



# FIRST RESOURCES LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT 2015



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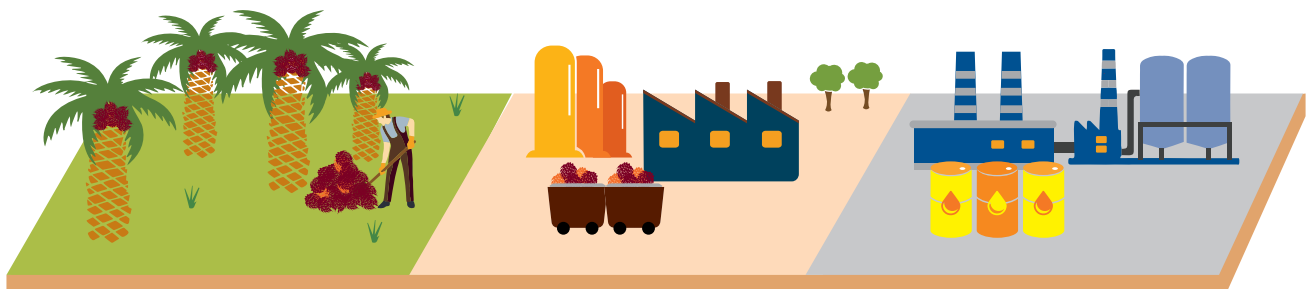
# CORPORATE PROFILE

Established in 1992 and listed on the Singapore Exchange since 2007, First Resources is one of the leading palm oil producers in the region, managing over 200,000 hectares of oil palm plantations across the Riau, East Kalimantan and West Kalimantan provinces of Indonesia.

Our core business activities include cultivating oil palms, harvesting the fresh fruit bunches and milling them into crude palm oil ("CPO") and palm kernel ("PK"). In addition to plantations and palm oil mills, the Group through its refinery, fractionation, biodiesel and kernel crushing plants, processes its CPO and PK into higher value palm-based products such as biodiesel, refined, bleached and deodorised ("RBD") olein, RBD stearin, palm kernel oil and palm kernel expeller. This enables the Group to extract maximum value out of our upstream plantation assets. Our products are sold to both local and international markets.

The Group has a young plantation age profile, with more than fifty percent of our plantations either in their young or immature ages. This favourable age profile positions the Group well for strong production growth over the next few years as these plantations mature into prime-yielding ages.

First Resources is committed to the production of sustainable palm oil. Our sustainability strategy is centered upon maximising output while minimising adverse environmental and social impact from our operations. We will constantly strengthen our sustainability framework through regular benchmarking against industry standards and best practices.





# RESILIENT FUNDAMENTALS

The solid fundamentals of our business and industry are backed by demographic drivers in emerging economies such as an expanding middle class and rising per capita consumption. Together with population growth, these factors will propel long-term demand growth for palm oil.



## OUR PRESENCE

### OIL PALM PLANTATIONS

TOTAL PLANTED AREA

**207,575** hectares



### PALM OIL MILLS

NUMBER OF MILLS

**13**



### PROCESSING PLANTS

REFINING & BIODIESEL  
COMBINED CAPACITY

**850,000** tonnes/annum

KERNEL CRUSHING CAPACITY

**135,000** tonnes/annum



Office



Oil Palm  
Plantation /  
Land Bank



Oil Palm  
Plantation  
with Mill

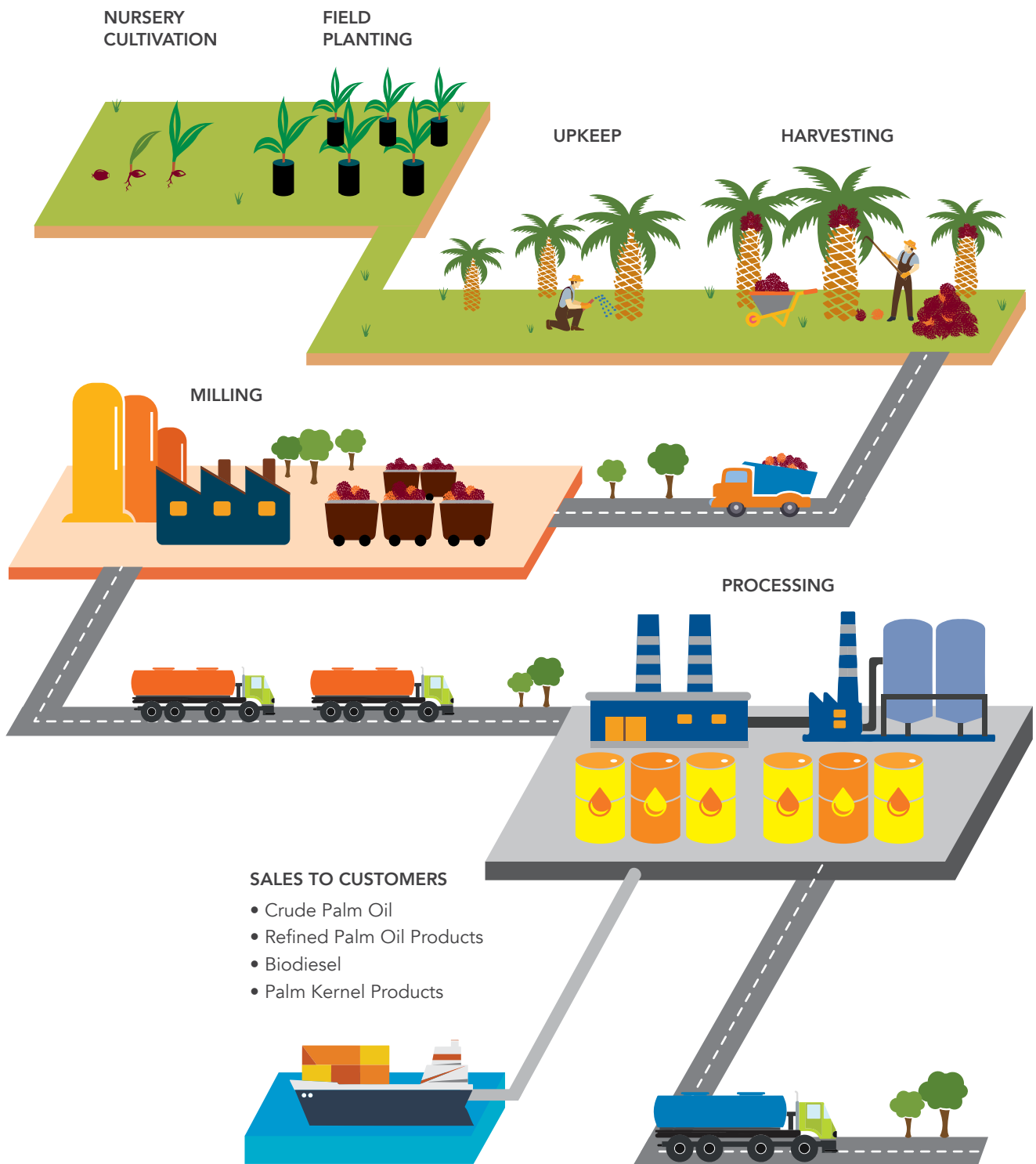


Processing  
Plant



Rubber  
Plantation /  
Land Bank

# BUSINESS OVERVIEW



# OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

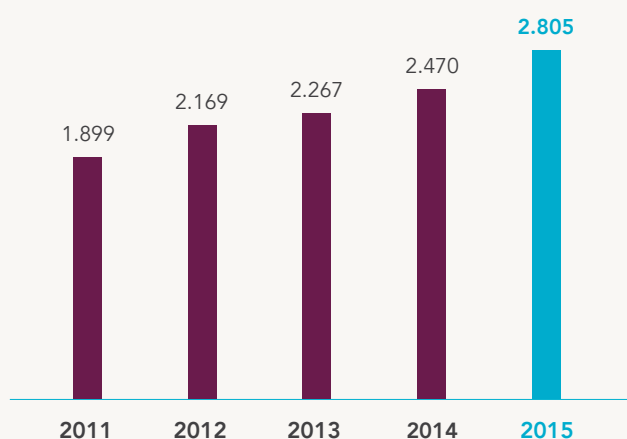
FINANCIAL YEAR	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Oil Palm Plantation Area (hectares)</b>					
<b>Total Planted Area</b>	<b>132,251</b>	<b>146,403</b>	<b>170,596</b>	<b>194,567</b>	<b>207,575</b>
Mature	85,699	98,181	120,978	132,220	147,905
Immature	46,552	48,222	49,618	62,347	59,670
<b>Nucleus Planted Area</b>	<b>113,143</b>	<b>125,805</b>	<b>148,727</b>	<b>165,936</b>	<b>178,338</b>
Mature	74,704	85,888	104,493	114,377	128,042
Immature	38,439	39,917	44,234	51,559	50,296
<b>Plasma Planted Area</b>	<b>19,108</b>	<b>20,598</b>	<b>21,869</b>	<b>28,631</b>	<b>29,237</b>
Mature	10,995	12,293	16,485	17,843	19,863
Immature	8,113	8,305	5,384	10,788	9,374
<b>Production Volume (tonnes)</b>					
<b>Total Fresh Fruit Bunches ("FFB")</b>	<b>1,898,565</b>	<b>2,168,983</b>	<b>2,266,866</b>	<b>2,469,884</b>	<b>2,804,606</b>
Nucleus	1,725,374	1,924,743	2,049,095	2,212,006	2,530,357
Plasma	173,191	244,240	217,771	257,878	274,249
<b>Crude Palm Oil ("CPO")</b>	<b>452,113</b>	<b>525,831</b>	<b>588,792</b>	<b>630,988</b>	<b>687,248</b>
<b>Palm Kernel ("PK")</b>	<b>103,993</b>	<b>123,129</b>	<b>135,462</b>	<b>145,811</b>	<b>160,021</b>
<b>Productivity</b>					
<b>FFB Yield per Mature Hectare (tonnes)</b>	<b>22.2</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>19.0</b>
<b>CPO Yield per Mature Hectare (tonnes)</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>4.3</b>
<b>CPO Extraction Rate (%)</b>	<b>23.6</b>	<b>23.3</b>	<b>23.1</b>	<b>22.8</b>	<b>22.7</b>
<b>PK Extraction Rate (%)</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>5.3</b>



### FRESH FRUIT BUNCHES PRODUCTION

(million tonnes)

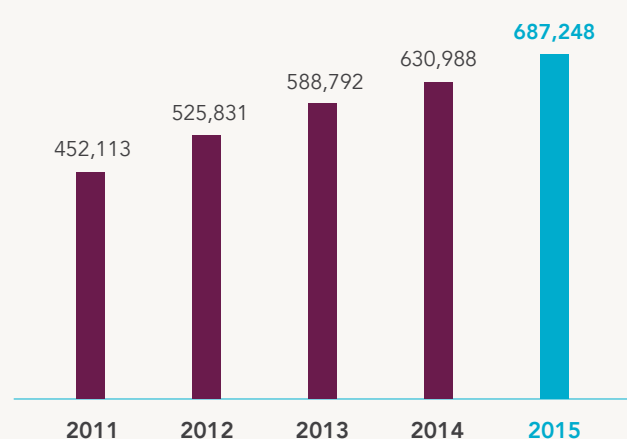
CAGR  
**10%**



### CRUDE PALM OIL PRODUCTION

(tonnes)

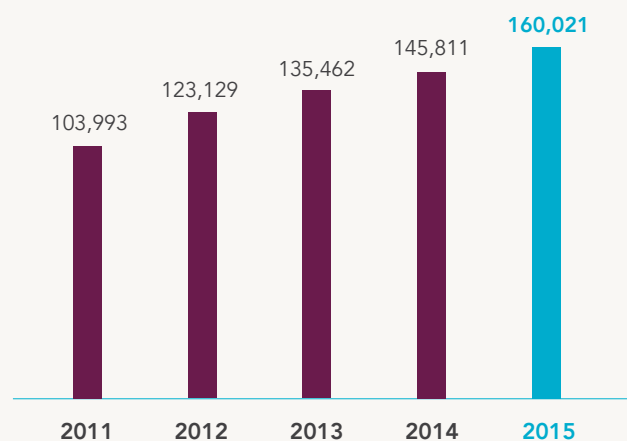
CAGR  
**11%**



### PALM KERNEL PRODUCTION

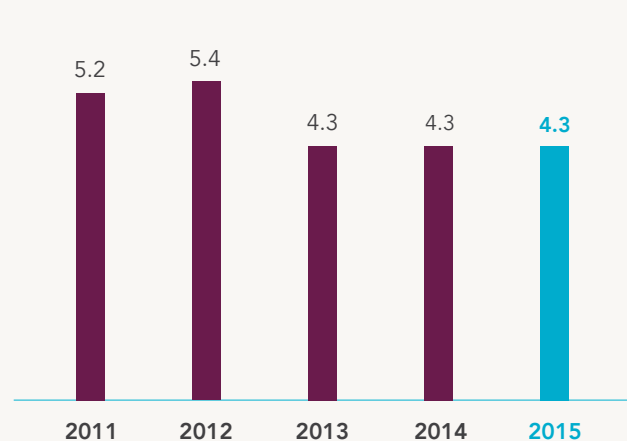
(tonnes)

CAGR  
**11%**



### CPO YIELD

(tonnes/mature hectare)



**Note:**

CAGR = Compounded Annual Growth Rate

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

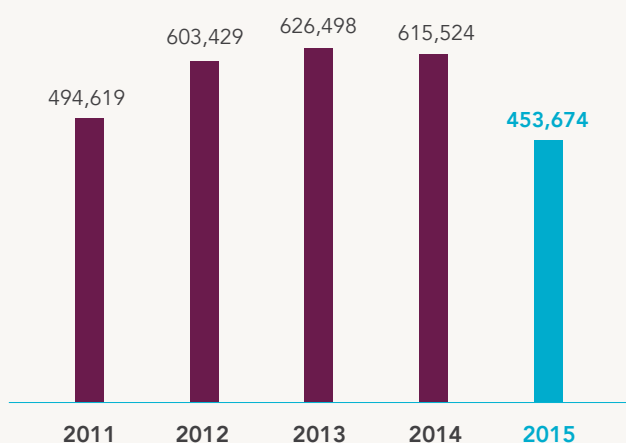
FINANCIAL YEAR	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Income Statement (US\$'000)</b>					
Sales	494,619	603,429	626,498	615,524	<b>453,674</b>
Gross profit	345,874	382,240	381,743	323,399	<b>251,246</b>
Gains/(losses) arising from changes in fair value of biological assets	39,217	35,795	29,564	1,940	<b>(2,534)</b>
Profit from operations	310,398	333,528	340,834	270,993	<b>186,131</b>
EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>	294,717	322,750	338,916	299,748	<b>219,115</b>
Profit before tax	281,687	326,327	313,564	251,945	<b>161,143</b>
Net profit attributable to owners of the Company	196,416	237,060	238,242	173,409	<b>107,902</b>
Underlying net profit <sup>(2)</sup>	168,371	211,301	216,958	171,640	<b>109,347</b>
<b>Balance Sheet (US\$'000)</b>					
Total assets	1,500,074	1,930,900	1,780,274	1,997,855	<b>1,926,948</b>
Total liabilities	571,721	773,328	740,149	882,105	<b>881,532</b>
Total equity	928,353	1,157,572	1,040,125	1,115,750	<b>1,045,416</b>
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	884,693	1,106,392	993,479	1,063,189	<b>995,383</b>
<b>Financial Statistics</b>					
EBITDA margin (%)	59.6	53.5	54.1	48.7	<b>48.3</b>
Basic earnings per share (US Cents) <sup>(3)</sup>	13.38	15.29	15.04	10.95	<b>6.81</b>
Net debt to equity (times) <sup>(4)</sup>	0.15	0.12	0.21	0.21	<b>0.28</b>
EBITDA to interest coverage (times) <sup>(5)</sup>	9.9	12.5	16.5	15.5	<b>9.0</b>
Net asset value per share (US\$) <sup>(6)</sup>	0.60	0.70	0.63	0.67	<b>0.63</b>
Return on assets (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	15.1	14.5	13.3	9.6	<b>5.7</b>
Return on equity (%) <sup>(8)</sup>	24.6	23.8	22.7	16.9	<b>10.5</b>

## Notes:

- (1) EBITDA = Profit from operations before depreciation, amortisation and gains / losses arising from changes in fair value of biological assets
- (2) Underlying net profit = Net profit attributable to owners of the Company adjusted to exclude net gains / losses arising from changes in fair value of biological assets
- (3) Basic earnings per share = Net profit attributable to owners of the Company / Weighted average number of ordinary shares (excluding treasury shares) in issue during the financial year
- (4) Net debt to equity = Borrowings and debt securities less cash and bank balances / Total equity
- (5) EBITDA to interest coverage = EBITDA / Total interest and profit distribution paid or payable on borrowings and debt securities
- (6) Net asset value per share = Equity attributable to owners of the Company / Number of ordinary shares (excluding treasury shares) in issue at end of the financial year
- (7) Return on assets = Net profit for the year / Average total assets
- (8) Return on equity = Net profit attributable to owners of the Company / Average equity attributable to owners of the Company

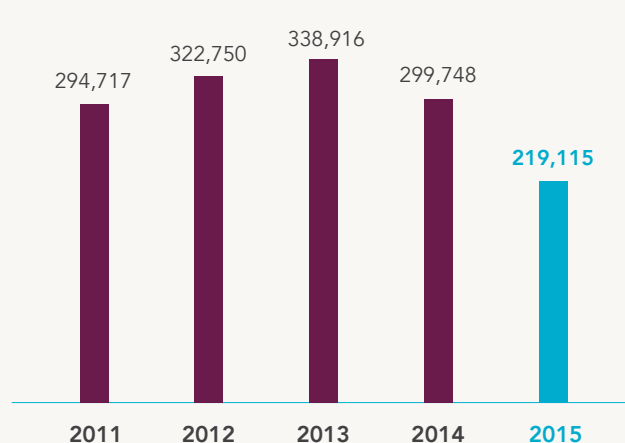
## SALES

(US\$'000)



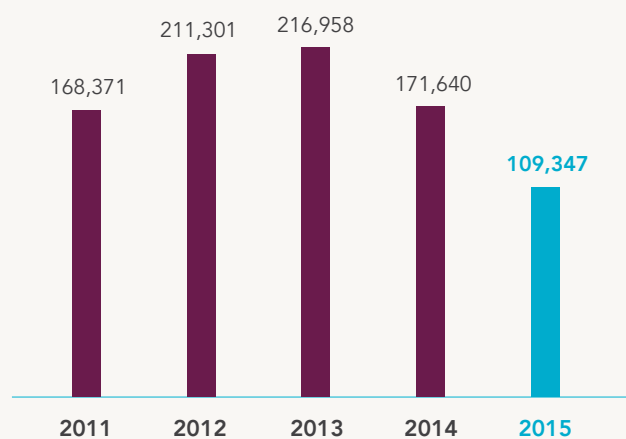
## EBITDA

(US\$'000)



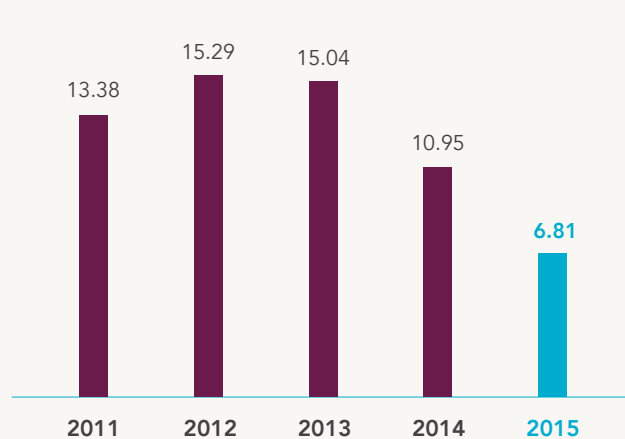
## UNDERLYING NET PROFIT

(US\$'000)



## BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE

(US Cents)





# RESILIENT BUSINESS

Our business is backed by our strong expertise in plantation management. We will continue to leverage on this strength to enhance operational efficiencies, and maximise yields and returns for our shareholders.

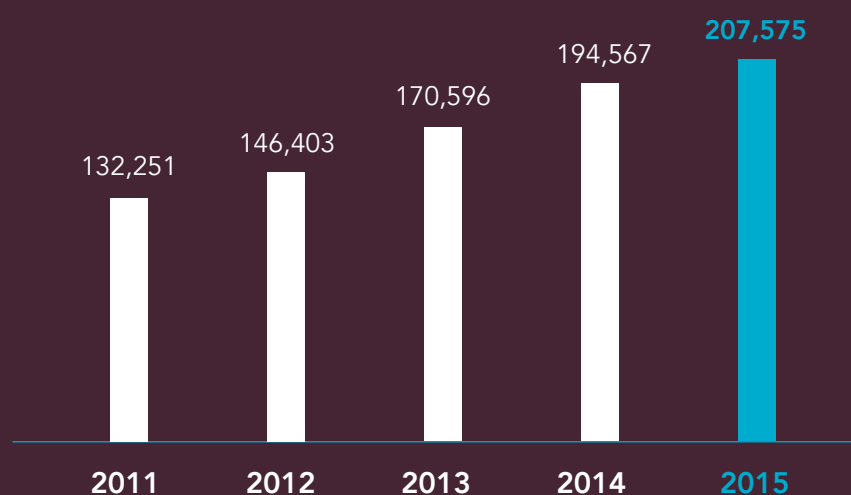




## MESSAGE TO SHAREHOLDERS

“ We are positioning the Group to capitalise on long-term trends by growing our palm oil sustainably, at a high yield and with a low cost of production. ”

### OIL PALM PLANTED AREA (hectares)



CAGR  
**12%**

## DEAR SHAREHOLDERS,

The year that just passed was one marked by headwinds on many fronts. Amongst others, on the financial markets front, we saw the much anticipated first interest rate hike by the U.S. Federal Reserve since 2006, the precipitous fall in energy prices to levels unseen since the subprime crisis, and prices of the edible oil complex being pummelled due to sluggish demand and ample supply. On the weather front, we witnessed the strongest El Nino phenomenon since 1997-98 which left its indelible mark in the form of crop damage and the worst forest fire and haze episode in Southeast Asia since 1997-98.

Against this backdrop, crude palm oil ("CPO") prices declined steadily through the year until end-August. Opening the year at US\$654 per tonne, CPO prices (FOB Indonesia basis) declined to approximately US\$425 per tonne in August before closing the year at US\$557 per tonne. The average CPO price for 2015 came in at approximately US\$570 per tonne, a significant decline from approximately US\$710 the year before. The decline in international CPO prices was exacerbated by the introduction of an Indonesian palm oil levy in July 2015. Net selling prices for CPO would be US\$50 per tonne lower, as the levy gets collected for the benefit of the CPO fund, whose main purpose is to finance the Indonesia biodiesel mandate. That the collection of palm oil levy pre-dated the implementation of the biodiesel mandate by approximately four months meant oil palm producers were hit by a double whammy – lower international palm oil prices in the absence of incremental demand coming from biodiesel usage, and domestic palm oil prices being further reduced by the extent of the levy.

As an upstream producer, such sharply weaker CPO prices and additional palm oil levy directly impacted our financial performance. We have always believed that our best inoculation against low prices would be a low cash cost of production, and production growth coming from a young tree maturity profile. Both these modes of self-defence served us well in 2015, as production volumes grew strongly and cash cost of production per tonne of nucleus CPO fell further from what was already a fairly low level. However, what caught us by surprise was the depth that palm oil prices fell to. In August 2015, at the lowest point of the recent price cycle, CPO was worth only a modest US\$425 per tonne, before the deduction of the palm oil levy. At such levels, only the most cost-efficient and high-yielding plantations could cover all their cash expenses, including fixed overheads, financing expenses

and tax payments. Confident of oil palm's fundamentals and its irreplaceable role in the world's oils and fats supply, we felt that this simply cannot continue too long.

As the old adage goes, low prices cure low prices. Demand would be stimulated by low prices. Consumption from the Indian sub-continental market did exhibit solid growth. But the white knight in 2015 was undoubtedly the Indonesian government with its ambitious biodiesel mandate. Financing of the mandate is now secured from the palm oil levy. Supporting regulations were issued with clear direction and purpose. And the Indonesian biodiesel mandate was put into motion in November. In effect, palm oil prices are now propped up against a price floor set by crude oil. As a result, palm oil prices were steadied by the market's expectations of incremental demand coming from the biodiesel mandate.

## PERFORMANCE REVIEW

At the operational level, as mentioned earlier, the Group's production volumes of fresh fruit bunches ("FFB") and CPO rose 13.6% to 2.8 million tonnes and 8.9% to 687,248 tonnes respectively. The continued growth in FFB production was due to an increase in mature hectareage mainly from our West Kalimantan estates and yield improvements from both our Riau and West Kalimantan estates, while CPO production growth was moderately slower due to lower purchases of third-party FFB.

In terms of productivity, the Group's FFB yield rose from 18.7 tonnes per hectare in FY2014 to 19.0 tonnes per hectare in FY2015 due to better maturity profile as well as the continued recovery in yields of our nucleus plantations in Riau. This increase in the Group's FFB yield, though seemingly not too significant numerically, has to be seen in light of about 13,000 hectares of newly mature plantations in 2015, or approximately 10% increase over the productive base in 2014. Given newly mature plantations only start to yield at fairly low levels and therefore have a dilutive effect on the Group's FFB yields, in 2015, such dilution was more than offset by increase in the yields of prime yielding trees. CPO extraction rate dipped slightly from 22.8% in FY2014 to 22.7% in FY2015 and CPO yield was maintained at 4.3 tonnes per hectare.

Our financial performance in FY2015 was affected by weak CPO prices. Net profit attributable to shareholders fell 37.8% to US\$107.9 million while underlying net profit, which excludes

# MESSAGE TO SHAREHOLDERS

the net losses arising from changes in fair value of our biological assets, declined 36.3% to US\$109.3 million in FY2015. In line with lower average selling prices, the Group's EBITDA fell 26.9% to US\$219.1 million.

EBITDA per hectare of mature nucleus remains our favoured performance metric because it represents the cash earnings generated by each productive nucleus hectare that we worked on. Based on this measure, our plantations contributed US\$1,612 of EBITDA per hectare in FY2015 as compared to US\$2,330 of EBITDA per hectare achieved in FY2014. Although this is a big dip from our record level of US\$3,601 per hectare achieved in FY2012, we feel that this is still a credible accomplishment for a low point in the price cycle. Moreover, when compared against the current replacement cost of US\$5,000-US\$6,000 per hectare and keeping in mind that the oil palms have an economic lifespan of 25 years or more, the upstream oil palm business clearly remains a remunerative one.

Apart from market prices, cash cost of production is another important determinant of EBITDA and net profit. And here, the group is pleased to have maintained a low cash cost of production. In FY2015, each tonne of CPO nucleus on ex-mill basis cost us approximately US\$204, a 10.5% decline from US\$228 achieved in FY2014. Yields and costs are different sides of the same coin – the higher the yield, the lower the cash cost of production because fixed costs represent a big percentage of our total costs. We achieved higher yields from our nucleus plantations in FY2015, as yields continued their recovery since their recent low in FY2013 that was caused by tree stress. Equally important is the weakness in Indonesian Rupiah ("IDR") seen in FY2015. The combination of these two factors more than offset the inflationary pressure from the annual increases in minimum wages.

## ACQUISITIONS OF PLANTATION ASSETS

In 2015, we successfully completed two acquisitions for oil palm plantation assets. Both the acquisitions were aimed at bolstering the Group's upstream growth plans. Located within close proximity to our existing plantations, the new acquisitions will have operational synergies that we can leverage on to reap better economies of scale for the Group in the coming years.

At the same time, we have continued to enhance the quality of plantation assets that we acquired in the last few years. The yields of these acquired assets have increased noticeably since we have taken them over. Even though there remains a yield gap between these acquired estates and our own organically planted estates, we are confident that in time to come, the acquired estates will also achieve comparable yields and profitability.

## INVESTMENT UPDATES IN 2015 AND BEYOND

During the year, the Group added 6,284 hectares of oil palms in the form of organic new plantings. Together with the acquired assets, our total plantation under management expanded from 194,567 hectares to 207,575 hectares. Meanwhile, we also grew our rubber assets via organic new planting from 4,322 hectares to 6,144 hectares.

In 2016, we expect our capital expenditure to be US\$80 million, which will be invested mainly for upstream plantation growth as well as maintenance of our immature plantation assets and increasing our milling capacity. For plantation development, we are looking at a significantly slower pace of new plantings of oil palms and rubber. We will also be investing in property, plant and equipment and other related infrastructure needed for plantation management. In terms of milling, we continue to expand our capacity with plans to construct a 15<sup>th</sup> mill in East Kalimantan, even as we anticipate the completion of our 14<sup>th</sup> mill in West Kalimantan by the second half of 2016.

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“ At current trends of supply growth, it is foreseeable that demand growth will outstrip supply growth and we will see long-term CPO prices at favourable levels. ”

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## SUSTAINABILITY

2015 was also a milestone year for us on the sustainability front. We raised our own bar and rewrote our sustainability commitments in line with industry best practices, through the adoption of a No Deforestation, No Peat and No Exploitation policy. This initiative had an immediate impact on us as it reduced significant plantable area from our existing land bank, but we strongly believe that this can help us create greater and lasting value for all our stakeholders – customers, investors, employees and the community alike. We have also extended the policy to our third party suppliers, with the objective of de-linking our supply chain from deforestation and exploitation risks, and encouraging other players in the industry to embrace the same sustainability aspirations. We have since shared the progress with our stakeholders and will continue to dedicate our time and resources to sustainable development.

## OUTLOOK AND GROWTH STRATEGY

We are well aware that in 2016, market volatility will continue. Changes in macroeconomic policies throughout the world will continue to have major consequences on financial markets. Market volatility in recent times has also been triggered by “weather premia”. Since the later part of 2015, palm oil prices have performed strongly partly due to concerns of supply disruption, brought about by the prolonged dry weather experienced in 2015. Market participants are generally expecting a flat or declining industry output in 2016, a rarity for palm oil. When placed against rising demand from biodiesel mandates and consumption growth, this lack of supply growth should provide better price support in 2016.

