Darco Water Technologies Limited (Incorporated in Singapore)

(Company registration no: 200106732C)

Unaudited Financial Statements For the Full Year Ended 31 December 2017

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

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

	Full year ended 31 December			
	Unaudited	Audited		
	2017	2016	change	
	(S\$'000)	(S\$'000)	%	
Revenue	60,597	60,746	-0.2	
Cost of sales	(45,911)	(46,861)	-2.0	
Gross profit	14,686	13,885	5.8	
Other income	1,293	4,678	-72.4	
Distribution expenses	(1,743)	(1,494)	16.7	
Administrative expenses	(11,987)	(13,188)	-9.1	
Finance costs	(273)	(143)	90.9	
Profit before income tax	·	_		
from continuing operations	1,976	3,738	-47.1	
Income tax expense Profit for the financial	(530)	(347)	52.7	
year, net of tax	1,446	3,391	-57.4	
Profit attributable to:				
Equity holders of the Company	1,194	2,572	n.m	
Non-controlling interests	252	819	n.m	
	1,446	3,391	n.m	

Note: n.m- Not Meaningful

1(a)(ii) CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR FULL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017.

	Full year ended 31 December		
Profit for the financial year, net of tax	Unaudited 2017 (S\$'000) 1,446	Audited 2016 (S\$'000) 3,391	change % -57.4
Other comprehensive (loss)/income:			
Items that may be reclassified to profit and loss subsequently			
Currency translation differences arising from consolidation	(67)	(253)	n.m
Currency translation realised through from disposal of a subsidiary	(6)	- · ·	n.m
Total comprehensive income for the		2 120	
financial year	1,373	3,138	n.m
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company	1,127	2,256	n.m
Non-controlling interests	246	882	n.m
	1,373	3,138	n.m

Note: n.m - not meaningful

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

1(a)(iii) Profit before income tax from operations is arrived at after (charging)/ crediting the followings:

Group			
Included in other income are:	Financial Year Ended		
	Unaudited	Audited	
	31/12/2017 (S\$'000)	31/12/2016 (S\$'000)	change %
Interest income	24	23	4.3
Government grants	151	93	62.4
Gain on disposal of			
plant and equipment	17	14	21.4
Gain on foreign			
exchange, net	-	142	-100.0
Bad debts recovered	26	14	85.7
Reversal of amount due to contract			
customer	1,035	-	n.m
Gain on bargain purchase arising from			
business combination	-	4,167	-100.0
Miscellaneous income	40	225_	-82.2
	1,293	4,678	-72.4

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

1(a)(iii) Profit before income tax from operations is arrived at after (charging)/ crediting the followings:

	Grou	ир		
Finance costs:	Financial Ye	Financial Year Ended		
	Unaudited	Audited		
	31/12/2017	31/12/2016	change	
	(S\$'000)	(S\$'000)	%	
Continuing operations				
Interest expense on:-				
Amount owing to a related party	30	24	25.0	
Borrowings	191	112	70.5	
Finance lease liabilities	4	6	-33.3	
Trust receipts	48	1	4700.0	
	273	143	90.9	

Included in the Profit before income tax are:

Group

	Financial Year Ended		
	Unaudited	Audited	
	31/12/2017	31/12/2016	change
	(S\$'000)	(S\$'000)	%
Impairment loss on trade and other			
receivables	20	1,294	-98.5
Amortisation of intangible assets	1,774	1,349	31.5
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	932	680	37.1
Inventories written down	33	-	n.m
Rental expense for operating leases	535	568	-5.8
Personnel expenses	10,119	10,894	-7.1
Legal and professional fees	592	1,162	-49.1
Loss on disposal of a subsidiary	19	-	n.m
Loss on foreign exchange	90	-	n.m
Property, plant and equipment written			
off	8	-	n.m
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(17)	(14)	21.4
Reversal of amount due to contract			
customer	1,035	-	n.m
Gain on bargain purchase arising from		(4.467)	100.0
business combination	(26)	(4,167)	-100.0
Writeback of allowance for receivables	(26)	(14)	-85.7

