Company Registration No.: 188700008D (A member of The Tecity Group)

# The Straits Trading Group Financial Highlights

- The Group reported total revenue of \$312.6 million in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2010 ("2Q2010"), 26.4% higher than the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2009 ("2Q2009"). For the 1<sup>st</sup> Half of 2010 ("1H2010"), the Group's total revenue of \$637 million was 45.2% higher than the 1<sup>st</sup> Half of 2009 ("1H2009"). This was mainly due to higher sales volume recorded in its resources operations and higher average tin prices.
- The Group reported profit before tax from continuing operations ("PBT") of \$23.2 million in 2Q2010, 35.4% lower than the \$35.9 million in 2Q2009. For 1H2010, the Group's PBT of \$17 million was 51.4% lower than the \$34.9 million in 1H2009. This was mainly due to lower income from its development property for sale and financial investment portfolios and higher losses reported in its hospitality operations, partially mitigated by better performance in its resources operations and fair value gains in its investment properties.
- After tax and non-controlling interests, the profit attributable to owners of the Company was \$15.1 million in 2Q2010, 56% lower than 2Q2009. For 1H2010, profit attributable to owners of the Company was \$7.9 million, 79.2% lower than 1H2009.

\$ million	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2010	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2009	+/(-)	1 <sup>st</sup> Half 2010	1 <sup>st</sup> Half 2009	+/(-) %
Total Revenue	312.6	247.4	26.4	637.0	438.9	45.2
Profit before tax from continuing operations	23.2	35.9	(35.4)	17.0	34.9	(51.4)
Profit attributable to owners of the Company	15.1	34.3	(56.0)	7.9	37.9	(79.2)

Earnings per share	4.6 cents	10.5 cents	(56.0)	2.4 cents	11.6 cents	(79.2)
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	As At 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2010	As At 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2009
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	\$1,084,047,000	\$1,097,260,000
Net asset value per share	\$3.33	\$3.37

N.B.: All in Singapore dollars.

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

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

The unaudited results for the 2nd quarter and half year ended 30 June 2010 are as follow:

GROUP	2nd Quarter 30 Ju		Half Year Ended 30 June		
	2010	2009	2010	2009	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
<u>Revenue</u>					
Tin mining and smelting revenue	267,185	172,746	539,637	319,652	
Hotel revenue	32,550	29,377	68,516	60,675	
Property revenue	11,526	32,140	21,706	42,197	
Proceeds from sale of trading securities		7,074		7,074	
	311,261	241,337	629,859	429,598	
Other items of income					
Dividend income	_	2,316	2,775	3,443	
Interest income	692	1,198	1,404	2,979	
Fair value changes in financial assets	(465)	1,643	883	870	
Other income	1,099	866	2,126	1,974	
Total revenues	312,587	247,360	637,047	438,864	
Exceptional gains	26,094	15,827	8,789	17,366	
Other items of expense					
Employee benefits expense	(23,858)	(18,698)	(46,048)	(35,940)	
Depreciation expense	(5,431)	(4,516)	(10,318)	(8,879)	
Amortisation expense	(493)	(875)	(1,349)	(1,942)	
Costs of tin mining and smelting	(245,996)	(154,941)	(496,995)	(292,071)	
Cost of trading securities sold	_	(5,036)	_	(5,036)	
Finance costs	(4,234)	(6,778)	(8,976)	(11,674)	
Other expenses	(37,653)	(38,058)	(70,395)	(65,480)	
Exchange gains	1,284	2,890	2,539	280	
Total expenses	(316,381)	(226,012)	(631,542)	(420,742)	
Share of profit/(loss) from associates and joint ventures					
Share of profit/(loss) from equity accounted associates	857	(1,283)	2,617	(615)	
Share of profit from equity-accounted joint ventures	22	16	58	27	
Profit before tax from continuing operations	23,179	35,908	16,969	34,900	
Income tax expense #	(8,166)	(2,743)	(12,257)	(834)	
Profit from continuing operations, net of tax	15,013	33,165	4,712	34,066	
Profit attributable to:					
Owners of the Company	15,095	34,340	7,885	37,915	
Non-controlling interests	(82)	(1,175)	(3,173)	(3,849)	
C	15,013	33,165	4,712	34,066	

<sup>#</sup> The overall effective tax rate for the current period was higher than the statutory tax rate in Singapore mainly due to certain non-tax deductible expenses as well as losses incurred by certain subsidiaries which cannot be set off against taxable profits made by other companies within the Group.

