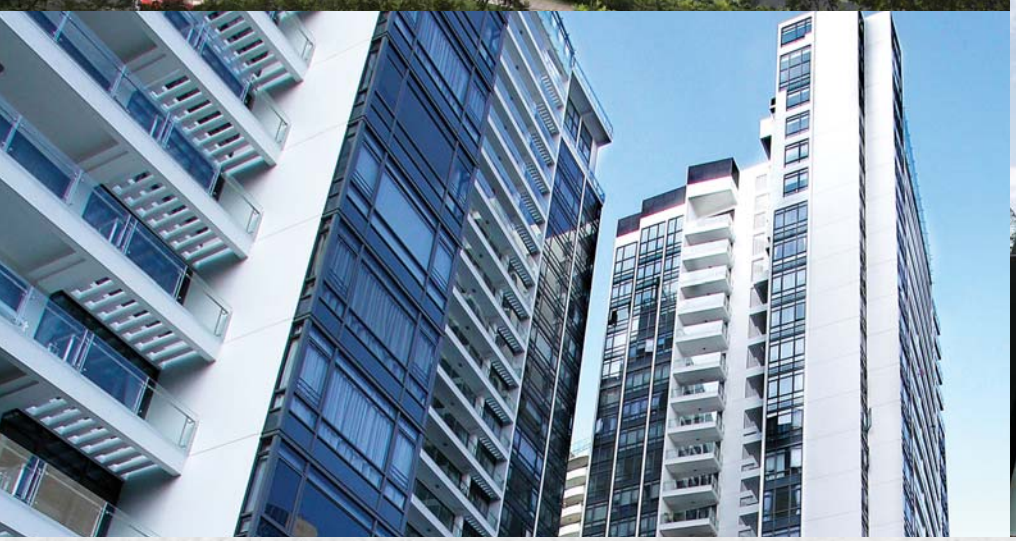
TA CORPORATION LTD
ANNUAL REPORT 2012



Building **Excellence**
Delivering **Promises**

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ABOUT TA CORPORATION

With a history back to 1972, TA Corporation has grown to become an established property and construction group in Singapore. Backed by its competencies in the construction business and experience in working with established real estate developers, the Group has a reputation as a developer of quality well-located residential developments, targeting the middle to upper middle markets. Some of its completed developments include *Leonie Hill Residences*, *The Citrine* and *Parc Seabreeze*, and major ongoing development projects includes *Auralis*, *Coralis*, *The Cristallo* and *Gambir Ridge*. In addition, the Group has also successfully ventured overseas through joint-ventures in the PRC, Thailand and Cambodia.

TA Corporation's main construction business is principally undertaken through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Tiong Aik Construction Pte Ltd, which has a track record of over 40 years in Singapore. Over the years, the Group has built a solid reputation as a reliable building contractor with the ability to undertake a wide spectrum of projects for both public and private sector clients. Most of its past and existing customers are established names, including government bodies such as the URA, HDB and JTC and established real estate developers such as Allgreen Properties Ltd, CapitaLand Residential Ltd, CapitaLand Commercial Ltd, The Ascott Group, Keppel Land Realty Pte Ltd, Wheelock Properties (S'pore) Ltd and Wing Tai Holdings Ltd.

TA Corporation was listed on the SGX Mainboard on November 21, 2011.

VISION

To be the preferred property developer and construction services provider through our pursuit of uncompromising quality and excellence.

MISSION

We are committed to delivering quality products and services with our hallmark excellence, growing with our greatest assets – our people, and delivering shareholder value.

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

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DEAR SHAREHOLDERS,

On behalf of the Board, I am pleased to present the annual report of TA Corporation Ltd (the "Company", and together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") for the financial year ended 31 December 2012 ("FY2012").

Marking our first full year as a listed company on the Mainboard of the Singapore Exchange since our listing, we continued to garner shareholders' confidence in our business strategy and well established track records by delivering a strong bottom-line performance and achieving a new high in our top-line hence creating strong value for our stakeholders. Our success in FY2012 serves as a springboard for our next phase of growth.

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

In FY2012, despite going into the year cautious of uncertainty and weaknesses in the global economy and headwinds in the Singapore property market due to the government's ongoing efforts to curb property market speculation, the Group has continued to ride on its successful strategies to achieve record profits. Driven by continued demand for our quality developments and the progressive delivery of a healthy construction order book, we recorded a 30.4% growth in revenue to a new high of $371.1 million from $284.7 million in FY2011. In line with our growth in business activity and our continued efforts to raise productivity and operation efficiency, gross profit rose 38.3% to $80.2 million compared to $58 million in FY2011. The Group achieved a strong profit before tax of $56.6 million in FY2012.

The Group's FY2012 net profit attributable to owners of the Company of $39.6 million was a record increase of 41.9% compared to $27.9 million in FY2011. Our cash and bank balances grew strongly to $105.2 million compared to $91 million in FY2011.

Over the past 16 years, we have consistently delivered on our promises and established a strong position in the market as a much sought after developer of high-quality, well-located real estate developments for the middle and upper middle market segments. Today, the TA Corporation name is synonymous with unsurpassed quality, convenience and lifestyle. With that in focus, our residential projects typically sit in prime areas with excellent accessibility to amenities as well as current or upcoming public transportation hubs. During the year, we launched two residential projects – *The Cristallo* and *Gambir Ridge*, both of which were very well received by the market.

In furthering our regional outreach, the Group marked a major milestone during the year as we made our strategic entry into the Thai property market. With a resilient domestic economy underpinned by private and public investments, Thailand's commercial and residential property market presents strong opportunities for growth. Our subsidiary, Sireerin Signature Co., Ltd ("Sireerin"), set-up in partnership with experienced Thai partners, undertakes real estate investment and development in the burgeoning Thai property market. Sireerin is progressing well on its first project, the *De Iyara* which is a 65-unit 3½ storey shophouses near Bangkok which was launched in February 2013, with 100% sold within a short period.

The Group's other joint ventures in regional markets continued to show progress. In Dalian City, PRC, our associate company, Dalian Shicheng Property Development Co., Ltd ("DLSC PRC") has launched the first batch of phase 7 of its development during the year. DLSC PRC will progressively launch further phases of its mix-used township development at the opportune time. Our associate company in Cambodia is currently undertaking its first development of 21 villas in Phnom Penh which has an emerging property market. The launch date is expected to be in first half of 2013.

The Group's ongoing property developments in Singapore comprise *Coralis, The Cristallo, Auralis, Gambir Ridge* and joint venture developments *Starlight Suites* and an upcoming 420-unit mid-range condominium on a prime 99-year leasehold residential site at Dairy Farm Road, with target launch date by second half 2013.

With over 40 years' track records in construction, the Group has a well established reputation as a respected and reliable quality building contractor. The Group is currently undertaking major private residential building works that include *Foresque Residences, Nouvel 18, Starlight Suites* and *Riversails*, for blue-chip real estate developers. As a testament to the quality and reliability of our building work we have been awarded numerous accreditations and recognitions from industry regulatory authorities and Singapore Government organisations and have won many repeat construction contracts from our clients.

Tiong Aik Construction Pte Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary, undertakes construction business for our clients and holds a BCA grade of A1 which enables the company to undertake public sector construction projects of unlimited contract value.

The Group have a strong order book of $447 million as at 31 December 2012 which include major private residential projects with blue-chip developers.

OUTLOOK

The recently announced Singapore Budget 2013 is expected to have wide ranging impact, in particular, the construction sector will face even higher labour costs and tight manpower supply as the government accelerates its restructuring efforts of the economy to reduce reliance on foreign labour and increase impetus to push for higher productivity. While the operating

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environment will be challenging for our construction segment, going forward our Group will continually upgrade our productivity, improve operational efficiency and increase staff training. With a team of highly experienced management and staff, well established reputation, solid track records, we believe these strengths and our sound business strategy will position us well to meet the challenges ahead.

For the real estate segment, while 2013 had started off with the Singapore Government implementing its seventh round of cooling measures on the property market, we believe the long-term prospects of the local property sector remains sound as these measures are meant to ensure a sustainable and stable property market in the longer term. In addition, the desire for well-located high-quality first home is expected to underpin demand from genuine home buyers. Nonetheless, the Group will continue to take a cautious approach in the light of current market sentiment while evaluating further opportunistic land bank acquisition and ventures locally and in the region.

The response to our recent property development launches has been well received by buyers. While market sentiment has been dampened by the latest cooling measures, we remain optimistic our upcoming property development launches will be similarly well received.

For the construction sector, we foresee continued growth based on the Building and Construction Authority's ("BCA") healthy demand estimation. According to BCA, private sector construction demand is expected to range between $12 billion and $15 billion in 2013. While this represents a moderated activity level for the private construction sector, based on our solid relationship with blue-chip real estate developers and our well established reputation, we believe the Group is well-positioned to capture growth opportunities in 2013 and will continue to perform, underpinned by our order book of $447 million.

To further expand locally and regionally the Group's core businesses as well as to diversify, we joint ventured during the year with strategic business partners by leveraging on our combined knowledge and expertise to venture into real estate development locally and in the region and to pursue the distribution of lubricants in overseas market, in particular Myanmar.

We will continue to monitor closely local and regional real estate and construction market, evaluate market developments and leverage on our competitive strengths to take advantage of growth opportunities in Singapore and in resilient Asian economies to further cement our status as a leading real estate development and construction company.

DIVIDEND

In appreciation of our shareholders' continued support in TA Corporation, the Board of Directors is pleased to propose a first and final dividend of 1.3 Singapore cents per share, which represents a pay-out ratio of approximately 15% of the Group's profit attributable to shareholders for FY2012. Based on the Group's closing share price of $0.395 on 31 December 2012, this dividend represents an annualised yield of 3.3%.

IN APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I wish to express our appreciation to our stakeholders, customers, bankers and business associates for their continued support and confidence in us.

To our management and staff, I wish to record my sincere thanks for your invaluable contributions and efforts that have brought TA Corporation to greater heights in 2012. While the New Year is fraught with challenges, let us continue to work together to make 2013 another excellent year.

MR LIONG KIAM TECK
Executive Chairman

March 18, 2013

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The Group's real estate development and construction business segments continued to perform strongly in the year, contributing to a year of record profit and value creation, as we strategically diversified our business portfolio into distribution of high performance motor oil and lubricants, which we position for expansion into the region. To further the expansion of the Group locally and regionally in our core businesses as well as in the distribution of lubricants, we joint ventured with strategic business partners by leveraging on our combined knowledge to acquire a residential site at Dairy Farm Road with 3 business partners; a joint venture with several Thai partners, through Sireerin, to venture into real estate development in Thailand and a joint venture with Synergy Resources Group Pte Ltd, a company owned by Myanmar nationals, to pursue distribution of lubricants in Myanmar.

While the overall business environment has continued to be challenging amidst ongoing uncertainty and weaknesses in the global economy and impacts from the implementation of anti-speculation measures on the property market, our core operations remained strong on contributions from two property launches during the year, with one of the projects fully sold within a few days of launch, as well as the progressive delivery of pre-sold property units and construction works from a healthy construction order book.

REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT

Singapore

In FY2012, the Group's real estate development business recorded a 21.5% gain in revenue to $151.3 million, approximately 40.8% of total Group revenue, and the increase was largely contributed by progressive recognition of revenue from ongoing residential developments.

The 127-unit *Coralis* freehold development at Joo Chiat Road, which was launched in March 2010, successfully sold all, except one unit by end of February 2013. *Coralis* which is approximately 85% completed, is targeted to achieve TOP by second half 2013. The 56-unit *Auralis* freehold development located at East Coast Road, sold 55 units after its launch in May 2011 with its remaining one unit sold during the year. *The Cristallo* – a 74-unit freehold development, located at Telok Kurau area was launched in March 2012. This project was more than 70% sold as at end February 2013. TOP for *The Cristallo* is targeted by first half 2015. The 94-unit *Parc Seabreeze* development, sold out in April 2011 and which achieved TOP in June 2012, further contributed to the Group's results.

As outlined above, the Group launched two freehold residential developments during the year, which was met with enthusiasm from buyers. The 74-unit *The Cristallo* at Lorong K Telok Kurau proved popular with buyers when it was launched in March 2012, as was the 77-unit *Gambir Ridge* at 16 and 18 Gambir Walk, which was fully sold following its preview on 21 September 2012. The Group target to launch a mixed development at Balestier Road by second half 2013 and a 7-unit freehold residential development at Jalan Sayang by first half 2014.

To better capitalise on growth opportunities in the real estate market both in Singapore and regionally, we forged new strategic joint ventures during the year, which include a joint-venture with three business partners to develop a 420-unit mid-range condominium at Dairy Farm Road, and a joint venture in Thailand to develop a 65-unit 3½ storey shophouses, called *De Iyara* near Bangkok as its maiden project.

PRC & Cambodia

While the cooling measures to curb speculation on the property market implemented by the government of PRC has continued to impact market sentiment in the PRC, emerging cities such as Dalian City continued to present opportunities underpinned by rising income level and growing affluence. Capitalising on these opportunities which led to increased demand for quality well-located private developments, our 25.37% associate company, which owned a multi-phased mixed use (residential & commercial) development in Dalian City, has launched the first batch of phase 7 of its development. Phase 1 to 6, comprising residential and commercial units which were launched previously were well received by buyers with more than 90% sold. The remaining phases comprising commercial properties which will include shopping complexes and hotels will be launched at the right opportunity.

Cambodia is an emerging market that we believe offers excellent medium to long-term growth for real estate development. The Group owns a 49% equity interest in a Cambodian company that is involved in developing *Serene Villas*, a project comprising 21 villas on a prime plot of land in Phnom Penh. This maiden project is near completion and is targeted to be launched by mid 2013. The Group has a right of first refusal to purchase a piece of prime land in Phnom Penh and will continue to seek opportunities in this growing market.

Thailand

Continuing our business strategy to seek growth opportunities in the region, we have made headway in Thailand by establishing a subsidiary, Sireerin Signature Co., Ltd. ("Sireerin"), a joint venture with experienced Thai partners, which will position the Group to capitalise on the growing real estate development market in the country.

Sireerin is progressing well with the development of its maiden project, the *De Iyara* – a 65-unit 3½ storey shophouses near Bangkok which was launched in February 2013, with 100% sold within a short period. Other well-located properties have been identified in and near Bangkok which the Group is pursuing to add to its land bank for future development.

CONSTRUCTION

The Group's construction business continues to perform well this year on the back of progressive delivery of our healthy order book. Revenue contributions from our construction business to the Group's top-line rose 35.1% to $216.4 million compared to $160.2 million in FY2011. In line with the higher revenue generated, and our continued efforts to raise productivity and operational

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efficiency, gross profit rose 38.3% to $80.2 million compared to $58 million in FY2011.

The Group is currently undertaking major private residential building works that include *Foresque Residences*, *Starlight Suites*, *Nouvel 18* and *Riversails* for blue-chip real estate developers. The Group's latest award of construction project is a $116.7 million contract for the proposed development of the 420-unit mid-range condominium at Dairy Farm Road. This real estate development project is a joint venture among 3 strategic business partners and the Group, which won the bid for the 99-year leasehold land in September 2012.

With a strong order book of $447 million as at end December 2012, the Group's construction business will remain busy on the progressive delivery of work over the next 36 months. As outlined in the recent Singapore Budget 2013, there will be progressive increase in labour costs and tight labour supply impacting the construction industry, which we are monitoring closely and will continually upgrade our efforts to improve productivity and manage operational efficiency to meet these challenges. Despite the increasingly challenging operating environment for the construction sector, we will seek out opportunities based on our well established reputation as a reliable and quality builder supported by a team of highly experienced management and staff, to further cement our close relationship with blue-chip developers to win contracts and increase our order book.

COMPLEMENTARY COMPETENCIES AND OTHER BUSINESS

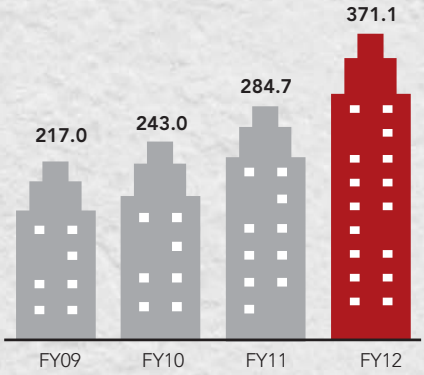
The Group has over the years built strong complementary specialised services in addition to its construction business, which include the design, installation and maintenance of air-conditioning and mechanical ventilation systems for buildings and specialised users, steel fabrication and metal works, and a BCA endorsed worker training and test centre in Chennai, India. The Group expanded into the training and testing of construction workers by securing in 2012 an approval from BCA to set up a training and test centre in Singapore to provide multi-skills training and testing facilities. In early 2013, the Group further secured another BCA approval to set up a similar facility in The Philippines.

The Group broadened its income base and acquired Sino Tac Resources Pte Ltd in 2012 to enter into the distribution of high performance lubricants and related products. Sino Tac Resources Pte Ltd is an exclusive distributor of BP's lubricants in Singapore since 2007. To position the Group for the expansion of this business into the regional market, the Group joint ventured in end 2012 with a strategic business partner, which has established business network in Myanmar, to pursue the distribution of lubricants in that country.

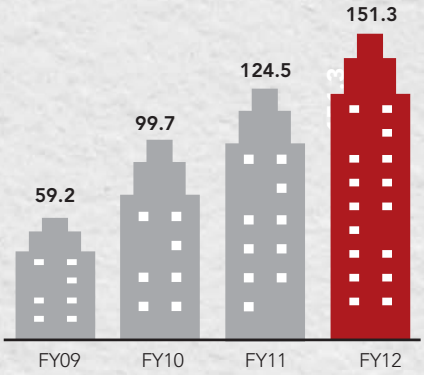
For FY2012, the Group recorded $6.6 million in Other Income, mainly attributable to recurring rental income from investment properties, project management and administrative fees.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

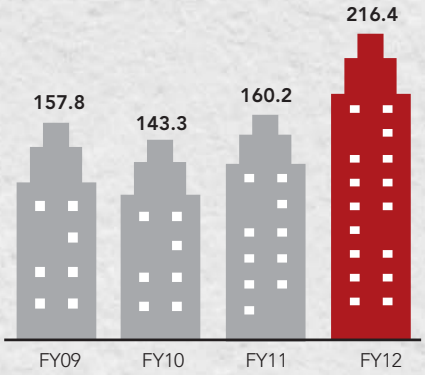
Group Revenue[1]
($'million)



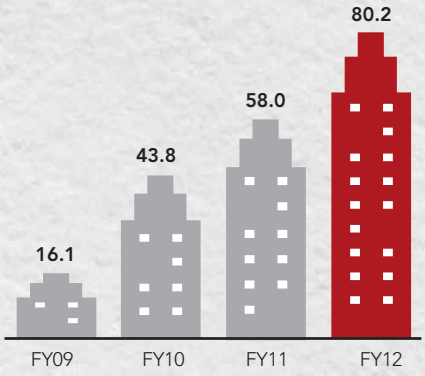
Real Estate Development[1]
($'million)



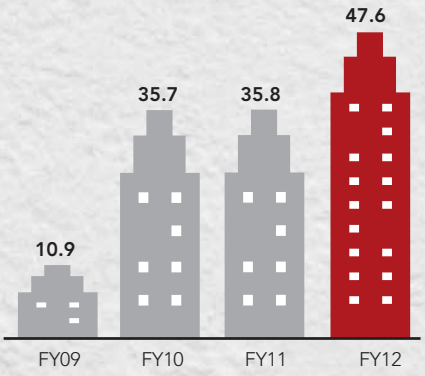
Construction
($'million)



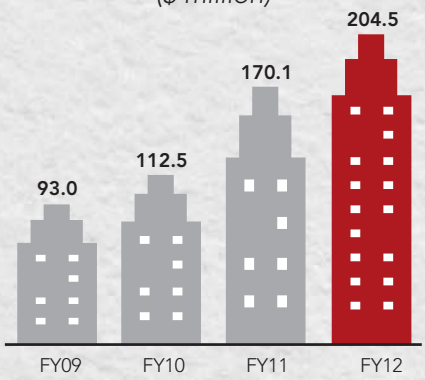
Gross Profit[1]
($'million)



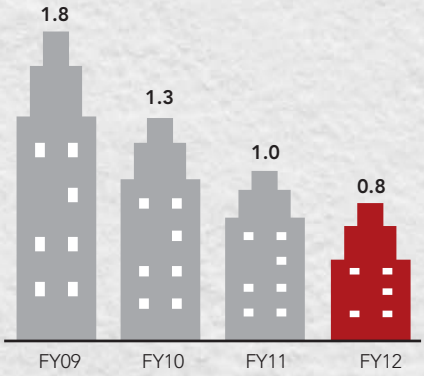
Profit after tax[1]
($'million)



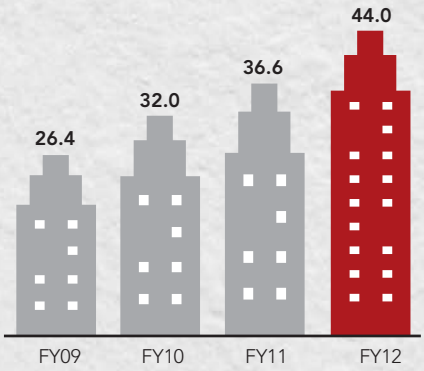
Equity attributable to shareholders of the Company[1]
($'million)



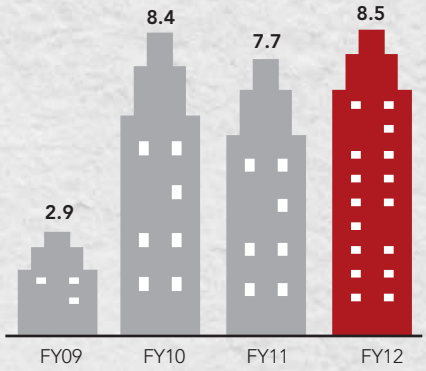
Gearing Ratio[1]
(Times)



Net Asset Value per Share[2]
(Cents)



Earnings per Share[3]
(Cents)



1 FY09 & FY10 have been restated as a result of adopting INT FRS 115

2 Based on issued share capital of 465,000,000 shares for FY12 & FY11; and based on pre-invitation share capital of 352,000,000 shares for FY10 & FY09

3 Based on weighted average number of 465,000,000 and 361,400,000 shares for FY12 & FY11 respectively; and based on pre-invitation share capital of 352,000,000 shares for FY10 & FY09

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MR LIONG KIAM TECK is the Executive Chairman of our Group. He was appointed to the Board on 7 March 2011. As our Executive Chairman, Mr Liong is responsible for the overall development of our Group's corporate direction and policies and plays an active role in the development, maintenance and strengthening of client relations. His other responsibilities also include overall business development, strategic planning, and project management. Mr Liong is one of the founders of our Group and has over 39 years of management experience. Over the years, he has established a network of relationships with developers, customers, consultants and architects within the construction industry.

