding, Insulation and Petrochemical: ad-hoc and maintenance contracts from repeat and new customers from the petrochemical and infrastructure industries for insulation and scaffolding works and rental of boiler.

Scaffolding: Multiheight Scaffolding Pte Ltd

Precision Engineering: Avitools (Suzhou) Co. Ltd

Petrochemical: Ensure Engineering Pte Ltd

System Integration: Nordic Flow Control Pte Ltd

Insulation: Austin Energy (Asia) Pte Ltd



Sale of Properties

- 24 Benoi Place (land area: 39,052 sq ft; gross floor area: 45,090 sq ft; current market value: \$5.8 million; Tenure: 12.5 years)
- 133 Tuas View Square (land area: 7,231 sq ft; gross floor area: 10,200 sq ft; 5 years commercial dormitory license from April 2019; current market value \$3.5 million)







Business Outlook

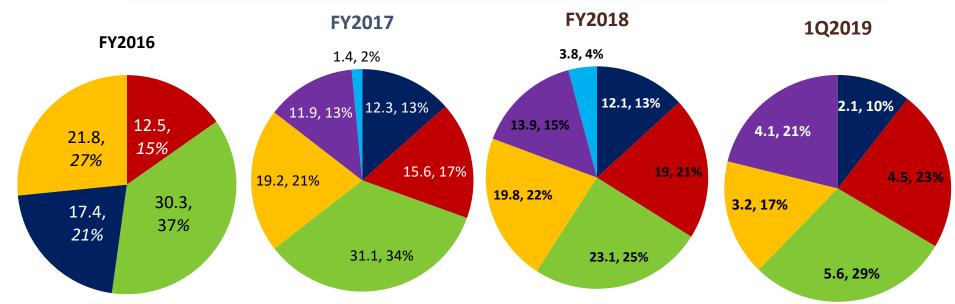
General Business Outlook

- Nordic Group serves the marine, oil and gas industries whose operating environment and business conditions remain challenging.
- Sustainability of oil price recovery
- Fluctuations in the exchange rate of the US dollar against the Singapore dollar and trade war between US and China
- Our Group expects growth to be muted and full recovery to be slowed.
- However, we are optimistic with
 - 1) secured contract wins till date largely from the onshore and downstream oil and gas sectors;
 - 2) our prudent cost and risk management initiatives undertaken;
 - 3) the credit worthiness of our growing clientele base (e.g. oil majors, government agencies etc.);
 - 4) and further opportunities for earnings accretive M&A.

Nordic Group will continue to deliver value to shareholders.



Diversified Model - Improved Earnings Quality



- System Integration / MRO & Trading
- Scaffolding Services
- Insulation Services
- Precision Engineering
- Petrochemical and Environmental Services
- Carbon allowances

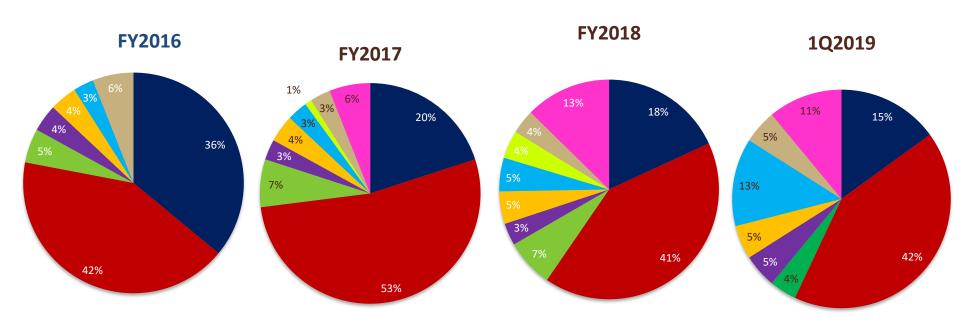
Revenue Contribution by Businesses

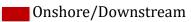
Note: Combined contracts between the entities such as SIP contracts are reflected in the entity who won the contracts. Vallue is approximately FY17:\$1.3m, FY18:\$3.6m, 1Q19:\$0.8m

