# KKB ENGINEERING BERHAD

[Registration No.: 197601000528 (26495-D)] (Incorporated in Malaysia)

SUMMARY OF THE KEY MATTERS DISCUSSED AT THE FORTY-NINTH (49<sup>TH</sup>) ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ("AGM") OF KKB ENGINEERING BERHAD ("KKB" OR "THE COMPANY") HELD AT GRAND MARGHERITA HOTEL, JALAN TUNKU ABDUL RAHMAN, 93100 KUCHING, SARAWAK ON THURSDAY, 22 MAY 2025 AT 10.00 A.M.

There were queries raised by a shareholder namely Minority Shareholder Watch Group ("MSWG") prior to the AGM and the responses from KKB are outlined in Appendix 1, a copy as attached herewith which has been circulated to the members present at the AGM.

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What are the mitigation factors/plans has the Risk and Sustainability Committee taken/addressed to ensure huge amounts of write-off of obsolete inventories will not recur?	The raw material concerned the importation and production of its Mild Steel Polyurethane Lined ("MSPUL") Pipes and is used in the protective lining of the inside of steel pipeline for water supply.
	Note that the imported PU was of a high grade and with a long lead time for delivery and has a certain shelf life per specifications.
	It was procured in bulk to meet planned production with urgent completion period for State Government project in Sarawak years ago.
	Due to long lead time for ordering and delivery, Management negotiated its supply on a quarterly to half yearly plan as an essential raw material, supplied from Europe and it usually took four (4) months or more to secure delivery.
	Note that the change in quantity ordered and being used came about as a result of design changes as per instruction of the Water Authority in terms of the reduced distance or quantity of MSPUL pipes originally approved in their design and our orders.
	It was not a case of overbuying or "overstock" of essential material ordered.
	Due to the high grade of the PU material, it has a specified shelf life of between 6 to 12 months and thereafter is subject to approval of an independent 3 <sup>rd</sup> party for use.
	With this high grade PU imported material with a long lead time and specified shelf life, it was deemed necessary to write – off not to be used and it was not due to any fault of 'over ordering' for production use.
	In any case, the Risk and Sustainability Committee shall continue to review and address periodic Quarterly Production and Procurement plans and that its needs on stock holding are to be checked and balanced by higher management.



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Dear Miss.

RE: 49th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ("AGM") OF KKB ENGINEERING BERHAD ("THE COMPANY") TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY, 22 MAY 2025

We refer to your letter dated 16th May 2025 pertaining to the abovementioned matter. We append below our reply to the points raised by MSWG:

## **OPERATIONAL & FINANCIAL MATTERS**

## Question 1

The Steel Pipes manufacturing division registered RM13.3 million revenue in FY 2024, as compared to RM17.0 million in FY 2023 and LP Gas Cylinders manufacturing division recorded RM4.6 million revenue in FY 2024 as against RM 9.0 million in FY2023. (Page 7 of Annual Report (AR) 2024).

a) Please explain the reasons for the lower revenue from the Steel Pipes manufacturing and LP Gas Cylinders manufacturing divisions respectively in FY 2024.

# <u>Answer</u>

Lower revenue for the LP Gas ("LPG") Cylinders manufacturing division due to lower offtake of new LPG cylinders by Petroleum Companies.

The Group's Steel Pipes manufacturing division recorded a lower revenue due to fulfillment of orders for the export of Mild Steel Pipes to Brunei. The supply order secured in December 2024 from Gamuda Berhad for the Supply of MSCL Pipes and Specials in Sabah is expected to contribute to the Group's performance in FY2025.

b) What were the gross profits recorded for the Steel Pipes and LP Gas Cylinders manufacturing divisions in both FYs 2023 and 2024 respectively?

In line with lower revenue, the steel Pipes and LPG cylinders manufacturing divisions contributed less than 10% to the group's overall gross profit in FY2023 and FY2024 respectively.

c) What is the outlook of the Steel Pipes and LP Gas Cylinders manufacturing divisions in FY 2025?



## <u>Answer</u>

Barring any unforeseen circumstances, outlook for the Steel Pipes manufacturing division is positive with our focus on the developments taking place in Sarawak and Sabah, whilst outlook for the LPG cylinders manufacturing division is projected to improve supported by the supply order of new LPG cylinders to Petrosniaga Sdn Bhd.

d) What measures has the Group taken to improve the revenues from the Steel Pipes and LP Gas Cylinders manufacturing divisions in FY 2025?

#### **Answer**

The Group is continuously and actively pursuing various engineering projects, particularly projects related to the supply, laying and commissioning of water pipes and other related infrastructure works to replenish its order books.

### Question 2

The Group had written off obsolete inventories amounting RM1.17 million in FY 2024 in respect of raw materials as compared to RM Nil in FY 2023. (Page 19 & 113 of AR2024).

a) Please provide the nature and purpose of raw materials that were written off in FY 2024.