MR NEO TIAM POON @ NEO THIAM POON is the Deputy Executive Chairman of our Group and was appointed to the Board on 7 March 2011. Mr Neo Tiam Poon @ Neo Thiam Poon is in charge of the overall project management of our various construction projects, conducts periodic quality and safety checks to ensure that quality and safety management systems are adhered to closely, and sources for real estate development opportunities, and conducts feasibility studies for project development viabilities. Mr Neo Tiam Poon @ Neo Thiam Poon has been with us since 1976 and has over 35 years of management experience. Over the years, he has established a network of relationships with developers, customers, consultants and architects within the construction industry.

MR NEO TIAM BOON, PBM is the Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director of our Group. He was appointed to the Board on 7 March 2011. As our Chief Executive Officer, Mr Neo Tiam Boon, PBM responsibilities include overall business development, financial and strategic planning, sales and marketing as well as human resources of the Group. Mr Neo Tiam Boon, PBM has been with our Group since 1996 and has over 15 years of management experience. Over the years, he has established a network of relationships with developers, customers, consultants and architects within the industry. Mr Neo Tiam Boon, PBM graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the University of Arkansas in 1986 and was conferred the Public Service Medal (Pingat Bakti Masyarakat) by the President of the Republic of Singapore in 2005.

MR NEO THIAM AN is the Executive Director of our Group and was appointed to the Board on 7 March 2011. Mr Neo Thiam An is in charge of the management of the site operations of developments for external developers as well as our own in-house developments. Mr Neo Thiam An has been with the Group since 1977 and has over 35 years of management experience. Over the years, he has established a network of relationships with developers, customers, consultants and architects within the industry.

MR LIM HOCK BENG was appointed as our Independent Director on 20 September 2011. He serves as the Chairman of our Audit Committee and is a member of our Remuneration Committee and the Nominating Committee. Since 1996, Mr Lim has been the Managing Director of Aries Investments Pte Ltd, a private investment holding company with its principal interests in the investment of quoted securities and overseas properties. Prior to that, he founded Lim Associates (Pte) Ltd (now known as Boardroom Corporate & Advisory Services (Pte) Ltd) in 1968 and was its managing director until his retirement at the end of 1995. Mr Lim has more than 30 years of experience and knowledge in the corporate secretarial field, which includes advising listed companies on compliance with the listing rules. Mr Lim holds a Diploma in Management Accounting and Finance and is a fellow member of the Singapore Institute of Directors. He currently serves on the boards as well as on the audit committees of various public listed companies in Singapore, namely King Wan Corporation Limited, Huan Hsin Holdings Ltd, GP Industries Ltd and Colex Holdings Limited.

MR LEE AH FONG was appointed as our Independent Director on 20 September 2011. He serves as the Chairman of our Remuneration Committee and is a member of our Audit Committee. Mr Lee was a civil servant before becoming a practicing lawyer in 1981 after he was called to the English Bar as a Barrister-at-Law on 24 July 1980. He is currently a partner of Ng, Lee & Partners. Mr Lee is an Honorary Management Committee Member of the Singapore Federation of Chinese Clan Associations, the Chairman of Yuying Secondary School Management Committee and has been serving in various capacities in non-government organizations and clan associations for many years. Mr Lee currently serves on the boards of 2 other public listed companies in Singapore, namely Cortina Holdings Ltd and TEE International Limited.

MR MERVYN GOH BIN GUAN was appointed as our Independent Director on 20 September 2011. He serves as our Chairman of the Nominating Committee and is a member of our Audit Committee and the Remuneration Committee. Mr Goh is currently a consultant with Lawhub LLC. Prior to this, he was the Vice President (Legal) for The Great Eastern Life Assurance Company Limited from 2008 to 2010, a partner with Wee Woon Hong & Associates from 2006 to 2008, and a partner with Chui Sim Goh & Lim from 1994 to 2006. Mr Goh graduated from the National University of Singapore with a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) in 1989 and was called to the Singapore Bar in 1990. Mr Goh also previously served as a committee member in the Kampong Kembangan Community Club Management Committee from 2005 to 2010.

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Our Group is committed to being an environmentally-sustainable enterprise. We believe in building a greener future by minimizing our impact on, and helping to protect the environment. Our Group has embarked on environmental sustainability efforts through a multi-pronged approach. We have implemented an environmental management system to identify and manage environmental aspects, including energy and water usage and conservation, and paper usage. These aspects are managed by setting reduction targets and implementing programs to achieve these targets.

Our Group monitors the energy and water usage in construction sites for our projects under construction. Our Group has implemented various energy conservation measures to reduce energy consumption such as installing energy-efficient lighting and electronic ballasts in our projects under construction and our corporate offices in Singapore and also take into consideration energy efficiency or give preference to equipment with the Energy Star logo when purchasing new office equipment. Our Group has also implemented water conservation measures such as the use of rainwater or recycled water to wash vehicles before they leave the construction sites, and the use of recycled water for washing before casting. Water-saving devices like thimbles in taps are also installed wherever possible in our project sites and our corporate offices in Singapore. We also embarked on a paper usage reduction drive by providing our staff with tips on paper conservation such as printing only when necessary, printing on both sides of a page, and reusing and recycling used paper. We have also placed recycling bins on our project sites.

Our Group is committed to be a progressive builder in addressing environmental and public concern arising from construction works and supports the BCA's efforts to promote sustainability, environmental protection and considerate practices by builders during the construction phase of development. Some of the key features adopted by our Group's construction projects include: (i) extensive use of recycled aggregates for non structural applications like drains, road kerbs and wheel stoppers; (ii) use of energy efficient lightings and green label photocopiers in the site office; and (iii) providing covered walkways around the site where there is heavy usage by the general public.

Our Group recognises the importance of managing and developing human capital, and that a positive work environment will better attract, motivate and retain talent. We are an equal opportunity employer that adopts fair employment practices. Recruitment advertisements placed in the newspapers and recruiting websites do not have gender, ethnic and age preferences. Our Group is committed to managing occupational health and safety issues, and preference is given to engaging OHSAS 18000-certified or bizSAFE-certified vendors/contractors for our projects under development.

STATEMENT OF **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

TA Corporation Ltd (the "Company") is committed to ensuring and maintaining high standards of corporate governance to preserve and enhance shareholders' value. This report outlines the corporate governance framework and practices of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") with specific reference to the Code of Corporate Governance 2005 (the "2005 Code").

BOARD MATTERS

Board's Conduct of its Affairs

Principle 1: ***Every company should be headed by an effective Board to lead and control the company. The Board is collectively responsible for the success of the company. The Board works with Management to achieve this outcome, and the Management remains accountable to the Board.***

The Board of Directors (the "Board") comprises four Executive Directors and three Independent Directors having the appropriate mix of core competencies and diversity of experience to direct and lead the Company. As at the date of this report, the Board comprises the following members:

Mr Liong Kiam Teck	Executive Chairman
Mr Neo Tiam Poon @ Neo Thiam Poon	Deputy Executive Chairman
Mr Neo Tiam Boon	Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director
Mr Neo Thiam An	Executive Director
Mr Lim Hock Beng	Lead Independent Director
Mr Lee Ah Fong	Independent Director
Mr Mervyn Goh Bin Guan	Independent Director

The primary role of the Board is that of stewardship, to protect and enhance long-term shareholders' value and is entrusted to exercise reasonable and proper care in ensuring the use of the Company's resources for the best interest of shareholders and to safeguard the Company's assets. It sets the corporate strategies of the Group, and directions and goals for the Management. It supervises the Management and monitors performance of these goals. The Board is responsible for the overall corporate governance of the Group.

The Board meets regularly to deliberate the strategic policies of the Group including significant acquisitions and disposals, the annual budgets, the Group's financial performance, risk management and approval for the release of quarterly, half-yearly and year-end financial results announcements.

In carrying out and discharging its duties and responsibilities efficiently and effectively, the Board is assisted by various Board Committees namely, the Audit Committee, the Nominating Committee and the Remuneration Committee.

These Committees function within clearly defined written terms of references and operating procedures, which are reviewed on a regular basis. The Board also constantly reviews the effectiveness of each Committee.

STATEMENT OF **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The table below sets out the number of Board and Board Committee meetings which were convened during the financial year 2012, as well as the attendance of each Board member at these meetings:

	Board	Audit	Remuneration	Nominating
Number of meetings held	4	5	2	1
Name of directors	**Number of meetings attended**			
Mr Liong Kiam Teck	4	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Mr Neo Tiam Poon @ Neo Thiam Poon	4	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Mr Neo Tiam Boon	4	N.A.	N.A.	1
Mr Neo Thiam An	4	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Mr Lim Hock Beng	4	5	2	1
Mr Lee Ah Fong	4	5	2	N.A.
Mr Mervyn Goh Bin Guan	4	5	2	1

While the Board considers Directors' attendance at Board meetings to be important, it is not the only criterion to measure their contributions. The Board also takes into account the contributions by Board members in other forms including periodical reviews, provision of guidance and advice on various matters relating to the Group.

The responsibilities of the Board include:

- set strategic objectives, and ensure that the necessary financial and human resources are in place for the Company to meet its objectives; reporting to shareholders and the market;
- establish a framework of prudent and effective controls which enables risks to be assessed and managed, including safeguarding of shareholders' interests and the Company's assets;
- assessing the Board composition and director selection and monitoring Board processes and performance;
- reviewing and approving executive directors' remuneration;
- validating and approving corporate strategies;
- reviewing major business initiatives and results, monitoring budgetary control; and
- authorising and monitoring major investments and strategic commitments.

Newly appointed directors will go through an orientation program to familiarise themselves with the Group's operations and will attend director's training programs approved by SGX-ST.

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Board Composition and Guidance

Principle 2: ***There should be a strong and independent element on the Board, which is able to exercise objective judgment on corporate affairs independently, in particular, from Management. No individual or small group of individuals should be allowed to dominate the Board's decision making.***

The criterion for independence is based on the definition given in the Code of Corporate Governance 2005. The Board considers an "Independent" Director as one who has no relationship with the Company, its related companies or its officers that could interfere, or be reasonably perceived to interfere, with the exercise of the director's independent judgment of the conduct of the Group's affairs. The independence of each Director is reviewed annually by the Nominating Committee, based on the definition of independence as stated in the 2005 Code.

The Board is of the view that the current Board members comprise persons whose diverse skills, experience and attributes provide for effective direction for the Group. The composition of the Board is reviewed on an annual basis by the Nominating Committee to ensure that the Board has the appropriate mix of expertise and experience, and collectively possess the necessary core competencies for effective functioning and informed decision-making.

Key information regarding the Directors is given in the 'Board of Directors' section of the Annual Report.

Details on interests of Directors who held office at the end of the financial year in shares, debentures, warrants and share options in the Company and in related corporations (other than wholly-owned subsidiaries) are set out in the Directors' Report.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Principle 3: ***There should be a clear division of responsibilities at the top of the Company – the working of the Board and the executive responsibility of the company's business – which will ensure a balance of power and authority, such that no one individual represents a considerable concentration of power.***

Mr Liong Kiam Teck is the Executive Chairman of the Board. Mr Neo Tiam Boon is the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Executive Director of the Company. The Chairman and the CEO are immediate family members. The Company has adopted the recommendation in the Code to appoint a Lead Independent Director.

The Executive Chairman is responsible for the workings of the Board, ensuring the integrity and effectiveness of its governance process. The Chairman also ensures that the Board constructively engages the management on strategy, business operations, enterprise risk and other plans.

The role of the Executive Chairman is separate and distinct from the role of the CEO, each having their own areas of responsibilities. The Company believes that a distinctive separation of responsibilities between the Chairman and the CEO will ensure an appropriate balance of power, increased accountability and greater capacity of the Board for independent decision-making.

The Executive Chairman ensures that Board meetings are held regularly, at least four times a year, and as and when necessary. He sets the Board meeting agenda in consultation with the CEO, key executives as well as the Company Secretary. He also ensures that at each Board meeting the agenda, management reports, financial statements, Board papers, and other relevant documents are given to Directors in advance to facilitate a well-informed Board deliberation and decision-making. In the conduct of Board meetings, the Executive Chairman seeks and encourages contribution by both executive and non-executive Directors and the interaction and constructive relations among Directors. The Executive Chairman also ensures effective communication with shareholders.

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The Executive Chairman is also assisted by the three Committees and the internal auditors who report to the Audit Committee in ensuring compliance with the Company's guideline on corporate governance.

The CEO, Mr Neo Tiam Boon, is primarily responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Group and for achieving various targets set by the Board. He is assisted by the Management team. He reports directly to the Executive Chairman and to the Board and updates the Executive Chairman and the Board on the performance of the Company and the Group during regular meetings, and ensures that policies and strategies adopted by the Board are implemented.

Board Membership

Principle 4: ***There should be a formal and transparent process for the appointment of new Directors to the Board.***

The Nominating Committee ("NC") comprises three members, majority of whom including its Chairman are Independent Directors. The members of the NC are:

Mr Mervyn Goh Bin Guan	Chairman	Independent Director
Mr Lim Hock Beng	Member	Lead Independent Director
Mr Neo Tiam Boon	Member	Executive Director

One of the primary functions of the NC is to determine the criteria for identifying candidates and reviewing nominations for the appointment of directors to the Board, ensuring that the process of Board appointments and re-nominations are transparent, and to assess the effectiveness of the Board as a whole taking into consideration the contribution of individual Directors to the effectiveness of the Board as well as to affirm annually the independence of Directors.

The NC functions under the written Terms of Reference which sets out its responsibilities as follows:

(a) To recommend to the Board on all board appointments, re-appointments and re-nominations;

(b) To review the independence of the Non-Executive Directors annually in accordance with the guidelines set out in the 2005 Code;

(c) To assess the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and the effectiveness and the contribution by each Director to the Board;

(d) To conduct an annual review of the composition of the Board in terms of the size and mix of skills and qualifications of Board members.

The Directors submit themselves for re-election at regular intervals of at least once every three years in accordance with the Company's Articles.

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Board Performance

Principle 5: ***There should be a formal assessment of the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and the contribution by each director to the effectiveness of the Board.***

The NC reviewed the Board's size and the composition of the Board to satisfy that it is appropriate for effective decision making, taking into account the nature and scope of the Company's operations.

The NC has reviewed and evaluated the performance of each Director and of the Board as a whole, taking into consideration the attendance record at the meetings of the Board and Board Committees and also the contribution of each Director to the effectiveness of the Board.

The NC has also discussed the findings of the evaluations and made appropriate recommendations to the Board on steps to take to address specific issues.

Access to Information

Principle 6: ***In order to fulfill their responsibilities, Board members should be provided with complete, adequate and timely information prior to board meetings and on an on-going basis.***

All Directors are from time to time furnished with information concerning the Company to enable them to be fully cognisant of the decisions and actions of the Company's executive management. The Board has unrestricted access to the Company's records and information.

Management provides Directors with information whenever necessary and Board papers are sent to Directors before each Board and Board Committee meetings. The Directors have full and unrestricted access to all information pertaining to the Company's business or affairs to enable them to discharge their duties. Directors have access to the Company Secretaries and senior management of the Company and of the Group at all times. The Company Secretaries attend all Board meetings and meetings of the Committees of the Company where necessary and ensure that Board procedures are followed and that applicable laws, rules and regulations are complied with.

The Directors, whether as a group or individually, may seek independent professional advice relating to the Company's affairs and any aspect of the Group's operations or undertakings. The cost of such professional advice will be borne by the Company.

REMUNERATION MATTERS

Procedures for Developing Remuneration Policies

Principle 7: ***There should be a formal and transparent procedure for developing policy on executive remuneration and for fixing the remuneration packages of individual Directors. No director should be involved in deciding his own remuneration.***

The Remuneration Committee ("RC") comprises three members, all including its Chairman are Independent Directors. The members of the RC are:

Mr Lee Ah Fong	Chairman	Independent Director
Mr Lim Hock Beng	Member	Lead Independent Director
Mr Mervyn Goh Bin Guan	Member	Independent Director

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The RC reviews and recommends to the Board a framework of remuneration for the Directors and determines specific remuneration package for each Executive Director. The recommendations of the Remuneration Committee will be submitted to the Board for endorsement.

All aspects of remuneration, including but not limited to Directors' fee, salaries, allowances, bonuses and benefits-in-kind, will be reviewed by the RC. No member of the RC or any Director is involved in the deliberations in respect of any remuneration, compensation, options or any form of benefits to be granted to him.

The RC functions under the written Terms of Reference that sets out its responsibilities as follows:

(a) To review and recommend to the Board a framework for remuneration for the Directors and key executives of the Company;

(b) To determine specific remuneration packages for each Executive Director;

(c) To review the appropriateness of compensation for Non-Executive Directors; and

(d) To review the appropriateness of remuneration awarded to attract, retain and motivate Non-Executive Directors. The remuneration should be appropriate to the level of contribution, and after taking into account factors, such as the effort, time spent and responsibilities of the directors.

The Remuneration Committee will be provided with access to expert professional advice on remuneration matters as and when necessary. The expense of such services will be borne by the Company.

Level and Mix of Remuneration

Principle 8: ***The level of remuneration should be appropriate to attract, retain and motivate the Directors needed to run the company successfully but companies should avoid paying more than is necessary for this purpose. A significant proportion of Executive Directors' remuneration should be structured so as to link rewards to corporate and individual performance.***

In setting remuneration packages, the RC will take into consideration the pay and employment conditions within the industry and in comparable companies.

Executive Directors of the Company do not receive Directors' fees. They are paid a basic salary, benefits-in-kind and a performance-related profit sharing bonus pursuant to their respective service agreements.

The RC also reviewed the remuneration packages for key executives including those employees related to Directors.

Independent Directors are paid Directors' fees, subject to approval of shareholders at the Annual General Meeting ("AGM"). Directors' fees comprise a basic retainer fee and fees in respect of service on Board Committees.

The Company will submit the quantum of Independent Directors' fees of each year to the shareholders for approval at each Annual General Meeting.

