



# INVESTOR UPDATE

30 September 2008 3rd QUARTER REPORT





PPB GROUP BERHAD

### FROM THE DESK OF THE CHAIRMAN

Dear Shareholders,

We are pleased to announce that PPB Group recorded a substantially higher group pre-tax profit for continuing operations of RM1.03 billion for the period ended 30 September 2008 compared to RM442 million achieved in the previous corresponding period. The better-than-expected profit was due mainly to the hefty profit contribution of RM517 million from its associate, Wilmar International Limited.

Group revenue for continuing operations of RM2.63 billion rose significantly by 21% compared to RM2.18 billion in the same period of 2007 due to higher selling prices for specialty flour and animal feed.

Excluding the one-time gain of RM6.4 billion recorded in 2007 from the disposals of PPB Oil Palms Berhad, PGEO Group Sdn Bhd and Kuok Oils and Grains Pte Ltd ("the discontinued operations") to Wilmar, profit attributable to shareholders increased by 82% to RM923.2 million compared to RM507.4 million last year. Earnings per share increased to 77.88 sen compared with 42.80 sen for the same period last year.

#### PROSPECTS FOR 2008

The current global economic crisis has created extreme volatility and uncertainty in the business operating environment. Nevertheless, the Group's operations for the financial year 2008 are expected to perform satisfactorily and with higher contributions from Wilmar, the overall results for 2008 will be better than that of the previous year.

#### **HAPPENINGS**

On 3 July 2008, Golden Screen Cinemas Sdn Bhd (GSC), a 98.9% subsidiary of PPB Group, opened a 10-screen cineplex at Dataran Pahlawan, Melaka bringing a total of 161 screens under the GSC chain of cinemas.

In the 3rd quarter, FFM Marketing Sdn Bhd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of PPB Group, was awarded the distribution of Jordan's renowned brand of dental care products in Malaysia and Brunei.

On the corporate front, PPB held its 2nd Press and Analyst Briefing for the year in August to review the interim results for year 2008 and other latest developments in the Group. In September, PPB organized an in-house Directors' Continuing Education Programme (DCEP) training for its directors and senior managers/officers of PPB Group to keep them abreast of the current regulatory developments in the market.

#### **CSR ACTIVITIES**

In its continuous efforts to improve the well being of PPB staff, PPB organized a First Aid and CPR workshop in the 3rd quarter of 2008.

In conjunction with the Hari Raya and Deepavali celebrations, PPB gave away 70 goodie bags to needy families under the "Bless the Poor" project for the community.

Before I end, I would like to wish all our shareholders, business associates and staff of PPB Group, MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Datuk Oh Siew Nam 27 November 2008

### **HAPPENINGS**

#### GSC OPENS IN DATARAN PAHLAWAN, MELAKA

In the 3rd quarter of 2008, PPB's 98.9% subsidiary, Golden Screen Cinemas Sdn Bhd (GSC), extended another 10 screens at Dataran Pahlawan in addition to its current 4-screen at GSC Mahkota Parade to cater to the entertainment needs in the historic city of Melaka. With the additional screens, GSC is well positioned to provide the top cinema entertainment by offering a wider selection of movies and venue.

Built with a seating capacity of 2,002 seats, the multiplex serves as an event venue to companies or individuals who wish to utilize the big screen for press conferences, product launches, private screenings or company outings.

At the grand opening of GSC Dataran Pahlawan held on 3 July 2008, fun-filled activities and freebies were organized at the cinema during the opening weekend including the appearance of Star Wars and Batman movie characters, photography sessions, balloon giveaways, dart contest, popcorn eating contest and the strongest man contest.

GSC is the leading cinema exhibitor and distributor in Malaysia and currently operates 161 screens in 23 locations nationwide which include GSC Dataran Pahlawan and cinemas in Klang Valley, Penang, Sungei Petani, Ipoh, Seremban, Melaka, Batu Pahat, Johor Bahru, Kuantan and Kota Kinabalu.



Ms Koh Mei Lee, CEO of GSC, giving the opening speech.

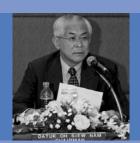


Ms Koh showing Datuk Shuaib and Datuk Eric Tan of Hatten Group, owners of Dataran Pahlawan, the 32 mm film used at the cinema.

#### PRESS AND ANALYST BRIEFING

PPB Group held its 2nd Press and Analyst Briefing for the year on 28 August 2008 at Wisma Jerneh to review PPB's interim financial results for the half year ended 30 June 2008 and the latest developments of the Group. The briefing was well attended by more than 50 analysts and fund managers from various local and overseas research houses and securities firms and members of the press.

