# INVESTOR UPDATE

**1st Quarter Report** 31 March 2009





### From The Desk of The Chairman

Dear Shareholders,

Since 2002, PPB has been publishing quarterly Investor Updates to keep shareholders abreast of the Group's activities in addition to its financial performance. We hope you find the Updates useful and as always, we welcome suggestions or feedback on how to further improve this publication for the benefit of our readers.

After this 1st quarter Update, we will not be sending out hardcopies to shareholders. However, you can view future publications from our website <a href="www.ppbgroup.com">www.ppbgroup.com</a>. We trust you will appreciate our continuing efforts to care for the environment.

### **1Q09 RESULTS**

For the 1st quarter of 2009, PPB Group's revenue decreased by 4% to RM773 million compared with RM809 million of the corresponding quarter last year. The decrease was mainly due to lower revenue recorded by the flour and animal feed milling, chemicals trading and property investment divisions.

Group profit before tax for the period of RM281 million was 33% lower than that achieved last year of RM417 million due to higher raw material costs incurred by the sugar refining and flour and feed milling divisions. Wilmar International Limited in which PPB Group has 18.3% stake, contributed a profit of RM255 million for the quarter under review.

Earnings per share for the quarter stood at 22.93 sen compared with 32.32 sen per share recorded for the corresponding quarter last year.

The global financial and economic crisis is expected to affect the Group's performance for the rest of 2009 in respect of lower demand and margins for the goods and services offered by PPB Group. In addition, changes in prices of raw materials and ocean freight will be the key factors affecting the Group's profitability. Nevertheless, PPB Group performance for 2009 will remain satisfactory.

#### **HAPPENINGS**

PPB held its first Press and Analyst Briefing for the year on 3 March 2009, to review the final results for year 2008 and other latest developments in the Group. The Briefing was well received by analysts, fund managers and members of the press.

#### **CSR ACTIVITIES**

In the first quarter of 2009, PPB organized an interactive talk on "Personal Financial Planning" for its employees which was facilitated by OSK Wealth Planners Sdn Bhd. PPB staff also celebrated Chinese New Year with the senior citizens of Amitabha Centre in Kuala Lumpur with a vegetarian buffet lunch followed by a craftwork session.

FFM Marketing Sdn Bhd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of PPB Group, participated in a recent fund-raising event organized by United Voice (UV) by setting up a booth selling FFM's frozen products to raise funds to finance UV's new building which will provide facilities for persons with learning disabilities. FFM staff at the flour milling complex in Pulau Indah organized a blood donation campaign which witnessed a total of 41 staff generously contributing their blood for a good cause.

### GOING FORWARD

During these challenging economic times, let us make a concerted effort to continue supporting Malaysian products and services and together with the government's stimulus plans, we can hope to better ride out the global economic crisis.

Datuk Oh Siew Nam Chairman 19 May 2009

### Happenings





### PRESS AND ANALYST BRIEFING

On 3 March 2009, PPB held its first Press and Analyst Briefing for the year at Wisma Jerneh which was well attended by 70 analysts and fund managers from various local as well as foreign research houses and securities firms. Present at the Briefing, were also 17 members of the local and foreign press.

The Briefing was held to provide the press and analysts with a review of the Group's financial results for year 2008 as well as an update of its latest developments.

During the Q&A session, PPB's Chairman, Managing Director and the CEOs from the Group's respective divisions dealt with the questions posed by the attendees. A press conference took place thereafter, followed by lunch.

### CSR Activities

#### TALK ON PERSONAL FINANCIAL PLANNING

As part of PPB's CSR activities for its employees, an awareness talk on "Personal Financial Planning" was organized on 16 January 2009 at Wisma Jerneh. Mr Alan Chew, Senior Vice President of OSK Wealth Planners Sdn Bhd, conducted the interactive talk which included strategies to ensure one's net worth will continue to grow over time, to seize control of one's cash flow as well as to acquire the nuggets of financial wisdom. The attendees were guided through a hands-on calculation of their financial wealth upon retirement.

Overall, the talk was successful as it jolted some to work on a financial plan for their future and for others, a timely reminder to review their financial plans.