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Disclosure on Remuneration

Principle 9: ***Each company should provide clear disclosure of its remuneration policy, level and mix of remuneration, and the procedure for setting remuneration in the company's annual report. It should provide disclosure in relation to its remuneration policies to enable investors to understand the link between remuneration paid to Directors and key executives, and performance.***

Remuneration of Directors for the year ended 31 December 2012

	Salary %	Bonus %	Directors' Fee %	Allowances and Other Benefits-in-kind %	Total Compensation %
$1,000,000 to $1,250,000					
Mr Liong Kiam Teck	31.2	66.7	–	2.1	100
Mr Neo Tiam Boon	23.3	74.7	–	2.0	100
$500,000 to $750,000					
Mr Neo Tiam Poon @ Neo Thiam Poon	30.7	66.0	–	3.3	100
Mr Neo Thiam An	30.9	66.4	–	2.7	100
Up to $250,000					
Mr Lim Hock Beng	–	–	100	–	100
Mr Lee Ah Fong	–	–	100	–	100
Mr Mervyn Goh Bin Guan	–	–	100	–	100

Mr Liong Kiam Teck, Mr Neo Tiam Poon @ Neo Thiam Poon, Mr Neo Tiam Boon and Mr Neo Thiam An are siblings.

Remuneration of top 5 key Executives (who are not directors) for the year ended 31 December 2012

	Salary %	Bonus %	Allowances and Other Benefits-in-kind %	Total Compensation %
$250,000 to $500,000				
First Executive	70.0	25.0	5.0	100
Second Executive	70.6	25.3	4.1	100
Up to $250,000				
Third Executive	66.3	23.9	9.8	100
Fourth Executive	61.6	20.8	17.6	100
Fifth Executive	66.3	22.3	11.4	100

Due to competition-related reasons their names are not disclosed in order to maintain confidentiality.

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For the financial year ended 31 December 2012, the aggregate remuneration (including CPF contributions thereon and benefits-in-kind) of employees who are related to our Directors was $546,353.

Except for one employee, there were no other employees in the Company and its subsidiaries who are related to our Directors, and whose annual remuneration exceeded $150,000 during the financial year ended 31 December 2012.

Share Incentive Schemes

The Company does not have any share option or other share incentive schemes for its employees.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT

Accountability

Principle 10: ***The Board should present a balanced and understandable assessment of the company's performance, position and prospects.***

The Board is accountable to the shareholders and is mindful of its obligations to furnish timely, reliable and full disclosure of material information to shareholders in compliance with statutory requirements and the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST.

Price sensitive information will be publicly released either before the Company meets with any group of investors or analysts or simultaneously with such meetings. Financial results and annual reports are announced or issued within legally prescribed periods.

Audit Committee

Principle 11: ***The Board should establish an Audit Committee with written terms of reference which clearly set out its authority and duties.***

The Audit Committee ("AC") comprises three members, all including its Chairman are Independent Directors. The AC comprises the following members:

Mr Lim Hock Beng	Chairman	Lead Independent Director
Mr Lee Ah Fong	Member	Independent Director
Mr Mervyn Goh Bin Guan	Member	Independent Director

The AC functions under the written Terms of Reference that sets out its responsibilities as follows:

(a) review with the external auditors the audit plan, their evaluation of the system of internal accounting controls, their letter to management and the management's response thereto;

(b) review with independent internal auditors, the internal audit plan and their evaluation of the adequacy of our internal control and accounting system before submission of the results of such review to our Board of Directors for approval;

(c) review the quarterly, and annual financial statements and any formal announcements relating to our Group's financial performance before submission to our Board of Directors for approval, focusing in particular on changes in accounting policies and practices, major risk areas, significant adjustments resulting from the audit, compliance with accounting standards and compliance with the Listing Manual and any other relevant statutory or regulatory requirements;

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(d) review the internal control procedures and ensure co-ordination between the external auditors and our management, review the assistance given by our management to the auditors, and discuss problems and concerns, if any, arising from the interim and final audits, and any matters which the auditors may wish to discuss (in the absence of our management, where necessary);

(e) review and consider the appointment or re-appointment of the external auditors and matters relating to the resignation or dismissal of the auditors;

(f) review interested person transactions (if any) falling within the scope of Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual;

(g) review our Group's hedging policies procedures and activities (if any) and monitor the implementation of the hedging procedure/policies, including reviewing the instruments, processes and practices in accordance with any hedging policies approved by our Board of Directors;

(h) review potential conflicts of interest, if any, and to set out a framework to resolve or mitigate such potential conflicts of interests;

(i) undertake such other reviews and projects as may be requested by our Board of Directors, and report to our Board of Directors its findings from time to time on matters arising and requiring the attention of our Audit Committee;

(j) review and discuss with investigators, any suspected fraud, irregularity or infringement of any relevant laws, rules or regulations, which has or is likely to have a material impact on our Group's operating results or financial position and our management's response thereto; and

(k) generally undertake such other functions and duties as may be required by statute or the Listing Manual, or by such amendments as may be made thereto from time to time.

The AC has the power to conduct or authorise investigations into any matter within the AC's scope of responsibility. The AC is authorised to obtain independent professional advice if it deems necessary in the discharge of its responsibilities. Such expenses will be borne by the Company. No member of the AC or any Director is involved in the deliberations and voting on any resolutions in respect of matters he is interested in.

The AC has full access to and co-operation of the Management and has full discretion to invite any Director or Executive Officer to attend its meetings, and has been given reasonable resources to enable it to discharge its functions.

The AC meets with the external and internal auditors without the presence of the Management at least once a year.

The AC reviews the independence of the external auditors annually. The AC, having reviewed the range and value of non-audit services performed by the external auditors, Deloitte & Touche LLP, was satisfied that the nature and extent of such services did not prejudice the independence and objectivity of the external auditors. During the year, the fees paid to the external auditors of the Company for non-audit services amounted to $18,000 or 6% of the 2012 audit fee. The AC recommended that Deloitte & Touche LLP be nominated for re-appointment as auditors at the forthcoming AGM.

The Company confirms that it has complied with Rules 712 and 715 of the Listing Manual in engaging Deloitte & Touche LLP, an audit firm registered with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority ("ACRA"), as the external auditors of the Company and of its Singapore subsidiaries.

The Company has in place a whistle-blowing policy and procedures, which provide employees with well-defined and accessible channels within the Group through which they may, in confidence, raise concerns about possible improprieties to the Executive Chairman with a copy of such raised concerns being copied to the Chairman of the Audit Committee.

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Internal Controls and Risk Management

Principle 12: ***The Board should ensure that the Management maintains a sound system of internal controls to safeguard the shareholders' investments and the company's assets.***

The Board recognises the importance of sound internal controls addressing financial, operational and compliance controls and risk management. In this respect, the Audit Committee continually reviewed with the internal auditors, the external auditors and the Management the adequacy and the integrity of the Group's internal control system. In the course of their audit, the external auditors will highlight any material internal control weakness and recommendations. Any such material internal weakness will be noted by the AC and Management will identify and evaluate the risks and then design, implement and monitor to mitigate the risk. Inherently, no matter how robust the internal control, it can only provide reasonably sufficient and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss or fraud.

Based on the reports from the internal auditors, the external auditors and the Management monitors the internal controls in place, the Board with the concurrence of the Audit Committee is of the opinion that the systems of internal controls is adequate to address the financial, operational and compliance risks.

Internal Audit

Principle 13: ***The Company should establish an internal audit function that is independent of the activities it audits.***

The Company out sourced the internal audit and risk management assessment functions to Saw Meng Tee & Partners PAC, an accounting firm registered with ACRA as its Internal Auditor. The Internal Auditor ("IA") reports directly to the Chairman of the Audit Committee on all internal audit matters. The IA identifies, evaluate significant risks and develop risk-based audit plan for approval by the AC. The IA provides independent assessment and reasonable assurances on areas of operation reviewed and advice and recommend on the best practices that will improve and add value to the Company.

The IA carries out their work based on the Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing set by the Institute of Internal Auditors.

The Audit Committee had reviewed the Company's internal control assessment and based on the internal auditor's and external auditor's reports and the internal controls in place, is satisfied that there are adequate internal controls in the Group.

COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS

Principle 14: ***Companies should engage in regular, effective and fair communication with shareholders.***

Principle 15: ***Companies should encourage greater shareholder participation at AGM's and allow shareholders the opportunity to communicate their views on various matters affecting the Company.***

In line with continuous obligations of the Company pursuant to the SGX-ST's Listing Rules, the Board's policy is that all shareholders be informed of all major developments that impact the Group.

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Information is disseminated to shareholders on a timely basis through:

(a) SGXNET announcements and news release;

(b) Annual Report issued to all shareholders;

(c) Press releases on major developments of the Group;

(d) Notices of and explanatory memoranda for AGM and Extraordinary General Meeting ("EGM"); and

(e) Company's website at www.tiongaik.com.sg at which shareholders can access information on the Group.

The Company's AGMs are the principal forums for dialogue with shareholders. The Chairman of each Board Committee as well as external auditors are present at the AGMs to address any shareholders' questions raised.

Shareholders are encouraged to attend the AGMs/EGMs to ensure a high level of accountability and to stay apprised of the Group's strategy and goals. Notice of the AGM and EGM will be advertised in newspapers and announced on SGXNET.

Dealing In Securities

The Company has issued an Internal Compliance Code (the "Code") to all employees of the Group setting out the implications of insider trading.

Under this Code, all Directors and employees of the Group are prohibited from dealing in the Company's securities two weeks before the release of the quarterly results or one month before the release of the full year results to the SGX-ST, and ending on the date of the announcement of the results. Circulars are issued to all Directors and employees of the Group to remind them of, inter alia, laws of insider trading and the importance of not dealing in the shares of the Company and within the Group on short-term consideration and during the prohibitive periods. Directors and employees are expected to observe the insider trading laws at all times even when dealing in securities within permitted trading period.

Interested Person Transactions

When a potential conflict of interest arises, the director concerned does not participate in discussions and refrains from exercising any influence over other members of the Board.

The Company has established review and approval procedures to ensure that interested person transactions entered into by the Group are conducted on normal terms and are not prejudicial to the interest of the shareholders. The Board meets quarterly to review if the Company will be entering into any interested person transaction.

The Audit Committee has reviewed the rationale and terms of the Group's interested person transactions and is of the view that the interested person transactions are on normal commercial terms and are not prejudicial to the interests of the shareholders.

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Name of Interested Person	Aggregate value of all interested person transactions conducted (excluding transactions less than $100,000 and transactions conducted under shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920) ($'000)	Aggregate value of all interested person transactions conducted under shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920 (excluding transactions less than $100,000) ($'000)
Sino Tac Group Pte. Ltd.	2,380	N.A.
Prestige Resources Pte Ltd	300	N.A.
TAC Alliance Pte. Ltd.	180	N.A.
Sino Tac Resources Pte Ltd	176*	N.A.
Gateway Hotel Pte Ltd	167	N.A.

* Transacted value of interested person transactions prior to acquisition of Sino Tac Resources Pte Ltd by the Group.

Material Contracts

There was no material contract entered into by the Company or any of its subsidiary companies involving the interest of the CEO, any Director, or controlling shareholder during the financial year ended 31 December 2012.

Use of IPO Proceeds

The Company makes periodic announcements on the use of the IPO proceeds as and when the funds from the IPO are materially disbursed.

FINANCIAL **REPORTS**

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their report together with the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group and statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company for the financial year ended December 31, 2012.

1 DIRECTORS

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

Liong Kiam Teck
Neo Tiam Poon @ Neo Thiam Poon
Neo Tiam Boon
Neo Thiam An
Lim Hock Beng
Lee Ah Fong
Mervyn Goh Bin Guan

2 ARRANGEMENTS TO ENABLE DIRECTORS TO ACQUIRE BENEFITS BY MEANS OF THE ACQUISITION OF SHARES AND DEBENTURES

Neither at the end of the financial year nor at any time during the financial year did there subsist any arrangement whose object is to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares or debentures in the Company or any other body corporate.

3 DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND DEBENTURES

The directors of the Company holding office at the end of the financial year had no interests in the share capital and debentures of the Company and related corporations as recorded in the register of directors' shareholdings kept by the Company under Section 164 of the Singapore Companies Act, except as follows:

	Shareholdings registered in name of director		Shareholdings in which directors are deemed to have an interest	
Name of directors and companies in which interests are held	**At beginning of year**	**At end of year**	**At beginning of year**	**At end of year**
Liong Kiam Teck	154,350,000	152,923,950	–	20,000
Neo Tiam Poon @ Neo Thiam Poon	74,088,000	73,403,496	–	–
Neo Tiam Boon	77,861,000	77,141,637	–	–
Neo Thiam An	36,701,000	36,361,917	–	–
Lim Hock Beng	100,000	100,000	–	–

The directors' interests in the shares of the Company and related corporations at January 21, 2013 were the same as at December 31, 2012.

By virtue of Section 7 of the Singapore Companies Act, Liong Kiam Teck is deemed to have an interest in all the related corporations of the Company.

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4 DIRECTORS' RECEIPT AND ENTITLEMENT TO CONTRACTUAL BENEFITS

Since the beginning of the financial year, no director of the Company has received or become entitled to receive a benefit which is required to be disclosed under Section 201(8) of the Singapore Companies Act, by reason of a contract made by the Company or a related corporation with the director, or with a firm of which he is a member, or with a company in which he has a substantial financial interest except for salaries, bonuses, other benefits and Note 35(a) as disclosed in the financial statements.

5 AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee performed the functions specified in Section 201B(5) of the Singapore Companies Act and the Singapore Code of Corporate Governance.

The Audit Committee ("AC") comprises 3 members, all of whom are independent and non-executive. The Chairman of the AC is Lim Hock Beng and the other members of the AC are Lee Ah Fong and Mervyn Goh Bin Guan.

The AC is authorised by the Board of Directors to investigate any matters within its terms of reference. It has unrestricted access to information pertaining to the Group, to both internal and external auditors, and to all employees of the Group. Reasonable resources have been made available to the AC to enable it to discharge its duties properly.

The key responsibilities of the AC include the following:

- To review the external and internal audit plans/audit reports, the scope and results of the internal audit procedures and results of the internal auditors' examination and evaluation of the Group's systems of internal accounting controls;
- To review the Group's financial and operating results and accounting policies;
- To review the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company, the consolidated financial statements of the Group before their submission to the Board of Directors and the external auditors' report on those financial statements;
- To review the quarterly, half-yearly and annual announcements as well as the related presentation slides and press releases on the results and financial positions of the Company and the Group;
- To review the co-operation and assistance given by the management to the Group's external and internal auditors; and
- To review the re-appointment of the external and internal auditors of the Group.

The Audit Committee has full access to and has the co-operation of the management and has been given the resources required for it to discharge its functions properly. It also has full discretion to invite any Director and executive officer to attend its meetings. The external and internal auditors have unrestricted access to the Audit Committee.

The Audit Committee has recommended to the Directors the nomination of Deloitte & Touche LLP for re-appointment as the external auditors of the Company at its forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

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6 SHARE OPTIONS

(a) Options to take up unissued shares

During the financial year, no options to take up unissued shares of the Company or any corporation in the Group were granted.

(b) Options exercised

During the financial year, there were no shares of the Company or any corporation in the Group issued by virtue of the exercise of an option to take up unissued shares.

(c) Unissued shares under options

At the end of the financial year, there were no unissued shares of the Company or any corporation in the Group under options.

7 AUDITORS

The auditors, Deloitte & Touche LLP, have expressed their willingness to accept re-appointment.

ON BEHALF OF THE DIRECTORS

Liong Kiam Teck

Neo Tiam Boon

March 18, 2013

STATEMENT OF **DIRECTORS**

In the opinion of the directors, the consolidated financial statements of the Group and the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company as set out on pages 32 to 96 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group and of the Company as at December 31, 2012 and of the results, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group and changes in equity of the Company for the financial year then ended and at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts when they fall due.

ON BEHALF OF THE DIRECTORS

Liong Kiam Teck

Neo Tiam Boon

March 18, 2013

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of TA Corporation Ltd

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of TA Corporation Ltd (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively, "the Group") which comprise the statements of financial position of the Group and the Company as at December 31, 2012, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows of the Group and the statement of changes in equity of the Company for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes, as set out on pages 32 to 96.

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 (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 profit and loss accounts and balance sheets and to maintain accountability of assets.

Auditors' 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 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 control. 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 statement of financial position 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 state of affairs of the Group and of the Company as at December 31, 2012 and of the results, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group and changes in equity of the Company for the year ended on that date.

INDEPENDENT **AUDITORS' REPORT**

To the Members of TA Corporation Ltd

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

Deloitte & Touche LLP
Public Accountants and
Certified Public Accountants
Singapore

March 18, 2013

STATEMENTS OF **FINANCIAL POSITION**

As at December 31, 2012

		Group		Company	
	Note	**2012 $'000**	2011 $'000	**2012 $'000**	2011 $'000
ASSETS					
Current assets					
Cash and bank balances	6	**105,151**	90,958	**6,930**	26,933
Trade and other receivables	7	**228,005**	141,969	**33,660**	11,546
Deposits and prepayments	8	**4,530**	4,164	**33**	39
Inventories	9	**1,178**	58	**–**	–
Development properties	11	**143,528**	179,048	**–**	–
Total current assets		**482,392**	416,197	**40,623**	38,518
Non-current assets					
Property, plant and equipment	12	**15,957**	16,115	**–**	–
Investment properties	13	**61,290**	57,630	**–**	–
Goodwill	14	**2,593**	1,728	**–**	–
Subsidiaries	15	**–**	–	**116,465**	113,665
Associates	16	**17,310**	17,675	**–**	–
Available-for-sale investments	17	**127**	127	**–**	–
Deferred tax assets	18	**945**	–	**–**	–
Total non-current assets		**98,222**	93,275	**116,465**	113,665
Total assets		**580,614**	509,472	**157,088**	152,183

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

STATEMENTS OF **FINANCIAL POSITION**

As at December 31, 2012

	Note	Group 2012 $'000	Group 2011 $'000	Company 2012 $'000	Company 2011 $'000
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY					
Current liabilities					
Borrowings	19	**51,094**	43,771	**–**	–
Trade and other payables	20	**159,543**	126,238	**3,447**	3,916
Current portion of finance leases	21	**578**	647	**–**	–
Income tax payable		**12,555**	3,078	**–**	–
Total current liabilities		**223,770**	173,734	**3,447**	3,916
Non-current liabilities					
Borrowings	19	**121,643**	140,280	**–**	–
Finance leases	21	**619**	742	**–**	–
Deferred tax liabilities	18	**6,905**	9,219	**–**	–
Total non-current liabilities		**129,167**	150,241	**–**	–
Capital, reserves and non-controlling interests					
Share capital	22	**142,185**	142,185	**142,185**	142,185
Capital reserve	23	**644**	–	**–**	–
Translation reserve		**(158)**	37	**–**	–
Retained earnings		**61,873**	27,832	**11,456**	6,082
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		**204,544**	170,054	**153,641**	148,267
Non-controlling interests		**23,133**	15,443	**–**	–
Total equity		**227,677**	185,497	**153,641**	148,267
Total liabilities and equity		**580,614**	509,472	**157,088**	152,183

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF **COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**

Year ended December 31, 2012

	Note	Group 2012 $'000	2011 $'000
Revenue	24	**371,099**	284,685
Cost of sales		**(290,875)**	(226,670)
Gross profit		**80,224**	58,015
Other income	25	**6,605**	6,244
Selling and distribution costs		**(6,085)**	(2,432)
General and administrative expenses		**(16,459)**	(10,667)
Other operating expenses	26	**(3,863)**	(3,547)
Share of loss of associates	16	**(142)**	(861)
Finance costs	27	**(3,667)**	(3,068)
Profit before income tax		**56,613**	43,684
Income tax expense	28	**(8,974)**	(7,863)
Profit for the year	29	**47,639**	35,821
Other comprehensive income:			
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations		**(154)**	37
Total comprehensive income for the year		**47,485**	35,858
Profit attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		**39,621**	27,915
Non-controlling interests		**8,018**	7,906
		47,639	35,821
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		**39,426**	27,869
Non-controlling interests		**8,059**	7,989
		47,485	35,858
Earnings per share (cents):			
Basic and diluted	30	**8.5**	7.7