During the Briefing, the CEO of the Group's principal subsidiaries gave short presentations of the performance and future plans of its respective businesses followed by a Q & A session. A press conference was held immediately after the Briefing followed by lunch.









PPB's MD, Mr Tan Gee Sooi

# HAPPENINGS (cont'd)

#### **DIRECTORS' CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMME**

PPB successfully concluded its in-house Directors' Continuing Education Programme ("DCEP") training on 16 September 2008. The training brought together 80 participants comprising directors and senior managers/officers of the PPB Group of companies where distinguished speakers shared their knowledge and provided insight on the latest development and changes in the corporate world.

Mr Anil Shamdasani delivered the first topic of the day, "General outlook on 'soft' commodities and the distortion of funds on the fundamentals of supply and demand" giving an overview of trade flows of major grains-soft commodities, recent dynamics affecting prices of commodities and its impact in managing a commodity business "volatility". Mr Anil is the General Manager - Trading/Marketing Asia (Sugar Division) of Louis Dreyfus Singapore.

Mr Richard Cheang, a Director of PPB, gave a comprehensive talk on palm oil. After a short networking tea break, Dr Adrian bin Majanil presented an overview of FFM Berhad's meat processing project. Dr Adrian is a Director of Mantau Hijau Sdn Bhd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of FFM Berhad, which produces chicken nuggets, sausages and other related products.

Following lunch, Mr David Rajoo of IBM Malaysia delivered a talk on "Importance of IT Security" touching various issues relating to the changing threat landscape, importance of IT security and enterprise security strategies.

This was followed by a talk on the latest development on tax audits and tax investigations by Messrs SM Thanneermalai and Christopher Low, Senior Executive Director and Executive Director respectively from PricewaterhouseCoopers.

#### FFMM MARKETS JORDAN DENTAL CARE PRODUCTS

In September 2008, FFM Marketing Sdn Bhd (FFMM), PPB Group's wholly-owned subsidiary was awarded the distribution of Jordan products in Malaysia and Brunei.

Jordan AS is a 171-year old company headquartered in Oslo, Norway which specializes in oral care products, particularly toothbrushes. Among the popular toothbrushes marketed under the Jordan brand name are "Smile", "Classic", "Alfa", "Buddy", "Clicks", and the children's range "Step 1", "Step 2" and "Step 3" in addition to a variety of dental floss, inter-dental products and toothpicks.

Jordan AS products are marketed in over 100 countries and available at all leading retailers in Malaysia.





Mr Anil gave the participants a deeper understanding on the commodity market.



Directors and officers found the training to be informative.



Mr Richard Cheang gave a comprehensive talk on palm oil.

### **CSR ACTIVITIES**

#### PPB GROUP BRINGS GOODIES CHEER TO THE POOR

What can a corporate organization involved in a multitude of food manufacturing activities do to help the poor during Raya and Deepavali festivals? Present them with some of their own manufactured products that will not only keep tummies truly filled but also help to cut down on the high cost of buying festivity goodies in the process.

This is precisely what the PPB Group did as part of its CSR activity for the poor and underprivileged in conjunction with the festivals. Known simply as the "Bless the Poor" project, this event conducted in collaboration with Jumble Station, a community outreach initiative to assist poor Single Parents, saw some 70 needy families receiving food and household essentials in heavily laden bags.

The 70 needy families comprised the disabled, low income earners, the chronically ill and the down trodden as well. Babu Sandra, a single parent who works as a lorry driver, finds it hard to make ends meet with the rising cost of food and fuel. PPB's contribution came in timely for him to feed his 7 school-going children. Rajeswari, a security guard, thanked PPB staff profusely after she was chosen as one of the recipients. A single parent herself, Rajeswari desperately needed food to feed her 3 children and would ask help from other good Samaritans especially during the school holidays because during school term their meals are usually taken care by the food programmes instituted especially for the poor in school. So PPB's festivity goodies were really timely for her hungry brood.





For garbage collector Sadi Nawi, it meant having enough to eat for at least a few days because his daily wage of only RM1.50 to RM3.00 disposing mountains of garbage collected at Angsana flats was barely sufficient to cover his daily meals.

All recipients were grateful and some were touched to tears when they received their goodie bags. The goodie bags included items marketed and produced by PPB Group namely, cooking oil, flour, sugar, a variety of canned food, liquid bath soap and bleach. PPB staff also joined in the giving by contributing food items and clothing to the families.

The small contribution from PPB helped lessen their burden but more importantly, it is hoped that this goodwill gesture will add some extra joy to their celebration as well as provide them with encouragement knowing that they are not alone in their struggles.

