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Board of Directors

Tong Kooi Ong
Executive Chairman, Chief Executive Officer

Koh Wan Kai
*Executive Director, President and
Chief Operating Officer*

Gary Ho Kuat Foong
Independent Director

Adrian Chan Pengee
Independent Director

Ong Pang Liang
Non-Executive Director

Company Secretary

Loo Hwee Fang (*resigned on 1 April 2013*)
Song Ruoh Jin (*appointed on 1 April 2013*)

Audit Committee

Gary Ho Kuat Foong (*Chairman*)
Adrian Chan Pengee
Ong Pang Liang

Nominating Committee

Adrian Chan Pengee (*Chairman*)
Gary Ho Kuat Foong
Ong Pang Liang

Remuneration Committee

Adrian Chan Pengee (*Chairman*)
Gary Ho Kuat Foong
Ong Pang Liang

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The Bank of East Asia, Limited
The Hongkong and Shanghai
Banking Corporation Limited
United Overseas Bank Limited

CHAIRMAN'S AND CEO'S STATEMENT

Dear fellow shareholders,

I like to start this letter by acknowledging that since taking office as your Executive Chairman in May 2012, I have little to show except for a couple of Memorandum of Understandings ("**MOUs**") and I am indeed sorry.

It is not for a lack of effort. The process of moving the MOUs forward in Myanmar is very exhaustive, complicated and subject to constant changes.

The investments we are committing to are not only relatively large for UPP but also very long-term in nature. We need to be prudent in mitigating risks and in ensuring the integrity and enforceability of any agreements we entered into.

We will spare no effort in trying to bring these MOUs into fruition, subject to terms beneficial for UPP. Meanwhile, we continue to seek new opportunities.

FINANCIAL RESULTS

The Group's effort of continuing to upgrade the paper production facilities and costs control has resulted in a better performance for the year.

For the year under review, the Group's revenue was S\$50.0 million, a slight decline of 2% from FY 2011 due to lower selling price of paper products. However, with the improvement of operating efficiencies, gross profit rose 42% to S\$8.1 million and gross profit margin increased from 11.2% to 16.3%. Net profit attributable to shareholders also increased to S\$2.0 million as compared with a net loss of S\$0.6 million in the previous year.

The Group's cash flow and financial position remained healthy. During the year, we raised S\$40.3 million through a shares placement. This helped to provide additional funds to support our new business ventures.

Our consolidated shareholders' equity at 31 December 2012 amounted to S\$166.1 million, an increase of S\$53.4 million from the previous year. This increase was mainly attributable to the shares placement mentioned above and the conversion of warrants (approximately S\$13.3 million). As at 31 December 2012, the Group has a cash balance of S\$80.3 million.

Our Board has recommended a final dividend of 0.15 cents per share.

PAPER MILL DIVISION

Sales revenue at Paper Mill was S\$48.7 million as compared with S\$49.9 million during the previous year. At pre-tax level, the Division registered a profit of S\$3.8 million as compared with S\$1.4 million in the previous financial year. The increase in profitability was mainly due to higher paper roll sales despite lower selling prices and higher production efficiencies.

BUSINESS VENTURES AND OUTLOOK

During the year, we undertook a strategic review of the businesses of the Group. The business of manufacturing paper and paper packaging related products is increasingly commoditized. Margins will continue to be impacted by increasing transport and energy costs.

CHAIRMAN'S AND CEO'S STATEMENT

We have, therefore, resolved to pursue investment opportunities in other emerging markets, especially in Myanmar.

In May 2012, the Company entered into a MOU with Myan Shwe Pyi Limited to establish a joint venture quarry operations in Myanmar.

Further, in October 2012, the Company, in collaboration with Myan Shwe Pyi Tractors Limited, signed a MOU with the Department of Electric Power and Ministry of Electric Power of Myanmar to build a 50 megawatt class new gas generating power plant project in Yangon, Myanmar.

BOARD CHANGES

Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee will be retiring as a director of the Company at the coming Annual General Meeting. The Board expresses its appreciation to Mr. Chan for his invaluable contribution to the Company during the tenure of his service of over 10 years.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

As a publicly listed company, strong corporate governance continues to be an important focus for the Board. We believe that good corporate governance establishes and maintains an ethical environment within the Group, which serves the interests of all shareholders.

We will continue to review and improve our policies, processes, controls and reporting systems to ensure that we are in compliance with all regulatory requirements.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We wish to thank our customers, partners, business associates, service providers and shareholders for their continued trust and support in the past year.

I like to express my appreciation to all my fellow colleagues, be they directors, management or staff, for their support, contribution and wise counsel.

