

## BUSINESS UPDATE FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

## **KEY FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS FOR GROUP**

Summarised Statement of Comprehensive Income	<b>9M2024</b> S\$'000	<b>3Q2024</b> S\$'000
Revenue Gross profit Profit after tax Total comprehensive income for the period	1,139,982 107,289 72,647* 72,151	381,691 32,614 34,121* 32,816
Summarised Balance Sheet		<b>30.06.2024</b> \$\$'000
Non-current assets Current assets		125,766 741,144
Total assets		866,910
Current liabilities Non-current liabilities		382,819 31,268
Total liabilities		414,087
Net assets		452,823
Loans and Borrowings		<b>30.06.2024</b> \$\$'000
Current Non-current		206,973 20,107
Total loans and borrowings		227,080
Cash and cash equivalents		160,216
Net loans and borrowings		66,864
Summarised Statement of Cash Flows		<b>9M2024</b> S\$'000
Net cash flows generated from operating activities Net cash flows generated from investing activities Net cash flows used in financing activities		157,275 18,535 (199,571)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(23,761) 184,624 (647)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial period		160,216

<sup>\*</sup>Included in the 9M2024 and 3Q2024 profit after tax of \$\$72.6 million and \$\$34.1 million respectively is gain on disposal of an associate of \$\$16.5 million. Please refer to the Company's announcement on 7 June 2024 for the completion of disposal.

## **COMMENTARY**

Based on advance estimates provided by the Ministry of Trade and Industry ("MTI"), the Singapore economy grew by 2.9% on a year-on-year ("y-o-y") basis in the second quarter of 2024 ("2Q2024"), extending the 3.0% growth recorded in the previous quarter. In this period, the construction sector grew by 4.3% y-o-y, marking the 13th consecutive quarter of growth for the sector. According to the MTI, growth during this quarter was supported by an increase in public sector construction output. 2

In the previous quarter, growth in the construction sector was also driven by the public sector, where there were higher certified progress payments (+18.5%) and an increase in contracts awarded (+8.9%).

On the other hand, both certified progress payments and contracts awarded contracted for the private sector, declining 4.7% and 43.7% y-o-y respectively, in the first quarter of 2024 ("1Q2024"). For the private sector, this decline in certified progress payments was led by the private industrial (-13.2%) and private institutional and others (-25.8%) building works and, for contracts awarded, this contraction was led by private residential (-16.6%) and commercial (-94.2%) building works.<sup>3</sup>

Be that as it may, BRC's sales order book continued to remain robust, standing at \$\$1.32 billion as at 30 June 2024. The duration of projects in our sales order book range up to 5 years and may be subject to further changes.

Going forward, although we continue to expect a steady pipeline of projects to be launched and awarded, particularly from the public sector, project offtake from ongoing projects had remained generally disappointing over the last 6 months.

On behalf of the Board of Directors

Seah Kiin Peng Chief Executive Officer

Singapore 6 August 2024

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The last time the construction sector shrank on a y-o-y basis was in the first quarter of 2021, where a decline of 23.2% was recorded.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.mti.gov.sg/Newsroom/Press-Releases/2024/04/Singapore-GDP-Grew-by-2\_9-Per-Cent-in-the-Second-Quarter-of-2024

<sup>3</sup> https://www.mti.gov.sg/Resources/Economic-Survey-of-Singapore/2024/Economic-Survey-of-Singapore-First-Quarter-2024