#### FIRST AID AND CPR WORKSHOP FOR PPB STAFF

During the 3rd quarter of 2008, PPB organized a 2-day workshop on Occupational First Aid and Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) training course on 31 July and 1 August for its employees. The interactive workshop conducted by Live and Learn Training Services Sdn Bhd trained PPB staff on how to treat internal and external bleeding, wounds, burns, bone injuries, airway obstruction (choking) as well as basic life support.

On top of learning useful first aid skills, the employees also had many great laughs especially during the mock-drill sessions. Skill and written assessments were carried out during the workshop and certificates were awarded to staff who passed the course. We are proud to say that all the participants received certificates as qualified First Aiders.



# CSR ACTIVITIES (cont'd)

#### **GETAWAY HOLIDAYS FOR PPB STAFF**

It was once again the time of the year for PPB's annual company trip and this year the staff headed off to Tioman Island for 3 days/2 nights on 28 August 2008.

During their stay at Panuba Inn Resort, PPB's staff set their work aside and let their hair down to enjoy the clean air, breezy sandy beaches and lush greenery. The staff were kept busy participating in various team building activities, snorkeling sessions and fun-filled games prepared by their colleagues.

As in any holiday, the trip would not have been complete without shopping and the staff indulged themselves at a duty-free shop at Tekek town.

On the whole, the trip was a good break from work and city life as the staff took the opportunity to appreciate the beautiful nature and colourful marine sea life.







### SHARE ANALYSIS FOR THE 3RD QUARTER OF 2008

#### 3rd Quarter Share Analysis

After registering a loss of 4.9% in 2Q 2008, the Kuala Lumpur Composite Index (KLCI) declined by a further of 14.1% to close at 1,018.68 points in 3Q 2008. Commencing the guarter at 1,186.57 points, the KLCI fell to a low of 1,089.47 points in late July in tandem with declines in regional markets. However, the retracement in oil prices below US\$130/brl helped the KLCI to rebound above 1,100 points in August. Following the adverse impact of the U.S. subprime crisis on global financial institutions, the KLCI retraced to a 2-year low of 963.3 points on 18th September 2008 before closing at 1,018.68 points for a loss of 14.2% for the guarter.

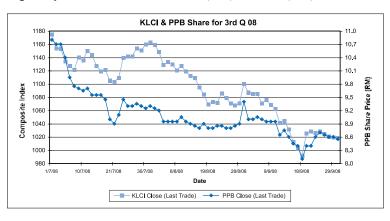
Source: Public Mutual website (www.publicmutual.com.my)

In response to the weak global markets and sharp fall in CPO prices, PPB share price closed at RM8.55, 20.8% lower compared with RM10.80 in the 2nd Quarter.

Market capitalization of PPB shares decreased to RM10.1 billion from RM12.8 billion in the previous quarter. PPB's daily average volume in the quarter decreased by 5.8% to 853,289 shares whilst KLCI average volume decreased by 11.2% to 170,308,635 shares.

# PPB SHARE & KUALA LUMPUR COMPOSITE INDEX PERFORMANCE FOR 3RD QUARTER 2008

	3rd Q 2008	2nd Q 2008	% change
PPB share price			•
Closing price (high)	10.80	11.40	-5.26%
Closing price (low)	8.10	9.80	-17.35%
Month end closing price	8.55	10.80	-20.83%
Weighted share price	9.14	10.92	-16.30%
Market capitalization (RM' million)	10,136.02	12,803.40	-20.83%
PPB share volume			
Daily volume (high)	2,268,800	3,022,200	-24.93%
Daily volume (low)	238,000	134,700	76.69%
Average daily volume	853,289	905,498	-5.77%
Kuala Lumpur Composite Index (KLC	CI)		
KLCI closing (high)	1,174.83	1,300.67	-9.68%
KLCI closing (low)	991.66	1,186.57	-16.43%
KLCI month end closing	1,018.68	1,186.57	-14.15%
Kuala Lumpur Composite Index (KLC	CI) volume		
Daily volume (high)	290,595,200	481,188,900	-39.61%
Daily volume (low)	103,517,900	105,609,500	-1.98%
Average daily volume	170,308,635	191,799,419	-11.20%



# FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR THE 3RD QUARTER OF 2008

Financi	al period ended	9 MC	NTHS	%	12 MONTHS	
(All fig	ures in RM million)	30.09.08	30.09.07	Change	31.12.07	
INCOM	STATEMENTS					
Revenu	ning operations	2,630	2,179	20.7	2,989	
	rom operations	2,030 411	2,179	98.6	2,969	
	efore taxation	1.034	442	>100.0	564	
	or the period from continuing operations, net of ta		381	>100.0	488	
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<u>Discont</u> Revenu	inued operations	0	2 145	(100.0)	2 145	
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	rom operations efore taxation	0	6,592	(100.0)	200	
	or the period from discontinued operations, net of		6,561	(100.0) (100.0)	6,514	
Profit	or the period from discontinued operations, het of	tax U	0,301	(100.0)	6,514	
Group t	cotal					
Revenu	<del>-</del>	2,630	5,344	(50.8)	6,154	
	rom operations	411	337	22.0	407	
	efore taxation	1,034	7,034	(85.3)	764	
	or the period	932	6,942	(86.6)	7,002	
Profit a	ttributable to Shareholders of the Company	923	6,900	(86.6)	6,973	
BALAN	CE SHEET					
Non-cu	rrent assets	11,098	10,114	9.7	10,237	
Current	assets					
	nd bank deposits	330	634	(47.9)	701	
	rrent assets classified as held for sale	9	56	(83.9)	9	
Others	Terre assets etassified as field for sale	1,256	1,055	19.1	1,037	
	urrent assets	1,595	1,745	(8.6)	1,747	
Total a	ssets	12,693	11,859	7.0	11,984	
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Equity						
Share c		1,186	1,186	0.0	1,186	
Reserve		10,613	10,109	5.0	10,244	
	attributable to Shareholders of the Company	11,799	11,295	4.5	11,430	
	y interests	165	159	3.8	137	
Total e	quity	11,964	11,454	4.5	11,567	
	rrent liabilities					
Bank bo	prrowings	65	21	>100.0	20	
Others		71	65	9.2	69	
Total no	on-current liabilities	136	86	58.1	89	

Financial period ended (All figures in RM million)		<b>9 MO</b> 1 30.09.08	NTHS 30.09.07	% Change	12 MONTHS 31.12.07
Current liabilities					
Bank borrowings		272	52	>100.0	36
Others		321	267	20.2	292
Total current liabilities		593	319	85.9	328
Total liabilities		729	405	80.0	417
Total equity and liabilities		12,693	11,859	7.0	11,984
RATIOS					
Return on equity attributable to shareholders of the Company	(%)	7.8	61.1		61.0
Earnings per share	(sen)	77.8	42.8*		588.2
Interest coverage	(times)	159.3	50.4*		55.6*
Current ratio	(times)	2.7	5.5		5.3
Total borrowings/Equity	(%)	2.8	0.6		0.5
Long term borrowings/Equity	(%)	0.5	0.2		0.2
Net assets per share attributable to	(RM)	9.9	9.5		9.6
shareholders of the Company	, ,				
Net assets per share	(RM)	10.1	9.7		9.8
Net dividend per share	(sen)	50.9	3.6		22.1
STOCK MARKET INFORMATION					
Share price	(RM)	8.55	9.20		11.00
Market capitalisation	(RM million)	10,140	10,911		13,046
PE ratio	(times)	8.2	16.1*		20.80*

<sup>\*</sup> Exclude the one-time gain from disposal of PPB Oil Palms Bhd, PGEO Group Sdn Bhd and Kuok Oils & Grains Pte Ltd amounting to RM6.346 billion.

# QUARTERLY REPORT

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENTS For The Period Ended 30 September 2008

(The figures have not been audited)

	Individual Quarter 3 months ended 30 September		9 mon	ive Quarter ths ended ptember	
	2008 RM'000	2007 RM'000	2008 RM'000	2007 RM'000	
Continuing operations					
Revenue	978,962	760,425	2,629,686	2,178,557	
Operating expenses	(798,042)	(690,927)	(2,239,216)	(1,989,637)	
Other operating income	8,265	8,455	20,789	18,171	
Profit from operations	189,185	77,953	411,259	207,091	
Net profit from investing activities	20,305	20,653	78,787	92,799	
Share of associated companies' profits less losses	53,128	140,494	550,025	144,958	
Share of joint venture's profits	207	198	573	526	
Finance costs	(3,826)	(1,168)	(6,532)	(3,436)	
Profit before taxation	258,999	238,130	1,034,112	441,938	
Taxation	(47,534)	(17,037)	(102,047)	(60,709)	
Profit for the period from continuing operations	211,465	221,093	932,065	381,229	
Discontinued operations					
Profit for the period from discontinued	_	_	_	168,137	
operations, net of tax	-	-	-	100,137	
Gain on sale of discontinued operations	_	(53)	_	6,392,841	
Profit for the period	211,465	221,040	932,065	6,942,207	
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Attributable to :-					
Shareholders of the Company	207,007	218,512	923,228	6,900,205	
Minority interests	4,458	2,528	8,837	42,002	
Profit for the period	211,465	221,040	932,065	6,942,207	
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Basic earnings per share (sen):-					
- continuing operations	17.46	18.43	77.88	31.86	
- discontinued operations		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	550.19	
	17.46	18.43	77.88	582.05	

(The Condensed Consolidated Income Statements should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this report.)