Thank you,

TONG KOOI ONG

Chairman of the Board and CEO

*“A pessimist sees the difficulty
in every opportunity;
an optimist sees the opportunity
in every difficulty”*

-Winston Churchill-

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

TONG KOOI ONG

*Executive Chairman, Chief Executive Officer
Appointed to the Board on 15 March 2012*

Mr. Tong is a businessman with interests in media, property development and other businesses in Malaysia, Singapore and Canada. He is on the board of M+S Pte Ltd, a joint venture between Khazanah Nasional Berhad and Temasek Holdings (Private) Ltd. He is also the Chairman of the Board and Chairman of the Executive Committee of Taiga Building Products Limited, a distributor of building products, listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange, with annual sales of over C\$1.0 billion. His media interests are in The Edge Media Group Pte Ltd, which publishes *The Edge Singapore* and *The Edge* in Singapore and Malaysia respectively. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration and a Master of Arts in Economics and Finance from Simon Fraser University, Canada. In 2002, he was bestowed his Doctor of Laws (Honoris Causa) from the same university.

KOH WAN KAI

*Executive Director, President and Chief Operating Officer
Appointed to the Board on 1 April 2009*

Mr. Koh was appointed President of the Company on 1 April 2008. He is currently the President and Chief Operating Officer with responsibility for the Group's business operations. He started his career in an international accounting firm as an auditor and business consultant. He has more than 20 years experience in managerial positions spanning various industries. Prior to joining the Company, he was the Chief Financial Officer of SGX listed Rowsley Ltd.. Mr. Koh holds a Bachelor of Accountancy from the National University of Singapore. He is a Fellow member of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Singapore.

GARY HO KUAT FOONG

*Independent Director
Appointed to the Board on 31 October 2006*

Mr. Ho has over 20 years' experience in corporate management and finance having been a Director of both publicly listed and private companies in Singapore, Malaysia and Australia. He holds two Bachelor degrees in Commerce and Science from the University of Western Australia. He is also a member of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Singapore and CPA Australia.

ADRIAN CHAN PENGEE

*Independent Director
Appointed to the Board on 5 November 2002*

Mr. Chan is Head of Corporate and a Senior Partner at Lee & Lee. He is also a Director of Hogan Lovells Lee & Lee, the joint law venture between Lee & Lee and the international law firm, Hogan Lovells, and is an independent director on the Boards of several publicly listed companies on the Singapore Stock Exchange. He holds a law degree from the National University of Singapore, is the Vice-Chairman of the Singapore Institute of Directors and serves on the Corporate Governance & Regulations Committee of The Singapore International Chamber of Commerce.

ONG PANG LIANG

*Non-Executive Director
Appointed to the Board on 1 August 2010*

Mr. Ong relinquished his executive role in the Company and remained as a Non-Executive Director since 20 April 2012. He has over 25 years of experience in banking and finance. He joined the Company from Rowsley Ltd. where he was Chief Financial Officer. His banking career in various international banks covered responsibilities for business units in currency trading, treasury operations and corporate banking. He was a Managing Director at Bank of America, holding positions of Head of Foreign Exchange in Singapore and also assignment in China as General Manager of Bank of America Shanghai. Mr. Ong holds a degree in Business Administration from the National University of Singapore.

REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

UPP Holdings Limited (“**UPP**” or the “**Company**”) is committed to high standards of corporate governance within the UPP group of companies (the “**Group**”) and adopts the corporate governance practices contained in the Code of Corporate Governance 2005 (the “**Code**”). In areas where the Group deviates from the Code, the rationales are provided. We believe that good corporate governance establishes and maintains an ethical environment within the Group, which serves the interests of all shareholders.

BOARD MATTERS

Principle 1: Board's Conduct of Its Affairs

The Company is headed by the Board of Directors (the “**Board**”) which is responsible for the overall management of the Company. The Board works closely with the management of the Company (the “**Management**”) and Management remains accountable to the Board.

The Company has formulated guidelines setting forth matters reserved for the Board's decision. Management was also given clear directions on matters (including set thresholds for certain operational matters relating to subsidiaries) that require the Board's approval.

The principal functions of the Board, apart from its statutory responsibilities, include:

- (a) approving the Group's corporate policies;
- (b) approving the annual budget and business plan;
- (c) setting the overall strategies and supervision of the Group's business and affairs;
- (d) reviewing the financial performance of the Group;
- (e) approving the nomination of Directors and appointments to the various Board Committees and key managerial personnel; and
- (f) assuming responsibility for corporate governance.

The Board's decision or approval is also required on matters such as material acquisitions and disposals of assets/investments, corporate or financial restructuring, financial/funding arrangements, material capital expenditures, share issuances, dividend payments to shareholders, and other transactions of a material nature requiring announcement under the Listing Manual (“**Listing Manual**”) of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (“**SGX-ST**”).