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

	Group		Company	
	Unaudited 31/12/2017	Audited 31/12/2016	Unaudited 31/12/2017	Audited 31/12/2016
	S\$′000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
ASSETS				
Non-current assets				
Property, plant equipment	5,482	7,121	-	-
Intangible assets	7,697	9,492	-	-
Investment in subsidiaries	-	-	12,210	10,822
Deferred tax assets	185	318	-	-
	13,364	16,931	12,210	10,822
Current assets				
Inventories	2,056	1,003	=	-
Trade and other receivables	50,274	44,006	8,027	5,868
Income tax recoverable	293	276	-	-
Cash and bank balances	17,003	8,155	7,621	101
	69,626	53,440	15,648	5,969
Total assets	82,990	70,371	27,858	16,791
LIABILITIES				
Current liabilities				
Trade and other payables	36,316	30,692	7,409	2,323
Borrowings	2,865	2,836	-	-
Income tax payable	663	578	=	-
	39,844	34,106	7,409	2,323
Non-current liabilities				
Trade and other payables	_	-	_	517
Borrowings	5,267	849	4,000	-
Deferred tax liabilities	1,034	1,033	-	-
	6,301	1,882		517
Total liabilities	46,145	35,988	11,409	2,840
			-	
Net assets	36,845	34,383	16,449	13,951

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

	Gro	up	Compa	any
	Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited	Audited
	31/12/2017 S\$'000	31/12/2016 S\$'000	31/12/2017 S\$′000	31/12/2016 S\$'000
EQUITY		_		_
Capital and reserves attributable				
to equity holders of the Company				
Share capital	54,274	51,405	54,274	51,405
Other reserves	(3,398)	(3,331)	-	-
Accumulated losses	(21,933)	(23,127)	(37,825)	(37,454)
	28,943	24,947	16,449	13,951
Non-controlling interests	7,902	9,436		
Total equity	36,845	34,383	16,449	13,951

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

Amount repayable in one year or less, or on demand

As at 31 Dec 2017		As at 31 Dec 2016	
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Secured	Unsecured	Secured	Unsecured
S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
2,865	-	2,836	-

Amount repayable after one year

As at 31 Dec 2017		As at 31 Dec 2016	
Secured	Unsecured	Secured	Unsecured
S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
1,267	4,000	849	-

Details of any collateral

As at 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2016, the secured borrowings are secured by corporate guarantees by the Company and freehold land and properties of subsidiaries.

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

	Note	Full year ended 3 Unaudited 2017 (S\$'000)	31 December Audited 2016 (S\$'000)
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit before income tax		1,976	3,738
Adjustments for:			
Amortisation of intangible assets		1,774	1,349
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment		932	680
Gain on bargain purchase		-	(4,167)
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment		(17)	(14)
Loss on disposal of a subsidiary		19	-
Property, plant and equipment written off		8	-
Inventories written down		33	-
Impairment loss on trade and other receivables		20	1,294
Writeback of allowance for receivables		(26)	-
Interest expense		273	143
Interest income		(24)	(23)
Unrealised exchange differences	_	(71)	(75)
Operating profit before working capital changes Change in working capital:		4,897	2,925
Inventories		(1,086)	(50)
Amount due to / from customers for contract work		(1,591)	(18,065)
Trade and other receivables		(9,997)	256
Trade and other payables		4,231	12,736
Refund of pledged fixed deposits and bank balances	_	261	1,198
Cash used in operations		(3,285)	(1,000)
Income taxes paid		(310)	(788)
Net cash used in operating activities		(3,595)	(1,788)

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

	Note	Full year ended Unaudited 2017 (S\$'000)	31 December Audited 2016 (S\$'000)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	Α	(1,202)	(2,168)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		17	15
Disposal of a subsidiary, net of cash disposed	В	1,355	-
Acquisition of a subsidiary, net of cash	С	-	1,165
Interest received		24	23
Net cash from / (used in)investing activities		194	(965)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from issuance of new shares, by way of cash		3,000	-
Share issuance cost		(131)	-
Proceeds from borrowings		7,037	1,064
Repayment of borrowings		(1,676)	(440)
Repayment of finance lease liabilities		(48)	(46)
Dividend paid to non-controlling shareholder		(38)	-
Interest paid		(273)	(143)
Advances from investors for placement of shares		4,860	
Net cash from financing activities		12,731	435
Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		9,330	(2,318)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		5,494	7,711
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash		,	•
equivalents		124	101
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year		14,948	5,494