### FFM STAFF DONATES BLOOD

On 19 March 2009, FFM organized a blood donation campaign with the joint effort of Tengku Ampuan Rahimah Hospital. The campaign was held at FFM's flour milling complex in Pulau Indah. A total of 41 staff donated their blood on that day after they were screened for fitness. For many of the staff, it was their first experience and they were glad to be able to contribute to a good cause.









### CSR Activities

### FFM MARKETING RAISES FUNDS FOR UNITED VOICE

FFM Marketing Sdn Bhd (FMSB), a wholly-owned subsidiary of PPB Group, participated in a recent fund-raising event organized by United Voice on 14 March 2009 at Bandar Utama Community Hall. The event was held to raise funds to finance UV's new building which will provide facilities for persons with learning disabilities. During the event, FMSB set up a booth selling nuggets, sausages and burgers produced and marketed by FMSB besides giving free samplings of their products. Feedback on their products was most encouraging. A total fund of RM6,000 was raised by FMSB from the sale of its frozen products. FMSB also contributed products totaling RM4,000 to United Voice.

United Voice is a society advocating persons with learning disabilities to be given the rights to education, employment and be respected as individuals. The members include persons with Down Syndrome, Autism, Attention Deficit Disorder etc. United Voice can be contacted at 03-7958 8069.







### CSR Activities

### PPB CELEBRATES CNY WITH THE SENIOR CITIZENS OF AMITABHA CENTRE

On 21 January 2009, PPB organized a Chinese New Year celebration for 38 senior citizens from Amitabha Centre located in two adjoining double-storey houses in Happy Garden, Kuala Lumpur.

During the visit to the Home, a vegetarian buffet lunch was served and 16 PPB staff spent their time getting acquainted with the senior citizens who were excited to share their various stories. Individual portrait pictures of the eager senior citizens were taken followed by a craftwork session. Together, PPB staff and the senior citizens decorated photo frames which were aptly used to hold their portrait pictures.

PPB contributed to the Home, a water heater, a CD player, 2 standing fans as well as food and household products distributed by FFM Marketing Sdn Bhd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of PPB Group. As for the senior citizens, angpows were given to them for good health and longevity. PPB staff also chipped in to donate cash, oranges and rice to the Home.

Amitabha Centre is a non-governmental organization established in 1998 by a Buddhist monk, Venerable Xuen Fa. The Centre currently runs 4 homes for senior citizens who are homeless or sick. The homes are located in the states of Malacca, Kuala Lumpur and Johor. Amitabha Centre, Kuala Lumpur has a total of 38 senior citizens and 8 volunteers who are all vegetarian. For more details on Amitabha Centre, please contact Mr Low Teik Seng at 03-79811320.





### Announcements

### **06 JANUARY**

Chemquest Sdn Bhd ("Chemquest"), a 55%-subsidiary of PPB acquired the remaining 700,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each, representing 70% of the issued and paid-up share capital in Cipta Quantum Sdn Bhd ("Cipta Quantum") from the other shareholder for a cash consideration of RM1.00 ("the Acquisition").

Prior to the Acquisition, Chemquest owned 30% equity interest in Cipta Quantum, and with the Acquisition, Cipta Quantum has become an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of PPB.

### 12 FEBRUARY

Messrs Moores Rowland, the external auditors of the Company had notified PPB of their intention not to seek re-appointment as auditors at the 40th Annual General Meeting of PPB to be held on 15 May 2009 ("40th AGM") as they had merged their practice with the internationally integrated practice of Messrs Mazars. Kuok Brothers Sdn Berhad, a shareholder of the PPB had nominated Messrs Mazars as auditors of the Company in place of the retiring auditors, Messrs Moores Rowland. (See Note below)

### 27 FEBRUARY

The Board recommended the payment of a final single tier dividend of 18 sen per share for the financial year ended 31 December 2008 to be paid on 5 June 2009 subject to shareholders' approval at the 40th AGM. (See Note below)

### **27 FEBRUARY**

Release of 4th Quarterly Report for the period ended 31 December 2008.

### **27 FEBRUARY**

Notice of intention to seek shareholders' approval for the Proposed Renewal of Shareholders' Mandate for Recurrent Related Party Transactions of a Revenue or Trading Nature at the 40th AGM. (See Note below)

<sup>\*</sup> Note: Shareholders of PPB have approved the resolutions in respect of the above matters at the 40th AGM.