Page 3 1(a) (ii)Further details to the group income statement.

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Exceptional gains:

		2nd Quarter 30 J		Half Yea	
		2010	2009	2010	2009
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
(a)	Fair value changes in investment properties	25,690	_	25,690	_
(b)	Impairment provisions on investments in associates	-	_	(20,510)	_
(c)	Net gain on disposal of investment securities	-	18,427	-	20,450
(d)	Net gain/(loss) on disposal of investment properties	530	(2,600)	457	(3,084)
(e)	Write back of unutilised upgrading provisions	_	_	3,278	_
(f)	Currency translation loss from a liquidated subsidiary	(126)	-	(126)	_
		26,094	15,827	8,789	17,366

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1(a)(iii) Statements of comprehensive income for the 2nd quarter and half year ended 30 June 2010.

GROUP	2nd Quarter (Q2) Ended 30 June		Half Year Ended 30 June	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Profit from continuing operations, net of tax	15,013	33,165	4,712	34,066
Other comprehensive income/(expense):				
Net fair value changes in available-for-sale investment securities	(8,326)	19,744	(18,024)	33,892
Net fair value changes transferred to income statement	-	(8,844)	_	(9,538)
Net fair value changes on cash flow hedges	3,670	(1,761)	2,154	(2,066)
Currency translation reserve	(12,564)	13,504	(304)	21,125
Currency translation transferred to income statement	126	_	126	-
Effect of reduction in tax rate on hotel property valuation	-	-	-	439
Other comprehensive income/(expense) for the period, net of tax	(17,094)	22,643	(16,048)	43,852
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the period	(2,081)	55,808	(11,336)	77,918
Total comprehensive income/(expense) attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	(2,247)	58,038	(6,695)	81,565
Non-controlling interests	166	(2,230)	(4,641)	(3,647)
	(2,081)	55,808	(11,336)	77,918
COMPANY	2nd Quarter 30 J		Half Yea 30 Ji	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Profit from continuing operations, net of tax	2,415	15,333	9,368	19,358
Other comprehensive income/(expense):				
Net fair value changes in available-for-sale investment securities	(3,131)	8,574	(6,780)	17,814
Net fair value changes transferred to income statement	_	(8,899)	_	(9,593)
Net fair value changes on cash flow hedges	(141)	195	(462)	903
Currency translation reserve	344	(481)	2,062	(307)
Other comprehensive income/(expense) for the period, net of tax	(2,928)	(611)	(5,180)	8,817
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the period	(513)	14,722	4,188	28,175
Total comprehensive income/(expense) attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	(513)	14,722	4,188	28,175

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

Balance sheets as at 30 June 2010

	GROUP		COMPANY		
	30 June 2010	31 December 2009	30 June 2010	31 December 2009	
<u>Assets</u>	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Non-current assets					
Property, plant and equipment	307,934	313,033	368	370	
Investment properties	789,909	776,877	108,940	106,313	
Goodwill on consolidation	36,753	35,052	_	_	
Other intangible assets	32,927	30,359	_	_	
Investments in subsidiaries	-	-	115,834	115,834	
Investments in associates*	70,431	91,372	3,585	3,585	
Investments in joint ventures	337	399	_	_	
Deferred tax assets	6,874	10,584	<del>-</del>	_	
Other non-current receivables	2,549	1,085	144,770	150,166	
Investment securities	217,279	235,299	82,003	88,783	
Other non-current assets	48,515	49,335			
Total non-current assets	1,513,508	1,543,395	455,500	465,051	
Current assets	0.020				
Assets classified as held for sale*	9,929	1 270	_	_	
Development properties for sale Inventories	38,150	1,270	_	_	
	162,127	157,608	_	155	
Income tax receivables	13,277	16,384	11	155	
Prepayments Trade receivables	6,100	5,003	221 22	244 21	
	80,208	66,463			
Other receivables	66,347	76,766	349,127	357,405	
Marketable securities	15	16 330	_	_	
Derivative financial instruments  Cash and cash equivalents	1,353 46,893	56,194	1,675	- 8,934	
Total current assets	424,399	380,034	351,056	366,759	
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Total assets	1,937,907	1,923,429	806,556	831,810	
Equity and liabilities					
<b>Equity</b>					
Share capital	265,928	265,928	265,928	265,928	
Retained earnings	706,741	705,374	107,865	105,015	
Other reserves	111,378	125,958	18,142	23,322	
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	1,084,047	1,097,260	391,935	394,265	
Non-controlling interests	61,294	66,131		_	
Total equity	1,145,341	1,163,391	391,935	394,265	
Non-current liabilities					
Provisions	5,607	6,478	_	_	
Deferred tax liabilities	71,796	69,056	2,060	1,797	
Other non-current payables	_	-	128,829	135,411	
Borrowings	309,916	307,609	215,610	250,992	
Derivative financial instruments	3,724	2,928	3,044	2,589	
Other non-current liabilities	9,677	13,682			
Total non-current liabilities	400,720	399,753	349,543	390,789	
Current liabilities					
Provisions	1,994	1,957		_	
Income tax payable	26,896	27,020	744	713	
Trade payables	27,480	26,621	271	657	
Other payables	49,989	65,493	34,563	45,386	
Borrowings	282,861	233,106	29,500	_	
Derivative financial instruments	2,626	6,088		16 756	
Total current liabilities	391,846	360,285	65,078	46,756	
Total liabilities	792,566	760,038	414,621	437,545	
Total equity and liabilities	1,937,907	1,923,429	806,556	831,810	