Note A

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows, the Group's additions to property, plant and equipment during the financial year comprised of:

	2017	2016
	\$'000	\$′000
Property, plant and equipment purchased during the financial year	1,202	3,436
Less:		
Amount outstanding as at end of the financial year	-	(1,245)
Finance lease liabilities	-	(23)
Cash payment to acquire property, plant and equipment	1,202	2,168

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

Note B

The aggregate cash inflow arising from the disposal of Darco Youli were:	
	2017
	\$'000
Net assets disposed	4,367
Less: Non-controlling interests	(1,742)
	2,625
Loss on disposal of subsidiaries	(19)
Total cash proceeds from disposal	2,606
Less: Cash and bank balances disposed of in Darco Youli	(1,251)
Net cash inflow on disposal	1,355
Note C: Acquisition of subsidiary, net of cash acquired	
	2017
	\$'000
Total consideration for 60% equity interest acquired	6,425
Less: non-cash consideration	(6,425)
Consideration settled in cash	-
Less: Cash and cash equivalents of subsidiary acquired (after deducting pledged bank balances)	1,165
Net cash inflows on acquisition of a subsidiary	1,165

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

	Full year ended 31 Dec		
	Unaudited	Audited	
	2017	2016	
	(S\$'000)	(S\$'000)	
Cash and cash equivalents comprise the following:-			
Bank and cash balances	17,003	8,155	
Bank balances pledged	(1,125)	(1,272)	
Short-term bank deposits pledged	(451)	(574)	
Bank overdraft	(479)	(815)	
Cash and cash equivalent as per consolidated cash flows	14,948	5,494	

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

	Share Capital (S\$'000)	Other reserves (S\$'000)	Accumulated losses (S\$'000)	Sub- Total (S\$'000)	NCI (S\$'000)	Total (S\$'000)
Balance as at 1.1.2017	51,405	(3,331)	(23,127)	24,947	9,436	34,383
Profit for the financial year Other comprehensive income/(loss)	-	-	1,194	1,194	252	1,446
- Currency translation differences arising from consolidation	-	(67)		(67)	(6)	(73)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the financial year	-	(67)	1,194	1,127	246	1,373
Contribution by and distribution to owners						
Issuance of shares	2,869	-	-	2,869	-	2,869
Dividend paid	-	-	-	-	(38)	(38)
Total contributions by and distribution to owners	2,869	-	-	2,869	(38)	2,831
<u>Change in ownership interests in subsidiaries</u>						
Disposal of a subsidiary	-	-	-	-	(1,742)	(1,742)
Balance as at 31.12.2017	54,274	(3,398)	(21,933)	28,943	7,902	36,845

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

	Share Capital (S\$'000)	Other reserves (S\$'000)	Accumulated losses (S\$'000)	Sub- Total (S\$'000)	NCI (S\$'000)	Total (S\$'000)
Balance as at 1.1.2016	44,980	(3,245)	(25,469)	16,266	1,492	17,758
Profit/(Loss) for the financial year Other comprehensive income/(loss)	-	-	2,572	2,572	819	3,391
- Currency translation differences arising from consolidation	-	(316)	-	(316)	63	(253)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the financial year	-	(316)	2,572	2,256	882	3,138
Contribution by owners						
Share issued for acquisition of a subsidiary	6,425	-	-	6,425	-	6,425
Transfer to a statutory reserve	-	230	(230)	-	-	-
Total contributions by owners	6,425	230	(230)	6,425	=	6,425
Change in ownership interests in subsidiaries						
Acquisition of a subsidiary	-	-	-	-	7,062	7,062
Balance as at 31.12.2016	51,405	(3,331)	(23,127)	24,947	9,436	34,383

