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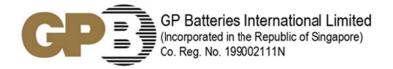
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Third Quarter Financial Statement For the Period Ended 31 December 2016

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

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

Group income statement for the third quarter ("Q3") and nine-month ("YTD") ended 31 December 2016. These figures have not been audited.

	Note	Q3 ended 31 Dec 2016 \$\$'000	Q3 ended 31 Dec 2015 \$\$'000 Restated	Change %	YTD ended 31 Dec 2016 S\$'000	YTD ended 31 Dec 2015 S\$'000 Restated	Change %
Revenue		196,684	193,096	1.9	568,101	595,588	(4.6)
Cost of sales		(152,335)	(146,705)	3.8	(442,103)	(458,349)	(3.5)
Gross profit		44,349	46,391	(4.4)	125,998	137,239	(8.2)
Other operating income & expenses		8,393	2,214	279.1	17,026	16,356	4.1
Distribution expenses		(19,979)	(15,259)	30.9	(50,325)	(52,526)	(4.2)
Administrative expenses		(23,178)	(23,688)	(2.2)	(65,517)	(66,867)	(2.0)
Finance costs		(1,699)	(1,856)	(8.5)	(5,030)	(5,080)	(1.0)
Profit before share of results of associates		7,886	7,802	1.1	22,152	29,122	(23.9)
Share of results of associates		2,857	1,326	115.5	5,791	3,690	56.9
Profit before income tax	Α	10,743	9,128	17.7	27,943	32,812	(14.8)
Income tax	В	(3,583)	(4,918)	(27.1)	(10,936)	(9,888)	10.6
Profit after income tax		7,160	4,210	70.1	17,007	22,924	(25.8)
Attributable to:							
Equity holders of the Company		3,670	651	463.7	7,505	13,238	(43.3)
Non-controlling interests		3,490	3,559	(1.9)	9,502	9,686	(1.9)
		7,160	4,210	70.1	17,007	22,924	(25.8)
Gross profit margin		22.5%	24.0%		22.2%	23.0%	

Certain comparative figures have been restated

Statement of Comprehensive Income

The Group	Q3 ended 31 Dec 2016 S\$'000	Q3 ended 31 Dec 2015 S\$'000	YTD ended 31 Dec 2016 \$\$'000	YTD ended 31 Dec 2015 \$\$'000
Profit for the period	7,160	4,210	17,007	22,924
Other comprehensive income: Items that may be subsequently reclassified to Profit or Loss:				
Translation differences arising from consolidation of foreign operations Fair value gain (loss) on available-for-sale	3,652	(7,902)	(3,242)	(13,968)
financial assets	94	331	124	(627)
Other comprehensive income (loss) for the period	3,746	(7,571)	(3,118)	(14,595)
Total comprehensive income for the period	10,906	(3,361)	13,889	8,329
Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to:				
Equity holders of the Company	4,908	(5,527)	3,033	(750)
Non-controlling interests	5,998	2,166	10,856	9,079
	10,906	(3,361)	13,889	8,329

Not	es to the Income Statement	Q3 ended 31 Dec 2016 S\$'000	Q3 ended 31 Dec 2015 S\$'000	YTD ended 31 Dec 2016 \$\$'000	YTD ended 31 Dec 2015 S\$'000
(A)	Profit before taxation is arrived at after crediting (charging) the following:				
	Depreciation Foreign exchange gain ⁽ⁱ⁾ Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment, net ⁽ⁱ⁾ Government grant ⁽ⁱ⁾	(5,124) 8,656 82 1,054	(4,060) 1,063 39 495	(13,656) 12,588 3,182 1,737	(14,930) 9,887 4,090 1,659
(B)	Income tax is inclusive of:				
	Over/(under) provision in respect of prior years' taxation	46	150	669	1,326

⁽i) Included in other operating income/other operating expenses in the consolidated statement of profit or loss