<sup>\*</sup> The Group re-designated its non-tin resources investment in an associate as asset held for sale in Q1 2010.

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

# Amount repayable in one year or less, or on demand:

As at 30	0/6/2010	As at 31/12/2009			
Secured S\$'000	Unsecured S\$'000	Secured S\$'000	Unsecured S\$'000		
_	282,861	_	233,106		

## Amount repayable after one year:

As at 30	0/6/2010	As at 31/12/2009			
Secured Unsecured S\$'000 S\$'000		Secured S\$'000	Unsecured S\$'000		
236,547	73,369	250,992	56,617		

# **Details of any collateral:**

The \$215.6 million loan is secured by mortgages over the land and building at No. 9 Battery Road, Singapore and legal assignment of all rights, titles and interests under contracts in respect of the mortgaged properties. The loan is due in September 2011.

The \$20.9 million loan is secured by, inter alia, legal mortgages over the land and building erected on No.5 Chancery Lane, Singapore. The loan shall be repaid 6 months after issuance of Temporary Occupation Permit or 25 December 2011, whichever is earlier.

# $1 (c) \qquad \text{A cash flow statement (for the group), together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.}$

Consolidated cash flow statement for the 2nd quarter and half year ended 30 June 2010

	2nd Quarter (Q2) Ended 30 June		Half Yea		
	2010	2009	2010	2009	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Cash flows from operating activities					
Profit before tax from continuing operations	23,179	35,908	16,969	34,900	
Adjustments					
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	5,431	4,516	10,318	8,879	
Amortisation of intangible assets	493	875	1,349	1,942	
Amortisation of deferred income	(906)	(906)	(1,812)	(1,812)	
Dividend income	_	(2,316)	(2,775)	(3,443)	
Interest income	(692)	(1,198)	(1,404)	(2,979)	
Finance costs	4,234	6,778	8,976	11,674	
Currency realignment	485	(6,065)	6,810	(1,185)	
Currency translation loss from a liquidated subsidiary	126	_	126	_	
Fair value changes in investment properties	(25,690)	_	(25,690)	_	
Fair value changes in financial assets	465	(1,643)	(883)	(870)	
Net gain on disposal of investment securities	_	(18,427)	_	(20,450)	
Net (gain)/loss on disposal of investment properties	(530)	2,600	(457)	3,084	
Net loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	11	16	10	22	
Impairment provisions on investments in associates	_	_	20,510	_	
Write back of unutilised upgrading provision	_	_	(3,278)	_	
(Write back)/Write-off/provisions for mine rehabilitation/exploration costs and inventories	(1,165)	217	(515)	864	
Property, plant and equipment written off	_	52	14	53	
Provision for severance benefit and share based payments	497	(1)	1,001	33	
Provision/(Reversal) for doubtful receivables and bad debts written off	756	(4)	752	38	
Share of (profit)/loss from equity-accounted associates	(857)	1,283	(2,617)	615	
Share of profit from equity-accounted joint ventures	(22)	(16)	(58)	(27)	
Operating cash flows before changes in working capital	5,815	21,669	27,346	31,338	
(Increase)/Decrease in development properties for sale	(1,031)	6,523	(1,031)	6,523	
Increase in inventories	(25,882)	(31,088)	(2,865)	(30,297)	
Decrease in marketable securities	_	5,003	_	5,020	
Decrease/(Increase) in trade and other receivables	2,433	(7,483)	(27,611)	(31,727)	
(Decrease)/Increase in trade and other payables	(15,893)	3,392	(27,281)	8,723	
Cash flow used in operations	(34,558)	(1,984)	(31,442)	(10,420)	
Income taxes paid	(3,669)	(6,843)	(4,289)	(11,239)	
Payment of finance costs	(4,668)	(6,926)	(8,498)	(15,683)	
Interest received	682	1,189	1,394	3,291	
Dividend income	_	2,316	2,775	3,443	
Dividends from associates	465	_	465	2,281	
Dividend from joint venture	60	59	102	59	
Net cash flows used in operating activities	(41,688)	(12,189)	(39,493)	(28,268)	