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

STATEMENTS OF **CHANGES IN EQUITY**

Year ended December 31, 2012

	Note	Share capital $'000	Capital reserve $'000	Translation reserve $'000	Retained earnings $'000	Equity attributable to owners of the Company $'000	Non-controlling interests $'000	Total $'000
Group								
Balance at January 1, 2011		29,391	–	(85)	83,158	112,464	7,454	119,918
Adjustments arising from the restructuring exercise	22	(29,391)	–	85	(83,158)	(112,464)	–	(112,464)
New shares issued pursuant to restructuring exercise	22	112,464	–	–	–	112,464	–	112,464
New shares issued pursuant to the initial public offering	22	31,640	–	–	–	31,640	–	31,640
Total comprehensive income for the year		–	–	37	27,832	27,869	7,989	35,858
Share issue expenses taken to equity	22	(1,919)	–	–	–	(1,919)	–	(1,919)
Balance at December 31, 2011		142,185	–	37	27,832	170,054	15,443	185,497
Employee benefit expense	23	–	644	–	–	644	7	651
Non-controlling interest arising from acquisition of subsidiary	35	–	–	–	–	–	389	389
Proceeds from non-controlling interests from issue of shares in a subsidiary		–	–	–	–	–	735	735
Total comprehensive income for the year		–	–	(195)	39,621	39,426	8,059	47,485
Dividends	32	–	–	–	(5,580)	(5,580)	–	(5,580)
Dividends to non-controlling interests		–	–	–	–	–	(1,500)	(1,500)
Balance at December 31, 2012		**142,185**	**644**	**(158)**	**61,873**	**204,544**	**23,133**	**227,677**

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

STATEMENTS OF **CHANGES IN EQUITY**

Year ended December 31, 2012

	Note	Share capital $'000	Retained earnings $'000	Total $'000
Company				
Balance at date of incorporation, March 7, 2011		–	–	–
New shares issued pursuant to the restructuring exercise	22	112,464	–	112,464
New shares issued pursuant to the initial public offering	22	31,640	–	31,640
Total comprehensive income for the year		–	6,082	6,082
Share issue expenses taken to equity	22	(1,919)	–	(1,919)
Balance at December 31, 2011		142,185	6,082	148,267
Total comprehensive income for the year		–	10,954	10,954
Dividends	32	–	(5,580)	(5,580)
Balance at December 31, 2012		**142,185**	**11,456**	**153,641**

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended December 31, 2012

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Operating activities		
Profit before income tax	**56,613**	43,684
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation expense	**2,521**	2,065
Share of loss of associates	**142**	861
Loss in fair value of investment properties	**167**	–
Impairment loss on development property	**808**	–
Employee benefit expense	**651**	–
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	**(269)**	(357)
Interest expense	**3,667**	3,068
Interest income	**(2,321)**	(1,980)
Allowance for (Reversal of allowance) for doubtful debts	**793**	(20)
Operating cash flows before movements in working capital	**62,772**	47,321
Trade and other receivables	**(59,188)**	(39,852)
Deposits and prepayments	**(349)**	1,526
Inventories	**416**	39
Development properties	**41,305**	(22,891)
Trade and other payables	**26,513**	23,122
Cash generated from operations	**71,469**	9,265
Income tax paid	**(2,831)**	(2,507)
Interest paid	**(6,396)**	(6,336)
Net cash generated from operating activities	**62,242**	422
Investing activities		
Interest received	**2,321**	1,980
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	**(1,701)**	(2,165)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	**403**	387
Additional investment in associate	**–**	(6)
Advance to associates	**(26,118)**	(5,940)
Proceeds from non-controlling interest from issue of shares in a subsidiary	**735**	–
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note A)	**(1,848)**	–
Purchase of investment properties	**(3,827)**	–
Net cash used in investing activities	**(30,035)**	(5,744)

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (cont'd)

Year ended December 31, 2012

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Financing activities		
Proceeds from borrowings	**61,696**	85,208
Repayment of borrowings	**(73,459)**	(55,016)
Repayment of obligations under finance leases	**(808)**	(738)
Net proceeds from issue of shares	**–**	29,721
Dividends paid	**(5,580)**	(10,000)
Net cash (used in) generated from financing activities	**(18,151)**	49,175
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	**14,056**	43,853
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	**90,958**	46,805
Effect of exchange rate changes	**107**	300
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	**105,121**	90,958
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year comprise the following:		
Cash and bank balances (Note 6)	**105,151**	90,958
Bank overdrafts (Note 19)	**(30)**	–
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	**105,121**	90,958

Note A

Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 35):

	Sino Tac Resources Pte Ltd $'000	Sireerin Signature Co., Ltd $'000	Total $'000
Cash consideration paid	2,800	403	3,203
Less: Cash and cash equivalents acquired	(1,014)	(341)	(1,355)
Net cash outflow	1,786	62	1,848

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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December 31, 2012

1 GENERAL

The Company (Registration No. 201105512R) is incorporated in Singapore with its principal place of business and registered office at 1 Jalan Berseh, #03-03, New World Centre, Singapore 209037. The Company is listed on the Mainboard of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited. The financial statements are expressed in Singapore dollars.

The principal activity of the Company is that of investment holding.

The principal activities of the subsidiaries are disclosed in Note 15.

The consolidated financial statements of the Group and statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2012 were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on March 18, 2013.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING – The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost basis, except as disclosed in the accounting policies below, and are drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS").

ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED STANDARDS – In the current financial year, the Group has adopted all the new and revised FRSs and Interpretations of FRS ("INT FRS") that are relevant to its operations and effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2012. The adoption of these new/revised FRSs and INT FRSs does not result in changes to the Group's and Company's accounting policies and has no material effect on the amounts reported for the current or prior years.

Amendments to FRS 12 Income Taxes – Deferred Tax: Recovery of Underlying Assets

The Group adopted the amendments to FRS 12 on January 1, 2012. The amendments introduced an exception to the principle when deferred tax assets or deferred tax liabilities arise from: (i) investment property measured using the fair value model in FRS 40 Investment Property and (ii) investment property acquired in a business combination if it is subsequently measured using the fair value model in FRS 40.

The amendment introduces a rebuttable presumption that the carrying amount of an investment property will be recovered entirely through sale. This presumption is rebutted if the investment is depreciable and is held within a business model whose objective is to consume substantially all of the economic benefits over time, rather than through sale. The impact of the amendments is that entities holding investment properties accounted for using the fair value model in accordance with FRS 40 in jurisdictions where tax is not imposed on sale of the investment property would no longer recognise deferred tax on any temporary differences arising from fair value gains or losses unless the presumption is rebutted. This is because there would be no tax consequences expected to arise from recovering the carrying amount entirely through sale regardless as to whether the entity intends to use the property to generate rental income for a period of time prior to sale. In jurisdictions where tax is imposed on sale of the investment property, deferred tax will be provided based on tax rates applicable to sale accordingly.

The Group has not rebutted the presumption and will provide for deferred taxes on the basis that the carrying amounts of its investment properties will be recovered entirely from sale, where applicable.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

At the date of authorisation of these financial statements, the following new/revised FRSs, INT FRSs and amendments to FRS that are relevant to the Group and the Company were issued but not effective:

- Amendments to FRS 1 *Presentation of financial statements – Amendments relating to Presentation of items of Other Comprehensive Income*
- FRS 27 *Separate Financial Statements*
- FRS 111 *Joint Arrangements and* FRS 28 *Investment in Associates and Joint Ventures*
- FRS 110 *Consolidated Financial Statements*
- FRS 112 *Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities*
- FRS 113 *Fair Value Measurement*
- *Annual Improvements to FRS 2012*

Consequential amendments were also made to various standards as a result of these new/revised standards.

The management anticipates that the adoption of the above FRSs, INT FRSs and amendments to FRS in future periods will not have a material impact on the financial statements of the Group and of the Company in the period of their initial adoption except for the following:

Amendment to FRS 1 *Presentation of Financial Statements – Amendments relating to Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income ("OCI")*

The amendment on OCI presentation will require the Group to present in separate groupings, OCI items that might be recycled i.e., reclassified to profit or loss (e.g. those arising from cash flow hedging, foreign currency translation) and those items that would not be recycled (e.g. revaluation gain on property, plant property and equipment under the revaluation model). The tax effects recognised for the OCI items would also be captured in the respective grouping, although there is a choice to present OCI items before tax or not of tax.

Changes arising from these amendments to FRS 1 will take effect from financial years beginning on or after July 1, 2012, with full retrospective application.

When the Group adopts the amendments, it will have to present revaluation gains on property, plant and equipment and the corresponding tax effects separately from other OCI items that might be recycled to profit or loss. Management does not anticipate that the amendments to FRS 1 will have a significant effect on the financial statements.

FRS 110 *Consolidated Financial Statements and* FRS 27 *Separate Financial Statements*

FRS 110 replaces the control assessment criteria and consolidation requirements currently in FRS 27 and INT FRS 12 *Consolidation – Special Purpose Entities.*

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

FRS 110 defines the principle of control and establishes control as the basis for determining which entities are consolidated in the consolidated financial statements. It also provides more extensive application guidance on assessing control based on voting rights or other contractual rights. Under FRS 110, control assessment will be based on whether an investor has (i) power over the investee; (ii) exposure, or rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee; and (iii) the ability to use its power over the investee to affect the amount of the returns. FRS 27 remains as a standard applicable only to separate financial statements.

FRS 110 will take effect from financial years beginning on or after January 1, 2014, with full retrospective application, subject to transitional provisions.

When the Group adopts FRS 110, entities it currently consolidates may not qualify for consolidation, and entities it currently does not consolidate may qualify for consolidation. The Group is currently estimating the effects of FRS 110 on its investments in the period of initial adoption.

FRS 111 *Joint Arrangements and FRS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures*

FRS 111 supercedes FRS 31 *Interest in Joint Ventures* and INT FRS 13 *Jointly Controlled Entities – Non-Monetary Contributions by Venturers.*

FRS 111 classifies a joint arrangement as either a joint operation or a joint venture based on the parties' rights and obligations under the arrangement. The existence of a separate legal vehicle is no longer the key factor. A joint operation is a joint arrangement whereby the parties have joint control have rights to the assets and obligations for the liabilities. A joint venture is a joint arrangement whereby the parties have joint control have rights to the net assets.

The joint venturer should use the equity method under the FRS 28 *Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures* to account for a joint venture. The option to use proportionate consolidation method has been removed. For joint operations, the Group directly recognizes its rights to the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses of the investee in accordance with applicable FRSs.

FRS 111 will take effect from financial years beginning on or after January 1, 2014, with retrospective application subject to transitional provisions.

When the Group adopts FRS 111, a jointly controlled entity may be classified as a joint operation or joint venture, depending on the rights and obligations of the parties to the joint arrangement. For arrangements that are joint ventures and were previously proportionately consolidated as jointly controlled entities, the Group will have to adopt equity accounting. The Group is currently estimating the effects of FRS 111 in the period of initial adoption.

FRS 112 *Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities*

FRS 112 requires an entity to provide more extensive disclosures regarding the nature of and risks associated with its interest in subsidiaries, associates, joint arrangements and unconsolidated structured entities.

FRS 112 will take effect from financial years beginning on or after January 1, 2014, and the Group is currently estimating extent of additional disclosures needed.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

FRS 113 *Fair Value Measurement*

FRS 113 is a single new Standard that applies to both financial and non-financial items. It replaces the guidance on fair value measurement and related disclosures in other Standards, with the exception of measurement dealt with under FRS 102 *Share-based Payment*, FRS 17 *Leases*, net realisable value in FRS 2 Inventories and value-in-use in FRS 36 *Impairment of Assets*.

FRS 113 provides a common fair value definition and hierarchy applicable to the fair value measurement of assets, liabilities, and an entity's own equity instruments within its scope, but does not change the requirements in other Standards regarding which items should be measured or disclosed at fair value.

FRS 113 will be effective prospectively from annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2013. Comparative information is not required for periods before initial application.

The Group is currently estimating the effects of FRS 113 in the period of initial adoption.

Annual Improvements to FRS 2012

The Annual Improvements include a number of amendments to various FRSs. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2013. The amendments include:

- Amendments to FRS 16 *Property, Plant and Equipment*; and
- Amendments to FRS 32 *Financial Instruments: Presentation*

Amendments to FRS 16 clarify that spare parts, stand-by equipment and servicing equipment should be classified as property, plant and equipment when they meet the definition of property, plant and equipment in FRS 16 and as inventory if otherwise. Management does not anticipate that the amendments to FRS 16 will have a significant effect on the financial statements.

Amendments to FRS 32 clarify that income tax relating to distributions to holders of an equity instrument and to transaction costs of an equity transaction should be accounted for in accordance with FRS 12 *Income Taxes*. Management anticipates that the amendments will have no effect on the financial statements as the Group has already adopted this treatment.

BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION – The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and entities (including special purpose entities) controlled by the Company (its subsidiaries). Control is achieved where the Company has the power to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

The results of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the financial year are included in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income from the effective date of acquisition or up to the effective date of disposal, as appropriate.

Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring the accounting policies in line with those used by other members of the Group.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

All intra-group transactions, balances, income and expenses are eliminated in full on consolidation.

Non-controlling interests in subsidiaries are identified separately from the group's equity therein. The interest of non-controlling shareholders that are present ownership interests and entitle their holders to a proportionate share of the entity's net assets in the event of liquidation may be initially measured (at date of original business combination) either at fair value or at the non-controlling interests' proportionate share of the fair value of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. The choice of measurement basis is made on an acquisition-by-acquisition basis. Other types of non-controlling interests are measured at fair value or, when applicable, on the basis specified in another FRS. Subsequent to acquisition, the carrying amount of non-controlling interests is the amount of those interests at initial recognition plus the non-controlling interests' share of subsequent changes in equity. Total comprehensive income is attributed to non-controlling interests even if this may result in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

Changes in the Group's interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions. The carrying amounts of the Group's interests and the 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 interests are adjusted and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised directly in equity and attributed to owners of the Company.

When the Group loses control of a subsidiary, the profit or loss on disposal is calculated as the difference between (i) the aggregate of the fair value of the consideration received and the fair value of any retained interest and (ii) the previous carrying amount of the assets (including goodwill), and liabilities of the subsidiary and any non-controlling interests. Amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in relation to the subsidiary are accounted for (i.e. reclassified to profit or loss or transferred directly to retained earnings) in the same manner as would be required if the relevant assets or liabilities were disposed of. The fair value of any investment retained in the former subsidiary at the date when control is lost is regarded as the fair value on initial recognition for subsequent accounting under FRS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* or, when applicable, the cost on initial recognition of an investment in an associate or jointly controlled entity.

In the Company's financial statements, investments in subsidiaries are carried at cost less any impairment in net recoverable value that has been recognised in profit or loss.

BUSINESS COMBINATIONS – Acquisitions of subsidiaries and businesses are accounted for using the acquisition method. The consideration for each acquisition is measured at the aggregate of the acquisition date fair values of assets given, liabilities incurred by the Group to the former owners of the acquiree, and equity interests issued by the Group in exchange for control of the acquiree. Acquisition-related costs are recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Where applicable, the consideration for the acquisition includes any asset or liability resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement, measured at its acquisition-date fair value. Subsequent changes in such fair values are adjusted against the cost of acquisition where they qualify as measurement period adjustments (see below). The subsequent accounting for changes in the fair value of the contingent consideration that do not qualify as measurement period adjustments depends on how the contingent consideration is classified. Contingent consideration that is classified as equity is not remeasured at subsequent reporting dates and its subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity. Contingent consideration that is classified as an asset or a liability is remeasured at subsequent reporting dates in accordance with FRS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement*, or FRS 37 *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*, as appropriate, with the corresponding gain or loss being recognised in profit or loss.

Where a business combination is achieved in stages, the Group's previously held interests in the acquired entity are remeasured to fair value at the acquisition date (i.e. the date the Group attains control) and the resulting gain or loss, if any, is recognised in profit or loss. Amounts arising from interests in the acquiree prior to the acquisition date that have previously been recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss, where such treatment would be appropriate if that interest were disposed of.

The acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities that meet the conditions for recognition under the FRS are recognised at their fair value at the acquisition date, except that:

- deferred tax assets or liabilities and liabilities or assets related to employee benefit arrangements are recognised and measured in accordance with FRS 12 *Income Taxes* and FRS 19 *Employee Benefits* respectively;

- liabilities or equity instruments related to share-based payment transactions of the acquiree or the replacement of an acquiree's share-based payment awards transactions with share-based payment awards transactions of the acquirer in accordance with the method in FRS 102 *Share-based Payment* at the acquisition date; and

- assets (or disposal groups) that are classified as held for sale in accordance with FRS 105 *Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations* are measured in accordance with that Standard.

If the initial accounting for a business combination is incomplete by the end of the reporting period in which the combination occurs, the Group reports provisional amounts for the items for which the accounting is incomplete. Those provisional amounts are adjusted during the measurement period (see below), or additional assets or liabilities are recognised, to reflect new information obtained about facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date that, if known, would have affected the amounts recognised as of that date.

The measurement period is the period from the date of acquisition to the date the Group obtains complete information about facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date – and is subject to a maximum of one year from acquisition date.

The accounting policy for initial measurement of non-controlling interests is described above.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

The policy described above is applied to all business combinations that take place on or after January 1, 2010.

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT – Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the Group's statement of financial position when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Effective interest method

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial instrument and of allocating interest income or expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts or payments (including all fees on points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial instrument, or where appropriate, a shorter period. Income or expense is recognised on an effective interest basis for debt instruments.

Financial assets

All financial assets are recognised and de-recognised on a trade date where the purchase or sale of an investment is under a contract whose terms require delivery of the investment within the timeframe established by the market concerned, and are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs, except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss which are initially measured at fair value.

Financial assets are classified into the following specified categories: financial assets "at fair value through profit or loss", "held-to-maturity investments", "available-for-sale" financial assets and "loans and receivables". The classification depends on the nature and purpose of financial assets and is determined at the time of initial recognition.

Available-for-sale financial assets

Certain shares and debt securities held by the Group are classified as being available for sale and are stated at fair value. Fair value is determined in the manner described in Note 4. Gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income with the exception of impairment losses, interest calculated using the effective interest method and foreign exchange gains and losses on monetary assets which are recognised directly in profit or loss. Where the investment is disposed of or is determined to be impaired, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in revaluation reserve is reclassified to profit or loss. Dividends on available-for-sale equity instruments are recognised in profit or loss when the Group's right to receive payments is established. The fair value of available-for-sale monetary assets denominated in a foreign currency is determined in that foreign currency and translated at the spot rate at end of the reporting period. The change in fair value attributable to translation differences that result from a change in amortised cost of the asset is recognised in profit or loss, and other changes are recognised in other comprehensive income.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Financial assets (Continued)

Loans and receivables

Trade and other receivables that have fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are classified as "loans and receivables". Loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less impairment. Interest is recognised by applying the effective interest rate method, except for short-term receivables when the recognition of interest would be immaterial.

Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets are assessed for indicators of impairment at the end of each reporting period. Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows of the investment have been impacted.

For all other financial assets, objective evidence of impairment could include:

- significant financial difficulty of the issuer or counterparty; or
- default or delinquency in interest or principal payments; or
- it becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or financial re-organisation.

For certain categories of financial asset, such as trade receivables, assets that are assessed not to be impaired individually are, in addition, assessed for impairment on a collective basis. Objective evidence of impairment for a portfolio of receivables could include the Group's past experience of collecting payments, an increase in the number of delayed payments in the portfolio past the average credit period, as well as observable changes in national or local economic conditions that correlate with default on receivables.

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of the impairment is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate. The carrying amount of the financial asset is reduced by the impairment loss directly for all financial assets with the exception of trade receivables where the carrying amount is reduced through the use of an allowance account. When a trade receivable is uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against the allowance account. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognised in profit or loss.

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 loss was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss to the extent the carrying amount of the investment at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Financial assets (Continued)

Derecognition of financial assets

The Group derecognises a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity. If the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Group recognises its retained interest in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Group retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Group continues to recognise the financial asset and also recognises a collateralised borrowing for the proceeds received.

Financial liabilities

Classification as debt or equity

Financial liabilities and equity instruments issued by the Group are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument.

Equity instruments

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Group after deducting all of its liabilities. Equity instruments are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

Financial liabilities

Trade and other payables are initially measured at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method, with interest expense recognised on an effective yield basis.