During the financial year ended 31 December 2012 (“**FY2012**”), the Board conducted regular scheduled meetings on a quarterly basis to coincide with the announcement of the Group's quarterly and full year financial results and to update the Board on significant business activities and overall business environment.

Ad-hoc Board meetings were convened when the need arose. Where the attendance of certain Directors was not physically possible, the meeting was conducted with these Directors through teleconferencing. The Company's Articles of Association (the “**Articles**”) provide for meetings to be held via telephone, radio, conference television or similar communication equipment or any other form of audio or audio-visual communication by which all persons participating in the meeting are able to hear and be heard by all other participants, for the despatch of business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit. To further facilitate the efficient management of the Group, resolutions of the Board were passed by way of circulating minutes pursuant to Article 133 of the Articles. Details of the number of Board meetings held in the year and attendance of each Board member at those meetings and meetings of the various board committees (the “**Board Committees**”) are provided on page 16 of this Annual Report.

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In accordance with the Code, the Board has, without abdicating its responsibility, established three (3) Board Committees namely, the Audit Committee (“**AC**”), the Nominating Committee (“**NC**”) and the Remuneration Committee (“**RC**”), which has been delegated with specific authority. Each Board Committee is chaired by an Independent Director and has its own terms of references to address their respective areas of focus.

The Directors also sit on the boards of other listed companies, and are therefore not only well aware of their duties and responsibilities, but how to discharge such duties. Upon the appointment of any new Director, the Company will provide a formal letter to the Director, setting out the Director’s duties and obligations. The Company will conduct briefings to ensure that any incoming and/or new Directors become familiar with the Group’s business and governance practices.

The Company has adopted a policy which welcomes Directors to request for further explanations, briefings or informal discussions on any aspect of the Company’s operations or businesses from the management. All Board members are also encouraged to receive regular training, particularly on relevant new laws, regulations and changing commercial risks, from time to time. Changes to regulations and accounting standards are monitored closely by the management. To keep pace with regulatory changes, where these changes have an important bearing on UPP’s or Directors’ disclosure obligations, Directors are briefed either during Board meetings or at specially-convened sessions conducted by professionals. In particular, Directors are encouraged to attend relevant courses conducted by the Singapore Institute of Directors (“**SID**”), SGX-ST and consultants.

The following directors attended training sessions and seminars in FY2012:

- (a) Mr. Koh Wan Kai attended “Doing Business in Myanmar” conducted by International Enterprise Singapore;
- (b) Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee attended “Doing Business in Myanmar” conducted by International Enterprise Singapore; and
- (c) Mr. Ong Pang Liang attended “Listed Company Director Module 2” and “Audit Committee Essentials and Panel Discussion Revised Code of Corporate Governance” conducted by SID and Drew & Napier LLC, respectively.

All training sessions were arranged and funded by the Company.

Principle 2: Board Composition and Balance

UPP is headed by an effective Board to lead, control and direct UPP and the Board has a pivotal role in charting the strategic course and direction of the Group. The Board comprises five (5) Directors as at 31 December 2012, namely, Mr. Tong Kooi Ong, Mr. Koh Wan Kai, Mr. Ong Pang Liang, Mr. Gary Ho Kuat Foong and Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee. It is chaired by Mr. Tong Kooi Ong who is also the Chief Executive Officer (“**CEO**”) of the Group. He is responsible for the leadership and objective functioning of the Board.

On 29 February 2012, Mr. Koh Kim Huat gave notice of his intention to resign from his executive functions as the Executive Chairman and CEO, such resignation to take effect on 31 May 2012. Mr. Koh Kim Huat also confirmed that he would cease to be Chairman of the Board from the annual general meeting for the financial year ended 2011 (“**2011 AGM**”). Mr. Tong Kooi Ong assumed chairmanship of the Board in place of Mr. Koh Kim Huat.

As of 31 December 2012, the Board comprises the following members:

Mr. Tong Kooi Ong	(Executive Chairman)
Mr. Koh Wan Kai	(Executive)
Mr. Gary Ho Kuat Foong	(Lead Independent)
Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee	(Independent)
Mr. Ong Pang Liang	(Non-Executive Director)

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As at 31 December 2012, the Independent Directors make up more than one-third (1/3) of the Board. Taking into account the views of the NC, the Board has determined that the Independent Directors are independent in character and judgment, and that there are no relationships or circumstances which are likely to affect, or could appear to affect, the judgment of the Independent Directors. The criterion for independence is based on the definition given in the Code.

