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MISSION

Improve people's lives through high-quality products.

VISION

We strive to make our customers' lives better through the offering of highquality products. FosRich provides value through quality electrical, lighting, energy, and engineering solutions.

CORE VALUES

We hold a deep and abiding respect for each customer, every colleague, and our shareholders.

We commit to finding new, practical, and innovative ways to make the term "excellent customer service" more relevant to each customer - every day.

We commit to the relentless renewal of our enterprise through the constant training of our people at all levels.

In our merit-based culture, individual reward and recognition will be a result of measured performance.

We treat all competitors as noble, but we compete fairly and vigorously to win.

WHY INVEST IN FOSRICH

- Diversified product range and service offering providing sustainable earnings.
- Consistent growth in earnings
- Growth in dividends
- Long-term relationship with Fortune 500 companies with premium brands
- Focused on meeting the needs of the local and export market with core products
- Strong balance sheet with a huge inventory of items required by the market.
- Strong capital position
- Vision and strategic plan to capitalize on growth opportunities.
- Committed and trained management team

| INC | |
|--------------|----------------------------|
| 2017 | 1,046 |
| 2018 | 1,293 |
| 2019 | 1,612 |
| 2020 | 1,896 |
| 2021 | 2,351 |
| 2022 | 3,373 |
| 2023 | 3,697 |
| NET | |
| 2017 | 55 |
| 2018 | 90 |
| 2019 | 107 |
| 2020 | 126 |
| 2021 | 199 |
| 2022 | 325 |
| 2023 | 235 |
| ASS | ETS (\$M) |
| 2017 | 1,294 |
| 2018 | 2,053 |
| 2019 | 2,450 |
| 2020 | 3,056 |
| 2021 | 3,767 |
| 2022 | 5299 |
| 2023 | 5679 |
| SHA | |
| | 605 |
| 2018 | 693 |
| 2019 | 800 |
| 2020 | 869 |
| 2021 | 1,017 |
| 2022 | 1,785 |
| 2023 | 2,042 |
| EAR | NINGS PER SHARE |
| 2017 | (Adjusted for stock split) |
| | 0.018 |
| 2018 | |
| 2018 | 0.021 |
| 2019 | 0.021 |
| 2019 2020 | 0.025 |
| 2019 | |

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FosRich Company Limited

2023 YEAR IN REVIEW

APRIL

FosRich Million Dollar Sales Award Banquet



JULY FosRich Aims to Double PVC Production



(From right) Cecil Foster, Managing Director, FosRich Company Limited, showing the process of the manufacturing of PVC pipes to the President of the Jamaica Manufacturers and Exporters Association, John Mahfood.

SEPTEMBER Huawei Fusion Solar Ecosystem Partner Summit



Attendees who participated in the Fusionsolar Ecosystem Partner Summit in Portugal in September 2023. From Left: Juan Carlos Contreras, Juan Octavio Diaz, Group President, La Casa de las Baterias, Cecil Foster - FosRich Managing Director, Matias Aqueveque - Huawei Channel Manager, Patricia Him - Huawei Technologies Panama, S.A, Jessica Herrarte - Huawei Marketing Manager, Carlos Martinez, Director en Green Map, S.A Matin Muadi - DG Sales Manager



OCTOBER FosRich Sponsored Melbourne Masters Cricket Team

OCTOBER FosRich Staff Fun Day



DECEMBER Huawei Corporate Mingle



Huawei Corporate Mingle held at the Devon House Grounds in December 2023. From Left: Courtney Hamilton - Director of Enterprise Business, Huawei Jamaica, The Hon. Pearnel P. Charles Jr. MP., Minister of Labour and Social Security, Bo Zhou - Huawei Jamaica CEO and Cecil Foster - FosRich Managing Director





Staff Fun Day, Red House (TRUST) Team: Some members of the winning house (Red House – TRUST) that got over 20 points to win the day's events.



Staff Fun Day - October 2023. Winning Football Team: Team members from PVC Maverly. From left: Ajay Mascow, Shavaughn Wilson, Brian Miller, Shaquille Rose, Jealani Martin, Shemlon Danvers, and Omar Edmond.



JSE Best Practice Award – December 6, 2023. Members of the FosRich Team receiving the Award for being the 1st Runner Up in the JSE Best Practices Award Website (Junior Market) Awards and the 2nd Runner Up for PSOJ/JSE Corporate Governance (Junior Market)

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT



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Dear Shareholders

Since our listing on the Jamaica Stock Exchange in December 2017, FosRich has maintained an upward trajectory in revenues, and this is evident once again in 2023. At the close of the year, the revenues were \$3,697 million, exceeding the prior year's total of \$3,373 million. Gross Profit was \$1,563 million or an increase of 12% compared to \$1,392 million in 2022. The growth of product lines

such as hardware, lighting, and PVC among others, have contributed to the increased revenues. We project that the PVC manufacturing arm of the business will be a major revenue earner from which FosRich will enjoy tremendous benefits in the coming years. The Board declared a dividend of \$0.021 per share, an increase over last year's, which was paid out in December.

In seeking to grasp the opportunities presented to propel the growth of the Company, the Board took deliberate action to raise additional equity through a Non-Renounceable Rights Issue of Ordinary Shares, staying within the Jamaica Stock Exchange, Junior Market requirement of a maximum share capital value of \$500,000,000. This was a success and I wish to say thanks to our shareholders for sharing in the vision of YOUR Company.

The construction of our new FosRich Superstore & Corporate Offices at 76 Molynes Road is progressing well, and the completion date is projected to be the third quarter of 2024.

The Company continues to implement its Strategic Plans - plans for the expansion of revenues through the new superstore and all its offerings, the expansion of key product lines, and the driving of our export market thrust. We continue as well to build on our cadre of talented individuals to help drive growth and assist in delivering value and satisfaction to our customers.

As in previous years, we are aware of how important it is to invest in our team members through continuous training, so during the year we have engaged the staff in various areas of training such as management, product knowledge, technical, and sales. This has resulted in a more knowledgeable, confident, and inspired team, as well as an improvement in performance in various areas. One of the highlights of the activities for the year is the FosRich Million Dollar Sales Award Gala, where the top achievers of the team are recognized and awarded for reaching and exceeding their targets. As is the custom at this event, a BUSINESS ICON AWARD is presented to a person in Jamaica who has influenced the Company's leaders in various ways including mentorship, character building, business opportunities, and others. The 2023 recipient of this award is the Honourable Douglas Orane.

We remain appreciative of our Fortune 500 Companies namely, Huawei, Philips Lighting, Victron Energy, Siemens, General Electric, and Jinko, for their continued partnership with our global brands. It is our aim to strengthen these relationships and improve on the products offered to all customers.

The Board, Management, and the entire FosRich family extend a big THANK YOU for the continued support of our shareholders. We are committed to providing quality products, competitive prices, excellent customer service, and an overall great shopping experience.

To our dedicated employees, I express our sincere gratitude for making 2023 a reasonably good year, by diligently playing your part.

I wish to recognize and say thanks to all our stakeholders, as well as the regulators who have continued to provide invaluable support.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I express our great appreciation to Mrs. Rosalyn Monteith Campbell, who resigned as a Director of the Board on April 30, 2023, as a result of pressing personal matters. She however, remains the Chair of the FosRich Foundation. Mrs. Monteith Campbell took on her duties with dedication, grace and seriousness. We thank her for the contribution she made and the service given as a Board member. We wish her all the best.

Lastly, I thank my fellow Board members for your contribution, dedication, and support as together we work to propel this organization to higher heights.

As a company, FosRich seeks to CONNECT with all our shareholders, staff, and other stakeholders, so we can better understand your needs and get your suggestions in order to serve you better.

Thank you all again and God bless you.

MARION FOSTER Chair

NOTICE OF HYBRID ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 2024 Annual General Meeting of the shareholders of FosRich Company Limited ("the Company"), will be convened on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, at 79 Molynes Road, Kingston 10, Jamaica, and on Zoom, at 2:30 p.m. for the following purposes :

ORDINARY BUSINESS

1. To receive the Directors' Report, the Auditor's Report and the Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the financial year ended December 31, 2023.

To consider and if thought fit pass Ordinary Resolution#1

"That the Audited Financial Statements for year ended December 31, 2023, together with the Auditor's Report and the Report of the Directors of the Company be hereby received and adopted."

2. To retire one-third of the Directors by rotation in accordance with Article#98 and re-elect the retiring Directors as provided by Article#99 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation. The Directors retiring in 2024 are Marion Foster and Peter Knibb and being eligible are offering themselves for re-election.

To consider and if thought fit pass Ordinary Resolution#2a.

"That Marion Foster retires by rotation and being eligible is re-elected to continue to serve as Director of the Company for the ensuing year."

To consider and if thought fit pass Ordinary Resolution#2b.

"That Peter Knibb retires by rotation and being eligible is re-elected to continue to serve as Director of the Company for the ensuing year."

3. To ratify the dividend declared and paid by the Company for the year ended December 31, 2023.

To consider and if thought fit pass Ordinary Resolution#3.

"That a dividend declared of \$0.021 per share and paid on December 7, 2023, to the shareholders on record as at November 17, 2023, by the Company, be approved as the final dividend for 2023 at the date of the Annual General Meeting."

4. To re-appoint the Auditors and authorize the Board of Directors to fix their remuneration.

To consider and if thought fit pass Ordinary Resolution#4.

"That Messrs. Crooks Jackson Burnett, Chartered Accountants of, The Business District, 19 Cargill Avenue, Kingston 10, Jamaica, having agreed to continue in office as Auditor be and are hereby re-appointed to hold office until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting at a remuneration to be fixed by the Directors of the Company."

Dated this 28th day of March 2024 BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Corporate Secretary

Registered Office: 79 Molynes Road, Kingston 10, Jamaica **Registrar:** Jamaica Central Securities Depository Limited, 40 Harbour Street, Kingston.

Notes:

- 1. A member entitled to attend and vote at this Annual General meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote in his/her stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 2. A Proxy Form is enclosed at the back of the annual report for your convenience.
- 3. Members can also download a proxy form from the company's website (www.fosrich.com).
- 4. A Director and the Company Secretary are required to sign the proxy form of a corporate member under the common seal of that company.
- 5. Amendments made to the proxy form must be initialled by the member(s) signing.
- 6. In the case of joint holders, any member may sign the proxy form to the exclusion of the other joint holder(s).
- 7. The completed form must be properly executed, stamped and together with the power of attorney or other documents appointing the proxy, must be deposited with the Secretary at the Registered Office of the company at 79 Molynes Road, Kingston 10, no later than 2:30 p.m. Friday, June 14, 2024.
- 8. The Proxy Form shall bear stamp duty in the amount of \$100.00 by way of postal adhesive stamp(s) which is to be cancelled by the person signing the form.
- 9. Voting virtually on the Zoom platform during the meeting will not be accommodated. Members attending virtually, and wishing to vote, must therefore submit a Proxy Form

MEETING ACCESS Connection information for virtual access to the Hybrid Annual General Meeting is as follows:

Join Zoom Meeting Topic: Annual General Meeting Time: June 18, 2024, 02:30 PM Bogota

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87444333687?pwd=alVwanVsM0dXQWJldXdGUkhjekV2UT09 Meeting ID: 874 4433 3687 Passcode: 736726

TEN YEAR STATISTICAL SUMMARY

| | 2023 | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | \$M |
| | | | 5.8 | | | | | | | |
| Income Statement | | | | 1000 | | | | | | |
| Revenue | 3,697 | 3,373 | 2,351 | 1,896 | 1,612 | 1,293 | 1,046 | 1,156 | 948 | 928 |
| Gross Profit | 1,563 | 1,392 | 1,043 | 825 | 710 | 534 | 473 | 469 | 363 | 401 |
| Expenses | 1,366 | 1,077 | 900 | 732 | 652 | 490 | 456 | 451 | 358 | 362 |
| EBITDA | 593 | 596 | 412 | 311 | 272 | 168 | 137 | 114 | 74 | 109 |
| Profit After Tax | 235 | 325 | 199 | 126 | 107 | 90 | 55 | 30 | 3 | 36 |
| Earnings per share | \$0.05 | \$0.06 | \$0.40 | \$0.25 | \$0.21 | \$0.18 | \$0.14 | \$0.08 | \$0.01 | \$0.09 |
| Earnings per share | \$0.05 | \$0.06 | \$0.04 | \$0.03 | \$0.02 | \$0.02 | \$0.01 | \$0.01 | \$0.00 | \$0.01 |
| Adjusted for share split | | | | 1. 12 | | | | | | |
| | | | 1.2 | | | | | | 1.3.0 | |
| Balance Sheet | | 1.0 | | | | | | | 2.5 | |
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| Assets | 5,679 | 5,073 | 3,767 | 3,056 | 2,450 | 2,053 | 1,294 | 1,120 | 1,103 | 992 |
| Net Current Assets | 1,826 | 1,235 | 1,503 | 1,429 | 1,242 | 1,350 | 566 | 285 | 307 | 324 |
| Retained Earnings | 981 | 853 | 588 | 441 | 363 | 256 | 165 | 114 | 84 | 81 |
| Shareholders' Equity | 2,042 | 1,785 | 1,017 | 869 | 800 | 693 | 605 | 399 | 369 | 366 |
| Financing | 1,871 | 1,734 | 1,565 | 1,291 | 1,125 | 1,005 | 318 | 335 | 391 | 330 |
| Right-of-use Liability | 622 | 583 | 540 | 378 | 201 | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ratios & Other | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gross Profit % | 42% | 41% | 44% | 44% | 44% | 41% | 45% | 41% | 38% | 43% |
| Rate of stock turn per year | 0.98 | 0.98 | 0.81 | 0.82 | 0.82 | 0.92 | 0.92 | 1.12 | 1.00 | 0.94 |
| Days of sales in receivables | 42 | 64 | 60 | 84 | 71 | 86 | 53 | 39 | 48 | 33 |
| Current Ratio | 2.10 | 1.69 | 2.83 | 3.46 | 4.30 | 5.02 | 2.71 | 1.60 | 1.71 | 1.98 |
| Quick Ratio | 0.82 | 0.43 | 0.66 | 0.95 | 1.20 | 1.98 | 0.82 | 0.29 | 0.31 | 0.27 |
| Debt to Equity | 0.92 | 0.97 | 1.54 | 1.49 | 1.41 | 1.45 | 0.53 | 0.84 | 1.06 | 0.90 |
| - Excluding Right-of-use Liability | | | | | | | | | | |
| Debt to Equity - Including Right-of-use Liability | 1.22 | 1.30 | 2.07 | 1.92 | 1.66 | 1.45 | 0.53 | 0.84 | 1.06 | 0.90 |
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| Other | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Distribution Outlets | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Average Team Size | 175 | 161 | 165 | 132 | 138 | 92 | 77 | 105 | 87 | 87 |
| No of shareholders | 5373 | 5,086 | 1,753 | 1,395 | 1,365 | 1,110 | 1,179 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| | 00/0 | 0,000 | 1,700 | 1,070 | 1,000 | 1,110 | 1,1/7 | 2 | 2 | 2 |

CORPORATE INFORMATION

CORPORATE DATA

Registered Office FosRich Company Limited 79 Molynes Road Kingston 10, Jamaica W.I. Tel: (876)937-5099 Fax: (876)758-5508 Email: info@fosrich.com Website: www.fosrich.com

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW Tavares-Finson Adams Maryfield Place 85 Hope Road Kingston 6, Jamaica W.I.

Patterson Mair Hamilton Temple Court 85 Hope Road Kingston 6, Jamaica W.I.

AUDITORS

Crooks Jackson Burnett The Business District 19 Cargill Avenue Kingston 10, Jamaica W.I.

BANKERS

First Global Bank 28-48 Barbados Avenue Kingston 5, Jamaica W.I.

Sagicor Bank Jamaica Limited 17 Dominica Drive Kingston 5, Jamaica W.I.

Bank Of Nova Scotia 86 Slipe Road Kingston 5, Jamaica W.I.

National Commercial Bank 94 Halfway Tree Road Kingston 10, Jamaica W.I.

FINANCIAL ADVISERS

Mayberry Investments Limited 1 ½ Oxford Road Kingston 5, Jamaica W.I.

REGISTRAR & TRANSFER AGENTS

Jamaica Central Securities Depository 40 Harbour Street Kingston, Jamaica W.I.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Executive Directors Marion Foster, BSc. Chairman

Cecil Foster Managing Director

Peter Knibb, FCCA, FCA, MBA, JP Chief Financial Officer

Non-Executive Directors Ian Kelly, MSc, BSc

Steadman Fuller, LLB

Marva Chang, FCCA, FCA

Board Committee Member Clive Nicholas, FCCA, FCA

COMPANY SECRETARY Cube Corporate Support Limited

SENIOR OFFICERS Warren Riley Senior Accountant

Vincent Mitchell Business Development Manager, Wires & Cables

Hector Mendoza Commercial & Project Director

Kerry-Ann Gray Marketing Manager

Michelle Thame Operations Manager

Suzanne Donalds HR Manager RETAIL OUTLETS Kingston General 79 Molynes Road Kingston 10, Jamaica W.I.

Tel: (876)937-2401 Fax: (876)901-2438 Email: sales@fosrich.com Email: lighting@fosrich.com

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Mandeville - Live Your Dream Store 35 Ward Avenue, Mandeville Jamaica W.I. Tel: (876)625-0250-2 Email: sales@fosrich.com Email: lighting@fosrich.com

Montego Bay - Cottage Road -Better Homes Store

3 Cottage Road Montego Bay, Jamaica W.I. Tel: ((876)971-9117 Email: sales@fosrich.com Email: lighting@fosrich.com

Montego Bay - Fairview -Lighting World Store Shop #18 Fairview Montego Bay, Jamaica W.I. Tel: (876)684-9431 Email: sales@fosrich.com Email: lighting@fosrich.com

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors hereby present their Report and the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Financial Results: Results for the year are set out in pages 33-79.

Highlights thereof are set out below:

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Turnover | 3,696,595,282 | 3,372,945,924 |
| Net Profit | 235,238,145 | 324,712,241 |
| Net Assets | 2,041,566,023 | 1,785,112,648 |
| Dividends Paid | 106,648,190 | 60,273,066 |

The Board: The Directors who served the Company since the last Annual General Meeting are:

| Mrs. Marion Foster | - Chairman - Executive | |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Mr. Cecil Foster | - Managing Director - Executive | |
| Mr. Peter Knibb | - Executive | |
| Mr. Ian Kelly | - Independent | |
| Mr. Steadman Fuller | - Independent | |
| Mrs. Marva Chang | - Independent | |
| | | |

The Directors retiring by rotation in accordance with Article 97 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation are Marion Foster and Peter Knibb, who being eligible for election or re-election as the case may be, offer themselves for re-election and election to the Board.