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

		The G	roup	The Con	npanv
	Note	31 Dec 2016	31 Mar 2016		31 Mar 2016
		S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Non-current assets					
Investment property		1,740	1,672	0	0
Property, plant & equipment	Α	207,374	194,039	4,706	1,142
Interest in subsidiaries		0	0	327,450	336,614
Interest in associates		51,866	46,329	16,382	16,382
Available-for-sales investments		6,339	5,777	0	0
Deferred tax assets		4,090	3,729	0	0
Goodwill on consolidation		12,409	11,548	0	0
Deposits and prepayments		1,214	3,095	1,214	3,046
Total non-current assets	-	285,032	266,189	349,752	357,184
Current assets					
Stocks	В	107,767	110,353	0	0
Debtors	С	134,144	123,485	110,658	100,048
Tax recoverable		1,208	754	0	0
Deposits and prepayments		12,729	10,904	2,146	1,985
Bank balances and cash	D	134,211	110,978	6,274	6,797
		390,059	356,474	119,078	108,830
Assets held for sale	G	1,150	0	0	0
Total current assets		391,209	356,474	119,078	108,830
Current liabilities					
Creditors and accrued charges	Е	174,667	143,653	106,440	100,410
Derivative financial instruments		0	497	0	0
Obligations under finance leases		93	113	0	0
Income tax payable		2,557	2,108	138	147
Bank loans and overdrafts	F	149,988	118,142	89,727	69,336
Total current liabilities	-	327,305	264,513	196,305	169,893
Net current assets (liabilities)		63,904	91,961	(77,227)	(61,063)
Non-current liabilities					
Bank loans	F	30,112	43,315	29,684	43,315
Obligations under finance leases		47	79	0	0
Deferred tax liabilities		2,755	2,208	0	0
Total non-current liabilities		32,914	45,602	29,684	43,315
Net assets	-	316,022	312,548	242,841	252,806
Represented by:					
Issued capital		257,400	257,400	257,400	257,400
Treasury shares		(6,088)	(6,084)	(6,088)	(6,084)
Reserves		(19,557)	(19,428)	(8,471)	1,490
Attributable to equity holders of the Company	-	231,755	231,888	242,841	252,806
Non-controlling interests		84,267	80,660	0	0
	•	316,022	312,548	242,841	252,806
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Explanatory Notes to the Statement of Financial Position

(A) Property, plant and equipment

Increase in property, plant & equipment due to capital expenditure incurred in setting up manufacturing facilities in Malaysia and Vietnam.

(B) Stocks

Decrease in stock was mainly due to stepped up efforts in inventory control.

(C) Debtors

Increase in debtors was mainly due to higher turnover in this quarter (ie, Q3 2016/17) as compared to the last quarter of last financial year (ie, Q4 2015/16).

(D) Bank balances and cash

Increase in bank balances and cash was mainly due to (i) receipts of trade receivables settlement before end of calendar year; (ii) drawdown of bank loans to prepare for payments of capital expenditure.

(E) Creditors and accrued charges

Increase in creditors and accrued charges was mainly due to (i) increase in turnover in this quarter (ie, Q3 2016/17) as compared to the last quarter of last financial year (ie, Q4 2015/16); (ii) increase in distribution expenses such as advertising and promotion expenses; (iii) capital expenditure incurred for the purchase of property, plant and equipment.

(F) Bank loans and overdraft

Increase in total bank loans was mainly due to the financing of capital expenditure for the expansion of the facilities in Malaysia and Vietnam.

(G) Assets held for sale

The Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Dongguan Chao Ba Batteries Co Ltd, has entered into a Sale & Purchase Agreement to dispose of a property in the People's Republic of China for a consideration of RMB105 million. The disposal is expected to complete in FY2017/18. Details are set out in announcement of proposed disposal of an industrial complex located in Dongguan, PRC on 28 December 2016.