### Share Analysis

### 1st Quarter Share Analysis

After registering a loss of 13.9% in 4Q2008, the Kuala Lumpur Composite Index (KLCI) registered a marginal loss of 0.5% to close at 872.6 points in 1Q2009. Commencing the quarter at 876.8 points, the KLCI started 2009 on a firm note with the KLCI touching a 2½-month high of 936.6 points. However, the retracement of global and regional markets caused the KLCI to subsequently retreat below 900 points in mid-February. The KLCI fell further to its year's low of 836.5 points on 12th March 2009 on concerns over the country's economic outlook and lowerthan-expected industrial output for January. However, the rebound in offshore markets helped the KLCI to close at 872.6 points for a marginal loss of 0.5% for the quarter.

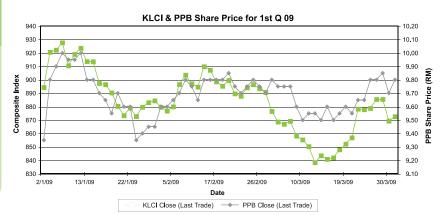
Source: Public Mutual website

PPB share price outperformed the KLCI to close 5.38% higher at RM9.80 compared with RM9.30 in the preceding quarter.

The market capitalisation and average daily volume of PPB shares increased to RM11.6 billion and 6.44% respectively.

### PPB SHARE & KUALA LUMPUR COMPOSITE INDEX PERFORMANCE For 1st Quarter 2009

	1st Q 2009	4th Q 2008	% change			
PPB share price						
Closing price (high)	10.00	9.40	6.38%			
Closing price (low)	9.35	7.30	28.08%			
Month end closing price	9.80	9.30	5.38%			
Weighted share price	9.72	8.31	16.97%			
Market capitalization (RM' million)	11,617.90	11,025.15	5.38%			
PPB share volume						
Daily volume (high)	2,878,600	2,467,700	16.65%			
Daily volume (low)	52,200	73,300	-28.79%			
Average daily volume	811,617	762,545	6.44%			
Kuala Lumpur Composite Index (KLC	CI)					
KLCI closing (high)	927.62	1,016.70	-8.76%			
KLCI closing (low)	838.39	829.41	1.08%			
KLCI month end closing	872.55	876.75	-0.48%			
Kuala Lumpur Composite Index (KLCI) volume						
Daily volume (high)	398,680,700	623,167,200	-36.02%			
Daily volume (low)	66,585,300	55,986,100	18.93%			
Average daily volume	175,026,791	279,610,102	-37.40%			



### Financial Statistics

For The 1st Quarter of 2009

(The figures have not been audited)

Financial period ended (All figures in RM million)	3 MO 31.3.09	NTHS 31.3.08	% Change	12 MONTHS 31.12.08
INCOME STATEMENTS				
Revenue Profit from operations	773 26	809 133	(4.4) (80.5)	3,642 411
Profit before tax	281	417	(32.6)	1,401
Profit for the period	271	384	(29.4)	1,293
Profit attributable to Shareholders of the Company	272	383	(29.0)	1,287
BALANCE SHEET				
Non-current assets	12,855	10,396	23.7	11,490
Current assets				
Cash and bank deposits	460	803	(42.7)	491
Non-current assets classified as held for sale	9	9	0.0	9
Others	1,121	1,066	5.2	1,226
Total current assets	1,590	1,878	(15.3)	1,726
Total assets	14,445	12,274	17.7	13,216
<u>Equity</u>				
Share capital	1,186	1,186	0.0	1,186
Reserves	12,416	10,495	18.3	11,047
Equity attributable to Shareholders of the Company	13,602	11,681	16.4	12,233
Minority interests	161	146	10.3	160
Total equity	13,763	11,827	16.4	12,393
Non-current liabilities	72	22	400.0	,,
Bank borrowings Others	73 74	23	>100.0 7.2	66 74
Total non-current liabilities	7 <del>4</del> 147	69 92	7.2 59.8	7 <del>4</del> 140
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Financial period ended (All figures in RM million)		<b>3 MO</b> 31.3.09	NTHS 31.3.08	% Change	1 <b>2 MONTHS</b> 31.12.08	
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<u>Current liabilities</u> Bank borrowings		270	44	>100.0	315	
Others		265	311	(14.8)	368	
Total current liabilities		535	355	50.7	683	
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Total liabilities		682	447	52.6	823	
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Total equity and liabilities		14,445	12,274	17.7	13,216	
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RATIOS						
RATIOS  Return on equity attributable to	(%)	2.0	3.3		10.5	
shareholders of the Company	(/0)	2.0	3.3		10.5	
Earnings per share	(sen)	22.9	32.3		108.5	
Interest coverage	(times)	115.7	447.0		165.0	
Current ratio	(times)	3.0	5.3		2.5	
Total borrowings/Equity	(%)	2.5	0.6		3.1	
Long term borrowings/Equity	(%)	0.5	0.2		0.5	
Net assets per share attributable to	(RM)	11.5	9.8		10.3	
shareholders of the Company	( ' ' )					
Net dividend per share	(sen)	0.0	0.0		68.9	
STOCK MARKET INFORMATION						
Share price	(RM)	9.80	10.20		9.3	
Market capitalisation	(RM million)	11,623	12,097		11,030	
PE ratio	(times)	10.7	7.9		8.6	