Interest-bearing bank loans and overdrafts are initially measured at fair value net of transactions costs, and are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the settlement or redemption of borrowings is recognised over the term of the borrowings in accordance with the Group's accounting policy for borrowing costs (see below).

Derecognition of financial liabilities

The Group derecognises financial liabilities when, and only when, the Group's obligations are discharged, cancelled or they expire.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS – Where the outcome of a construction contract can be estimated reliably, revenue and costs are recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the contract activity at the end of the reporting period, based on survey of work completed at the end of each reporting period performed by independent qualified surveyors. Variations in contract work, claims and incentive payments are included to the extent that the amount can be measured reliably and its receipt is considered probable.

Where the outcome of a construction contract cannot be estimated reliably, contract revenue is recognised to the extent of contract costs incurred that are probably recoverable. Contract costs are recognised as expense in the period in which they are incurred.

When it is probable that total contract costs will exceed total contract revenue, the expected loss is recognised as an expense immediately.

LEASES – Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

The Group as lessor

Rental income from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease unless another systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which use benefit derived from the leased asset is diminished. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised as an expense over the lease term on the same basis as the lease income.

The Group as lessee

Assets held under finance leases are recognised as assets of the Group at their fair value at the inception of the lease or, if lower, at the present value of the minimum lease payments. The corresponding liability to the lessor is included in the statement of financial position as a finance lease obligation. Lease payments are apportioned between finance charges and reduction of the lease obligation so as to achieve a constant rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability. Finance charges are charged directly to profit or loss, unless they are directly attributable to qualifying assets, in which case they are capitalised in accordance with the Group's general policy on borrowing costs (see below). Contingent rentals are recognised as expenses in the period in which they are incurred.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease unless another systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the leased asset are consumed. Contingent rentals arising under operating leases are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

In the event that lease incentives are received to enter into operating leases, such incentives are recognised as a liability. The aggregate benefit of incentives is recognised as a reduction of rental expense on a straight-line basis, except where another systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the leased asset are consumed.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

INVENTORIES – Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Cost is calculated using the first-in, first-out method. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT – Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost of assets, other than freehold land, over the estimated useful lives of the assets using the straight-line method, on the following bases:

Leasehold properties	–	Over remaining lease periods ranging 30 to 99 years
Plant and equipment	–	3 to 7 years
Motor vehicles	–	5 years

Depreciation is not provided on freehold land.

The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at each financial year end, with the effect of any changes in estimates accounted for on a prospective basis.

Assets held under finance leases are depreciated over their expected useful lives on the same basis as owned assets or, if there is no certainty that the lessee will obtain ownership by the end of the lease term, the asset shall be fully depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and its useful life.

The gain or loss arising on disposal or retirement of an item of property, plant and equipment is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amounts of the asset and is recognised in profit or loss.

INVESTMENT PROPERTY – Investment property, which is property held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation, including property under construction for such purposes, is measured initially at its cost, including transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment property is measured at fair value. Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of investment property are included in profit or loss for the period in which they arise.

DEVELOPMENT PROPERTIES – Development properties are properties held for development and sale in the ordinary course of business. They include completed properties and properties in the course of development. Unsold properties are stated at the lower of cost and estimated net realisable value. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing and selling.

Development properties are stated at cost plus attributable profits less progress billings if their revenue is recognised based on percentage of completion. Progress billings not yet paid by customers are included within "trade and other receivables". Profits are recognised only in respect of properties with finalised sales agreements. When it is probably that total contract costs will exceed total contract revenue, the expected loss is recognised as an expense immediately.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Cost comprises costs that relate directly to the development, such as acquisition costs, and related costs that are attributable to development activities and can be allocated to the development project, including attributable borrowings costs (see accounting policy for borrowing costs below).

GOODWILL – Goodwill arising in a business combination is recognised as an asset at the date that control is acquired (the acquisition date). Goodwill is measured as the excess of the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest (if any) in the entity over net of the acquisition-date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed.

If, after reassessment, the Group's interest in the fair value of the acquiree's identifiable net assets exceeds the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree (if any), the excess is recognised immediately in profit or loss as a bargain purchase gain.

Goodwill is not amortised but is reviewed for impairment at least annually. For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination. Cash-generating units to which goodwill has been allocated are tested for impairment annually, or more frequently when there is an indication that the unit may be impaired. If the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit is less than its carrying amount, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the unit and then to the other assets of the unit pro-rata on the basis of the carrying amount of each asset in the unit. An impairment loss recognised for goodwill is not reversed in a subsequent period.

On disposal of a subsidiary or the relevant cash-generating unit, the attributable amount of goodwill is included in the determination of the profit or loss on disposal.

IMPAIRMENT OF ASSETS – At the end of each reporting period, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. Where a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be identified, corporate assets are also allocated to individual cash-generating units, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest group of cash-generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be identified.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

ASSOCIATES – An associate is an entity over which the Group has significant influence and that is neither a subsidiary nor an interest in a joint venture. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control or joint control over those policies.

The results and assets and liabilities of associates are incorporated in these financial statements using the equity method of accounting, except when the investment is classified as held for sale, in which case it is accounted for under FRS 105 *Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations*. Under the equity method, investments in associates are carried in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost as adjusted for post-acquisition changes in the Group's share of the net assets of the associate, less any impairment in the value of individual investments. Losses of an associate in excess of the Group's interest in that associate (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Group's net investment in the associate) are not recognised, unless the Group has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate.

Any excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the associate recognised at the date of acquisition is recognised as goodwill. The goodwill is included within the carrying amount of the investment and is assessed for impairment as part of the investment. Any excess of the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over the cost of acquisition, after reassessment, is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Where a group entity transacts with an associate of the Group, profits and losses are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the relevant associate.

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 the Group will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting period, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

When some or all of the economic benefits required to settle a provision are expected to be recovered from a third party, the receivable is recognised as an asset if it is virtually certain that reimbursement will be received and the amount of the receivable can be measured reliably.

REVENUE RECOGNITION – Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Revenue is reduced for estimated customer returns, rebates and other similar allowances.

Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when all the following conditions are satisfied:

- the Group has transferred to the buyer the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods;
- the Group retains neither continuing managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership nor effective control over the goods sold;
- the amount of revenue can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the entity; and
- the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably.

Rendering of services

Revenue from a contract to provide services is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the contract. The stage of completion of the contract is determined as follows:

- installation fees are recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the installation, determined as the proportion of the total time expected to install that has elapsed at the end of the reporting period;
- revenue from time and material contracts is recognised at the contractual rates as labour hours are delivered and direct expenses are incurred.

Construction contracts

Revenue and profits from construction contracts are recognised in accordance with the Group's accounting policy on construction contracts (see above).

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Sale of development properties

Revenue for sales of development properties is recognised when risks and rewards of ownership of the real estate is transferred to the buyer on a continuous basis. This policy applies to standard residential developments.

For such properties, revenue is recognised based on the percentage of completion method when the transfer of significant risks and rewards of ownership occurs as construction progresses. Under the percentage of completion method, revenue and costs are recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the development activity at the end of the reporting period based on survey of work completed at the end of each reporting period performed by independent qualified surveyors. Profits are recognised only in respect of properties with finalised sales agreements. When it is probable that total contract costs will exceed total contract revenue, the expected loss is recognised as an expense immediately. Development properties are stated at cost plus attributable profits less progress billings if their revenue is recognised based on percentage of completion method.

Interest income

Interest income is accrued on a time apportionment basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable.

Dividend income

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the shareholder's right to receive the dividend is legally established.

Rental income

Rental income from investment properties is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

BORROWING COSTS – Borrowing costs directly attributable to the construction of qualifying assets, which are assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended sale, are added to the cost of those assets, until such time as the assets are substantially ready for their intended sale. Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs eligible for capitalisation.

All other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

RETIREMENT BENEFIT COSTS – Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit plans are charged as an expense when employees have rendered the services entitling them to the contributions. Payments made to state-managed retirement benefit schemes, such as the Singapore Central Provident Fund, are dealt with as payments to defined contribution plans where the Group's obligations under the plans are equivalent to those arising in a defined contribution retirement benefit plan.

EMPLOYEE LEAVE ENTITLEMENT – Employee entitlements to annual leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the end of the reporting period.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

INCOME TAX – Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the financial year. Taxable profit differs from profit as reported in the statement of comprehensive income because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are not taxable or tax deductible. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted in countries where the Company and subsidiaries operate by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred tax is recognised on the differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from goodwill or from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised on taxable temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and associates, and interests in joint ventures, except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred tax assets arising from deductible temporary differences associated with such investments and interests are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that there will be sufficient taxable profits against which to utilise the benefits of the temporary differences and they are expected to reverse in the foreseeable future.

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 asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset realised based on the tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period. The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the group expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Group intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

Current and deferred tax are recognised as an expense or income in profit or loss, except when they relate to items credited or debited outside profit or loss (either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity), in which case the tax is also recognised outside profit or loss (either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, respectively), or where they arise from the initial accounting for a business combination. In the case of a business combination, the tax effect is taken into account in calculating goodwill or determining the excess of the acquirer's interest in the net fair value of the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over cost.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS AND TRANSLATION – The individual financial statements of each entity within the Group are measured and presented in the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity within the Group operates (its functional currency). The consolidated financial statements of the Group and the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company are presented in Singapore dollars, which is the functional currency of the Company and the presentation currency for the consolidated financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements of the individual entities, transactions in currencies other than the entity's functional currency are recorded at the rate of exchange prevailing on the date of the transaction. At the end of each reporting period, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at the end of the reporting period. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items, and on retranslation of monetary items are included in profit or loss for the period. Exchange differences arising on the retranslation of non-monetary items carried at fair value are included in profit or loss for the period except for differences arising on the retranslation of non-monetary items in respect of which gains and losses are recognised other comprehensive income. For such non-monetary items, any exchange component of that gain or loss is also recognised in other comprehensive income.

For the purpose of presenting consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities of the Group's foreign operations (including comparatives) are expressed in Singapore dollars using exchange rates prevailing at the end of the reporting period. Income and expense items (including comparatives) are translated at the average exchange rates for the period, unless exchange rates fluctuated significantly during that period, in which case the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions are used. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in a separate component of equity under the header of foreign currency translation reserve.

On the disposal of a foreign operation, the cumulative amount of the exchange differences relating to that foreign operation accumulated in a separate component of equity, shall be reclassified from equity to profit or loss (as a reclassification adjustment) when the gain or loss on disposal is recognised.

On consolidation, exchange differences arising from the translation of the net investment in foreign entities (including monetary items that, in substance, form part of the net investment in foreign entities), and of borrowings and other currency instruments designated as hedges of such investments, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in a separate component of equity under the header of foreign currency translation reserve.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign operation are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign operation and translated at the closing rate.

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS – Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and cash at bank, fixed deposits less bank overdrafts and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

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3 CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, which are described in Note 2, management is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Critical judgements in applying the Group's accounting policies

In the process of applying the Group's accounting policies, which are described in Note 2, management has not made any judgements that will have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements, apart from those involving estimations as discussed below.

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, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are discussed below.

Construction contracts

The Group recognises contract revenue and contract costs using the percentage of completion method. The stage of completion is measured by reference to certification of value of work performed to date.

Significant assumptions are required in estimating the total contract costs which affect the contract cost recognised to-date based on the percentage of completion. Total contract revenue also includes estimation for variation works that are recoverable from customers. In making these estimates, the Group relies on past experience and the work of specialists.

In addition, the valuation of construction contracts, development properties and accrual of contract costs can be subject to uncertainty in respect of variation works and estimation of future costs. The carrying amounts of assets and liabilities arising from construction contracts are disclosed in Note 10 to the financial statements.

Deferred tax

Significant assumptions are involved in determining the provision for deferred tax. There are certain transactions and computations for which the ultimate tax determination is uncertain during the ordinary course of business. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recognised, such differences will impact the income tax and deferred tax provisions in the period in which such determination is made. The carrying amount of the Group's deferred tax is disclosed in Note 18 to the financial statements.

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3 CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (CONTINUED)

Key sources of estimation uncertainty (Continued)

Accrued contract costs

Determining the accrued contract costs in respect of cost of work required to be carried out for the rectification of construction defects requires an assessment of the potential defects that could arise, the estimation of the timing of incurring such costs and of the future costs of carrying out such rectification works. The carrying amount of the accrual is disclosed in Note 20 to the financial statements.

Provision for foreseeable losses

Management reviews the development property for foreseeable loss whenever there is an indication that the estimated selling prices are lower than the estimated total development cost.

The estimated selling prices are based on recent selling prices for the development project or comparable projects and the prevailing property market conditions. The estimated total development costs are based on contracted amounts, and in respect of amounts not contracted for, management's estimates of the amounts to be incurred taking into consideration historical trends of the amounts incurred. The carrying amount of the development properties is disclosed in Note 11 to the financial statements.

Allowance for impairment loss on trade and other receivables

Management assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is any objective evidence that trade and other receivables are impaired. If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss on trade and other receivables has been incurred, the amount of loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows. The amount of the loss is recognised in the profit or loss. Where the loss subsequently reverses, the reversal is recognised in profit or loss. The carrying amount of the trade and other receivables is disclosed in Note 7 to the financial statements.

Impairment of goodwill

The Group determines whether goodwill is impaired at least on an annual basis. This requires an estimation of the value in use of the cash-generating units to which the goodwill is allocated. Estimating the value-in-use requires the Group to make an estimate of the expected future cash flows from the cash-generating unit and also to choose a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows. The carrying amount of the Group's goodwill is disclosed in Note 14 to the financial statements.

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3 CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (CONTINUED)

Key sources of estimation uncertainty (Continued)

Fair value of investment properties

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with FRS requires the company's management to make estimates affecting the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, of revenue and expenses, and of gains and losses. As described in Note 2, the company's investment properties, are stated at fair value, as determined by independent valuers. These estimated market values may differ from the prices at which the company's assets could be sold at a particular time, since actual selling prices are negotiated between willing buyers and sellers. Also, certain estimates require an assessment of factors not within management's control, such as overall market conditions. As a result, actual results of operations and realisation of net assets in the future could differ from the estimates set forth in these financial statements. The carrying value of investment properties is disclosed in Note 13 to the financial statements.

4 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, FINANCIAL RISKS AND CAPITAL RISKS MANAGEMENT

(a) Categories of financial instruments

The following table sets out the financial instruments as at the end of the reporting period:

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	**2012**	2011
	$'000	$'000	**$'000**	$'000
Financial assets				
Available for sale financial asset	**127**	127	**–**	–
Loans and receivables at amortised cost (including cash and cash equivalents)	**329,688**	229,733	**40,590**	38,479
Financial liabilities				
Amortised cost	**333,477**	311,678	**3,447**	3,916

(b) Financial risk management policies and objectives

The Group's financial instruments comprise borrowings, finance leases and cash and bank balances. It is management's intent to maintain a balanced portfolio of financial instruments to finance the Group's operations. The Group also has various other financial assets and liabilities such as trade receivables and trade payables which arise directly from its operations.

The Group does not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes. Market risk exposures are measured using sensitivity analysis indicated below.

There has been no change to the Group's exposure to these financial risks or the manner in which it manages and measures the risk. Market risk exposures are measured using sensitivity analysis indicated below.

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4 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, FINANCIAL RISKS AND CAPITAL RISKS MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

(b) Financial risk management policies and objectives (Continued)

(i) Foreign exchange risk management

The Group's exposure to foreign currency risk is minimal as the Group transacts primarily in Singapore dollars. The Group has some investments in foreign subsidiaries, whose net assets are exposed to currency translation risk. As far as possible, the Group relies on natural hedges of matching foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities of the same currency.

(ii) Interest rate risk management

The Group's exposure to interest rate risk relates primarily to debt obligations. The interest rates for borrowings are indicated in Note 19 to the financial statements. The Group manages interest cost by using a mixture of fixed and variable rate debts.

The Group may from time to time enter into interest rate swaps to manage its exposures to interest rate risk.

The borrowing costs related to property development projects are capitalised as cost of property development (Note 11). All other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

Interest rate sensitivity analysis

The sensitivity analysis below have been determined based on the exposure to interest rates for non-derivative instruments at the end of the reporting period and on the assumption that the change took place at the beginning of the financial year and is held constant throughout the reporting period. The magnitude represents management's assessment of the likely movement in interest rates under normal economic conditions.

If interest rates had been 50 basis points higher or lower and all other variables were held constant, the amount of interest capitalised as part of the Group's property development as at December 31, 2012 would have increased/decreased by $462,000 (2011: increased/decreased by $503,000).

In addition, if interest rates had been 50 basis points lower or higher and all other variables were held constant, the Group's profit for the financial year ended December 31, 2012 would have increased/decreased by $426,000 (2011: increased/decreased by $315,000).

The Company's profit and loss and equity are not affected materially by the changes in interest rates.

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4 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, FINANCIAL RISKS AND CAPITAL RISKS MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

(b) Financial risk management policies and objectives (Continued)

(iii) Credit risk management

Credit risk refers to the risk that counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Group. The Group has adopted a policy of only dealing with creditworthy counterparties and obtaining sufficient collateral where appropriate, as a means of mitigating the risk of financial loss from defaults. The Group's exposure and the credit ratings of its counterparties are continuously monitored and the aggregate value of transactions concluded is spread amongst approved counterparties. Credit exposure is controlled by the counterparty limits that are reviewed and approved by the management on an on-going basis.

Trade receivables consist of a number of customers from the construction and real estate industry. Ongoing credit evaluation is performed on the financial condition of accounts receivable and, where appropriate, credit guarantee insurance cover is purchased.

The Group does not have any significant credit risk exposure to any single counterparty or any group of counterparties having similar characteristics. The Group defines counterparties as having similar characteristics if they are related entities. Concentration of credit risk did not exceed 5% of gross monetary assets at any time during the year. The credit risk on liquid funds and derivative financial instruments is limited because the counterparties are banks with high credit-ratings assigned by international credit-rating agencies.

The Group's exposure to credit risk on receivables arising from the sale of condominium real estate development units is not significant as such payments are arranged through loans taken up by customers with creditworthy financial institutions.

The Group carries out construction work mainly for the private sectors. Credit risks are taken into consideration in the decision to participate in tenders for construction contracts.

The Group monitors its potential losses on credit extended. In addition, rental deposits are received as security from tenants of its investment properties. The amounts presented in the statement of financial position are net of allowances for doubtful receivables. An allowance for impairment on the receivables is made where there is an identified loss event which, based on previous experience, is evidence of a reduction in the recoverability of the cash flows.

The maximum aggregate amount the Group could be liable under all the guarantees in Note 33 (a) is approximately $73.5 million (2011: $68.5 million) in aggregate, if the full amount of all the guarantees is claimed by the banks under each of the guarantee. Based on expectations at the end of the reporting period, the Group considers that it is unlikely that any amount will be payable under these arrangements.

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4 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, FINANCIAL RISKS AND CAPITAL RISKS MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

(b) Financial risk management policies and objectives (Continued)

(iii) Credit risk management (Continued)

The maximum amount the Company could be forced to settle under the corporate guarantees given to banks in connection with facilities utilised by the subsidiaries is stated in Note 19. Based on expectations at the end of the reporting period, the Company considers that it is unlikely that that any amount will be payable under these arrangements. However, this estimate is subject to change depending on the probability of the banks claiming under the guarantee which is a function of the likelihood that the subsidiaries default on the repayment of the borrowings.

Other than the above, the carrying amount of financial assets recorded in the financial statements, grossed up for any allowances for losses, and the exposure to defaults from corporate guarantees above, represents the Group's and Company's maximum exposure to credit risk without taking account of the value of any collateral obtained.

(iv) Liquidity risk management

The Group maintains sufficient cash and cash equivalents, and internally generated cash flows to finance its activities. The Group finances its liquidity through internally generated cash flows and minimises liquidity risk by keeping committed credit lines available.

Liquidity risk analysis

Non-derivative financial liabilities

The following tables detail the remaining contractual maturity for non-derivative financial liabilities. The tables have been drawn up based on the undiscounted cash flows of financial liabilities based on the earliest date on which the Group can be required to pay. The table includes both interest and principal cash flows. The adjustment column represents the possible future cash flows attributable to the instrument included in the maturity analysis which are not included in the carrying amount of the financial liability on the statements of financial position.