In the longer-term, we believe that the supply growth will slow even further, mainly due to the rigorous sustainability standards that the industry is gravitating towards. With or without ambitious biodiesel policies, at current trends of supply growth, it is foreseeable that demand growth will outstrip supply growth and we will see long-term CPO prices at favourable levels. We are positioning the Group to capitalise on such long-term trends by growing our palm oil production sustainably, at a high yield and with a low cost of production.

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## EBITDA

**US\$219.1** million

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## UNDERLYING NET PROFIT

**US\$109.3** million

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## APPRECIATION

In keeping with the Group’s performance, the Board is pleased to recommend a final dividend of 1.25 Singapore cents per share, which combined with the interim dividend of 1.25 Singapore cents per share, will bring the total dividend for FY2015 to 2.50 Singapore cents per share. This represents 26% of our underlying net profit for the year.

In closing, we want to thank everyone, including our Board of Directors and employees, who through their dedication and commitment have collectively navigated First Resources through the choppy waters of 2015. We also wish to convey our gratitude to our business partners, customers and shareholders for your ongoing support over the years.

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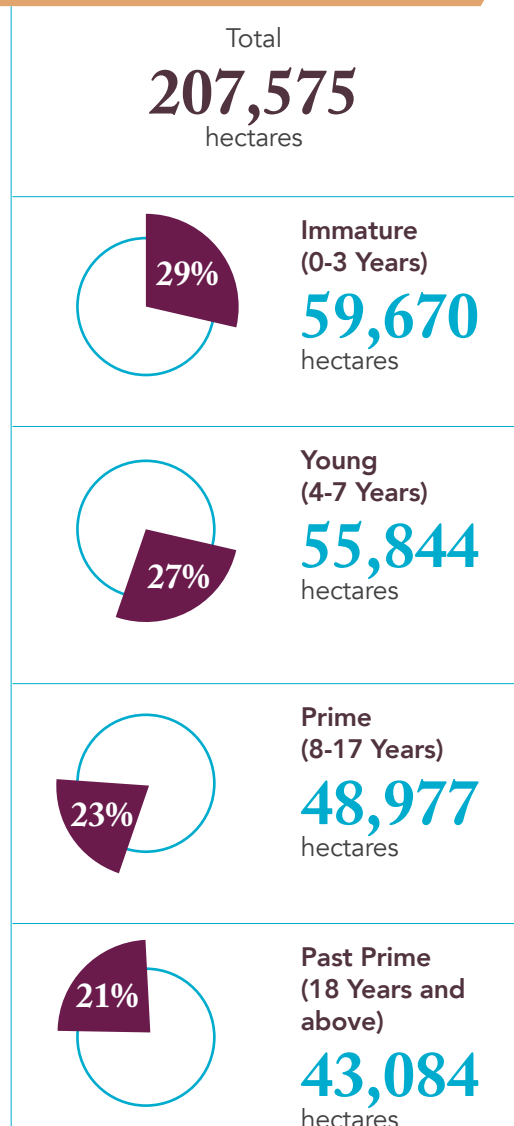
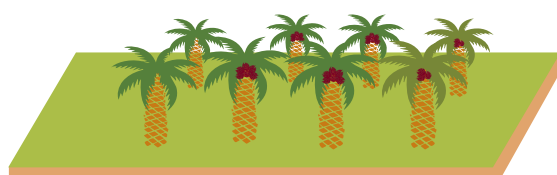
Chairman and Independent Director

## CILIANDRA FANGIONO

Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer

# OPERATIONAL REVIEW

## OIL PALM PLANTATION AGE PROFILE (% OF TOTAL)



## PLANTATIONS AND PALM OIL MILLS

With our continuous efforts to improve efficiencies and our favourable tree maturity profile, the Group has been able to deliver stronger operational performance in 2015.

In 2015, we saw strong production growth from our nucleus plantations in both Riau and West Kalimantan. Riau plantations continued to make up the Group's core production, contributing approximately 85% to the Group's total FFB nucleus production while our West Kalimantan plantations contributed to the remaining 15%. The low yielding plantations that were acquired in 2012 and 2013 continued to make good progress in 2015 as a result of our rehabilitation programmes. We are confident of extracting greater value from our investments in these acquired assets.

In spite of weather disruptions, the Group increased its combined nucleus and plasma FFB production volume by 13.6% to 2,804,606 tonnes in FY2015 from 2,469,884 tonnes in FY2014. This was on the back of the increase in our mature hectareage as well as stronger yield recovery from the nucleus plantations. FFB production from our nucleus estates grew by 14.4% year-on-year to 2,530,357 tonnes, while our plasma estates registered a 6.3% year-on-year increase in FFB production to 274,249 tonnes.

Our FFB blended yield per mature hectare for the year improved marginally to 19.0 tonnes per hectare compared to 18.7 tonnes per hectare in FY2014, largely attributed to both the recovery of nucleus estates in Riau and better maturity profiles of the Group's plantations. Our nucleus estates performed better than our plasma estates, achieving a FFB yield of 19.8 tonnes per hectare in FY2015 compared to 19.3 tonnes in FY2014, while our plasma estates achieved a FFB yield of 13.8 tonnes per hectare compared to 14.5 tonnes per hectare last year.

With the Group's expanding FFB production, FFB purchases from third parties have correspondingly declined by 15.7% from the previous year. As a result, overall CPO production grew by 8.9% to 687,248 tonnes, a lower magnitude as compared to the 13.6% increase in the Group's FFB production. Oil extraction rate was maintained at 22.7% in FY2015 and CPO yield per mature hectare remained

unchanged from the previous year at 4.3 tonnes. Our palm kernel registered a 9.7% year-on-year increase in production volume to 160,021 tonnes, with a stable extraction rate of 5.3%.

In 2015, the Group continued to face inflationary pressures from the annual minimum wage increases in Indonesia. The inflationary pressures were mitigated by the continued depreciation of IDR relative to the United States Dollar ("USD") during the year, as well as the higher production volumes. As a result, the Group's unit cash cost of CPO nucleus production reduced by 10.5% to US\$204 per tonne on an ex-mill basis from US\$228 per tonne in FY2014.

#### REFINERY AND PROCESSING

A total of 509,229 tonnes of our processed products, including RBD olein, RBD stearin, palm kernel oil and palm kernel expeller, were sold to both the domestic and international markets in FY2015. Total sales volumes from the refinery and processing segment saw a 9.8% year-on-year decline mainly due to the weaker refining margins that the industry experienced, especially in the first quarter of 2015.

#### UPSTREAM ASSETS

To supplement our hectareage growth, the Group acquired two oil palm plantation companies during 2015, which added approximately 6,700 hectares of oil palms to our total planted area under management. Coupled with our new oil palm plantings of 6,284 hectares during the year, the Group added approximately 13,000 hectares of oil palms, growing the total planted area under management to 207,575 hectares. During the year, the Group also added 1,822 hectares of rubber plantings, bringing our total rubber plantations to 6,144 hectares.

The slower new planting pace is in line with the general slowdown in the palm oil industry, as companies adopted more stringent sustainability policies including avoiding deforestation and peatland development. Moving forward, the Group expects its new plantings to slow down.

In 2015, the Group commissioned our 13<sup>th</sup> CPO mill in Riau and we expect to complete the construction of our 14<sup>th</sup> mill in West Kalimantan this year. In anticipation of FFB production

growth, the Group will also commence construction of our first mill in East Kalimantan, which is expected to be commissioned by end of 2017, bringing the Group's total number of mills to 15.

Through the Group's focused planting efforts, we have managed to keep our plantation age profile young, with a weighted average age of nine years old. With more than fifty percent of our plantations either in their immature or young ages, the Group expects to see continued steady production growth in the next few years, barring any weather disruptions, as these plantations develop into prime-yielding ages.

The Group does not intend to carry out any replanting programme in 2016. Our first replanting plans are currently scheduled to start in 2018 where a small proportion of our older trees in Riau will be replanted.

#### FRESH FRUIT BUNCHES HARVESTED



#### CRUDE PALM OIL PRODUCTION



# FINANCIAL REVIEW

## SEGMENTAL EBITDA\* (% OF TOTAL)



\* EBITDA by business segments are stated before inter-segment elimination.

In 2015, the industry experienced various headwinds, including weakness in crude oil prices and price pressures from other edible oils. These inevitably impacted palm oil prices, with average CPO prices (FOB Indonesia basis) declining to US\$570 per tonne in 2015, from US\$710 per tonne the year before. On the back of this challenging operating environment, the Group posted a moderate set of results for FY2015, booking in total sales of US\$453.7 million and net profit of US\$107.9 million. Excluding the net losses arising from changes in fair value of the Group's biological assets, underlying net profit came in at US\$109.3 million.

### SALES, COST OF SALES AND GROSS PROFIT

Driven by higher production volumes during the year, sales volumes of CPO and palm kernel under the Plantations and Palm Oil Mills segment grew 1.6% and 11.9% to 669,435 tonnes and 159,610 tonnes respectively. However, sales volumes from the Refinery and Processing segment declined by 9.8% to 509,229 tonnes mainly due to weak refining margins. Overall, the sales volumes in FY2015 were also impacted by a net inventory build-up of approximately 60,000 tonnes.

In addition, the Group's average selling prices were also impacted by the persistent weakness in palm oil prices seen in the industry. This, combined with the lower sales volumes from the Refinery and Processing segment, caused the Group's sales to decline by 26.3% in FY2015.

With lower purchases of FFB and palm oil products from third parties in FY2015, cost of sales declined by 30.7% to US\$202.4 million. Our cost of sales comprise mainly harvesting costs, plantation maintenance costs, plantation general expenses and processing costs, as well as purchases of FFB and other palm oil products from third parties, including plasma farmers.

The lower average selling prices in FY2015 brought gross profit down by 22.3% to US\$251.2 million. However, gross profit margin for the year was fairly stable at 55.4%, mainly due to the reduction in purchases of palm oil products.

### CHANGES IN FAIR VALUE OF BIOLOGICAL ASSETS

In accordance with the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards ("SFRS") 41, *Agriculture*, our biological assets, comprising primarily oil palm plantations, have to be stated at fair value less estimated costs to sell. The fair value of

plantations is determined by an independent professional valuer, based on the present value of the plantations' expected future net cash inflows. The expected future cash flows are determined using forecast market prices of the products. Any resultant gains or losses arising from changes in fair value are recognised in the income statement.

The Group recognised losses arising from changes in fair value of biological assets amounting to US\$2.5 million in FY2015 as compared to gains of US\$1.9 million in FY2014. The fair value losses recorded in FY2015 largely resulted from the effect of a lower CPO price assumption used in the valuation, in line with the international CPO price movements.

### OPERATING EXPENSES

Total operating expenses increased 15.2% to US\$62.6 million, mainly due to the higher export taxes incurred in 2015 from the imposition of the new palm oil export levy which started in July 2015.

### NET FINANCIAL EXPENSES

Impacted by higher financial expenses from the fourth issuance of Islamic medium term notes ("IMTN") in the last quarter of 2014, as well as lower interest income earned on cash and bank balances, the Group's net financial expenses jumped 44.5% to US\$21.7 million in FY2015.

### EBITDA

EBITDA declined by 26.9% to US\$219.1 million in FY2015 on the back of lower average selling prices of palm based products. The Plantations and Palm Oil Mills segment continued to be the main earnings driver, contributing 93.4% to the Group's EBITDA in FY2015.

### BALANCE SHEET

Overall, the Group's total assets decreased from US\$1,997.9 million as at 31 December 2014 to US\$1,926.9 million as at 31 December 2015. Current assets declined by US\$114.6 million to US\$360.3 million, mainly contributed by the reduction in cash and bank balances, which was partially offset by the build-up in inventories of palm based products. Non-current assets grew by US\$43.7 million, driven by the Group's continued capital expenditure on biological assets and property, plant and equipment, partially offset by the effects from the weakening of IDR against USD during 2015.

Total liabilities of the Group declined marginally from US\$882.1 million as at 31 December 2014 to US\$881.5 million as at 31 December 2015.

Gross borrowings decreased 15.1% to US\$495.0 million as at 31 December 2015, largely attributed to the foreign currency revaluation of the Ringgit-denominated IMTN. The reduction in carrying value of the IMTN was broadly offset by the change in fair value of the cross currency swaps entered into with financial institutions to swap the Ringgit-denominated IMTN indebtedness effectively into USD liabilities.

Taking into consideration the reduction in cash and bank balances during the year, the Group's net borrowings increased from US\$232.2 million as at 31 December 2014 to US\$289.6 million as at 31 December 2015, with a healthy net debt to total equity ratio of 0.28 times.

### CASH FLOWS

In FY2015, the Group generated lower net cash from operating activities of US\$70.8 million as compared to US\$222.9 million in the preceding year, mainly due to the lower average selling prices of palm based products.

The net cash used in investing activities amounted to US\$188.7 million in FY2015, primarily relating to the Group's continued capital expenditure on oil palm plantations, palm oil mills and other property, plant and equipment. In addition, the cash used in investing activities in FY2015 also included US\$71.7 million of net cash outflow on acquisition of subsidiaries.

The net cash used in financing activities in FY2015 amounted to US\$109.5 million, which included an increase in restricted cash balances of US\$84.0 million. Comparing to the preceding financial year, the Group generated net cash of US\$43.0 million from financing activities in FY2014, which included US\$122.3 million of net proceeds received from the fourth issuance of IMTN.

Overall, the Group registered a decline in cash and cash equivalents of US\$227.4 million during the year, bringing total cash and bank balances to US\$205.4 million as at 31 December 2015.



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**STANDING FROM LEFT:** Teng Cheong Kwee, Fang Zhixiang, Tan Seow Kheng,  
Ng Shin Ein, Ong Beng Kee, Hee Theng Fong  
**SEATED FROM LEFT:** Ciliandra Fangiono, Lim Ming Seong



## LIM MING SEONG

CHAIRMAN AND  
INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

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Mr Lim Ming Seong was appointed to the Board in October 2007 and was last re-elected as a Director in April 2014. Mr Lim is also the Chairman of CSE Global Ltd and sits on the board of StarHub Ltd. Mr Lim was with the Singapore Technologies group from 1986 through 2002, where he held various senior management positions and was Group Director when he left. Prior to joining Singapore Technologies, Mr Lim was with the Singapore Ministry of Defence.

Mr Lim holds a Bachelor of Applied Science (Honours) in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Toronto and a Diploma in Business Administration from the former University of Singapore. Mr Lim also participated in the Advance Management Programs conducted by INSEAD and Harvard Business School.

### **Present Directorship / Chairmanship in Listed Companies**

CSE Global Ltd, Starhub Ltd

### **Principal Commitments**

Nil

### **Past Directorships / Chairmanship in Other Listed Companies Held Over the Preceding 3 Years**

Servelec Group Limited

## CILIANDRA FANGIONO

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

02

Mr Ciliandra Fangiono was appointed to the Board in April 2007 and was last re-elected as a Director in April 2015. He has been with the Group for more than a decade, playing a key role in charting the Group's strategic directions. Under his leadership, the Group has expanded its plantation assets rapidly and has grown into an integrated player with its own processing capabilities. Prior to joining the Group, Mr Fangiono was at the Investment Banking Division of Merrill Lynch, Singapore, where he worked on mergers, acquisitions and fund-raising exercises by corporates in the region.

Mr Fangiono holds a Bachelor and a Masters of Arts (Economics) from Cambridge University, United Kingdom. At Cambridge, he was a Senior Scholar in Economics and was awarded the PriceWaterhouse Book Prize.

### **Present Directorship / Chairmanship in Listed Companies**

Nil

### **Principal Commitments**

First Resources Limited

### **Past Directorships / Chairmanship in Other Listed Companies Held Over the Preceding 3 Years**

Nil

## TENG CHEONG KWEE

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

03

Mr Teng Cheong Kwee was appointed to the Board in October 2007 and was last re-elected as a Director in April 2013. He also serves as independent director of several other listed companies. Mr Teng was previously with the Singapore Exchange for more than 10 years, where he was Executive Vice President and Head of its Risk Management and Regulatory Division when he left. From 1985 to 1989, he served as assistant director and later a deputy director in the Monetary Authority of Singapore. During that period, he was also concurrently Secretary to the Securities Industry Council.

Mr Teng holds a Bachelor of Engineering (Industrial) with first class honours and a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Newcastle, Australia.

### **Present Directorship / Chairmanship in Listed Companies**

AEI Corporation Ltd., Techcomp (Holdings) Limited, Memtech International Ltd., AVIC International Maritime Holdings Limited

### **Principal Commitments**

Nil

### **Past Directorships / Chairmanship in Other Listed Companies Held Over the Preceding 3 Years**

STATSChipPAC Ltd., Junma Tyre Cord Company Limited

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## FANG ZHIXIANG

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND  
DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

04

Mr Fang Zhixiang (Sigih Fangiono) was appointed to the Board in November 2014 and was re-elected as Director in April 2015. He has joined the Group since 2002 and has held the position as Deputy Chief Executive Officer since 2007. As Deputy Chief Executive Officer, he is jointly responsible for the day-to-day management of the Group. In particular, he focuses on the expansion of plantations and palm oil mills, and manages the Group's corporate affairs. He began his career at PT Surya Dumai Industri Tbk as an Assistant Production Director.

Mr Fang graduated from Bronte College, Toronto, Canada.

### Present Directorship / Chairmanship in Listed Companies

Nil

### Principal Commitments

First Resources Limited

### Past Directorships / Chairmanship in Other Listed Companies Held Over the Preceding 3 Years

Nil

## TAN SEOW KHENG

NON-EXECUTIVE NON-INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

05

Mr Tan Seow Kheng was appointed to the Board in November 2014 and was last re-elected as a Director in April 2015. He also sits on the board of Sincap Group Limited, a company listed on the Singapore Stock Exchange. His other appointments includes serving as the General Manager of EWIS Development Pte Ltd, a company focused in property development in Singapore and Indonesia, as well as an Assistant Vice President of Marketing at Uniseraya Group, an Indonesian-based Group principally involved in the timber and oil palm industry.

Mr Tan holds a Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and has completed an Executive Diploma in Directorship awarded by Singapore Management University.

### Present Directorship / Chairmanship in Listed Companies

Sincap Group Limited

### Principal Commitments

EWIS Development Pte Ltd

### Past Directorships / Chairmanship in Other Listed Companies Held Over the Preceding 3 Years

Nil

## NG SHIN EIN

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

06

Ms Ng Shin Ein was appointed to the Board in October 2007 and was last re-elected as a Director in April 2014. She is the Managing Partner of Gryphus Capital, a pan-Asian private equity investment firm founded by professionals with legal, investment management and operational backgrounds. Ms Ng also leads a network of investors to take proprietary stakes in companies and co-invests with other family offices and private equity firms. Pursuant to such investments, she engages actively with portfolio companies, focusing on strategic development and innovation.

Prior to Gryphus Capital, Ms Ng spent a number of years at the Singapore Exchange, where she was responsible for developing Singapore's capital market and bringing foreign companies to list in Singapore. Additionally, she was part of the Singapore Exchange's IPO Approval Committee, where she contributed industry perspectives and also acted as a conduit between the marketplace and regulators.

Ms Ng sits on the Board of NTUC Fairprice and is its youngest ever director. Additionally, she serves on the boards of Yanlord Land Group Limited, Eu Yan Sang and Sabana Reit, companies listed on the mainboard of the Singapore Exchange. Ms Ng was also an adjunct research fellow at the National University of Singapore, where she focused on her areas of interest, philanthropy and social enterprises.

Admitted as an advocate and solicitor of the Singapore Supreme Court, Ms Ng started her career as a corporate lawyer in Messrs Lee & Lee. Whilst at Lee & Lee, she advised clients on joint ventures, mergers & acquisitions and fund raising exercises.



**Present Directorship / Chairmanship in Listed Companies**

Yanlord Land Group Limited, Eu Yan Sang International Ltd, Sabana Shari'ah Compliant Industrial Real Estate Investment Trust, UPP Holdings Limited

**Principal Commitments**

Gryphus Capital

**Past Directorships / Chairmanship in Other Listed Companies Held Over the Preceding 3 Years**

Nil

**ONG BENG KEE**

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

07

Mr Ong Beng Kee was appointed to the Board in May 2010 and was last re-elected as a Director in April 2015. He is a retired career-planter with over 40 years of hands-on experience in large-scale plantation development, specifically oil palm, rubber, cocoa and the related processing facilities. Mr Ong served a large part of his career at Kuala Lumpur Kepong Bhd (KLK), a company listed on Bursa Malaysia. As Executive Director and Managing Director (Plantations), he spearheaded KLK's expansion drive into Sabah and Indonesia, overseeing large-scale oil palm cultivation. Upon his retirement, he has taken on an advisory role in KLK as Portfolio Investment Adviser.

Mr Ong was an active council member in various Malaysian plantation associations, particularly as chairman of the plantation wage council. He is an Associate Diploma holder of the Incorporated Society of Planters and has completed the Advanced Management Course at Templeton College, Oxford.

**Present Directorship / Chairmanship in Listed Companies**

Nil

**Principal Commitments**

Quarry Lane Sdn Bhd

**Past Directorships / Chairmanship in Other Listed Companies Held Over the Preceding 3 Years**

Nil

**HEE THENG FONG**

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

08

Mr Hee Theng Fong was appointed to the Board in October 2007 and was last re-elected as a Director in April 2015. He is a consultant in a law firm, with more than 30 years of experience in legal practice. He is on the panel of arbitrators of the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC), China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (CIETAC), Shanghai International Arbitration Centre (SHIAC), Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration (KLRC) and Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC).

Mr Hee is an independent director of several public listed companies. He is frequently invited to speak on Directors' Duties and Corporate Governance in seminars organised by the Singapore Institute of Directors and the Singapore Exchange.

**Present Directorship / Chairmanship in Listed Companies**

Datapulse Technology Limited, YHI International Limited, Delong Holdings Limited, Tye Soon Limited, F&H Media & Internet Fund II Ltd, F&H Media & Internet Fund III Ltd

**Principal Commitments**

Harry Elias Partnership LLP

**Past Directorships / Chairmanship in Other Listed Companies Held Over the Preceding 3 Years**

Nil

**BOARD COMPOSITION****INDEPENDENCE**

5

Independent



3

Non-Independent

**GENDER**

7

Male



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Female





# RESILIENT VISION

Sustainability is the 'new normal' and a key focus for businesses in our industry. At First Resources, we are committed to our sustainability goals and will continue to strengthen our sustainability framework as one of our key business strategies. Being sustainable strengthens our business foundations and supports our vision to be a leading oil palm-focused agribusiness known for its excellence.







## SUSTAINABILITY REVIEW

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In 2015, we took a major stride forward in our sustainability efforts through the introduction of our Policy on Sustainable Palm Oil. This policy raises the bar in our sustainability efforts, as we made new commitments on no deforestation and peatland development. This initiative had an immediate impact on us as it reduced significant plantable areas from our existing land bank but we firmly believe that it will create greater value for all our stakeholders in the longer term.

The policy also sets a new level of transparency and accountability to the public and our various stakeholders as it commits us to a grievance procedure whereby stakeholders can raise any concerns or grievances they may have about our operations or that of our third party suppliers and associate companies. Details of our policy are available on our website [www.first-resources.com](http://www.first-resources.com).

2015 was also a year marked by increased public concerns about the impact of plantation operations on the environment, intensified by the prolonged dry weather and severe haze in the region. While we have been practising a zero burning policy for many years, this episode made us thoroughly review and bolster our fire prevention and management capabilities, so as to better prepare for future dry seasons.

During the year, we obtained Indonesian Sustainable Palm Oil ("ISPO") certification for two of our estates, bringing the total area certified under the ISPO to more than 70,000 hectares. This represents more than 30% of our total plantation under management. We will continue to certify our plantations in 2016 and beyond.

One of the two existing complaints lodged against our operations with the Roundtable of Sustainable Palm Oil ("RSPO") has been closed by the RSPO in December 2015. With one complaint still outstanding, we were unable to proceed with RSPO certifications for any of our estates. We have been and will continue to work with RSPO to address any further concerns arising from the complaint. For greater

transparency, we have also highlighted these grievances on our website, with direct links to RSPO's case tracker.

We will be publishing our third sustainability report this year in which we will provide our stakeholders with updates on our various ongoing sustainability initiatives, strategies and targets, as well as the progress we have made on our Policy on Sustainable Palm Oil. The report will be available in the third quarter of 2016.

### POLICY ON SUSTAINABLE PALM OIL

First Resources' policy puts together the best practices honed from our engagement with our stakeholders, and the principles set out under the RSPO. Prior to implementing the policy, we studied the requirements in dealing with High Carbon Stock ("HCS") forests and engaged in many discussions with our stakeholders, including non-governmental organisations and customers. Many of these engagements led to a better understanding of various issues at stake, with deforestation, peatland development and fire prevention being the key concerns raised.

Our policy covers four pillars of sustainability measures and they are environmental management, community engagement and development, employee relations and supply chain. Tied to these pillars are a series of commitments we have undertaken as part of our push for sustainable development. They include no new development in HCS forests, High Conservation Value ("HCV") areas and peat areas, a strict zero burning policy in land clearing, respecting the rights of indigenous and local communities and resolving conflicts in an open, transparent and consultative manner, as well as establishing a traceable and transparent palm oil supply chain.

We started the implementation process with a detailed work plan, coupled with short-term targets in order for us to prioritise the focus areas while we concurrently socialise our policy to our stakeholders.



# SUSTAINABILITY REVIEW

## HCS FOREST, HCV AND PEATLAND

With the policy, the Group has to integrate HCS, HCV and peatland identification with Free, Prior and Informed Consent ("FPIC") from local communities, in our land use planning exercise, in determining concession areas that can be developed into plantations.

We have completed an extensive desktop analysis by overlaying satellite images and peat maps with our concession areas to map out potential HCS and peat areas. Together with the HCV areas that have been previously identified as part of RSPO's requirements, these areas have been placed on a land clearing moratorium while full HCS assessments and soil surveys are carried out. We have engaged third party HCS consultants to help us conduct HCS ground verification and analysis for three of our development areas and we target to complete full HCS assessments for all our new development areas by 2018.

In addition to HCV identification, we recognised that HCV management and monitoring is equally important to prevent degradation of HCV areas. As a result of the hot and dry weather in the second half of 2015, HCV areas in one of our West Kalimantan estates were damaged by forest fires despite our firefighting efforts. There was encroachment by local communities who conducted subsistence farming in this HCV area. For these affected areas, we commit to reforestation by planting suitable tree species. In response, besides stepping up resources for fire prevention, management and monitoring, we have also increased the frequency of patrols in HCV areas to prevent encroachment of land and illegal slash-and-burn land clearing.

As for our existing plantations on peatland, we commit to ensure best peat management practices are implemented. We will also be conducting detailed hydrology and topography studies at certain estates to improve water management in these areas.

## ZERO BURNING POLICY AND FIRE MANAGEMENT

First Resources observes a strict zero burning policy and we are constantly reviewing our fire management and monitoring standard operating procedures for improvements. In 2015,

we fine-tuned our internal fire incident reporting processes, which involves using daily risk reports and hotspot information provided by NASA and weather maps from the Indonesian Agency for Meteorological, Climatological and Geophysics (BMKG). Ground checks are required for all hotspots identified and in case of a fire breakout, the fire-fighting team will be mobilised and the police notified. We also conducted more training, fire drills and purchased more fire-fighting equipment to boost our fire-fighting capability.

In addition, we will be conducting a series of workshops for local communities to educate them about the environmental and social consequences of slash-and-burn farming and on alternative methods of land clearing.

## BETTER ENGAGEMENT WITH LOCAL COMMUNITIES

We continue to seek ways to improve our engagement with the local communities, especially in FPIC procedures, on top of the existing community development and plasma programmes. We have engaged an industry specialist to conduct an internal workshop to improve our understanding on FPIC concepts. We are also reviewing our own FPIC standard operating procedures against the newly-released FPIC guidance by RSPO.

We hope to make progress in implementing FPIC optimally in our operations so as to avoid potential conflicts.

## A TRACEABLE AND TRANSPARENT SUPPLY CHAIN

To enhance transparency in our supply chain, we are in the process of developing our own traceability framework with certain key areas of focus and are in active dialogue with industry peers to learn best practices.

In 2015, all the CPO and palm kernel used as inputs for our processing and kernel crushing plants were supplied by our Group's own mills. We have therefore been able to obtain 100% traceability to the mills. Approximately 90% of FFB processed in our mills are supplied from our own plantations, inclusive of our plasma (schemed smallholders) plantations and are therefore fully traceable. The remaining 10% of FFB are sourced from third party independent growers. Although the Group has little exposure to external FFB purchases, establishing traceability of FFB to its source remains as one of our main focus in 2016.



## OUR SUSTAINABLE PALM OIL COMMITMENTS



**NO DEVELOPMENT ON HCS  
FORESTS, HCV AND PEAT AREAS**



**RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS  
AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES**

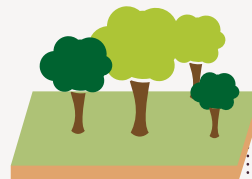


**OBSERVE A STRICT ZERO  
BURNING POLICY**

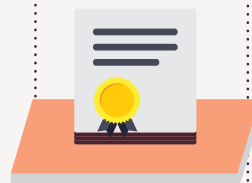


**ESTABLISH A TRACEABLE AND  
TRANSPARENT SUPPLY CHAIN**

## KEY HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2015



**29,237** hectares  
of Plasma plantations  
supported



**76,690** hectares  
of ISPO certified  
plantations



**100%**  
Traceability to  
Palm Oil Mills  
obtained



**1<sup>st</sup>**  
Progress Report  
on sustainable  
palm oil published



# CORPORATE INFORMATION

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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**Lim Ming Seong**

Chairman and Independent Director

**Ciliandra Fangiono**

Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer

**Fang Zhixiang (Sigih Fangiono)**

Executive Director and Deputy Chief Executive Officer

**Teng Cheong Kwee**

Independent Director

**Ong Beng Kee**

Independent Director

**Hee Theng Fong**

Independent Director

**Ng Shin Ein**

Independent Director

**Tan Seow Kheng**

Non-Executive Non-Independent Director

## AUDIT COMMITTEE

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**Teng Cheong Kwee** (Chairman)

**Ong Beng Kee**

**Hee Theng Fong**

**Tan Seow Kheng**

## REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

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**Ng Shin Ein** (Chairman)

**Teng Cheong Kwee**

**Hee Theng Fong**

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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**Lim Ming Seong** (Chairman)

**Ciliandra Fangiono**

**Ng Shin Ein**

## COMPANY SECRETARY

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**Lynn Wan Tiew Leng**

## REGISTERED ADDRESS

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## PLACE & DATE OF INCORPORATION

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Singapore, 9 December 2004

## COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER

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200415931M

## SHARE REGISTRAR

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## AUDITOR

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**Ernst & Young LLP**

One Raffles Quay  
North Tower, Level 18  
Singapore 048583  
Partner-In-Charge: **Low Bek Teng**  
(Appointed since financial year ended 31 December 2012)

## STOCK EXCHANGE LISTING

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**Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited**



# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

First Resources Limited (the “Company”) is committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance through transparency and effective disclosures. The Board and Management have used their best endeavours to align the Company’s governance framework with the recommendations of the Code of Corporate Governance 2012 (the “2012 CG Code”).