# Condensed Consolidated Income Statements For The Period Ended 31 March 2009

(The figures have not been audited)

	Individual Quarter 3 months ended 31 March		3 mont	ve Quarter hs ended March
	2009 RM'000	2008 RM'000	2009 RM'000	2008 RM'000
Revenue	772,505	808,888	772,505	808,888
Operating expenses	(754,804)	(684,018)	(754,804)	(684,018)
Other operating income	7,892	8,427	7,892	8,427
Profit from operations	25,593	133,297	25,593	133,297
Net profit from investing activities	173	6,904	173	6,904
Share of net profit less losses of associates	257,250	277,523	257,250	277,523
Share of net profits of jointly controlled entity	245	180	245	180
Finance costs	(2,449)	(935)	(2,449)	(935)
Profit before tax	280,812	416,969	280,812	416,969
Taxation	(9,381)	(32,646)	(9,381)	(32,646)
Profit for the period	271,431	384,323	271,431	384,323
Attributable to :-				
Shareholders of the Company	271,835	383,098	271,835	383,098
Minority interests	(404)	1,225	(404)	1,225
Profit for the period	271,431	384,323	271,431	384,323
Basic earnings per share (sen)	22.93	32.32	22.93	32.32

(The Condensed Consolidated Income Statements should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this report.)

### Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

# Quarterly Report

	As at 31-Mar-2009 RM'000	As at 31-Dec-2008 RM'000
ASSETS		
Non-current Assets		
Property, plant and equipment	974,538	957,970
Investment properties	168,308	168,436
Biological assets	2,922	2,943
Prepaid lease payments Goodwill	131,708	132,292 73,086
Other intangible assets	73,086 2,270	2,519
Land held for property development	6,504	6,459
Investments in associates	10,739,667	9,699,666
Investment in jointly controlled entity	48,509	45,849
Other investments	-	398,111
Available-for-sale investments	700,607	-
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	3,320	-
Deferred tax assets	3,310	3,315
	12,854,749	11,490,646
Current Assets		
Inventories	625,012	706,444
Biological assets	23,151	27,404
Other intangible assets	6,632	7,977
Property development costs	38,426	38,297
Receivables Derivative financial instruments	426,290	445,282
	1,037 460,455	491,186
Cash, bank balances and deposits	1,581,003	1,716,590
Non-current assets classified as held for sale	9.009	9,009
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		1,723,377
TOTAL ASSETS	14,444,761	13,216,245
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES Equity		
Share capital	1,185,500	1,185,500
Reserves	12,415,627	11,047,291
Equity attributable to shareholders of the Company	13,601,127	12,232,791
Minority interests	161,090	160,088
Total equity	13,762,217	12,392,879
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### Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (cont'd)

	As at 31-Mar-2009 RM'000	As at 31-Dec-2008 RM'000
Non-current Liabilities Long term borrowings Deferred tax liabilities  Current Liabilities	73,097 73,709 140,806	65,995 74,312 140,307
Payables Derivative financial instruments Short term borrowings Taxation	256,597 270 270,224 8,647 535,738	348,447 - 315,290 19,322 683,059
Total liabilities	682,544	823,366
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	14,444,761	13,216,245
Net assets per share attributable to shareholders of the Company (RM)	11.47	10.32
Net assets per share (RM)	11.61	10.45

(The Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this report.)