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4 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, FINANCIAL RISKS AND CAPITAL RISKS MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

(b) Financial risk management policies and objectives (Continued)

(iv) Liquidity risk management (Continued)

	Weighted average effective interest rate %	On demand or within 1 year $'000	Within 2 to 5 years $'000	After 5 years $'000	Adjustment $'000	Total $'000
Group						
2012						
Non-interest bearing	**–**	**159,543**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**159,543**
Finance leases (fixed rate)	**2.9**	**631**	**678**	**–**	**(112)**	**1,197**
Fixed interest rate instruments	**5.0**	**884**	**188**	**–**	**(51)**	**1,021**
Variable interest rate instruments	**2.4**	**51,459**	**122,254**	**2,121**	**(4,118)**	**171,716**
		212,517	**123,120**	**2,121**	**(4,281)**	**333,477**
2011						
Non-interest bearing	–	126,238	–	–	–	126,238
Finance leases (fixed rate)	2.9	720	815	–	(146)	1,389
Fixed interest rate instruments	3.4	4,074	15,898	3,193	(762)	22,403
Variable interest rate instruments	2.7	40,907	125,105	–	(4,364)	161,648
		171,939	141,818	3,193	(5,272)	311,678
Company						
2012						
Non-interest bearing	**–**	**3,447**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**3,447**
2011						
Non-interest bearing	–	3,916	–	–	–	3,916

Non-derivative financial assets

The following table details the expected maturity for non-derivative financial assets. The inclusion of information on non-derivative financial assets is necessary in order to understand the Group's liquidity risk management as the Group's liquidity risk is managed on a net asset and liability basis. The tables below have been drawn up based on the undiscounted contractual maturities of the financial assets including interest that will be earned on those assets except where the Group anticipates that the cash flow will occur in a different period. The adjustment column represents the possible future cash flows attributable to the instrument included in the maturity analysis which are not included in the carrying amount of the financial asset on the statements of financial position.

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4 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, FINANCIAL RISKS AND CAPITAL RISKS MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

(b) Financial risk management policies and objectives (Continued)

(iv) Liquidity risk management (Continued)

	Weighted average effective interest rate %	On demand or within 1 year $'000	Within 2 to 5 years $'000	Adjustment $'000	Total $'000
Group					
2012					
Non-interest bearing	**–**	**283,290**	**–**	**–**	**283,290**
Variable interest rate	**4.2**	**21,381**	**–**	**(867)**	**20,514**
Fixed interest rate instruments	**0.3**	**26,016**	**–**	**(5)**	**26,011**
		330,687	**–**	**(872)**	**329,815**
2011					
Non-interest bearing	–	172,984	16,695	–	189,679
Variable interest rate	3.9	15,760	–	(586)	15,174
Fixed interest rate instruments	0.5	25,016	–	(9)	25,007
		213,760	16,695	(595)	229,860
Company					
2012					
Non-interest bearing	**–**	**15,313**	**–**	**–**	**15,313**
Variable interest rate	**2.5**	**20,263**	**–**	**(494)**	**19,769**
Fixed interest rate instruments	**0.3**	**5,509**	**–**	**(1)**	**5,508**
		41,085	**–**	**(495)**	**40,590**
2011					
Non-interest bearing	–	10,622	–	–	10,622
Variable interest rate	2.5	2,921	–	(71)	2,850
Fixed interest rate instruments	0.5	25,016	–	(9)	25,007
		38,559	–	(80)	38,479

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4 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, FINANCIAL RISKS AND CAPITAL RISKS MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

(b) Financial risk management policies and objectives (Continued)

(v) Fair value of financial assets and liabilities

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, trade and other current receivables and payables, and other liabilities approximate their respective fair values due to the relatively short-term maturity of these financial instruments. The fair values of other classes of financial assets and liabilities are disclosed in the respective notes to financial statements.

The fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities are determined as follows:

- the fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities with standard terms and conditions and traded on active liquid markets are determined with reference to quoted market prices;
- the fair value of other financial assets and financial liabilities (excluding derivative instruments) are determined in accordance with generally accepted pricing models based on discounted cash flow analysis using prices from observable current market transactions and dealer quotes for similar instruments; and
- the fair values of current financial assets and financial liabilities approximate the carrying amounts of those assets and liabilities reported in the statements of financial position due to the relatively short-term maturity of these financial instruments.

(c) Capital risk management policies and objectives

The Group manages its capital to ensure that entities in the Group will be able to continue as a going concern while maximising the return to stakeholders through the optimisation of the debt and equity balance.

The capital structure of the Group consists of debt, which includes the borrowings disclosed in Note 19 and equity attributable to owners of the Company, comprising issued capital, other components of equity and retained earnings as disclosed in the statement of changes in equity.

The Group reviews the capital structure on an annual basis. As a part of this review, the Group considers the cost of capital and the risks associated with each class of capital. The Group will balance its overall capital structure through the payment of dividends and issuance of new shares as well as the issuance of new debt or the redemption of existing debt. The Group's overall strategy remains unchanged.

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5 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Some of the transactions and arrangements are with related parties and the effect of these on the basis determined between the parties is reflected in these financial statements. The balances are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand unless otherwise stated.

During the year, Group entities entered into the following trading transactions with related parties:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Associates		
Interest income	**763**	346
Project management services	**144**	144
Accounts & administrative services	**96**	104
Companies in which certain directors have control		
Sales of motor vehicles	**–**	169
Sales and service of air-conditioners	**219**	137
Maintenance fees	**78**	41
Management service fee	**480**	432
Vehicle rental income	**–**	1
Rental income	**272**	415
Miscellaneous income	**33**	7
Medical fee	**(68)**	(72)
Miscellaneous expenses	**(117)**	(204)
Acquisition of Sino Tac Resources Pte Ltd (Note 35)	**(2,380)**	–
Dormitory rental	**(267)**	(104)
Directors		
Sales of motor vehicles	**–**	82

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5 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED)

Compensation of directors and key management personnel

The remuneration of directors and other key management personnel during the year was as follows:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Short-term benefits	**5,574**	2,412

The remuneration of directors and other key management personnel is determined by the Remuneration Committee having regard to the performance of individuals and market trends.

6 CASH AND BANK BALANCES

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	**2012**	2011
	$'000	$'000	**$'000**	$'000
Cash at bank and in hand	**79,140**	65,951	**1,421**	1,926
Fixed deposits	**26,011**	25,007	**5,509**	25,007
	105,151	90,958	**6,930**	26,933

Cash and bank balances comprise cash held by the Group and short-term bank deposits with an original maturity of three months or less. The carrying amounts of these assets approximate their fair values.

Fixed deposits bear interest ranging from 0.23% to 0.3% (2011: 0.4% to 0.5%) per annum and for tenures ranging 30 to 90 days (2011: 30 to 33 days).

Included in the cash and bank balances of the Group is an amount of $47,619,000 (2011: $27,822,000) held under the Housing Developers (Project Account) Rules, withdrawals from which are restricted to payments for expenditure incurred on the development properties (Note 11).

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7 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	**2012**	2011
	$'000	$'000	**$'000**	$'000
Trade receivables from:				
Sale of goods and services	**1,750**	1	**–**	–
Property development customers	**106,982**	68,809	**–**	–
Construction contract customers:				
– Billed	**22,310**	26,187	**–**	–
Construction contract customers:				
– Unbilled (Note 10)	**6,771**	5,996	**–**	–
Accrued trade receivables for construction contracts	**16,765**	4,398	**–**	–
Retention monies	**28,378**	19,262	**–**	–
Associates (Note 5)	**4,800**	2,242	**–**	–
Companies in which certain directors have control (Note 5)	**6**	14	**–**	–
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts				
– Associates	**(57)**	–	**–**	–
– Third parties	**(1,353)**	(582)	**–**	–
	186,352	126,327	**–**	–
Other receivables due from:				
Third parties	**1**	149	**–**	–
Associates (Note 5)	**41,579**	15,461	**–**	–
Companies in which certain directors have control (Note 5)	**24**	–	**–**	–
Subsidiaries	**–**	–	**33,660**	11,546
	41,604	15,610	**33,660**	11,546
Staff loans	**66**	22	**–**	–
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts	**(17)**	–	**–**	–
Income tax recoverable	**–**	10	**–**	–
	49	32	**–**	–
Total trade and other receivables	**228,005**	141,969	**33,660**	11,546

The average credit period is 30 days (2011: 30 days). No interest is charged on the trade receivables. Interest is charged at 2.5% to 5.3% (2011: 2.5% to 5.3%) per annum by the Group and Company on other receivables due from associates and subsidiaries. Retention monies are discounted at 5% (2011: 5.1% to 5.4%) per annum. Retention sums are classified as current as they are expected to be received within the Group's normal operating cycle.

Accrued trade receivables represent construction works which have been completed within the financial year but for which certification by architects is obtained after the financial year.

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7 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (CONTINUED)

Before accepting any new customer, the Group assesses the potential customer's credit quality and defines credit limits by customer. Limits attributed to customers are reviewed on a timely basis. The Group does not have any significant credit risk exposure to any single counterparty or any group of counterparties having similar characteristics.

Included in the Group's trade receivable balance are debtors with a carrying amount of $1,684,000 (2011: $2,097,000) which are past due at the reporting date for which the Group has not provided for any impairment losses as there has not been a significant change in credit quality and the amounts are still considered recoverable. The Group does not hold any collateral over these balances.

The Company's other receivables due from subsidiaries are repayable on demand.

The table below is an analysis of trade and other receivables:

	Group		Company	
	2012 $'000	2011 $'000	**2012 $'000**	2011 $'000
Not past due and not impaired (i)	**226,321**	139,872	**33,660**	11,546
Past due but not impaired (ii)	**1,684**	2,097	**–**	–
Impaired receivables				
– individually assessed (iii)				
– Past due more than 12 months	**1,427**	582	**–**	–
Less: Allowance for impairment	**(1,427)**	(582)	**–**	–
Total trade and other receivables, net	**228,005**	141,969	**33,660**	11,546

(i) There has not been a significant change in credit quality of these trade receivables that are not past due and not impaired.

(ii) Aging of receivables that are past due but not impaired.

	Group		Company	
	2012 $'000	2011 $'000	**2012 $'000**	2011 $'000
< 3 months	**1,404**	762	**–**	–
3 months to 6 months	**98**	302	**–**	–
6 months to 12 months	**53**	191	**–**	–
> 12 months	**129**	842	**–**	–
	1,684	2,097	**–**	–

(iii) These amounts are stated before any deduction for impairment losses.

(iv) These receivables are not secured by any collateral or credit enhancements.

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7 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (CONTINUED)

Movement in the allowance for impairment of doubtful trade and non-trade receivables:

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	**2012**	2011
	$'000	$'000	**$'000**	$'000
Balance at beginning of the year	**582**	608	**–**	–
Amounts recovered during the year	**(86)**	(129)	**–**	–
Acquired through acquisition	**52**	–	**–**	–
Bad debts written off	**–**	(6)	**–**	–
Increase in allowance recognised in profit or loss	**879**	109	**–**	–
Balance at end of the year	**1,427**	582	**–**	–

8 DEPOSITS AND PREPAYMENTS

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	**2012**	2011
	$'000	$'000	**$'000**	$'000
Tender deposits placed with third parties	**149**	75	**–**	–
Deposits placed with third parties	**3,154**	2,727	**–**	–
Prepayments	**1,227**	1,362	**33**	39
	4,530	4,164	**33**	39

9 INVENTORIES

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Goods held for sale	**1,178**	58

The cost of inventories recognised as an expense for the financial year amounted to $2,872,000 (2011: $40,000).

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10 CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Contracts work-in-progress at end of the reporting period:		
Amounts due from contract customers included in trade and other receivables (Note 7)	**6,771**	5,996
Aggregate amount of contract costs incurred plus recognised profits (less recognised losses) to date	**525,575**	332,150
Less: Progress billings	**(518,804)**	(326,154)
	6,771	5,996

Retention monies held by customers for contract work amounted to $28,378,000 (2011: $19,262,000).

11 DEVELOPMENT PROPERTIES

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Costs incurred plus attributable profits	**336,062**	400,830
Less: Progress billings	**(192,534)**	(221,782)
	143,528	179,048

Development properties have been classified as current because they are expected to be realised in the normal operating cycle.

Provision for foreseeable losses is estimated after taking into account estimated selling prices and estimated total development costs. The estimated selling prices are based on recent selling prices for the development project or comparable projects and the prevailing property market conditions. The estimated total development costs are based on contracted amounts, and in respect of amounts not contracted for, management's estimates of the amounts to be incurred taking into consideration historical trends of the amounts incurred.

During the year, $808,000 (2011: $Nil) was recognised as an expense in respect of impairment loss on development property (Note 26).

All development properties were mortgaged to banks as security for credit facilities obtained by the Group (Note 19).

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11 DEVELOPMENT PROPERTIES (CONTINUED)

The costs of development properties include the following items which have been charged during the financial year:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Property tax capitalised during the reporting period	**1,122**	2,158
Interest expense capitalised during the financial year (Note 27)	**2,729**	3,268
	3,851	5,426

The weighted average rate of capitalisation of the interest expenses for the financial year ended 2012 is 2.5% (2011: 3.0%) per annum.

Particulars of the development properties as at December 31, 2012 are as follows:

Description	Location	Approximate saleable area (Sq. Metres)	Estimated date of completion	Tenure	Site area (Sq. Metres)
Coralis	530 Joo Chiat Road	10,872	September 2013	Freehold	4,511
Auralis	589 East Coast Road	3,950	December 2013	Freehold	2,818
The Cristallo	70 & 72 – 76B Lorong K Telok Kurau Road	5,012	January 2015	Freehold	3,227
Gambir Ridge	16 Gambir Walk	6,194	December 2015	Freehold	3,763
Residential development	19, 21, 23 & 25 Jalan Sayang	2,231	September 2014	Freehold	1,278
Mixed development	454 Balestier Road	*	*	Freehold	1,084
De Iyara	Klong Luang District Pathumthani, Thailand	7,048	March 2014	Freehold	11,200

* Information not available yet as written permission from URA for the development has not been obtained.

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12 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Freehold property $'000	Leasehold properties $'000	Plant and equipment $'000	Motor vehicles $'000	Total $'000
Group					
Cost:					
At January 1, 2011	827	18,400	12,048	4,264	35,539
Additions	–	–	2,256	59	2,315
Exchange differences	(85)	–	(21)	–	(106)
Disposals	–	–	(24)	(1,187)	(1,211)
At December 31, 2011	742	18,400	14,259	3,136	36,537
Acquired through acquisitions	**–**	**–**	**35**	**190**	**225**
Additions	**–**	**–**	**1,350**	**962**	**2,312**
Exchange differences	**(49)**	**–**	**(7)**	**–**	**(56)**
Disposals	**–**	**–**	**(423)**	**(688)**	**(1,111)**
At December 31, 2012	**693**	**18,400**	**15,214**	**3,600**	**37,907**
Accumulated depreciation:					
At January 1, 2011	195	5,751	10,534	3,084	19,564
Depreciation	17	656	1,016	376	2,065
Exchange differences	(16)	–	(9)	–	(25)
Disposals	–	–	(24)	(1,158)	(1,182)
At December 31, 2011	196	6,407	11,517	2,302	20,422
Depreciation	**18**	**673**	**1,435**	**395**	**2,521**
Exchange differences	**(19)**	**–**	**3**	**–**	**(16)**
Disposals	**–**	**–**	**(291)**	**(686)**	**(977)**
At December 31, 2012	**195**	**7,080**	**12,664**	**2,011**	**21,950**
Carrying amount:					
At December 31, 2012	**498**	**11,320**	**2,550**	**1,589**	**15,957**
At December 31, 2011	546	11,993	2,742	834	16,115

(a) The carrying amount of the Group's plant and equipment and motor vehicles includes an amount of $1,519,000 (2011: $1,391,000) in respect of assets held under finance leases (Note 21).

(b) During the financial year, the Group acquired property, plant and equipment with an aggregate costs of $2,312,000 (2011: $2,315,000) of which $611,000 (2011: $150,000) were acquired through finance leases. Cash payments of $1,701,000 (2011: $2,165,000) were made to purchase property, plant and equipment.

(c) All leasehold properties were mortgaged to banks as security for credit facilities obtained by the Group (Note 19).

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12 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

(d) Details of properties are as follows:

Location	Description	Title	Gross area (Sq. Metres)
1 Jalan Berseh #03-02, #03-03 and #03-07/08/09 New World Centre Singapore 209037	Commercial	Leasehold (99 years from March 31, 1994)	825
53 Sungei Kadut Loop Singapore 729502	Warehouse/ dormitory	Leasehold (30 years from March 16, 1995)	4,211
67/67A Sungei Kadut Drive Singapore 729567	Premises for provision of engineering services/ dormitory	Leasehold (30 years from December 16, 1990)	6,168
No. 224 & 232 (part) Okkiam Thoraippakkam Industrial Estate Chennai 600096 India	Test Centre	Freehold	8,986

13 INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
At fair value		
Balance at beginning of year	**57,630**	57,630
Addition during the year	**3,827**	–
Changes in fair value included in profit or loss	**(167)**	–
Balance at end of year	**61,290**	57,630

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13 INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (CONTINUED)

The fair values of the Group's investment properties at respective reporting periods have been determined on the basis of valuations carried out at or close to the respective year end dates by independent valuers having an appropriate recognised professional qualification and recent experience in the location and category of the properties being valued. The valuations were arrived at by reference to market evidence of transaction prices for similar properties on the basis of open market values and existing use, and were performed in accordance with International Valuation Standards.

All investment properties were mortgaged to banks as security for credit facilities obtained by the Group (Note 19).

Details of the investment properties are as follows:

Location	Description	Title	Gross area (Sq. Metres)
1 Jalan Berseh, #B1-02 to #B1-22, #01-03, #01-15, #01-16, #02-02 to #02-28, #03-01, #03-04, #03-05, #03-10 to #03-16 New World Centre, Singapore 209037	Commercial	Leasehold (99 years from March 31, 1994)	4,635
83 Sungei Kadut Drive Singapore 729566	Premises for provision of engineering services	Leasehold (29 years from October 16, 1991)	4,701
1 Leonie Hill Road, #28-01 Leonie Hill Residences, Singapore 239191	Residential	Freehold	260
586 Balestier Road #02-04 & #03-04, Singapore 329898	Residential	Freehold	260

The property rental income from the Group's investment property leased out under operating leases amounted to $2,476,000 (2011: $2,495,000). Direct operating expenses (including repairs and maintenance) arising from the rental-generating investment properties amounted to $793,000 (2011: $805,000).

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14 GOODWILL

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
At cost	**2,593**	1,728

Goodwill acquired in a business combination is allocated, at acquisition, to the cash generating units ("CGUs") that are expected to benefit from that business combination. Before recognition of impairment losses, the carrying amount of goodwill had been allocated as follows:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Tiong Aik Resources (S) Pte Ltd	**1,728**	1,728
Sino Tac Resources Pte Ltd (Note 35)	**835**	–
Sireerin Signature Co., Ltd (Note 35)	**30**	–
	2,593	1,728

The Group tests goodwill annually for impairment, or more frequently if there are indications that goodwill might be impaired. Goodwill acquired in a business combination is allocated, at acquisition, to the cash generating units ("CGUs") that are expected to benefit from that business combination. The CGUs to which goodwill have been allocated are Tiong Aik Resources (S) Pte Ltd, Sino Tac Resources Pte Ltd and Sireerin Signature Co., Ltd.

As at December 31, 2012, the management is of the view that as Tiong Aik Resources (S) Pte Ltd has been profit-generating for the past 2 years, it is forecasted to generate profits in future. The fair value of the underlying material asset of the CGU has also been assessed via the latest independent valuation conducted based on cost approach.

As at December 31, 2012, the management is of the view that as Sino Tac Resources Pte Ltd has been profit-generating for the past 2 years, it is forecasted to generate profits in future. The fair value of the net assets of the CGU has also been assessed via independent valuation conducted for the acquisition of subsidiary.

As at December 2012, any reasonably possible change to the key assumptions applied is not likely to cause the recoverable amounts to below the carrying amounts of the CGUs.