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

	As at 31 Dec 2016	As at 31 Mar 2016
A	S\$'000	S\$'000
Amount repayable in one year or less, or on demand		
Unsecured:		
Long term bank loans		
- scheduled repayments within 12 months	32,396	28,375
- not repayable within 12 months but contain		
a repayment on demand clause	1,012	2,825
Short term bank loans	85,815	62,060
Import and export loans	30,765	24,882
	149,988	118,142
Secured:		
Obligations under finance leases	93	113
Amount repayable after one year		
Unsecured:		
Long term bank loans	30,112	43,315
Secured:		
Obligations under finance leases	47	79

Details of any collateral

Carrying amount of fixed assets in respect of certain motor vehicles held under finance leases:

As at 31 [Dec 2016	As at 31 Mar 2016			
The Group S\$'000	The Company S\$'000	The Group S\$'000	The Company S\$'000		
198	NIL	234	NIL		

Other comments to paragraph 1(b)(ii)

Not applicable.

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

	Q3 31 Dec 2016 S\$'000	Q3 31 Dec 2015 \$\$'000	YTD 31 Dec 2016 S\$'000	YTD 31 Dec 2015 S\$'000
Operating activities				
Profit before income tax	10,743	9,128	27,943	32,812
Adjustments for:				
Allowance for doubtful debts (trade)	259	105	341	4,082
Allowance for stock, net	781	477	1,645	1,400
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	5,124	4,060	13,656	14,930
Dividend income from available-for-sale investments	(5)	0	(5)	0
Finance costs	1,699	1,856	5,030	5,080
Interest income	(180)	(632)	(526)	(1,265)
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment, net	(82)	(39)	(3,182)	(4,090)
Property, plant and equipment written off	144	193	425	510
Realised (gain) loss on derivative financial instruments	(158)	142	(207)	387
Share of results of associates	(2,857)	(1,326)	(5,791)	(3,690)
Unrealised fair value loss (gain) on derivative financial instruments	132	66	0	306
Unrealised foreign exchange loss (gain)	(5,499)	840	(7,026)	(5,144)
Operating profit before working capital changes	10,101	14,870	32,303	45,318
Stocks	1,652	(7,189)	9,173	(10,642)
Debtors	13,281	17,678	(3,771)	(8,166)
Deposits and prepayments	91	258	(851)	179
Creditors and accrued charges	962	(12,595)	20,512	20,296
Cash generated from operations	26,087	13,022	57,366	46,985
Income tax paid	(3,752)	(4,063)	(9,178)	(3,954)
Net cash generated from operating activities	22,335	8,959	48,188	43,031

	Q3 31 Dec 2016	Q3 31 Dec 2015	YTD 31 Dec 2016	YTD 31 Dec 2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Investing activities				
Deposits paid for purchase of property, plant and equipment	184	(2,558)	(277)	(2,766)
Dividends received from associates	30	152	1,267	1,193
Dividends received from available-for-sale investments	5	0	5	0
Interest received	180	632	526	1,265
Proceeds on disposal of property, plant and equipment	191	387	5,053	3,828
Purchase of available-for-sale investments	0	(712)	0	(712)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(14,811)	(3,741)	(25,987)	(13,914)
Net cash (used in) from investing activities	(14,221)	(5,840)	(19,413)	(11,106)
Financing activities				
Drawdown of term loan	5,649	0	9,743	89,710
Payment of front end fee	0	0	0	(2,125)
Repayment of term loans	(8,315)	(6,920)	(22,859)	(7,959)
Other short term bank loans obtained (paid)	19,820	2,887	25,392	(48,337)
Interest paid	(1,600)	(1,755)	(5,021)	(4,134)
Capital reductions paid to non-controlling shareholders	0	0	(885)	0
Dividends paid	(1,581)	(4,793)	(3,162)	(8,866)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	0	0	(6,364)	(6,524)
Non trade balances due from associates	408	52	(125)	(64)
Non trade balances due to associates	28	(16)	44	362
Purchase of treasury shares	0	(1,920)	(4)	(5,761)
Repayment of obligations under finance leases	(24)	(36)	(86)	(131)
Net cash from (used in) financing activities	14,385	(12,501)	(3,327)	6,171
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	22,499	(9,382)	25,448	38,096
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	110,685	127,361	110,978	81,042
Effect of exchange rate changes on the balance				
of cash held in foreign currencies	1,027	(427)	(2,215)	(1,586)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	134,211	117,552	134,211	117,552

1(d)(i) A statement (for the issuer and group) showing either (i) all changes in equity or (ii) changes in equity other than those arising from capitalisation issues and distributions to shareholders, together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