### Condensed Consolidated Cash Flow Statements For The Period Ended 31 March 2009

# Quarterly Report

	3 months ei 2009	nded 31 March 2008
	RM'000	RM'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit before tax	280,812	416,969
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Adjustments :- Non-cash items	(235,045)	(259,919)
Non-operating items	(1,171)	(5,819)
Operating profit before working capital changes	44,596	151,231
Working capital changes	,.,.	,
Net change in current assets	119,648	(12,965)
Net change in current liabilities	(91,167)	(6,117)
Cash generated from operations	73,077	132,149
Tax paid	(28,179)	(17,682)
Net cash generated from operating activities	44,898	114,467
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment, investment properties,	(41,196)	(38,760)
biological assets and other intangible assets	, , , , ,	(**, **,
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment,	58	565
investment properties and prepaid lease payments		
Purchase of investments	(71)	
Dividends received	1,472	1,415
Interest received	1,883	5,469
Other investing activities	(230)	(189)
Net cash used in investing activities	(38,084)	(31,500)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Shares issued to minority shareholder of a subsidiary	-	8,404
Bank borrowings	(37,627)	10,342
Interest paid	(2,475)	(975)
Other financing activities	1,108	2,475
Net cash (used in)/generated from financing activities	(38,994)	20,246
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(32,180)	103,213
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	489,022	699,411
Effect of exchange rate changes	2,575	(2,031)
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March	459,417	800,593
Cash and cash equivalent represented by :-		
Cash & bank	82,932	72,419
Bank deposits	377,453	730,226
Bank overdrafts	(968)	(2,052)
	459,417	800,593

(The Condensed Consolidated Cash Flow Statements should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this report.)

# Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity For The Period Ended 31 March 2009

3 months ended 31 March 2009
At 1 January 2009
As previously stated
Effect on adopting FRS 139
Restated

Net gains/(losses) recognised directly to equity Profit for the period

Total recognised income and expenses for the year Transfer of reserves At 31 March 2009

### 3 months ended 31 March 2008

At 1 January 2008

Net gains/(losses) recognised directly to equity Profit for the period

Total recognised income and expenses for the period Transfer of reserves Shares issued to minority shareholders of a subsidiary At 31 March 2008

Share capital RM'000	Share premium <i>RM'000</i>	Revaluation reserve RM'000	Exchange translation reserve RM'000	
1,185,500	6,715	60,675	172,631 -	
1,185,500	6,715	60,675	172,631	
	-		496,291 -	
	-	- (111)	496,291	
1,185,500	6,715	60,564	668,922	
1,185,500	6,715	55,492	(174,846)	
-	-		(113,109) -	
		(183)	(113,109) - -	
1,185,500	6,715	55,309	(287,955)	

			Distributable		utable	Non-distrib
Total equity RM'000	Minority interests RM'000	Attributable to shareholders of the Company RM'000	Retained earnings RM'000	Capital reserve RM'000	Hedge reserve RM'000	Fair value reserve <i>RM'000</i>
12,392,879 521,937	160,088 89	12,232,791 521,848	10,553,079 49,654	254,191 -	- 267,585	204,609
12,914,816	160,177	12,754,639	10,602,733	254,191	267,585	204,609
575,970 271,431	1,317 (404)	574,653 271,835	- 271,835	1,918 -	(25,585)	102,029
847,401	913	846,488	271,835 (4,139)	1,918 4,250	(25,585)	102,029
13,762,217	161,090	13,601,127	10,870,429	260,359	242,000	306,638
11,567,053	137,288	11,429,765	10,117,844	239,060	-	-
(132,440) 384,323	(98) 1,225	(132,342) 383,098	13,274 383,098	(32,507)		-
251,883	1,127	250,756	396,372 (5,831)	(32,507) 6,014	-	-
8,404	8,404 146,819	11,680,521	10,508,385	212,567	<u>-</u>	-

(The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this report.)

### Notes

### 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 2008 except for the early adoption of the following new FRSs and Interpretations, effective from financial period beginning 1 January 2009:-

FRS 7 Financial Instruments : Disclosures

FRS 139 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement

IC Interpretation 9 Reassessment of Embedded Derivatives
IC Interpretation 10 Interim Financial Reporting and Impairment

The adoption of the above FRSs and interpretations does not have any significant financial impact on the Group except for FRS 139 disclosed as follows:-

#### FRS 139: Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement

The adoption of the new FRS 139 has resulted in a change in the accounting policy relating to the recognition and measurement of other investments and derivative financial instruments.