This report describes the Company’s main corporate governance practices. The Board is pleased to inform that the Company is substantially in compliance with the 2012 CG Code and reasons for any deviation are explained below.

## THE BOARD’S CONDUCT OF AFFAIRS

The primary function of the Board is to manage the Group in the best interest of shareholders and other stakeholders, and to pursue the continual enhancement of shareholder value.

Apart from its statutory responsibilities, the Board is primarily responsible for:

- reviewing and approving the Group’s business strategies, key operational initiatives, annual budget, major investments, divestments and funding proposals;
- ensuring that decisions and investments are consistent with medium and long-term strategic goals;
- providing oversight by identifying the principal risks that may affect the Group’s businesses and ensuring that appropriate systems to manage these risks are in place; and
- the Group’s corporate governance practices.

The Board discharges its responsibilities either directly or indirectly through various committees comprising members of the Board. The Board has established three committees: (i) Audit Committee; (ii) Nominating Committee; and (iii) Remuneration Committee. These committees function within clearly defined terms of reference. The Board and the various committees comprise the following members:

Name	Board	Audit Committee	Nominating Committee	Remuneration Committee
Lim Ming Seong	Chairman and Independent Director	-	Chairman	-
Ciliandra Fangiono	Executive Director	-	Member	-
Fang Zhixiang	Executive Director	-	-	-
Teng Cheong Kwee	Independent Director	Chairman	-	Member
Ong Beng Kee	Independent Director	Member	-	-
Hee Theng Fong	Independent Director	Member	-	Member
Ng Shin Ein	Independent Director	-	Member	Chairman
Tan Seow Kheng	Non-Executive Non-Independent Director	Member	-	-

The Directors ensure that the decisions made by them are objectively in the interest of the Company.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Board conducts regular scheduled meetings on a quarterly basis. Ad-hoc meetings are convened as and when warranted by matters requiring the Board's attention. If necessary, Board meetings may be conducted by way of telephone or video conferencing as permitted under the Company's Constitution. Time is set aside where appropriate, after scheduled Board meetings, for discussion amongst the Non-Executive Directors without the presence of Management. The Directors' attendance at Board and Board Committee meetings during the financial year ended 31 December 2015 is set out as follows:

Name	Board Meetings		Audit Committee Meetings		Nominating Committee Meetings		Remuneration Committee Meetings	
	Number of Meetings							
	Held	Attended	Held	Attended	Held	Attended	Held	Attended
Lim Ming Seong	4	4	-	-	1	1	-	-
Ciliandra Fangiono	4	4	-	-	1	1	-	-
Fang Zhixiang	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Teng Cheong Kwee	4	4	4	4	-	-	1	1
Ong Beng Kee	4	4	4	4	-	-	-	-
Hee Theng Fong	4	4	4	4	-	-	1	1
Ng Shin Ein	4	4	-	-	1	1	1	1
Tan Seow Kheng	4	4	4	4	-	-	-	-

The Group has adopted a set of internal guidelines setting forth financial authorisation and approval limits for investments, acquisitions, disposals and capital expenditures. Transactions falling outside the ordinary course of business and where the value of a transaction exceeds these limits have to be approved by the Board.

A formal letter of appointment, which sets out the director's duties and obligations, is provided to each Director upon appointment. Orientation programmes are also organised for newly appointed Directors. Newly appointed Directors who do not have prior experience as a director of a Singapore listed company are either briefed by the Company's legal advisors on their duties and obligations or undergo relevant courses conducted by external parties.

On an on-going basis, the Directors are briefed by the Company Secretary, external auditors and external professionals on updates to relevant regulations and governance requirements, accounting standards and industry regulations. In addition, the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") regularly updates the Board on the business activities and strategies of the Group during Board meetings. The Directors may also attend other appropriate courses and seminars at the Company's expense. These include programmes conducted by the Singapore Institute of Directors, of which the Company is a corporate member.

The Company also arranged for the Directors to visit the Company's corporate office in Jakarta, Indonesia, during which management presentations on the Group's key areas of focus, strategic plans and objectives were conducted to enable the Directors to have an in-depth understanding of the Group's key business focus and growth plans going forward. The visit also provided the Non-Executive Directors with an opportunity to interact and engage with the key executives of the Group on strategic issues and direction of the Group.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

## BOARD COMPOSITION AND GUIDANCE

The Board comprises eight Directors of whom five are Independent Directors.

Under the 2012 CG Code, an “independent” director is defined as one who has no relationship with the Company, its related corporations, its 10% shareholders or its officers that could interfere, or be reasonably perceived to interfere, with the exercise of the director’s independent business judgement with a view to the best interests of the Company. Mr Tan Seow Kheng is a candidate recommended by Infinite Capital Fund Limited (“Infinite Capital”), a substantial shareholder of the Company. Notwithstanding that Infinite Capital is only a 5% shareholder of the Company, the Board also took into consideration (1) Mr Tan Seow Kheng’s past and present employment with Infinite Capital’s affiliates; and that (2) Infinite Capital’s affiliates have palm oil business and operate in the same industry as the Group. Hence, the Board deemed Mr Tan Seow Kheng as a Non-Executive Non-Independent Director.

The independence of each Director is reviewed annually by the Nominating Committee. The Independent Directors (within the definition of the 2012 CG Code) are Mr Lim Ming Seong, Mr Teng Cheong Kwee, Mr Hee Theng Fong, Ms Ng Shin Ein and Mr Ong Beng Kee. The Independent Directors have no relationship with the Company, its related companies, its shareholder with shareholding of 10% or more or their officers that could interfere or reasonably be perceived to interfere, with the exercise of their independent judgment in the best interests of the Group. None of these Directors have served the Company for a period exceeding nine years.

Annually, a review of the size and composition of the Board is also undertaken by the Company to ensure alignment with the needs of the Group. The Nominating Committee is of the view that the current size and composition of the Board is appropriate for the scope and nature of the Group’s operations and facilitates effective decision-making.

The Nominating Committee is satisfied that the Board comprises Directors who, collectively, have the core competencies, such as industry knowledge, finance, accounting, legal, business and management experience, necessary to meet the Company’s performance targets. In addition, the Directors, as a group, provide an appropriate balance and diversity of skill sets, experience and knowledge. These attributes encourage robust, open and constructive deliberations during Board meetings to challenge Management on its assumptions and proposals, which also mitigate the dominance of any individual or small group of individuals in the Board’s decision-making process.

Profiles and key information of individual Directors, including their directorships and chairmanships both present and those held over the preceding three years in other listed companies, and other principal commitments, are disclosed on pages 20 to 23 of this Annual Report.

## CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Company has a separate Chairman and CEO to ensure that there is an appropriate balance of power, increased accountability and greater capacity of the Board for independent decision making.

The Chairman of the Company is Mr Lim Ming Seong. Mr Lim, who is non-executive, is not related to the CEO. Besides giving guidance on the corporate and business directions of the Company, the role of the Chairman includes chairing Board and shareholders’ meetings, and ensuring the quality, clarity and timeliness of information supplied to the Board. The CEO, Mr Ciliandra Fangiono, sets the business strategies and directions of the Company and manages the business operations together with the other executive officers of the Company.

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## BOARD MEMBERSHIP

The Nominating Committee comprises Mr Lim Ming Seong as Chairman, Mr Ciliandra Fangiono and Ms Ng Shin Ein as members. The majority of the Nominating Committee, including the Chairman, is independent. The Nominating Committee is guided by its terms of reference which sets out its responsibilities. The terms of reference are in line with the 2012 CG Code. These include:

- (a) Reviewing board succession plans for Directors, in particular, the Chairman and for the CEO;
- (b) Evaluating the performance of the Board, its Board Committees and proposing objective performance criteria for Board's approval;
- (c) Establishing procedures for and making recommendations to the Board on all Board appointments and re-appointments (as well as alternate director, if applicable);
- (d) Determining annually if a Director is independent;
- (e) Evaluating if a Director has multiple board representations and if he is able to and has been adequately carrying out his duties as a Director; and
- (f) Reviewing training and professional development programmes for the Board.

The Nominating Committee has assessed that although some Directors have other board representations, they have devoted sufficient time and attention to their role as Directors and to the affairs of the Group. The Nominating Committee believes that setting a maximum number of listed company board representations would not be meaningful as the contributions of the Directors should be best assessed through qualitative factors such as their attendance and time commitment to the affairs of the Company. The Nominating Committee would continue to review from time to time the board representations and other principal commitments of each Director to ensure that the Directors continue to meet the demands of the Group and are able to discharge their duties adequately. The Board unanimously affirms and supports the view of the Nominating Committee.

In assessing the independence of the Directors, the Nominating Committee has examined the relationships identified by the 2012 CG Code that might impair the Directors' independence and objectivity. The Nominating Committee is satisfied that the five Directors, namely Mr Lim Ming Seong, Mr Teng Cheong Kwee, Mr Ong Beng Kee, Mr Hee Theng Fong and Ms Ng Shin Ein have no existing relationships as stated in the guidelines of the 2012 CG Code with the Group and are able to act with independent judgement.

The Nominating Committee has a process for the selection, appointment and re-appointment of Directors. The Nominating Committee will, on an annual basis, review the size and composition of the Board and will consider the results of the annual appraisal of the Board's performance. It will evaluate the range of skills, knowledge and experience on the Board, and assess whether new competencies are required to improve the Board's competitiveness. When a need for a new Director arises, either to replace a retiring Director or to enhance the Board's strength, the Nominating Committee will source for new candidates with the desired competencies. External help may be engaged to source for potential candidates if considered necessary. Where required, the Nominating Committee may also tap on its networking contacts to assist with identifying and shortlisting of candidates. Directors and Management may also make recommendations. The Nominating Committee will meet shortlisted candidates for an interview before making recommendation to the Board for consideration and approval.

All Directors are required to submit themselves for re-nomination and re-election at regular intervals and at least once every three years. In recommending a Director for re-election to the Board, the Nominating Committee will consider, amongst other things, the individual's competencies, commitment and contribution to the Board. The Nominating Committee has recommended the nomination of Mr Lim Ming Seong, Mr Teng Cheong Kwee and Ms Ng Shin Ein who are retiring by rotation pursuant to Article 93 of the Company's Constitution. Pursuant to Section 153(6) of the Companies Act, Cap. 50, Mr Ong Beng Kee, who is over 70 years of age, was re-appointed to hold office from the date of the last Annual General Meeting ("AGM") held on 28 April 2015 until the forthcoming AGM. Section 153(6) of the Companies Act, Cap. 50 was repealed when the Companies (Amendment) Act

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2014 came into force on 3 January 2016. Upon his re-appointment at the conclusion of the forthcoming AGM, Mr Ong Beng Kee will be subject to retirement by rotation under the Company's Constitution. The Nominating Committee has also recommended Mr Ong Beng Kee for re-appointment. The Board has accepted these recommendations.

The Nominating Committee reviews succession plans for the Board and seeks to ensure that changes in Board membership are carried out progressively and in an orderly manner, for long-term continuity and stability.

Information regarding the Directors of the Company in respect of their dates of first appointment and last re-election/re-appointment is set out as follows:

Name	Date of initial appointment	Date of last re-election/re-appointment
Lim Ming Seong	1 October 2007	23 April 2014
Ciliandra Fangiono	18 April 2007	28 April 2015
Fang Zhixiang	1 November 2014	28 April 2015
Teng Cheong Kwee	1 October 2007	22 April 2013
Ong Beng Kee	1 May 2010	28 April 2015
Hee Theng Fong	1 October 2007	28 April 2015
Ng Shin Ein	1 October 2007	23 April 2014
Tan Seow Kheng	1 November 2014	28 April 2015

## BOARD PERFORMANCE

The Nominating Committee undertakes a process to assess the effectiveness of the Board as a whole. Directors are requested to complete a Board Evaluation Form to assess the overall effectiveness of the Board. The results of the evaluation exercise were considered by the Nominating Committee which then makes recommendations to the Board aimed at helping the Board to discharge its duties more effectively.

The Nominating Committee had extracted salient recommendations from the 2012 CG Code and incorporated these recommendations into the Board Evaluation Form. The evaluation process focused on factors such as board composition, board information, board processes, internal controls and risk management, board accountability, communication with top management and standards of conduct.

While the 2012 CG Code recommends that the Directors be assessed individually, the Nominating Committee felt that it is more appropriate and effective to assess the Board as a whole, bearing in mind that each board member contributes in different ways to the success of the Company. Board decisions are also made on a collective basis.

## ACCESS TO INFORMATION

Management has an on-going obligation to supply the Board with complete, adequate information in a timely manner. The Board is informed of all material events and transactions as and when they occur. The information that is provided by Management to the Board includes background or explanatory information relating to matters to be brought before the Board, budgets, forecasts and internal financial statements. In respect of budgets, any material variances between the projections and actual results are also disclosed and explained. In addition, the Board has separate and independent access to the Company's Management at all times. Request for information from the Board are dealt with promptly by Management.

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The Directors also have separate and independent access to the Company Secretary. The Company Secretary attends all Board and Board Committee meetings and is responsible for ensuring that established procedures and all relevant statutes and regulations that are applicable to the Company are complied with. The Company Secretary assists the Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of each of the Board Committee and Management in the development of agendas for the various Board and Board Committee meetings. Should Directors, whether as a group or individually, need independent professional advice to fulfil their duties, such advice may be obtained from a professional firm, the cost of which will be borne by the Company.

## PROCEDURES FOR DEVELOPING REMUNERATION POLICIES

The Remuneration Committee comprises Ms Ng Shin Ein as Chairman, Mr Teng Cheong Kwee and Mr Hee Theng Fong as members. All three are Independent Directors.

The Remuneration Committee is guided by its terms of reference that are in line with the 2012 CG Code.

The role of the Remuneration Committee is to review and recommend to the Board remuneration policies and packages for the Directors and key executives of the Group. The aim is to build and retain a capable and committed management team. To ensure that the remuneration package is sufficient and competitive to retain and motivate key executives, the Remuneration Committee also takes into consideration the existing compensation standards of the industry in which the Company operates in. The Remuneration Committee covers all aspects of remuneration, including but not limited to Directors' fees, salaries, allowances, bonuses and benefits in kind.

## LEVEL AND MIX OF REMUNERATION AND DISCLOSURE ON REMUNERATION

The following table shows a breakdown (in percentage) of our Directors' remuneration paid in the year ended 31 December 2015:

Name	Directors' Fee	Fixed Salary	Variable Bonus	Others	Total Remuneration
<b>Executive Directors:</b>					
Ciliandra Fangiono	-	48%	52%	-	S\$1,754,000
Fang Zhixiang	-	53%	47%	-	S\$1,274,000
<b>Non-Executive Directors:</b>					
Lim Ming Seong	100%	-	-	-	S\$90,000
Teng Cheong Kwee	100%	-	-	-	S\$80,000
Ong Beng Kee	95%	-	-	5%	S\$79,000
Hee Theng Fong	100%	-	-	-	S\$80,000
Ng Shin Ein	100%	-	-	-	S\$75,000
Tan Seow Kheng <sup>(1)</sup>	100%	-	-	-	S\$12,500

Note:

<sup>(1)</sup> Appointed as a Non-Executive Non-Independent Director with effect from 1 November 2014. The Director's fee was prorated from his date of appointment and paid in the year ended 31 December 2015.

Non-Executive Directors are paid a basic fee and additional fees for serving on any of the committees. In determining the quantum of such fees, factors such as frequency of meetings, effort and time spent, responsibilities of Directors and the need to pay competitive fees to retain, attract and motivate the Directors, are taken into account. Directors' fees recommended by the Board are subject to the approval of the shareholders at the forthcoming AGM. No Director is involved in deciding his or her own remuneration. The CEO and Deputy CEO, both Executive Directors, do not receive Director's fees and are on service contracts which are subject to annual review by the Remuneration Committee. The contracts do not contain any onerous removal clauses.

The remuneration policy for key executives takes into consideration the Company's performance and the responsibilities and performance of individual executives, as well as the pay and employment conditions within the industry.

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The remuneration package for the CEO and other key executives consists of both fixed and variable components. The variable component is determined based on the performance of the individual employee and the Group's performance in the relevant financial year.

The following table shows the remuneration of our top five key executives (who are not Directors or the CEO of the Company) paid in the year ended 31 December 2015:

Name	Fixed Salary	Variable Bonus	Remuneration Band
Executive A	22%	78%	S\$250,000 – S\$500,000
Executive B	63%	37%	S\$250,000 – S\$500,000
Executive C	63%	37%	S\$250,000 – S\$500,000
Executive D	61%	39%	S\$250,000 – S\$500,000
Executive E	91%	9%	S\$250,000 – S\$500,000

The total remuneration of the top five key executives (who are not Directors or the CEO of the Company) paid in the year ended 31 December 2015 amounted to S\$1,887,000.

The Company believes that it may not be in the best interest of the Company to disclose the remuneration of key executives as recommended by the 2012 CG Code, as such disclosure may affect its ability to retain and nurture talent. In view of the competitive environment and nature of industry that the Group operates in, the Company is of the opinion that such disclosure should be on a no-name basis.

There were no termination, retirement and post-employment benefits paid to Directors and the top five key executives in the year ended 31 December 2015.

The Company has in place a share option scheme and a share performance plan known as First Resources Share Option Scheme and First Resources Performance Share Plan respectively, details of which are disclosed in the Directors' Statement. The two schemes are administered by members of the Remuneration and Nominating Committees. During the year, no share options or performance shares were granted to Directors and employees of the Company.

For transparency, the 2012 CG Code also recommends disclosure of the remuneration of employees who are immediate family members of a Director or the CEO, and whose remuneration exceeds S\$50,000 during the year. Mr Ciliandra Fangiono and Mr Fang Zhixiang are brothers and their remuneration is set out in the Directors' remuneration table above. Ms Serene Lim is the wife of Mr Ciliandra Fangiono, and her remuneration is between the band of S\$50,000 – S\$100,000.

## ACCOUNTABILITY

The Board provides shareholders with a comprehensive and balanced explanation of the Company's performance, position and prospects on a quarterly basis when it releases its results through the SGXNET and the Company's website. Operational statistics are also posted on the SGXNET on a monthly basis.

Management provides the Board with appropriately detailed management accounts of the Company's performance, position and prospects on a quarterly basis and when deemed appropriate by particular circumstances. To allow Directors to have sufficient time to prepare for the meetings, all Board and Board Committee papers are provided to the Directors in advance of the meetings.

For matters which require the Board's decision outside such meetings, Board papers will be circulated for the Board's consideration, with discussions and clarifications taking place between members of the Board and Management directly, before approval is granted.

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## AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee comprises Mr Teng Cheong Kwee as Chairman, Mr Ong Beng Kee, Mr Hee Theng Fong and Mr Tan Seow Kheng as members, the majority of whom, including the Chairman, are independent. The majority of the Audit Committee, including the Chairman, has accounting or related financial management expertise or experience.

The Audit Committee is guided by its terms of reference which sets out its responsibilities. The terms of reference are in line with the 2012 CG Code.

The Audit Committee performs the following principal duties:

- assists the Board of Directors in the discharge of its responsibilities on financial and accounting matters;
- reviews the audit plans, scope of work, results and quality of audits carried out by internal and external auditors;
- reviews the co-operation given by Management to the external and internal auditors;
- reviews significant financial reporting issues and judgements relating to financial statements for each financial year, quarterly and annual financial statements and the auditors' report before submission to the Board of Directors for approval;
- reviews the integrity of any financial information presented to our shareholders;
- reviews the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's system of risk management and internal controls, including financial, operational, compliance and information technology controls via reviews carried out by the internal auditors, and taking into consideration the external auditors' findings arising from their annual audit;
- reviews the nature and extent of non-audit services provided by the external auditors yearly to determine their independence;
- recommends to the Board of Directors the appointment and re-appointment of external auditors, approves the compensation and terms of engagement of the external auditors;
- meets with the external and internal auditors without the presence of the Company's Management annually;
- reviews the effectiveness of the internal audit function;
- reviews interested person transactions, if any;
- reviews potential conflicts of interest, if any;
- reviews all hedging policies to be implemented, if any;
- investigates any matter within its terms of reference; and
- reviews the risk management structure and any oversight of risk management processes and activities to mitigate and manage risk at acceptable levels determined by the Board of Directors.



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Apart from the duties listed above, the Audit Committee shall commission and review the findings of internal investigations into matters where there is any suspected fraud or irregularity, or failure of internal controls or infringement of any law, rule or regulation which has or is likely to have a material impact on the Company's results of operations and/or financial position. Each member of the Audit Committee shall abstain from voting on any resolution in respect of matters in which he is interested.

During the year, the Audit Committee was briefed on the new accounting standards that would impact the Group's consolidated financial statements by the external auditors at the Audit Committee meetings.

The Audit Committee has full access to and co-operation of Management. The Audit Committee also has full discretion to invite any Director or executive officer to attend its meetings and has been given adequate resources to discharge its functions. During the year, the Audit Committee met with the external and internal auditors without the presence of Management.

The Audit Committee has undertaken a review of the nature and extent of all non-audit services provided by the external auditors during the financial year and is satisfied that such services has not, in the Audit Committee's opinion, compromised the independence of the external auditors. The aggregate amount and breakdown of the audit and non-audit fees paid/payable to the external auditors is found in Note 7 "General and Administrative Expenses" in the Financial Statements of this Annual Report. The external auditors have also affirmed their independence in their report to the Audit Committee. Accordingly, the Audit Committee has recommended the re-appointment of the external auditors at the AGM of the Company.

The Company is in compliance with the requirements under SGX-ST Listing Manual Rules 712 and 715(1) on the appointment of a same auditing firm in Singapore to audit its accounts and the accounts of its subsidiaries and significant associated companies and Rule 715(2) on the appointment of a suitable auditing firm for its foreign incorporated subsidiaries and associated companies.

The Company has a Code of Conduct which serves as a general guideline for Management and employees in conducting their duties and responsibilities ethically. It outlines corporate values and ethical standards which are in line with the Group's vision and mission. Areas covered under the Code of Conduct include professionalism and work ethics, conflict of interest, political impartiality, anti-corruption and zero tolerance on fraud. All our employees will have to comply with applicable country laws, regulations and legal requirements. Any breach of the Code of Conduct can result in disciplinary action in accordance with the prevailing laws and regulations as well as termination of employment. The Code of Conduct is disseminated to employees, suppliers and other business partners.

The Company has put in place a whistle blowing policy, endorsed by the Audit Committee, which provides for a mechanism by which employees and other persons may, in confidence, raise concerns about possible unethical conduct and improprieties in financial reporting or other matters. Information received will be treated with confidentiality and anonymous reporting is accepted. Concerns raised are independently investigated and where appropriate, follow-up actions will be taken. Details of this policy have been disseminated and made available to all employees. The Audit Committee ensures that independent investigations and any appropriate follow-up actions are carried out.

## RISK MANAGEMENT

The Board, through the Audit Committee, reviews the adequacy of the Group's risk management process to ensure that robust risk management and internal control systems are in place to manage risks in a way that is aligned with the Group's risk tolerance. The Company has put in place a Group Risk Management Framework to enhance its risk management process. The Framework lays out the processes for the identification of key risks within the business and assessment of the operating effectiveness of the Company's internal controls and also outlines the Group's risk tolerance levels. As part of the Framework, the Company maintains a risk register which identifies the key risks of the Group as well as the corresponding internal controls and action plans in place to manage or mitigate those risks. Risk registers are maintained and reviewed by Management on a regular basis and the overall findings reported to the Audit Committee annually.

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The Company has identified and reviewed its key risks to assess the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's risk management and internal control systems, specifically on financial, operational, compliance and information technology risks. Apart from the Group's risk management process, key business risks are thoroughly assessed by Management and each significant transaction is comprehensively analysed so that Management understands the risks involved before the transaction is embarked on. The Board, through the Audit Committee, will continuously identify, review and monitor the key risks, control measures and management actions as part of the risk management process.

Some of these risks are discussed in Note 39 "Financial Risk Management Objectives and Policies" in the Financial Statements of this Annual Report.

## INTERNAL CONTROLS

The Company's internal auditors conducts independent reviews of the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's internal controls, including financial, operational, compliance and information technology controls addressing the key risks identified in the overall risk framework of the Group. Any material non-compliance or failures in internal controls and recommendations for improvements are reported to the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee also reviews the effectiveness of the actions taken by Management on the recommendations made by the internal auditors in this respect.

In the course of the statutory audit, the Company's external auditors will highlight any material internal control weaknesses which have come to their attention in the course of carrying out their audit procedures, which are designed primarily to enable them to express their opinion on the financial statements. Such material internal control weaknesses noted during their audit, and recommendations, if any, by the external auditors are reported to the Audit Committee.

The Board has received assurance from the CEO and Head of Corporate Finance:

- that the financial records have been properly maintained and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015 give a true and fair view of the Company's operations and finances; and
- regarding the effectiveness of the Company's risk management and internal control systems.

Based on the internal controls established and maintained by the Company, work performed by the internal and external auditors and reviews performed by Management, as well as the assurance from the CEO and Head of Corporate Finance, the Board, with the concurrence of the Audit Committee, is of the view that the Company's system of risk management and internal controls were adequate and effective as at 31 December 2015 to address financial, operational, compliance and information technology risks which the Group considers relevant and material to its operations.

The system of risk management and internal controls provides reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that the Company will not be adversely affected by any event that could be reasonably foreseen as it strives to achieve its business objectives. However, the Board also notes that no system of risk management and internal controls could provide absolute assurance in this regard, or absolute assurance against the occurrence of material errors, poor judgment in decision making, human error, losses, fraud or other irregularities.

## INTERNAL AUDIT

The Company has established an in-house Internal Audit ("IA") function that is independent of the activities that it audits. The IA function reports to the Audit Committee functionally and to the CEO administratively.

The IA function adopts a risk-based approach in formulating the annual audit plan which aligns its activities to the key risks across the Group's business. The reviews performed by the internal auditors are aimed at assisting the Board in evaluating the adequacy and effectiveness of risk management, controls and governance processes.

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During the year, the IA function conducted its audit reviews based on the annual audit plan which was approved by the Audit Committee. Each quarter, the IA function would submit a report to the Audit Committee on the key audit findings and actions to be taken by Management on such findings. Key findings are also highlighted at Audit Committee Meetings for discussion and follow up actions. The Audit Committee monitors the timely and proper implementation of the required corrective, preventive or improvement measures to be undertaken by Management.

To ensure that audits are performed effectively, the Group employs suitably qualified professional staff with the relevant experience. The Audit Committee is satisfied that the IA function is adequately resourced and has the appropriate standing within the Company. The Audit Committee has also reviewed and is satisfied with the adequacy and effectiveness of the IA function.

## COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS

The Company's policy is that all shareholders should be equally informed of all major developments impacting the Group. We convey material information via the SGXNET on a timely basis. Shareholders and investors can also access announcements, quarterly results, annual reports, investor presentations, monthly production updates and other corporate information including contact details of our investor relations team on the dedicated Investor Relations section of our corporate website.

The Company maintains frequent interactions with shareholders, analysts, fund managers and investors in the form of meetings, investor roadshows, conference calls and results briefings. At such events, Management, together with the Investor Relations team, openly communicates the Group's financial and operational performances, business strategies and growth initiatives.

All shareholders receive the Annual Report and the notice of AGM. At the AGM, shareholders have the opportunity to direct questions to Directors and Management and to vote on the proposed resolutions. They are allowed to vote in person or by proxy if they are unable to attend the AGM. At the AGM, each distinct issue is proposed as a separate resolution. The Chairmen of the various Committees, as well as external auditors are present at the meetings to address questions from shareholders.

Voting at general meetings will be conducted by poll thereby allowing all shareholders present or represented at the meeting to vote on a one share, one vote basis. The voting results will be announced via SGXNET after each general meeting.

In preparation for the AGM, shareholders are encouraged to refer to SGX's investor guides, namely 'An Investor's Guide To Reading Annual Reports' and 'An Investor's Guide To Preparing For Annual General Meetings'. The guides, in both English and Chinese versions, are available at the SGX website ([www.sgx.com](http://www.sgx.com)) under the section named "Investor Guide".

## DEALING IN SECURITIES

The Company has adopted and issued an internal compliance code on securities trading, which provides guidance and internal regulations pertaining to dealings in the Company's securities by its Directors and officers. The Company's internal code prohibits its Directors and officers from dealing in the Company's securities during the "closed period", which is defined as two weeks before the date of announcement of results for each of the first three quarters of the Company's financial year, and one month before the date of announcement of the full year financial results, and ending on the date of the announcement of the relevant results. Directors and officers are also advised against dealing in the securities when they are in possession of any unpublished material price-sensitive information of the Group and on short-term considerations.

In addition, Directors are required to report to the Company Secretary whenever they deal in the Company's securities and the latter will make the necessary announcements in accordance with the requirements of SGX-ST.