The Group	Share capital S\$'000	Treasury shares S\$'000	Capital reserve S\$'000	Legal reserve S\$'000	Translation reserve S\$'000	Property/ asset revaluation reserve S\$'000	Retained profits S\$'000	Fair value reserve S\$'000	Sub Total S\$'000	Non- controlling interests \$\$'000	Total S\$'000
Balance at 1 Apr 2016	257,400	(6,084)	(32,963)	22,174	(143,578)	3,358	130,860	721	231,888	80,660	312,548
Total comprehensive income:		, , ,	, . ,	·	, , ,	·	•				
Profit for the year	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,235	0	1,235	2,616	3,851
Other comprehensive income for the period	0	0	0	0	(6,701)	0	0	203	(6,498)	(1,647)	(8,145)
Total	0	0	0	0	(6,701)	0	1,235	203	(5,263)	969	(4,294)
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equit	y:										
Purchase of treasury shares	0	(4)	0	0	0	0	0	0	(4)	0	(4)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(6,349)	(6,349)
Total	0	(4)	0	0	0	0	0	0	(4)	(6,349)	(6,353)
Transfer to (from) reserves	0	0	0	80	0	0	(80)	0	0	0	0
Balance at 30 Jun 2016 Total comprehensive income:	257,400	(6,088)	(32,963)	22,254	(150,279)	3,358	132,015	924	226,621	75,280	301,901
Profit for the year	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,600	0	2,600	3,396	5,996
Other comprehensive income for the period	0	0	0	0	961	0	0	(173)	788	493	1,281
Total	0	0	0	0	961	0	2,600	(173)	3,388	3,889	7,277
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equit	y:										
Dividends paid	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1,581)	0	(1,581)	0	(1,581)
Capital reductions to non-controlling interests	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(885)	(885)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(15)	(15)
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1,581)	0	(1,581)	(900)	(2,481)
Balance at 30 Sept 2016 Total comprehensive income:	257,400	(6,088)	(32,963)	22,254	(149,318)	3,358	133,034	751	228,428	78,269	306,697
Profit for the year	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,670	0	3,670	3,490	7,160
Other comprehensive income for the period	0	0	0	0	1,144	0	0	94	1,238	2,508	3,746
Total	0	0	0	0	1,144	0	3,670	94	4,908	5,998	10,906
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equit	y:										
Dividends paid	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1,581)	0	(1,581)	0	(1,581)
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1,581)	0	(1,581)	0	(1,581)
Transfer to (from) reserves	0	0	0	250	0	0	(250)	0	0	0	0
Balance at 31 Dec 2016	257,400	(6,088)	(32,963)	22,504	(148,174)	3,358	134,873	845	231,755	84,267	316,022