Auditors: Messrs, Crooks Jackson Burnett, Chartered Accountants, have signified their willingness to continue in office.

The Directors wish to express thanks to the management and staff for their continued commitment and hard work.

On behalf of the Directors March 28, 2024

MARION FOSTER Chair









BOARD OF DIRECTORS



MARION FOSTER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & CHAIRMAN

OF THE BOARD

Marion Foster, together with her husband Cecil Foster, is a Founder of the Company. Marion holds a BSc Degree in Management Studies from the University of the West Indies. She has been at the company full-time since 1996 and was initially in charge of the Accounting Department.

Mrs. Foster graduated from The Mico Teachers' College in 1987 and thereafter taught in Jamaica and the USA for 6 years.



CECIL FOSTER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & MANAGING DIRECTOR

Cecil Foster is a Founder and the Managing Director of the Company. Under his stewardship, the Company has grown from a micro-enterprise when it was incorporated in 1993, to being one of the major importers and distributors of electrical and solar energy products in Jamaica, serving all sectors.

Mr. Foster pursued a Marketing Degree from the University of Technology with an emphasis on business development and marketing. He was recently elected the Vice President of the Jamaica Manufacturers and Exporters Association Limited (JMEA) and is the President of the Adventist Laypersons' Services and Industries (ASI JAMU). Mr. Foster is a member of the King's House Foundation Board of Governors, and Chairman of the Grounds, Security, and Maintenance Sub-Committee of the Board. He is a long-standing member of the Incorporated Master Builders Association of Jamaica, and the co-founder of the Good Samaritan Inn, which provides meals three times per week to approximately 600 persons in the inner-city communities of Kingston.



PETER KNIBB EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BOARD MENTOR

& CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Peter Knibb is a Chartered Accountant with 20 years' experience working in corporate groups and 14 years' experience working with two large audit firms. He has served as Chief Financial Officer for a large, highly regulated, publicly traded financial group for 20 years.

Mr. Knibb has successfully managed all financial-related aspects of several mergers, acquisitions and integrations and has been an integral member of varied project teams, utilizing project management skills. He has served on strategic planning teams, where knowledge of local and global business management played a critical role in the level of contribution made to the process. He is highly trained in taxation and management and applied his knowledge in the senior management roles held. He has conducted many external statutory audits and management control reviews in various industries while employed at audit firms and integrated the knowledge into corporate activities.



STEADMAN FULLER, C.D. NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Steadman Fuller is the Chairman and Managing Director of the Kingston Bookshop. He is also an entrepreneur and philanthropist. Steadman graduated from The Mico Teachers' College (now The Mico University College). After 2 years in the classroom, he took on the challenge of managing the Kingston Bookshop, moving the company from one retail store to seven stores across Kingston and Spanish Town including four locations in downtown Kingston.

Mr. Fuller completed a Bachelor of Law Degree (L.LB Hons) at the University of Huddersfield in the United Kingdom. He was the second recipient of the prestigious Trail Blazer Award from the Book Industry Association of Jamaica (BIAJ). He was installed as Custos Rotulorum for the Parish of Kingston on February 25, 2010.

IAN KELLY

NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Ian Kelly is a qualified and results-oriented professional who is adept at finance and risk management with over 25 years of senior-level experience in treasury, asset management, correspondent banking, mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance, and securities trading. He serves as the Group Chief Financial Officer for Derrimon Trading Company Group of Companies in which he is responsible for the financial reporting and stewardship of the company to internal and regulatory stakeholders, subsidiary companies monitoring, funding, and banking relationships as well as the execution of the expansion strategy of the Group.

Mr. Kelly is also the Chief Financial Officer and Company Secretary for Caribbean Flavours and Fragrances Limited, Woodcats International Limited, Arosa Limited and Marnock LLC and Marnock Retail LLC. He is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and holds both a Bachelor's and Master of Science degrees in Accounting from The University of the West Indies. Ian also completed the Executive Development Program at Wharton Business School, the University of Pennsylvania. He serves on several Boards of which he is the Chairman of, The Governor-General Jamaica Trust, Optimum Jamaica Limited, TyDixon Primary School, Focused Opthalmics, Reggae Marathon, and Director at Caribbean Flavours and Fragrances Limited, Woodcats International Limited, Arosa Limited, Marnock LLC, Marnock Retail, FosRich Group of Companies, FirstRock Private Equity and Dolla Guyana. Mr. Kelly was recently recognized by the Government of Jamaica with a National Award, The Order of Distinction in the Rank of Commander for Entrepreneuship and for Social and Community Service and fostering National Development, The Governor General's Badge of Honor, and pinned as an ambassador to the Governor General's IBI Initiative.

MARVA CHANG NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Marva, Chang is a resourced

Marva Chang is a resourceful Finance Executive with several years of experience in financial management across manufacturing, finance, facilities maintenance, and gaming industries for both publicly and privately held companies. Strong administrative and organizational skills as well as core finance functions of auditing and accounting, pension management, training, strategic planning, budgeting/forecasting, and relationship building.

Ms. Chang is a Chartered Accountant and is highly trained in accounting and human resources management and applies her knowledge in the senior management roles held. She has conducted many external statutory audits and management control reviews in various industries while employed at audit firms and integrated the knowledge into corporate activities.

BOARD COMMITTEE MEMBER

CLIVE NICHOLAS, C.D. BOARD COMMITTEE MEMBER

Clive Nicholas brings to the Board Committee over thirty (30) years of experience as a Senior Executive in the Jamaica Revenue Services, involved in all aspects of Tax Administration and Tax policy. Executive experience in transformation programs as Chairman of the Tax Administration Reform Project and the Customs Modernization Project. He was responsible for the implementation

Reform Project and the Customs Modernization Project. He was responsible for the implementation of the General Consumption Tax in Jamaica in 1991 and for organizing and directing the policies and programs during the initial nine (9) year period. He was the Executive Member and Country Representative for Jamaica to the Inter-American Centre of the Tax Administration. He has functioned as a moderator and presented papers on several occasions. He was the Team Leader and Tax Expert for U.W.I. Consulting Inc, a project to develop CARICOM Tax Database.

Mr. Nicholas also received National Honour in 2002 for Service to the Public Sector, Order of Distinction in the Rank of Commander Class and was a member of the Parliament (Integrity of Members) Commission.

He has been a Chartered Accountant since 1987 and an expert in local and international tax systems, including, certification from Harvard University International Tax Program.



JULIE THOMPSON-JAMES CUBE CORPORATE SUPPORT LIMITED COMPANY SECRETARY

CUBE CORPORATE SUPPORT LIMITED ("Cube") is a company incorporated under the laws of Jamaica and licensed by the Financial Services Commission as a Corporate Service Provider. Cube is the Board appointed Corporate Secretary of FosRich Company Limited which provides corporate secretarial support and corporate governance advisory.

CUBE has a strong team with over 22 years' experience in corporate governance and corporate secretarial services within the public sector, the private sector, and across several industries locally and internationally. At CUBE we know that strong corporate secretarial support and corporate governance are critical to the long-term sustainability of the Company. We stand as a proud partner of FosRich for the benefit of all its stakeholders.





EXECUTIVE TEAM



CECIL FOSTER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & MANAGING DIRECTOR

Cecil Foster is charged with the strategic direction and effective management of the Company and is focused on growing the business through the acquisitions of:

- New product lines
- New retail outlets
- New supplier relationship
- New talent to support the expanding product lines

And the efficient distribution of new and innovative products to meet the diverse needs of the FosRich customers.

Additional details are included in his Director profile on page 12.

PETER KNIBB EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BOARD MENTOR & CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Peter Knibb has general oversight of the financial management and strategy functions of the Company. He is also responsible for the oversight of the Financial Control Unit and for managing the Company's financial reporting to regulators and financiers.

Additional details are included in his Director profile on page 12.

HECTOR MENDOZA COMMERCIAL & PROJECT DIRECTOR

Hector Mendoza is an entrepreneur and is the co-founder of Neo Digital Inc (2016). and Lighten (2023), which focuses on innovating service levels in lighting and Energy projects in Panama, El Salvador, and Jamaica. He has 30 years of experience in regional management, possesses excellent interpersonal relations, and is able to build and work with multidisciplinary and multicultural teams. Hector is skilled in key customer management and specializes in key project negotiations.

Mr. Mendoza has an Electrical Engineering Degree from Universidad Centroamericana "José Simeón Cañas" from El Salvador and a Master's Degree in Renewable Energy Management from IL3 de la Universitat de Barcelona, Spain.

He has exceptional knowledge of the lighting and energy market. His main achievements were to triple the sales in 5 years for Central America and Caribbean business, which became the most profitable business in the Latin America region, and to lead the restructuring process to improve the company's performance.



KERRY-ANN GRAY MARKETING MANAGER

Joining the FosRich team in October 2008 as Assistant to the Managing Director, Kerry-Ann Gray has grown through the ranks. In 2013 she was appointed Supervisor of Lighting. 2015 saw her promoted to Division head of Lighting. She spearheaded the build-out and renovation of our retail outlets in Kingston, Mandeville, and both Montego Bay locations. She is a hands-on leader who strongly believes in demonstrating to others what you expect of them, and she takes pride in being able to install anything, from a wall scone to a chandelier, alongside her team members. After years of visiting different lighting showrooms, she still gets excited by beautiful lights.

Ms. Gray holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Management Studies Emphasis in Marketing from the Northern Caribbean University (NCU); a certificate in Supervisory Management from UWI Open Campus 2011. After spending nine (9) years with the team she was appointed to the position of Marketing Manager in October 2017.

Kerry-Ann Gray is a fun-loving individual who takes great pride in satisfying customer needs and is an avid promoter of excellent customer service.



SUZANNE DONALDS HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGER

Ms. Donalds is responsible for developing and implementing human resource (HR) strategies to support the achievement of overall business goals as well as leading and directing the routine functions of the HR department.

She joined the FosRich team in April 2023, bringing over 25 years' experience in the areas of Recruitment and Selection, Leadership Development, Restructuring Support, Capability Development, and Training & Development.

Ms. Donalds has worked in both the private and public sectors, local and international companies, and with industries including manufacturing, financial, telecommunications, and health care.

She holds an M.A. in Counselling Psychology (Hons.), an MBA in Human Resource Management and Managerial Marketing, and a B. Sc. in Economics. She also holds a Human Resource Management Professional (HRMP) Certification.



MICHELLE THAME OPERATIONS MANAGER

Ms. Thame joined the company in 2019. She is a certified Project Manager and holds a B.Sc. in Hotel Management from the University of the West Indies. Over the years she has held senior management positions and worked as a consultant, in various business sectors with a focus on general management, operations management, and human resources development for most of her career.

She has served as a pension plan trustee, representative for the Jamaica Employer's Federation, treasurer of the Jamaica Hotel & Tourist Association (Negril Chapter), and has served on the Management Advisory Committee for the National Tools & Engineering Institute (HEART). Ms. Thame is a member of the board of the Columbus Preparatory School.



WARREN RILEY SENIOR ACCOUNTANT

Warren Riley joined the company in January 2010. He is an accomplished accounting professional with over 15 years of progressive experience in the energy/utility industry. He has a CPA with a B.Sc. in Business Administration (Accounts) with hands-on experience in internal audit, financial analysis and reporting, Sarbanes-Oxley, internal control analysis, process documentation, and improvement. He also worked at Jamaica Public Service (JPS) for 17 years and at HEART TRUST for 1 year.

Mr. Riley is responsible for the overall running of that department - communicating with customers, conflict resolution and compliance on customer deliveries and revenue, reporting to the Managing Director providing regular input on all account activities including status and call reports on a weekly basis, among others.



VINCENT MITCHELL Business Development Manager, Wires & Cables

Mr. Vincent Mitchell has been employed at FosRich since January 2011 and has over 35 years' experience in the sales field.

In his role as Business Development Manager, specifically for wires and cables, he has driven the growth and expansion of market presence within the construction and electrical industries. Mr. Mitchell has been involved in a combination of strategic planning, relationship building, market analysis, and sales execution to drive sustainable growth and success within the industry.

| EXECUTIVE TEAM EXPERTISE | Strategic Management | Lighting, Energy & Products | Supply Channel Management | Sales & Marketing | Technology | Financial Reporting & Audit | Accounting & Tax | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Cecil Foster | | | | | | | | \checkmark |
| Peter Knibb | | | | | | \checkmark | \checkmark | |
| Michelle Thame | | | | | | | | \checkmark |
| Hector Mendoza | | | \checkmark | | | | | |
| Kerry-Ann Gray | | | | | | | | |
| Vincent Mitchell | | | | | | | | |
| Warren Riley | | | | | \checkmark | \checkmark | \checkmark | \checkmark |
| Suzanne Donalds | \checkmark | | | \checkmark | | | | \checkmark |

DISCLOSURE OF SHAREHOLDINGS 31 December 2023

Top Ten Stockholders

| | NAME | SHARES HELD | | | |
|-------------|--|--------------------------------|----------------|--|--|
| | | NUMBER | PERCENTAGE | | |
| 1 2 3 | Cecil Foster & Marion Foster, Madison-Grace Foster Marion Foster JCSD Trustee Services Ltd Barita Unit Trust Capital | 2,037,802,570 2,023,664,260 | 40.1% 39.8% | | |
| Ŭ | Growth Fund | 186,116,448 | 3.7% | | |
| 4 | Peter Knibb & Elizabeth Knibb, Janelle Knibb, Jenine Knibb, Brandon Knibb Barita Investment Ltd - Long A/C (Trading) | 136,187,192 67,178,772 | 2.7% 1.3% | | |
| 6 7 | JCSD Trustee Services Ltd Sigma Global Ventures Jamaica Money Market Brokers Ltd | 47,042,690 43,776,000 | 0.9% 0.9% | | |
| 8 | Sagicor Select Fund Limited - Class C - Manufacturing & Distribution | 40,289,600 | 0.8% | | |
| 9 10 | PAM Pooled Equity Fund Nigel Coke | 23,543,802 22,539,895 | 0.5% | | |
| | Total of Top Ten Others | 4,628,141,229 450,343,968 | 91.1% 8.9% | | |
| | Total Shares Allotted Total Number Of Stockholders | <u>5,078,485,197</u> 5,373 | 100% | | |

Stockholding of Directors, Board Committee Members & Connected Persons

| | NAME | SHARES HELD | |
|----|---|---------------|--|
| D | IRECTORS | | |
| 1 | Cecil Foster & Marion Foster, Madison-Grace Foster Marion | 2,037,802,570 | |
| 2 | Foster | 2,023,664,260 | |
| 3 | Peter Knibb & Elizabeth Knibb, Janelle Knibb, Jenine Knibb, | | |
| | Brandon Knibb | 136,187,192 | |
| 4 | Ian Kelly | 2,666,667 | |
| 5 | Steadman Fuller | Nil | |
| 6 | Marva Chang | Nil | |
| | | | |
| BO | OARD COMMITTEE MEMBERS | | |
| 7 | Clive Nicholas | Nil | |

Stockholding of Senior Managers & Connected Persons

| NAME | SHARES HELD |
|--|---|
| Cecil Foster & Marion Foster, Madison-Grace Foster Peter Knibb & Elizabeth Knibb, Janelle Knibb, Jenine Knibb, Brandon Knibb Warren Riley & Cheryl Riley Michelle Thame Vincent Mitchell Hector Mendoza | 2,037,802,570 136,187,192 2,115,337 213,500 74,840 Nil |

Stockholder Information

The ordinary stocks of FosRich Company Limited are traded on the Jamaica Stock Exchange - Junior Market

FOSRICH STOCK TRADING SUMMARY

All amounts adjusted for the stock split.

| | Price Range | Volume | Opening Price | Closing Price |
|------|---------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| 2023 | 1.8 - 3.35 | 209,971,792 | 3.910 | 2.500 |
| 2022 | 0.905 - 5.170 | 250,581,872 | 0.905 | 3.910 |
| 2021 | 0.377 - 1.020 | 351,526,180 | 0.411 | 0.905 |
| 2020 | 0.231 - 0.450 | 180,639,100 | 0.428 | 0.411 |
| 2019 | 0.380 - 0.563 | 437,671,070 | 0.386 | 0.428 |

2023 was a difficult year for stocks listed on the Jamaica Stock Exchange. The 2023 Market Summary reflected bear market movements as follows:

- The Main Market Index declined by 9.27 %.
- The Junior Market Index declined by 3.59 %.
- The Combined Index declined by 8.68 %.
- The JSE All Jamaican Composite Index declined by 9.83 %.
- The JSE Select Index declined by 9.56 %.
- The JSE USD Equities Index declined by 1.26 %.
- The JSE Cross-Listed Index declined by 12.39 %.
- The JSE Financial Index declined by 21.56 %.
- The JSE Manufacturing & Distribution Index advanced by 5.36 %

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS



CECIL FOSTER Managing Director

PETER KNIBB Chief Financial Officer

OVERVIEW

The Board of Directors of FosRich Company Limited is pleased to present this analysis for the year ended December 31, 2023, and to report on the performance of the Company. The 2023 financial year brought many uncertainties and challenges, but we were determined to continue our expansion plans, and we were relentless in doing so.

FosRich has become an integrated Company offering a wide range of products and solutions from a number of industries that make us stronger than we were 6 years ago. While we previously distributed lighting, electrical, and solar energy products; we are now manufacturing PVC conduits and pipes along with repairing pole mount transformers for the Jamaica Public Service Company and now have our eyes fixed on the USA and Guyana markets.

FosRich aims to differentiate itself from its competitors by manufacturing and exporting Jamaican-made products. We also provide a quality and cost-effective service by collaborating with clients on technical solutions. FosRich partners with large global brands seeking local distribution such as Huawei, Philips Lighting, Victron Energy, Siemens, and General Electric. FosRich has a staff complement of over one hundred and ninety (190) persons across nine (9) locations in Kingston, Clarendon, Mandeville, and Montego Bay. FosRich also has a team of energy and electrical engineers who offer technical advice and install solar energy systems, solar water heaters, and electrical panel boards.