# QUARTERLY REPORT CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	As at 30-Sep-2008 RM'000	As at 31-Dec-2007 RM'000
ASSETS		
Non-current Assets		
Property, plant and equipment	934,825	810,852
Investment properties	168,959	163,835
Biological assets	2,892	2,681
Prepaid lease payments	129,458	131,635
Goodwill	73,093	73,033
Other intangible assets	2,559	2,977
Land held for property development	6,080	3,693
Investment in associated companies	9,317,488	8,587,695
Investment in jointly controlled entity	44,759	39,403
Other investments	418,357	419,699
Deferred tax assets	205	1,431
Command Assats	11,098,675	10,236,934
Current Assets	/F7 499	400.000
Inventories	657,488	489,902
Biological assets	26,908	21,339
Other intangible assets	7,956	9,476
Property development costs Receivables	37,708	28,684 487,573
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Cash, bank balances and deposits	1,585,748	1,737,632
Non-current assets classified as held for sale	9,009	9,479
Non-current assets classified as field for sale	1,594,757	1,747,111
	1,374,737	1,747,111
TOTAL ASSETS	12,693,432	11,984,045
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Equity		
Share capital	1,185,500	1,185,500
Reserves	10,612,942	10,244,265
Equity attributable to shareholders of the Company	11,798,442	11,429,765
Minority interests	165,899	137,288
Total equity	11,964,341	11,567,053

#### (cont'd) CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	As at 30-Sep-2008 RM'000	As at 31-Dec-2007 RM'000
Non-current Liabilities Long term borrowings Deferred tax liabilities  Current Liabilities Payables Short term borrowings Taxation	64,811 71,453 136,264 265,026 272,333 55,468 592,827	20,504 68,823 89,327 280,218 36,471 10,976 327,665
Total liabilities	729,091	416,992
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	12,693,432	11,984,045
Net assets per share attributable to shareholders of the Company (RM)	9.95	9.64
Net assets per share (RM)	10.09	9.76

(The Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this report.)

# **QUARTERLY REPORT**

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENTS For The Period Ended 30 September 2008

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CACH ELONG EDON ODERATING ACTIVITIES	2008	2007
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Profit before taxation	RM'000	RM'000
Continuing operations	1,034,112	441,938
Discontinued operations	1,034,112	6,592,382
Discontinuos operations	1,034,112	7,034,320
Adjustments :-	, ,	, ,
Non-cash items	(497,040)	(160,696)
Non-operating items	(70,332)	(6,454,055)
Operating profit before working capital changes	466,740	419,569
Working capital changes	(242.205)	(274 (72)
Net change in current assets Net change in current liabilities	(212,385) (20,988)	(274,673) 9,960
Cash generated from operations	233,367	154,856
Tax paid	(58,225)	(79,175)
Net cash generated from operating activities	175,142	75,681
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment, investment properties,	(179,791)	(212,224)
biological assets and other intangible assets	(177,771)	(212,221)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	9,668	6,871
Purchase of investments	(7,130)	(196,356)
Proceeds from sale of investments	374	25,638
Redemption of preference shares in an associated company	-	33,912
Dividends received	144,862	87,900
Interest received	12,343	18,663
Subsidiary companies - net cash disposed Other investing activities	2,490	(77,633) 2,340
Net cash used in investing activities	(17,184)	(310,889)
net cash asea in investing activities	(17,101)	(3.0,007)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Shares issued to minority shareholders of subsidiary company	17,003	9,886
Bank borrowings	277,438	371,226
Interest paid	(6,513)	(17,513)
Dividend's paid	(823,078)	(188,664)
Other financing activities	4,619	(59,329)
Net cash (used in)/generated from financing activities	(530,531)	115,606
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(372,573)	(119,602)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	699,411	750,981
Effect of exchange rate changes  Cash and cash equivalents at 30 September	2,277 329,115	(3,122) <b>628,257</b>
casii and casii equivalents at 30 september	327,113	020,237
Cash and cash equivalent represented by :-		
Cash & bank	99,035	72,044
Bank deposits	231,135	562,365
Bank overdrafts	(1,055)	(6,152)
	329,115	628,257

(The Condensed Consolidated Cash Flow Statements should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this report.)