1(d)(i) A statement of Changes in equity of the Company

Company	Share Capital (S\$'000)	Accumulated Losses (S\$'000)	Total (S\$'000)
Balance at 1 Jan 2017	51,405	(37,454)	13,951
Total comprehensive loss for the financial year Contribution by owners	-	(371)	(371)
- Issuance of shares	2,869	-	2,869
Balance at 31 Dec 2017	54,274	(37,825)	16,449
Company	Share Capital (S\$'000)	Accumulated Losses (S\$'000)	Total (S\$'000)
Balance at 1 Jan 2016	44,980	(36,834)	8,146
Total comprehensive loss for the financial year	-	(620)	(620)
Contribution by owners - Issuance of shares	6,425	-	6,425
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1(d)(ii) Details of any changes in the company's share capital arising from rights issue, bonus issue, share buy-backs, exercise of share options or warrants, conversion of other issues of equity securities, issue of shares for cash or as consideration for acquisition or for any other purpose since the end of the previous period reported on. State also the number of shares that may be issued on conversion of all the outstanding convertibles, as well as the number of shares held as treasury shares, if any, against the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares of the issuer, as at the end of the current financial period reported on and as at the end of the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

During the financial year, the Company has announced that it has:

- (a) Alloted and issued 2,500,000 placement shares to Capital Boom Limited on 7 April 2017; and
- (b) Alloted and issued 2,500,000 placement shares to Stone Robert Alexander ("Robert Stone") on 3 May 2017

As a result of the above, the total number of shares has increased from 52,326,601 shares to 57,326,601 shares.

	As at	As at	As at
	31/12/2017	30/6/2017	31/12/2016
Number of ordinary shares	57,326,601	57,326,601	52,326,601
Issued and paid up capital	\$′000	\$′000	\$′000
	54,274	54,321	51,405

There were no outstanding convertibles or shares held as treasury shares as at the end of the current financial year reported on and as at the end of the corresponding year of the immediately preceding financial year.

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

As at 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2016, the issued ordinary shares of the Company was 57,326,601 and 52,326,601 respectively. There were no treasury shares as at 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2016.

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

Not applicable. The Company does not have any treasury shares during and as at the end of the current financial period reported on.

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

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

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

Not applicable.

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

Save as disclosed in paragraph 5 below, the Group has adopted the same accounting policies and methods of computation in the preparation of the financial statements for the current reporting year as per the most recent audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2016.

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

The Group has adopted the new and revised Singapore Financial Reporting Standards ("FRSs") that are mandatory for financial years beginning on and after 1 Jan 2017, where applicable. The adoption of these standards did not result in substantial changes to the Group's accounting policies, and there is no material impact on the financial statements of the Group as at 1 Jan 2017.

- 6. Earnings per ordinary share of the group for the current financial period reported on and the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year, after deducting any provision for preference dividends.
 - (a) Based on the weighted average number of ordinary shares on issue; and
 - (b) On a fully diluted basis (detailing any adjustments made to the earnings).

	Financial Year ended		
	Unaudited	Audited	
	31/12/2017	31/12/2016	
	\$'000	\$'000	
Earnings per ordinary shares of the group for the current year reported on and the corresponding period of the immediate preceding financial year:-	·	·	
Net profit attrbutable to equity holders of the Company (\$'000)	1,194	2,572	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding for basic earnings per share - adjusted	55,819,752	46,840,077	
Basic and diluted earnings per share (Cents)	2.14	5.49	

The basic and diluted earnings per share were the same as there were no potentially dilutive ordinary securities in issue as at 31 December 2016 and 31 December 2017.

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

	Gro	Group		pany
	Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited	Audited
	31/12/2017	31/12/2016	31/12/2017	31/12/2016
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
Net asset value (for issuer and group) per ordinary share based on issued share capital of the issuer at the end of the financial year.	64.27	65.71	28.69	26.66
Number of ordinary shares	57,326,601	52,326,601	57,326,601	52,326,601

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

Revenue from continuing operations and Gross Profit

	Group								
	Full Yea	r Ended							
	Unaudited Audited		Unaudited Audited		Unaudited Audit		Unaudited Audited		
	31/12/2017 (\$′000)	31/12/2016 (\$'000)	Change %						
Engineered Environmental Systems ("EE Systems")	41,318	39,710	4.0						
Water Management Services ("WM Services")	10,098	11,004	-8.2						
Trading	9,181	10,032	-8.5						
-	60,597	60,746	-0.2						

Revenue of the Group has been maintained at \$60.6 million in FY2017 as compared to \$60.7 million in FY2016.