### Answer

Raw materials used for the coating of Steel Pipes.

b) Why did the Group have to purchase huge amounts of raw materials that have to be written off eventually?

# **Answer**

In order to take advantage of better pricing and volume discount. The raw materials were purchased in bulk to cater for the production of Polyurethane Mild Steel Pipes.

c) The Group has written down raw materials of an amount of RM0.932 million in FY 2024. Are the raw materials written down are the same as the raw materials that were written off or otherwise? Please explain. Will the raw materials that have been written down have to be written off eventually? Please explain.

### <u>Answer</u>

The raw materials written off under 2(a) above were not the same with the written down raw materials. The written off raw materials were not in good condition and not usable for future projects or capable of being repurposed.

In accordance with MFRS 102 Inventories, management has assessed the inventories written down to net realizable value. The written down inventories were mostly steel raw materials which are usable for future projects.

d) What measures has the Group taken to ensure such huge amounts of write-off of obsolete inventories will not recur?.

#### Answer

This matter is addressed by the Risk and Sustainability Committee as part of the group's risk and mitigation plan.

#### Question 3

The Group's goodwill amounting to RM1.63 million was solely contributed by KKB's investment in its subsidiary i.e OceanMight Sdn Bhd, ("OMSB") that was fully impaired in FY 2024. (Page 19 of AR2024)

OMSB, a 60.81% subsidiary of the Group is in the general trading, construction and maintenance services, steel structural fabrication, provision of structural assemblies and engineering services solely for the oil and gas industry.

OMSB reported a much higher profit before tax of RM52.9 million in FY 2024 as compared to RM33.1 million in FY 2023. (Page 152 of AR2024)

- a) Why did the Group decide to write off the goodwill arising from the acquisition of OMSB even though OMSB has been profitable for the past two financial years?
- b) Does the Board anticipate that OMSB's operating performance will deteriorate in FY 2025 that prompted the goodwill been written off? Please explain.
- c) What was the original amount of goodwill prior it been written off?

#### <u>Answer</u>

As required under MFRS 136 Impairment of Assets, management has performed the annual impairment assessment on its goodwill by determining the recoverable amount which reflects OMSB's expected future cash flows on its ongoing projects which is used to compare to the carrying amount of the cash-generating unit. (MFRS 136, paragraph 8 states that an asset is impaired when its carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount).

Considering the anticipated future cash flows from OMSB's on-going projects, with most projects nearing completion and no confirmed new projects as at the financial year ended 31 December 2024, the projected future cash flows are projected to be insufficient to recover the carrying amount of goodwill. As a result, management have recognized the full impairment of its goodwill amounting to RM1,632,667.02 taking into consideration the uncertainties in the global economic outlook and the prevailing competitive and challenging business environment.

### SUSTAINABILITY MATTERS

# Question 4

The Group is exploring the use of renewable energy such as solar energy and wind energy, whenever possible as a transition to a lower carbon economy. (Page 45 of AR2024)

a) How extensive has the Group explored the use of solar energy and wind energy in its operation?.

#### Answer

The group has presently harnessed solar and wind energy for lighting purpose. The group remains open to the further use of the renewal energy in our operations, depending on the feasibility of the same.

b) What is the percentage of the Group's roof tops buildings have been installed with solar panels as of FY 2024?

### <u>Answer</u>

The group has not installed any solar panels as of FY2024. However, the group will explore into new areas of harnessing energy.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE MATTERS**

### Question 5

The company stated in its Corporate Governance report for FY2024 that it has applied Practice 13.6 as it requires the Company to circulate the minutes of its 48th AGM to shareholders no later than 30 business days after the general meeting.

The Company mentioned that its minutes and key matters discussed at the 48th AGM have been announced to Bursa and published on the Company's website no later than 30 business days after the general meeting for shareholders to access. (Page 76 of Corporate Governance Report)

A detailed checking on the Bursa's as well as the company's websites on 14 May 2025 could not locate the Company's minutes as well as the key matters discussed at the 48th AGM. Please explain why.

### <u>Answer</u>

The 48<sup>th</sup> AGM Minutes and Key Matters discussed at the 48<sup>th</sup> AGM were published on the Company's website on 12 June 2024. However, the contents of the said Minutes and Key Matters discussed at the 48<sup>th</sup> AGM were overridden after uploading the "49<sup>th</sup> AGM Minutes", Annual Report, Circular to Shareholders, Form of Proxy and Notification to Shareholders on 22 April 2025. Therefore, the contents of "49<sup>th</sup> AGM Minutes" as well as the Key Matters will be updated after the 49<sup>th</sup> AGM. Kindly refer to Appendix A as attached.

The Company acknowledged that its Minutes and the Key Matters discussed at the 48<sup>th</sup> AGM were not announced to Bursa except the Outcome of the 48<sup>th</sup> AGM was announced to Bursa on 21 May 2024.

Yours faithfully, for KKB Engineering Berhad

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