REVENUES

Revenues were \$3,697 million - Up \$324 million or 10% compared to the prior period's \$3,373 million.

Gross profit was \$1,563 million - Up \$171 million or 12% compared to the prior period's \$1,392 million.

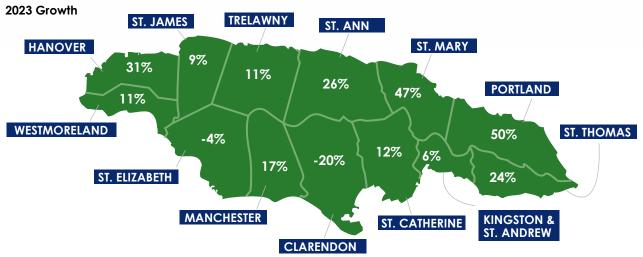
Net profit was \$235 million, compared to the prior period's \$325 million.

Earnings per stock unit was \$0.05, compared to the prior period's \$0.06.

PARISH SALES 2023 Growth

2023 Growin

During the year under review, Manchester moved up from 4th position to 3rd in sales volume, and St. Mary moved up from 11th position to 10th. All other parish sales volume positions remained the same as for the prior year.





OUR PRODUCT LINES

The product lines that had double-digit increases over the prior year were Hardware which increased by 53%, Lighting World which grew by 39%, Wiring Devices which increased by 26%, Wires which grew by 12% and PVC products which grew by 11%. The overall increase achieved was 10%. Five product lines experienced a decline during the year.

During the year we experienced relative stability in market costs, unlike the prior year which was affected by unstable commodity prices and shipping costs on the international market.

OUR DISTRIBUTION CHANNELS

The Executive Team continues to seek new ways to grow the Company's customer base and takes pride in the slogan, "We serve you better." Listed below are the distribution channels we employ to connect with and serve our customers. All distribution channels except Kingston Main Store & Professional Sales which is also located in Kingston, achieved growth during 2023.

- Products and services are available from our six retail outlets.
- Direct Marketing teams provide additional support and accessibility to consumers.
- Periodic storewide sales (SUPER SALE) on all our products. We have found that these events are eagerly anticipated by our customers.

DIRECT MARKETING TEAMS

Direct Marketing Teams Revenues - \$1,352 million, 15% Growth - 37% of total sales. (Prior-year \$1,176 million – 35% of total)

During 2023 this team provided 37% of revenues – Up from 35% in the prior year. Our Direct Marketing Team is structured as follows:

ROUTE SALES

Route Sales Revenues of \$729 million. (Prior year \$574 million)

A quick-response team of salesmen operating nationwide and servicing the needs of a network of customers. Clientele ranges from independent electrical contractors to hardware stores and large commercial and industrial operations.

PREMIUM SALES SUPPORT

Premium Sales Support - (In-house Sales Team) Revenues of \$526 million. (Prior year \$478 million)

This is our foremost channel for connecting with customers. New products are offered by our in-house customer service teams who make cold calls and repeat calls to prospects and existing clientele.

PROFESSIONAL & INDUSTRIAL SALES

Professional & Industrial Sales - Revenues of \$98 million.

(Prior year \$125 million)

A quick-response team focused on the needs of large commercial and industrial operations.

KINGSTON MAIN STORE

Kingston - \$1,162 million - 31% of total sales. (Prior year \$1,328 million - 39% of total) Our Kingston headquarters is the central store for FosRich, and it produces the highest sales revenue compared to other distribution channels. It carries a wider range of energy, lighting, industrial, electrical, and hardware items than are available at the other locations. Over the years, this location has consistently outperformed all other distribution channels for all product lines.

MANDEVILLE - LIVE YOUR DREAM STORE

Revenues of \$617 million, 54% Growth - 17% of total sales (Prior year \$400 million - 12% of total) The Live Your Dream Store showed an increase in sales revenue by 16% when compared to the prior year. The sales of electrical items has consistently been its main source of revenue. Though there have been challenges for the store over the past year, measures have been taken to ensure continued growth. Electrical and energy goods have shown steady growth at this location.

COTTAGE ROAD - BETTER HOMES STORE

Cottage Road - \$411 million, 20% Growth - 11% of total sales

(Prior year \$342 million - 10% of total)

Predominantly known as 'the hardware store,' Better Homes is being transitioned to offer more electrical items to meet the market demands of that segment in the Montego Bay community. Electrical and energy goods have shown steady growth at this location. There continues to be strong strategic management within the store and the organization to ensure increased future sales revenues.

FAIRVIEW - LIGHTING WORLD STORE

\$112 million, 14% Growth – 3% of total sales (Prior year \$98 million – 3% of total) Lighting Energy products and LED items continue to dominate in this location. Montego Bay is one of our Distribution Hubs for the western region. From this Distribution Hub, we can deliver to our customers, increase efficiency, and facilitate premium customer service by cutting down on lead time.

O'N'S MINI MART & ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES

\$42 Million – 1% of total sales (Prior year \$29 million – 1% of total)

The revenues include the results of our 100% subsidiary, O'N'S' Mini Mart & Electrical Supplies Limited, which was incorporated on April 12, 2022.

INCOME STATEMENTS Income

During the year, the company generated income of \$3,697 million compared to \$3,373 million for the prior year. An increase of \$324 million.



Gross Profit

Gross profit for the year was \$1,563 million, compared to \$1,392 million for the prior year, an increase of \$171 million. The product lines that had significant increases over the prior year were Hardware Products, which grew by 59%, Lighting, PVC, Solar, Wires, and Wiring Devices.

Other Income

Other income for the year was \$81 million compared to \$10 million in the prior year, being largely interest charged to a related company.

Administration, Marketing & Selling Expenses Administration, marketing, and selling expenses for the year were \$1,030 million, reflecting an increase of \$240 million on the prior reporting year's amount of \$790 million. The changes were driven primarily by increased staff-related costs for salary adjustments, increased sales commission due to improved sales performance and improvements in staff benefits; increased travelling and motor vehicle expenses; increased insurance costs due to increases in policy renewal rates, and increased depreciation due to increases in the carrying values of property plant and equipment, increased professional fees, increased rent, and increased security cost.

Finance Cost

Finance cost for the year was \$220 million compared to \$182 million for the prior year, an increase of \$38 million. This increase was driven primarily by increased market interest rates compared to the prior year. In addition, while there has been some run-off in loans, new facilities were obtained for motor vehicles and to support our solar products financing.

Net Profit

Net Profit generated for the year was \$235 million, compared to the \$325 million reported for the prior period.

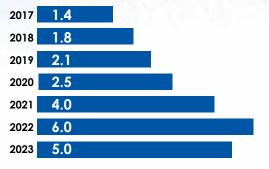


Earnings Per Stock Unit

Earnings per stock unit was \$0.05 compared to \$0.06 in the prior year.

EARNINGS PER SHARE

ADJUSTED FOR SHARE SPLIT



Balance Sheet

Inventories

The company continues to proactively manage inventory balances and the supply chain, with a view to ensuring that inventory balances being carried are optimized, relative to the pace of sales, the time between the orders being made and when goods become available for sale, to avoid both overstocking and stock-outs. Monitoring is both at the individual product level and by product categories. Inventories have reduced when compared to the prior period, largely due to a reduction of Goods-intransit. Shipping delays experienced in the Covid years no longer have a significant impact on the results for the current year. Sales in most categories remain strong and reflect increases over the prior year.

Receivables

While we have experienced an uptick in sales, trade receivables have remained well-controlled, and have reduced when compared to the prior year. We continue to actively manage trade receivables with emphasis being placed on balances over 180 days. We have implemented strategies to collect these funds as well as to ensure that the other buckets are managed. Sixty-two (62%) of receivables are within the current to 60-day category, up from the fifty-six percent (56%) for the prior reporting period. Receivables also include advance payments made to foreign suppliers for the increasing levels of inventories required to support increasing sales.

Trade Payables

Our trade payables are categorized by foreign purchases, local purchases, and other goods and services. While we have concentrated primarily on the foreign payables, as the bulk of our inventories are sourced from overseas, we continue to manage payables, for the most part, within the terms given by our suppliers.

Non-current Liabilities

Non-current liabilities have increased by \$476 million in contrast to the decrease of \$428 million in the prior period. This movement is caused primarily by the secured and unsecured bonds, which were current in the prior period but have now been refinanced long-term.

Liquidity

At the balance sheet date, the excess of current assets over current liabilities amounted to \$1,826 million, (2022 -\$888 million). It is expected that FosRich will continue to be able to generate sufficient cash to meet obligations when they fall due. Liquidity is provided primarily from sales revenues and loan financing.

Shareholders' Equity

Shareholders' equity for the first time now exceeds \$2 billion, and stands at \$2,042 million, up by \$257 million from \$1,785 million on December 31, 2022. The net increase of \$257 million arose as a result of retained profits for the year amounting to \$235 million, share issue of \$130 million, net of dividend paid amounting to \$107 million.

We now have 5,373 shareholders, an increase of 287 on the 5,086 on December 31, 2022.

SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY (\$M)



Other Matters

New Activities

Construction of our new FosRich Superstore & Corporate Offices at 76 Molynes Road is now at an advanced stage. The completion date is projected to be Q3, 2024. We have opened a new retail outlet in St Ann, and will shortly take possession of another retail outlet in St James.

The result for this, our sixth full year since our listing on the Junior Market of the Jamaica Stock Exchange on December 19, 2017, reflects the implementation of the specific strategies as outlined within our strategic plan. We are cognizant that despite the challenges ahead within our local operating space and the wider global space, we have the right talents and leadership to deliver on our plans for the ensuing period. We will continue to execute our plans to ensure that we remain competitive and deliver value solutions to our customers.

As we report on the performance of FosRich, we thank our shareholders, employees, customers, and other stakeholders for their support as we continue to expand our business and bring greater value to our various stakeholders.

Cecil Foster Managing Director

Peter Knibb Chief Financial Officer



FosRich recognizes its role as a corporate citizen and is committed to upholding the best practices and the highest standards of corporate governance. We endeavour to instill and live by the values of integrity, effective leadership and governance, transparency, accountability, and ethical behaviour in all our operations, as a responsible member of the business community. The Company will continue to focus its resources, strengths, and strategies to achieve its vision while adhering to good governance policies.

The Board of Directors and its Committees consist of people with diverse skills and competencies which ensure the Company's effectiveness and provide leadership and guidance to the Company's Management. This year the Board undertook an internal evaluation of how effectively it functions and the value it creates for the company. The results will be used to effect improvements as necessary.

For the period 2022/2023, FosRich saw an improvement in its Corporate Governance Index (CGI) rating from CC to B. This assessment, which measures how well a company conforms to the various principles of corporate governance, is conducted yearly by an independent body of the Jamaica Stock Exchange (JSE). At the JSE Best Practice Award Gala, the Company was awarded 3rd place for Corporate Governance. We are very thankful for these accomplishments; however, we will not be complacent but will continue to work assiduously to improve the governance of the Company. We are pleased to report as well that FosRich was awarded 1st place for its website, with its ease of accessing information.

As a Board, we understand the importance of training, not only for our staff but also for the Directors. Training sessions for the Directors were held with two very experienced and knowledgeable external presenters in their fields. The sessions were on the topics of Environmental Social Governance (ESG) and Data Protection, from which very important information was gained which will assist the Company in its compliance in these areas.

It is the Board's commitment that FosRich remains true to its values and conducts its business to the highest standards of governance, as we seek to expand and bring greater value to our stakeholders.

MARION FOSTER Chair



COMMITMENT TO CORPORATE GOVERNANCE BEST PRACTICES & DISCLOSURE

FosRich's business and affairs are managed by our Executive Team which is guided by the direction of our Board of Directors. The Board sets the tone for the highest ethical standard of performance for our entire workforce. They are also charged with promoting prudent management and integrity throughout the Company. Our corporate governance practices are designed to align the interests of the Board and Management with those of our Stockholders.

The Board is committed to transparency. Disclosure of significant matters and developments concerning the organisation will be accurate, timely, and balanced. This

ensures that all investors have access to clear information concerning company affairs.

Each Director is expected to commit sufficient time for attending Board meetings as well as those organised by its Committees and, if applicable, of the Independent Directors.

Thorough knowledge of the Company's business is vital. This practice helps our Directors to make informed and objective decisions. Management offers support by facilitating direct intervention and sharing reviews of business activities. Notwithstanding, Directors are encouraged to liaise with the executive team to cultivate a fulsome perspective of FosRich affairs.

BOARD EXPERTISE

| Executive Team | Corporate Governance & Management | Human Resources & Compensation | Audit, Accounting & Tax | Financing | Industry | Engineering & Technical | Logistics, Supply Chain & Retail |
|---------------------|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------|---|
| DIRECTORS | | | | | | | |
| Marion Foster | \checkmark | \checkmark | | | | | |
| Cecil Foster | \checkmark | | | \checkmark | \checkmark | | |
| Steadman Fuller | \checkmark | | | | | | |
| lan Kelly | \checkmark | \checkmark | | \checkmark | | | |
| Peter Knibb | \checkmark | \checkmark | | \checkmark | | | |
| Marva Chang | \checkmark | \checkmark | | \checkmark | | | |
| BOARD COMMITTEE MEM | BERS | | | | | | |
| Clive Nicholas | \checkmark | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

OUR BOARD'S ROLE AND IT'S EXPERTISE

The Board's primary responsibilities revolve around oversight of the business and its strategy whilst ensuring that these are framed within reasonable parameters. The Board is expected to support the management of the organization through the appointment of Directors with the requisite knowledge to guide the institution's management. A core operational objective of each Director is to drive for increased sales and increased profits, thereby creating greater shareholder value through its incentive and other appropriate policies. The Board also plays an important role in engaging and communicating material information to our shareholders in a timely manner.

The Directors at FosRich are from varied backgrounds and bring broad experiences, high levels of professionalism, expertise, and candour to our deliberations. Each individual has been determined to be in alignment with the requirements of the Company and provide essential corporate governance.

All Directors have been in leadership roles and have successfully helped to guide, either as directors or executives, companies through difficult economic conditions. Some continue to do so in the present environment. Notwithstanding, during the current year, all Directors will participate in formal corporate governance training to further enhance their contributions and will also review in our succession planning activity.

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES TO THE MEETINGS

The Board encourages the Managing Director, who assists the Board in executing their responsibilities, to bring managers and other team members to present at board meetings who: (a) can provide additional insight into the business or items being discussed because of responsibility for, or personal knowledge related to these areas, and/or (b) are team members with future leadership potential who should be given exposure to Directors.

BOARD COMMITTEES AND COMPOSITION

Our Corporate Governance Manual identifies the three relevant Committees. Each committee entails clearly defined terms of reference, procedures, responsibilities, powers, and structure. The membership and chairpersons are outlined below.

| Board Committees | Position (Executive/ Non-Executive/ Independent) | Audit, Compliance & Risk | Human Resources & Compensation | Corporate Governance & Nomination |
|---------------------|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| DIRECTORS | | | | |
| lan Kelly | NE/I | Chairman | | |
| Marva Chang | NE/I | | Chairman | \checkmark |
| Steadman Fuller | NE/I | | | Chairman |
| Peter Knibb | E | \checkmark | | \checkmark |
| Cecil Foster | E | | | |
| Marion Foster | E | | | |
| COMMITTEE MEMBERS | | | | |
| Clive Nicholas | NE/I | \checkmark | | |
| | | | | |

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

To be considered as an Independent Director, the Board must determine that the Director has no material relationship with FosRich Company Limited (direct or indirect). This means either as a stockholder, partner, director, or officer of an organization that has a material interest in the Company that would preclude the Director from being independent. The materiality test for shareholding is 2.5% of FosRich Company Limited's outstanding shares.

Additionally, an Independent Director is a Director who: • Has not been employed by the Company within the last two years.

• Has not been an employee or affiliate of our External Auditors within the last three years.

• Has not received any compensation other than director and committee fees within the last two years.

• Has not been employed by a Company of which an Executive Director/Officer has been a director within the last two years.

• Is not a member of the immediate family of an Executive Director/Officer, who would be defined as spouse, parent, child or sibling, in-law (mother, father, son, daughter, brother, sister) or anyone sharing the same home with any of the above.

THE BOARD'S REPORT CARD

During 2023, the Board and its Committees had five (5) scheduled meetings to execute their various mandates. We reported to shareholders on the financial results; reviewed and approved policies; discussed strategy and its implementation; and took decisions given our discussions on the business and the economy.

| The Board's Report Card | Board | Audit, Compliance & Risk | Human Resource & Compensation | Corporate Governance & Nomination | Annual General Meeting |
|----------------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| NO. OF MEETINGS | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 1 |
| BOARD MEMBERS | | | | | |
| Marion Foster | 5 of 5 | | 4 of 4 | | 1 of 1 |
| Cecil Foster | 5 of 5 | | | | 1 of 1 |
| Peter Knibb | 5 of 5 | 4 of 4 | 2 of 4 | 4 of 4 | 1 of 1 |
| lan Kelly | 5 of 5 | 4 of 4 | 1 of 4 | | 1 of 1 |
| Steadman Fuller | 5 of 5 | | 4 of 4 | 4 of 4 | 1 of 1 |
| Marva Chang COMMITTEE MEMBERS | 5 of 5 | 3 of 4 | 4 of 4 | 4 of 4 | 1 of 1 |
| Clive Nicholas | | 4 of 4 | | | 1 of 1 |

AUDIT, COMPLIANCE & RISK COMMITTEE

Committee members are Ian Kelly (Chairman), Marva Chang, Clive Nicholas, and Peter Knibb.

This statutory Committee is responsible for ensuring:

• The quality and integrity of the Company's accounting and reporting practices and controls as well as the completeness and accuracy of its financial statements and disclosures. • The Company's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements.

• The qualifications and independence of the external auditor and the appropriateness of his methodology and accounting approach.

• The quality of internal controls as reported by the internal audit function and independent auditors.

The Audit & Compliance Committee is mandated to meet at least quarterly within thirty days by the end of each quarter. They may convene in other instances upon request by any Committee member.

During 2023, the Audit, Compliance & Risk Committee held four meetings.