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

Consolidated cash flow statement for the 2nd quarter and half year ended 30 June 2010 (cont'd)

	2nd Quarter 30 J	/		ar Ended June
	2010	2009	2010	2009
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from investing activities				
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment and investment properties	5,983	27,677	39,132	33,364
Cost incurred on property, plant and equipment	(4,516)	(970)	(9,455)	(1,575)
Proceeds from disposal of investment securities	_	45,051	_	50,334
Purchase of investment securities	_	(72,323)	_	(72,323)
Cost incurred on investment properties	(149)	(10,629)	(1,910)	(17,363)
Payment of deferred mine development and exploration expenditure	(2,869)	(3,295)	(6,104)	(7,103)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow on acquisition of a subsidiary	(1,470)	1,253	(1,470)	1,252
Purchase of shares of associates	_	(284)	(2,847)	(284)
Net cash flows (used in)/from investing activities	(3,021)	(13,520)	17,346	(13,698)
Cash flows from financing activities				
Dividends paid to shareholders	(6,518)	(65,179)	(6,518)	(325,897)
Dividend paid to minority shareholders of a subsidiary	(196)	-	(196)	_
Increase in borrowings	53,653	107,760	66,392	257,760
Decrease in loans and borrowings	(14,199)	(5,824)	(47,098)	(35,895)
Proceeds from issuance of shares by subsidiaries to minority shareholders	_	67	_	67
Net cash flows from/(used in) financing activities	32,740	36,824	12,580	(103,965)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(11,969)	11.115	(9,567)	(145,931)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(502)	760	266	2,117
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning balance	59,364	60,153	56,194	215,842
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1(d)(i) A statement (for the issuer and group) showing either (i) all changes in equity or (ii) changes in equity other than those arising from capitalisation issues and distributions to shareholders, together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