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15 SUBSIDIARIES

	Company	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Unquoted equity shares at cost	**116,465**	113,665

Details of the Company's subsidiaries are as follows:

Name of significant subsidiaries	Principal activities/ Country of incorporation and operations	Group's proportion of ownership interest and voting power held	
		2012	2011
		%	%
Aston Air Control Pte Ltd	Contractor of air conditioning installation, installation and servicing of air conditioning systems/Singapore	**90**	90
Credence Engineering Pte.Ltd.	Manufacture and repair of other oilfield and gasfield machinery and equipment/Singapore	**100**	100
Meadows Investment Pte. Ltd.	Investment holding/Singapore	**100**	100
Sino Holdings (S'pore) Pte Ltd	Investment holding/Singapore	**100**	100
SinoTac Builder's (S) Pte Ltd	Building construction/Singapore	**100**	100
Tiong Aik Construction Pte Ltd	Building construction/Singapore	**100**	100
Tiong Aik Development Pte. Ltd.	Real estate development/Singapore	**100**	100
Tiong Aik Holding Pte Ltd	Real estate development/Singapore	**100**	100
Tiong Aik Investments Pte Ltd	Real estate development/Singapore	**100**	100
Sino Tac Resources Pte Ltd *#	Trading in lubricants/Singapore	**100**	–

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15 SUBSIDIARIES (CONTINUED)

Name of significant subsidiaries	Principal activities/ Country of incorporation and operations	Group's proportion of ownership interest and voting power held 2012 %	2011 %
Held by Sino Holdings (S'pore) Pte Ltd			
Grovehill Pte. Ltd.	Real estate development/Singapore	**70**	70
Sino Tac Holding Pte Ltd	Real estate development, business and management consultancy services/Singapore	**100**	100
Held by SinoTac Builder's (S) Pte Ltd			
Quest Homes Pte. Ltd.	Real estate development/Singapore	**100**	100
Held by Tiong Aik Construction Pte Ltd			
Tiong Aik Resources (S) Pte Ltd	Investment holding, general wholesale trade (including general importers and exporters)/Singapore	**57**	57

* Audited by Chan Leng Leng & Co
# During the financial year, Sino Tac Resources Pte. Ltd. was acquired (Note 35).

All subsidiaries above except for Sino Tac Resources Pte Ltd are audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, Singapore.

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16 ASSOCIATES

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Cost of investment	**9,522**	9,516
Add: Additional investment	**–**	6
	9,522	9,522
Share of post-acquisition profit, net of dividend received	**7,788**	8,153
	17,310	17,675

Details of the Group's associates are as follows:

Name of significant associates	Principal activities/ Country of incorporation and operations	Effective equity interest 2012 %	2011 %
Held by Sino Holdings (S'pore) Pte Ltd			
Meadows Bright Development Pte Ltd	Real estate development/Singapore	**45.00**	45.00
Dalian Shicheng Property Development (S) Pte. Ltd.	Real estate activities with owned or leased property/Singapore	**25.37**	25.37

The above significant associates are audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, Singapore.

Summarised financial information in respect of the Group's associates is set out below:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Total assets	**544,963**	343,353
Total liabilities	**(524,876)**	(334,237)
Net assets	**20,087**	9,116
Group's share of associates' net assets	**9,963**	7,043
Revenue	**77,158**	33,878
Loss for the year	**1,108**	4,737
Group's share of associates' loss for the year	**142**	861

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17 AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE INVESTMENTS

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Club membership, at cost	**127**	127

18 DEFERRED TAX

The following are the major deferred tax liabilities and assets recognised by the Group and the movements thereon, during the current and prior reporting period:

	Recognition of profits on uncompleted projects $'000	**Accelerated tax depreciation $'000**	**Net $'000**
At January 1, 2011	3,761	(4)	3,757
Charge to profit or loss (Note 28)	5,374	88	5,462
At December 31, 2011	9,135	84	9,219
Acquired through acquisition	–	33	33
(Credit)/Charge to profit or loss (Note 28)	(3,317)	25	(3,292)
At December 31, 2012	**5,818**	**142**	**5,960**

Certain deferred tax assets and liabilities have been offset in accordance with the Group's accounting policy. The following is the analysis of the deferred tax balances (after offset) for purposes of the statements of financial position:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Deferred tax liabilities	**6,905**	9,219
Deferred tax assets	**(945)**	–
	5,960	9,219

Temporary differences arising in connection with interest in associates are insignificant.

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19 BORROWINGS

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Bank loans – unsecured	**641**	–
Secured – at amortised cost		
Trust receipt	**–**	764
Bank overdrafts	**30**	–
Bank loans	**172,066**	183,287
	172,737	184,051
Less: Amount due for settlement within 12 months (shown under current liabilities)	**(51,094)**	(43,771)
Amount due for settlement after 12 months	**121,643**	140,280

The average effective interest rates paid were as follows:

	Group	
	2012	2011
Bank loans and overdrafts	**3.0%**	3.0%

The borrowings, which are denominated in Singapore dollars, are arranged at mainly floating interest rates and therefore expose the Group to cash flow interest rate risk. The interest rates for the long-term bank loans are reset for periods ranging from 1 month to 1 year based on changes to the banks' cost of funds.

Management estimates that the carrying amounts of the bank loans and overdrafts approximate their fair values as market interest rates are charged on the bank loans and overdrafts and the impact of fair value interest rate risk from borrowings arranged at fixed interest rates is not material to the Group.

The Group has the following bank loans:

(a) Loans of $38,243,000 (2011: $59,555,000) secured by charges over the Group's investment properties (Note 13). The loans bear interest at rates ranging from 2.1% to 2.5% (2011: 2.1% to 2.6%) per annum.

(b) Loans of $119,070,000 (2011: $99,800,000) secured by mortgages over the Group's development properties (Note 11). The loans bear interest at rates ranging from 2.1% to 2.9% (2011: 2.3% to 2.6%) per annum.

(c) Loans of $4,753,000 (2011: $13,932,000) secured by mortgages over the Group's leasehold properties (Note 12). The loans bear interest at rates ranging from 2.0% to 2.6% (2011: 2.3% to 2.5%) per annum.

(d) Loans of $10,000,000 (2011: $10,000,000) secured by mortgages over the Group's 70% of the shares of a subsidiary and corporate guarantees of the Company. The loans bear interest at rates ranging from 2.3% to 2.5% (2011: 2.3% to 2.6%) per annum.

The above loans are also secured by the corporate guarantees of the Company.

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20 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	**2012**	2011
	$'000	$'000	**$'000**	$'000
Trade payables due to:				
– Subsidiaries (Note 15)	**–**	–	**802**	3,338
– Third parties	**57,190**	62,484	**6**	312
– Associates (Note 5)	**7**	3	**–**	–
– Companies in which certain directors have control (Note 5)	**983**	901	**–**	–
Other payables due to:				
– Third parties	**2,173**	3,602	**–**	–
– Associates (Note 5)	**524**	556	**–**	–
– Companies in which certain directors have control (Note 5)	**93**	2,671	**–**	–
– Non-controlling interests	**6,406**	5,009	**–**	–
Accrued operating expenses	**9,648**	6,046	**2,639**	266
Accrued contract expenses	**44,721**	36,002	**–**	–
Dividend payable to non-controlling interests	**1,500**	–	**–**	–
Retention payables	**10,913**	7,833	**–**	–
Progress payment received	**24,855**	256	**–**	–
Deposits received	**530**	875	**–**	–
	159,543	126,238	**3,447**	3,916

Trade creditors and accruals principally comprise amounts outstanding for trade purchases and sub-contractor costs. The balances with related parties are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand. Retention monies are discounted at 5% (2011: 5.1% to 5.4%) per annum. Retention payables are classified as current as they are expected to be repaid within the Group's normal operating cycle.

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21 FINANCE LEASES

	Group			
	Minimum lease payments		Present value of minimum lease payments	
	2012	2011	**2012**	2011
	$'000	$'000	**$'000**	$'000
Amounts payable under finance leases:				
Within 1 year	**631**	720	**578**	647
Within 2 to 5 years	**678**	815	**619**	742
	1,309	1,535	**1,197**	1,389
Less: Future finance charges	**(112)**	(146)	**–**	–
Present value of lease obligations	**1,197**	1,389	**1,197**	1,389
Less: Amount due for settlement within 12 months (shown under current liabilities)			**(578)**	(647)
Amount due for settlement after 12 months			**619**	742

It is the Group's policy to lease certain of its plant and equipment under finance leases. The average lease term ranges 3-5 years (2011: 3 years). The average effective interest rate is 2.9% (2011: 2.9%) per annum. Interest rates are fixed at the contract date, and thus expose the Group to fair value interest rate risk. All finance leases (denominated in the Singapore dollars) are on a fixed repayment basis and no arrangements have been entered into for contingent rental payments.

All lease obligations are denominated in Singapore dollars.

The fair values of the Group's lease obligations approximate their carrying amounts.

The Group's obligations under finance lease are secured by the lessor's title to the leased assets.

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22 SHARE CAPITAL

	Group and Company			
	2012	2011	**2012**	2011
	Number of ordinary shares		**$'000**	$'000
Issued and paid up:				
At beginning of the year	**465,000,000**	10,000	**142,185**	29,391
Adjustments arising from the restructuring exercise	**–**	(10,000)	**–**	(29,391)
Shares issued pursuant to the restructuring exercise	**–**	352,000,000	**–**	112,464
Shares issued pursuant to the initial public offering	**–**	113,000,000	**–**	31,640
Share issue expenses taken to equity	**–**	–	**–**	(1,919)
At end of the year	**465,000,000**	465,000,000	**142,185**	142,185

Fully paid ordinary shares, which have no par value, carry one vote per share and carry a right to dividends as and when declared by the Company.

23 CAPITAL RESERVE

The capital reserve arose on the gift of Company's shares owned by the Executive Directors to certain employees of the Group.

24 REVENUE

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Revenue from construction contracts	**213,376**	157,893
Revenue from sale of development properties	**151,342**	124,497
Revenue from sale of goods	**3,404**	–
Revenue from worker training and other complementary services	**2,977**	2,295
	371,099	284,685

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25 OTHER INCOME

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Property rental income	**2,476**	2,495
Management service fee	**480**	432
Project management and administrative fee	**240**	497
Interest income	**78**	54
Interest income from associates	**763**	346
Interest income on retention amounts	**1,480**	1,580
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	**269**	357
Grant income from government	**171**	15
Net foreign exchange gain	**33**	5
Reversal of allowance for doubtful debts	**–**	129
Labour supply	**63**	81
Other sundry income	**552**	253
	6,605	6,244

26 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Property tax	**427**	157
Repairs and maintenance	**619**	246
Allowance for doubtful debts	**793**	109
Rental of office premises	**717**	567
Rental of office equipment	**201**	118
Impairment loss on development property	**808**	–
Loss in fair value of investment properties, net	**167**	–
Share issue expenses	**–**	2,287
Others	**131**	63
	3,863	3,547

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27 FINANCE COSTS

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Interest on borrowings	**4,483**	4,658
Interest on obligations under finance leases	**70**	83
Interest expense on retention amounts	**1,843**	1,595
Total borrowing costs	**6,396**	6,336
Less: Amounts capitalised as cost of development properties (Note 11)	**(2,729)**	(3,268)
	3,667	3,068

The borrowing costs capitalised as cost of construction contracts and development properties relate to borrowings taken up specifically to finance each specific project/development.

28 INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Current tax	**12,283**	2,241
Deferred tax (Note 18)	**(3,292)**	5,462
(Over) Under provision in prior years – current	**(17)**	160
	8,974	7,863

Domestic income tax is calculated at 17% (2011: 17%) of the estimated assessable profit for the financial year. Taxation for other jurisdictions is calculated as the rates prevailing in the relevant jurisdictions.

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28 INCOME TAX EXPENSE (CONTINUED)

The total charge for the financial year can be reconciled to the accounting profit as follows:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Profit before income tax	**56,613**	43,684
Tax at statutory rate of 17% (2011: 17%)	**9,624**	7,426
Tax effect of expenses that are not deductible in determining taxable profit	**215**	551
Deferred tax benefits previously not recognised	**(52)**	(199)
(Over) Under provision in prior years	**(17)**	160
Tax exempt income	**(191)**	(142)
Utilisation of tax losses	**(605)**	(12)
Others	**–**	79
	8,974	7,863

As at the end of the reporting period, the Group and the Company have tax losses of approximately $Nil (2011: $3,558,000) and $Nil (2011: $Nil) respectively that are available for offset against future taxable profits of the companies in the Group and the Company in which the losses arose for which no deferred tax asset is recognised due to uncertainty of recoverability. The use of these tax losses is subject to the agreement of the tax authorities.

No liability has been recognised in respect of temporary differences associated with undistributed earnings of subsidiaries for which deferred tax liabilities have not been recognised because the Group is in a position to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that such differences will not reverse in the foreseable future.

29 PROFIT FOR THE YEAR

This has been arrived at after charging (crediting):

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Depreciation on property, plant and equipment	**2,521**	2,065
Less: Transferred to cost of goods sold	**(1,286)**	(834)
	1,235	1,231
Cost of development properties recognised as expenses	**110,020**	88,565
Directors' remuneration:		
– of the Company	**3,739**	1,371
– of the subsidiaries	**801**	148
Employee benefits (excluding directors' remuneration)	**19,675**	17,308
Audit fees paid/payable to auditors of the Company	**300**	280
Non-audit fees paid/payable to auditors of the Company	**18**	458

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30 EARNINGS PER SHARE

Earnings per share for 2012 have been calculated based on the profit attributable to the owners of the Company of $39,621,000 (2011: $27,915,000) and weighted average share capital of 465,000,000 shares for year ended December 31, 2012 (2011: 361,416,667 shares).

31 SEGMENT INFORMATION

For the purpose of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance, the Group's chief operating decision makers have focused on the business operating units which in turn, are segregated based on their services. This forms the basis of identifying the segments of the Group under FRS 108.

Operating segments are aggregated into a single reportable segment if they have similar economic characteristics. The Group's reportable operating segments under FRS 108 are as follows:

Construction

General builders and construction contractors, training of workers, general engineering and sale of construction materials.

Real estate development

Development of residential and commercial projects and project management services.

Others

Trading of lubricants, Group level management and administration services.

The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies described in Note 2. This is the measure reported to the chief operating decision maker for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance.

For the purposes of monitoring segment performance and allocating resources between segments, the chief operating decision maker monitors the tangible, intangible and financial assets attributable to each segment.

All assets are allocated to reportable segments other than investments in associates (Note 16). Assets used jointly by reportable segments are allocated on the basis of the revenues earned by individual reportable segments.

All liabilities are allocated to reportable segments. Liabilities recorded jointly by reportable segments are allocated on the basis of the revenues earned by individual reportable segments.

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31 SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

	Construction $'000	Real estate development $'000	Others $'000	Elimination $'000	Total $'000
2012					
REVENUE					
External revenue	216,353	151,342	3,404	–	371,099
Inter-segment revenue	45,586	–	–	(45,586)	–
	261,939	151,342	3,404	(45,586)	371,099
RESULT					
Segment result	26,376	31,853	(270)	–	57,959
Interest income	1,532	755	34	–	2,321
Interest expense	(2,158)	(1,504)	(5)	–	(3,667)
Profit/(Loss) before income tax	25,750	31,104	(241)	–	56,613
Income tax expense	(3,886)	(5,095)	7	–	(8,974)
Profit/(Loss) for the year	21,864	26,009	(234)	–	47,639
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION					
Segment assets	195,720	489,840	161,964	(267,037)	580,487
Unallocated corporate assets	127	–	–	–	127
Total assets	195,847	489,840	161,964	(267,037)	580,614
Segment liabilities	146,918	352,140	4,733	(150,854)	352,937
Total liabilities	146,918	352,140	4,733	(150,854)	352,937
OTHER INFORMATION					
Additions to non-current assets	1,847	432	33	–	2,312
Depreciation expense	2,279	218	24	–	2,521
Impairment loss on development property	–	808	–	–	808

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31 SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

	Construction $'000	Real estate development $'000	Others $'000	Elimination $'000	Total $'000
2011					
REVENUE					
External revenue	160,188	124,497	–	–	284,685
Inter-segment revenue	34,389	–	–	(34,389)	–
	194,577	124,497	–	(34,389)	284,685
RESULT					
Segment result	15,076	32,307	(2,611)	–	44,772
Interest income	1,578	391	11	–	1,980
Interest expense	(2,171)	(897)	–	–	(3,068)
Profit/(Loss) before income tax	14,483	31,801	(2,600)	–	43,684
Income tax expense	(1,558)	(6,305)	–	–	(7,863)
Profit/(Loss) for the year	12,925	25,496	(2,600)	–	35,821
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION					
Segment assets	163,484	425,638	38,527	(118,304)	509,345
Unallocated corporate assets	127	–	–	–	127
Total assets	163,611	425,638	38,527	(118,304)	509,472
Segment liabilities	176,091	262,272	3,916	(118,304)	323,975
Total liabilities	176,091	262,272	3,916	(118,304)	323,975
OTHER INFORMATION					
Additions to non-current assets	2,268	47	–	–	2,315
Depreciation expense	1,879	186	–	–	2,065

Geographical segments

The Group's revenue from external customers is principally generated from Singapore. Accordingly, no geographical segment assets and revenue from external customers' information are presented.

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32 DIVIDENDS

On May 18, 2012, a dividend of 1.2 cents per share (total dividends of $5,580,000) was paid to the shareholders.

In respect of the current year, the directors propose that tax exempt (one-tier) final dividend of 1.3 cents (2011: 1.2 cents) per share be paid to shareholders. This dividend is subject to the approval by shareholders at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting and has not been included as a liability in these financial statements. The total estimated dividend to be paid is $6,045,000 (2011: $5,580,000).

33 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND GUARANTEES

(a) The Group's contingent liabilities as at December 31, 2012:

(i) A subsidiary together with another major shareholder of an associate, Dalian Shicheng Property Development Co., Ltd provided joint and several corporate guarantees amounting to RMB250 million (approximately $49.0 million) (2011: RMB250 million (approximately $54.0 million)) to a bank in respect of development loan facilities utilised by that associate;

(ii) A subsidiary together with another major shareholder of an associate, Dalian Shicheng Property Development (S) Pte Ltd provided joint and several corporate guarantees amounting to $24.5 million (2011: $14.5 million) to a bank in respect of bridging loan facilities utilised by that associate;

The fair value of the corporate guarantees is assessed by the management to be insignificant.

(iii) In 2011, a third party has instituted proceedings for a claim. As of December 31, 2012, to the best of the management's knowledge and belief, the claim is not material.

(b) The Group's performance bonds and bankers' guarantees as at December 31, 2012:

(i) Outstanding bankers' guarantees amounting to $20.2 million (2011: $21.8 million);

(ii) Outstanding performance bonds/guarantees amounting to $62.2 million (2011: $70.3 million).

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34 OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

The Group as lessee

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Minimum lease payments under operating leases (net of rebates) recognised as an expense in the financial year	**840**	567

At the end of the reporting period, the Group has outstanding commitments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Within one year	**618**	484
In the second to fifth year inclusive	**1,741**	1,408
> 5 years	**1,667**	2,007
	4,026	3,899

Operating lease payments represents rentals payable by the Group for office and warehouse premises and certain office equipment. The lease term of the office and warehouse premises is 30 years and rentals are fixed for an average of 2 years. The remaining leases are negotiated for terms between 1 to 2 years and rentals are fixed during the term of the leases.

The Group as lessor

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Rental income	**2,476**	2,495

At the end of the reporting period, the Group has contracted with tenants for the following future minimum lease payments:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	$'000	$'000
Within one year	**1,575**	1,497
In the second to fifth year inclusive	**1,250**	1,531
	2,825	3,028

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35 ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES

(a) In September 2012, the Group acquired 100% of the issued share capital of Sino Tac Resources Pte Ltd ("Sino Tac Resources") for an aggregate cash consideration of $2.8 million of which 85% was acquired from the executive directors of the Company and one of their siblings and the balance 15% from a director of Sino Tac Resources. This transaction has been accounted for by the acquisition method of accounting.

Sino Tac Resources is an entity incorporated in Singapore with its principal activity being the wholesale and distribution of mineral fuels and lubricants.

The consideration of $2.8 million was based on negotiations on a willing-buyer willing-seller basis taking into account, inter alia, an independent valuation dated August 28, 2012 conducted on Sino Tac Resources.