HUMAN RESOURCES & COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

Committee members are Marva Chang (Chairman), Marion Foster, Steadman Fuller, Ian Kelly and Peter Knibb, a majority of non-executive Board members. This Committee oversees:

- Senior management succession planning
- Identification and development of high-potential team members in the Company
- Senior management performance plans and evaluation
- Setting executive compensation
- Aggregate performance and motivation of the Company's employees
- Operation of the Company's pension plan

During 2023, the Human Resources & Compensation Committee held four meetings.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE & NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Committee members are Steadman Fuller (Chairman), Marva Chang, and Peter Knibb, a majority of non-executive Board members. In addition, FosRich Managing Director, Cecil Foster attends meetings by invitation.

This Committee is responsible for establishing the framework of corporate governance principles, policies, and procedures for the Company. It is tasked to oversee that the Company's Practices are consistent and in accordance with requirements. It will develop standards of performance for the Board, Directors, and Senior Officers, and will routinely evaluate performance against these standards.

The Committee is also responsible for developing policy and procedures as well as overseeing:

- Director nomination and re-appointment
- Director compensation
- Shareholder relations including evaluation of their proposals
- Committee structure, operation, and performance
- Communication processes between management
 and the board

During 2023, the Corporate Governance & Nomination Committee held four meetings.

CONNECTIONS MATTER

COMMITTED TO OUR PEOPLE

STAFF DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH

At FosRich, we are committed to providing our team members with opportunities for continuous growth and development in keeping with our Core Value:

We commit to the relentless renewal of our enterprise through the constant training of our people at all levels.

One of the means used in supporting this commitment is the provision of internal and external training and learning opportunities.

FOSRICH UNIVERSITY

The vision of the FosRich University is "To teach and inspire our present team members and new employees" thus ensuring the continuous growth and development of both company and staff, with the result being high efficiency in productivity and profit. Courses available through the University include Leadership Skills, Emotional Intelligence, Change Management, Decision Making, Problem Solving.

Product and Safety Training

Led by our Energy, Industrial, and Lighting teams, weekly training sessions were held on our range of products and services. In these sessions, product features were highlighted, new products were introduced, and team members were able to develop their knowledge base to effectively advise and serve our customers.

Electrical Installation Level II & III:

We continue to be a leader in electrical sales and service and we are committed to equipping team members with the skills necessary to maintain this position. During the financial year, seven (7) employees completed the HEART Trust NTA Electrical Installation Level II & III programme.

Leadership training:

Recognizing the importance of building and maintaining our bench strength to ensure the ready availability of successors to assume key positions, we engaged the services of an external leadership coach who worked with 10 of our high-potential team members to build leadership competencies.

Electrification and Automation Seminar:

Each year our Partners join us to provide hands-on training, not only for our employees but for engineers as well. For the financial year 2023, our Siemens Partner hosted a oneday Electrification and Automation Seminar for industrial plant engineers, operations managers, maintenance managers, engineer consultants, and contractors. Forty-two (42) individuals, including seven FosRich team members, participated. We will continue to focus on training and development in the upcoming year, encouraging personal growth and development and providing staff with opportunities to upgrade their skills and knowledge as we continue to pursue our Pinnacle 2027 objectives.

Health & Safety

This financial year saw the revamping of our Health, Safety, and Environment (HSE) Policy. This reflects our commitment to ensuring a safe, secure, and healthy environment for all our stakeholders, employees, and customers. During the year, we included in our HSE Policy, our sub-contractors who are engaged to carry out work on our behalf, in solar photovoltaic installations for our customers. Our new hire induction has also been rewritten to place greater emphasis on the components of our health, safety, and environment policy. Our outreach has also been enhanced as we place greater emphasis on this important component.

In addition, a more robust committee was established which meets each quarter. This committee is comprised of our Operations Manager, Chief Safety Officer, and employees from each of the following - stores, manufacturing and transformer locations, the Fulfilment Centre located in Kingston, and the solar, industrial, and lighting divisions.

Mapping of accidents/incidents/observations and near misses form the basis of our investigations and discussions with our Team members to ensure we minimize the number of infractions. Our Safety Audits and information and recommendations coming from our staff to the committee allow for the mitigation of risks that may prove to be detrimental to staff, as well as to the operations of the company. This assists with minimizing the loss of manhours and valuable resources. Staff are required to wear the PPE provided by the company.

Training forms an integral part of our HSE Programme with regular safety training moments and safety huddles forming part of our annual training plan. We continue to include a safety presentation at our staff meetings to create a culture of everyone being safe and to create a safe environment for all. We continue to conduct semiannual fire drills. In 2023, the company addressed the issue of earthquake preparedness based on the frequency of these. By implementing these stringent safety protocols and aligning these to industry best practices we aim to not only meet but exceed safety standards.

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY



Feeding at Good Samaritan Inn

From left: Dr. Eric Nathan, former president of the East Jamaica Conference of Seventh-day Adventists (EJC), Mr. Cecil Foster, Managing Director – FosRich Company Limited and His Excellency, Mr. R. Masakui, Indian High Commissioner to Jamaica. Trying to get another photo that would include members of staff handing out meals at Good Samaritan Inn

FOSRICH FOUNDATION

The FosRich Foundation was established with the vision of assisting individuals and groups to better their lives and the services that they provide to others.

Throughout the year under review, donations and sponsorship valued at approximately \$21M were provided to over 10 institutions. Through the Foundation, FosRich provided meals to approximately 600 less fortunate persons every Wednesday in the Cross Roads/Downtown communities at the Good Samaritan Inn. Other sponsorships include conferences, sports events, workshops, and cash donations.

The Foundation continues to support youth through Christ-centred leadership programs in various communities across Jamaica.

GOOD SAMARITAN INN

Corporate Social Responsibility is an integral part of FosRich's philosophy as we always seek to make a lasting contribution to the communities in which we are active. While our primary focus lies on helping the disadvantaged, we still find time to be active in other areas of society.

In 2007, our Managing Director, Cecil Foster, co-founded the Good Samaritan Inn (GSI) - a charity that provides support to communities in Kingston by providing them with cooked meals, clothing, and shelter. At FosRich, we want to ensure that our community outreach initiatives are highly impactful, therefore we have maintained our focus and commitment to the GSI programme. Over the years, the FosRich team has maintained a weekly presence in support of their finances and operations.

Since inception the GSI has supported many thousands of persons in need. Through our support, along with others, meals are provided on Sundays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays. Volunteers assist with grooming, and it is a joy to see that this act of kindness is truly appreciated by the beneficiaries. Persons may also enjoy a bath, and in some instances, receive a change of clothing. To date, over 15,000 articles of clothing and 2,000 pairs of shoes have been distributed.

We are proud to be associated with such a programme and are humbled by the growth and impact it has made since we opened the doors 13 years ago. Now, the GSI has expanded its reach with the addition of a laundry facility; showers for both males and females; free health clinics; free grooming services for men; and overnight accommodations for women and children in crisis among other services.

The FosRich family will continue to support this noble organization as its core values are aligned with ours. We believe that it is our great honour and responsibility to feed and clothe people, especially those in need. We look forward to making an even greater impact on our society this year and the years to come.

JAMAICA SOCIETY FOR THE BLIND - SUPERIOR CRAFT & MORE

Superior Craft & More is a small business that is operated by blind and visually impaired persons who are seeking to uplift themselves through hands-on application in the areas of wickerwork, caning, macrame, and other related areas. They refurbish wicker chairs and other such pieces of furniture and make wicker baskets, lamp shades, and wicker serving trays.

Because of their disability, it has been very difficult for them to be as effective as they would want, to keep their small business viable. Administratively they are not very capable and there has been a lack of assistance to them through the government. They are also exploited by persons who frequently refuse to pay what is charged for the items they make. They often have had to settle for less just to stay afloat.

Further to a request for funding support, the Foundation has reviewed the activities of the organization and has noted the goals of empowering and uplifting the lot of visually impaired persons, as they strive to make themselves useful and productive citizens in our society. The areas of need initially identified were staff training, the purchasing of materials and the necessary tools for the tasks, marketing, and overseas debt servicing.

FosRich Foundation's partnering with this organization will make a meaningful difference in the lives of our visually impaired community. Our continuing support gives them the cushion they need, while they continue to develop and implement other marketing and earning plans.



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Independent auditor's report

To the Members of FosRich Company Limited

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of **FosRich Company Limited** ("the Company") comprising the separate financial statements of the company and the consolidated financial statements of the company and its subsidiary (together "the Group"), set out on pages 1 to 39, which comprise the group's and the company's statements of financial position as at December 31, 2023, statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes, comprising significant accounting policies and other explanatory information

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the group and the company as at December 31, 2023, and of the group's and the company's financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and the requirements of the Jamaican Companies Act.

Basis of Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISA). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the group and the company in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants including International Independence Standards (IESBA Code), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements for the current period. Those matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Key Audit Matters (continued) Expected Credit Losses on Trade Receivables

Key Audit Matter

The determination of credit losses is highly subjective and requires management to make significant judgment and estimates including the identification of increased credit risk exposure, determination of the appropriate variables and assumptions used and the application of forward-looking information.

The group is required to recognise expected credit losses [ECL] on trade receivables measured at amortised cost. The determination of ECL is highly subjective and requires management to make significant judgments and estimates and the application of forward-looking information.

The combination of estimates and judgments increases the risk that management's estimates could be materially misstated [see financial statements, notes 2{b}, 3{g} and 24{b}.

• How the matter was addressed in our audit.

In response to this matter, our audit procedure included:

- Obtaining an understanding of the model used by management for the calculation of expected credit losses and trade receivables.
- Testing the completeness and accuracy of the data used in the expected credit loss model to the underlying accounting records on a sample basis, including testing the recording and ageing of trade receivables.
- Assessment of the appropriateness of the group's impairment methodology, management's assumptions and compliance with the requirements of IFRS 9, Financial Instruments.
- Evaluating the appropriateness of the economic parameters including the use of forwardlooking information.
- Testing the accuracy of credit loss calculations
- Assessing the adequacy of the disclosures of the key assumptions and judgments for compliance with IFRS 9.

Other information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the annual report (but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon), which is expected to be made available to us after the date of the audit report.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Other information (continued)

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not and will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with the audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above when it becomes available and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements, or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

When we read the annual report, if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, we are required to communicate the matter to the Board of Directors.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), and the Jamaican Companies Act, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group's and the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the group and the company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's and the Company's financial reporting process.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud to error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due
to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit
evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not
detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error,
as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override
of internal control.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's and the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's and the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the company financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group and the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated and standalone financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the company's financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Report on additional matters as required by the Jamaican Companies Act.

We have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purposes of our audit.

In our opinion, proper accounting records have been kept, so far as appears from our examination of those records, and the accompanying financial statements are in agreement therewith and give the information required by the Jamaican Companies Act, in the manner required.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Effie Crooks.

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Chartered Accountants 19 Cargill Avenue Kingston 10, Jamaica W.I.

March 11, 2024

| | Note | 2023 <u>\$</u> | 2022 <u>\$</u> |
|--|---------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Turnover | | 3,696,595,282 | 3,372,945,924 |
| Cost of Sales | 4{a} | (2,134,064,789) | (1,980,686,522) |
| Gross profit | | 1,562,530,493 | 1,392,259,402 |
| Other income: | | | |
| Other operating income | 5 | 81,007,060 | 10,470,066 |
| | | 1,643,537,553 | 1,402,729,468 |
| Administration, marketing and selling expenses | 4{a} | (1,029,888,365) | (790,011,425) |
| Profit before depreciation and finance costs | | 613,649,188 | 612,718,043 |
| Depreciation - owned assets | 9 | (67,214,031) | (58,208,436) |
| Depreciation - leased assets | 10{iii} | (49,483,702) | (46,353,156) |
| Profit before finance costs | | 496,951,455 | 508,156,451 |
| Finance costs | 6 | (219,567,127) | (182,418,122) |
| Net profit before taxation | | 277,384,328 | 325,738,329 |
| Taxation | 7 | (42,146,183) | (1,026,088) |
| Net profit | | 235,238,145 | 324,712,241 |
| Other comprehensive income: | | | |
| Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss - | | | |
| Fair value gain on investment Unrealised fair value (loss)/gain on available-for-sale | 13{b} | 6,481,800 | - |
| investments | 13{a} | (290,625) | 600,625 |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | | 241,429,320 | 325,312,866 |
| Earnings per stock unit | 23 | \$0.05 | \$0.06 |

GROUP STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2023

| | Note | 2023 <u>\$</u> | 2022 <u>\$</u> |
|--|------|-------------------|-------------------|
| ASSETS | NOLE | <u>₽</u> | <u> </u> |
| Non-Current Assets | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 9 | 886,130,896 | 846,110,055 |
| | | | |
| Lease - right-of-use assets | 10 | 646,476,503 | 605,568,225 |
| Related party | 11 | 393,034,362 | 689,522,593 |
| Investments - fixed deposits | 12 | 22,520,931 | 21,966,959 |
| Investments - Other | 13 | 16,090,744 | 6,830,791 |
| Investment in associated company | 16 | 226,000,000 | 226,000,000 |
| | | 2,190,253,436 | 2,395,998,623 * |
| Current Assets | | | |
| Inventories | 17 | 2,118,750,405 | 2,248,793,424 |
| Trade receivables | 18 | 303,190,590 | 377,326,589 |
| Other receivables and prepayments | 18 | 119,837,084 | 92,634,440 |
| Related party - current portion | 11 | 745,451,364 | 80,000,000 |
| Associated company | 16 | 133,202,200 | - |
| Cash and bank balances | 19 | 67,858,120 | 103,799,830 |
| | | 3,488,289,763 | 2,902,554,283 * |
| Current Liabilities | • | | |
| Payables | 20 | 1,081,849,871 | 792,852,601 |
| Bank overdraft | | 4,694,815 | - |
| Associated company | 16 | - | 357,037,639 |
| Current portion of long-term liabilities | 24 | 498,394,957 | 812,885,218 |
| Taxation payable | | 7,144,998 | 1,026,089 |
| Lease - right-of-use liabilities | 10 | 69,879,526 | 50,434,215 |
| | | 1,661,964,167 | 2,014,235,762 * |
| Net Current Assets | | 1,826,325,596 | 888,318,521 |
| | | 4,016,579,032 | 3,284,317,144 |
| | : | | |

* Adjusted to conform with current year's presentation

GROUP STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2023

| | | 2023 | 2022 |
|--------------------------|------|---------------|---------------|
| | Note | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Equity | | | |
| Share capital | 21 | 491,293,055 | 369,620,810 |
| Capital reserves | 22 | 569,101,976 | 562,910,801 |
| Retained earnings | | 981,170,992 | 852,581,037 |
| | | 2,041,566,023 | 1,785,112,648 |
| Non-Current Liabilities | | | |
| Right-of-use liabilities | 10 | 552,520,716 | 532,357,775 |
| Long-term liabilities | 24 | 1,372,904,752 | 921,539,811 |
| Deferred tax liability | 14 | 12,275,509 | - |
| Director's loan | 25 | 37,312,032 | 45,306,910 |
| | | 1,975,013,009 | 1,499,204,496 |
| | | 4,016,579,032 | 3,284,317,144 |

The financial statements set out on pages 1 to 39 were approved for issue by the Board of Directors on

March 1, 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Master Director

Marion Foster

2 Director

Peter Knibb

GROUP STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

| | Share capital <u>\$</u> | Capital reserves <u>\$</u> | Retained earnings <u>\$</u> | Total <u>\$</u> |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Balance at January 1, 2022 | 361,499,399 | 67,096,070 | 588,141,862 | 1,016,737,331 |
| Unrealised gain on available-for-sale investments | - | 600,625 | - | 600,625 |
| Net profit | - | - | 324,712,241 | 324,712,241 |
| Unrealised surplus on revaluation of freehold properties | | 495,214,106 | | 495,214,106 |
| Transactions with owners: | | | | |
| Sale of treasury shares (note 21) | 8,121,411 | - | - | 8,121,411 |
| Dividend paid (<i>note 8</i>) | | - | (60,273,066) | (60,273,066) |
| Balance at December 31, 2022 Unrealised loss on available-for-sale | 369,620,810 | 562,910,801 | 852,581,037 | 1,785,112,648 |
| investments | - | (290,625) | - | (290,625) |
| Fiar value adjustment to financial instruments | | 6,481,800 | | 6,481,800 |
| Net profit | - | - | 235,238,145 | 235,238,145 |
| Transactions with owners: | | | | |
| Purchase of treasury shares (note 21) | (8,706,945) | | | (8,706,945) |
| Issue of shares | 130,379,190 | | | 130,379,190 |
| Dividend paid (note 8) | - | - | (106,648,190) | (106,648,190) |
| Balance at December 31, 2023 <i>(see notes 21</i> & 22) | 491,293,055 | 569,101,976 | 981,170,992 | 2,041,566,023 |

GROUP STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

| | 2023 <u>\$</u> | 2022 <u>\$</u> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| CASH FLOWS WERE PROVIDED BY/ (USED IN): | × | × |
| Operating Activities | | |
| Net profit | 235,238,145 | 324,712,241 |
| Items not affecting cash resources | 200,200,110 | 021,, 12,211 |
| Depreciation - owned assets | 67,214,031 | 58,208,436 |
| Depreciation - leased assets | 49,483,700 | 46,353,156 |
| Interest on lease liability | 11,161,536 | 13,284,240 |
| Profit on disposal of items if property, plant and equipment | (3,549,940) | - |
| Taxation charge | 42,146,183 | 1,026,088 |
| Interest income | (67,799,404) | (116,504) |
| Interest expense | 181,534,066 | 137,870,868 |
| | 515,428,317 | 581,338,525 |
| Changes in non-cash working capital components: | , -,- | |
| Inventories | 130,043,019 | (464,551,344) |
| Receivables | 74,135,999 | (103,293,269) |
| Other receivables and prepayments | (27,202,644) | (97,575,069) |
| Payables | 288,192,029 | 196,674,654 |
| Taxation paid | (20,786,930) | - |
| Related parties | (368,963,133) | (198,785,914) |
| Associated company | (264,239,839) | 252,640,176 |
| Rent paid | (80,248,187) | (74,317,281) |
| Cash provided by operating activities | 246,358,631 | 92,130,478 * |
| INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES | | |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment | (107,234,872) | (59,573,637) |
| Proceeds from disposal of items of property, plant and equipment | 3,549,940 | - |
| (Purchase)/Encashment of investment | (3,068,778) | 6,348,953 |
| Cash used in investment activities | (106,753,710) | (53,224,684) |
| FINANCING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Directors' loans repaid | (7,994,878) | (2,496,078) |
| Loans received | 1,265,911,880 | 381,635,723 |
| Loans repaid | (1,279,849,846) | (196,346,118) |
| Dividend paid | (106,648,190) | (60,273,066) |
| Interest received | 1,384,638 | 116,504 |
| Issue of shates | 130,379,190 | - |
| Acquisition of treasury shares | (8,706,945) | 8,121,411 |
| Interest paid | (174,717,295) | (137,870,868) |
| Cash used in financing activities | (180,241,446) | (7,112,492) |
| (DECREASE)/INCREASE IN NET CASH BALANCES | (40,636,525) | 31,793,302 |