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Diversified Model - Improved Earnings Quality





Marine/Upstream

Electronics Manufacturing System

Onshore/Infrastructure

Analytical Instrumentation

Medical equipment/Industrial /manufacturing

Pharmaceutical

Aerospace

Carbon allowances

Revenue Contribution by Industry

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Investment Merits

Established Market Player

Strong track record, performing above industry average

Established Management with Proven Track Record

Management with keen foresight and proven track record of:

- Leading the Group to achieve consistent performance despite market volatilities
- Successful acquisition and smooth integration of Multiheight
- Successful acquisitions of Austin Energy and Ensure that have enhanced Group earnings

Healthy Order Book

Order book of approximately **\$\$95.5 million** on hand, including
maintenance contracts. Contract
winning momentum of **\$\$18.6 million**secured up to 9 May 19.

Dividend Payout

- Half-yearly dividend payout from FY15
- ~ 40% dividend payout policy
- FY18 dividend: 1.132 cents

Earnings Quality

Volatile project earnings supplemented by more stable recurring maintenance income from Scaffolding Services, Insulation Services Petrochemical and Environmental Engineering Services from the acquisition of Ensure Engineering.



Dividend Payout

Payment date	Financial Year	Final / Interim / Special	Amount per share (cents)	Payout ratio
May 14, 2019	2018	Final	0.353	
Sep 5, 2018	2018	Interim	0.779	
May 14, 2018	2017	Final	0.873	
Sep 5, 2017	2017	Interim	0.653	
May 12, 2017		Final	0.731	40%
Sep 2, 2016	2016	Interim	0.5372	
May, 13 2016		Final	0.65	
Sep 8, 2015	2015	Interim	0.40	
May 21, 2015		Special	0.25	25%
May 21,2015	2014	Final	0.25	2570
May 15, 2014	2013	Final	0.25	16%
May 15, 2013	2012	Final	0.25	22%
May 21, 2012	2011	Final	0.25	56%
May 16, 2011	2010	Final	0.53	30%
Total			6.7562	



Nordic's Share Buyback -

renewed on 26 April 2018 AGM

MONTH OF ACQUISITION	QUANTITY	CUMULATIVE VOLUME	CUMULATIVE % OF TOTAL NO OF ISSUED SHARES **		
Share Buyback by way of Market Acquisition					
January 2016	479,000	5,148,200	1.29		
March 2016	352,000	5,500,200	1.37		
April 2016	397,500	5,897,700	1.47		
May 2016	275,100	6,172,800	1.54		
June 2016	95,000	6,267,800	1.57		
July 2016	117,000	6,384,800	1.60		
August 2016	20,000	6,404,800	1.60		
September 2016	119,500	6,524,300	1.63		
October 2016	211,300	6,735,600	1.68		
November 2016	8,000	6,743,600	1.69		
December 2016	81,000	6,824,600	1.71		
May - June 2017	62,500	6,887,100	1.72		
March – April 2018	68,000	6,955,100	1.74		
September 2018	208,300	7,163,400	1.791		
November 2018	186,300	7,349,700	1.837		
December 2018	131,200	7,480,900	1.870		
VOLUME WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE		S\$0.2094			

Source: SGX Announcement

^{**} Up to a maximum of 40 million shares being 10% of total issued shares of 400 million shares (including treasury shares).



Directors' and Executive Officer's Share Purchases

9 November 2010 - IPO:

Director	No. of shares held	% shareholdings
Chang Yeh Hong	200,480,625	50.12%
Eric Lin Choon Hin	43,500,000	10.88%
Dorcas Teo Ling Ling	29,000,000	7.25%
	272,980,625	68.25%

5 May 2019:

Director / Executive Officer	No. of shares held	% shareholdings*
Chang Yeh Hong	217,780,225	55.48%
Eric Lin Choon Hin	44,050,000	11.22%
Dorcas Teo Ling Ling	32,139,500	8.19%
Lee Kok Keng Andrew	991,800	0.25%
Chia Meng Ru	1,871,600	0.48%
	296,833,125	75.62%

^{*} Calculated based on 392,519,100 ordinary shares





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