QUARTERLY REPORT
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY For The Period Ended 30 September 2008

	Share capital <i>RM'000</i>	Share premium <i>RM'000</i>	Revaluation reserve RM'000	
9 months ended 30 September 2008 At 1 January 2008	1,185,500	6,715	55,492	
Net gains/(losses) recognised directly to equity Profit for the period		-	5,792 -	
Total recognised income and expenses for the period Transfer of reserves Acquisition of additional shares in an existing subsidiary Shares issued to minority shareholders of a subsidiary Dividends		- - - -	5,792 (764) - - -	
At 30 September 2008	1,185,500	6,715	60,520	
9 months ended 30 September 2007 At 1 January 2007	1,185,500	6,715	160,540	
Net gains/(losses) recognised directly to equity Profit for the period	-		5,697 -	
Total recognised income and expenses for the period Transfer of reserves Disposal of shares in subsidiaries	-	-	5,697 (106,895)	
Acquisition of additional shares in an existing subsidiary Shares issued to minority shareholders of subsidiaries Capital reduction by subsidiaries		- - -	-	
Dividends At 30 September 2007	1,185,500	- 6,715	59,342	

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Non-distributable		Distributable			
Exchange translation reserve RM'000	Capital reserve <i>RM'000</i>	Retained profits RM'000	Attributable to shareholders of the Company RM'000	Minority interests RM'000	Total equity <i>RM'000</i>
(174,846)	239,060	10,117,844	11,429,765	137,288	11,567,053
278,845	(29,962)	13,274 923,228	267,949 923,228	3,408 8,837	271,357 932,065
278,845	(29,962) 13,415	936,502 (12,651)	1,191,177	12,245	1,203,422
	-	(822,500)	(822,500)	(59) 17,003 (578)	(59) 17,003 (823,078)
103,999	222,513	10,219,195	11,798,442	165,899	11,964,341
(33,901)	175,855	3,149,975	4,644,684	886,641	5,531,325
(36,754)	(46,132)	6,900,205	(77,189) 6,900,205	(7,922) 42,002	(85,111) 6,942,207
(36,754)	(46,132) (45,600)	6,900,205 152,495	6,823,016	34,080	6,857,096
-	-	-	-	(673,304) (29,241)	(673,304) (29,241)
-	-	-	-	9,886	9,886
-	-	(173,083)	(173,083)	(53,700) (15,581)	(53,700) (188,664)
(70,655)	84,123	10,029,592	11,294,617	158,781	11,453,398

(The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this report.)

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#### A. FRS (Financial Reporting Standards) 134 - Paragraph 16

#### A1. Accounting policies

The interim financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS") FRS 134 - Interim Financial Reporting and Chapter 9, Part K of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("BMSB").

The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of the interim financial statements are consistent with those used in the preparation of the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2007.

The adoption of the following revised FRSs from financial period beginning on 1 January 2008 are as follows:

Amendment to FRS 121	The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates - Net
	Investment in a Foreign Operation
FRS 107	Cash Flow Statements
FRS 111	Construction Contracts
FRS 112	Income Taxes
FRS 118	Revenue
FRS 137	Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

The adoption of the above FRSs does not have any significant financial impact on the Group.

#### A7. Segmental reporting

Segmental information in respect of the Group's business segments for the period ended 30 September 2008

All figures in RM'000 Information About Business Segments:	Sugar refining and cane plantation	Grains trading, flour and feed milling	Livestock farming	Environmental engineering, waste management and utilities	Film exhibition and distribution
REVENUE					
External sales	735,970	1,011,270	51,763	129,010	130,235
Inter-segment sales		73,321	11,930	-	-
Total revenue	735,970	1,084,591	63,693	129,010	130,235
RESULT Segment operating results Unallocated corporate expenses Profit from operations	133,510	196,798	(4,389)	3,170	18,040
Investing activities Share of associated companies' profits less losses	2,026	9,338	-	4,549	892
Share of joint venture's profits Finance costs Profit before taxation	-	-	-	573	-

#### A2. Seasonal or Cyclicality of Interim Operations

The Group's operations are not materially affected by any seasonal or cyclical factors.

#### A3. Unusual items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income, or cash flow

There were no items of an unusual nature, size or incidence that affect the assets, liabilities, equity, net income and cash flows of the Group during the current period under review.

#### A4. Nature and amount of changes in estimates

There were no changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior financial years which have a material effect in the current interim period.

#### A5. Issuances, Cancellations, Repurchases, Resale and Repayments of Debt and Equity Securities

There were no issuances and repayment of debt and equity securities, share buy-backs, share cancellations, shares held as treasury shares and resale of treasury shares for the current financial year-to-date.