						Property/ asset		Fair		Non-	
	Share	Treasury	Capital	Legal	Translation	revaluation	Retained	value	Sub	controlling	
	capital	shares	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserve	profits	reserve	Total	interests	Total
The Group	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Balance at 1 Apr 2015	257,400	0	(32,963)	22,001	(123,147)	3,358	137,502	1,206	265,357	77,172	342,529
Total comprehensive income:											
Profit for the year	0	0	0	0	(F 403)	0	2,833	(425)	2,833	3,235	6,068
Other comprehensive income for the period Total	0	0	0	0	(5,492) (5,492)	0	2,833	(425) (425)	(5,917)	(1,728) 1,507	(7,645) (1,577)
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equ	•	U	U	U	(3,432)	U	2,033	(423)	(3,004)	1,507	(1,5//)
	•	(65.4)						2	(65.4)	•	(65.4)
Purchase of treasury shares Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	0	(654) 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(654) 0	0 (6,524)	(654) (6,524)
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Total _	0	(654)	0	0	0	0	0	0	(654)	(6,524)	(7,178)
Balance at 30 Jun 2015 Total comprehensive income:	257,400	(654)	(32,963)	22,001	(128,639)	3,358	140,335	781	261,619	72,155	333,774
Profit for the year	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,754	0	9,754	2,892	12,646
Other comprehensive income for the period	0	0	0	0	(1,360)	0	0	(533)	(1,893)	2,514	621
Total	0	0	0	0	(1,360)	0	9,754	(533)	7,861	5,406	13,267
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equ	uity:										
Purchase of treasury shares	0	(3,187)	0	0	0	0	0	0	(3,187)	0	(3,187)
Dividends paid	0	0	0	0	0	0	(4,073)	0	(4,073)	0	(4,073)
Total	0	(3,187)	0	0	0	0	(4,073)	0	(7,260)	0	(7,260)
Transfer to (from) reserves	0	0	0	173	0	0	(173)	0	0	0	0
Balance at 30 Sept 2015 Total comprehensive income:	257,400	(3,841)	(32,963)	22,174	(129,999)	3,358	145,843	248	262,220	77,561	339,781
Profit for the year	0	0	0	0	0	0	651	0	651	3,559	4,210
Other comprehensive income for the period	0	0	0	0	(6,509)	0	0	331	(6,178)	(1,393)	(7,571)
Total	0	0	0	0	(6,509)	0	651	331	(5,527)	2,166	(3,361)
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equ	uity:										
Purchase of treasury shares	0	(1,920)	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1,920)	0	(1,920)
Dividends paid	0	0	0	0	0	0	(4,793)	0	(4,793)	0	(4,793)
Total	0	(1,920)	0	0	0	0	(4,793)	0	(6,713)	0	(6,713)
Balance at 31 Dec 2015	257,400	(5,761)	(32,963)	22,174	(136,508)	3,358	141,701	579	249,980	79,727	329,707

The Company Balance at 1 Apr 2016	Share capital S\$'000 257,400	Treasury shares \$\$'000 (6,084)	Retained profits S\$'000	Translation reserve S\$'000 (2,472)	Total \$\$'000 252,806
Total comprehensive income					
Loss for the period	0	0	(5,611)	0	(5,611)
Other comprehensive income	0	0	0	(194)	(194)
	0	0	(5,611)	(194)	(5,805)
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity:					
Purchase of treasury shares	0	(4)	0	0	(4)
Balance at 30 Jun 2016	257,400	(6,088)	(1,649)	(2,666)	246,997
Total comprehensive income					
Profit for the period	0	0	6,341	0	6,341
Other comprehensive loss	0	0	0	(1,005)	(1,005)
	0	0	6,341	(1,005)	5,336
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity:					
Dividends paid	0	0	(1,581)	0	(1,581)
Balance at 30 Sept 2016	257,400	(6,088)	3,111	(3,671)	250,752
Total comprehensive income					
Profit for the period	0	0	(998)	0	(998)
Other comprehensive loss	0	0	0	(5,332)	(5,332)
	0	0	(998)	(5,332)	(6,330)
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity:					
Dividends paid	0	0	(1,581)	0	(1,581)
Balance at 31 Dec 2016	257,400	(6,088)	532	(9,003)	242,841

The Company Balance at 1 Apr 2015 Total comprehensive income Loss for the period Other comprehensive income	Share capital S\$'000 257,400 0	Treasury shares S\$'000 0	Retained profits \$\$'000 9,372 (6,511) 0	Translation reserve \$\$'000 (4,432)	Total \$\$'000 262,340 (6,511) 1,237
caner comprehensive meaning	0	0	(6,511)	1,237	(5,274)
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity: Purchase of treasury shares	0	(654)	0	0	(654)
Balance at 30 Jun 2015	257,400	(654)	2,861	(3,195)	256,412
Total comprehensive income					
Profit for the period	0	0	7,394	0	7,394
Other comprehensive loss	0	0	0	(3,623)	(3,623)
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity:	0	0	7,394	(3,623)	3,771
Purchase of treasury shares	0	(3,187)	0	0	(3,187)
Dividends paid	0	0	(4,073)	0	(4,073)
Balance at 30 Sept 2015 Total comprehensive income	257,400	(3,841)	6,182	(6,818)	252,923
Profit for the period	0	0	16,703	0	16,703
Other comprehensive loss	0	0	10,703	(42)	(42)
Other comprehensive loss	0	0	16,703	(42)	16,661
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity:			.,	, ,	.,
Purchase of treasury shares	0	(1,920)	0	0	(1,920)
Dividends paid	0	0	(4,793)	0	(4,793)
Balance at 31 Dec 2015	257,400	(5,761)	18,092	(6,860)	262,871

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

There was no change in the share capital of the Company from 30 September 2016 to 31 December 2016. There were no shares that may be issued on conversion of any outstanding convertibles as at 31 December 2016 and 31 December 2015.