* Adjusted to conform with current year's presentation

GROUP STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

| | 2023 <u>\$</u> | 2022 <u>\$</u> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| (DECREASE)/INCREASE IN NET CASH BALANCES | (40,636,525) | 31,793,302 |
| NET CASH BALANCES - Beginning of year | 103,799,830 | 72,006,528 |
| NET CASH BALANCES - End of year | 63,163,305 | 103,799,830 |
| REPRESENTED BY: | | |
| Cash and bank balances | 67,858,120 | 103,799,830 |
| Bank overdraft | (4,694,815) | |
| | 63,163,305 | 103,799,830 |

STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

| | | 2023 | 2022 |
|---|---------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Turnover | | 3,663,867,243 | 3,357,523,895 |
| Cost of Sales | | (2,119,713,792) | (1,970,882,059) |
| Gross profit | | 1,544,153,451 | 1,386,641,836 |
| Other income: | | | |
| Other operating income | | 80,989,781 | 10,470,066 |
| | | 1,625,143,232 | 1,397,111,902 |
| Administration, marketing and selling expenses | | (1,009,073,346) | (783,245,253) |
| Profit before depreciation and finance costs | | 616,069,886 | 613,866,649 |
| Depreciation - owned assets | 9 | (66,790,987) | (57,428,973) |
| Depreciation - leased assets | 10{iii} | (49,483,700) | (46,353,156) |
| Profit before finance costs | | 499,795,199 | 510,084,520 |
| Finance costs | | (218,180,297) | (181,332,374) |
| Net profit before taxation | | 281,614,902 | 328,752,146 |
| Taxation | 7 | (42,146,183) | (1,026,088) |
| Net profit | | 239,468,719 | 327,726,058 |
| Other comprehensive income: | | | |
| Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss - | | | |
| Fair value - investment instrument, insurance policy Unrealised fair value (loss)/gain on available-for-sale | 13{b} | 6,481,800 | - |
| investments | 13{a} | (290,625) | 600,625 |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | | 245,659,894 | 328,326,683 |

COMPANY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2023

| | | 2023 | 2022 |
|---|------|---------------|-----------------|
| | Note | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| ASSETS | | | |
| Non-Current Assets | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 9 | 878,863,793 | 839,448,086 |
| Lease - right-of-use assets | 10 | 646,476,503 | 605,568,225 |
| Related party | 11 | 393,034,362 | 689,522,593 |
| Investments - fixed deposits | 12 | 22,520,931 | 21,966,959 |
| Investments - Other | 13 | 16,090,744 | 6,830,791 |
| Investment in subsidiary | 15 | 10,307,145 | 10,307,145 |
| Investment in associated company | 16 | 226,000,000 | 226,000,000 |
| | | 2,193,293,478 | 2,399,643,799 * |
| Current Assets | | | |
| Inventories | 17 | 2,074,906,847 | 2,214,741,168 |
| Trade receivables | 18 | 300,499,065 | 374,347,702 |
| Other receivables and prepayments | 18 | 119,319,352 | 92,634,440 |
| Related party - current portion | 11 | 745,451,364 | 80,000,000 |
| Due from subsidiary | 15 | 34,396,564 | 6,194,652 |
| Associated company | 16 | 133,202,200 | - |
| Cash and bank balances | 19 | 65,564,732 | 102,346,820 |
| | | 3,473,340,124 | 2,870,264,782 * |
| Current Liabilities | | | |
| Payables | 20 | 1,069,972,074 | 770,373,697 |
| Bank overdraft | | 4,694,815 | - |
| Associated company | 16 | - | 357,037,639 |
| Current portion of long-term liabilities | 24 | 497,295,921 | 812,885,218 |
| Taxation payable | | 7,144,998 | 1,026,088 |
| Lease liabilities - right-of-use, current portion | 10 | 69,879,526 | 50,434,215 |
| | | 1,648,987,334 | 1,991,756,857 |
| Net Current Assets | | 1,824,352,790 | 878,507,925 |
| | | 4,017,646,268 | 3,278,151,724 |

* Adjusted to conform with current year's presentation

COMPANY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2023

| | | 2023 | 2022 |
|--------------------------|------|---------------|---------------|
| | Note | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Equity | | | |
| Share capital | 21 | 491,293,055 | 369,620,810 |
| Capital reserves | 22 | 569,101,976 | 562,910,801 |
| Retained earnings | | 988,415,383 | 855,594,854 |
| | | 2,048,810,414 | 1,788,126,465 |
| Non-Current Liabilities | | | |
| Right-of-use liabilities | 10 | 552,520,716 | 532,357,775 |
| Long-term liabilities | 24 | 1,366,727,597 | 912,360,773 |
| Deferred tax liability | 14 | 12,275,509 | - |
| Director's loan | 25 | 37,312,032 | 45,306,711 |
| | | 1,968,835,854 | 1,490,025,259 |
| | | 4,017,646,268 | 3,278,151,724 |

The financial statements set out on pages 1 to 39 were approved for issue by the Board of Directors on

March 11, 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Marion Foster

Director

Peter Knibb

Director

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COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

| | Share capital | Capital reserves | Retained earnings | Total |
|---|---------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Balance at January 1, 2022 | 361,499,399 | 67,096,070 | 588,141,862 | 1,016,737,331 |
| Unrealised gain on available-for-sale investments | - | 600,625 | - | 600,625 |
| Net profit | - | - | 327,726,058 | 327,726,058 |
| Unrealised surplus on revaluation of freehold properties | | 495,214,106 | | 495,214,106 |
| Transactions with owners: | | | | |
| Sale of treasury shares (note 21) | 8,121,411 | - | - | 8,121,411 |
| Dividend paid (note 8) | | | (60,273,066) | (60,273,066) |
| Balance at December 31, 2022 | 369,620,810 | 562,910,801 | 855,594,854 | 1,788,126,465 |
| Unrealised loss on available-for-sale investments | - | (290,625) | - | (290,625) |
| Unrealised gain on investment security | | 6,481,800 | | 6,481,800 |
| Net profit | - | - | 239,468,719 | 239,468,719 |
| Transactions with owners: | | | | |
| Purchase of treasury shares (note 21) | (8,706,945) | | | (8,706,945) |
| Issue of shares | 130,379,190 | | | 130,379,190 |
| Dividend paid (<i>note 8</i>) | | | (106,648,190) | (106,648,190) |
| Balance at December 31, 2023 <i>(see notes 21 & 22)</i> | 491,293,055 | 569,101,976 | 988,415,383 | 2,048,810,414 |

COMPANY STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|--|-----------------|---------------|
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| CASH FLOWS WERE PROVIDED BY/ (USED IN): | | |
| Operating Activities | | |
| Net profit | 239,468,719 | 327,726,058 |
| Items not affecting cash resources | | |
| Depreciation - owned assets | 66,790,987 | 57,428,973 |
| Depreciation - leased assets | 49,483,700 | 46,353,156 |
| Interest on lease liability | 11,161,536 | 13,284,240 |
| Profit on disposal of items if property, plant and equipment | (3,549,940) | - |
| Taxation charge | 42,146,183 | 1,026,088 |
| Interest income | (67,782,125) | (116,504) |
| Interest expense | 180,147,536 | 137,870,868 |
| | 517,866,596 | 583,572,879 |
| Changes in non-cash working capital components: | | |
| Inventories | 139,834,321 | (430,499,088) |
| Receivables | 73,848,637 | (100,314,382) |
| Other receivables and prepayments | (26,684,912) | (97,575,069) |
| Payables | 299,598,377 | 174,195,551 |
| Taxation paid | (20,786,930) | - |
| Related party | (368,963,133) | (198,785,914) |
| Associated company | (264,239,839) | 252,640,176 |
| Due from subsidiary | (28,201,912) | (6,194,652) |
| Rent paid | (80,248,187) | (74,317,281) |
| Cash provided by operating activities | 242,023,018 | 102,722,220 * |
| INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES | | |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment | (106,206,694) | (52,132,205) |
| Investment in subsidiary | - | (10,307,145) |
| Proceeds from disposal of items of property, plant and equipment | 3,549,940 | - |
| (Purchase)/encashment of investment | (3,068,778) | 6,348,952 |
| Cash used in investment activities | (105,725,532) | (56,090,398) |
| FINANCING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Directors' loans repaid | (7,994,679) | (2,496,277) |
| Loans received | 1,265,911,880 | 372,456,684 |
| Loans repaid | (1,278,752,039) | (196,346,118) |
| Dividend paid | (106,648,190) | (60,273,066) |
| Interest received | 1,367,359 | 116,504 |
| Issue of shares | 130,379,190 | - |
| Acquisition/(disposal) of treasury shares | (8,706,945) | 8,121,411 |
| Interest paid | (173,330,765) | (137,870,868) |
| Cash used in financing activities | (177,774,189) | (16,291,730) |
| (DECREASE)/INCREASE IN NET CASH BALANCES | (41,476,703) | 30,340,092 |

* Restated to conform with current year's presentation

COMPANY STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

| | 2023 <u>\$</u> | 2022 <u>\$</u> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| (DECREASE)/INCREASE IN NET CASH BALANCES | (41,476,703) | 30,340,092 |
| NET CASH BALANCES - Beginning of year | 102,346,620 | 72,006,528 |
| NET CASH BALANCES - End of year | 60,869,917 | 102,346,620 |
| | | |
| REPRESENTED BY: | | |
| Cash and bank balances | 65,564,732 | 102,346,820 |
| Bank overdraft | (4,694,815) | |
| | 60,869,917 | 102,346,820 |

1. INCORPORATION AND IDENTITY

- (a) The company is incorporated under the Jamaican Companies Act and is domiciled in Jamaica, having its registered office at 79 Molynes Road, Kingston 10, Jamaica. The company is listed on the Junior Market of the Jamaica Stock Exchange and has a wholly owned subsidiary, O'N'S Mini Mart & Electrical Supplies Limited, which was incorporated in the prior year.
- (b) The main activity of the company is the manufacture of PVC pipes and fittings, distribution of lighting, electrical and solar energy products; its subsidiary distributes electrical and lighting products. These financial statements represents the results of the Group.

2. Statement of Compliance and Basis of Preparation

(a) Statement of Compliance

The financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and their interpretations issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), and comply with the provisions of the Jamaican Companies Act.

Standards, Interpretations and Amendments to published Accounting Standards effective in the current year

During the year, certain new standards, interpretations and amendments to existing standards became effective. The Group and the company adopted the following standard, which came into effect during the current reporting period:

 Amendment to IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors, effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023.

The amendments introduce a new definition for accounting estimates; clarifying that they are monetary amounts in the financial statements that are subject to measurement uncertainty. Developing an accounting estimate includes both:

- selecting a measurement technique [estimation or valuation technique], e.g. An estimation technique used to measure a loss allowance for expected credit losses when applying IFRS 9
 Financial Statements: and
- choosing the inputs to be used when applying the chosen measurement technique e.g. The expected cash outflows for determining a provision for warranty obligations when applying IAS 37 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets.

The effects of changes in such inputs or measurement techniques are changes in accounting estimates. The definition of accounting policies is unchanged.

The Group and the company have applied this new standard in this reporting period; however, it has not made a significant impact on the financial statements.

(b) Basis of preparation

The financial statements are presented in Jamaican dollars, which is the Group's functional and presentation currency. These statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for the valuation of *available-for-sale* investment securities, financial assets and liabilities and the revaluation of certain items of property, plant and equipment. Those significant accounting policies stated stated below conform in all material respects with IFRS.

2. Statement of Compliance and Basis of Preparation

(b) Basis of preparation

- Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of these financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of current events and action, actual results could differ from those estimates. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed under their respective headings.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the year in which the estimate is revised and future years if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Judgements made by management in the application of IFRS that have significant effects on the financial statements and estimates with a significant risk of material adjustments in the next financial year are as follows:

(i) Judgements:

For the purpose of these financial statements, judgement refers to the informed identification and analysis of reasonable alternatives, considering all relevant facts and circumstances, and the well-reasoned, objective and unbiased choice of the alternative that is most consistent with the agreed principles set out in IFRS. The key relevant judgements are as follows:

Classification of financial assets:

The assessment of the business model within which the assets are held and assessment of whether the contractual cash flows from a financial asset are solely payments of principal and interest [SPPI] on the principal amount requires management to make certain judgements on its business operations.

Impairment of financial assets:

Establishing the criteria for determining whether credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition, determining methodology for incorporating forward-looking information into measurement of expected credit loss [ECL] and selection and approval of models used to measure ECL requires significant judgement.

(ii) Key assumptions concerning the future and other sources of estimations uncertainty:

Allowance for impairment loss of financial assets:

Measurement of the expected credit loss allowance

The measurement of the expected credit loss allowance for financial assets measured at amortised cost and FVOCI is an area that requires the use of complex models and significant assumptions about future economic conditions and credit behaviour [e.g. the likelihood of customers defaulting and the resulting losses].

2. Statement of Compliance and Basis of Preparation (continued)

(b) Basis of preparation (continued)

- (ii) Key assumptions concerning the future and other sources of estimations uncertainty (continued):
 A number of significant judgements are also required in applying the accounting requirements for measuring ECL, such as:
 - Determining criteria for significant increase in credit risk;
 - Choosing appropriate models and assumptions for the measurement of ECL:
 - Establishing the number and relative weightings of forward-looking scenarios for each type of product/market and the associated ECL;
 - Establishing groups of similar financial assets for the purpose of measuring ECL.
- (iii) Net realisable value of inventories:

Estimates of *net-realisable valu* e are based on the most realisable evidence at the time the estimates are made, of the amount the inventories are expected to realise. These estimates take into consideration fluctuation in price or cost directly relating to events occurring after the end of the period to the extent that such events confirm conditions existing at the end of the period.

Estimates of net realisable value also take into consideration the purpose for which the inventory is held.

(iv) Judgement in evaluation of contingencies:

For a contingent liability to qualify for recognition there must be a present obligation a the probability of an outflow of economic benefit to settle that obligation. In recognising contingent liabilities of the Group, management determines the possibility of an outflow of resources and makes estimates of expenditure required to settle the present obligation at the reporting date.

No provision is made if management considers the possibility of any outflow in settlement to be remote.

(v) Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values:

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values rely on judgement and estimates by management one of which is that the relevant assets will continue to be used for their current purpose within the Group.

In addition, useful lives and residual values vary between individual assets and are dependent upon continuation of the current level of maintenance. Should there be a change in the present use or level of maintenance this could change the charge for depreciation and the net book value of property, plant and equipment [see note 9] within the next financial year.

It is reasonably possible, that based on existing knowledge, that outcomes within the next financial year that are different from those assumptions could require a material adjustment to the carrying amount reflected in the financial statements.

2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE and BASIS of PREPARATION (continued)

(b) Basis of preparation (continued)

(vi) Consolidation

Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are all entities over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when the Group is exposed to, has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to effect those returns through it power to direct the activities of the entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are deconsolidated from the date that control ceases.

The Group applies acquisition method to account for business combinations. The consideration transferred for the acquisition of a subsidiary is the fair values of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the Group. The consideration transferred includes the fair value of any asset or liability resulting from a contingent consideration arrangements. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values or at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the recognised amounts to acquiree's identifiable net assets.

Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred. If the business combination is achieved in stages, the acquisition date carrying value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree is remeasured to fair value at the acquisition date, any gains or losses arising from such re-measurement are recognised in profit or loss.

In the company stand-alone financial statements, investments in subsidiaries are accounted for at at cost less impairment. Cost is adjusted to reflect changes in consideration arising from contingent consideration amendments. Cost also includes direct attributable costs of investment.

Inter-company transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between groups companies are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the transferred asset. When necessary, amounts reported by subsidiaries have been adjusted to conform with the Group's accounting policies. When the Group ceases to have control any retained interest in the entity is re-measured to its fair value at the date when the control is lost, with the change in carrying amount recognised in profit or loss. The fair value is the initial carrying amount for the purposes of subsequently accounting for the retained interest as an associate, joint venture or financial asset. In addition to the amount recognised in other comprehensive income in respect of that entity are accounted for as if the Group had directly disposed of the assets or liabilities. This may mean that amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss.

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3. Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Revenue

Performance obligations and revenue recognition policies:

Revenue is measured based on the consideration specified in a contract with a customer. The Group recognises revenue when it transfers control over a good or service to a customer.

The Group's revenue is derived from the sale of manufactured PVC pipes and fittings, distribution of lighting, electrical, solar energy and other related products.

Revenue is recognised when the significant risks and reward of ownership have been transferred to the buyer; usually when the company and its subsidiary have delivered the goods to the customer and is accepted by thebuyer, invoice is generated and the revenue is generated at that point. Invoices are usually payable within 30 to 60 days or other contractual terms.

Revenue is shown net of Consumption Tax, returns, rebates and discounts.

(b) Other operating income

Other operating income mainly comprised of commissions received or receivable through partnership arrangements between local utility entities and the Group's international electrical suppliers. Other income includes interest, which is recognised as it accrues, using the effective interest method, unless collectibility is in doubt.

(c) Foreign Currency Transactions

i. Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of the Group are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ["the functional currency"].

ii. Transaction and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the statement of financial position date. Foreign exchange gains or losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the transaction of year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

(d) Plant, Machinery and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost and valuation less accumulated depreciation, and impairment losses. Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. The cost of self-construct assets includes the costs of materials, direct labour and related cost to put the asset into service. The cost of replacing part of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to the Group and its cost can be measured reliably. The cost of day-to-day servicing of property, plant and equipment is recognised in profit or loss.

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3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(d) Plant, Machinery and Equipment (continued)

Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis at annual rates estimated to write down the property, plant and equipment to their estimated residual values at the end of their expected useful lives. No depreciation is charged on freehold land. Annual rates used are as follows:

| Freehold buildings | 3 1/3% | ** |
|---|---------|----|
| Furniture, fixtures and equipment | 10% | |
| Computer systems | 22 1/2% | |
| Motor vehicles [commercial and private] | 20% | |

Gains and losses on disposal of plant, machinery and equipment are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount and are included in other operating income in the income statement.