#### Other investments

Prior to 1 January 2009, other investments are stated at cost less any diminution in value of the investments. The diminution in value is charged to the income statement. With the adoption of FRS 139, other investments held for trading are classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, otherwise these assets are classified as available-for-sale investments.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are initially recognised at fair value. Subsequent to initial recognition, these financial assets are measured at fair value at balance sheet date with changes in fair value recognised as gains or losses in the income statement.

Available-for-sale investments are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, these financial assets are measured at fair value at balance sheet date with changes in fair value recognised in fair value reserve in equity.

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#### Derivative financial instruments

Prior to 1 January 2009, derivative financial instruments are not recognised in the balance sheet. With the adoption of FRS 139, derivative financial instruments are initially recognised at fair value on the date the derivative contract is entered into and subsequently re-measured at fair value at balance sheet date. Any gains or losses arising from changes in fair value on derivative financial instruments that do not qualify for hedge accounting are taken directly to the income statement.

The above changes in accounting policy have been accounted for prospectively and in accordance with the transitional provisions for first time adoption of FRS 139, available-for-sale investments and derivative financial instruments have been re-measured at fair value at 1 January 2009 with the changes in fair value recognised directly in equity under fair value reserve, retained earnings and restating the following opening balances of the Group at 1 January 2009:-

	As previously reported RM'000	Effect RM'000	As restated RM'000
Consolidated Balance Sheet	7071 000	7071 000	7071 000
Reserves	11,047,291	521,848	11,569,139
Minority interests	160,088	89	160,177
Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity			
Fair value reserve	-	204,609	204,609
Hedge reserve	-	267,585	267,585
Retained earnings	10,553,079	49,654	10,602,733
Minority interests	160,088	89	160,177

Effects on adopting FRS 139 for the period ended 31 March 2009:-

Consolidated Income Statement Net gain from derivative financial instruments Fair value loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Share of net profit less losses of associate	RM'000 782 (1,324) (22,878)
Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity Increase in Fair value reserve	102,029

### A2. Seasonal or Cyclicality of Interim Operations

Reduction in Hedge reserve

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

### Notes

### 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

There was no dividend paid during the financial period under review.

### A7. Segmental reporting

Segmental information in respect of the Group's business segments for the period ended 31 March 2009

All figures in RM'000 Business Segments:	Sugar refining, trading and cane plantation	Grains trading, flour and feed milling	Film exhibition and distribution	Environmental engineering, waste management and utilities	
REVENUE					
External sales	277,668	269,409	44,641	36,304	
Inter-segment sales		23,363	-	-	
Total revenue	277,668	292,772	44,641	36,304	
RESULTS Segment operating results Unallocated corporate expenses Profit from operations Investing activities	14,781	4,662	5,233	206	
Share of associates profits less losses	(1,833)	(981)	220	1,299	
Share of joint venture's profits	-	-	-	245	
Finance costs					
Profit before tax					

### Notes

### 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.

Chemicals trading and manufacturing	Property investment and development	Livestock farming	Other operations	Elimination	Consolidated
14,291	13,234	16,742	100,216	-	772,505
79	351	4,629	8,806	(37,228)	-
14,370	13,585	21,371	109,022	(37,228)	772,505
170	4,999 808	(1,003)	(379) 257,737	(522)	28,147 (2,554) 25,593 173 257,250
-	-		-	-	245 (2,449) 280,812

### Notes

### 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 and year-to-date under review, except for the following:-

Chemquest Sdn Bhd ("Chemquest"), a 55% subsidiary of PPB, has on 6 January 2009 acquired the remaining 700,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each, representing 70% of the issued and paid-up share capital in Cipta Quantum Sdn Bhd ("Cipta Quantum") from the remaining shareholder, for a cash consideration of RM1.00 ("the Acquisition"). Prior to the Acquisition, Chemquest owned 30% equity interest in Cipta Quantum, and with the Acquisition, Cipta Quantum has become a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of PPB.