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## INTERESTED PERSON TRANSACTIONS

The Company has in place procedures to ensure that all transactions with interested persons are reported in a timely manner to the Audit Committee for its review.

Details of interested person transactions for the financial year ended 31 December 2015 as required under Rule 907 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual are set out as follows:

	Aggregate value of all interested person transactions during the financial year under review (excluding transactions less than S\$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 S\$100,000)
Name of interested person	US\$'000	US\$'000
Associates of Eight Capital Inc.	6,945	Not Applicable
Associates of Ciliandra Fangiono	307	Not Applicable

The Audit Committee has reviewed, and is satisfied that the transactions are conducted at arm's length and on terms that are fair and reasonable. The Audit Committee and the Board of Directors are satisfied that the terms of the above transactions are not prejudicial to the interests of the Company or its minority shareholders.

The Company does not have a shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual.

## MATERIAL CONTRACTS

Save as disclosed, there are no other material contracts entered into by the Company and its subsidiaries involving the interest of the CEO, Director or controlling shareholder, which are either subsisting at the end of the financial year or if not then subsisting, entered into since the end of the previous financial year ended 31 December 2014.

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# DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

The directors are pleased to present their report to the members together with the audited consolidated financial statements of First Resources Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") and the balance sheet and statement of changes in equity of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2015.

## OPINION OF THE DIRECTORS

In the opinion of the directors,

- (i) the consolidated financial statements of the Group and the balance sheets and statements 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 2015 and the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group and the 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.

## DIRECTORS

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

Lim Ming Seong  
Ciliandra Fangiono  
Fang Zhixiang  
Teng Cheong Kwee  
Ong Beng Kee  
Hee Theng Fong  
Ng Shin Ein  
Tan Seow Kheng

## ARRANGEMENTS TO ENABLE DIRECTORS TO ACQUIRE SHARES AND DEBENTURES

Neither at the end of nor at any time during the financial year was the Company a party to any arrangement whose objects are, or one of whose objects is, to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares or debentures of the Company or any other body corporate.



# DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

## DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND DEBENTURES

The following directors, who held office at the end of the financial year, had, according to the register of directors' shareholdings, required to be kept under Section 164 of the Singapore Companies Act, Cap. 50 (the "Act"), an interest in shares of the Company and related corporations (other than wholly-owned subsidiaries) as stated below:

Name of director	Direct interest		Deemed interest	
	At the beginning of financial year	At the end of financial year	At the beginning of financial year	At the end of financial year
<i>Ordinary shares of the Company</i>				
Lim Ming Seong	100,000	100,000	–	–
Ng Shin Ein	38,000	38,000	–	–
Tan Seow Kheng	30,000	30,000	–	–

There was no change in any of the above-mentioned interests in the Company between the end of the financial year and 21 January 2016.

Except as disclosed in this report, no director who held office at the end of the financial year had interests in shares of the Company, or of related corporations, either at the beginning of the financial year, or at the end of the financial year.

## SHARE OPTION SCHEME AND PERFORMANCE SHARE PLAN

The Company has a Share Option Scheme and a Performance Share Plan which are administered by a committee comprising the members of the Remuneration and Nominating Committees (the "Administration Committee"), namely Messrs Lim Ming Seong, Teng Cheong Kwee, Hee Theng Fong, Ng Shin Ein and Ciliandra Fangiono. Details of the Share Option Scheme and Performance Share Plan are as follows:

### (a) *First Resources Share Option Scheme*

- (i) The First Resources Share Option Scheme (the "Share Option Scheme") was approved on 14 November 2007. Employees (including executive directors) of the Company and its subsidiaries and associated companies over which the Group has control (the "Participants") are eligible to participate in the Share Option Scheme at the absolute discretion of the Administration Committee.
- (ii) The aggregate number of new shares issued and issuable and/or transferred and transferable in respect of all options granted under the Share Option Scheme, and under any such other share-based incentive schemes of the Company, shall not exceed 15% of the total issued shares (including treasury shares) on the day preceding the date of the relevant grant.
- (iii) Options may be granted from time to time during the year when the Share Option Scheme is in force, except that options shall only be granted after the second market day from the date on which an announcement of any matter of an exceptional nature involving unpublished price sensitive information is released.
- (iv) No options have been granted to the Participants under the Share Option Scheme since the commencement of the scheme till the end of the financial year ended 31 December 2015.

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## SHARE OPTION SCHEME AND PERFORMANCE SHARE PLAN (CONT'D)

### (b) *First Resources Performance Share Plan*

- (i) The First Resources Performance Share Plan (the "Performance Share Plan") was approved on 14 November 2007. The Company would at its discretion and on a free-of-charge basis, grant awards which represent a specified number of fully paid shares in the share capital of the Company or its equivalent cash value or combinations thereof. The awards will vest only after satisfactory completion of prescribed performance targets and/or time based service conditions. Upon the vesting of an award, the participants may receive any or a combination of the following:
- New ordinary shares credited as fully paid;
  - Existing shares repurchased from open market; and/or
  - Cash equivalent value of such shares.
- (ii) The following persons (collectively known as the "Participants") shall be eligible to participate in the Performance Share Plan subject to the absolute discretion of the Administration Committee:
- Employees (including executive directors) and non-executive directors of the Company and its subsidiaries and associated companies over which the Group has control.
  - Controlling shareholders and their associates as defined by the Listing Manual who have contributed to the success and development of the Group, provided that each of their participation and actual number of shares to be awarded to them must be approved by independent shareholders.
- (iii) The aggregate number of new shares which may be issued and/or transferred pursuant to awards granted under the Performance Share Plan, when added to the total number of shares issued and issuable and/or transferred and transferable in respect of all options granted under the Share Option Scheme, shall not exceed 15% of the total issued shares (including treasury shares) on the day preceding the date of the relevant award.
- The aggregate number of shares available to the controlling shareholders shall not exceed 25% of the shares available under the Performance Share Plan. The number of shares available to each controlling shareholder shall not exceed 10% of the shares available under the Performance Share Plan.
- (iv) No awards have been granted to the Participants under the Performance Share Plan since the commencement of the share plan till the end of the financial year ended 31 December 2015.

## DIRECTORS' CONTRACTUAL BENEFITS

Except as disclosed in the financial statements, since the end of the previous financial year, no director of the Company has received or become entitled to receive a benefit by reason of a contract made by the Company or a related corporation with the director, or with a firm of which the director is a member, or with a company in which the director has a substantial financial interest.

## AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee ("AC") carried out its functions in accordance with Section 201B(5) of the Act, including the following:

- assists the Board of Directors in the discharge of its responsibilities on financial and accounting matters;
- reviews the audit plans, scope of work, results and quality of audits carried out by internal and external auditors;
- reviews the co-operation given by Management to the external and internal auditors;

# DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

## AUDIT COMMITTEE (CONT'D)

- reviews significant financial reporting issues and judgements relating to financial statements for each financial year, quarterly and annual financial statements and the auditors' report before submission to the Board of Directors for approval;
- reviews the integrity of any financial information presented to our shareholders;
- reviews the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's system of risk management and internal controls, including financial, operational, compliance and information technology controls via reviews carried out by the internal auditors, and taking into consideration the external auditors' findings arising from their annual audit;
- reviews the nature and extent of non-audit services provided by the external auditors yearly to determine their independence;
- recommends to the Board of Directors the appointment and re-appointment of external auditors, approves the compensation and terms of engagement of the external auditors;
- meets with the external and internal auditors without the presence of the Company's Management annually;
- reviews the effectiveness of the internal audit function;
- reviews interested person transactions, if any;
- reviews potential conflicts of interest, if any;
- reviews all hedging policies to be implemented, if any;
- investigates any matter within its terms of reference; and
- reviews the risk management structure and any oversight of risk management processes and activities to mitigate and manage risk at acceptable levels determined by the Board of Directors.

The AC, having reviewed all non-audit services provided by the external auditors to the Group, is satisfied that the nature and extent of such services would not compromise the independence of the external auditors. The AC has also conducted a review of interested person transactions.

During the financial year, the AC convened four meetings and had also met with the external and internal auditors without the presence of the Company's Management.

Further details regarding the AC are also disclosed in the Report on Corporate Governance.

## AUDITOR

Ernst & Young LLP has expressed its willingness to accept re-appointment as auditor.

On behalf of the Board of Directors,

**Lim Ming Seong**  
Chairman

**Ciliandra Fangiono**  
Chief Executive Officer

Singapore  
23 March 2016

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

For the financial year ended 31 December 2015

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF FIRST RESOURCES LIMITED

### REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of First Resources Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group"), which comprise the balance sheets of the Group and the Company as at 31 December 2015, 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 a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

#### *Management's Responsibility 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 Singapore Companies Act, Chapter 50 (the "Act") and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards, 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.

#### *Auditor's Responsibility*

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view 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 entity's internal controls. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### *Opinion*

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements of the Group and the balance sheet and statement of changes in equity of the Company are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Act and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group and of the Company as at 31 December 2015 and of the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group and the changes in equity of the Company for the year ended on that date.

### 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 the subsidiaries incorporated in Singapore of which we are the auditors have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

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

Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants

Singapore  
23 March 2016



# CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

For the financial year ended 31 December 2015

	Note	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Sales	4	453,674	615,524
Cost of sales	5	(202,428)	(292,125)
<b>Gross profit</b>		<b>251,246</b>	<b>323,399</b>
(Losses)/gains arising from changes in fair value of biological assets	11	(2,534)	1,940
Selling and distribution costs	6	(31,160)	(24,310)
General and administrative expenses	7	(29,885)	(28,339)
Other operating expenses		(1,536)	(1,697)
<b>Profit from operations</b>		<b>186,131</b>	<b>270,993</b>
Losses on foreign exchange		(1,718)	(118)
Gains/(losses) on derivative financial instruments		79	(2,777)
Net financial expenses	8	(21,700)	(15,020)
Other non-operating expenses		(1,649)	(1,133)
<b>Profit before tax</b>		<b>161,143</b>	<b>251,945</b>
Tax expense	9	(49,252)	(71,154)
<b>Profit for the year</b>		<b>111,891</b>	<b>180,791</b>
<b>Profit attributable to:</b>			
Owners of the Company		107,902	173,409
Non-controlling interests		3,989	7,382
		<b>111,891</b>	<b>180,791</b>
<b>Earnings per share attributable to owners of the Company (US Cents)</b>			
- Basic	10	6.81	10.95
- Diluted	10	6.81	10.95

The accompanying accounting policies and explanatory notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the financial year ended 31 December 2015

	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
<b>Profit for the year</b>	111,891	180,791
<b>Other comprehensive income:</b>		
<b>Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss</b>		
Remeasurement gains on defined benefits plan	1,924	1,125
Income tax effect	(481)	(235)
	<u>1,443</u>	<u>890</u>
<b>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss</b>		
Fair value losses on cash flow hedges	(107,672)	(39,788)
Fair value losses on cash flow hedges transferred to the income statement	105,882	34,710
Foreign currency translation	(146,579)	(44,909)
Income tax effect	7,226	1,300
	<u>(141,143)</u>	<u>(48,687)</u>
<b>Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax</b>	<u>(139,700)</u>	<u>(47,797)</u>
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>	<u>(27,809)</u>	<u>132,994</u>
<b>Total comprehensive income attributable to:</b>		
Owners of the Company	(26,454)	126,808
Non-controlling interests	(1,355)	6,186
	<u>(27,809)</u>	<u>132,994</u>

*The accompanying accounting policies and explanatory notes form an integral part of the financial statements.*

# BALANCE SHEETS

As at 31 December 2015

	Note	Group		Company	
		2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Non-current assets					
Biological assets	11	969,196	961,083	–	–
Plasma plantation receivables	12	59,832	59,206	–	–
Property, plant and equipment	13	325,111	338,415	7,978	9,296
Land use rights	14	40,153	46,139	–	–
Investment in subsidiaries	15	–	–	523,527	452,291
Goodwill	16	85,041	60,994	–	–
Other intangible assets	17	22,301	24,932	171	323
Tax recoverable		37,626	13,431	–	–
Deferred tax assets	9	26,409	16,652	–	–
Loans to subsidiaries	18	–	–	–	440,881
Other non-current assets		941	2,094	–	–
Total non-current assets		1,566,610	1,522,946	531,676	902,791
Current assets					
Inventories	20	67,903	48,563	–	–
Loan to subsidiary	18	–	–	–	934
Trade receivables	21	29,317	29,769	2,839	1,743
Other receivables	22	10,502	9,312	4,717	7,401
Derivative financial assets	19	79	–	–	–
Advances for purchase of property, plant and equipment	23	3,353	4,235	–	–
Other advances and prepayments	23	4,108	2,188	315	60
Prepaid taxes		39,660	29,926	–	–
Restricted cash balances	24	143,491	59,460	142,757	58,438
Cash and cash equivalents	24	61,925	291,456	373,022	86,013
Total current assets		360,338	474,909	523,650	154,589
Total assets		1,926,948	1,997,855	1,055,326	1,057,380

# BALANCE SHEETS

As at 31 December 2015

	Note	Group		Company	
		2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Current liabilities					
Trade payables	25	24,965	20,075	16	188
Other payables and accruals	26	25,763	36,884	8,405	10,228
Advances from customers	27	232	2,071	–	–
Loans and borrowings from financial institutions	28	28,667	10,946	–	–
Provision for tax		11,718	18,315	164	43
Total current liabilities		91,345	88,291	8,585	10,459
Non-current liabilities					
Loans and borrowings from financial institutions	28	2,038	2,740	–	–
Islamic medium term notes	29	464,344	569,433	464,344	569,433
Derivative financial liabilities	19	199,955	91,198	199,955	91,198
Provision for post-employment benefits	30	13,649	13,413	–	–
Deferred tax liabilities	9	110,201	117,030	349	985
Total non-current liabilities		790,187	793,814	664,648	661,616
Total liabilities		881,532	882,105	673,233	672,075
Net assets		1,045,416	1,115,750	382,093	385,305
Equity					
Share capital	31	394,913	394,913	394,913	394,913
Differences arising from restructuring transactions involving entities under common control	32	35,016	35,016	–	–
Other reserves	33	(532,116)	(396,366)	(14,513)	(12,723)
Retained earnings		1,097,570	1,029,626	1,693	3,115
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		995,383	1,063,189	382,093	385,305
Non-controlling interests		50,033	52,561	–	–
Total equity		1,045,416	1,115,750	382,093	385,305

The accompanying accounting policies and explanatory notes form an integral part of the financial statements.



# STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the financial year ended 31 December 2015

	Attributable to owners of the Company					Non-controlling interests	Total equity
		Differences arising from restructuring transactions involving entities under common control			Equity attributable to owners of the Company		
	Share capital		Other reserves	Retained earnings			
	US\$'000 (Note 31)	US\$'000 (Note 32)	US\$'000 (Note 33)	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000
Group							
2015							
At 1 January 2015	394,913	35,016	(396,366)	1,029,626	1,063,189	52,561	1,115,750
Profit for the year	–	–	–	107,902	107,902	3,989	111,891
<u>Other comprehensive income</u>							
Remeasurement gains on defined benefits plan	–	–	–	1,394	1,394	49	1,443
Net change in fair value of cash flow hedges	–	–	(1,790)	–	(1,790)	–	(1,790)
Foreign currency translation	–	–	(133,960)	–	(133,960)	(5,393)	(139,353)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	–	–	(135,750)	1,394	(134,356)	(5,344)	(139,700)
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	(135,750)	109,296	(26,454)	(1,355)	(27,809)
<u>Distributions to owners</u>							
Dividends paid	–	–	–	(41,352)	(41,352)	(1,173)	(42,525)
Total transactions with owners in their capacity as owners	–	–	–	(41,352)	(41,352)	(1,173)	(42,525)
At 31 December 2015	394,913	35,016	(532,116)	1,097,570	995,383	50,033	1,045,416

# STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the financial year ended 31 December 2015

	Attributable to owners of the Company					Non-controlling interests	Total equity
		Differences arising from restructuring transactions involving entities under common control			Equity attributable to owners of the Company		
	Share capital US\$'000 (Note 31)	US\$'000 (Note 32)	Other reserves US\$'000 (Note 33)	Retained earnings US\$'000	US\$'000		
Group							
2014							
At 1 January 2014	394,913	35,016	(348,922)	912,472	993,479	46,646	1,040,125
Profit for the year	–	–	–	173,409	173,409	7,382	180,791
Other comprehensive income							
Remeasurement gains on defined benefits plan	–	–	–	843	843	47	890
Net change in fair value of cash flow hedges	–	–	(5,078)	–	(5,078)	–	(5,078)
Foreign currency translation	–	–	(42,366)	–	(42,366)	(1,243)	(43,609)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	–	–	(47,444)	843	(46,601)	(1,196)	(47,797)
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	(47,444)	174,252	126,808	6,186	132,994
Distributions to owners							
Dividends paid	–	–	–	(57,098)	(57,098)	(535)	(57,633)
Changes in ownership interests in subsidiaries							
Equity contribution by non-controlling interests	–	–	–	–	–	264	264
Total transactions with owners in their capacity as owners	–	–	–	(57,098)	(57,098)	(271)	(57,369)
At 31 December 2014	394,913	35,016	(396,366)	1,029,626	1,063,189	52,561	1,115,750

# STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the financial year ended 31 December 2015

	Share capital US\$'000 (Note 31)	Other reserves US\$'000 (Note 33)	Retained earnings US\$'000	Total equity US\$'000
<b>Company</b>				
<b>2015</b>				
At 1 January 2015	394,913	(12,723)	3,115	385,305
Profit for the year	–	–	39,930	39,930
<u>Other comprehensive income</u>				
Net change in fair value of cash flow hedges	–	(1,790)	–	(1,790)
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	(1,790)	39,930	38,140
<u>Distributions to owners</u>				
Dividends paid (Note 42)	–	–	(41,352)	(41,352)
Total transactions with owners in their capacity as owners	–	–	(41,352)	(41,352)
At 31 December 2015	394,913	(14,513)	1,693	382,093
<b>2014</b>				
At 1 January 2014	394,913	(7,645)	12,052	399,320
Profit for the year	–	–	48,161	48,161
<u>Other comprehensive income</u>				
Net change in fair value of cash flow hedges	–	(5,078)	–	(5,078)
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	(5,078)	48,161	43,083
<u>Distributions to owners</u>				
Dividends paid (Note 42)	–	–	(57,098)	(57,098)
Total transactions with owners in their capacity as owners	–	–	(57,098)	(57,098)
At 31 December 2014	394,913	(12,723)	3,115	385,305

The accompanying accounting policies and explanatory notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

# CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the financial year ended 31 December 2015

	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Profit before tax	161,143	251,945
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	28,554	28,612
Amortisation of land use rights and intangible assets	1,896	2,083
Gains on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(184)	(151)
Financial expenses	25,266	20,124
Interest income	(3,566)	(5,104)
(Gains)/losses on derivative financial instruments	(79)	2,777
Losses/(gains) arising from changes in fair value of biological assets	2,534	(1,940)
<b>Operating cash flows before changes in working capital</b>	215,564	298,346
Changes in working capital:		
Inventories	(25,391)	9,695
Receivables and other assets	(18,086)	(6,501)
Payables and other liabilities	(7,036)	1,279
Unrealised translation differences	1,667	69
<b>Cash flows generated from operations</b>	166,718	302,888
Financial expenses paid	(24,409)	(18,514)
Interest income received	3,358	4,668
Tax paid	(74,839)	(66,147)
<b>Net cash generated from operating activities</b>	70,828	222,895

# CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the financial year ended 31 December 2015

	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Capital expenditure on biological assets	(73,452)	(132,778)
Capital expenditure on property, plant and equipment	(39,396)	(65,632)
Payment of advances for purchase of property, plant and equipment	(3,449)	(4,436)
Development costs on plasma plantations	(1,087)	(11,744)
Proceeds from plasma plantation receivables	240	1,919
Acquisition of land use rights	(38)	(1,924)
Acquisition of other intangible assets	(137)	(164)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	368	228
Net cash outflow on acquisition of subsidiaries	(71,706)	–
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(188,657)</b>	<b>(214,531)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>		
Proceeds from bank loans	27,537	8,419
Repayment of bank loans	(7,467)	–
Proceeds from issuance of Islamic medium term notes, net	–	122,299
Payment of obligations under finance leases	(3,047)	(3,541)
Increase in restricted cash balances	(84,031)	(26,785)
Dividends paid	(42,525)	(57,633)
Proceeds from equity contribution by non-controlling interests	–	264
<b>Net cash (used in)/from financing activities</b>	<b>(109,533)</b>	<b>43,023</b>
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(227,362)	51,387
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(2,169)	592
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	291,456	239,477
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December (Note 24)</b>	<b>61,925</b>	<b>291,456</b>

The accompanying accounting policies and explanatory notes form an integral part of the financial statements.



# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2015

## 1. GENERAL

### (a) Corporate information

First Resources Limited (the "Company") is a limited liability company, which is incorporated and domiciled in the Republic of Singapore and is listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST").

The Company's immediate and ultimate holding company is Eight Capital Inc., which is incorporated in the British Virgin Islands.

The registered office and principal place of business of the Company is located at 8 Temasek Boulevard, #36-02, Suntec Tower Three, Singapore 038988.

The principal activities of the Company are those of investment holding, general trading and the provision of technical assistance to its subsidiaries. The principal activities of the subsidiaries are as disclosed in Note 1(b).

### (b) Subsidiaries

The details of the Group's subsidiaries are as follows:

Subsidiaries	Country of incorporation	Principal activities	Effective group equity interest	
			2015 %	2014 %
Direct Ownership:				
PT Ciliandra Perkasa ("PT CLP") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.51	95.51
PT Meridan Sejati Surya Plantation ("PT MSSP") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	93.56 <sup>(1)</sup>	93.56 <sup>(1)</sup>
PT Borneo Ketapang Permai ("PT BKP") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	99.76 <sup>(2)</sup>	99.76 <sup>(2)</sup>
PT Adhitya Seraya Korita ("PT ASK") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Palm oil refining and palm kernel crushing	95.00	95.00
First Resources Trading Pte. Ltd. ("FRTPL")	Singapore	Marketing and distribution of palm oil products	100.00	100.00
Lynhurst Investment Pte. Ltd. ("Lynhurst")	Singapore	Investment holding	100.00	100.00
Pacific Agri Resources Pte. Ltd. ("PAR")	Singapore	Investment holding	100.00	–
PT Falcon Agri Persada ("PT FAP") <sup>(10)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	99.77 <sup>(7)</sup>	–

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2015

## 1. GENERAL (CONT'D)

### (b) Subsidiaries (cont'd)

Subsidiaries	Country of incorporation	Principal activities	Effective group equity interest	
			2015 %	2014 %
Indirect Ownership:				
Subsidiaries of PT CLP				
PT Pancasurya Agrindo ("PT PSA") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.32 <sup>(3)</sup>	95.32 <sup>(3)</sup>
PT Surya Intisari Raya ("PT SIR") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.50	95.50
PT Perdana Intisawit Perkasa ("PT PISP") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.50	95.50
PT Bumi Sawit Perkasa ("PT BSP") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.44	95.44
PT Priatama Riau ("PT PTR") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.44	95.41
PT Surya Dumai Agrindo ("PT SDA") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.50	95.50
PT Panca Surya Garden ("PT PSG") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm seed breeding	94.32	94.32
Subsidiaries of PT PSA				
PT Pancasurya Binasejahtera ("PT PSBS") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Investment holding	95.31	95.31
PT Muriniwood Indah Industry ("PT MII") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.31	95.31
PT Kalimantan Green Persada ("PT KGP") <sup>(10)</sup>	Indonesia	Investment holding	95.23	95.23
PT Gerbang Sawit Indah ("PT GSI") <sup>(9)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.31	95.31
PT Matthew Air Nusantara ("PT MAN") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Aircraft ownership and management	95.41 <sup>(4)</sup>	95.41 <sup>(4)</sup>
PT Setia Agrindo Jaya ("PT SAJ") <sup>(9)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	46.70	46.70
PT Karya Tama Bakti Mulia ("PT KTBM") <sup>(10)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.31	—

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2015

## 1. GENERAL (CONT'D)

### (b) Subsidiaries (cont'd)

Subsidiaries	Country of incorporation	Principal activities	Effective group equity interest	
			2015 %	2014 %
Indirect Ownership (cont'd):				
Subsidiaries of PT PSBS				
PT Subur Arummakmur ("PT SAM") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.30	95.30
PT Arindo Trisejahtera ("PT ATS") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.30	95.30
Subsidiaries of PT BKP				
PT Limpah Sejahtera ("PT LS") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.92	94.78
PT Mitra Karya Sentosa ("PT MKS") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	98.77	94.78
PT Umekah Saripratama ("PT USP") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	98.07	94.78
PT Pulau Tiga Lestari Jaya ("PTLJ") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	98.27	94.78
Subsidiaries of PT KGP				
PT Ketapang Agro Lestari ("PT KAL") <sup>(10)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.22	95.22
PT Borneo Persada Energy Jaya ("PT BPEJ") <sup>(10)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.22	95.22
PT Borneo Surya Mining Jaya ("PT BSMJ") <sup>(10)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.22	95.22
PT Borneo Damai Lestari ("PT BDL") <sup>(10)</sup>	Indonesia	Rubber plantation	95.22	95.22
PT Citra Agro Kencana ("PT CAK") <sup>(10)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.22	95.22
PT Borneo Persada Prima Jaya ("PT BPPJ") <sup>(10)</sup>	Indonesia	Rubber plantation	95.22	95.22
PT Maha Karya Bersama ("PT MKB") <sup>(10)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	95.22	95.17
PT Borneo Damai Lestari Raya ("PT BDLR") <sup>(10)</sup>	Indonesia	Rubber plantation	95.23 <sup>(5)</sup>	95.23 <sup>(5)</sup>

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## 1. GENERAL (CONT'D)

### (b) Subsidiaries (cont'd)

Subsidiaries	Country of incorporation	Principal activities	Effective group equity interest	
			2015 %	2014 %

#### Indirect Ownership (cont'd):

##### Subsidiaries of PT SAJ

PT Citra Palma Kencana ("PT CPK") <sup>(9)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	46.70	46.70
PT Indo Manis Lestari ("PT IML") <sup>(9)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	46.70	46.70
PT Indogreen Jaya Abadi ("PT IJA") <sup>(9)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	46.70	46.70
PT Setia Agrindo Lestari ("PT SAL") <sup>(9)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	46.70	46.70
PT Setia Agrindo Mandiri ("PT SAGM") <sup>(9)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	46.70	46.70

##### Subsidiary of Lynhurst

PT Swadaya Mukti Prakarsa ("PT SMP") <sup>(8)</sup>	Indonesia	Oil palm plantation	99.77 <sup>(6)</sup>	99.77 <sup>(6)</sup>
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#### Notes:

- (1) PT MSSP is 32.00% held by PT CLP and 63.00% held by the Company.
- (2) PT BKP is 95.00% held by the Company and 5.00% held by PT SAM.
- (3) PT PSA is 62.00% held by PT CLP and 38.00% held by PT ASK.
- (4) PT MAN is 51.00% held by PT PSA and 49.00% held by PT CLP.
- (5) PT BDLR is 99.99% held by PT KGP and 0.01% held by PT BDL.  
(2014: 99.90% held by PT KGP and 0.10% held by PT BDL).
- (6) PT SMP is 95.00% held by Lynhurst and 5.00% held by PT PSA.
- (7) PT FAP is 95.00% held by the Company and 5.00% held by PT PSA.
- (8) Audited by member firm of Ernst & Young Global in Indonesia.
- (9) Audited by KAP Selamat Sinuraya & Rekan in Indonesia.
- (10) Audited by KAP Johan Malonda in Indonesia.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### 2.1 *Basis of preparation*

The consolidated financial statements of the Group and the balance sheet and statement of changes in equity of the Company have been prepared in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS").

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except as disclosed in the accounting policies below.

The financial statements are presented in United States Dollar ("USD" or "US\$") and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand ("US\$'000") except when otherwise indicated.

### 2.2 *Changes in accounting policies*

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 2015. The adoption of these standards did not have any effect on the financial performance or position of the Group and the Company.

### 2.3 *Standards issued but not yet effective*

The Group has not adopted the following standards that have been issued but not yet effective:

Description	Effective for annual periods beginning on or after
Amendments to FRS 111 <i>Accounting for Acquisitions of Interests in Joint Operations</i>	1 January 2016
Amendments to FRS 16 and FRS 41 <i>Agriculture - Bearer Plants</i>	1 January 2016
Amendments to FRS 27 <i>Equity Method in Separate Financial Statements</i>	1 January 2016
Amendments to FRS 16 and FRS 38 <i>Clarification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation and Amortisation</i>	1 January 2016
Improvements to FRSs (November 2014)	
(a) Amendments to FRS 105 <i>Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations</i>	1 January 2016
(b) Amendments to FRS 107 <i>Financial Instruments: Disclosures</i>	1 January 2016
(c) Amendments to FRS 19 <i>Employee Benefits</i>	1 January 2016
Amendments to FRS 1 <i>Disclosure Initiative</i>	1 January 2016
Amendments to FRS 110, FRS 112 and FRS 28 <i>Investment Entities: Applying the Consolidation Exception</i>	1 January 2016
Amendments to FRS 7 <i>Disclosure Initiative</i>	1 January 2017
Amendments to FRS 12 <i>Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses</i>	1 January 2017
FRS 115 <i>Revenue from Contracts with Customers</i>	1 January 2018
FRS 109 <i>Financial Instruments</i>	1 January 2018
Amendments to FRS 110 and FRS 28 <i>Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture</i>	To be determined

Management expects that the adoption of the above standards will have no material impact to the financial statements in the period of initial application, except for Amendments to FRS 16 and FRS 41, FRS 115 and FRS 109 as indicated below.