Revenue from EE Systems segment increased from \$39.7 million in FY2017 to \$41.3 million in FY2017 mainly due to higher contribution from the Engineering, Procurement, and Construction ("EPC") projects in Singapore.

Revenue from WM Services segment decreased from \$11.0 million in FY2016 to \$10.1 million in FY2017 as a result of lower service revenue contribution following the sale of Darco Youli Medical Waste operations in Taiwan. As per announcement dated 16 June 2017, the Group has entered into two separate sale and purchase agreements for the disposal of Darco Youli, which was completed on 30 September 2017.

Revenue from continuing operations and Gross Profit (Continued)

Sales from the trading of chemical, spare parts and others decreased slightly from \$10.0 million in FY2016 to \$9.2 million in FY2017 mainly due to lesser demand for specialised water treatment chemicals from our customers in Malaysia.

The Group overall gross profit ("GP") margin has increased from 22.9% in FY2016 to 24.2% in FY2017. This is mainly due to the Group having successfully secured projects at higher margin through value engineering while maintaining its competitiveness in the market.

Other income

The significant decrease in other income is mainly due to:-

- 1. the gain on bargain purchase of \$4.2million, arising from the acquisition of Wuhan Kaidi Water Service Co., Ltd recorded in FY2016 was a one-off occurance and did not recur in FY2017; and
- 2. loss in foreign exchange of \$90,000 in FY2017, as compared to gain in foreign exchange of \$142,000 in FY2016. This is mainly due to the volatility in foreign exchange movement, in particular, the Malaysian Ringgit ("MYR") against the Group's functional currency, Singapore Dollar ("SGD"). The Group is exposed to foreign exchange risks due to its overseas purchase of project materials denominated in foreign currency.

The above mentioned decrease was partially offset by the reversal of amount due to contract customer amounting to \$1.0 million in FY2017. During the FY2017, the Management has determined a project that was included in the contract order that was signed in July 2015 (pre-acquisition of WHKD, with no work started to-date), has no prospect of completion. Accordingly, reversal of amount due to contract customer has been made.

Operating expenses

The group's marketing and distribution expenses increased from \$1.5 million in FY2016 to \$1.7 million in FY2017 mainly due to higher marketing cost incurred in China. The Group has strengthened its marketing team in China by increasing its headcount of its sales division.

Administrative expenses which comprised mainly of staff salary, professional fees, rental and other operating expenses, slight decreased from \$13.2 million in FY2016 to \$12.0 million in FY2017. This are mainly due to lower impairment on receivables in FY2017 of \$20,000, as compared to an impairment amount of \$1.3 million in FY2016 and expenses amounting to \$0.6 million that was incurred for the acquisition of WHKD in FY2016.

Finance expenses

Finance costs increased by \$0.1 million mainly due to the newly secured long-term borrowing for the acquisition of an office building in China and also a higher utilisation of bank overdraft and trust receipts facilities in Singapore and Malaysia in FY2017.

Income tax expense

The increase in income tax expenses is mainly due to the reversal of corressponding deferred tax expenses relating to the reversal of amount due to contract customer amounting to \$1.0 million in FY2017.

Balance sheet

Current assets

The Group's current assets comprise the following items:-

	As at 31 December 2017 (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 (Audited)
	\$'000	\$ ′000
Trade receivables	22,944	17,649
Gross amount due from customers for contract		
work	20,000	21,620
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	7,330	4,737
Trade and other receivables	50,274	44,006
Inventories	2,056	1,003
Income tax recoverable	293	276
Cash and bank balances	17,003	8,155
Total	69,626	53,440

Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables has been increased from \$17.6 million in FY2016 to \$22.9 million in FY2017, mainly due to higher trade receivables in China. The outstanding receivables in China has increased from \$8.9 million in FY2016 to \$15.2 million in FY2017.