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

	A3 UL	A3 UL
	31-Mar-09	31-Dec-08
Contingent liabilities	RM'000	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.

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

#### B1. Review of Performance for the financial year-to-date

Group revenue of RM773 million for the first quarter ended 31 March 2009 was 4% lower compared with RM809 million for the same period last year. The decrease was mainly due to lower revenue recorded by the flour and animal feed milling, chemicals trading and property investment divisions.

Group profit before tax was RM281 million against RM417 million last year representing a decrease of about 33%. The decrease was mainly due to higher raw material costs incurred by the sugar refining and flour and feed milling divisions. Wilmar International Limited ("Wilmar") an associated company of the Group also contributed a profit of RM255 million for the guarter under review.

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

Group profit before tax of RM281 million for the quarter under review was 23% lower when compared with RM367 million in the preceding quarter. This was mainly due to lower contribution from PPB Group's core divisions as well as from Wilmar.

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#### B3. Prospects for current financial year

The global financial and economic crisis is expected to affect the Group's performance for the rest of 2009 in respect of lower demand and margins for the goods and services offered by the Group. In addition, changes in prices of raw materials and ocean freight will be the key factors affecting the Group's profitability. However, Group performance for the year will still remain satisfactory.

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

B5.	Taxation	Individual Quarter	Cumulative Quarter
	Taxation comprises:-	3 months ended 31-Mar-09 RM'000	3 months ended 31-Mar-09 RM'000
	Malaysian taxation based on profit for the period		
	Current	10,625	10,625
	Deferred	426	426
		11,051	11,051
	Foreign taxation		
	Current	(848)	(848)
		10,203	10,203
	(Over)/underprovision		
	Current	208	208
	Deferred	(1,030)	(1,030)
		9,381	9,381

The effective tax rate is higher than the average statutory rate for the period, mainly due to non-deductibility of certain expenses for tax purposes and losses in certain subsidiaries which were not available for tax relief.

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

There were no sales of unquoted investment and / or properties for the current quarter and financial year-to-date.

#### B7. Quoted securities

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

	Individual Quarter 3 months	Cumulative Quarter 3 months
	ended 31-Mar-2009	ended 31-Mar-2009
	RM'000	RM'000
Total purchases	71	71
Total proceeds from disposals	-	-
Net loss on disposals	-	-

(b) Total investments in quoted securities as at 31 March 2009 were as follows:-

	17/11 UUU
At cost	419,087
At book value / market value	703,499

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### B8. Status of corporate proposals

On 1 November 2006, Mantap Aman Sdn Bhd, an indirect subsidiary company 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 July 2009 based on the current schedule.

### B9. Group borrowings

Total Group borrowings as at 31 March 2009 were as follows.

	Total	Secured	Unsecured
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Long term bank borrowings			
Long term bank loans (USD)	57,963	57,963	-
Long term bank loans (CNY)	18,062	-	18,062
Hire purchase liabilities	205	205	-
Hire purchase liabilities (SGD)	70	70	-
Repayments due within the next 12 months	(3,203)	(189)	(3,014)
	73,097	58,049	15,048
Short term bank borrowings			
Bills payable	198,475	-	198,475
Short term loans	65,950	-	65,950
Short term loans (USD)	1,628	-	1,628
Current portion of long term loans	3,014	-	3,014
Hire purchase liabilities	177	177	-
Hire purchase liabilities (SGD)	12	12	-
	269,256	189	269,067
Bank overdrafts	968	-	968
	270,224	189	270,035

#### B10. Off Balance Sheet Financial Instruments

There were no off balance financial instruments as at 13 May 2009. The Group adopts FRS 139 - Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement which requires all financial instruments to be recognised in the financial statements.

### B11. Material litigation

There was no material litigation pending as at 13 May 2009.

### B12. Dividend

The single tier final dividend of 18 sen per share for the financial year ended 31 December 2008 was approved by shareholders at the Company's 40th Annual General Meeting held on 15 May 2009 and will be paid on Friday, 5 June 2009.

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

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### Dividends paid/payable

Dividends paid and payable for the financial year 2007, 2008 and up to the date of this report are as follows:-

Financial Year	Туре	Rate per share	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 dividend	5 sen single tier dividend	29 September 2008
2008	Final dividend	18 sen single tier dividend	Payable on 5 June 2009

### 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 19 May 2009

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