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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.3 *Standards issued but not yet effective (cont'd)*

#### Amendments to FRS 16 and FRS 41 Agriculture – Bearer Plants

The amendments change the accounting requirements for biological assets that meet the definition of bearer plants. Under the amendments, biological assets that meet the definition of bearer plants will no longer be within the scope of FRS 41. Instead, FRS 16 will apply. After initial recognition, bearer plants will be measured under FRS 16 at accumulated cost (before maturity) and using either the cost model or revaluation model (after maturity). The amendments also require that agricultural produce growing on bearer plants will remain within the scope of FRS 41 to be measured at fair value less costs to sell. For government grants relating to bearer plants, FRS 20 *Accounting for Government Grants and Disclosure of Government Assistance* will apply. Amendments to FRS 16 and FRS 41 are effective for financial periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016. These amendments may be applied retrospectively. Alternatively, an entity may elect to measure a bearer plant at its fair value at the beginning of the earliest period presented. The fair value would be used as its deemed cost at that date.

Based on the Group's initial assessment, the estimated financial impact to the balance sheet of the Group as at 1 January 2016 upon the adoption of these amendments will be a decrease to biological assets and deferred tax liabilities of US\$370.0 million and US\$89.3 million respectively, with a corresponding decrease to total equity of US\$280.6 million.

#### FRS 115 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

FRS 115 establishes a five-step model that will apply to revenue arising from contracts with customers. Under FRS 115, revenue is recognised at an amount that reflects the consideration which an entity expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring goods or services to a customer. The principles in FRS 115 provide a more structured approach to measuring and recognising revenue when the promised goods and services are transferred to the customer i.e. when performance obligations are satisfied.

Key issues for the Group include identifying performance obligations, accounting for contract modifications, applying the constraint to variable consideration, evaluating significant financing components, measuring progress toward satisfaction of a performance obligation, recognising contract cost assets and addressing disclosure requirements.

Either a full or modified retrospective application is required for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018 with early adoption permitted. The Group is currently assessing the impact of FRS 115 and plans to adopt the new standard on the required effective date.

#### FRS 109 Financial Instruments

FRS 109 introduces new requirements for classification and measurement of financial assets, impairment of financial assets and hedge accounting. Financial assets are classified according to their contractual cash flow characteristics and the business model under which they are held. The impairment requirements in FRS 109 are based on an expected credit loss model and replace the FRS 39 incurred loss model. Adopting the expected credit losses requirements will require the Group to make changes to its current systems and processes.

FRS 109 is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018 with early application permitted. Retrospective application is required, but comparative information is not compulsory. The Group is currently assessing the impact of FRS 109 and plans to adopt the standard on the required effective date.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.4 *Basis of consolidation and business combinations*

#### (a) *Basis of consolidation*

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries as at the end of the reporting period. The financial statements of the subsidiaries used in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements are prepared for the same reporting date as the Company. Consistent accounting policies are applied to similar transactions and events in similar circumstances.

All intra-group balances, income and expenses and unrealised gains and losses resulting from intra-group transactions and dividends are eliminated in full.

Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date of acquisition, being the date on which the Group obtains control, and continue to be consolidated until the date that such control ceases.

Losses within a subsidiary are attributed to the non-controlling interest even if that results in a deficit balance.

A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a loss of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction. If the Group loses control over a subsidiary, it:

- derecognises the assets (including goodwill) and liabilities of the subsidiary at their carrying amounts at the date when control is lost;
- derecognises the carrying amount of any non-controlling interest;
- derecognises the cumulative translation differences recorded in equity;
- recognises the fair value of the consideration received;
- recognises the fair value of any investment retained;
- recognises any surplus or deficit in profit or loss; and
- reclassifies the Group's share of components previously recognised in other comprehensive income to profit or loss or retained earnings, as appropriate.

#### (b) *Business combinations*

Other than business combinations involving entities under common control, business combinations are accounted for by applying the acquisition method. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date. Acquisition-related costs are recognised as expenses in the periods in which the costs are incurred and the services are received.

Any contingent consideration to be transferred by the acquirer will be recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Subsequent changes to the fair value of the contingent consideration which is deemed to be an asset or liability, will be recognised in profit or loss.

The Group elects for each individual business combination, whether non-controlling interest in the acquiree (if any), that are present ownership interests and entitle their holders to a proportionate share of net assets in the event of liquidation, is recognised on the acquisition date at fair value, or at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. Other components of non-controlling interests are measured at their acquisition date fair value, unless another measurement basis is required by another FRS.

Any excess of the sum of the fair value of the consideration transferred in the business combination, the amount of non-controlling interest in the acquiree (if any), and the fair value of the Group's previously held equity interest in the acquiree (if any), over the net fair value of the acquiree's identifiable assets and liabilities is recorded as goodwill. The accounting policy for goodwill is set out in Note 2.11(a). In instances where the latter amount exceeds the former, the excess is recognised as gain on bargain purchase in profit or loss on the acquisition date.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.4 *Basis of consolidation and business combinations (cont'd)*

#### (b) *Business combinations (cont'd)*

##### Business combinations involving entities under common control

Business combinations involving entities under common control are accounted for by applying the pooling of interest method. The assets and liabilities of the combining entities are reflected at their carrying amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements of the controlling holding company. Any difference between the consideration paid and the share capital of the "acquired" entity is reflected within equity as "Differences arising from restructuring transactions involving entities under common control". The statement of comprehensive income reflects the results of the combining entities for the full year, irrespective of when the combination takes place. Comparatives are presented as if the entities had always been combined since the date the entities had come under common control.

### 2.5 *Transactions with non-controlling interests*

Non-controlling interest represents the equity in subsidiaries not attributable, directly or indirectly, to owners of the Company, and are presented separately in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income and within equity in the consolidated balance sheet, separately from equity attributable to owners of the Company.

Changes in the Company's ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions. In such circumstances, the carrying amounts of the controlling and non-controlling interests are adjusted to reflect the changes in their relative interests in the subsidiary. Any difference between the amount by which the non-controlling interest is adjusted and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised directly in equity and attributed to owners of the Company.

### 2.6 *Foreign currency*

The financial statements are presented in USD, which is also the Company's functional currency. Each entity in the Group determines its own functional currency and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency.

#### (a) *Transactions and balances*

Transactions in foreign currencies are measured in the respective functional currencies of the Company and its subsidiaries and are recorded on initial recognition in the functional currencies at exchange rates approximating those ruling at the transaction dates. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the end of the reporting period. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates as at the dates of the initial transactions. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was measured.

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items or on translating monetary items at the end of the reporting period are recognised in profit or loss except for exchange differences arising on monetary items that form part of the Group's net investment in foreign operations, which are recognised initially in other comprehensive income and accumulated under foreign currency translation reserve in equity. The foreign currency translation reserve is reclassified from equity to profit or loss of the Group on disposal of the foreign operation.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.6 Foreign currency (cont'd)

#### (b) Consolidated financial statements

For consolidation purpose, the assets and liabilities of foreign operations are translated into USD at the rate of exchange ruling at the end of the reporting period and their profit or loss are translated at the average exchange rates for the year. The exchange differences arising on the translation are recognised in other comprehensive income. On disposal of a foreign operation, the component of other comprehensive income relating to that particular foreign operation is recognised in profit or loss of the Group.

In the case of a partial disposal without loss of control of a subsidiary that includes a foreign operation, the proportionate share of the cumulative amount of the exchange differences are re-attributed to non-controlling interest and are not recognised in profit or loss. For partial disposals of associates or jointly controlled entities that are foreign operations, the proportionate share of the accumulated exchange differences is reclassified to profit or loss of the Group.

### 2.7 Biological assets

Biological assets, which primarily comprise oil palm plantations, are stated at fair value less estimated costs to sell. Gains or losses arising on initial recognition of plantations at fair value less estimated costs to sell and from the changes in fair value less estimated costs to sell of plantations at each reporting date are included in profit or loss for the period in which they arise.

The fair value of the oil palm plantations is estimated by reference to independent professional valuations using the discounted cash flows of the underlying biological assets. The expected cash flows from the whole life cycle of the oil palm plantations are estimated using the estimated yield of the oil palm plantation and the estimated market price of the crude palm oil ("CPO"). In determining the present value of expected net cash flows, an entity includes the net cash flows that market participants would expect the asset to generate in its most relevant market. The estimated yield of the oil palm plantations is dependent on the age of the oil palm trees.

Cultivation of seedlings is stated at cost. The accumulated cost will be reclassified to immature plantations at the time of planting.

Biological assets also include land preparation costs which is the cost incurred to clear the land and to ensure that the plantations are in a state ready for the planting of seedlings.

### 2.8 Property, plant and equipment

All items of property, plant and equipment are initially recorded at cost. Subsequent to recognition, property, plant and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation is computed on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Leasehold buildings and improvements	-	5 to 20 years
Machinery and installations	-	5 to 15 years
Farming and transportation equipment	-	5 to 20 years
Furniture, fittings, office equipment and others	-	3 to 5 years

Assets under construction included in property, plant and equipment are not depreciated as these assets are not yet available for use.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.8 *Property, plant and equipment (cont'd)*

The carrying values of property, plant and equipment are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

The residual value, useful life and depreciation method are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted prospectively, if appropriate.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss on derecognition of the asset is included in profit or loss in the year the asset is derecognised.

### 2.9 *Land use rights*

*Hak Guna Usaha* ("HGU") or *Right to Cultivate* and *Hak Guna Bangunan* ("HGB") or *Right to Build* are land rights that grant the registered holders of such rights use of the land for terms of 25 to 35 years, which can be extended for a further period of 25 years subject to agreement with the Government of Indonesia and payment of premium.

Land use rights are initially measured at cost. Following initial recognition, land use rights are measured at cost less accumulated amortisation. The land use rights are amortised on a straight-line basis over their terms of 25 to 35 years.

### 2.10 *Plasma plantation receivables*

In support of the Indonesian Government policy, the Group develops plasma plantations under the schemes of *Perkebunan Inti Rakyat Transmigrasi* ("PIR") and *Kredit Koperasi Primer untuk Anggotanya* ("KKPA") for farmers who are members of rural cooperatives unit, *Koperasi Unit Desa* ("KUD").

The Group assumes responsibility for developing oil palm plantations to the productive stage. When the plantation is at its productive stage, it is considered to be completed and is transferred to the plasma farmers (conversion of plasma plantations). All costs incurred will be reviewed by the relevant authorities and the Group will be reimbursed for all approved costs which are financed by KUD or a bank. Conversion value refers to the value reimbursed to the Group upon conversion of the plasma plantations.

The plasma farmers sell all harvest to the Group at a price determined by the Government, which approximates the market price. Part of the proceeds will be retained by the Group and used to pay KUD or the bank for the loan taken by the plasma farmers. In situations where the sales proceeds are insufficient to meet the repayment obligations to the banks, the Group also provides temporary funding to the plasma farmers.

Accumulated development costs net of reimbursements are presented in the balance sheet as "plasma plantation receivables". Any difference between the accumulated development costs of plasma plantations and their conversion value is charged to profit or loss. The plasma plantation receivables are assessed for impairment in accordance with Note 2.13.



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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.11 *Intangible assets*

#### (a) *Goodwill*

Goodwill is initially measured at cost. Following initial recognition, goodwill is measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses.

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to the Group's cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the acquiree are assigned to those units.

The cash-generating units to which goodwill have been allocated is tested for impairment annually and whenever there is an indication that the cash-generating unit may be impaired. Impairment is determined for goodwill by assessing the recoverable amount of each cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) to which the goodwill relates.

Where goodwill forms part of a cash-generating unit and part of the operation within that cash-generating unit is disposed of, the goodwill associated with the operation disposed of is included in the carrying amount of the operation when determining the gain or loss on disposal of the operation. Goodwill disposed of in this circumstance is measured based on the relative fair values of the operations disposed of and the portion of the cash-generating unit retained.

#### (b) *Other intangible assets*

Intangible assets acquired separately are measured initially at cost. The cost of intangible assets acquired in a business combination is their fair value as at the date of acquisition. Following initial acquisition, intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. Internally generated intangible assets, excluding capitalised development costs, are not capitalised and expenditure is reflected in profit or loss in the year in which the expenditure is incurred.

The useful lives of intangible assets are assessed as either finite or indefinite.

Intangible assets with finite useful lives are amortised over the estimated useful lives and assessed for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. The amortisation period and the amortisation method are reviewed at least at each reporting date. Changes in the expected useful life or the expected pattern of consumption of future economic benefits embodied in the asset is accounted for by changing the amortisation period or method, as appropriate, and adjusted prospectively.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives or not yet available for use are tested for impairment annually, or more frequently if the events and circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired either individually or at the cash-generating unit level. Such intangible assets are not amortised. The useful life of an intangible asset with an indefinite useful life is reviewed annually to determine whether the useful life assessment continues to be supportable. If not, the change in useful life from indefinite to finite is made on a prospective basis.

Gains or losses arising from derecognition of an intangible asset are measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.12 *Subsidiaries*

A subsidiary is an investee that is controlled by the Group. The Group controls an investee when it is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee.

In the Company's separate financial statements, investments in subsidiaries are accounted for at cost less impairment losses.

### 2.13 *Impairment of non-financial assets*

The Group assesses at each reporting date whether there is an indication that an asset may be impaired. If any indication exists, or when an annual impairment testing for an asset is required, the Group makes an estimate of the asset's recoverable amount.

An asset's recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's or cash-generating unit's fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use and is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets. Where the carrying amount of an asset or cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount.

Impairment losses of continuing operations are recognised in profit or loss.

A previously recognised impairment loss is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognised. If that is the case, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to its recoverable amount. That increase cannot exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation, had no impairment loss been recognised previously. Such reversal is recognised in profit or loss.

### 2.14 *Financial instruments*

#### (a) *Financial assets*

##### **Initial recognition and measurement**

Financial assets are recognised when, and only when, the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. The Group determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition.

When financial assets are recognised initially, they are measured at fair value, plus, in the case of financial assets not at fair value through profit or loss, directly attributable transaction costs.

##### **Subsequent measurement**

The subsequent measurement of financial assets depends on their classification as follows:

#### (i) *Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss*

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss include financial assets held for trading. Financial assets are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the near term. This category includes derivative financial instruments entered into by the Group. Derivatives, including separated embedded derivatives are also classified as held for trading.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.14 *Financial instruments (cont'd)*

#### (a) *Financial assets (cont'd)*

##### **Subsequent measurement (cont'd)**

##### **(i) *Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (cont'd)***

Subsequent to initial recognition, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value. Any gains or losses arising from changes in fair value of the financial assets are recognised in profit or loss. Net gains or net losses on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss include exchange differences, interest and dividend income.

Derivatives embedded in host contracts are accounted for as separate derivatives and recorded at fair value if their economic characteristics and risks are not closely related to those of the host contracts and the host contracts are not measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss. These embedded derivatives are measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss. Reassessment only occurs if there is a change in the terms of the contract that significantly modifies the cash flows that would otherwise be required.

##### **(ii) *Loans and receivables***

Non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are classified as loans and receivables. Subsequent to initial recognition, loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the loans and receivables are derecognised or impaired, and through the amortisation process.

##### **(iii) *Available-for-sale financial assets***

Available-for-sale financial assets include equity and debt securities. Equity investments classified as available-for-sale are those, which are neither classified as held for trading nor designated at fair value through profit or loss. Debt securities in this category are those which are intended to be held for an indefinite period of time and which may be sold in response to needs for liquidity or in response to changes in the market conditions.

After initial recognition, available-for-sale financial assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Any gains or losses from changes in fair value of the financial assets are recognised in other comprehensive income, except that impairment losses, foreign exchange gains and losses on monetary instruments and interest calculated using the effective interest method are recognised in profit or loss. The cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified from equity to profit or loss as a reclassification adjustment when the financial asset is derecognised.

Investments in equity instruments whose fair value cannot be reliably measured are measured at cost less impairment loss.

#### **Derecognition**

A financial asset is derecognised where the contractual right to receive cash flows from the asset has expired. On derecognition of a financial asset in its entirety, the difference between the carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and any cumulative gain or loss that had been recognised in other comprehensive income is recognised in profit or loss.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.14 Financial instruments (cont'd)

#### (a) Financial assets (cont'd)

##### Regular way purchase or sale of a financial asset

All regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised or derecognised on the trade date i.e., the date that the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the period generally established by regulation or convention in the marketplace concerned.

#### (b) Financial liabilities

##### Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities are recognised when, and only when, the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. The Group determines the classification of its financial liabilities at initial recognition.

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value plus in the case of financial liabilities not at fair value through profit or loss, directly attributable transaction costs.

##### Subsequent measurement

The subsequent measurement of financial liabilities depends on their classification as follows:

#### (i) Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss include financial liabilities held for trading. Financial liabilities are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of selling in the near term. This category includes derivative financial instruments entered into by the Group that are not designated as hedging instruments in hedge relationships. Separated embedded derivatives are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments.

Subsequent to initial recognition, financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value. Any gains or losses arising from changes in fair value of the financial liabilities are recognised in profit or loss.

#### (ii) Financial liabilities at amortised cost

After initial recognition, financial liabilities that are not carried at fair value through profit or loss are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised, and through the amortisation process.

##### Derecognition

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expires. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability, and the difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in profit or loss.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.14 *Financial instruments (cont'd)*

#### (c) *Offsetting of financial instruments*

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is presented in the balance sheets when, and only when, there is a currently enforceable legal right to set off the recognised amounts and an intention to either settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

### 2.15 *Impairment of financial assets*

The Group assesses at each reporting date whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset is impaired.

#### (a) *Financial assets carried at amortised cost*

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the Group first assesses whether objective evidence of impairment exists individually for financial assets that are individually significant, or collectively for financial assets that are not individually significant. If the Group determines that no objective evidence of impairment exists for an individually assessed financial asset, whether significant or not, it includes the asset in a group of financial asset with similar credit risk characteristics and collectively assesses them for impairment. Assets that are individually assessed for impairment and for which an impairment loss is, or continues to be recognised are not included in a collective assessment of impairment.

If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss on financial assets carried at amortised cost has been incurred, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate. If a loan has a variable interest rate, the discount rate for measuring any impairment loss is the current effective interest rate. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account. The impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

When the asset becomes uncollectible, the carrying amount of the impaired financial asset is reduced directly or if an amount was charged to the allowance account, the amounts charged to the allowance account are written off against the carrying value of the financial asset.

To determine whether there is objective evidence that an impairment loss on financial assets has been incurred, the Group considers factors such as the probability of insolvency or significant financial difficulties of the debtor and default or significant delay in payments.

If in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed to the extent that the carrying amount of the asset does not exceed its amortised cost at the reversal date. The amount of reversal is recognised in profit or loss.

#### (b) *Available-for-sale financial assets*

In the case of equity investments classified as available-for-sale, objective evidence of impairment include (i) significant financial difficulty of the issuer or obligor; (ii) information about significant changes with an adverse effect that have taken place in the technological, market, economic or legal environment in which the issuer operates, and indicates that the cost of the investment in equity instrument may not be recovered; and (iii) a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of the investment below its costs. 'Significant' is to be evaluated against the original cost of the investment and 'prolonged' against the period in which the fair value has been below its original cost.



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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.15 *Impairment of financial assets (cont'd)*

#### *(b) Available-for-sale financial assets (cont'd)*

If an available-for-sale financial asset is impaired, an amount comprising the difference between its acquisition cost (net of any principal payment and amortisation) and its current fair value, less any impairment loss previously recognised in profit or loss, is transferred from other comprehensive income and recognised in profit or loss. Reversals of impairment losses in respect of equity instruments are not recognised in profit or loss; increase in their fair value after impairment are recognised directly in other comprehensive income.

In the case of debt instruments classified as available-for-sale, impairment is assessed based on the same criteria as financial assets carried at amortised cost. However, the amount recorded for impairment is the cumulative loss measured as the difference between the amortised cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that investment previously recognised in profit or loss. Future interest income continues to be accrued based on the reduced carrying amount of the asset, using the rate of interest used to discount the future cash flows for the purpose of measuring the impairment loss. The interest income is recorded as part of finance income. If, in a subsequent year, the fair value of a debt instrument increases and the increases can be objectively related to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised in profit or loss, the impairment loss is reversed in profit or loss.

### 2.16 *Inventories*

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Cost of palm based products, inventories for fertiliser, chemicals, spare parts and other consumables is determined using the weighted average method.

Where necessary, allowance is provided for damaged, obsolete and slow moving items to adjust the carrying value of inventories to the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

### 2.17 *Cash and cash equivalents*

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at banks and on hand, demand deposits, and short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

### 2.18 *Transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy*

Transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy are deemed to have occurred on the date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfers.

### 2.19 *Financial guarantee*

A financial guarantee contract is a contract that requires the issuer to make specified payments to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because a specified debtor fails to make payment when due in accordance with the terms of a debt instrument.

Financial guarantees are recognised initially as a liability at fair value, adjusted for transaction costs that are directly attributable to the issuance of the guarantee. Subsequent to initial recognition, financial guarantees are recognised as income in profit or loss over the period of the guarantee. If it is probable that the liability will be higher than the amount initially recognised less amortisation, the liability is recorded at the higher amount with the difference charged to profit or loss.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.20 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 an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and the amount of the obligation can be estimated reliably.

Provisions are reviewed at the end of each reporting period and adjusted to reflect the current best estimate. If it is no longer probable that an outflow of economic resources will be required to settle the obligation, the provision is reversed. If the effect of time value of money is material, provisions are discounted using a current pre-tax rate that reflects, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability. When discounting is used, the increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as a finance cost.

### 2.21 Hedge accounting

The Group applies hedge accounting for certain hedging relationships which qualify for hedge accounting.

For the purpose of hedge accounting, hedges are classified as:

- fair value hedges when hedging the exposure to changes in the fair value of a recognised asset or liability or an unrecognised firm commitment (except for foreign currency risk);
- cash flow hedges when hedging exposure to variability in cash flows that is either attributable to a particular risk associated with a recognised asset or liability or a highly probable forecast transaction or the foreign currency risk in an unrecognised firm commitment; or
- hedges of a net investment in a foreign operation.

At the inception of a hedging relationship, the Group formally designates and documents the hedging relationship to which the Group wishes to apply hedge accounting and the risk management objective and strategy for undertaking the hedge. The documentation includes identification of the hedging instrument, the hedged item or transaction, the nature of the risk being hedged and how the entity will assess the effectiveness of changes in the hedging instrument's fair value in offsetting the exposure to changes in the hedged item's fair value or cash flows attributable to the hedged risk. Such hedges are expected to be highly effective in achieving offsetting changes in fair value or cash flows and are assessed on an ongoing basis to determine that they actually have been highly effective throughout the financial reporting periods for which they were designated.

The Group does not have any fair value hedges or hedges of net investment in foreign operations in 2015 and 2014.

Cash flow hedges which meet the strict criteria for hedge accounting are accounted for as follows:

The effective portion of the gain or loss on the hedging instrument is recognised directly as other comprehensive income in cash flow hedge reserve, while any ineffective portion is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Amounts recognised as other comprehensive income are transferred to profit or loss when the hedged transaction affects profit or loss, such as when the hedged financial income or financial expense is recognised or when a forecast sale occurs. Where the hedged item is the cost of a non-financial asset or non-financial liability, the amounts recognised as other comprehensive income are transferred to the initial carrying amount of the non-financial asset or liability.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.21 *Hedge accounting (cont'd)*

If the forecast transaction or firm commitment is no longer expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in equity are transferred to profit or loss. If the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised without replacement or rollover, or if its designation as a hedge is revoked, any cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in other comprehensive income remain in other comprehensive income until the forecast transaction or firm commitment affects profit or loss.

### 2.22 *Borrowing costs*

Borrowing costs are capitalised as part of the cost of a qualifying asset if they are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of that asset. Capitalisation of borrowing costs commences when the activities to prepare the asset for its intended use or sale are in progress and the expenditures and borrowing costs are incurred. Borrowing costs are capitalised until the assets are substantially completed for their intended use or sale. All other borrowing costs are expensed in the period they occur. Borrowing costs consist of interest and other costs that an entity incurs in connection with the borrowing of funds.

### 2.23 *Issuance costs on borrowings*

Transaction costs directly attributable to the issuance of borrowings are deducted from the proceeds in the balance sheet as discounts and amortised over the maturity period using the effective interest method.

### 2.24 *Share capital and share issuance expenses*

Proceeds from issuance of ordinary shares are recognised as share capital in equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issuance of ordinary shares are deducted against share capital.

### 2.25 *Treasury shares*

The Company's own equity instruments, which are reacquired (treasury shares) are recognised at cost and deducted from equity. No gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss on the purchase, sale, issue or cancellation of the Company's own equity instruments. Any difference between the carrying amount of treasury shares and the consideration received, if reissued, is recognised directly in equity. Voting rights related to treasury shares are nullified for the Company and no dividends are allocated to them respectively.

### 2.26 *Employee benefits*

#### (a) *Defined contribution plans*

The Group participates in the national pension schemes as defined by the laws of the countries in which it has operations. In particular, the Singapore companies in the Group make contributions to the Central Provident Fund ("CPF") scheme in Singapore, a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions to defined contribution pension schemes are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is performed.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.26 *Employee benefits (cont'd)*

#### (b) *Defined benefit plans*

The Group provides employee benefits as required under the Indonesian Labor Law No.13/2003. The cost of providing such benefits is determined using the projected unit credit actuarial valuation method, based on the report prepared by an independent firm of actuaries.

Defined benefit costs comprise the following:

- Service cost
- Net interest on the net defined benefit liability or asset
- Remeasurements of net defined benefit liability or asset

Service costs which include current service costs, past service costs and gains or losses on non-routine settlements are recognised as expense in profit or loss. Past service costs are recognised when plan amendment or curtailment occurs.

Net interest on the defined benefit liability is the change during the period in the defined benefit liability that arises from the passage of time which is determined by applying the discount rate based on high quality corporate bonds to the defined benefit liability. Net interest on the defined benefit liability is recognised as expense in profit or loss.

Remeasurements comprising actuarial gains and losses, (excluding net interest on defined benefit liability) are recognised immediately in other comprehensive income in the period in which they arise. Remeasurements are recognised in retained earnings within equity and are not reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods.

The net defined benefit liability is the aggregate of the present value of the defined benefit obligation (derived using a discount rate based on high quality corporate bonds) at the end of the reporting period.

#### (c) *Employee leave entitlement*

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

### 2.27 *Leases*

#### (a) *As lessee*

Finance leases, which transfer to the Group substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the leased item, are capitalised at the inception of the lease at the fair value of the leased asset or, if lower, at the present value of the minimum lease payments. Any initial direct costs are also added to the amount capitalised. Lease payments are apportioned between the finance charges and reduction of the lease liability so as to achieve a constant rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability. Finance charges are charged to profit or loss. Contingent rents, if any, are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

Capitalised leased assets are depreciated over the shorter of the estimated useful life of the asset and the lease term, if there is no reasonable certainty that the Group will obtain ownership by the end of the lease term.

Operating lease payments are recognised as an expense in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The aggregate benefit of incentives provided by the lessor is recognised as a reduction of rental expense over the lease term on a straight-line basis.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.27 *Leases (cont'd)*

#### (b) *As lessor*

Leases in which the Group does not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset are classified as operating leases. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised over the lease term on the same bases as rental income. Contingent rents are recognised as revenue in the period in which they are earned.

### 2.28 *Revenue*

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and the revenue can be reliably measured, regardless of when the payment is made. Revenue is measured at the fair value of consideration received or receivable, taking into account contractually defined terms of payment and excluding taxes or duty. The Group assesses its revenue arrangements to determine if it is acting as principal or agent. The following specific recognition criteria must also be met before revenue is recognised:

#### (a) *Sale of goods*

Revenue from sales arising from physical delivery of palm based products is recognised when significant risks and rewards of ownership of goods are transferred to the customer, which generally coincide with their delivery and acceptance. Revenue is not recognised to the extent where there are significant uncertainties regarding recovery of the consideration due, associated costs or possible return of goods.

#### (b) *Interest income*

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method.

#### (c) *Dividend income*

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

### 2.29 *Taxes*

#### (a) *Current income tax*

Current income tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the tax authorities. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted or substantively enacted at the end of the reporting period, in the countries where the Group operates and generates taxable income.

Current income taxes are recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that the tax relates to items recognised outside profit or loss, either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in the tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulations are subject to interpretation and establishes provisions where appropriate.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.29 Taxes (cont'd)

#### (b) *Deferred tax*

Deferred tax is provided using the liability method on temporary differences at the end of the reporting period between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all temporary differences, except:

- where the deferred tax liability arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and
- in respect of taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, where the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences, carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses, to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilised except:

- where the deferred tax asset relating to the deductible temporary difference arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and
- in respect of deductible temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that the temporary differences will reverse in the foreseeable future and taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period 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 deferred tax asset to be utilised. Unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at the end of each reporting period and are recognised to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profit will allow the deferred tax assets to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the year when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the end of each reporting period.

Deferred tax relating to items recognised outside profit or loss is recognised outside profit or loss. Deferred tax items are recognised in correlation to the underlying transaction either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity and deferred tax arising from a business combination is adjusted against goodwill on acquisition.



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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### 2.29 Taxes (cont'd)

#### (c) Sales tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of sales tax or Value-Added Tax ("VAT") except:

- where the sales tax or VAT incurred on a purchase of assets or services is not recoverable from the tax authority, in which case the sales tax or VAT is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense item as applicable; and
- receivables and payables that are stated with the amount of sales tax or VAT included.

The net amount of sales tax or VAT recoverable from, or payable to, the tax authority is included as part of receivables or payables in the balance sheet.

### 2.30 Segment reporting

For management purposes, the Group is organised into operating segments based on their products. Management regularly reviews the segment results in order to allocate resources to the segments and to assess the segment performance. Additional disclosures on each of these segments are shown in Note 41, including the factors used to identify the reportable segments and the measurement basis of segment information.

### 2.31 Contingencies

A contingent liability is:

- (a) a possible obligation that arises from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Group; or
- (b) a present obligation that arises from past events but is not recognised because:
  - (i) it is not probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation; or
  - (ii) the amount of the obligation cannot be measured with sufficient reliability.

A contingent asset is a possible asset that arises from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Group.

Contingent liabilities and assets are not recognised on the balance sheet, except for contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination that are present obligations and which the fair values can be reliably determined.

## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities at the end of each reporting period. However, uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that could require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of the asset or liability affected in the future periods.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES (CONT'D)

### 3.1 *Judgements made in applying accounting policies*

In the process of applying the Group's accounting policies, management has made the following judgements, apart from those involving estimations, which have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements:

#### (a) *Determination of functional currency*

The Group measures foreign currency transactions in the respective functional currencies of the Company and its subsidiaries. In determining the functional currencies of the entities in the Group, judgement is required to determine the currency that mainly influences sales prices for goods and services and of the country whose competitive forces and regulations mainly determine the sales prices of its goods and services. The functional currencies of the entities in the Group are determined based on management's assessment of the economic environment in which the entities operate and the entities' process of determining sales prices.

#### (b) *Capitalisation of borrowing costs*

Borrowing costs are capitalised as part of the cost of a qualifying asset if they are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of that asset. In determining the amount of borrowing costs to be capitalised, if any, judgement is required to determine the amount of borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset. To the extent that funds are borrowed generally and used for the purpose of obtaining a qualifying asset, judgement is also required to determine the extent of expenditure on that asset financed via general borrowings and those funded via cash generated from operating activities. The Group manages its cash and bank balances and liquidity requirements on a pooled basis, which includes the cash generated from operating activities during the year as well as the cash and bank balances available at the beginning of the year. During the financial years ended 31 December 2015 and 2014, borrowing costs incurred by the Group were not capitalised as part of biological assets as they were assessed to be not directly attributable to the costs incurred for the development of oil palm plantations. In addition, as the development of oil palm plantations forms part of the pooled liquidity requirements of the Group, management has also applied judgement to estimate the extent of such development costs that may have been financed via general borrowings and concluded that the magnitude of general borrowing costs that may be capitalised as part of biological assets is assessed to be not material to the Group's financial statements.

### 3.2 *Key sources of estimation uncertainty*

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of the reporting period are discussed below. The Group based its assumptions and estimates on parameters available when the financial statements were prepared. Existing circumstances and assumptions about future developments, however, may change due to market changes or circumstances arising beyond the control of the Group. Such changes are reflected in the assumptions when they occur.

#### (a) *Biological assets*

The Group carries its biological assets at fair value, with changes in fair value being recognised in profit or loss. The fair value of biological assets is determined by independent valuation experts using recognised valuation techniques. The determination of the fair value of the biological assets requires the use of estimates such as discount rate and projected CPO prices. The carrying amount and key assumptions used to determine the fair value of the biological assets are further disclosed in Note 11 and Note 38(d) respectively.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES (CONT'D)

### 3.2 Key sources of estimation uncertainty (cont'd)

#### (b) *Useful lives of property, plant and equipment*

The cost of property, plant and equipment is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the property, plant and equipment's estimated economic useful lives. Management estimates the useful lives of these property, plant and equipment to be within 3 to 20 years. These are common life expectancies applied in the oil palm industry. Changes in the expected level of usage and technological developments could impact the economic useful lives of these assets, therefore, future depreciation charges could be revised. The carrying amount of the property, plant and equipment is disclosed in Note 13.

#### (c) *Impairment of non-financial assets*

The Group assesses whether there are any indicators of impairment for all non-financial assets at each reporting date. Goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are tested for impairment annually and at other times when such indicators exist. Other non-financial assets are tested for impairment when there are indicators that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. An impairment exists when the carrying value of an asset or cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use.

The value in use calculation is based on a discounted cash flow model. Management estimates the expected future cash flows from the asset or cash-generating unit and chooses a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows. Further details of the key assumptions applied in the impairment assessment of goodwill are disclosed in Note 16.

The carrying amounts of the non-financial assets are disclosed in Notes 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 respectively.

#### (d) *Impairment of loans and receivables*

The Group assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset is impaired. Factors such as the probability of insolvency or significant financial difficulties of the debtor and default or significant delay in payments are objective evidence of impairment. In determining whether there is objective evidence of impairment, the Group considers whether there is observable data indicating that there have been significant changes in the debtor's payment ability or whether there have been significant changes with adverse effect in the technological, market, economic or legal environment in which the debtor operates in.

Where there is objective evidence of impairment, the amount and timing of future cash flows are estimated based on historical loss experience for assets with similar credit risk characteristics. The carrying amount of the loans and receivables is disclosed in Note 37.

#### (e) *Taxes*

Uncertainties exist with respect to the interpretation of complex tax regulations and the amount and timing of future taxable income. Given the wide range of international business relationships and the long-term nature and complexity of existing contractual agreements, differences arising between the actual results and the assumptions made, or future changes to such assumptions, could necessitate future adjustments to tax provisions already recorded. The Group establishes provisions, based on reasonable estimates, for possible consequences of audits by the tax authorities of the respective countries in which it operates. The amount of such provisions is based on various factors, such as experience of previous tax audits and differing interpretations of tax regulations by the taxable entity and the relevant tax authority. Such differences of interpretation may arise on a wide variety of issues depending on the conditions prevailing in the respective Group company's domicile.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES (CONT'D)

### 3.2 Key sources of estimation uncertainty (cont'd)

#### (e) Taxes (cont'd)

The carrying amount of provision for tax as at 31 December 2015 is US\$11.7 million (2014: US\$18.3 million).

The carrying amounts of deferred tax assets and liabilities are disclosed in Note 9(c).

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all unused tax losses to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the losses can be utilised. Significant management judgement is required to determine the amount of deferred tax assets that can be recognised, based upon the likely timing and level of future taxable profits together with future tax planning strategies.

The Group has unrecognised tax losses carried forward amounting to US\$15.2 million (2014: US\$13.9 million). These losses relate to subsidiaries that have a history of losses and may not be used to offset taxable income elsewhere in the Group.

The carrying amounts of recognised tax losses at 31 December 2015 and 2014 is disclosed in Note 9(c).

#### (f) Defined benefit plan

The cost of defined benefit pension plans is determined using actuarial valuations. The actuarial valuation involves making assumptions about discount rates, mortality rates and future salary increases. Due to the complexity of the valuation, the underlying assumptions and its long-term nature, defined benefit obligations are highly sensitive to changes in these assumptions. All assumptions are reviewed at each reporting date.

The discount rate is based on the yields of government bonds in the specific country with maturities corresponding to the expected duration of the defined benefit obligation. The mortality rate is based on publicly available mortality tables for the specific country. Future salary increases are based on management's projections, taking into consideration expected future inflation rates for the specific country.

The carrying amount of the provision for post-employment benefits, together with further details about the assumptions, is disclosed in Note 30.

## 4. SALES

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Crude palm oil	146,176	190,944
Palm kernel	11,963	12,949
Fresh fruit bunches	6,351	5,403
Processed palm based products	289,184	406,228
	<u>453,674</u>	<u>615,524</u>

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## 5. COST OF SALES

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Cost of inventories recognised as an expense	55,157	154,619
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (Note 13)	24,432	24,471
Net employee benefit expense relating to defined benefit plans (Note 30)	1,999	2,157
Plantation, milling and processing costs	120,840	110,878
	<u>202,428</u>	<u>292,125</u>

## 6. SELLING AND DISTRIBUTION COSTS

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Export taxes	11,640	6,420
Freight charges	14,829	14,560
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (Note 13)	892	836
Others	3,799	2,494
	<u>31,160</u>	<u>24,310</u>

## 7. GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

General and administrative expenses are stated after charging:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Audit fees paid to:		
- Auditors of the Company	170	182
- Other auditors	305	313
	<u>475</u>	<u>495</u>
Non-audit fees paid to:		
- Auditors of the Company	146	43
	<u>621</u>	<u>538</u>
Salaries, bonuses and other benefits (including Central Provident Fund contributions)	15,165	14,470
Net employee benefit expense relating to defined benefit plans (Note 30)	1,954	1,145
Operating lease rental (Note 36(b))	547	580
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (Note 13)	3,230	3,305
Amortisation of intangible assets (Note 13)	360	387
Directors' fees	327	326
Transaction costs incurred on acquisition of subsidiaries	57	–

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## 8. NET FINANCIAL EXPENSES

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Interest expenses and amortisation on loans and borrowings from financial institutions	1,292	338
Profit distribution and amortisation on Islamic medium term notes	23,974	19,786
	25,266	20,124
Interest income	(3,566)	(5,104)
	21,700	15,020

## 9. TAX EXPENSE

### (a) Major components of tax expense

The major components of tax expense for the financial years ended 31 December 2015 and 2014 are as follows:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
<b>Income statement:</b>		
<i>Current income tax</i>		
- Current year	50,988	60,708
- Under provision in respect of previous years	1,085	4,587
<i>Deferred income tax</i>		
- Origination and reversal of temporary differences	(7,144)	3,872
<i>Withholding tax</i>	4,323	1,987
	49,252	71,154
<b>Income tax related to other comprehensive income:</b>		
Actuarial movements on defined benefits plan	481	235
Foreign currency translation	(7,226)	(1,300)
	(6,745)	(1,065)



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## 9. TAX EXPENSE (CONT'D)

### (b) Relationship between tax expense and accounting profit

The reconciliation between tax expense and the product of accounting profit multiplied by the applicable corporate tax rates for the financial years ended 31 December 2015 and 2014 are as follows:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Profit before tax	161,143	251,945
Tax expense at domestic rate applicable to profits in the countries where the Group operates	36,810	60,953
Adjustments:		
Income not subject to tax	(611)	(1,292)
Non-deductible expenses	7,725	5,035
Deferred tax assets not recognised	676	111
Under provision in respect of previous years	1,085	4,587
Withholding tax, net	3,545	1,987
Others	22	(227)
Tax expense recognised in profit or loss	49,252	71,154

The corporate tax rate for companies in Singapore and Indonesia is 17% and 25% (2014: 17% and 25%) respectively.

### (c) Deferred tax assets and liabilities

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current income tax assets against current income tax liabilities and when the deferred taxes relate to the same taxable entity and the same tax authority. The following amounts, determined after appropriate offsetting, were shown in the balance sheets:

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Deferred tax assets	26,409	16,652	–	–
Deferred tax liabilities	(110,201)	(117,030)	(349)	(985)

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## 9. TAX EXPENSE (CONT'D)

### (c) *Deferred tax assets and liabilities (cont'd)*

Deferred tax assets and liabilities (prior to offsetting) comprise the following:

	Consolidated balance sheet		Consolidated income statement	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
<b>Group</b>				
<i>Deferred tax assets:</i>				
Unutilised tax losses	26,879	16,560	(12,252)	(2,680)
Provisions	1,384	2,234	828	393
Post-employment benefits	2,960	2,909	(843)	(936)
Others	2,372	2,563	106	972
	<u>33,595</u>	<u>24,266</u>		
<i>Deferred tax liabilities:</i>				
Biological assets	(88,375)	(93,633)	4,057	5,613
Differences in depreciation for tax purposes	(9,580)	(9,688)	858	486
Obligations under finance leases	(527)	(511)	60	(103)
Fair value adjustments on acquisition of subsidiaries	(16,579)	(18,384)	–	–
Others	(2,326)	(2,428)	42	127
	<u>(117,387)</u>	<u>(124,644)</u>		
Net deferred tax liabilities	<u>(83,792)</u>	<u>(100,378)</u>		
Deferred income tax			<u>(7,144)</u>	<u>3,872</u>

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## 9. TAX EXPENSE (CONT'D)

### (c) *Deferred tax assets and liabilities (cont'd)*

	Balance sheet	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
<b>Company</b>		
<i>Deferred tax assets:</i>		
Provisions	179	270
	<u>179</u>	<u>270</u>
<i>Deferred tax liabilities:</i>		
Differences in depreciation for tax purposes	(389)	(586)
Others	(139)	(669)
	<u>(528)</u>	<u>(1,255)</u>
Net deferred tax liabilities	<u>(349)</u>	<u>(985)</u>

#### Unrecognised tax losses

As at 31 December 2015, the Group has unrecognised tax losses carried forward amounting to US\$15.2 million (2014: US\$13.9 million), which would expire between 2016 and 2020 (2014: between 2015 and 2019). The related deferred tax assets of US\$3.8 million (2014: US\$3.5 million) attributable to such tax losses was not recognised due to uncertainty of its recoverability.

#### Unrecognised temporary differences relating to investments in subsidiaries

As at 31 December 2015, no deferred tax liability (2014: Nil) has been recognised for taxes that would be payable on the undistributed earnings of certain of the Group's subsidiaries as the Group has determined that undistributed earnings of these subsidiaries will not be distributed in the foreseeable future and such temporary differences for which no deferred tax liability has been recognised aggregate to US\$978.8 million (2014: US\$898.6 million). The related deferred tax liability is estimated to be US\$97.9 million (2014: US\$89.9 million).

## 10. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year.

Diluted earnings per share is calculated by dividing profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year after adjustment for the effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares.

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## 10. EARNINGS PER SHARE (CONT'D)

	Group	
	2015	2014
Profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company (US\$'000)	107,902	173,409
Weighted average number of ordinary shares ('000)	1,584,073	1,584,073
Basic earnings per share (US Cents)	6.81	10.95

There are no dilutive potential ordinary shares as at 31 December 2015 and 2014.

## 11. BIOLOGICAL ASSETS

Biological assets comprise primarily oil palm plantations with the following movements in their carrying value:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
At 1 January	961,083	869,309
Additions	77,172	136,240
Acquisition of subsidiaries	36,432	–
Reclassification to plasma plantation receivables (Note 12)	(5,789)	(23,699)
	1,068,898	981,850
(Losses)/gains arising from changes in fair value	(2,534)	1,940
Exchange differences	(97,168)	(22,707)
At 31 December	969,196	961,083

Biological assets are stated at fair value, which has been determined based on valuations performed by external valuation experts as at 31 December 2015 and 2014. Details of valuation techniques and inputs used are disclosed in Note 38(d).

	Group	
	2015	2014
<b>Nucleus production volume (tonnes)</b>		
FFB	2,530,357	2,212,006
<b>Nucleus planted area (hectares)</b>		
Mature	128,042	114,377
Immature*	55,127	54,945
	183,169	169,322

\* Immature planted area includes rubber plantations.

The plantations have not been insured against the risks of fire, diseases and other possible risks.

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## 11. BIOLOGICAL ASSETS (CONT'D)

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Capital expenditure on biological assets using cash	73,452	132,778
Capitalisation of depreciation on property, plant and equipment (Note 13)	3,720	3,462
	<u>77,172</u>	<u>136,240</u>

*Assets pledged as security*

As at 31 December 2015 and 2014, certain subsidiaries' biological assets were pledged to secure the Group's loans and borrowings from financial institutions (Note 28).

## 12. PLASMA PLANTATION RECEIVABLES

Movements in plasma plantation receivables during the reporting period are as follows:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
At 1 January	59,206	27,757
Additional development costs	1,087	11,744
Payment of self-financing of receivables from plasma plantation	(240)	(1,919)
Reclassification from biological assets (Note 11)	5,789	23,699
Exchange differences	(6,010)	(2,075)
At 31 December	<u>59,832</u>	<u>59,206</u>

Reclassification from biological assets to plasma plantation receivables relates to costs incurred for development of plasma plantations previously capitalised under biological assets, so as to be in line with the Indonesian Government's Ministry of Agriculture Regulation for plantation companies to develop plasma plantations for farmers in the local community who are members of rural cooperatives unit KUD.

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## 13. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Leasehold buildings and improvements	Machinery and installations	Farming and transportation equipment	Furniture, fittings, office equipment and others	Assets under construction	Total
	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000
<b>Group</b>						
<b>Cost</b>						
At 1 January 2014	174,187	152,314	53,063	7,412	33,209	420,185
Additions	5,515	3,364	10,624	1,703	54,227	75,433
Disposals	–	–	(1,485)	(38)	–	(1,523)
Reclassifications	19,901	18,972	100	31	(39,004)	–
Exchange differences	(4,664)	(4,094)	(1,201)	(222)	(1,368)	(11,549)
At 31 December 2014 and 1 January 2015	194,939	170,556	61,101	8,886	47,064	482,546
Acquisition of subsidiaries	5,945	71	961	25	173	7,175
Additions	6,209	2,476	3,690	1,317	31,289	44,981
Disposals	–	(126)	(1,374)	(1)	(37)	(1,538)
Reclassifications	17,021	13,179	73	111	(30,384)	–
Exchange differences	(20,111)	(17,292)	(4,740)	(891)	(4,630)	(47,664)
At 31 December 2015	204,003	168,864	59,711	9,447	43,475	485,500
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>						
At 1 January 2014	43,176	43,640	26,558	3,728	–	117,102
Charge for the year	12,767	11,528	6,464	1,315	–	32,074
Disposals	–	–	(1,408)	(38)	–	(1,446)
Exchange differences	(1,422)	(1,402)	(647)	(128)	–	(3,599)
At 31 December 2014 and 1 January 2015	54,521	53,766	30,967	4,877	–	144,131
Charge for the year	13,076	11,372	6,396	1,430	–	32,274
Disposals	–	(154)	(1,200)	–	–	(1,354)
Exchange differences	(5,783)	(5,789)	(2,623)	(467)	–	(14,662)
At 31 December 2015	61,814	59,195	33,540	5,840	–	160,389
<b>Net carrying amount</b>						
At 31 December 2015	142,189	109,669	26,171	3,607	43,475	325,111
At 31 December 2014	140,418	116,790	30,134	4,009	47,064	338,415



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## 13. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONT'D)

	Transportation equipment US\$'000	Furniture, fittings, office equipment and others US\$'000	Total US\$'000
<b>Company</b>			
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 January 2014	13,101	214	13,315
Additions	632	3	635
Disposals	(127)	–	(127)
At 31 December 2014 and 1 January 2015	13,606	217	13,823
Additions	–	33	33
Disposals	(154)	–	(154)
At 31 December 2015	13,452	250	13,702
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>			
At 1 January 2014	3,186	157	3,343
Charge for the year	1,278	33	1,311
Disposals	(127)	–	(127)
At 31 December 2014 and 1 January 2015	4,337	190	4,527
Charge for the year	1,289	21	1,310
Disposals	(113)	–	(113)
At 31 December 2015	5,513	211	5,724
<b>Net carrying amount</b>			
At 31 December 2015	7,939	39	7,978
At 31 December 2014	9,269	27	9,296

Additions to property, plant and equipment consist of:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Capital expenditure on property, plant and equipment using cash	39,396	65,632
Reclassification from advances for purchase of property, plant and equipment	3,934	5,813
Obligations under finance leases	1,651	3,988
	44,981	75,433

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## 13. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONT'D)

### *Assets held under finance leases*

As at 31 December 2015, the net carrying amount of property, plant and equipment held under obligations under finance leases amounted to US\$4.9 million (2014: US\$6.8 million).

### *Assets pledged as security*

As at 31 December 2015 and 2014, certain subsidiaries' property, plant and equipment were pledged to secure the Group's loans and borrowings from financial institutions (Note 28).

### *Assets under construction*

As at 31 December 2015 and 2014, the Group's assets under construction relate primarily to buildings and infrastructure, as well as machinery and installations.

### **Depreciation and amortisation**

The depreciation and amortisation charges for the financial years ended 31 December 2015 and 2014 are as follows:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	32,274	32,074
Amortisation of land use rights (Note 14)	1,536	1,696
Amortisation of intangible assets (Note 17)	360	387
	<u>34,170</u>	<u>34,157</u>
Depreciation included in cost of sales (Note 5)	24,432	24,471
Depreciation included in selling and distribution costs (Note 6)	892	836
Depreciation included in general and administrative expenses (Note 7)	3,230	3,305
Amortisation included in general and administrative expenses (Note 7)	360	387
Amortisation included in other operating expenses	1,536	1,696
Depreciation capitalised in biological assets (Note 11)	3,720	3,462
	<u>34,170</u>	<u>34,157</u>

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## 14. LAND USE RIGHTS

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 January	55,492	51,355
Additions	38	1,924
Reclassification from land permits (Note 17)	–	3,493
Exchange differences	(5,475)	(1,280)
At 31 December	50,055	55,492
<b>Accumulated amortisation</b>		
At 1 January	9,353	7,891
Amortisation charge for the year (Note 13)	1,536	1,696
Exchange differences	(987)	(234)
At 31 December	9,902	9,353
<b>Net carrying amount</b>	40,153	46,139
Amount to be amortised		
- Not later than one year	1,536	1,696
- Later than one year but not more than five years	6,144	6,786
- Later than five years	32,473	37,657
	40,153	46,139

Land use rights are in respect of:

- (a) land premiums representing the cost of land rights owned by the Group which are amortised on a straight-line basis over their terms of 25 to 35 years. The terms can be extended for a further period of 25 years subject to agreement with the Government of Indonesia and payment of premium; and
- (b) deferred land rights acquisition costs representing the cost associated with the legal transfer or renewal for titles of land rights such as, among others, legal fees, land survey and re-measurement fees, taxes and other related expenses. Such costs are also deferred and amortised on a straight-line basis over the terms of the related land rights of 25 to 35 years.

As at 31 December 2015, the Group's land use rights cover a total land area of 172,668 hectares (2014: 172,668 hectares), representing HGU and HGB. The legal terms of the existing land use rights of the Group expire on various dates between 2020 and 2049.

### *Assets pledged as security*

As at 31 December 2015 and 2014, certain subsidiaries' land use rights were pledged to secure the Group's loans and borrowings from financial institutions (Note 28).

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## 15. INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARIES

	Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Unquoted equity shares, at cost	523,527	452,291
At 1 January	452,291	452,291
Acquisition of subsidiaries	71,236	–
At 31 December	523,527	452,291

### (a) Composition of the Group

The full list of subsidiaries is presented in Note 1(b).

### (b) Interest in subsidiaries with material non-controlling interest ("NCI")

The Group has the following subsidiaries that have NCI that are material to the Group.

Name of subsidiary	Principal place of business	Proportion of ownership interest held by non-controlling interests	Profit allocated to NCI during the reporting period US\$'000	Accumulated NCI at the end of reporting period US\$'000	Dividends paid to NCI during the reporting period US\$'000
<b>31 December 2015:</b>					
PT CLP	Indonesia	4.49%	3,530	42,695	–
<b>31 December 2014:</b>					
PT CLP	Indonesia	4.49%	6,179	46,796	452

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## 15. INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARIES (CONT'D)

### (c) Summarised financial information about subsidiaries with material NCI

Summarised financial information including goodwill on acquisition and consolidation adjustments but before intercompany eliminations of subsidiaries with material non-controlling interests are as follows:

#### Summarised balance sheets

	PT CLP Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
<b>Non-current</b>		
Assets	1,111,287	1,176,015
Liabilities	(175,078)	(389,776)
Net non-current assets	936,209	786,239
<b>Current</b>		
Assets	245,492	194,488
Liabilities	(329,023)	(114,499)
Net current (liabilities)/assets	(83,531)	79,989
<b>Net assets</b>	852,678	866,228

#### Summarised statement of comprehensive income

	PT CLP Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Sales	315,983	450,997
Profit before tax	129,650	194,106
Tax expense	(39,129)	(54,910)
Profit for the year	90,521	139,196
Other comprehensive income	(103,863)	(23,621)
Total comprehensive income	(13,342)	115,575

#### Other summarised information

	PT CLP Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Net cash (used in)/generated from operating activities	(27,546)	126,468
Net cash used in investing activities	(74,338)	(156,164)
Net cash used in financing activities	(191,578)	(514)

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## 15. INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARIES (CONT'D)

### (d) Acquisition of subsidiaries

- (i) The Group has acquired the entire equity interest of Pacific Agri Resources Pte. Ltd. ("PAR") and PT Falcon Agri Persada ("PT FAP") during the financial year ended 31 December 2015. PT FAP is incorporated in Indonesia and principally engaged in the oil palm plantation business in West Kalimantan. The rationale for the acquisition is to increase the Company's plantation assets for the development of new oil palm plantations. Upon the acquisition, PAR and PT FAP became subsidiaries of the Group.

The fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of the above subsidiaries and the effect thereof as at the acquisition date were as follows:

	Fair value recognised on acquisition US\$'000
Assets	
Biological assets	34,169
Property, plant and equipment	6,901
Inventories	260
Trade and other receivables	245
Advances for purchase of property, plant and equipment	4
Prepaid taxes	3,882
Cash and cash equivalents	285
	<u>45,746</u>
Liabilities	
Trade and other payables	(4,893)
Provision for tax	(7)
	<u>(4,900)</u>
Total identifiable net assets at fair value	40,846
Goodwill arising from acquisition (Note 16)	<u>30,736</u>
	<u>71,582</u>
<u>Consideration for the acquisition</u>	
Consideration for the purchase of shares	29,047
Settlement of amount owing to previous shareholder	<u>42,535</u>
	<u>71,582</u>



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## 15. INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARIES (CONT'D)

### (d) Acquisition of subsidiaries (cont'd)

	Fair value recognised on acquisition US\$'000
<u>Effect of the acquisition of the subsidiaries on cash flows</u>	
Total consideration for acquisition	71,582
Less: Retention sums payable	(1,000)
	70,582
Less: Cash and cash equivalents of subsidiaries acquired	(285)
Net cash outflow on acquisition of subsidiaries	70,297

#### Transaction costs

Transaction costs of US\$56,000 relating to the acquisition have been recognised in the "General and administrative expenses" line item in the Group's profit or loss for the year ended 31 December 2015.

#### Goodwill arising from acquisition

The goodwill of US\$30.7 million is mainly attributable to the synergies that is expected to arise from the acquisition. None of the goodwill recognised is expected to be deductible for tax purposes.

#### Impact of acquisition on profit or loss

From the acquisition date, the acquired subsidiaries have contributed losses of US\$2.7 million to the Group's result for the financial year ended 31 December 2015. If the acquisition had occurred on 1 January 2015, the Group's consolidated profit for the year would have been lower by US\$520,000.

- (ii) During the financial year ended 31 December 2015, the Group also acquired PT Karya Tama Bakti Mulia ("PT KTBM") for a consideration of US\$1.4 million.

## 16. GOODWILL

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 January	60,994	73,277
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 15(d))	30,736	–
Exchange differences	(6,689)	(12,283)
At 31 December	85,041	60,994

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## 16. GOODWILL (CONT'D)

### *Impairment testing of goodwill*

Goodwill arising from business combinations is allocated to individual cash-generating units ("CGU") for the purpose of impairment testing. The carrying amounts of goodwill allocated to each CGU are as follows:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
PT Borneo Ketapang Permai Group	4,815	5,340
PT Kalimantan Green Persada Group	9,414	10,439
PT Gerbang Sawit Indah	8,433	9,351
Lynhurst Group	32,312	35,831
PT Falcon Agri Persada	30,038	–
Others	29	33
	<u>85,041</u>	<u>60,994</u>

The recoverable amounts of the CGUs have been determined based on value in use calculations using cash flow projections from financial budgets approved by management.

Key assumptions used for value in use calculations:

	2015	2014
Terminal growth rate	3%	3%
Pre-tax discount rate	12%	12%
Projected CPO price	<u>US\$660/tonne</u>	<u>US\$800/tonne</u>

The value in use calculations use a discounted cash flow model based on cash flow projections covering a period of 10 years, and projected CPO price of US\$660 per tonne (2014: US\$800 per tonne).

Cash flows beyond the projected periods are extrapolated using the estimated terminal growth rate indicated above. The terminal growth rate used does not exceed the long-term average growth rates in the industry.

The discount rate applied to the cash flow projections is pre-tax and derived from the weighted average cost of capital ("WACC") of the Group. The WACC takes into account both the cost of debt and the cost of equity. The cost of equity is derived from the expected return on investment by the Group's investors. The cost of debt is based on the interest bearing borrowings the Group is obliged to service.

Based on the above analysis, management has assessed that the goodwill is not impaired as at 31 December 2015 and 2014.

Changes to the assumptions used by management to determine the recoverable amounts can have an impact on the results of the assessment. Management is of the opinion that no reasonably possible change in any of the key assumptions stated above would cause the carrying amount of the goodwill for each of the CGU to materially exceed their recoverable amount.

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## 17. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Land permits US\$'000	Software US\$'000	Total US\$'000
<b>Group</b>			
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 January 2014	27,702	2,244	29,946
Additions	–	164	164
Reclassification to land use rights (Note 14)	(3,493)	–	(3,493)
Exchange differences	(401)	(44)	(445)
At 31 December 2014 and 1 January 2015	23,808	2,364	26,172
Additions	–	137	137
Exchange differences	(2,338)	(171)	(2,509)
At 31 December 2015	21,470	2,330	23,800
<b>Accumulated amortisation</b>			
At 1 January 2014	–	879	879
Amortisation charge during the year (Note 13)	–	387	387
Exchange differences	–	(26)	(26)
At 31 December 2014 and 1 January 2015	–	1,240	1,240
Amortisation charge during the year (Note 13)	–	360	360
Exchange differences	–	(101)	(101)
At 31 December 2015	–	1,499	1,499
<b>Net carrying amount</b>			
At 31 December 2015	21,470	831	22,301
At 31 December 2014	23,808	1,124	24,932

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## 17. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS (CONT'D)

	Software US\$'000
<b>Company</b>	
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 January 2014	455
Additions	17
At 31 December 2014 and 1 January 2015	472
Additions	3
At 31 December 2015	475
<b>Accumulated amortisation</b>	
At 1 January 2014	4
Amortisation charge during the year	145
At 31 December 2014 and 1 January 2015	149
Amortisation charge during the year	155
At 31 December 2015	304
<b>Net carrying amount</b>	
At 31 December 2015	171
At 31 December 2014	323

Land permits are not amortised. Amortisation will only commence upon reclassification from land permits to land use rights when HGU title has been obtained.

Software costs are amortised to profit or loss using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives of three to five years.

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## 18. LOANS TO SUBSIDIARIES

	Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Loans to subsidiaries	–	441,815
Less: Current portion	–	(934)
Non-current portion	–	440,881

The loans to subsidiaries as at 31 December 2014 comprised the following:

- (i) US\$7.1 million which was denominated in USD, unsecured, bore interest at London Interbank Offer Rate ("LIBOR") plus 5.00% per annum, repayable quarterly up till 31 March 2024 and to be settled in cash;
- (ii) US\$188.7 million which was denominated in USD, unsecured, bore interest at 3.7675% per annum, repayable on 31 July 2017 and to be settled in cash; and
- (iii) US\$246.0 million which was denominated in USD, unsecured, bore interest at 5.75% per annum, repayable on 31 December 2017 and to be settled in cash.