Acquisition related costs amounting to $68,000 have been excluded from the consideration transferred and have been recognised as an expense in the period, within the 'general and administrative expenses' line item in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

(i) Assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of acquisition

The net assets acquired in the transaction and the goodwill arising, are as follows:

	$'000
Current assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	1,014
Trade and other receivables	1,522
Inventories	1,536
	4,072
Non-current assets	
Plant and equipment	221
Current liabilities	
Borrowings	(419)
Finance lease	(5)
Trade and other payables	(1,828)
Income tax payable	(43)
	(2,295)
Non-current liability	
Deferred tax liability	(33)
Net assets acquired and liabilities assumed	1,965

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35 ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES (CONTINUED)

(a) (Continued)

(ii) Goodwill arising on acquisition

	$'000
Total consideration paid in cash	2,800
Fair value of identifiable net assets acquired	(1,965)
Goodwill arising from acquisition (Note 14)	835

Goodwill arose in the acquisition of Sino Tac Resources because the cost of combination included amounts in relation to the benefit of expected synergies, revenue growth and future market development.

None of the goodwill arising on the acquisition is expected to be deductible for tax purposes.

(iii) Net cash outflow on acquisition of subsidiary

	$'000
Net cash outflow arising from acquisition:	
Cash consideration paid	2,800
Cash and cash equivalents acquired	(1,014)
	1,786

(iv) Impact of acquisition on the results of the Group

Included in the Group's profit for the year is $0.1 million attributable to the business generated by Sino Tac Resources from date of acquisition. Revenue for the period from Sino Tac Resources amounted to $3.4 million from date of acquisition.

Had the business combination during the year been effected at January 1, 2012, the revenue of the Group from continuing operations would have been $377.1 million, and the profit for the year from continuing operations would have been $47.9 million.

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35 ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES (CONTINUED)

(b) In December 2012, the Group subscribed for 980,000 preference shares with approximately 70% voting rights in Sireerin Signature Co., Ltd ("Sireerin Signature") for cash consideration of $0.4 million. This transaction has been accounted for by the acquisition method of accounting.

Sireerin Signature is an entity incorporated in Thailand with its principal activity being real estate development.

Acquisition related costs amounting to $34,000 have been excluded from the consideration transferred and have been recognised as an expense in the period, within the 'general and administrative expenses' line item in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

(i) Assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of acquisition

The net assets acquired in the transaction and the goodwill arising, are as follows:

	$'000
Current assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	341
Other receivables	17
Development property	3,055
	3,413
Non-current assets	
Plant and equipment	4
Current liabilities	
Other payables	(2,655)
Net assets acquired and liabilities assumed	762

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35 ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES (CONTINUED)

(b) (Continued)

(ii) Goodwill arising on acquisition

	$'000
Total consideration paid in cash	403
Non-controlling interest	389
Net assets acquired and liabilities assumed	(762)
Goodwill arising from acquisition (Note 14)	30

Goodwill arose in the acquisition of Sireerin Signature because the cost of combination included amounts in relation to the benefit of expected synergies, revenue growth and future market development.

None of the goodwill arising on the acquisition is expected to be deductible for tax purposes.

(iii) Net cash outflow on acquisition of subsidiary

	$'000
Net cash outflow arising from acquisition:	
Cash consideration paid	403
Cash and cash equivalents acquired	(341)
	62

As at December 31, 2012, Sireerin Signature has yet to commence full operations. Accordingly, the impact on the acquisition on the results of the Group is immaterial.

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Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior year's financial statements to enhance comparability with the current year's financial statements.

As a result, certain line items have been amended in the statement of financial position. Comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to the current year's presentation.

The items reclassified were as follows:

	Group	
	2011 (Previously reported) $'000	2011 (After reclassification) $'000
Current assets		
Trade and other receivables	125,274	141,969
Non-current assets		
Trade and other receivables	16,695	–
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	121,818	126,238
Non-current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	4,420	–

CORPORATE INFORMATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Liong Kiam Teck
Executive Chairman

Neo Tiam Poon @ Neo Thiam Poon
Deputy Executive Chairman

Neo Tiam Boon, PBM
Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director

Neo Thiam An
Executive Director

Lim Hock Beng
Lead Independent Director

Lee Ah Fong
Independent Director

Mervyn Goh Bin Guan
Independent Director

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Lim Hock Beng (Chairman)
Lee Ah Fong
Mervyn Goh Bin Guan

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mervyn Goh Bin Guan (Chairman)
Lim Hock Beng
Neo Tiam Boon, PBM

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

Lee Ah Fong (Chairman)
Lim Hock Beng
Mervyn Goh Bin Guan

COMPANY SECRETARIES

Foo Soon Soo
Yap Ming Choo

AUDITORS

Deloitte & Touche LLP
Certified Public Accountants
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Singapore 068809

Partner-in-charge: Mr Cheung Pui Yuen
(Appointed since 27 May 2011)

PRINCIPAL BANKERS

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Malayan Banking Berhad
The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited

SHARE REGISTRAR

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SHAREHOLDERS' INFORMATION

As at 18 March 2013

SHARE CAPITAL

Issued and fully paid capital	:	$142,185,445
Total number of shares in issue	:	465,000,000
Class of shares	:	Ordinary shares
Voting rights	:	1 vote per share

STATISTICS OF SHAREHOLDINGS

Size of Shareholding	Number of Shareholders	%	Number of Shares	%
1 – 999	–	–	–	–
1,000 – 10,000	398	46.07	1,836,000	0.39
10,001 – 1,000,000	448	51.85	37,609,000	8.09
1,000,001 and above	18	2.08	425,555,000	91.52
	864	100.00	465,000,000	100.00

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

	Number of shares fully paid			
Name	Direct Interest	%	Deemed Interest	%
Liong Kiam Teck	152,923,950	32.89	20,000	0.00
Neo Tiam Poon@Neo Thiam Poon	73,403,496	15.79	–	–
Neo Tiam Boon	77,141,639	16.59	–	–
Neo Thiam An	36,361,917	7.82	–	–
Koh Wee Seng	48,994,000*	10.54	–	–

* Based on notification from Mr Koh Wee Seng to the Company.

SHAREHOLDERS' INFORMATION

As at 18 March 2013

TWENTY LARGEST SHAREHOLDERS

No.	Name of Shareholders	Number of Shares	%
1.	Liong Kiam Teck	152,923,950	32.89
2.	Neo Tiam Boon	77,141,637	16.59
3.	Neo Tiam Poon @ Neo Thiam Poon	73,403,496	15.79
4.	Neo Thiam An	36,361,917	7.82
5.	UOB Kay Hian Pte Ltd	22,272,000	4.79
6.	Maybank Kim Eng Securities Pte Ltd	15,027,000	3.23
7.	CIMB Securities (Singapore) Pte Ltd	11,150,000	2.40
8.	Phillip Securities Pte Ltd	10,083,000	2.17
9.	OCBC Securities Private Ltd	6,339,000	1.36
10.	Citibank Nominees Singapore Pte Ltd	5,177,000	1.11
11.	First Alexandra Pte Ltd	3,000,000	0.65
12.	Koh Wee Seng	3,000,000	0.65
13.	Lim Seng Kuan	2,587,000	0.55
14.	Lim & Tan Securities Pte Ltd	1,640,000	0.35
15.	DBS Nominees Pte Ltd	1,549,000	0.33
16.	Singamina Investment Pte Ltd	1,400,000	0.30
17.	Lew Pei Yen Patrina	1,300,000	0.28
18.	Allplus Holdings Pte Ltd	1,200,000	0.26
19.	DBS Vickers Securities (S) Pte Ltd	980,000	0.21
20.	King Wan Construction Pte Ltd	930,000	0.20
		427,465,000	91.93

PERCENTAGE OF SHAREHOLDING HELD BY THE PUBLIC

Based on information available to the Company as at 18 March 2013, approximately 15.88% of the issued ordinary shares of the Company are held in the hands of public. Accordingly, Rule 723 of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited has been complied with.

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of TA Corporation Ltd (the "Company") will be held at 1 Jalan Berseh, #03-03, New World Centre, Singapore 209037 on Wednesday, 24 April 2013 at 3.00 p.m. for the following purposes:-

AS ORDINARY BUSINESS

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2012 together with the Auditors' Report thereon.
(Resolution 1)

2. To declare a Final Dividend (tax exempt one-tier) of 1.3 cents per share for the financial year ended 31 December 2012.
(Resolution 2)

3. To approve Directors' fees of $149,000 (2011: $42,047) for the financial year ended 31 December 2012.
(Resolution 3)

4. To re-elect the following Directors, who will retire pursuant to Article 91 of the Company's Articles of Association:

   Mr Liong Kiam Teck **(Resolution 4)**

   Mr Neo Thiam An **(Resolution 5)**

5. To re-appoint Mr Lim Hock Beng who is retiring under Section 153(6) of the Companies Act, Cap. 50.
(Resolution 6)

   Mr Lim will, upon re-appointment as a Director of the Company, remain as the Chairman of the Audit Committee and will be considered independent for the purposes of Rule 704(8) of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (SGX-ST). He will remain as a member of the Nominating Committee and a member of the Remuneration Committee.

6. To re-appoint Deloitte & Touche LLP as Auditors of the Company and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.
(Resolution 7)

AS SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass the following Ordinary Resolutions with or without modifications:-

7. Authority to allot and issue shares

   "That pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Cap. 50, and the listing manual of the SGX-ST, approval be and is hereby given to the Directors of the Company at any time to such persons and upon such terms and for such purposes as the Directors may in their absolute discretion deem fit, to:

   (a) (i) issue shares in the capital of the Company whether by way of rights, bonus or otherwise;

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(ii) make or grant offers, agreements or options that might or would require shares to be issued or other transferable rights to subscribe for or purchase shares (collectively, "Instruments") including but not limited to the creation and issue of warrants, debentures or other instruments convertible into shares;

(iii) issue additional Instruments arising from adjustments made to the number of Instruments previously issued in the event of rights, bonus or capitalisation issues; and

(b) (notwithstanding the authority conferred by the shareholders may have ceased to be in force) issue shares in pursuance of any Instrument made or granted by the Directors while the authority was in force; provided always that:

(i) the aggregate number of shares to be issued pursuant to this resolution (including shares to be issued in pursuance of Instruments made or granted pursuant to this resolution) does not exceed fifty per cent (50%) of the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares, of which the aggregate number of shares (including shares to be issued in pursuance of Instruments made or granted pursuant to this resolution) to be issued other than on a pro rata basis to shareholders of the Company does not exceed twenty per cent (20%) of the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares, and for the purpose of this resolution, the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares shall be the Company's total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares at the time this resolution is passed, after adjusting for:

(a) new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of convertible securities, or

(b) new shares arising from exercising share options or vesting of share awards outstanding or subsisting at the time this resolution is passed provided the options or awards were granted in compliance with Part VIII of Chapter 8 of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST, and

(c) any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of the Company's shares, and

(ii) such authority shall, unless revoked or varied by the Company at a general meeting, continue in force until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting or the date by which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is the earlier."

(Resolution 8)
(See Explanatory Notes)

8. Renewal of the Share Buy-Back Mandate

(a) That for the purposes of the Companies Act and the Listing Manual, the Directors of the Company be hereby authorised to exercise all the powers of the Company to purchase or otherwise acquire issued shares each fully paid up not exceeding in aggregate the Maximum Limit (as hereafter defined), at such price or prices 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:

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(i) on-market purchases ("**Market Purchase**"), transacted on the SGX-ST through the ready market or, as the case may be, any other stock exchange on which the shares may for the time being be listed and quoted, through one or more duly licensed stockbrokers appointed by the Company for the purpose; and/or

(ii) off-market purchases ("**Off-Market Purchase**") (if effected otherwise than on the SGX-ST) in accordance with any equal access scheme(s) as may be determined or formulated by the Directors as they may consider fit, which scheme(s) shall satisfy all the conditions prescribed by the Companies Act and Listing Manual.

(b) Unless varied or revoked by the members of the Company in general meeting, the authority conferred on the Directors pursuant to the Share Buy-Back Mandate may be exercised by the Directors at any time and from time to time during the period (the "**Relevant Period**") commencing from the date of this Resolution and expiring on the earliest of:

(i) the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company or the date by which such AGM is required by law or the Articles to be held;

(ii) the date on which the authority contained in the Share Buy Back Mandate is varied or revoked by the Shareholders in a general meeting; or

(iii) the date on which the Share Buy Back is carried out to the full extent mandated.

(c) In this Resolution:

"**Maximum Limit**" means that number of issued Shares representing 10 per cent (10%) of the issued ordinary shares of the Company as at the date of the passing of this Resolution (excluding treasury shares held by the Company as at the date of the passing of this Resolution) unless the Company has effected a reduction of its share capital in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, at any time during the Relevant Period or within any one financial year of the Company, whichever is the earlier, in which event the issued ordinary share capital of the Company shall be taken to be the amount of the issued ordinary share capital of the Company as altered; and

"**Maximum Price**" means the purchase price (excluding brokerage, stamp duties, applicable goods and services tax and other related expenses) to be paid for a Share in the event of any Share Buy-Back determined by the Directors, but in any event, not exceeding the maximum price, which:

(i) in the case of a Market Purchase, one hundred and five per cent (105%) of the Average Closing Price (as hereinafter defined); and

(ii) in the case of an Off-Market Purchase pursuant to an equal access scheme, one hundred and twenty per cent (120%) of the Average Closing Price (as hereinafter defined),

(the "**Maximum Price**") in either case, excluding related expenses of the purchase.

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For the above purposes:

"**Average Closing Price**" means the average of the closing market prices of the Shares over the last five (5) Market Days on the SGX-ST, on which transactions in the Shares were recorded, immediately preceding the day of the Market Purchase or, as the case may be, the date of the making of the offer pursuant to the Off-Market Purchase, and deemed to be adjusted for any corporate action that occurs after such five-Market Day period;

"**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 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.

(d) the Directors and/or any of them be and are 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 expedient, incidental, necessary or in the interests of the Company to give effect to the transactions contemplated and/or authorised by this Resolution.

(Resolution 9)
(See Explanatory Notes)

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

9. To transact any other business that may be properly transacted at an Annual General Meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Foo Soon Soo
Yap Ming Choo
Company Secretaries

Singapore, 8 April 2013

Explanatory Notes:

1. Resolution 8, if passed, will empower the Directors of the Company from the date of the above Meeting until the next Annual General Meeting to issue shares and convertible securities in the Company up to an amount not exceeding in aggregate fifty per cent (50%) of the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares of the Company of which the total number of shares and convertible securities issued other than on a pro rata basis to existing shareholders shall not exceed twenty per cent (20%) of the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares of the Company at the time the resolution is passed, for such purposes as they consider would be in the interests of the Company. The total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares of the Company for this purpose shall be the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares at the time this resolution is passed (after adjusting for new shares arising from the conversion of convertible securities or share options on issue at the time this resolution is passed and any subsequent bonus issues consolidation or subdivision of the Company's shares). This authority will, unless revoked or varied at a general meeting, expire at the next Annual General Meeting of the Company.

2. Resolution 9, if passed, will renew the Share Buy-Back Mandate and will authorise the Directors to purchase or otherwise acquire Shares on the terms and subject to the conditions of the Resolution. The rationale for, the authority and limitation on, the sources of funds to be used and the illustrative financial effects of the purchase or acquisition of Shares by the Company pursuant to the Share Buy-Back Mandate based on the audited accounts of the Company and the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2012 and certain assumptions are set out in greater detail in the Appendix enclosed together with the Annual Report.

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notes:

1. A member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy in his stead.
2. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
3. If the appointor is a corporation, the proxy must be executed under seal or the hand of its duly authorised officer or attorney.
4. The instrument appointing a proxy must be deposited at the registered office of the Company at 1 Jalan Berseh #03-03, New World Centre, Singapore 209037 not later than 48 hours before the time appointed for the Meeting.

NOTICE OF BOOKS CLOSURE AND DIVIDEND PAYMENT DATE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Share Transfer Books and Register of Members of TA Corporation Ltd (the "Company") will be closed from 6 May 2013 after 5.00 p.m. to 7 May 2013 for the preparation of dividend warrants.

Duly completed registrable transfers received by the Company's Share Registrar, B.A.C.S. Private Limited of 63 Cantonment Road, Singapore 089758 up to 5:00 pm on 6 May 2013 will be registered to determine shareholders' entitlements to the proposed final dividend. Members whose securities accounts with The Central Depository (Pte) Limited are credited with shares in the Company at 5:00 pm on 6 May 2013 will be entitled to the proposed final dividend.

Payment of the proposed dividend, if approved by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 24 April 2013 will be paid on 17 May 2013.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Foo Soon Soo
Yap Ming Choo
Company Secretaries

Singapore, 8 April 2013

TA CORPORATION LTD

Co. Registration No. 201105512R
(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

PROXY FORM

IMPORTANT

1. For investors who have used their CPF monies to buy TA CORPORATION LTD shares, the Annual Report is forwarded to them at the request of their CPF Approved Nominees, and is sent FOR INFORMATION ONLY.
2. 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 TA CORPORATION LTD (the "Company"), hereby appoint.

Name	Address	NRIC/Passport No.	Proportion of shareholdings to be represented by proxy (%)

***and/or (delete as appropriate)**

as my/our proxy/proxies, to vote for me/us on my/our behalf and, if necessary, to demand a poll at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held at 1 Jalan Berseh #03-03, New World Centre, Singapore 209037 on Wednesday, 24 April 2013 at 3.00 p.m. and at any adjournment thereof. I/We direct my/our proxy/proxies to vote for or against the resolutions to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting as indicated with an "X" in the spaces provided hereunder. If no specified directions as to voting are given, the proxy/proxies will vote or abstain from voting at his/their discretion.

No	Ordinary Resolutions	To be used on a show of hands		To be used in the event of a poll	
		For*	Against*	For**	Against**
	Ordinary Business				
1.	To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2012 together with the Auditors' Report thereon.				
2.	To declare a Final Dividend (tax exempt one-tier) of 1.3 cents per share for the financial year ended 31 December 2012.				
3.	To approve Directors' fees of $149,000 (2011: $42,047) for the financial year ended 31 December 2012.				
4.	To re-elect Mr Liong Kiam Teck as a Director.				
5.	To re-elect Mr Neo Thiam An as a Director.				
6.	To re-appoint Mr Lim Hock Beng as a Director.				
7.	To re-appoint Deloitte & Touche LLP as Auditors of the Company and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.				
	Special Business				
8.	To authorize Directors to issue shares pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50.				
9.	To renew the Share Buy-Back Mandate.				

* Please indicate your vote "For" or "Against" with a "X" within the box provided.
** If you wish to exercise all your votes "For" or "Against", please cross "X" within the box provided. Alternatively, please indicate the number of votes as appropriate.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2013

Total Number of Shares Held

_____
Signature(s) of Member(s)/Common Seal

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ NOTES BEFORE COMPLETING THIS PROXY FORM

NOTES:

1. A member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting is entitled to appoint not more than two proxies to attend and vote on his stead. Such proxy need not be a member of the Company.

2. Where a member of the Company appoints two proxies, he shall specify the proportion of his shareholding (expressed as a percentage of the whole) to be represented by each such proxy.

3. This instrument appointing a proxy or proxies must be under the hand of the appointor or his attorney duly authorized in writing. Where the instrument appointing a proxy or proxies is executed by a corporation, it must be executed under its common seal or under the hand of its attorney or duly authorised officer.

4. A corporation which is a member of the Company may authorize by resolution of its directors or other governing body such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at the Annual General Meeting, in accordance with its Articles of Association and Section 179 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 of Singapore.

5. The instrument appointing proxy or proxies, together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or notarially certified copy thereof, must be deposited at the registered office of the Company at 1 Jalan Berseh #03-03, New World Centre, Singapore 209037 not later than 48 hours before the time set for the Annual General Meeting.

6. A member should insert the total number of shares held. If the member has shares entered against his name in the Depository Register (as defined in Section 130A of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 of Singapore), he should insert that number of shares. If the member has shares registered in his name in the Register of Members of the Company, he should insert the number of shares. If the member has shares entered against his name in the Depository Register and shares registered in his name in the Register of Members of the Company, he should insert the aggregate number of shares. If no number of shares is inserted, this form of proxy will be deemed to relate to all the shares held by the member of the Company.

7. 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 members of the Company whose shares are entered against their names in the Depository Register, the Company may reject any instrument appointing a proxy or proxies lodged if such members are not shown to have shares entered against their names in the Depository Register 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Annual General Meeting as certified by The Central Depository (Pte) Limited to the Company.

8. A Depositor shall not be regarded as a member of the Company entitled to attend the Annual General Meeting and to speak and vote thereat unless his name appears on the Depository Register 48 hours before the time set for the Annual General Meeting.

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