Gross amount due from customers for contract work decreased mainly due to the lesser unbilled work done for China projects. The gross amount due from customers for contract work relating to China projects has decreased from \$19.2 million as at 31 December 2016 to \$18.1 million as at 31 December 2017.

The increase in other receivables was mainly due to:-

- 1. A refundable deposit of US\$1.0 million has been made to CA Trading Co., Ltd ("Vendor") as part of the purchase consideration for the acquistion of water treatment assets in Vietnam. This would allow the Company to carry out the due diligence and valuation work before entering into a definitive Sale and Purchase Agreement with the Vendor
- 2. Increase in the VAT receivables from \$1.1 million in FY2016 to \$2.4 million in FY2017

Inventories

There is an increase in inventories from \$1.0 million in FY2016 to \$2.1 million in FY2017, mainly due to the Group's subsidiaries in China and Malaysia having stocked up on frequently used parts and equipment for use in upcoming projects.

Non-current assets

Our non-current assets comprises of property, plant and equipment, intangible assets and deferred tax assets.

The decrease in the property, plant and equipment is mainly due to:

- 1. Depreciation of property, plant and equipment amounting to \$0.8 million;
- 2. Disposal of subsidiary in Taiwan, which caused a reduction in property, plant and equipment amounting to \$1.9 million

The above mentioned decrease was partially offset by the purchase of motor vehicles and plant and equipment amounting to \$1.2 million.

The decrease in the intangible assets is mainly due to the amortisation of intangible assets amounting to \$1.7 million.

Current liabilities

Trade and other payables

The Group's trade and other payables comprise of the following:-

	As at 31 December 2017 (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 (Audited)
	\$'000	\$'000
Trade payables	17,552	15,331
Other payables and accruals	18,484	11,870
Gross amount due to customers for contract work	280	3,491
Total	36,316	30,692

The increase in trade payables from \$11.6 million in FY2016 to \$14.2 million in FY2017 is mainly due to numerous purchases made towards the end of the finanicial period, which remained unpaid as at 31 December 2017, in our China subsidiary.

The increase in other payables and accruals are mainly due to:-

- 1. increase in the downpayment from the customers from \$6.8 million in FY2016 to \$9.7 million in FY2017;
- 2. an amount of \$4.9 million* received from Wang Zhi, Robert Stone and Sofos Infrastructure Fund for the placement of shares in the Company

The above mentioned increase was partially offset by the outstanding balance due to vendor for the acquisition of building in Wuhan of \$1.2 million in FY2016.

*The placement consideration was recorded as other payables since the placement of shares was not completed as at year end of 2017.

Gross amount due to customers for contract work decreased mainly due to decrease in advance billing for work done in our China projects.

Borrowings

Total borrowings increased from \$3.7 million in FY2016 to \$8.1 million in FY2017.

The increase was mainly due to:

- 1. drawdown of loan amounting to \$4.0 million from Wang Zhi. Please refer to announcement dated 23 October 2017 on the placement of shares to Wang Zhi.
- 2. drawdown of loan for the acquisition of building in Wuhan amounting to \$1.0 million
- 3. drawdown of SME loan for working capital in Singapore amounting to \$0.3 million
- 4. proceeds from trust receipts amounting to \$1.7 million

The above mentioned increase was partially offset by:-

- 1. repayment of bank borrowing amounting to \$1.7 million
- 2. disposal of subsidiary in Taiwan, which caused a reduction in borrowing amounting to \$0.5 million

Equity

Share capital increased from \$51.4 million in FY2016 to \$54.3 million in FY2017. The increase in share capital was due to the issuance of 5,000,000 shares to the investors.

Cash flow statement for the year ended

	Unaudited 31 Dec 2017 S\$'000	Audited 31 Dec 2016 S\$'000
Net cash used in operating activities	(3,595)	(1,788)
Cash flows from investing activities	194	(965)
Cash flows from financing activities	12,252	435
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	9,330	(2,318)

The group cash position was \$17.0 million as at 31 December 2017 compared to \$8.2 million, as at 31 December 2016.