** Followinng the revaluation of the company's freehold properties and the determination of their remaining useful lives, management adjusted the depreciation rate used for freehold buildings from 2.50% to 3 1/3%

(e) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are carried on the statement of financial position at cost. Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value. For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise investment securities with less than 90 days maturity from the date of acquisition including cash balances, short-term deposits, and overdrafts.

(f) Inventories

Inventories are measured at lower of cost and net realisable value, cost being determined on the weighted average cost method. The cost of manufactured finished goods comprises the raw material ingredients, direct labour, other direct cost and a proportion of related production overheads. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less selling expenses. These estimates take into consideration fluctuations of price or cost directly relating to events occurring after the end of the year to the extent that such events confirm conditions existing at the end of the year.

The cost of other inventories comprising purchased finished goods is based on their cost and expenses incurred in acquiring and bringing them to their existing location and condition.

(g) Trade receivables

Trade receivables are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business. If collection is expected in one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business if longer), they are classified as current assets. If not, they are classified as non-current assets.

Receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for impairment of receivables is established when there is objective evidence that the Group will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables. The amount of the provision is the difference between the carrying amount and the recoverable amount.

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3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(h) Leases:

At inception of a contract, the company assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, the Group uses the definition of a lease in IFRS 16.

As a leasee

At commencement or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component, the Group allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of its relative stand-alone prices. However, for the leases of property the Group has elected not to separate non-lease components and account for the lease and non-lease component as a single lease component.

The right-to-use asset is subsequently depreciated using a straight-line method from commencement date to the end of the lease term, unless the lease transfers ownership of the underlying asset to the Group by the end of the lease term or the cost of the right-of-use asset will be depreciated over the useful life of the underlying asset, which is determined on the same basis as those property and equipment. In addition, the right-of-use is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the scheduled lease payments, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Group's incremental borrowing rate. Generally, the company uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate.

The Group determines its incremental borrowing rate by obtaining interest rates from various external financing sources and makes certain adjustments to reflect the terms of the lease and type of the asset leased.

Lease payments included in the measurement of lease liability comprise the following:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date
- amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee; and
- the exercise price under a purchase option that the company is reasonably certain to exercise, lease payment is an optional renewal period if the company is reasonably certain to exercise the option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless the company is reasonably certain to terminate early.

The lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is measured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, if there is a change in the company's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under the residual value guarantee, if the group changes its assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, extension or termination option or if there is a revised in-substance fixed lease payment.

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(h) Leases (continued):

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Group has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases of low-valued assets and short-term leases. The company recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight line basis over the life of the lease term.

(i) Payables

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payables are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business, if longer). If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

(j) Investments

Investments are classified as amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income. Investments classified at amortised cost have a fixed or determinable payment and are not quoted in an active market. Amortised cost is calculated on the effective interest rate method, less impairment loss.

The fair value of *available-for sale* investments is based on their quoted market bid price at the balance sheet date. Where the quoted market price is not available, fair value is estimated using discounted cash flow techniques.

Unrealised gain and losses arising from changes in the fair value of these securities are recognised in equity revaluation reserve. When securities classified as *available-for-sale* are sold or impaired, the accumulated fair value adjustments are included in other comprehensive income as gains and losses from investment securities. (*see note 13*)

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, net of transaction cost incurred and subsequently at amortised cost using the effective yield method. Interest charges, including direct issue costs are accounted for on an accrual basis in the statement of profit or loss and are added to the carrying amount of the loan to the extent that they are not settled in the period in which they arise.

(k) Impairment:

Non-financial assets

The carrying amount of the Group's non-financial assets are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the asset recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit [CGU] exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

The recoverable amount of an asset of CGU is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. In assessing the value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discounted rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For an asset that does not generate largely independent cash inflows, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(k) Impairment (continued):

An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the assets' carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

Financial assets

The company recognises loss allowances for expected credit losses [ECLs] on financial assets measured at amortised cost and at fair value through OCI.

Trade receivables

Loss allowances for trade receivables are measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs. When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating ECLs, the company consider reasonable and supportive information relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes quantitative and qualitative information and analysis, based on historical information and informed credit assessment. Loss allowances for financial assets measured at amortised cost are deducted from the gross carrying amount of the assets.

Debt investment securities

These are considered low-risk.

Write-off

The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is written off [either partially or in full] when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering a financial asset in its entirety or a portion thereof. This is the case when the company determines that the debtor does not have assets or sources of income that would generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amount subject to the write-off.

Recoverables of amounts previously written off are included in 'impairment losses on financial instruments' in the statement of profit or loss.

Financial liabilities

All financial assets are recognised initially at fair value. Financial liabilities include borrowings, trade and other payables. Subsequent measurement of financial liabilities depends on their classification as described in the particular recognition methods disclosed in the individual policy statements associated with each item.

(I) Employee benefits

Annual leave entitlements

Employee entitlements to annual leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability, if any, for vacation leave, as a result of services rendered by employees up to the reporting date. At year-end the company had no liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employees.

Pension

The company operates a "contributory pension scheme " funded by employees and the company, to provide benefits for the employees of the company. The scheme is administered by and managed by Sagicor Life Jamaica Limited. Contributions to the scheme are charged to profit or Loss account in the period to which they relate.

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(m) Related party transactions and balances

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial and operating decisions [referred to in *IAS 24 - Related Party Disclosures* as the "reporting entity']. Related party transactions and balances are recognised and disclosed for the following:

- (1) A person or a close member of that person's family is related to a reporting entity if that person:
 - i. has control or joint control over the reporting entity;
 - ii. has significant influence over the reporting entity; or
 - iii. is a member of the key management personnel of the reporting entity; or a parent of the reporting entity.
- (2) The entity is related to a reporting entity if any of the following conditions apply:
 - i. The entity and the reporting entity are members of a group [which means that each parent, subsidiary and fellow subsidiary is related to the other].
 - ii. One entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity [or an associate or joint venture of a member of a group of which the other entity is a member].
 - iii. Both entities are joint ventures of the same third party.
 - iv. The entity is a joint venture of a third entity and the other entity is an associate of the third entity.
 - v. The entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the reporting entity or an entity related to the reporting entity.
 - vi. The entity is controlled, or jointly controlled by a person identified in n(1){ii}.
 - vii. A person identified in n (1){i} has significant influence over the entity [or is a member of the key management personnel of the entity].

A related party transaction is a transfer of resources, services or obligation between a reporting entity and a related party, regardless of price charged.

4(a). EXPENSE BY NATURE

The following items have been charged in arriving at operating profit:

| | The G | Group |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 2023 | 2022 |
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Cost of sales | | |
| Cost of goods sold | 2,073,135,178 | 1,931,073,241 |
| Installation expense - contractors | 44,480,995 | 31,509,711 |
| Sales commission - contractors | 16,448,616 | 18,103,570 |
| | 2,134,064,789 | 1,980,686,522 |

4(a). EXPENSE BY NATURE (continued)

Administrative and selling expenses

| | The G | roup |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| | 2023 | 2022 |
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Directors' emoluments | 41,888,386 | 41,427,106 |
| Directors' fees | 1,622,000 | 1,189,337 |
| Auditors' remuneration | 6,402,000 | 5,260,000 |
| Staff costs (see note 4{b}) | 490,057,837 | 364,688,192 |
| Rent, security, repairs and maintenance | 96,192,236 | 68,152,432 |
| Motor vehicle and other related expense | 93,715,025 | 71,278,899 |
| General and keyman insurance | 56,033,418 | 28,238,112 |
| Utilities | 27,012,140 | 40,134,410 |
| Advertising and promotion | 65,717,345 | 44,112,128 |
| Legal and professional fees | 66,023,025 | 44,017,355 |
| Other expenses | 85,224,953 | 81,513,454 |
| | 1,029,888,365 | 790,011,425 |
| STAFF COSTS | | |
| | 2023 <u>\$</u> | 2022 <u>\$</u> |
| Salaries, commissions and bonus | 385,492,440 | |
| Statutory contributions | 54,029,052 | 38,571,080 |
| Staff welfare | 50,536,345 | 31,755,848 |
| | 490,057,837 | 364,688,192 |

The average number of persons employed full-time by the company during the year under review was 175 [2022 = 161]

5. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

4(b).

| | The Group and | the Company |
|--|---------------|-------------|
| | 2023 | 2022 |
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Interest income | 67,799,404 | 116,504 |
| Gain on disposal of items of property, plant and equipment | 3,549,940 | - |
| Other income | 9,657,716 | 10,353,562 |
| | 81,007,060 | 10,470,066 |

6. FINANCE COSTS

| | The G | roup |
|---|--------------|-------------|
| | 2023 | 2022 |
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Bank charges | 35,227,687 | 16,426,271 |
| Interest on bonds | 7,550,685 | 63,162,192 |
| Interest on long-term and short-term borrowings | 173,983,381 | 74,708,676 |
| Other finance charges | 6,287,500 | 14,836,743 |
| Bad debt recovered | (14,643,968) | - |
| Interest on lease liability | 11,161,542 | 13,284,240 |
| | 219,566,827 | 182,418,122 |

7. TAXATION

(a) Taxation is based on profits for the year adjusted for taxation purposes, and is calculated at the rate of 25%. Taxation charge for the year comprise: -

| | The com | npany |
|---------------------------------------|---|-----------|
| | 2023 <u>\$</u> 27,931,931 1,938,744 <u>12,275,509</u> 42,146,183 | 2022 |
| | | <u>\$</u> |
| Current tax | 27,931,931 | 1,026,088 |
| Tax adjustment * | 1,938,744 | - |
| Deferred taxation asset (See note 14) | 12,275,509 | - |
| | 42,146,183 | 1,026,088 |

*Tax adjustment

Tax adjustment to account for 'corporate tax credit' not included in prior year's computation.

(b) The taxation charge differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the income tax rate

| as follows: | |
|-------------|--|
|-------------|--|

| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Surplus for the year before taxation | 281,614,902 | 328,752,146 |
| | | |
| Computed "expected" tax at 25% | 70,403,725 | 82,188,037 |
| Income tax consequence of the following: | | |
| Tax adjustment - prior year | 1,938,744 | (1,938,744) |
| Adjustment | (1,711,940) | (1,745,780) |
| Income not taxable | (887,485) | (572,599) |
| Tax remission | (27,931,931) | (78,225,948) |
| Expenses not allowable for tax purposes | 335,068 | 1,321,122 |
| | 42,146,183 | 1,026,088 |

7. TAXATION

Remission of income tax:

The company's shares were listed on the Junior Market of the Jamaica Stock Exchange, effective December 19, 2017. Consequently, the company is entitled to a remission of taxes for ten (10) years in the proportions set out below, provided it complies with the criteria of the Income Tax (Jamaica Stock Exchange Junior Market) Regulation.

To obtain the remission of income taxes, the following conditions should be adhered to over the period:

- (i) The company remains listed for at least 15 years and is not suspended from the JSE for any breaches of the rules of the JSE.
- (ii) The subscribed participating voting share capital does not exceed \$500 million.
- (iii) The company has at least 50 participating voting shareholders.

The financial statements have been prepared on the basis that the company will have the full benefit of the tax remissions. The periods are as follows:

| Years 1 to 5 | (December 19, 2017- December 18, 2022) | 100% |
|---------------|---|------|
| Years 6 to 10 | (December 19, 2022-December 18, 2027) | 50% |

8. DIVIDENDS

By resolution dated October 31, 2023 the directors declared the payment of a dividend of **\$.021** per share to be paid to shareholders on the company's register of members as at November 17, 2023.

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|---------------|-------------|------------|
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Dividend paid | 106,648,190 | 60,273,066 |

9. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

The Group :

| The Group . | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | Freehold Land <u>\$</u> | Freehold Building <u>\$</u> | Construct- ion in Progress <u>\$</u> | Leasehold Improvement <u>\$</u> | Leasehold Property <u>\$</u> | Equipment, Furniture & Equipment, <u>\$</u> | Computers <u>\$</u> | Motor Vehicles <u>\$</u> | Total <u>\$</u> |
| At cost or deemed cost: | | | | | | | | | |
| January 1, 2022 | 29,980,000 | 181,440,499 | - | 52,898,470 | 30,000,000 | 145,133,990 | 42,665,390 | 105,620,197 | 587,738,546 |
| Adjustment | | (44,134,603) | - | | | | | | (44,134,603) |
| Restated | 29,980,000 | 137,305,896 | - | 52,898,470 | 30,000,000 | 145,133,990 | 42,665,390 | 105,620,197 | 543,603,943 |
| Revaluation | 112,520,000 | 382,694,106 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 495,214,106 |
| Additions | | | - | 17,681,012 | | 20,705,249 | 6,022,446 | 15,164,930 | 59,573,637 |
| December 31, 2022 | 142,500,000 | 520,000,002 | - | 70,579,482 | 30,000,000 | 165,839,239 | 48,687,836 | 120,785,127 | 1,098,391,686 |
| Additions | | | 3,627,400 | | | 29,377,025 | 14,513,927 | 59,716,520 | 107,234,872 |
| Disposals | | | | | | | | (13,251,058) | (13,251,058) |
| December 31, 2023 Accumulated Depreciation: | 142,500,000 | 520,000,002 | 3,627,400 | 70,579,482 | 30,000,000 | 195,216,264 | 63,201,763 | 167,250,589 | 1,192,375,500 |
| January 1, 2022 Adjustment | - | 44,172,103 (44,134,603) | | 52,746,106 - | 6,750,000 - | 54,050,819 - | 21,729,430 - | 58,759,340 - | 238,207,798 (44,134,603) |
| Restated | - | 37,500 | | 52,746,106 | 6,750,000 | 54,050,819 | 21,729,430 | 58,759,340 | 194,073,195 |
| Charge for the year | - | 18,785,682 | | 227,167 | 750,000 | 14,165,089 | 5,151,427 | 19,129,071 | 58,208,436 |
| December 31, 2022 | - | 18,823,182 | | 52,973,273 | 7,500,000 | 68,215,908 | 26,880,857 | 77,888,411 | 252,281,631 |
| Charge for the year | - | 18,102,341 | | 1,705,432 | 750,000 | 14,545,357 | 6,637,074 | 25,473,827 | 67,214,031 |
| Eliminated on disposal | | | | | | | | (13,251,058) | (13,251,058) |
| December 31, 2023 | <u> </u> | 36,925,523 | - | 54,678,705 | 8,250,000 | 82,761,265 | 33,517,931 | 90,111,180 | 306,244,604 |
| Net book values: December 31, 2023 | 142,500,000 | 483,074,479 | 3,627,400 | 15,900,777 | 21,750,000 | 112,454,999 | 29,683,832 | 77,139,409 | 886,130,896 |
| December 31, 2022 | 142,500,000 | 501,176,820 | - | 17,606,209 | 22,500,000 | 97,623,331 | 21,806,979 | 42,896,716 | 846,110,055 |
| | | | | | | | | | |

9. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

The Company:

| The Company: | Freehold Land <u>\$</u> | Freehold Building <u>\$</u> | Construct- ion in Progress <u>\$</u> | Leasehold Improvement <u>\$</u> | Leasehold Property <u>\$</u> | Equipment, Furniture & Equipment, <u>\$</u> | Computers <u>\$</u> | Motor Vehicles <u>\$</u> | Total <u>\$</u> |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| At cost or deemed cost: | | | | | | | | | |
| January 1, 2022 | 29,980,000 | 181,440,499 | - | 52,898,470 | 30,000,000 | 145,133,990 | 42,665,390 | 105,620,197 | 587,738,546 |
| Adjustment | | (44,134,603) | - | | | | | | (44,134,603) |
| Restated | 29,980,000 | 137,305,896 | - | 52,898,470 | 30,000,000 | 145,133,990 | 42,665,390 | 105,620,197 | 543,603,943 |
| Revaluation | 112,520,000 | 382,694,106 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 495,214,106 |
| Additions | - | - | - | 14,108,645 | | 16,949,184 | 5,909,446 | 15,164,930 | 52,132,205 |
| December 31, 2022 | 142,500,000 | 520,000,002 | - | 67,007,115 | 30,000,000 | 162,083,174 | 48,574,836 | 120,785,127 | 1,090,950,254 |
| Additions | | | 3,627,400 | | | 29,275,938 | 13,586,836 | 59,716,520 | 106,206,694 |
| Disposals | | | | | | | | (13,251,058) | (13,251,058) |
| December 31, 2023 | 142,500,000 | 520,000,002 | 3,627,400 | 67,007,115 | 30,000,000 | 191,359,112 | 62,161,672 | 167,250,589 | 1,183,905,890 |
| Accumulated Depreciation: | | | | | | | | | |
| January 1, 2022 | - | 44,172,103 | | 52,746,106 | 6,750,000 | 54,050,819 | 21,729,430 | 58,759,340 | 238,207,798 |
| Adjustment | | (44,134,603) | | | | | - | - | (44,134,603) |
| Restated | - | 37,500 | | 52,746,106 | 6,750,000 | 54,050,819 | 21,729,430 | 58,759,340 | 194,073,195 |
| Charge for the year | - | 18,785,682 | | 227,167 | 750,000 | 13,413,876 | 5,123,177 | 19,129,071 | 57,428,973 |
| December 31, 2022 | | 18,823,182 | | 52,973,273 | 7,500,000 | 67,464,695 | 26,852,607 | 77,888,411 | 251,502,168 |
| Charge for the year | - | 18,102,341 | | 1,705,432 | 750,000 | 14,165,121 | 6,594,266 | 25,473,827 | 66,790,987 |
| Eliminated on disposal | | | | | | | | (13,251,058) | (13,251,058) |
| December 31, 2023 | - | 36,925,523 | - | 54,678,705 | 8,250,000 | 81,629,816 | 33,446,873 | 90,111,180 | 305,042,097 |
| Net book values: | | | | | | | | | |
| December 31, 2023 | 142,500,000 | 483,074,479 | 3,627,400 | 12,328,410 | 21,750,000 | 109,729,296 | 28,714,799 | 77,139,409 | 878,863,793 |
| December 31, 2022 | 142,500,000 | 501.176.820 | | 14,033,842 | 22.500.000 | 94,618,479 | 21,722,229 | 42,896,716 | 839,448,086 |

9. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT (continued)

Freehold land and buildings comprising properties located at 77 Molynes Road, 14 Burley Avenue and 8 - 8b Maverly Avenue, Kingston 10 were re-appraised by professional, independent real estate valuators: Langford Brown using the 'market approach' and sales comparison' valuation methods in January 2022.