#### A6. Dividends paid

Dividends paid on ordinary shares
2008 : Special dividend - 62 sen less 26% income tax
2007 : Final dividend - 25 sen less 26% income tax
2008: Interim dividend - 5 sen single tier dividend

Individual Quarter 3 months ended 30 September 2008 RM'000	Cumulative Quarter 9 months ended 30 September 2008 RM'000
-	543,907
-	219,318
59,275	59,275
59,275	822,500

Property investment and development	Chemicals trading and manufacturing	Other operations	Elimination	Consolidated
55,277 1,056	122,845 333	393,316 14,341	- (100,981)	2,629,686
56,333	123,178	407,657	(100,981)	2,629,686
18,350 4,203	9,739	47,012 529,017	211	422,441 (11,182) 411,259 78,787 550,025
-	-	-	-	573 (6,532) 1,034,112

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#### A8. Valuation of Property, Plant and Equipment

There were no amendments in the valuation of property, plant and equipment brought forward from the previous annual financial statements.

#### A9. Material events subsequent to the end of the interim period

There were no material events subsequent to the end of the interim period that have not been reflected in the financial statements for the interim period.

#### A10. Changes in the composition of the Group

There were no changes in the composition of the Group arising from business combinations, acquisition or disposal of subsidiary companies and long-term investments, restructurings, and discontinued operations for the current interim period under review, except for the following:

- (a) On 15 April 2008, FFM Feedmills (Sarawak) Sdn Bhd, a 75% indirect subsidiary of PPB, disposed of its 100% equity interest of 2 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each in Sri Aman Feedmills Sdn Bhd for a cash consideration of RM2.00 and Sri Aman Feedmills Sdn Bhd ceased to be a subsidiary of PPB.
- (b) On 15 May 2008, PPB Leisure Holdings Sdn Bhd ("PPBLH"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of PPB, acquired from Golden Harvest Films Distribution Holdings Ltd, British Virgin Islands, its entire shareholding of 100,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each representing 50% equity interest in Golden Screen Film Distribution Co Sdn Bhd ("GSFDC") for cash at par totaling RM100,000 and GSFDC has become an indirect subsidiary of PPB. Prior to the acquisition, PPBLH owned 50% equity interest in GSFDC.

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#### A11. Changes in contingent liabilities or contingent assets

Contingent liabilities	30-Sep-08 RM'000	31-Dec-07 RM'000
Unsecured guarantees issued in consideration of credit facilities		
given to an associated company	2,550	2,550

Chemquest Sdn Bhd, a 55% owned subsidiary of PPB, has granted unsecured corporate guarantees to a third party in respect of works being carried out by its 70% indirect subsidiary, Cipta Wawasan Maju Engineering Sdn Bhd.

#### Contingent assets

There were no contingent assets as at the end of the current interim period.

#### B. BMSB Listing Requirements (Part A of Appendix 9B)

#### B1. Review of Performance for the financial period

Group revenue for continuing operations of RM2.63 billion for the period ended 30 September 2008 was 21% higher compared with RM2.18 billion in 2007. The increase was mainly due to higher selling prices for specialty flour and animal feed. All other divisions also contributed higher revenue except for the sugar refining division.

Group profit before tax for continuing operations of RM1.03 billion was substantially higher compared with RM442 million in the corresponding period last year. Wilmar International Limited ("Wilmar") an associate company of the Group contributed a significant profit of RM517 million for the nine months period. The other divisions registered satisfactory results.

(Note: PPB Group has not recognised its share of RM176 million of Wilmar's unrealised net gain from financial instruments as FRS 139 - Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurements is not yet effected by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board.)

#### B2. Material changes in the quarterly results compared to the results of the preceding quarter

Group profit before tax for continuing operations of RM259 million for the quarter under review was 28% lower when compared with RM358 million registered in the preceding quarter. This was mainly due to lower contribution from Wilmar in the 3rd quarter after excluding the unrealised net gain from financial instruments, despite better performance by the sugar refining and flour milling divisions.

#### B3. Prospects for current financial year

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The current global economic crisis has created extreme volatility and uncertainty in the business operating environment. Nevertheless, the Group's operations for the financial year 2008 are expected to perform satisfactorily and with higher contributions from Wilmar, the overall results for 2008 will be better than that of the previous year.

# B4. Variance of actual profit from forecast profit Not applicable.

Taxation	Individual Quarter 3 months	Cumulative Quarter 9 months
Taxation comprises:-	ended 30-Sep-08 RM'000	ended 30-Sep-08 RM'000
Malaysian taxation based on profit for the period:-	Minodo	nm ooo
Current	44,403	97,820
Deferred	1,407	1,599
	45,810	99,419
Foreign taxation		
Current	866	1,400
Deferred	9	1,192
	46,685	102,011
(Over)/underprovision		
Current	884	958
Deferred	(35)	(922)
	47,534	102,047

The effective tax rate is lower than the average statutory rate for the period mainly due to tax exempt income and utilisation of reinvestment allowance by certain subsidiaries.