As at 31 December 2016, the Company held 6,690,200 (31 December 2015: 6,319,900) of its issued shares as treasury shares.

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

As at	31 Dec 2016	31 Mar 2016
Total number of issued shares	164,806,752	164,806,752
Less: Number of treasury shares	<u>(6,690,200</u>)	(6,685,200)
Total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares	<u>158,116,552</u>	<u>158,121,552</u>

During the nine months ended 31 December 2016, the Company purchased 5,000 (31 December 2015: 6,319,900) issued shares via open market purchase and all these shares were held as treasury shares as at 31 December 2016.

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

As at 31 December 2016, there were no sales, transfers, disposals, cancellation and/or use of treasury shares.

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

The figures have not been audited or reviewed by the Company's auditors.

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

Not applicable.

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

Other than the adoption of certain revisions to various existing Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS"), the new FRS and Interpretations of FRS ("INT FRS") that are mandatory on the Group for its financial year commenced on 1 April 2016, the Group has adopted the same accounting policies and methods of computation for the current financial period as those adopted for the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2016.

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

The adoption of the various revised FRS, new FRS and INT FRS effective for the Company's financial year commencing on 1 April 2016 does not have a material financial effect on the Group and the Company.

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

	Q3 ended	Q3 ended	YTD ended	YTD ended
	31 Dec 2016	31 Dec 2015	31 Dec 2016	31 Dec 2015
Earnings per share ("EPS") in cents				
Basic & Diluted	2.32	0.41	4.75	8.16
Number of shares:				
Weighted average number of ordinary	158,116,552	159,616,714	158,116,689	162,271,072
shares used in calculating basic & diluted				
EPS				

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

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	31 Dec 2016	31 Mar 2016	31 Dec 2016	31 Mar 2016	
Net asset value per ordinary share	S\$1.47	S\$1.47	S\$1.54	S\$1.60	

Net asset value per ordinary share as at 31 December 2016 and 31 March 2016 were computed based on 158,116,552 and 158,121,552 ordinary shares respectively.

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

Turnover for the three months ended 31 December 2016 was \$\$196.7 million, an increase of 1.9% over the corresponding period last year. Turnover for the nine months ended 31 December 2016 was \$\$568.1 million, a decrease of 4.6% over the corresponding period last year.

Global demands for primary batteries and Nickel Metal Hydride batteries were slow growing and price competition was very keen. While sales of primary batteries increased by 2.6% for the three months ended 31 December 2016, sales for the nine months ended 31 December 2016 decreased by 2.8% over the corresponding periods last year. Sales of rechargeable batteries decreased by 6.9% and 14.2% for the three months and nine months ended 31 December 2016 respectively over the respective corresponding periods last year. The drop in the revenue of rechargeable batteries was mainly due to the discontinuation of a contract with a major customer of the Group's Taiwan plant, which has ceased production

Sales in the Americas decreased by 18.0% while sales in Europe increased by 35.2% for the three months ended 31 December 2016 over the corresponding period last year. For the nine months ended 31 December 2016, sales in the Americas decreased by 31.6% while sales in Europe increased by 32.8% as compared to the corresponding period last year. The decrease in sales in the Americas and increase in sales in Europe was largely due to the relocation of the procurement office of a major customer from the USA to Europe.

Profit before income tax for the three months and nine months ended 31 December 2016 was \$\$10.7 million and \$\$27.9 million respectively as compared to \$\$9.1 million and \$\$32.8 million over the respective corresponding periods last year. Gross profit margin for the three months and nine months ended 31 December 2016 was 22.5% and 22.2% respectively as compared to 24.0% and 23.0% in the respective corresponding periods last year, mainly due to loss of income of the Taiwan plant.