There are no outstanding loans to subsidiaries as at 31 December 2015 following the early repayment of the loans by the subsidiaries during the year.

## 19. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL ASSETS/LIABILITIES

	2015		2014	
	Assets US\$'000	Liabilities US\$'000	Assets US\$'000	Liabilities US\$'000
<b>Group</b>				
Cross currency swaps	–	199,955	–	91,198
Commodity futures, options and swap contracts	79	–	–	–
	79	199,955	–	91,198
Less: Current portion	(79)	–	–	–
Non-current portion	–	199,955	–	91,198
<b>Company</b>				
Cross currency swaps	–	199,955	–	91,198
Less: Current portion	–	–	–	–
Non-current portion	–	199,955	–	91,198

The Group classifies derivative financial instruments as financial assets/liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, except for certain derivatives designated as cash flow hedges, wherein hedge accounting has been applied.

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## 19. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL ASSETS/LIABILITIES (CONT'D)

### *Cross currency swaps*

The Company has entered into cross currency swap agreements with financial institutions to swap its Ringgit-denominated Islamic medium term notes indebtedness effectively into USD liabilities. Based on the agreements, the financial institutions will swap the principal as well as the profit distribution amounts of the Company's Islamic medium term notes from Malaysian Ringgit into USD. Cash flow hedge accounting has been applied to these cross currency swap agreements as they are considered to be highly effective hedging instruments. A net fair value loss of US\$1.8 million (2014: US\$5.1 million) has been included in other comprehensive income in respect of these contracts.

### *Commodity futures, options and swap contracts*

The Group enters into certain commodity swap contracts in order to hedge the commodity price risk related to the sale and purchase of palm based products. Cash flow hedge accounting may be applied to these derivatives as they are considered to be highly effective hedging instruments. There are no commodity swap contracts that were hedge accounted for as at 31 December 2015 and 2014. Other commodity futures, options and swap contracts entered into by the Group are accounted for at fair value through profit or loss.

## 20. INVENTORIES

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Palm based products	45,552	27,087
Fertilisers and chemicals	11,207	7,919
Spare parts and other consumables	10,633	12,609
Goods in transit	511	948
	<u>67,903</u>	<u>48,563</u>

## 21. TRADE RECEIVABLES

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Trade receivables from:				
- Third parties	29,218	29,578	–	–
- Subsidiaries	–	–	2,839	1,743
- Related parties	99	191	–	–
	<u>29,317</u>	<u>29,769</u>	<u>2,839</u>	<u>1,743</u>

Trade receivables are non-interest bearing and generally due within 30 days. They are recognised at their original invoice amounts which represent their fair values on initial recognition.



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## 21. TRADE RECEIVABLES (CONT'D)

Trade receivables are denominated in the following currencies:

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Indonesian Rupiah	8,143	3,853	–	–
United States Dollar	21,174	25,916	2,839	1,743
	29,317	29,769	2,839	1,743

### *Receivables that are past due but not impaired*

An analysis of trade receivables that are past due but not impaired as at the end of the reporting period is as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Trade receivables past due:				
Lesser than 30 days	796	2,880	–	–
30 to 60 days	36	6	–	–
More than 60 days	228	63	–	–
	1,060	2,949	–	–

There are no trade receivables which are impaired either individually or collectively as at the end of the reporting period.

## 22. OTHER RECEIVABLES

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Amounts due from financial institutions	103	–	–	–
Interest receivable	933	777	123	127
Amounts due from subsidiaries	–	–	4,505	7,248
Amounts due from related parties	3	510	–	–
Sundry receivables	9,463	8,025	89	26
	10,502	9,312	4,717	7,401

The amounts due from subsidiaries and related parties are non-trade related, unsecured, non-interest bearing, repayable on demand and expected to be settled in cash.

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## 22. OTHER RECEIVABLES (CONT'D)

Other receivables are denominated in the following currencies:

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Indonesian Rupiah	10,183	8,887	–	–
United States Dollar	287	417	4,687	7,400
Singapore Dollar	32	8	30	1
	10,502	9,312	4,717	7,401

## 23. ADVANCES AND PREPAYMENTS

### *Advances for purchase of property, plant and equipment*

Advances for purchase of property, plant and equipment represent advance payments made to suppliers and contractors in relation to the following items:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Leasehold buildings and improvements	2,712	1,285
Machinery and installations	309	1,271
Others	332	1,679
	3,353	4,235

### *Other advances and prepayments*

Other advances and prepayments relate mainly to payments made for purchase of inventories and other miscellaneous items. These payments are non-interest bearing, unsecured and expected to be fulfilled within the next 12 months.

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## 24. CASH AND BANK BALANCES

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Cash at banks and on hand	61,737	119,458	373,022	20,969
Time deposits	188	171,998	–	65,044
Cash and cash equivalents	61,925	291,456	373,022	86,013
Restricted cash balances	143,491	59,460	142,757	58,438
	205,416	350,916	515,779	144,451

Cash at banks earn interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. Time deposits are made for varying periods of between one month to three months (2014: one month to three months) depending on the immediate cash requirements of the Group, and earn interest at the respective deposit rates, which range between 1.10% and 9.50% (2014: 1.00% and 10.75%) per annum.

As at 31 December 2015, the Group has cash at bank amounting to US\$425.5 million (2014: Nil) which have been netted against bank overdrafts as the Group has the legal rights to set off the cash at bank against the overdrafts, which are with the same bank.

Restricted cash balances relate to cash deposits maintained with brokers and banks which are not freely remissible for use by the Group.

Cash and bank balances are denominated in the following currencies:

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Indonesian Rupiah	11,075	21,959	–	–
United States Dollar	192,978	326,260	515,358	143,534
Singapore Dollar	1,177	1,767	414	908
Others	186	930	7	9
	205,416	350,916	515,779	144,451

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## 25. TRADE PAYABLES

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Trade payables to:				
- Third parties	22,808	18,233	16	188
- Related parties	2,157	1,842	–	–
	24,965	20,075	16	188

Trade payables are non-interest bearing and generally due within 30 to 90 days.

Trade payables are denominated in the following currencies:

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Indonesian Rupiah	22,881	18,712	–	–
United States Dollar	2,084	1,264	16	89
Others	–	99	–	99
	24,965	20,075	16	188

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## 26. OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Accrued employee costs	12,556	16,887	1,416	1,921
Accrued financial expenses	4,093	5,101	4,041	5,101
Accrued contractor fees and retention sums	6,532	8,694	–	–
Amounts due to related parties	–	152	–	–
Others	2,582	6,050	2,948	3,206
	25,763	36,884	8,405	10,228

The amounts due to related parties are unsecured, non-trade related, non-interest bearing, repayable on demand and expected to be settled in cash.

Other payables and accruals are denominated in the following currencies:

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Indonesian Rupiah	12,109	18,533	–	–
United States Dollar	11,897	15,892	6,896	8,116
Singapore Dollar	1,757	2,459	1,509	2,112
	25,763	36,884	8,405	10,228

## 27. ADVANCES FROM CUSTOMERS

Advances from customers represent advance payments relating to the sale of palm based products. These payments are trade related, unsecured, non-interest bearing and the obligations to the customers are expected to be fulfilled within the next 12 months.

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## 28. LOANS AND BORROWINGS FROM FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
<b>Current</b>		
Bank loans	26,489	8,039
Obligations under finance leases	2,178	2,907
	<u>28,667</u>	<u>10,946</u>
<b>Non-current</b>		
Obligations under finance leases	2,038	2,740
	<u>2,038</u>	<u>2,740</u>
	<u>30,705</u>	<u>13,686</u>

### Bank loans

The Group's bank loans as at the end of the reporting period comprise the following:

- (i) Loans from banks in Indonesia obtained by certain subsidiaries for working capital purposes. The loans are secured over certain of the subsidiaries' assets and bear interest at Jakarta Interbank Offer Rate plus 3.42% per annum (2014: Jakarta Interbank Offer Rate plus 3.42% per annum). These loans are repayable up till 12 May 2016 (2014: 12 May 2015), with an amount of US\$21.0 million (2014: US\$8.0 million) outstanding as at 31 December 2015.
- (ii) Loans from banks in Singapore obtained by a subsidiary for working capital purposes. The loans are unsecured and bear interest at 1.40% to 1.69% per annum (2014: Nil). These loans are expected to be settled within the next 12 months, with an amount of US\$5.5 million (2014: Nil) outstanding as at 31 December 2015.

As at 31 December 2015, the Group has bank loans and bank deposits amounting to US\$200.0 million (2014: US\$100.0 million) respectively, which have been netted against each other as the Group has the legal rights to set off the deposits against the loans. Both the loans and deposits have the same maturity terms of less than one year from the end of the reporting period and are with the same bank.

### Obligations under finance leases

The Group entered into capital lease agreements for purchase of farming equipment and motor vehicles incidental to the ordinary course of the business. These capital leases expire within the next three years. The interest rates of these capital leases range from 2.6% to 16.0% (2014: 3.7% to 16.0%) per annum.

Future minimum lease payments under finance leases together with the present value of the net minimum lease payments are disclosed in Note 36(c).

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## 28. LOANS AND BORROWINGS FROM FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (CONT'D)

Loans and borrowings from financial institutions are denominated in the following currencies:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Indonesian Rupiah	25,205	13,686
United States Dollar	5,500	–
	<u>30,705</u>	<u>13,686</u>

## 29. ISLAMIC MEDIUM TERM NOTES

	Maturity date	Distribution rate (per annum)	Group and Company	
			2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
First issuance	31 July 2017	4.45%	139,863	171,630
Second issuance	8 December 2017	4.30%	93,242	114,419
Third issuance	5 June 2020	4.35%	139,863	171,630
Fourth issuance	27 October 2021	4.85%	93,242	114,419
			<u>466,210</u>	<u>572,098</u>
Less:				
Issuance costs			4,330	4,330
Accumulated amortisation			(2,464)	(1,665)
			<u>1,866</u>	<u>2,665</u>
Islamic medium term notes, net			<u>464,344</u>	<u>569,433</u>

On 18 June 2012, the Company was granted approval by the Securities Commission of Malaysia to establish a Ringgit-denominated Islamic medium term note programme ("Programme") of up to MYR 2.0 billion under the laws of Malaysia. The tenure of the Programme shall be up to 10 years from the date of the first issuance being 31 July 2012.

Under the Programme, the Company may issue Islamic medium term notes ("IMTNs") from time to time in Malaysian Ringgit in various amounts and tenors of more than a year and up to a maximum tenor of 10 years. The IMTNs are unsecured, bear periodic distribution rates payable semi-annually in arrears, and will not be listed on any stock exchange.



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## 30. PROVISION FOR POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Group recognised employment benefits for all its permanent employees in Indonesia pursuant to Indonesian Labor Law No. 13/2003. The provision for employment benefits is based on the calculation of an independent actuary, using the "Projected Unit Credit" method. No fund was provided for such liability for employment benefits.

The assumptions used in determining the provision for post-employment benefits are as follows:

	2015	2014
Normal Pension Age	55 Years	55 Years
Salary Increment Rate per annum	8%	8%
Discount Rate per annum	9.10%	8.30%
Mortality Rate	Table Mortality Indonesia 2011	Table Mortality Indonesia 2011
Disability Rate	1% of mortality rate	1% of mortality rate
Resignation Rate	0% to 1%	0% to 1%
Valuation Method	Projected Unit Credit	Projected Unit Credit

Changes in the present value of defined benefit obligation are as follows:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
At 1 January	13,413	11,623
Net employee benefit expense charged to profit or loss	4,390	3,786
Remeasurement gains		
- Actuarial gains arising from changes in financial assumptions	(1,924)	(1,125)
Benefits paid	(865)	(478)
Exchange differences	(1,365)	(393)
At 31 December	13,649	13,413

The following summarises the components of net employee benefit expense relating to defined benefit plans recognised in profit or loss as follows:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Interest cost on benefit obligation	849	806
Current service cost	3,458	2,878
Past service cost	83	102
	4,390	3,786

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## 30. PROVISION FOR POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONT'D)

The breakdown of net employee benefit expense relating to defined benefit plans is as follows:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Cost of sales (Note 5)	1,999	2,157
General and administrative expenses (Note 7)	1,954	1,145
Others	437	484
	<u>4,390</u>	<u>3,786</u>

The sensitivity analysis below has been determined based on reasonable possible changes of each significant assumption on the defined benefits obligation as of the end of the reporting period, assuming if all the other assumptions were held constant.

	Increase/ (decrease)	Group Change in present value of defined benefit obligation	
		2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Discount rate	1% increase	(1,588)	(1,427)
	1% decrease	1,285	1,698
Future salary growth	1% increase	1,346	1,748
	1% decrease	(1,659)	(1,492)

## 31. SHARE CAPITAL

	Group and Company			
	2015		2014	
	No. of shares '000	US\$'000	No. of shares '000	US\$'000

### Issued and fully paid ordinary shares

At 1 January and 31 December	<u>1,584,073</u>	<u>394,913</u>	<u>1,584,073</u>	<u>394,913</u>
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The holders of ordinary shares (except treasury shares) are entitled to receive dividends as and when declared by the Company. Each ordinary share carries one vote per share without restriction. The ordinary shares have no par value.

## 32. DIFFERENCES ARISING FROM RESTRUCTURING TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING ENTITIES UNDER COMMON CONTROL

This represents the difference between the consideration paid and the share capital of the "acquired" entities.

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## 33. OTHER RESERVES

The composition of other reserves is as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Capital reserve	(29,096)	(29,096)	–	–
Revaluation reserve	279	279	–	–
Gain on sale of treasury shares	10,322	10,322	10,322	10,322
Hedging reserve	(25,228)	(23,438)	(25,228)	(23,438)
Foreign translation reserve	(488,393)	(354,433)	393	393
	(532,116)	(396,366)	(14,513)	(12,723)

### **Capital reserve**

Capital reserve represents the premium paid for the acquisition of non-controlling interests over the fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of a subsidiary.

### **Revaluation reserve**

Revaluation reserve represents increases in the fair value of property, plant and equipment, net of tax, and decreases to the extent that such decrease relates to an increase on the same asset previously recognised in other comprehensive income.

### **Gain on sale of treasury shares**

This represents the gain arising from sale of treasury shares. No dividend may be paid, and no other distribution (whether in cash or otherwise) of the Company's assets (including any distribution of assets to members on a winding up) may be made in respect of this reserve.

### **Hedging reserve**

Hedging reserve represents the cumulative fair value changes, net of tax, of the derivative financial instruments designated as cash flow hedges.

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
At 1 January	(23,438)	(18,360)	(23,438)	(18,360)
Fair value losses on cash flow hedges, net of tax and non-controlling interests	(107,672)	(39,788)	(108,026)	(39,788)
Reclassification to profit or loss				
- Sales	(354)	–	–	–
- Losses on foreign exchange	105,888	38,004	105,888	38,004
- Net financial expenses	348	(3,294)	348	(3,294)
At 31 December	(25,228)	(23,438)	(25,228)	(23,438)

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## 33. OTHER RESERVES (CONT'D)

### *Foreign translation reserve*

The foreign translation reserve represents exchange differences arising from the translation of the financial statements of companies in the Group whose functional currencies are different from that of the Group's presentation currency.

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
At 1 January	(354,433)	(312,067)	393	393
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(133,960)	(42,366)	–	–
At 31 December	(488,393)	(354,433)	393	393

## 34. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Salaries, bonuses and other benefits	60,953	61,642
Net employee benefit expense relating to defined benefit plans (Note 30)	4,390	3,786
Central Provident Fund contributions	236	238
	65,579	65,666

## 35. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

### (a) *Transactions with related parties*

In addition to those related party information provided elsewhere in the relevant notes to the consolidated financial statements, the following significant transactions between the Group and related parties (who are not members of the Group) took place during the financial year at terms agreed between the parties:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Office lease rental	666	735
Net settlement for purchases of goods	6,586	6,776

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## 35. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES (CONT'D)

### (b) *Compensation of key management personnel*

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Salaries, bonuses and other benefits	6,551	6,853
Directors' fees	300	304
Net employee benefit expense relating to defined benefit plans	292	319
Central Provident Fund contributions	56	54
	<u>7,199</u>	<u>7,530</u>
Comprise amounts paid to:		
- Directors of the Company	2,507	2,836
- Other key management personnel	4,692	4,694
	<u>7,199</u>	<u>7,530</u>

## 36. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

### (a) *Capital commitments*

Significant capital expenditure contracted for as at the end of the reporting period but not recognised in the financial statements are as follows:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Capital commitments in respect of property, plant and equipment	<u>3,113</u>	<u>16,626</u>

### (b) *Operating lease commitments*

*As lessee*

In addition to the land use rights disclosed in Note 14, the Group has entered into commercial leases to lease land and buildings. These non-cancellable operating leases have remaining lease terms of between one to three years. There are no restrictions placed upon the lessee by entering into these leases. Operating lease payments recognised in profit or loss amounted to US\$547,000 (2014: US\$580,000) (Note 7).

Future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Within one year	59	647
After one year but not more than five years	<u>—</u>	<u>475</u>
	<u>59</u>	<u>1,122</u>

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## 36. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (CONT'D)

### (c) *Finance lease commitments*

*As lessee*

The Group has finance leases for certain property, plant and equipment. These leases have terms of renewal but no purchase options and escalation clauses. Renewals are at the option of the specific entity that holds the lease.

Future minimum lease payments under finance leases together with the present value of the net minimum lease payments are as follows:

	2015		2014	
	Minimum lease payments US\$'000	Present value of minimum lease payments (Note 28) US\$'000	Minimum lease payments US\$'000	Present value of minimum lease payments (Note 28) US\$'000
<b>Group</b>				
Not later than one year	2,563	2,178	3,371	2,907
Later than one year but not more than five years	2,268	2,038	3,217	2,740
Total minimum lease payments	4,831	4,216	6,588	5,647
Less: Amount representing finance charges	(615)	–	(941)	–
Present value of minimum lease payments	4,216	4,216	5,647	5,647

### (d) *Contingent liabilities*

The Company has provided corporate guarantees to certain external parties in the ordinary course of business, guaranteeing the obligations of a subsidiary in the event of any non-performance by the subsidiary in respect of its contracts with these external parties. No liability is expected to arise as at the end of the reporting periods ended 31 December 2015 and 2014.

Certain subsidiaries have guaranteed US\$0.9 million (2014: US\$1.9 million) in respect of plasma farmers' loans repayable to a bank at the time when the plasma plantations are converted. These loans are being repaid by the plasma farmers on an instalment basis through a withholding mechanism on sales of the plasma crops to the Group.

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## 37. CLASSES OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As at the end of the reporting period, the following are the different classes of financial assets and liabilities:

	Group		Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
<b>Assets</b>				
<u>Loans and receivables</u>				
Loans to subsidiaries	–	–	–	441,815
Trade receivables	29,317	29,769	2,839	1,743
Other receivables	10,502	9,312	4,717	7,401
Restricted cash balances	143,491	59,460	142,757	58,438
Cash and cash equivalents	61,925	291,456	373,022	86,013
	245,235	389,997	523,335	595,410
<u>At fair value through profit or loss</u>				
Derivative financial assets	79	–	–	–
<b>Liabilities</b>				
<u>At amortised cost</u>				
Trade payables	24,965	20,075	16	188
Other payables and accruals	25,763	36,884	8,405	10,228
Loans and borrowings from financial institutions	30,705	13,686	–	–
Islamic medium term notes	464,344	569,433	464,344	569,433
	545,777	640,078	472,765	579,849
<u>Cash flow hedges</u>				
Derivative financial liabilities	199,955	91,198	199,955	91,198

## 38. FAIR VALUE OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

### (a) Fair value hierarchy

The Group categorises fair value measurements using a fair value hierarchy that is dependent on the valuation inputs used as follows:

- Level 1 – Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Group can access at the measurement date,
- Level 2 – Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, and
- Level 3 – Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.



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## 38. FAIR VALUE OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (CONT'D)

### (a) Fair value hierarchy (cont'd)

Fair value measurements that use inputs of different hierarchy levels are categorised in its entirety in the same level of the fair value hierarchy as the lowest level input that is significant to the entire measurement.

### (b) Assets and liabilities measured at fair value

The following table shows an analysis of each class of assets and liabilities measured at fair value at the end of the reporting period:

	2015			
	Quoted prices in active markets for identical instruments (Level 1) US\$'000	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2) US\$'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) US\$'000	Total US\$'000

#### Group

##### Assets measured at fair value:

##### Non-financial assets

Biological assets	–	–	969,196	969,196
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##### Financial assets

Derivative financial assets	79	–	–	79
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##### Liabilities measured at fair value:

##### Financial liabilities

Derivative financial liabilities	–	199,955	–	199,955
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#### Company

##### Liabilities measured at fair value:

##### Financial liabilities

Derivative financial liabilities	–	199,955	–	199,955
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## 38. FAIR VALUE OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (CONT'D)

### (b) Assets and liabilities measured at fair value (cont'd)

	2014			
	Quoted prices in active markets for identical instruments (Level 1) US\$'000	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2) US\$'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) US\$'000	Total US\$'000

#### Group

##### Assets measured at fair value:

##### Non-financial assets

Biological assets	–	–	961,083	961,083
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##### Liabilities measured at fair value:

##### Financial liabilities

Derivative financial liabilities	–	91,198	–	91,198
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#### Company

##### Liabilities measured at fair value:

##### Financial liabilities

Derivative financial liabilities	–	91,198	–	91,198
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### (c) Level 2 fair value measurements

The following is a description of the valuation techniques and inputs used in the fair value measurement for assets and liabilities that are categorised within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy:

#### **Derivative financial assets/liabilities**

##### Cross currency swaps

Cross currency swap contracts are valued using a valuation technique with market observable inputs. The most frequently applied valuation techniques include forward pricing and swap models, using present value calculations. The models incorporate various inputs including foreign exchange spot and forward rates, interest rate curves and forward rate curves.

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## 38. FAIR VALUE OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (CONT'D)

### (d) Level 3 fair value measurements

#### (i) Information about significant unobservable inputs used in Level 3 fair value measurements

The following table shows the information about fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3):

Description	Fair value at 31 December 2015	Valuation techniques	Unobservable inputs	Range
Biological assets	969,196	Discounted cash flow	Discount rate	13.99%
			Projected selling price of CPO	US\$600 – US\$682 per tonne
			FFB yield	6 – 27 tonnes per hectare

Description	Fair value at 31 December 2014	Valuation techniques	Unobservable inputs	Range
Biological assets	961,083	Discounted cash flow	Discount rate	13.55%
			Projected selling price of CPO	US\$812 – US\$820 per tonne
			FFB yield	6 – 27 tonnes per hectare

For biological assets, a significant increase (decrease) in discount rate would result in a significantly lower (higher) fair value. Changes in projected selling price of CPO and FFB yield will result in directionally similar changes in fair value.

#### (ii) Movements in Level 3 assets measured at fair value

The movements in biological assets measured at fair value are disclosed in Note 11.

#### (iii) Valuation policies and procedures

To determine the fair value of biological assets, the Group engages external valuation experts to perform the valuation. The corporate finance team is responsible for selecting and engaging valuation experts that possess the relevant credentials and knowledge on the subject of valuation, valuation methodologies, and FRS 113 fair value measurement guidance.

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## 38. FAIR VALUE OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (CONT'D)

### (d) Level 3 fair value measurements (cont'd)

#### (iii) Valuation policies and procedures (cont'd)

The corporate finance team reviews the appropriateness of the valuation methodologies and assumptions adopted by the external valuation experts. The corporate finance team also evaluates the appropriateness and reliability of the inputs (including those developed internally by the Group) used in the valuations.

Significant changes in fair value measurements from period to period are evaluated by the corporate finance team for reasonableness. Key drivers of the changes are identified and assessed for reasonableness against relevant information from independent sources, or internal sources if necessary and appropriate.

### (e) Assets and liabilities not carried at fair value but for which fair value is disclosed

The following table shows an analysis of the assets and liabilities not measured at fair value but for which fair value is disclosed:

	Fair value measurements at the end of the reporting period using				Carrying amount US\$'000
	Quoted prices in active market for identical instruments (Level 1) US\$'000	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2) US\$'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) US\$'000	Total US\$'000	

## 2015

### Group

#### Liabilities

Islamic medium term notes	–	466,375	–	466,375	464,344
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### Company

#### Liabilities

Islamic medium term notes	–	466,375	–	466,375	464,344
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## 38. FAIR VALUE OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (CONT'D)

(e) *Assets and liabilities not carried at fair value but for which fair value is disclosed (cont'd)*

	Fair value measurements at the end of the reporting period using				Carrying amount US\$'000
	Quoted prices in active market for identical instruments (Level 1) US\$'000	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2) US\$'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) US\$'000	Total US\$'000	

### 2014

#### Group

##### Liabilities

Islamic medium term notes	–	570,358	–	570,358	569,433
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#### Company

##### Assets

Fixed rate loans to subsidiaries (non-current)	–	438,505	–	438,505	434,679
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##### Liabilities

Islamic medium term notes	–	570,358	–	570,358	569,433
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#### **Determination of fair value**

##### Fixed rate loans to subsidiaries (non-current)

The fair value as disclosed in the table above was estimated by discounting expected future cash flows at incremental lending rate for similar types of lending.

##### Islamic medium term notes

The fair values as disclosed in the table above are estimated by reference to the latest transacted prices during 2015 and 2014.

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## 38. FAIR VALUE OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (CONT'D)

- (f) *Fair value of financial instruments by classes that are not carried at fair value and whose carrying amounts are not reasonable approximation of fair value*

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities by classes that are not carried at fair value and whose carrying amounts are not reasonable approximation of fair value are as follows:

	2015		2014	
	Carrying amount US\$'000	Fair value US\$'000	Carrying amount US\$'000	Fair value US\$'000
<b>Group</b>				
<u>Financial liabilities</u>				
Islamic medium term notes	464,344	466,375	569,433	570,358
<b>Company</b>				
<u>Financial assets</u>				
Fixed rate loans to subsidiaries (non-current)	–	–	434,679	438,505
<u>Financial liabilities</u>				
Islamic medium term notes	464,344	466,375	569,433	570,358

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## 39. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Group and the Company are exposed to financial risks arising from its operations and the use of financial instruments. The key financial risks include interest rate risk, market risk (including foreign currency risk and commodity price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The board of directors reviews and agrees policies and procedures for the management of these risks. The audit committee provides independent oversight to the effectiveness of the risk management process.

The following sections provide details regarding the Group's and Company's exposure to the above-mentioned financial risks and the objectives, policies and processes for the management of these risks.

There has been no change to the Group's exposure to these financial risks or the manner in which it manages and measures the risks.

### (a) *Interest rate risk*

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of the Group's and the Company's financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

The Group's exposure to interest rate risk arises primarily from its floating rate bank loans and deposits with financial institutions.

The Group monitors its interest rate risk closely and may use credit and interest rate swap contracts to manage interest rate risk arising from floating rate debt.

#### Sensitivity analysis for interest rate risk

At the end of the reporting period, had the interest rates of the Group's floating rate bank loans and deposits with financial institutions been 50 basis points (2014: 50 basis points) higher/lower, ceteris paribus, profit before tax for the financial year ended 31 December 2015 would have been US\$893,000 (2014: US\$1,714,000) higher/lower accordingly.

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## 39. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONT'D)

### (b) Foreign currency risk

Foreign currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates.

The Group has transactional currency exposures arising from sales and purchases that are denominated in a currency other than the respective functional currencies of the Group's entities, primarily Indonesian Rupiah ("IDR") and USD. The foreign currencies in which these transactions are denominated are mainly USD, Singapore Dollar ("SGD") and Malaysian Ringgit ("MYR"). To the extent that the foreign denominated sales and purchases of the Group are not evenly matched in terms of quantum and/or timing, the Group has exposure to foreign currency risk.

The Group is also exposed to currency translation risk arising from its financial assets and liabilities that are denominated in currencies other than the respective functional currencies of the Group's entities.

The Group does not have any formal hedging policy for foreign exchange exposure. However, it may enter into foreign currency options and swap contracts to hedge against volatility in exchange rates.

The Group's foreign currency exposures are highlighted in Notes 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 28 and 29 respectively.

#### Sensitivity analysis for foreign currency risk

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity of the Group's profit before tax and equity to a reasonably possible change in the IDR, SGD and MYR exchange rates against the USD as at the end of the reporting period, ceteris paribus.

	2015		2014	
	Profit before tax US\$'000	Equity US\$'000	Profit before tax US\$'000	Equity US\$'000
<b>Group</b>				
IDR against USD				
- strengthened 10% (2014: 10%)	(120)	88,680	2,375	87,578
- weakened 10% (2014: 10%)	146	(94,481)	(2,902)	(91,878)
SGD against USD				
- strengthened 5% (2014: 5%)	(28)	(21)	(39)	(31)
- weakened 5% (2014: 5%)	28	21	39	31
MYR against USD				
- strengthened 10% (2014: 10%)	26	2,134	93	3,235
- weakened 10% (2014: 10%)	(26)	(2,134)	(93)	(3,235)



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## 39. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONT'D)

### (c) *Commodity price risk*

The Group's exposure to commodity price risk arises primarily from its purchases of raw materials and sales of palm based products. Prices of raw materials and palm based products may fluctuate significantly depending on the market situation and factors such as weather, government policy, level of demand and supply in the market and the global economic environment. During periods of unfavourable price volatility, the Group may enter into forward physical contracts with our suppliers and customers or use commodity futures, options and swap contracts in the conduct of business to manage our price risk.

#### Sensitivity analysis for commodity price risk

During the reporting period, had the average selling prices of palm based products been 10% higher/lower, ceteris paribus, profit before tax for the financial year ended 31 December 2015 would have been US\$45.4 million (2014: US\$61.6 million) higher/lower.