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#### B6. Profit/Loss on sale of unquoted investments and/or properties

There were no sales of unquoted investment. However there was a gain on the disposal of property amounting to RM4.5 million for the current quarter and financial period to-date.

#### B7. Quoted securities

(a) Total purchases and disposals of quoted securities for the current quarter and financial period to-date were as follows:-

	Individual Quarter 3 months ended 30 September 2008 RM'000	Cumulative Quarter 9 months ended 30 September 2008 RM'000
Total purchases	-	61
Total proceeds from disposals	4	4
Profit on disposals	-	-

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(b) Total investments in quoted securities as at 30 September 2008 were as follows:-

	KM 000
At cost	420,406
At book value	417,928
At market value	751,933

#### B8. Status of corporate proposals

(a) On 1 November 2006, Mantap Aman Sdn Bhd, an indirect subsidiary of PPB had entered into a joint-venture agreement with Millerstar Pte Ltd, Singapore to construct and operate a wheat flour mill facility at Cilegon, Republic of Indonesia to be undertaken by a joint-venture company called P.T. Pundi Kencana.

The construction of the flour mill is still in progress and is expected to be commissioned in June 2009 based on current schedule.

#### B9. Group borrowings

Total Group borrowings as at 30 September 2008 were as follows:-	Total RM'000	Secured RM'000	Unsecured RM'000
Long term bank borrowings	11111000	7077000	71771000
Long term bank loans (USD)	50,354	50,354	-
Long term bank loans (CNY)	17,140	-	17,140
Hire purchase liabilities	291	291	-
Hire purchase liabilities (SGD)	72	72	-
Repayments due within the next 12 months	(3,046)	(186)	(2,860)
	64,811	50,531	14,280
Short term bank borrowings			
Bills payable	239,932	-	239,932
Short term loans	28,300	-	28,300
Current portion of long term loans	2,860	-	2,860
Hire purchase liabilities	174	174	-
Hire purchase liabilities (SGD)	12	12	<u> </u>
	271,278	186	271,092
Bank overdrafts	1,055	-	1,055
	272,333	186	272,147

#### B10. Off Balance Sheet Financial Instruments

#### Foreign Currency Contracts

The Group enters into forward foreign exchange contracts as a hedge for its confirmed sales and purchases in foreign currencies. The purpose of hedging is to protect the Group against unfavourable movement in exchange rate. Gains or losses from changes in the fair value of foreign currency contracts offset the corresponding losses or gains on the receivables and payables covered by the instrument and where the foreign exchange contracts are used to hedge against anticipated future transactions, gains and losses are not recognised until the transaction occurs.

As at 21 November 2008, the Group's outstanding foreign currency contracts were as follows:

Currency	Contract Amount '000	Equivalent Amount in RM'000
Forward Contracts Bought		
US Dollar	32,788	116,340
Euro	380	1,723
Japanese Yen	22,400	683
British Pound	65	363
<u>Forward Contracts Sold</u> US Dollar	13,273	45,689

These contracts are short term in nature and the majority are due to mature within the next two months.

There is minimal credit risk because these contracts are entered into with licensed financial institutions. There is no cash requirement for these instruments other than a minimal fee.

#### B11. Material litigation

There was no material litigation pending as at 21 November 2008.

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#### B12. Dividend

The Directors do not recommend the payment of any interim dividend for the current financial period under review.

#### Dividends paid/payable

Dividends paid and payable for the financial year 2007 and up to the date of this report are as follows:-

Financial Year	Type	Rate	Payment Date
2007	Interim dividend	5 sen less 27% income tax	28 September 2007
2007	Final dividend	25 sen less 26% income tax	6 June 2008
2008	Special dividend	62 sen less 26% income tax	12 May 2008
2008	Interim single tier dividend	5 sen single tier dividend	29 September 2008

#### B13. Earnings per Share

The basic earnings per share has been calculated by dividing the Group's profit for the current financial period attributable to the shareholders of the Company by 1,185,499,882 ordinary shares in issue during the period.

There is no diluted earnings per share for the current period or financial period-to-date as there were no dilutive potential ordinary shares.

#### B14. Disclosure of audit report qualification and status of matters raised

There was no qualification in the audit report of the preceding annual financial statements.

Kuala Lumpur 27 November 2008 By Order of the Board Tan Teong Boon Company Secretary



# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

26 AUGUST	The Board declared the payment of an interim single tier dividend of 5 sen per share for the financial year ending 31 December 2008 which was paid on 29 September 2008.
26 AUGUST	Release of 2nd Quarter Report for the period ended 30 June 2008.

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