Statements of changes in equity for the period ended 30 June 2010

# **GROUP**

SAUCE	Total Equity \$'000	Equity attributable to owners of the Company \$'000	Share capital \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	AFS reserve \$'000	Hedging reserve \$'000	Revaluation reserve \$'000	Share option reserve \$'000	Translation reserve \$'000	Non- controlling interests \$'000
Opening balance at 1 January 2010	1,163,391	1,097,260	265,928	705,374	76,179	(4,652)	64,460	84	(10,113)	66,131
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for 1st quarter	(9,255)	(4,448)	-	(7,210)	(9,693)	(849)	-	-	13,304	(4,807)
Dividend on ordinary shares										
- Dividend for 2009, payable	(6,518)	(6,518)	-	(6,518)	-	_	_	_	_	_
Closing balance at 31 March 2010	1,147,618	1,086,294	265,928	691,646	66,486	(5,501)	64,460	84	3,191	61,324
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for 2nd quarter	(2,081)	(2,247)	-	15,095	(8,319)	2,184	-	_	(11,207)	166
Dividend to minority shareholders of subsidiary	(196)	_	-	_	-	_	-	-	-	(196)
Closing balance at 30 June 2010	1,145,341	1,084,047	265,928	706,741	58,167	(3,317)	64,460	84	(8,016)	61,294
	Total Equity \$'000	Equity attributable to owners of the Company \$'000	Share capital \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	AFS reserve \$'000	Hedging reserve \$'000	Revaluation reserve \$'000	Share option reserve \$'000	Translation reserve \$'000	Non- controlling interests \$'000
Opening balance at 1 January 2009	1,249,130	1,196,781	265,928	891,369	10,026	(2,729)	70,493	150	(38,456)	52,349
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for 1st quarter	22,110	23,527	_	3,575	13,452	252	439	_	5,809	(1,417)
Dividend on ordinary shares										
- Special dividend	(325,897)	(325,897)	-	(325,897)	-	-	-	_	-	-
Adjustment of share-based payments	(140)	(66)	-	_	_	_	_	(66)	_	(74)
Closing balance at 31 March 2009	945,203	894,345	265,928	569,047	23,478	(2,477)	70,932	84	(32,647)	50,858
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for 2nd quarter	55,808	58,038	-	34,340	10,902	(1,013)	_	-	13,809	(2,230)
Minority interest arising from acquisition of a subsidiary	868	-	-	_	-	_	-	-	_	868
Capital injection by minority interest of a subsidiary	67	-	-	-	-	_	-	_	-	67
Closing balance at 30 June 2009	1,001,946	952,383	265,928	603,387	34,380	(3,490)	70,932	84	(18,838)	49,563

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Statements of changes in equity for the period ended 30 June 2010 (cont'd)

# **COMPANY**

	Total equity \$'000	Equity attributable to owners of the Company \$'000	Share capital \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	AFS reserve \$'000	Hedging reserve \$'000	Revaluation reserve \$'000	Translation reserve \$'000
Opening balance at 1 January 2010	394,265	394,265	265,928	105,015	29,642	(2,573)	129	(3,876)
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for 1st quarter	4,701	4,701	-	6,953	(3,649)	(321)	_	1,718
Dividend on ordinary shares								
- Dividend for 2009, payable	(6,518)	(6,518)	_	(6,518)	-	-	-	_
Closing balance at 31 March 2010	392,448	392,448	265,928	105,450	25,993	(2,894)	129	(2,158)
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for 2nd quarter	(513)	(513)	-	2,415	(3,131)	(141)	-	344
Closing balance at 30 June 2010	391,935	391,935	265,928	107,865	22,862	(3,035)	129	(1,814)

	Total equity \$'000	Equity attributable to owners of the Company \$'000	Share capital \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	AFS reserve \$'000	Hedging reserve \$'000	Revaluation reserve \$'000	Translation Reserve \$'000
Opening balance at 1 January 2009	682,160	682,160	265,928	413,657	8,050	(2,213)	129	(3,391)
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for 1st quarter	13,453	13,453	-	4,025	8,546	708	_	174
Dividend on ordinary shares								
- Special dividend	(325,897)	(325,897)	-	(325,897)	-	_	-	
Closing balance at 31 March 2009	369,716	369,716	265,928	91,785	16,596	(1,505)	129	(3,217)
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for 2nd quarter	14,722	14,722	-	15,333	(325)	195	_	(481)
Closing balance at 30 June 2009	384,438	384,438	265,928	107,118	16,271	(1,310)	129	(3,698)

1(d)(ii) Details of any changes in the company's share capital arising from rights issue, bonus issue, share buy-backs, exercise of share options or warrants, conversion of other issues of equity securities, issue of shares for cash or as consideration for acquisition or for any other purpose since the end of the previous period reported on. State also the number of shares that may be issued on conversion of all the outstanding convertibles, as well as the number of shares held as treasury shares, if any, against the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares of the issuer, as at the end of the current financial period reported on and as at the end of the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

Not applicable.

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

30 June 2010 31 December 2009 '000 325.897 325.897

Total number of ordinary shares in issue

There were no treasury shares as at 30 June 2010 and 31 December 2009.

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

Not applicable.

1(e) Negative assurance confirmation on interim financial results pursuant to Rule 705(5) of the SGX's Listing Manual.

The Board of Directors of the Company hereby confirms that, to the best of their knowledge, nothing has come to the attention of the Board of Directors which may render the second quarter 2010 financial results to be false or misleading in any material aspect.

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

These figures had not been audited or reviewed by the Company's auditors.

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

Not applicable.