#### Sensitivity analysis for commodity price risk (cont'd)

At the end of the reporting period, had the market price of palm based products been 10% higher/lower, ceteris paribus, the Group's profit before tax and equity would have (decreased)/increased by the amounts shown below, as a result of changes in fair value of commodity futures, options and swap contracts:

	2015		2014	
	Profit before tax US\$'000	Equity US\$'000	Profit before tax US\$'000	Equity US\$'000
<b>Group</b>				
Increase in prices of palm based products	367	330	–	–
Decrease in prices of palm based products	(367)	(330)	–	–

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## 39. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONT'D)

### (d) *Credit risk*

Credit risk is the risk of loss that may arise on outstanding financial instruments should a counterparty default on its obligations.

The Group's and the Company's exposure to credit risk arises primarily from trade and other receivables.

The Group trades only with recognised and creditworthy third parties and conducts business by requiring payment in advance, letter of credit, cash on delivery or may grant customers credit terms, where appropriate. It is the Group's policy that all customers who wish to trade on credit terms are subject to credit verification procedures. In addition, receivables balances are monitored on an ongoing basis with the result that the Group's exposure to bad debts is not significant.

For other financial assets (including cash and derivatives), the Group and the Company minimise credit risk by dealing exclusively with high credit rating counterparties.

#### Exposure to credit risk

At the end of the reporting period, the Group's and the Company's maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by:

- the carrying amount of each class of financial assets recognised in the balance sheets; and
- an amount of US\$0.9 million (2014: US\$1.9 million) relating to a financial guarantee provided by certain subsidiaries for repayment of plasma farmers' loans to a bank.

#### Credit risk concentration profile

The Group determines concentrations of credit risk by monitoring individual customers' outstanding balances on an ongoing basis.

At the end of the reporting period, 80.1% (2014: 86.9%) of the Group's trade receivables were due from four (2014: three) customers.

#### Financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired

Trade and other receivables that are neither past due nor impaired are due from creditworthy debtors with good payment record with the Group. Cash and derivatives that are neither past due nor impaired are placed with or entered into with reputable financial institutions or companies with high credit ratings and no history of default.

#### Financial assets that are either past due or impaired

Information regarding financial assets that are either past due or impaired is disclosed in Note 21.

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## 39. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONT'D)

### (e) *Liquidity risk*

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group or the Company will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations due to shortage of funds. The Group monitors its liquidity risk by actively managing its operating cash flows, debt maturity profile and availability of funding.

#### Analysis of financial instruments by remaining contractual maturities

The table below summarises the maturity profile of the Group's and the Company's financial liabilities at the end of the reporting period based on contractual undiscounted repayment obligations.

	One year or less US\$'000	One to five years US\$'000	Over five years US\$'000	Total US\$'000
<b>Group</b>				
<b>2015</b>				
Trade and other payables	50,728	–	–	50,728
Loans and borrowings from financial institutions	29,052	2,268	–	31,320
Islamic medium term notes	20,879	422,569	97,765	541,213
Derivative financial liabilities:				
- Cross currency swaps (gross receipts)	(20,879)	(422,569)	(97,765)	(541,213)
- Cross currency swaps (gross payments)	23,214	573,322	127,738	724,274
	102,994	575,590	127,738	806,322
<b>2014</b>				
Trade and other payables	56,959	–	–	56,959
Loans and borrowings from financial institutions	11,414	3,217	–	14,631
Islamic medium term notes	25,552	363,279	300,856	689,687
Derivative financial liabilities:				
- Cross currency swaps (gross receipts)	(25,552)	(363,279)	(300,856)	(689,687)
- Cross currency swaps (gross payments)	23,157	390,027	334,246	747,430
	91,530	393,244	334,246	819,020

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## 39. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONT'D)

### (e) *Liquidity risk (cont'd)*

#### Analysis of financial instruments by remaining contractual maturities (cont'd)

	One year or less US\$'000	One to five years US\$'000	Over five years US\$'000	Total US\$'000
<b>Company</b>				
<b>2015</b>				
Trade and other payables	8,421	–	–	8,421
Islamic medium term notes	20,879	422,569	97,765	541,213
Derivative financial liabilities:				
- Cross currency swaps (gross receipts)	(20,879)	(422,569)	(97,765)	(541,213)
- Cross currency swaps (gross payments)	23,214	573,322	127,738	724,274
	31,635	573,322	127,738	732,695
<b>2014</b>				
Trade and other payables	10,416	–	–	10,416
Islamic medium term notes	25,552	363,279	300,856	689,687
Derivative financial liabilities:				
- Cross currency swaps (gross receipts)	(25,552)	(363,279)	(300,856)	(689,687)
- Cross currency swaps (gross payments)	23,157	390,027	334,246	747,430
	33,573	390,027	334,246	757,846

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## 40. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The primary objective of the Group's capital management is to ensure that it maintains healthy capital ratios in order to support its business and maximise shareholder value.

The Group manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it, in light of changes in economic conditions. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the dividend payment to shareholders, return capital to shareholders or issue new shares. No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes during the financial years ended 31 December 2015 and 2014.

The Group monitors capital through its Debt/EBITDA ratio, which is gross debt divided by profit from operations before depreciation, amortisation and gains arising from changes in fair value of biological assets ("EBITDA"). The Group's policy is to maintain a Debt/EBITDA ratio of no more than 3.75 times.

	Group	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Loans and borrowings from financial institutions (Note 28)	30,705	13,686
Islamic medium term notes (Note 29)	464,344	569,433
Gross debt	495,049	583,119
EBITDA	219,115	299,748
Debt/EBITDA	2.26 times	1.95 times

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## 41. SEGMENT INFORMATION

For management purposes, the Group is organised into business units based on their products, and has two reportable segments as follows:

### (a) *Plantations and Palm Oil Mills*

Plantations and palm oil mills segment is principally involved in the cultivation and maintenance of oil palm plantations and operation of palm oil mills.

### (b) *Refinery and Processing*

Refinery and processing segment markets and sells processed palm based products produced from the refinery, fractionation and biodiesel plants and other downstream processing facilities.

Management monitors the operating results of its business units separately for the purpose of making decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment. Segment performance is evaluated based on EBITDA, which is not measured differently from EBITDA computed using the consolidated financial statements. Group financing (including finance costs) and income taxes are managed on a group basis and are not allocated to operating segments.

Transfer prices between operating segments are on an arm's length basis in a manner similar to transactions with third parties.

	Plantations and Palm Oil Mills US\$'000	Refinery and Processing US\$'000	Elimination US\$'000	Total US\$'000
<b>2015</b>				
<b>Sales:</b>				
External customers	164,490	289,184	–	453,674
Inter-segment	257,010	–	(257,010)	–
<b>Total sales</b>	<b>421,500</b>	<b>289,184</b>	<b>(257,010)</b>	<b>453,674</b>
<b>Results:</b>				
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>206,348</b>	<b>14,598</b>	<b>(1,831)</b>	<b>219,115</b>
Depreciation and amortisation	(22,289)	(8,161)	–	(30,450)
Losses arising from changes in fair value of biological assets	(2,534)	–	–	(2,534)
<b>Profit from operations</b>	<b>181,525</b>	<b>6,437</b>	<b>(1,831)</b>	<b>186,131</b>
Losses on foreign exchange				(1,718)
Gains on derivative financial instruments				79
Net financial expenses				(21,700)
Other non-operating expenses				(1,649)
<b>Profit before tax</b>				<b>161,143</b>

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## 41. SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONT'D)

	Plantations and Palm Oil Mills US\$'000	Refinery and Processing US\$'000	Elimination US\$'000	Total US\$'000
<b>2014</b>				
<b>Sales:</b>				
External customers	209,296	406,228	–	615,524
Inter-segment	306,561	–	(306,561)	–
<b>Total sales</b>	<b>515,857</b>	<b>406,228</b>	<b>(306,561)</b>	<b>615,524</b>
<b>Results:</b>				
<b>EBITDA</b>	266,480	32,688	580	299,748
Depreciation and amortisation	(23,630)	(7,065)	–	(30,695)
Gains arising from changes in fair value of biological assets	1,940	–	–	1,940
Profit from operations	244,790	25,623	580	270,993
Losses on foreign exchange				(118)
Losses on derivative financial instruments				(2,777)
Net financial expenses				(15,020)
Other non-operating expenses				(1,133)
<b>Profit before tax</b>				<b>251,945</b>

### Geographical information

The Group operates primarily in Singapore and Indonesia. In presenting information on the basis of geographical segments, segment sales is based on the countries from which the customers are invoiced. Segment assets are based on the geographical location of the assets.

	Sales		Non-current assets	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Singapore	365,472	455,479	75,392	50,871
Indonesia	88,202	160,045	1,427,183	1,441,992
	<b>453,674</b>	<b>615,524</b>	<b>1,502,575</b>	<b>1,492,863</b>

Non-current assets information presented above consist of biological assets, plasma plantation receivables, property, plant and equipment, land use rights, goodwill, other intangible assets and other non-current assets.

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## 41. SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONT'D)

### Information about major customers

In 2015, sales to two (2014: two) major customers amounted to US\$24.3 million (2014: US\$107.5 million) from the plantations and palm oil mills segment and US\$67.8 million (2014: US\$56.8 million) from the refinery and processing segment.

## 42. DIVIDENDS

	Group and Company	
	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000

### Declared and paid during the financial year:

*Dividends on ordinary shares:*

- Final tax exempt (one-tier) dividend for 2014: 2.30 Singapore cents (2013: 3.25 Singapore cents) per share	27,338	41,248
- Interim tax exempt (one-tier) dividend for 2015: 1.25 Singapore cents (2014: 1.25 Singapore cents) per share	14,014	15,850
	<u>41,352</u>	<u>57,098</u>

### Proposed but not recognised as a liability as at 31 December:

*Dividends on ordinary shares, subject to shareholders' approval at the AGM:*

- Final tax exempt (one-tier) dividend for 2015: 1.25 Singapore cents (2014: 2.30 Singapore cents) per share	<u>13,999*</u>	<u>27,338</u>
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\* Based on USD/SGD exchange rate of 1.4145.

## 43. AUTHORISATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR ISSUE

The financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2015 were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the directors on 23 March 2016.



# STATISTICS OF SHAREHOLDINGS

As at 14 March 2016

## SHAREHOLDERS' INFORMATION

Number of issued shares : 1,584,072,969  
 Class of shares : Ordinary share  
 Voting rights : One vote per share

The Company does not have any treasury shares as at 14 March 2016.

## DISTRIBUTION OF SHAREHOLDINGS

Size of Shareholdings	No. of Shareholders	%	No. of Shares	%
1 - 99	8	0.41	232	0.00
100 - 1,000	238	12.27	230,300	0.01
1,001 - 10,000	1,289	66.44	6,826,131	0.43
10,001 - 1,000,000	388	20.00	20,056,210	1.27
1,000,001 and above	17	0.88	1,556,960,096	98.29
	1,940	100.00	1,584,072,969	100.00

## TWENTY LARGEST SHAREHOLDERS

No.	Name	No. of Shares	%
1.	Citibank Nominees Singapore Pte Ltd	430,109,391	27.15
2.	HSBC (Singapore) Nominees Pte Ltd	338,659,339	21.38
3.	Eight Capital Inc.	331,800,130	20.95
4.	DBS Nominees (Private) Limited	104,936,895	6.62
5.	DB Nominees (Singapore) Pte Ltd	94,826,084	5.99
6.	Raffles Nominees (Pte) Limited	76,188,185	4.81
7.	DBSN Services Pte. Ltd.	68,175,937	4.30
8.	ABN AMRO Nominees Singapore Pte Ltd	40,000,000	2.53
9.	United Overseas Bank Nominees (Private) Limited	28,175,200	1.78
10.	BNP Paribas Securities Services Singapore Branch	15,608,022	0.99
11.	Advance Synergy Capital Ltd	9,975,700	0.63
12.	DBS Vickers Securities (Singapore) Pte Ltd	6,659,900	0.42
13.	Morgan Stanley Asia (Singapore) Securities Pte Ltd	5,576,503	0.35
14.	Bank of Singapore Nominees Pte. Ltd.	2,141,361	0.14
15.	UOB Kay Hian Private Limited	1,585,600	0.10
16.	Maybank Kim Eng Securities Pte. Ltd.	1,431,494	0.09
17.	CIMB Securities (Singapore) Pte. Ltd.	1,110,355	0.07
18.	Philip Securities Pte Ltd	979,000	0.06
19.	BNP Paribas Nominees Singapore Pte Ltd	795,400	0.05
20.	Quarry Lane Sdn Bhd	650,000	0.04
		1,559,384,496	98.45

# STATISTICS OF SHAREHOLDINGS

As at 14 March 2016

## SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

(As recorded in the Register of Substantial Shareholders, as at 14 March 2016)

	Direct Interest	%	Deemed Interest	%
Eight Capital Inc.	1,000,800,130	63.18	–	–
Eight Capital Trustees Pte Ltd	–	–	1,000,800,130 <sup>(1)</sup>	63.18
Equity Trust (Jersey) Ltd	–	–	1,000,800,130 <sup>(2)</sup>	63.18
Infinite Capital Fund Limited	88,000,000	5.56	–	–
King Fortune International Inc.	–	–	88,000,000 <sup>(3)</sup>	5.56
DB International Trust (Singapore) Limited	–	–	88,000,000 <sup>(4)</sup>	5.56

### Notes:

- <sup>(1)</sup> Eight Capital Trustees Pte Ltd ("ECTPL") holds the entire share capital of Eight Capital Inc. ("Eight Capital") as trustee of the Eight Capital Trust (the "Trust"), which is a discretionary family trust, and subject to the terms of the Trust. Eight Capital is the investment holding vehicle of the Trust and ECTPL is deemed interested in the shares held by Eight Capital.
- <sup>(2)</sup> Equity Trust (Jersey) Ltd is the trustee of Eight Cap Purpose Trust (the "Purpose Trust"). Pursuant to the Purpose Trust, Equity Trust (Jersey) Ltd is the sole shareholder of ECTPL and it is therefore deemed interested in the shares held by Eight Capital.
- <sup>(3)</sup> King Fortune International Inc. ("King Fortune") holds the entire issued and paid-up share capital of Infinite Capital Fund Limited and is deemed to be interested in the shares held by Infinite Capital Fund Limited.
- <sup>(4)</sup> DB International Trust (Singapore) Limited (the "Trustee") is the sole shareholder of King Fortune and the trustee of the King Fortune Trust, a discretionary family trust. The shares held indirectly by King Fortune are property that is subject to the King Fortune Trust. Distribution of the income and capital of the King Fortune Trust to the beneficiaries of the King Fortune Trust are at the discretion of the Trustee.

## PERCENTAGE OF SHARES HELD BY THE PUBLIC

Approximately 31.26% of the Company's shares are held in the hands of the public. Accordingly, the Company has complied with Rule 723 of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST.

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of First Resources Limited (the "Company") will be held at Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre, 1 Raffles Boulevard, Level 3, Room 330, Suntec City, Singapore 039593 on Wednesday, 27 April 2016 at 2.30 p.m. for the following purposes:

## AS ORDINARY BUSINESS

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Statement and the Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2015 together with the Auditor's Report thereon. **(Resolution 1)**
2. To declare a final dividend of 1.25 Singapore cents (S\$0.0125) (one-tier, tax-exempt) per ordinary share for the year ended 31 December 2015 (2014: S\$0.023). **(Resolution 2)**
3. To re-elect the following Directors of the Company retiring by rotation pursuant to Article 93 of the Constitution of the Company:  
  
Mr Lim Ming Seong **(Resolution 3)**  
Mr Teng Cheong Kwee **(Resolution 4)**  
Ms Ng Shin Ein **(Resolution 5)**  
[See Explanatory Note (i)]  
  
*Mr Lim Ming Seong will, upon re-election as a Director of the Company, remain as Chairman of the Nominating Committee and will be considered independent.*  
  
*Mr Teng Cheong Kwee will, upon re-election as a Director of the Company, remain as Chairman of the Audit Committee and member of the Remuneration Committee and will be considered independent.*  
  
*Ms Ng Shin Ein will, upon re-election as a Director of the Company, remain as Chairman of the Remuneration Committee and member of the Nominating Committee and will be considered independent.*
4. To re-appoint Mr Ong Beng Kee under Article 97 of the Company's Constitution, who were previously re-appointed to hold office until this Annual General Meeting pursuant to Section 153(6) of the Companies Act (Cap 50), which was in force immediately before 3 January 2016.  
[See Explanatory Note (i)] **(Resolution 6)**  
  
*Mr Ong Beng Kee will, upon re-appointment as a Director of the Company, remain as member of the Audit Committee and will be considered independent.*
5. To approve the payment of Directors' fees of S\$449,167 for the year ended 31 December 2015 (2014: S\$412,500). **(Resolution 7)**
6. To re-appoint Messrs Ernst & Young LLP as the Auditor of the Company and to authorise the Directors of the Company to fix their remuneration. **(Resolution 8)**
7. To transact any other ordinary business which may properly be transacted at an Annual General Meeting.

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## AS SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions, with or without any modifications:

### 8. Authority to issue shares

That pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Cap. 50 and Rule 806 of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited, the Directors of the Company be authorised and empowered to:

- (a)
  - (i) issue shares in the Company ("shares") whether by way of rights, bonus or otherwise; and/or
  - (ii) make or grant offers, agreements or options (collectively, "Instruments") that might or would require shares to be issued, including but not limited to the creation and issue of (as well as adjustments to) options, warrants, debentures or other instruments convertible into shares,

at any time and upon such terms and conditions and for such purposes and to such persons as the Directors of the Company may in their absolute discretion deem fit; and
- (b) (notwithstanding the authority conferred by this Resolution may have ceased to be in force) issue shares in pursuance of any Instruments made or granted by the Directors of the Company while this Resolution was in force,

provided that:

- (1) the aggregate number of shares (including shares to be issued in pursuance of the Instruments, made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) to be issued pursuant to this Resolution shall not exceed fifty per centum (50%) of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below), of which the aggregate number of shares to be issued other than on a pro rata basis to shareholders of the Company shall not exceed twenty per centum (20%) of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below);
- (2) (subject to such calculation as may be prescribed by the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited) for the purpose of determining the aggregate number of shares that may be issued under sub-paragraph (1) above, the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) shall be based on the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company at the time of the passing of this Resolution, after adjusting for:
  - (a) new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities;
  - (b) new shares arising from exercising share options or vesting of share awards which are outstanding or subsisting at the time of the passing of this Resolution; and
  - (c) any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of shares;
- (3) in exercising the authority conferred by this Resolution, the Company shall comply with the provisions of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited for the time being in force (unless such compliance has been waived by the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited) and the Constitution of the Company; and

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- (4) unless revoked or varied by the Company in a general meeting, such authority shall continue in force until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company or the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is earlier.

[See Explanatory Note (ii)]

(Resolution 9)

## 9. The Proposed Renewal of the Share Purchase Mandate

That:

- (1) for the purposes of the Companies Act (Chapter 50 of Singapore) (the "**Companies Act**"), the exercise by the Directors of First Resources Limited (the "**Company**") of all the powers of the Company to purchase or otherwise acquire issued ordinary shares fully paid in the capital of the Company (the "**Shares**") not exceeding in aggregate the Maximum Limit (as hereafter defined), at such price(s) as may be determined by the Directors of the Company from time to time up to the Maximum Price (as hereafter defined), whether by way of:

- (a) an on-market purchase ("**Market Purchase**") transacted on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "**SGX-ST**") through the ready market, which may be transacted through one or more duly licensed stock brokers appointed by the Company for this purpose; and/or
- (b) an off-market purchase ("**Off-Market Purchase**") effected pursuant to an equal access scheme in accordance with Section 76C of the Companies Act,

and otherwise in accordance with all other laws and regulations, including but not limited to the provisions of the Companies Act and the listing rules of the SGX-ST as may for the time being be applicable, be and is hereby authorised and approved generally and unconditionally (the "**Share Purchase Mandate**");

- (2) unless varied or revoked by the members of the Company in a general meeting, the authority conferred on the Directors of the Company pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate may be exercised by the Directors of the Company at any time and from time to time during the period commencing from the date of the passing of this Resolution and expiring on the earlier of:

- (a) the date on which the next annual general meeting of the Company (the "**AGM**") is held or required by law to be held; and
- (b) the date on which the purchases or acquisitions of the Shares by the Company pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate are carried out to the full extent mandated;

- (3) in this Resolution:

"**Maximum Limit**" means that number of issued Shares representing not more than 10 per cent. of the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares) as at the date of the passing of this Resolution, unless the Company has effected a reduction of the share capital of the Company in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, at any time during the Relevant Period, in which event the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares) shall be taken to be the total number of Shares as altered;

"**Relevant Period**" means the period commencing from the date on which the last AGM was held and expiring on the date the next AGM is held or is required by law to be held, whichever is the earlier, after the date of this Resolution; and

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**"Maximum Price"**, in relation to a Share to be purchased or acquired, means the purchase price (excluding brokerage, stamp duties, commission, applicable goods and services tax and other related expenses) which shall not exceed:

- (a) in the case of a Market Purchase, 105 per cent. of the Average Closing Price; and
- (b) in the case of an Off-Market Purchase pursuant to an equal access scheme, 120 per cent. of the Highest Last Dealt Price,

where:

**"Average Closing Price"** means the average of the closing market prices of the Shares over the last five (5) Market Days (a **"Market Day"** being a day on which the SGX-ST is open for trading in securities), on which transactions in the Shares were recorded, before the day on which the purchase or acquisition of the Shares was made, and deemed to be adjusted for any corporate action that occurs after the relevant five (5) Market Days;

**"Highest Last Dealt Price"** means the highest price transacted for a Share as recorded on the Market Day on which there were trades in the Shares immediately preceding the day of the making of the offer pursuant to the Off-Market Purchase; and

**"day of the making of the offer"** means the day on which the Company announces its intention to make an offer for the purchase of the Shares from Shareholders, stating the purchase price (which shall not be more than the Maximum Price calculated on the foregoing basis) for each Share and the relevant terms of the equal access scheme for effecting the Off-Market Purchase; and

- (4) the Directors of the Company and/or any of them be and are/is hereby authorised to complete and do all such acts and things (including executing such documents as may be required) as they and/or he may consider necessary, expedient, incidental or in the interests of the Company to give effect to the transactions contemplated and/or authorised by this Resolution.

[See Explanatory Note (iii)]

**(Resolution 10)**

By Order of the Board

**Lynn Wan Tiew Leng**  
Company Secretary

Singapore  
12 April 2016

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## Explanatory Notes:

- (i) For further information on the Directors submitted for re-election and re-appointment, please refer to the Board of Directors and Corporate Governance sections in the Annual Report 2015.
- (ii) The Ordinary Resolution 9 in item 8 above, if passed, will empower the Directors of the Company, effective until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company, or the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held or such authority is varied or revoked by the Company in a general meeting, whichever is the earlier, to issue shares, make or grant Instruments convertible into shares and to issue shares pursuant to such Instruments, up to a number not exceeding, in total, 50% of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company, of which up to 20% may be issued other than on a pro-rata basis to shareholders.

For determining the aggregate number of shares that may be issued, the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) will be calculated based on the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company at the time this Ordinary Resolution is passed after adjusting for new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities or share options or vesting of share awards which are outstanding or subsisting at the time when this Ordinary Resolution is passed and any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of shares.

- (iii) The rationale for, the authority and limitation on, the sources of funds to be used for the purchase or acquisition, including the amount of financing and financial effects of the purchase or acquisition of ordinary shares by the Company pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate on the audited consolidated financial accounts of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2015 are set out in greater detail in the Circular dated 12 April 2016 attached to this Annual Report.

## Notes:

- 1. A Member who is not a relevant intermediary, is entitled to appoint not more than two proxies to attend and vote in his/her stead at the Annual General Meeting (the "Meeting").
- 2. A Member who is a relevant intermediary, is entitled to appoint more than two proxies to attend and vote at the Meeting, but each proxy must be appointed to exercise the rights attached to a different Share or Shares held by such Member.

**"Relevant intermediary"** has the meaning ascribed to it in Section 181 of the Companies Act, Cap. 50.

- 3. A proxy need not be a Member of the Company.
- 4. The instrument appointing a proxy must be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company at 8 Temasek Boulevard #36-02, Suntec Tower Three, Singapore 038988 not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting.

## Personal Data Privacy:

By submitting an instrument appointing a proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to attend, speak and vote at the 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 Meeting (including any adjournment thereof) and the preparation and compilation of the attendance lists, minutes and other documents relating to the 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 penalties, liabilities, claims, demands, losses and damages as a result of the member's breach of warranty.

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# PROXY FORM

(Please see notes overleaf before completing this Form)

## FIRST RESOURCES LIMITED

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### IMPORTANT:

1. A relevant intermediary may appoint more than two proxies to attend the Annual General Meeting and vote (please see note 4 for the definition of "relevant intermediary").
2. For investors who have used their CPF monies to buy the Company's shares, this Annual Report is forwarded to them at the request of their CPF Approved Nominees and is sent solely **FOR INFORMATION ONLY**.
3. This Proxy Form is not valid for use by CPF investors and shall be ineffective for all intents and purposes if used or purported to be used by them.

I/We, \_\_\_\_\_

of \_\_\_\_\_

being a member/members of First Resources Limited (the "Company"), hereby appoint:

Name	NRIC/Passport No.	Proportion of Shareholdings	
		No. of Shares	%
Address			

and/or (delete as appropriate)

Name	NRIC/Passport No.	Proportion of Shareholdings	
		No. of Shares	%
Address			

or failing the person, or either or both of the persons, referred to above, the Chairman of the Meeting as my/our proxy/proxies to vote for me/us on my/our behalf at the Annual General Meeting (the "Meeting") of the Company to be held at Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre, 1 Raffles Boulevard, Level 3, Room 330, Suntec City, Singapore 039593 on 27 April 2016 at 2.30 p.m. and at any adjournment thereof. I/We direct my/our proxy/proxies to vote for or against the Resolutions proposed at the Meeting as indicated hereunder. If no specific direction as to voting is given, the proxy/proxies will vote or abstain from voting at his/her/their discretion, as he/she/they will on any other matter arising at the Meeting and at any adjournment thereof.

No.	Resolutions relating to:	Number of Votes For <sup>(1)</sup>	Number of Votes Against <sup>(1)</sup>
1	Directors' Statement and Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2015		
2	Payment of proposed final dividend		
3	Re-election of Mr Lim Ming Seong as a Director		
4	Re-election of Mr Teng Cheong Kwee as a Director		
5	Re-election of Ms Ng Shin Ein as a Director		
6	Re-appointment of Mr Ong Beng Kee as a Director		
7	Approval of Directors' fees amounting to S\$449,167		
8	Re-appointment of Messrs Ernst & Young LLP as Auditor		
9	Authority to issue shares		
10	Renewal of Share Purchase Mandate		

<sup>(1)</sup> If you wish to exercise all your votes "For" or "Against", please tick within the box provided. Alternatively, please indicate the number of votes as appropriate.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2016

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Shareholder(s)  
or, Common Seal of Corporate Shareholder

\* Delete where inapplicable

Total number of Shares in:	No. of Shares
(a) CDP Register	
(b) Register of Members	



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### Notes:

1. Please insert the total number of Shares held by you. If you have Shares entered against your name in the Depository Register (as defined in Section 81SF of the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289), you should insert that number of Shares. If you have Shares registered in your name in the Register of Members, you should insert that number of Shares. If you have Shares entered against your name in the Depository Register and Shares registered in your name in the Register of Members, you should insert the aggregate number of Shares entered against your name in the Depository Register and registered in your name in the Register of Members. If no number is inserted, the instrument appointing a proxy or proxies shall be deemed to relate to all the Shares held by you.
2. A member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at a meeting of the Company is entitled to appoint one or two proxies to attend and vote in his/her stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
3. Where a member appoints two proxies, he/she shall specify the proportion of his/her shareholding (expressed as a percentage of the whole) to be represented by each proxy. If no such proportion is specified, the first named proxy shall be treated as representing 100% of the shareholding and any second named proxy as an alternate to the first named proxy.
4. A member who is a relevant intermediary entitled to attend the meeting and vote is entitled to appoint more than two 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 such member. Where such member appoints more than two 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 (Cap. 19) 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 (Cap. 289) and who holds shares in that capacity; or
  - (c) the Central Provident Fund Board established by the Central Provident Fund Act (Cap. 36), 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 Board holds those shares in the capacity of an intermediary pursuant to or in accordance with that subsidiary legislation.
5. Completion and return of this instrument appointing a proxy shall not preclude a member from attending and voting at the Meeting. Any appointment of a proxy or proxies shall be deemed to be revoked if a member attends the meeting in person, and in such event, the Company reserves the right to refuse to admit any person or persons appointed under the instrument of proxy to the Meeting.
  6. The instrument appointing a proxy or proxies must be deposited at the registered office of the Company at 8 Temasek Boulevard #36-02, Suntec Tower Three, Singapore 038988 not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the Meeting.
  7. The instrument appointing a proxy or proxies must be under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney duly authorised in writing. Where the instrument appointing a proxy or proxies is executed by a corporation, it must be executed either under its seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised. Where the instrument appointing a proxy or proxies is executed by an attorney on behalf of the appointor, the letter or power of attorney or a duly certified copy thereof must be lodged with the instrument.
  8. A corporation which is a member may authorise by resolution of its directors or other governing body such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at the Meeting, in accordance with Section 179 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 of Singapore.

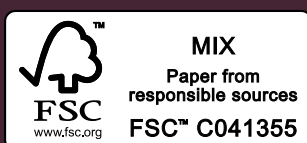
### General:

The Company shall be entitled to reject the instrument appointing a proxy or proxies if it is incomplete, improperly completed or illegible, or where the true intentions of the appointor are not ascertainable from the instructions of the appointor specified in the instrument appointing a proxy or proxies. In addition, in the case of Shares entered in the Depository Register, the Company may reject any instrument appointing a proxy or proxies lodged if the member, being the appointor, is not shown to have Shares entered against his name in the Depository Register as at 72 hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting, as certified by The Central Depository (Pte) Limited to the Company.

### PERSONAL DATA PRIVACY:

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 Annual General Meeting dated 12 April 2016.





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