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MSC reports net profit of RM14.3 million for 3QFY24

- *Proposed second interim single-tier special dividend of 17 sen per share for FY24*

Kuala Lumpur and Singapore, 15 November 2024 – Tin miner and metal producer, Malaysia Smelting Corporation Berhad (“MSC” or “the Group”) has today announced the financial results for its third quarter (“3QFY24”) and the nine-month period ended 30 September 2024 (“9MFY24”).

During the quarter under review, the Group reported a 29.1% year-on-year (“YoY”) growth in revenue of RM470.1 million compared to RM364.0 million in the preceding year’s corresponding quarter (“3QFY23”). This growth was driven by higher average tin prices of RM141,500 per metric tonne (“MT”) (3QFY23: RM123,800 per MT) and increased sales of refined tin. In line with the revenue performance, the Group’s profit attributable to the owners of the company (“net profit”) rose by 20.9% to RM14.3 million in 3QFY24, up from RM11.8 million in 3QFY23.

In line with favourable tin price movements, the Group’s tin mining segment recorded a 26.1% YoY rise in net profit to RM22.5 million during the quarter from RM17.9 million a year ago.

Meanwhile, the tin smelting arm was affected by the foreign exchange losses resulting from the Ringgit’s appreciation against the United States (“US”) Dollar between August to September 2024, compounded by lower smelting performance. This resulted in a net loss of RM10.3 million during the quarter, against a net loss of RM2.7 million in 3QFY23.

In 9MFY24, MSC’s revenue grew by 20.6% YoY to RM1,243.3 million, from RM1,031.1 million in the previous year’s corresponding period (“9MFY23”),

fuelled by more favourable tin prices of RM140,100 per MT (9MFY23: RM118,800 per MT) and higher sales volume of refined tin. The tin mining segment posted a higher net profit of RM61.7 million on the back of higher tin prices. Nonetheless, the tin smelting division recorded a net profit of RM4.3 million (9MFY23: RM38.2 million), impacted by various factors including lower incoming feed for smelting, reduced sales of refined tin from processed tin intermediates, as well as foreign exchange losses. As a result, the Group's net profit contracted to RM49.2 million in 9MFY24, against RM75.7 million in the prior year.

Commenting on the Group's performance, **Dato' Dr. Patrick Yong, Group Chief Executive Officer of MSC** said, "Despite challenges posed by the global economic environment, MSC remains steadfast on building a more resilient business through operational improvements and strategic investments in our mining and smelting businesses. We are pleased with our tin mining performance, which has benefitted from favourable tin prices. As for our tin smelting division, we are working to address these challenges and are confident in our long-term strategy. Moreover, the recent conclusion of the US 2024 presidential election and the strengthening of the US Dollar against the Ringgit provide a more stable backdrop for our operations."

"As for the tin smelting business, the Group is committed to the phased decommissioning of the old smelting plant at Butterworth, Penang, which is on track for full closure by 2025. We expect to benefit from an approximate 30% in cost savings from the planned closure and from the efficient Top Submerged Lance ("TSL") furnace technology in the Pulau Indah smelting facility, which will lower operational and manpower costs, and reduce our overall carbon footprint."

"For our tin mining segment, we will continue to focus on improving and increasing our daily mining output and enhancing our overall mining productivity. This includes expanding our mining activities and mine

resources, adopting new cost-effective mining methodology and participating in new mining joint ventures.”

For 3QFY24, the Board has proposed a second interim single-tier special dividend of 17 sen per share with a total dividend payout of RM71.4 million. This follows the first interim single-tier dividend of 7 sen per share declared on 25 September 2024 amounting to a dividend payout of RM29.4 million.

ABOUT MALAYSIA SMELTING CORPORATION BERHAD

The MSC Group is currently one of the world's leading integrated producers of tin metal and tin-based products and a global leader in custom tin smelting since 1887. MSC which is a subsidiary of The Straits Trading Company Limited of Singapore is listed both on the Main Market of Bursa Malaysia and the Main Board of Singapore Exchange.

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