The carrying values of these assets have been adjusted and the resultant increase in value has been recognised in capital reserves. All other items of property, plant and equipment are stated at cost.

10. LEASE RIGHT-OF-USE

The group and the company leases a number of properties to conduct its operations. These lease contracts are contracted for varying periods ranging from two to ten years, with options to renew. Some leases provide for additional rent payments that are based on changes in local price indices.

The current lease contracts are recognised in the statement of financial position as a *right-of-use asset* and the corresponding credit as a *lease liability*.

Assets and liabilities are initially measured on a present value basis and lease liabilities include net present value of the fixed payments less any lease incentives receivable. The company has elected not to recognise *right-to-use* assets and lease liabilities for short-term [non-renewable leases and/or leases of low-value items.

The Group

Amount recognised in the statement of financial position [IFRS16]:

i. Right-of-use assets

| | The Group | | |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| | 2023 <u>\$</u> | 2022 <u>\$</u> | |
| Right-of-use assets | | | |
| Balance at January 1 | 694,612,283 | 666,629,660 | |
| Termination of <i>right-of-use</i> Asset | (36,510,714) | (199,149,004) | |
| Additions to <i>right-of-use</i> Asset | 90,391,978 | 227,131,627 | |
| | 748,493,547 | 694,612,283 | |
| Accumulated depreciation brought forward | 89,044,058 | 101,783,702 | |
| Depreciation eliminated on termination | (36,510,714) | (59,092,800) | |
| Depreciation charge for the year | 49,483,700 | 46,353,156 | |
| | 102,017,044 | 89,044,058 | |
| Balance at end of year | 646,476,503 | 605,568,225 | |
| ii. Lease liabilities | | | |
| Maturity analysis - contractual undiscounted cash flows: | | | |
| Less than one year | 85,229,718 | 60,906,979 | |
| One to five years | 290,189,374 | 213,540,111 | |
| More than five years | 917,882,107 | 936,699,101 | |
| | 1,293,301,199 | 1,211,146,191 | |
| Less: Future interest | (670,900,957) | (628,354,201) | |
| | 622,400,242 | 582,791,990 | |
| Less: Current portion | (69,879,526) | (50,434,215) | |
| Non-current | 552,520,716 | 532,357,775 | |
| | | | |

10. LEASE RIGHT-OF-USE (continued)

Amount recognised in the statement of financial position:

iii. Amount recognised in the statement of comprehensive income:

| | The Group | | |
|---|-----------------|------------|--|
| | 2023 202 | | |
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | |
| Interest on lease liability | 11,161,536 | 13,284,240 | |
| Depreciation charge for right-of-use assets | 49,483,700 | 46,353,156 | |

Right-of-use assets are measured at cost based on the amount of the initial measurement of the lease liability. The asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date of the lease term.

80,248,187

74,317,281

 iv. Amount recognised in the statement of cash flows: Total cash outflows for leases

| 1. RELATED PARTY | | |
|--|---------------|--------------|
| | The G | roup |
| | 2023 | 2022 |
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| a. LCCM Investment Ventures Limited | | |
| Amount due from LCCM Investment Ventures Limited | l: | |
| Opening balance | 649,289,703 | 450,503,789 |
| Advances | 102,572,193 | 173,043,882 |
| Repayments | (72,825,298) | |
| | 679,036,598 | 623,547,671 |
| Interest accrued | 66,414,766 | 25,742,032 |
| | 745,451,364 | 649,289,703 |
| Current portion of related party balance | (745,451,364) | (80,000,000) |
| | | 569,289,703 |
| b. BC Dundee Enterprise Limited | | |
| | 2023 | 2022 |
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Amounts due from BC Dundee Enterprise Limited | | |
| Opening balance | 120,232,890 | 32,251,056 |
| Advances | 272,801,472 | 87,981,834 |
| | 393,034,362 | 120,232,890 |
| | 393,034,362 | 689,522,593 |
| | | |

Fosrich Limited is related to both companies by means of common directorship. There were no trading activities between the companies during the year.

12. INVESTMENTS

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Deposits - Bonds/guarantees | 11,091,490 | 10,867,351 |
| Term Deposits | 11,429,441 | 11,099,608 |
| | 22,520,931 | 21,966,959 |

The above 'term deposits' include amounts denominated in United States Dollars [US\$74,417] and Jamaican Dollars, which earn interest at rates of 4.00% and 2.75% respectively. These funds are being held as security for the loans (*see note 24*).

13. INVESTMENTS - OTHER

| | The Group | |
|---|------------|-------------|
| | 2023 | 2022 |
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| a. Quoted Securities at market value | | |
| Shares at market value | 2,228,125 | 1,627,500 |
| (Loss)/gain from fair value adjustment | (290,625) | 600,625 |
| | 1,937,500 | 2,228,125 |
| b. Life assurance polices | | |
| Opening balance | 4,602,666 | 4,602,666 |
| Invested during the year | 3,068,778 | - |
| | 7,671,444 | 4,602,666 |
| Fair value gain on investment | 6,481,800 | |
| Keyman Insurance - cash surrender value | 14,153,244 | 4,602,666 * |
| | 16,090,744 | 6,830,791 |

This amount represents the cash surrender values at December 31, 2023, of 'keyman' insurance policies.

14. DEFERRED TAX

Deferred income tax is calculated on all temporary differences under the liability method using the rate of 25% Deferred income tax asset resulted as follows: -

| | Recognised in income | Balance at Dec. 31, 2023 |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Property, plant and equipment | 2,623,990 | 2,623,990 |
| Payable - interest | 1,704,193 | 1,704,193 |
| Receivables - interest | (16,603,692) | |
| | (12,275,509) | 4,328,183 |

15. INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARY - THE COMPANY

O'N'S Mini Mart & Electrical Supplies Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of FosRich Company Limited. The amount stated on the statement of financial position represents the cost of the investment in that company.

16. INVESTMENT IN ASSOCIATED COMPANY

| Blue Emerald Limited | The G | The Group | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---|--|
| | 2023 \$ | 2022 \$ | | |
| Investment in associated company | 226,000,000 | 226,000,000 | * | |

* Restated to conform with current year's presentation

16. INVESTMENT IN ASSOCIATED COMPANY

Blue Emerald Limited

The company is a 20% shareholder of Blue Emerald Limited; a company established to conduct the business pole-mount and pad-mount transformer repairs, the manufacture of large diameter PVC pipes and PVC fittings.

During the year the company purchased goods for resale from associated company, Blue Emerald Limited amounting to \$218,057,971.

Blue Emerald Limited sells all its manufactured products to FosRich Company Limited.

| | 2023 <u>\$</u> | 2022 <u>\$</u> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Balances on account with Blue Emerald limited amounted to: | | |
| Amounts due from/(to): | 133,202,200 | (357,037,639) |

17. INVENTORIES

Inventories comprise:

| | 2023 | | 2022 | |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | The Group | The Company | The Group | The Company |
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Merchandise | 1,945,891,489 | 1,902,047,931 | 1,850,483,351 | 1,816,431,095 |
| Raw material | 21,866,698 | 21,866,698 | 24,391,314 | 24,391,314 |
| | 1,967,758,187 | 1,923,914,629 | 1,874,874,665 | 1,840,822,409 |
| Goods-in-transit | 150,992,218 | 150,992,218 | 373,918,759 | 373,918,759 |
| | 2,118,750,405 | 2,074,906,847 | 2,248,793,424 | 2,214,741,168 |

18. TRADE, OTHER RECEIVABLES AND PREPAYMENTS

| | 2023 | | 202 | 22 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | The Group | The Company | The Group | The Company |
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Trade receivables | 303,190,590 | 300,499,065 | 377,326,589 | 374,531,654 |
| Other receivables and prepayments comprise:- | | | | |
| Sundry receivables | 14,084,963 | 14,044,063 | 9,774,726 | 9,774,726 |
| Statutory receivables | 17,781,447 | 17,781,447 | 19,101,945 | 19,101,945 |
| Prepayments | 56,850,674 | 56,373,842 | 12,003,747 | 12,003,747 |
| Other deposits | 31,120,000 | 31,120,000 | 51,754,022 | 51,754,022 |
| | 119,837,084 | 119,319,352 | 92,634,440 | 92,634,440 |

The Group's exposure to credit risk and impairment loss associated to trade and other receivables are disclosed in note 26(b).

19. CASH & BANK BALANCES

For the purpose of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents comprise the following:

| | 2023 | | 2022 | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| | The Group <u>\$</u> | The Company <u>\$</u> | The Group <u>\$</u> | The Company <u>\$</u> |
| Cash and current account balances | 56,101,542 | 55,518,272 | 76,920,291 | 75,952,478 |
| Savings account | 11,756,578 | 10,046,460 | 26,879,539 | 26,394,342 |
| - | 67,858,120 | 65,564,732 | 103,799,830 | 102,346,820 |

Amounts held in savings accounts are denominated in United States Dollar and Jamaican Dollar and attract interest at rates 0.75% and 2.95% per annum respectively during the year.

20. PAYABLES

| | 2023 | | 2022 | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|
| | The Group | The Company | The Group | The Company |
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Trade | 949,582,989 | 936,337,114 | 604,059,048 | 581,579,945 |
| Advances and other payables | 102,203,408 | 104,830,636 | 168,939,351 | 168,939,550 |
| Statutory payables | 30,063,474 | 28,804,324 | 19,854,202 | 19,854,202 |
| | 1,081,849,871 | 1,069,972,074 | 792,852,601 | 770,373,697 |
| 21. SHARE CAPITAL | | | | |
| Share capital | | | | |
| | | 2023 | 2023 | 2022 |
| | | Units | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Authorised - | | | | |
| Ordinary shares at no par value | - | 15,000,000,000 | | |
| Issued and fully paid - | | | | |
| Ordinary shares - January 1, 2 | 2023 | 5,022,755,550 | 369,620,810 | 369,620,810 |
| Issued during the year | | 55,729,647 | 139,324,117 | - |
| Transaction cost | - | | (8,944,927) | |
| | | 5,078,485,197 | 500,000,000 | 369,620,810 |
| Treasury shares | | | (8,706,945) | |
| | | | 491,293,055 | 369,620,810 |

During the year the company made a non-renounceable rights issue of 55,729,647 Ordinary Shares at \$2.50 per share to members. The Record Date for this issue was June 2, 2023.

The company purchased at fair market value, treasury shares for the sum of '\$8,706,945 during the year.

22. CAPITAL RESERVES

Capital reserves represent:

- i. Unrealised surplus on the revaluation of the company's freehold properties was credited to capital reserves [see note 9].
- ii. Movements in fair value on the revaluation of *available -for-sale equity* securities [see note 13].

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23. EARNINGS PER STOCK UNIT

Basic earnings per ordinary stock unit is calculated by dividing the net profit attributable to equity holders by the weighted average number of stock units in issue during the year.

| | Net profit attributable to equity holders of the company | | 2023 <u>\$</u> 235,238,145 | 2022 <u>\$</u> 324,712,241 |
|--------|---|-------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | Weighted average number of ordinary stock units in issue Basic earnings per stock unit | | 5,036,952,026 \$0.05 | 5,007,512,333 \$0.06 |
| | | | | |
| 24. LO | NG-TERM LIABILITIES | | | |
| | | | The Group | |
| | | Interest | 2023 | 2022 ¢ |
| Lo | ans | <u>Rate</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| i | First Global Bank Jamaica Limited - Non-Revolving Loan | [10.00%] | 30,995,946 | 61,676,575 |
| ii | First Global Bank Jamaica Limited - Non-Revolving Loan | [10.00%] | 166,177,911 | 214,516,958 |
| iii | First Global Bank Jamaica Limited - Motor Vehicle Loan | [9.75%] | - | 6,848,805 |
| iv | First Global Bank Jamaica Limited - Motor Vehicle Loan | [9.75%] | - | 3,736,960 |
| ٧. | First Global Bank Jamaica Limited - Motor Vehicle Loan | [9.00%] | 9,590,567 | 12,025,805 |
| vi. | First Global Bank Jamaica Limited - Motor Vehicle Loan | [10.00%] | - | 8,091,595 |
| | First Global Bank Jamaica Limited | [9.00%] | | 158,000,000 |
| vii | First Global Bank Jamaica Limited | [9.00%] | 88,000,000 | - |
| viii | First Global Bank Jamaica Limited | [9.75%] | - | 12,647,962 |
| ix. | Mayberry Investments Limited | [7.95%] | - | 93,750,000 |
| х | Corporate Bonds - unsecured | [8.50%] | - | 200,000,000 |
| xi. | Corporate Bonds - secured | [6.25%] | - | 560,000,000 |
| xii. | First Global Bank Jamaica Limited - Motor Vehicle Loan | [9.75%] | 22,071,138 | - |
| xiii. | First Global Bank Jamaica Limited - Motor Vehicle Loan | [8.50%] | 47,453,365 | - |
| xiv. | First Global Bank Jamaica Limited - Motor Vehicle Loan | [10.50%] | 9,393,283 | |
| xv. | First Global Bank Jamaica Limited | [9.00%] | 70,000,000 | - |
| xvi. | First Global Bank Jamaica Limited - Non-Revolving Loan | [10.65%] | 860,000,000 | - |
| xvii | . National Commercial Bank Jamaica | [9.75%] | 7,276,191 | 9,179,038 |
| xvii | i VM Investments - Reverse Factoring Facility | [15.00%] | 95,493,588 | - |
| xix. | Mayberry Investments Limited/Development Bank of Jamaica | [7.95%] | 227,083,330 | 383,333,332 |
| xx | Mayberry Investments Limited/Development Bank of Jamaica | [10.5%] | 164,285,710 | |
| xxi | Oxford Finance Limited - Insurance Premium Financing | | 60,056,555 | |

1,857,877,584

1,723,807,030

24. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (continued)

| | The Group | | |
|--|---------------|---------------|--|
| | 2023 | 2022 | |
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | |
| Total | 1,857,877,584 | 1,723,807,030 | |
| Accrued interest on loans | 8,577,832 | 1,761,061 | |
| | 1,866,455,416 | 1,725,568,091 | |
| xxii First Global Leasing - Finance lease obligation | 4,844,293 | 8,856,938 | |
| Total borrowings | 1,871,299,709 | 1,734,425,029 | |
| Less: Current portion of loans | (494,295,116) | (808,992,952) | |
| Current portion of finance lease obligation | (4,099,841) | (3,892,266) | |
| | (498,394,957) | (812,885,218) | |
| Long-term liabilities | 1,372,904,752 | 921,539,811 | |
| | | | |
| The company | 1,366,727,597 | 912,360,773 | |
| The Group | 1,372,904,752 | 921,539,811 | |

First Global Bank Loans -

i. First Global Bank - Non-Revolving Loan

This loan is a consolidation of loans granted in July 2020 to fund the company's service contract with the Jamaica Public Service Company to repair transformers. The loan is for a period of 48 months, expiring in November 2024. This is a variable rate interest rate loan and at reporting date the applicable interest rate was 10% per annum.

- ii. First Global Bank Non-Revolving Loan This loan is a consolidation of new a facility and the facility repaid in [22{i}] above. The purpose of this new facility is to fund working capital requirements. This new loan was granted in October 2021 and is repayable over a period of 60 months. This is a variable rate interest rate loan and at reporting date the applicable interest rate was 10% per annum.
- iii. First Global Bank Non-Revolving motor vehicle Loan
 This loan was granted in March 2019 and attracts a variable rate interest of 9% per annum. It expires in March 2027.
- iv. First Global Bank Non-Revolving motor vehicle Loan
 This is a short-term loan was granted in July 2023 and is repayable in January 2024. This loan attracts interest at a variable rate of 9.00%.
- xiii. This motor vehicle loan granted in March 2023 and is repayable in March 2028. This loan attracts interest at a variable rate of 8.50%.
- xiv. This motor vehicle loan granted in September 2023 and is repayable in March 2024. This loan attracts interest at a variable rate of 10.50%.
- xv. This motor vehicle loan granted in March 2023 and is repayable in March 2028. This loan attracts interest at a variable rate of 9.00%.

24. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (continued)

First Global Bank Loans -

xvi. First Global Bank - Non-Revolving Loan

This new loan was granted in February 2023 in the sum of \$860,000,000 to refinance expiring corporate bond facilitly. The loan is repayable over a period of 11 years after aperiod of 12 months moratorium on principal. It is a variable rate interest rate loan, which attracted interest at the rate of 10.75% in the first three months, thereafter, at variable rate pegged to the 90-day 'Weighted Average Treasury Bill Yield' of 7.858% per annum plus a margin of 2.892% per annum subject to a floor of 8.75% per annum.

The loans granted by First Global Bank Limited as set out in items {i} to {xvi} are secured as follows:-

- (a) The personal guarantee of two of the company's directors and supported by the directors' personal assets in the form of real estates and the assignment of life insurance policies
- (b) Letters of subordination of director's loans to the bank borrowings.
- (c) Debenture over the company's assets
 - Supported by Mortgages over the company's commercial properties situated at:
 - 77 Molynes Road, Kingston 10
 - 8A and 8B Maverly Avenue, Kingston 10
 - 14 Burley Road, Kingston 10
- (d) The assignment of Fire and Allied Perils Insurance over stock-in-trade.
- (e) The assignment of Fire and Allied Perils Insurance over properties held as security for their full replacement values.
- (f) The assignment of 'keyman' life insurance policies on the lives of Cecil Foster and Marion Foster.
- (g) Lien in favour of the bank on 'term deposit' held by the company.
- (h) Letters of Subordination signed by Cecil Foster and Marion Foster.
- (i) Second mortgage over the company's commercial properties, registered in the names of Cecil Foster and Marion Foster situated at:
 - 79 Molynes Road, Kingston 10
- (j) First and second mortgage over residential properties, registered in the names of Cecil Foster and Marion Foster.

In addition to the above securities First Global Bank Limited has set out certain conditions and covenants as outlined below, which are to be tested on an ongoing basis as a condition to the company's borrowings: **Covenants**

Financial Covenants

i. Debt/Tangible Net Worth

First Global Bank requires maintenance of a maximum Debt to Tangible Net Worth ratio of 2.1 : 1. At year-end, the company satisfied the bank's requirement by maintaining at Debt to Tangible Net Worth of .73 : 1

ii. Inventory Days

The bank requires, that at year-end the maximum inventory days should not exceed 500 days. At reporting date, the value of inventory on hand as a measure of the product cost of goods sold during the current year amounted to **333** *days*.