In FY2017, operating cash flow before changes in working capital was \$4.9 million, after adding non cash items of \$3.9 million. Operating cash flows was used for the purchase of inventories and finance of construction projects.

Cash generated from investing activities in FY2017 is \$0.2 million mainly due to the net cash proceeds from the disposal of Taiwan plant amounting to \$1.4 million. Cash was used for the purchase of plant and equipment amounting to \$1.2 million.

Cash generated from financing activities in FY2017 of \$12.7 million mainly arose from:-

- 1. net proceeds from borrowing of \$5.4 million;
- 2. net proceeds from share placement of \$2.9 million; and
- 3. advances received from the investor of \$4.9 million for the placement of shares in the Company.

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

The business activities of the Group remain broad-based and the actual results are in line with the statements made in announcements released earlier.

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

Subject to shareholder approval the Group shall complete several private placement agreements. The cash proceeds from these Placement exercises shall be used to expedite the construction, of several drinking water projects in Vietnam, to generate recurring income for the Group.

Going forward, the Group shall also try to expand its core engineering business activities, comprising of namely EE Systems, WM Services and Trading segments. The expertise deployed in these segments remain essential to optimise upcoming infrastructure projects secured recently.

The Group expects the global economic outlook to be steady, achieving a positive growth. Under such a scenario, the Group shall be in a good position to capitalise from opportunities arising within the manufacturing and production industries in the next 12 months.

11. Dividend

(a) Current Financial Period Reported On

Any dividend declared for the current financial period reported on?

Not applicable.

(b) Corresponding Period of the Immediately Preceding Financial Year

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

No

(c) Date payable

Not applicable

(d) Books closure date

Not applicable

12. If no dividend has been declared (recommended), a statement to that effect.

No dividend has been declared or recommended for FY2017.

13. Use of Rights issue proceeds

Pursuant to the share placement completed on 7 April 2017 and 3 May 2017 respectively, the Company received net proceeds from the issuance of new shares of approximately \$2,966,000, after deducting issue expenses.

The utilisation of the share placement proceeds as at the date of this announcement is as follows:

S/N	Purpose from share placement proceeds	Amount allocated	Amount utilised	Balance
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1	Funding new projects or investments when opportunities arose	2,076	(2,076)	-
2	General working capital	890	(890)	-
	- Payment of company's indebtedness	-	(217)	-
	- Repayment of overdraft and loan taken for the working capital of the Group's working capital	-	(100)	-
	- Other general working capital			
	- Staff salary	-	(447)	-
	- Professional fees	-	(126)	-
	Total	2,966	2,966	-

The above utilisation is in accordance with the intended use of proceeds of the Shares Placements as stated in the annoncement dated 26 January 2017.

14. Segmented revenue and results of business or geographical segments (of the group) in the form presented in the issuer's most recently audited annual financial statements, with comparative information for the immediately preceding year

The segment information for the reportable segments of continuing operations for the financial year ended 31 December 2017 is as follows:

2017

	EE				
	Systems	WM Services	Trading	Eliminations	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$′000	\$'000	\$'000
Revenue	·	•	·	•	
Sales to external customers	41,318	10,098	9,181	_	60,597
Inter-segment sales	-	-	-	_	-
inter segment suies					
Total	41,318	10,098	9,182	_	60,597
Segment profit	8,847	4,491	1,348	-	14,686
Other information:					
Additions to property, plant and					
equipment	459	-	91	-	550
Impairment loss on trade and					
other receivables	<u>-</u>	-	20	-	20
Amortisation of intangible assets	1,774	-	-	-	1,774
Reversal of amount due to contract customer	(1,034)	_	_	_	(1,034)
Depreciation of property, plant	(1,054)				(1,054)
and equipment	334	214	82	_	630
Finance costs	83		3	_	86
Interest income	15	_	8	_	23
interest income	13				23
Assets					
Segment assets	60,659	2,461	5,222	_	68,342
Segment assets	00,033	2,101	5,222		00,512
Liabilities					
Segment liabilities	32,930	1,556	2,068	_	36,554
Segment habilities	32,330	1,550	2,000		30,331

Segment assets and liabilities are derived after deducting deferred tax assets and liabilities.