Distribution expenses for the three months ended 31 December 2016 were \$\$20.0 million as compared to \$\$15.3 million over the corresponding period last year mainly due to increase in advertising and promotion expenses in order to capture market share. Distribution expenses for the nine months ended 31 December 2016 were \$\$50.3 million as compared to \$\$52.5 million over the corresponding period last year. The decrease was mainly due to a provision for doubtful debt of \$\$4.0 million that was made in the second quarter last year.

Finance costs for the three months and nine months ended 31 December 2016 were \$\$1.7 million and \$\$5.0 million respectively as compared to \$\$1.9 million and \$\$5.1 million over the respective corresponding periods last year. The reduction was mainly due to lower interest rates charged for the \$\$85 million three-year term loan facility.

Net other operating income for the three months ended 31 December 2016 was \$\$8.4 million as compared to \$\$2.2 million over the corresponding period last year, mainly due to (a) a higher foreign exchange gain of \$\$8.7 million was recorded in the third quarter this year as compared to a foreign exchange gain of \$\$1.1 million in the third quarter last year; which was partially offset by (b) a payment of US\$1.45 million made in the third quarter this year pursuant to a customer's quality dispute on Lithium rechargeable batteries that were delivered back in 2014 and 2015. Net other operating income for the nine months ended 31 December 2016 was \$\$17.0 million as compared to \$\$16.4 million over the corresponding period last year, mainly due to (a) a higher year-to-date exchange gain of \$\$12.6 million was recorded this year as compared to a year-to-date exchange gain of \$\$9.9 million last year; which was partially offset by (b) the aforementioned dispute settlement of US\$1.45 million.

Share of profits of associates for the three months and nine months ended 31 December 2016 was \$\$2.9 million and \$\$5.8 million respectively as compared to \$\$1.3 million and \$\$3.7 million over the respective corresponding periods last year, mainly due to the improved performance of AZ Limited, the Group's 40%-owned associate in Russia; and TG Battery, the Group's 50%-owned joint venture with Toshiba, which manufactures cylindrical carbon zinc batteries.

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

Not applicable.

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

There is conceivably significant unsold capacity within the industry and competition will continue to be keen. The strategy of consolidating smaller factories into bigger ones is on schedule and it is expected that cost competitiveness will improve after the consolidation. The production facilities for primary button batteries in Shanghai will be relocated to Ningbo and the Group will incur some closure costs as a result in the fourth quarter of this financial year. As the new factories in Malaysia and Vietnam come on stream, they will start to contribute to revenue growth.

The Group will continue to invest resources on building the "GP" brand and expanding the distribution network globally.

11. Dividend

(a) Current Financial Period Reported On

Any dividend declared for the current financial period reported on?

No.

(b) Corresponding Period of the Immediately Preceding Financial Year

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

No.

(c) Date payable

Not applicable.

(d) Books closure date

Not applicable.

12.	If no dividend has been declared/recommended, a statement to that effect
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Not applicable.

13. If the Group has obtained a general mandate from shareholders for Interested Person Transactions ("IPT"), the aggregate value of such transactions as required under Rule 920(1)(a)(ii). If no IPT mandate has been obtained, a statement to that effect.

The Company does not have a shareholders' mandate for IPT.

14. Confirmation by the Board Pursuant to Rule 705(5)

We, Victor Lo Chung Wing and Richard Ku Yuk Hing, being two directors of GP Batteries International Limited (the "Company"), do hereby confirm on behalf of the directors of the Company that, to the best of our knowledge, nothing has come to the attention of the board of directors of the Company which may render the financial statements for third quarter ended 31 December 2016 to be false or misleading in any material aspect.

15. Confirmation that the issuer has procured undertakings from all its directors and executive officers under Rule 720(1)

The Company has procured undertakings from all its directors and executive officers (in the format set out in Appendix 7.7) under Rule 720(1) of the Listing Manual.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Victor Lo Chung Wing Chairman and Chief Executive Officer **Richard Ku Yuk Hing** Vice Chairman

8 February 2017