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24. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (continued)

Covenants

Financial Covenants

In respect of other covenants, tests were conducted and confirmation received that at the date of signing, the insurance coverage in respect of those properties held by the bank as security for the loans remained fully insured.

Mayberry Investments Limited

xix. Mayberry Investments Limited/Development Bank of Jamaica Reverse Repo Loans

This facility is in respect of loans funded by the Development Bank of Jamaica [DBJ] and on-lend through Mayberry Investments Limited. The loan was granted in 2022 and attracts interest at the rate of 10.5% per annum and matures in Septemebr 2028.

xx Mayberry Investments Limited/Development Bank of Jamaica Reverse Repo Loans

This facility is in respect of loans funded by the Development Bank of Jamaica [DBJ] and on-lend through Mayberry Investments Limited. This facility is in respect of loans disbursed in two trances in August 2021 and maturing in September 2026 and September 2028. Both facilities attract interest at the rate of 7.95%.

The security in respect of the above DBJ facilities are two duly signed promissory notes.

xvii. National Commercial Bank

This is in respect of two loans granted by the National Commercial Bank at variable interest rates. These loans are in the books of the subsidiary, O"N"S" Mini Mart & Electrical Supplies Limited.

Oxford Financing Limited'

xiv. Insurance Premium Financing is in respect of facilities granted to finance insurance premium The period of this financing facility is six months, expiring July 2024.

25. DIRECTORS' LOAN

This represents loan to the company by Directors. The loan is interest free and has no fixed date for repayment.

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26. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group's activities exposes it to a variety of financial risk: market risk (including currency risk, interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk, liquidity risk and cash flow interest rate risk. The company's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of the financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on its performance. Its management policies are designed to identify and analyse these risk, to set appropriate risk limits and control, and to monitor the risks and adherence to limits by means of reliable and up-to-date information systems. The Group regularly reviews the risk management policies and systems to reflect changes in market, products and emerging best practice.

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The Board of Directors is ultimately responsible for the establishment and the oversight of the Group's risk management framework.

There has not been any significant change to the Group's exposure to financial risks or the manner in which it manages and measures risk. The types of risk considered most important to the Group are credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk. Market risk for the company includes currency risk, interest rate and price risks.

(a) Market risk

(i) Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The Group is exposed to currency risk due to fluctuations in exchange rates on transactions and balances that are denominated in currencies other than Jamaican Dollar. Foreign exchange risk arises from commercial transactions, primarily with respect to purchases, which are denominated in United States dollars. The Group does not earn sufficient foreign currency to counter the effects of the fluctuation in exchange rates.

The company manages this risk by purchasing foreign currency in advance and maintaining foreign currency accounts to satisfy its foreign creditors.

The exchange rates applicable at balance sheet date are US\$ 1 = J\$153.5857 [2022 = J\$149.9643] in respect of foreign currency assets and US\$ 1 = J\$154.9504 [2022 = J\$152.0521] in respect of foreign currency liabilities.

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26. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

(a) Market risk (continued)

(i) Currency risk (continued)

The principal foreign currency risks of the Group, represented by balances in United States Dollars are as follows:

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | <u>US\$</u> | US\$ |
| Cash and cash equivalent | 35,622 | 109,019 |
| Trade and other payables | (4,288,796) | (3,441,707) |
| Net exposure | (4,253,174) | (3,332,688) |

Foreign currency sensitivity

Changes in foreign currency exchange rates will have some effect, on the results of operations and/or the financial position of the Group as follows:

| | - | Effect of movement in exchange rates <u>Ja\$</u> |
|---|----------|--|
| 4% - change in currency ratio (devaluation of the Jamaican dollar) | +/- US\$ | (26,361,241) |
| 1% - change in currency ratio (revaluation of the Jamaican dollar) | +/- US\$ | 6,590,310 |

The Group has a net foreign currency liability. The above analysis demonstrates that the Group is adversely affected by a devaluation of the Jamaica dollar against its United States counterpart and *vice versa* from a revaluation.

(ii) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. Variable rate instruments expose the company to cash flow interest risk, whereas fixed interest rate instruments expose the Group to fair value interest risk.

The Group's interest rate risk policy requires it to manage interest rate risk by maintaining an an appropriate mix of fixed and variable rate instruments. The policy also requires it to manage the maturities of these instruments. It's interest rate risk arises from long-term borrowings and other debt instruments.

The sensitivity of the profit or loss to this risk is the effect of the assumed changes in interest rates on profits based on variable rate borrowings and other debt instruments.

Financial assets -

The Group's financial assets subject to interest rate risks are in the form of bank deposits, cash and cash equivalents, which are not considered material and are being held on a short-term basis.

26. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(ii) Interest rate risk (continued)

Financial liabilities-

Approximately 30% [2022 = 68%] of the Group's borrowings are fixed rate instruments. The following reflects the sensitivity, based on its level of variable rate borrowings to a reasonable possible change in interest rates on the Group's profit with all other variables held constant.

The Group's interest bearing financial assets are considered negligible. Interest bearing financial instruments are set out below::

| | Carrying Amounts | |
|----------------------------|------------------|---------------|
| | 2023 2022 | |
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Fixed rate instruments: | | |
| Financial assets | 22,520,931 | 21,966,959 |
| Financial liabilities | 231,927,623 | 1,245,940,270 |
| Variable rate instruments: | | |
| Financial assets | 11,756,578 | 26,879,539 |
| Financial liabilities | 1,639,372,086 | 488,484,759 |

Cash flow sensitivity analysis for variable rate instruments

Approximately 70% [2022 = 32%] of the Group's borrowings are variable rate instruments. The following reflects the sensitivity, based on its level of variable rate borrowings to a reasonable possible change in interest rates on the Group's profit with all other variables held constant. *Borrowings:*

| | | | | Effect on Net Profit | |
|---------------|------------|----|--------------|----------------------|-------------|
| | | | | 2023 | 2022 |
| | | | | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Change in bas | sis points | : | | | |
| Increase | +100 | 25 | [2022 + 100] | 15,574,035 | 4,640,605 |
| Decrease | -50 | 25 | [2022 - 50] | (7,787,017) | (2,320,303) |

(iii) Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market prices, whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual instrument or its issuer or factors affecting all instruments traded on the market. The Group's exposure in relation to financial instrument is minimal as these are recorded at face value and no diminution in value is expected.

26. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

(b) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk arising from a counterparty to a financial contract failing to discharge its obligations, and arises principally from the Group's receivables from customers, cash and investment securities.

Investments

The Group limits its exposure to credit risk by investing mainly in liquid securities, with counterparties that have high credit quality accordingly, management does not expect any counterparty to accordingly, management does not expect any counterparty to fail to meet its obligations.

Loans receivable

The Group's exposure to credit risk for loans receivable is limited to related party, LCCM Investment Ventures Limited; which management does not expect to fail to meet its obligations.

Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. Indicators that there is no reasonable expectation of recovery include, among others, the failure of a debtor to engage in a repayment plan with the Group and a failure to make contractual payments for a period greater than 180 days past due.

Impairment losses on trade and other receivables are presented as net impairment losses within operating profit. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against the same line item.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at reporting date is represented by the carrying value of its financial assets. The Group's exposure to this risk is influenced by the individual characteristics of each customer.

Computation of net impairment on financial assets in respect of the current and the prior year was recognised in the profit or loss and adjusted to retained earnings respectively:

December 31, 2023

| | Weighted Average loss rate | Gross carrying amount | Loss allowance | Credit impaired |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | | \$ | \$ | |
| Current | 0.80% | 101,408,741 | 811,270 | no |
| 31 to 60 days past due | 1.00% | 83,827,083 | 838,271 | no |
| 61 to 90 days past due | 1.90% | 12,908,847 | 245,268 | no |
| 91 to 120 days past due | 2.40% | 6,063,243 | 145,518 | no |
| 121 to 150 days past due | 2.75% | 8,274,102 | 227,538 | no |
| 151 to 180 days past due | 3.35% | 2,832,423 | 94,886 | no |
| Over 180 days | 35.00% | 134,688,503 | 47,141,136 | no |
| | | 350,002,942 | 49,503,887 | |

26. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

December 31, 2022

| | Weighted Average loss rate | Gross carrying amount | Loss allowance | Credit impaired |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | | \$ | \$ | |
| Current | 2.50% | 142,456,734 | 3,561,418 | no |
| 31 to 60 days past due | 3.75% | 92,649,017 | 3,474,338 | no |
| 61 to 90 days past due | 5.50% | 34,293,037 | 1,886,117 | no |
| 91 to 120 days past due | 7.50% | 33,739,204 | 2,530,440 | no |
| 121 to 150 days past due | 9.00% | 24,342,198 | 2,190,798 | no |
| 151 to 180 days past due | 12.50% | 13,881,798 | 1,735,225 | no |
| Over 180 days | 50.00% | 96,731,363 | 48,367,233 | no |
| | | 438,093,351 | 63,745,569 | |

the movements in the allowance for impairment in respect of trade receivables during the year was as follows:

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|------------------------|--------------|------------|
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| Balance at 1st January | 63,745,569 | 63,745,569 |
| Bad debts written off | 402,286 | - |
| Bad debts recovered | (14,643,968) | - |
| | 49,503,887 | 63,745,569 |

(c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the company will encounter difficulty in raising funds to meet its commitments associated with financial instruments.

The company manages its liquidity risk by maintaining an appropriate level of resources in liquid or near liquid form. Its financial liability comprise payables and accruals.

The company's financial liabilities at December 31, 2023 and 2022 comprise loans, trade payables and accrual which are due to be expended evenly throughout the year.

Assets available to meet all the above liabilities and to cover financial liabilities are substantially receivables and bank balances.

Other than the financial liabilities quantified in these financial statements there are no off balance *sheet* items, contingent liabilities or capital commitments.

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26. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

(c) Liquidity risk

The Group's financial liabilities at 31st December 2023 and 2022 comprise long-term loans, payables and accruals as set out below:

| | Within 3 months | 3 to 12 months | 1 to 2 | Over 2 years | Total |
|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | years <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| At 31st December 2023 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Payables | 775,729,754 | 294,242,320 | - | - | 1,069,972,074 |
| Finance lease | 1,211,073 | 3,633,220 | - | - | 4,844,293 |
| Borrowings | 252,140,373 | 242,154,743 | 81,929,321 | 1,290,230,979 | 1,866,455,416 |
| Right-of-use liability | 21,307,430 | 63,922,289 | 58,037,875 | 1,150,033,606 | 1,293,301,199 |
| | 1,050,388,629 | 603,952,572 | 139,967,196 | 2,440,264,585 | 4,234,572,982 |
| | | | | | |
| | Within | 3 to 12 | 1 to 2 | Over 2 | |
| | 3 months | months | years | years | Total |
| | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>\$</u> |
| At 31st December 2022 | | | | | |
| Payables | 645,840,119 | 133,217,916 | - | - | 779,058,035 |
| Finance lease | 952,580 | 2,939,686 | 3,919,582 | 1,045,090 | 8,856,938 |
| Borrowings | 955,248,238 | 111,744,714 | 446,978,856 | 211,274,183 | 1,725,245,991 |
| Right-of-use liability | 15,226,745 | 45,680,234 | 53,385,003 | 1,096,854,209 | 1,211,146,191 |
| | 1,617,267,682 | 293,582,550 | 504,283,441 | 1,309,173,482 | 3,724,307,155 |

(d) Capital management

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the entity's ability to continue as a going concern and to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital as well as to meet its liabilities when they fall due and to provide returns for its shareholders. The Board of directors monitors the return on capital on a regular basis.

The Group is not subjected to any externally imposed capital requirements.

Other than the financial liabilities quantified in these financial statements there are no **off balance sheet** items, contingent liabilities or capital commitments.

There were no changes in the Group's approach to capital management during the year.

(e) Fair value disclosure:

Due to their short-term nature, the amounts reflected in the financial statements for cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and payables are considered to approximate to their respective fair values. Additionally, the cost of monetary assets and liabilities has been appropriately adjusted to effect the estimated losses on realisation or discounts on settlement.

27. CONTINGENT LIABILITY & CAPITAL COMMITMENT

In the normal course of business, the company is subject to various claims, disputes and legal proceedings. Provision is made for such matters when, in the opinion of management and its professional advisors, it is probable that a payment will be made by the company, and the amount can be reasonably estimated.

At reporting date, there was an outstanding claim by three persons against the company in relation to a motor vehicle accident involving one of the company's drivers. The incident occurred on March 30, 2017 and after mediation hearings, the matter was returned to the Supreme Court for Case Management Conference, which was held on November 12, 2020. At that hearing the Court made an Order for Trial by Judge alone for three [3] days on January 19, 20, and 21, 2026.

The insurance policy limit is Twelve Million Dollars {\$12,000,000} and previously, another party to the claim accepted a payment of Three Million Dollars [\$3,000,000], whilst still in pursuit of further claim on other matter.

The parties continued negotiations and during the year another claimant has reached a settlement of \$22,500,000 and it has been agreed it would be paid over the next two year to December 2025. Based on this agreement, management considers it prudent to made a similar provision for the other claimant. A sum of \$19,500,000 has been accrue in this current period and a similar amount will be made in the subsequent year. This, together with the balance of the insurance proceed is expected to satisfy the potential liability.

PROXY FORM FOR HYBRID ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



| I/We | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| a shareholder of FosRich Comp | pany Limited, hereby appoint | |
| | (name)of | (address) |
| proxy, or failing him | | |
| | (name)of | (address) |

as my/our alternate proxy to vote for me/us and on my/our behalf at the 2023 Annual General Meeting of FosRich Company Limited, to be held at 79 Molynes Road, Kingston 10, Jamaica on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, at 2:30 pm, and at any adjournment thereof. I desire this form to be used for/against the resolutions as follows (unless directed the proxy will vote as he sees fit)

Resolution Detail

Vote for or against

Ordinary Business

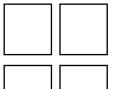
No **RESOLUTION**

- 1 To adopt the audited accounts for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the report of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
- The Directors retiring by rotation in accordance with Article 97 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation are Marion Foster and Peter Knibb who being eligible for re-election, offer themselves for re-election to the Board.
- 2a To re-elect Marion Foster to the Board.
- 2b To re-elect Peter Knibb to the Board.
- 3 To approve the dividend declared of \$0.021 per share and paid on the 7th. day of December 2023 to the shareholders on record as at November 17, 2023, by the Company.
- 4 To re-appoint Crooks Jackson Burnett, Chartered Accountants of, The Business District, 19 Cargill Avenue, Kingston 10, Jamaica, as the auditors of the company and to fix them remuneration.

(Tick as appropriate)

FOR AGAINST









PROXY FORM FOR HYBRID ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

| Signed this day of 2024 | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|--------------|
| Signed: | Name: _ | |
| (Primary Shareholder/Director) | | (Print name) |
| Signed: | Name: | |
| (Joint Shareholder/Director/Secre | | (Print name) |
| | | |
| | Seal | |

- 1. A member entitled to attend and vote at this Annual General meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote in his/her stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 2. A Proxy Form is enclosed at the back of the annual report for your convenience.
- 3. Members can also download a proxy form from the company's website (www.fosrich.com).
- 4. A Director and the Company Secretary are required to sign the proxy form of a corporate member under the common seal of that company.
- 5. Amendments made to the proxy form must be initialled by the member(s) signing.
- 6. In the case of joint holders, any member may sign the proxy form to the exclusion of the other joint holder(s).
- 7. The completed form must be properly executed, stamped, and together with the power of attorneyor other documents appointing the proxy, must be deposited with the Secretary at the Registered Office of the company at 79 Molynes Road, Kingston 10, no later than 2:30 p.m. Friday, June 14, 2024.
- 8. The Proxy Form shall bear stamp duty in the amount of \$100.00 by way of postal adhesive stamp(s) which is to be cancelled by the person signing the form.
- 9. Voting virtually on the Zoom platform during the meeting will not be accommodated. Members attending virtually, and wishing to vote, must therefore submit a Proxy Form

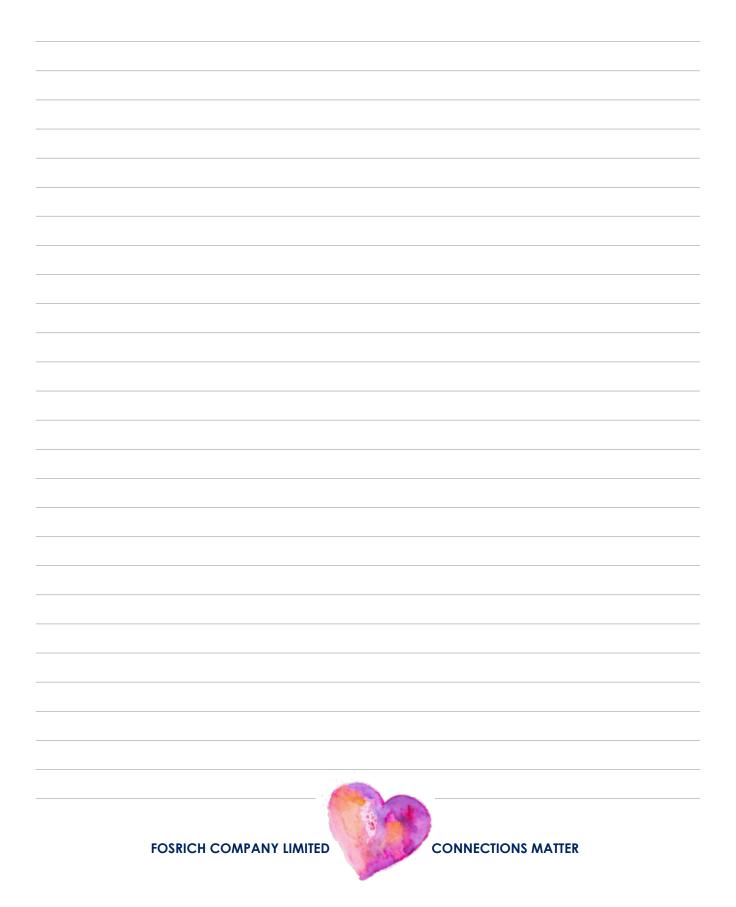














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