14. Segmented revenue and results of business or geographical segments (of the group) in the form presented in the issuer's most recently audited annual financial statements, with comparative information for the immediately preceding year (Continued)

The segment information for the reportable segments of continuing operations for the financial year ended 31 December 2016 is as follows:

2016

Revenue	EE Systems \$'000	WM Services \$'000	Trading \$'000	Eliminations \$'000	Total \$'000
Sales to external customers Inter-segment sales	39,710 -	11,004	10,032	(2)	60,746
Total	39,710	11,004	10,034	(2)	60,746
Segment profit	4,825	5,063	3,967		13,885
Other information:					
Additions to property, plant and equipment	2,814	394	114	-	3,322
Impairment loss on trade and other receivables	-	-	(344)	-	(344)
Amortisation of intangible assets Depreciation of property, plant	1,349	-	-	-	1,349
and equipment	36	361	156	-	553
Finance costs	(1)	(16)	(6)	-	(23)
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	_	_	14	_	14
Interest income	10	2	3	-	15
	_				
Assets	50.040	. ==.	5.004		CE 0.40
Segment assets	53,348	4,771	6,924		65,043
Liabilities					
Segment liabilities	28,180	1,314	3,187		32,681

Segment assets and liabilities are derived after deducting deferred tax assets and liabilities.

14. Segmented revenue and results of business or geographical segments (of the group) in the form presented in the issuer's most recently audited annual financial statements, with comparative information for the immediately preceding year (Continued)

Geographical information

Revenue and non-current assets information based on the geographical location of customers are as follows:

	Revenue		Non-current assets	
	2017 2016		2017	2016
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<u>Geographical</u>				
Malaysia	20,559	23,594	2,160	1,929
The People's Republic of China	25,755	27,928	10,740	11,609
Taiwan	3,895	3,635	148	2,022
Singapore	10,388	5,452	131	1,052
Other countries	-	137	-	1
	60,597	60,746	13,179	16,613

Non-current assets information presented above are non-current assets as presented on the statement of financial position excluding deferred income tax assets.

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

Please refer to Paragraph 8 above for further details.

16. A breakdown of sales

	2017 S\$'000	2016 S\$'000
Sales reported for the first half of the year Profit/(loss) after tax before non-controlling	24,767	26,677
interest reported for the first half year	361	(511)
Sales reported for the second half of the year Profit after tax before non-controlling interest	35,830	34,069
reported for the second half year	833	3,083

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

No dividend has been recommended or declared for the year ended 31 December 2017 and 2016.

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

Name	of	Interested	Aggregate value of all Aggregate value of all
Person			interested person interested person
			transactions during the transactions conducted
			financial year under review under shareholders'
			(excluding transactions less mandate pursuant to Rule
			than \$100,000 and 920 (excluding transactions
			transactions conducted under less than \$100,000)
			shareholders' mandate
			pursuant to Rule 920)
N/A			N/A N/A

The Group does not have any IPT general mandate from shareholders pursuant to Rule 920.

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

Name	Age	Family relationship with any director and/or substantial shareholder	Current position and duties, and the year position was held	Details of changes in duties and position held, if any, during the year
Thye Kim Fah	67	Brother of Mr. Thye Kim Meng, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Darco Water Technologies Limited	General Manager of Darco Water Systems Sdn. Bhd. ("DWSSB") responsible for overall management and operation of DWSSB, position held since January 1, 2000	Nil
Thye Ze Pin	36	Nephew of Mr. Thye Kim Meng, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Darco Water Technologies Limited	Team Head, Project Management for Darco Water Technologies Limited; responsible for project management, position held since January 1, 2009	Nil

20. Confirmation that the issuer has procured undertakings from all its Directors and Executive Officers (in the format set out in Appendix 7.7) under Rule 720(1)

The Company confirms that it has procured undertakings from all its directors and executive officers in the format set out in Appendix 7.7 under Rule 720(1) of the Listing Manual.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Thye Kim Meng Chairman, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer 27 February 2018