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

The Group had applied the same accounting policies and methods of computation in the preparation of the financial statements for the current reporting period compared with the audited financial statements as at 31 December 2009, except for the adoption of new/revised Financial Reporting Standards (FRSs) and Interpretations to FRSs applicable for the financial period beginning 1 January 2010.

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

Among the changes to FRSs are FRS 103 (revised 2009) and FRS 27 (amended) which become effective for the Group's financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2010. FRS 103 (revised 2009) introduces significant changes to the accounting for business combination, both at the acquisition date and post acquisition, and requires greater use of fair values. The amendments will mainly impact the accounting for transaction costs, step acquisitions, goodwill and non-controlling interests (previously minority interests).

The amended FRS 27 requires accounting for changes in ownership interests by the Group in a subsidiary, while maintaining control, to be recognised as an equity transaction. When the Group loses control of a subsidiary, any interest retained in the former subsidiary will be measured at fair value with gain or loss recognised in the income statement.

The revised FRS 103 and amended FRS 27 will be applied prospectively and therefore there will be no adjustments made to prior period financial statements.

6. Earnings per ordinary share of the group for the current financial period reported on and the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year, after deducting any provision for preference dividends.

	2nd Quar	ter (Q2)	Half Year Ended 30 June		
	2010	2009	2010	2009	
Basic and Diluted Earnings per share for the period based on Group profit attributable to owners of the Company:-	<b>4.6 cents</b>	10.5 cents	2.4 cents	11.6 cents	

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

Net asset value per share based on issued share capital at the end of:	30 June 2010	31 December 2009
The Group	\$3.33	\$3.37
The Company	<b>\$1.20</b>	\$1.21

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

## Resources

The Malaysia Smelting Corporation Berhad ("MSC") Group recorded a pre-tax profit of \$7.0 million (RM16.39 million) for 2Q2010 compared with a pre-tax profit of \$4.4 million (RM10.66 million) for 2Q2009. This was mainly due to satisfactory performance by the Malaysian operations, higher net contributions from its investment in the Rapu Rapu polymetallic project in the Philippines and lower interest expense.

The MSC Group reported a pre-tax profit for 2Q2010 compared with a pre-tax loss of \$8.8 million (RM20.25 million) in 1Q2010 which was mainly due to an impairment provision of \$20.5 million (RM48 million) on its investments in associates.

# **Hospitality**

Hospitality operations recorded a pre-tax loss of \$8.7 million for 2Q2010 compared with a pre-tax loss of \$2.0 million for 2Q2009. Arising from greater competition especially in Australia, revenue per available room fell despite higher occupancy in 2010. Total expenses were also higher.

#### **Property**

Property operations recorded a pre-tax profit of \$3.9 million for 2Q2010 compared with a pre-tax profit of \$15.2 million for 2Q2009. This was mainly due to the sale of development properties in 2009, despite rental income from the Straits Trading Building commencing in 4Q2009.

### Cash flow and working capital

Largely as a result of increased sales volume and average tin prices, the Group increased its borrowings to fund higher working capital requirements.

### Net assets

As at 30 June 2010, the Group's net assets stood at \$1.1 billion, equivalent to \$3.33 per share.

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

No prospect statement was disclosed in the first quarter 2010 financial results announcement made on 13 May 2010.

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

#### Resources

In the light of the firmer metal prices and strong performance from the Rapu Rapu project, barring any unforeseen circumstances, the Board expects the operating performance of the MSC Group for the current year to be better than that of last year.

# **Hospitality**

The Group's ongoing review and continuing improvement of its entire hospitality operations, including refinement of product standards are expected to result in increased costs.

## **Property**

Rental income from the Straits Trading Building will increase with rising occupancy in subsequent quarters. The Group launched its new cluster bungalow development at Five Chancery in July 2010. The Group can be expected to seize new opportunities in property development as they arise.

## 11. Dividend

### (a) Current Financial Period Reported On

Any dividend declared for the current financial period reported on?

None.

## (b) Corresponding Period of the Immediately Preceding Financial Year

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

None.

#### (c) Date payable

Not applicable.

#### (d) Books closure date

Not applicable.

# 12. If no dividend has been declared/recommended, a statement to that effect.

No dividend has been declared for the second quarter ended 30 June 2010.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD Sng Kiat Huang (Ms) Secretary

13 August 2010 Singapore

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