The size of the Board, the standing of members of the Board in the business community, and their experience, knowledge and expertise, provide for effective decision-making and direction for the Group in its mission to be a leading manufacturer and supplier of paper and paper packaging products, focused on service and product excellence for our customers, superior returns to our shareholders, and a rewarding career for its employees. The Board provides an appropriate balance and diversity of skills, experience, and knowledge of the Company. They also provide core competencies such as accounting or finance, business or management experience, industry knowledge, strategic planning experience and customer-based experience or knowledge. Profiles of the Directors are set out on page 4 of this Annual Report and details of Directors' shareholdings in the Company and its subsidiary companies are set out on page 18 of this Annual Report.

The Board is of the view that the current Board size is appropriate, taking into consideration the nature and scope of the Company's operation, the requirements of the business and the need to avoid undue disruptions from changes to the composition of the Board and board committees.

Principle 3: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Mr. Tong Kooi Ong, the Executive Chairman of the Board, is also the CEO. For FY2012, the role of the Chairman is not separate from that of the CEO as the Board believes that there is an appropriate balance of power, adequate accountability and capacity of the Board for independent decision making as reflected in the internal controls established with the Group.

Mr. Gary Ho Kuat Foong is the Lead Independent Director. The Lead Independent Director's role is to be available to shareholders when they have concerns, and for which contact through normal channels of the Chairman or the CEO has failed to resolve or is inappropriate.

The Chairman is assisted by the Management in the daily operations and administration of the Group's business activities and in the effective implementation of the Group's strategies. The Chairman also oversees the workings of the Board, ensuring that the Board is able to perform its duties and that there is a flow of information between the Board and the Management. The Chairman reviews most of the board papers before they are presented to the Board. The Management staff who have prepared the papers, or who may provide additional insights, are invited to present the papers or attend the board meetings.

As a majority of the AC, NC and RC consist of Independent Directors, the Board believes that there are sufficient and independent elements and adequate safeguards without undue influence, from the Chairman and the CEO, to allow for effective Board oversight.

Principle 4: Board Membership

The NC comprises three (3) Directors, a majority of whom, including the Chairman, are Independent Non-Executive Directors. Mr. Gary Ho Kuat Foong, the Lead Independent Director, is a member of the NC. The Chairman of the NC is not directly associated with a substantial shareholder of the Company within the meaning of the Code.

As of 31 December 2012, the NC members were as follows:

Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee	(Chairman)
Mr. Gary Ho Kuat Foong	(Member)
Mr. Ong Pang Liang	(Member)

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The responsibilities of the NC are to make recommendations to the Board on all Board appointments.

In addition, the NC has its terms of reference defining its role which include the following:

- (a) developing and maintaining a formal and transparent process for the appointment of Directors to the Board and all things incidental including re-nominating and re-electing Directors at regular intervals and determining annually whether or not a Director is independent;
- (b) assessing the effectiveness of the Board as a whole, and the contribution by each Director to the effectiveness of the Board;
- (c) deciding how the performance of the Board may be evaluated and to propose objective performance criteria;
- (d) reporting to the Board its findings from time to time on matters arising and requiring the attention of the NC; and
- (e) undertaking such other reviews, projects, functions, duties and responsibilities as may be requested by the Board.

When considering a new Board member, the NC reviews the curriculum vitae of the potential candidate and considers his/her experience and likely contribution to the Board. Meetings with the potential candidate will be conducted before the NC makes its recommendation to the Board. The Board then makes the final determination for the appointment. The NC has fulfilled its duty of making the requisite recommendations to the Board on all Board appointments and has also carried out its duty of re-nomination and re-election.

New Directors are at present appointed by way of a Board resolution after the NC approves their appointment. The Company's Articles require one-third (1/3) of the Directors to retire and subject themselves to re-election by shareholders at every AGM. This means that save for the CEO who has been appointed for a fixed term not exceeding five (5) years, no Director stays in office for more than three (3) years without being re-elected by shareholders.

The NC has also reviewed the independence of the Directors with reference to the guidelines set out in the Code, and has determined Mr. Gary Ho Kuat Foong and Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee to be independent.

The NC has also determined that the Directors have been adequately carrying out their duties as director, taking into consideration the number of listed company board representations and other principal commitments of each Director.

Each meeting of the NC was properly minuted and upon confirmation of such minutes by the Chairman, a copy of the confirmed minutes was duly circulated to all members and the Board.

Principle 5: Board Performance

The NC is responsible for assessing, reviewing and evaluating the performance and effectiveness of the Board as a whole. The performance measurement ensures that the mix of skills and experience of the Directors continue to meet the needs of the Group. Based on the recommendations by the NC, the Board has established processes and objective performance criteria for evaluating the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and the contribution by each individual Director to the effectiveness of the Board.

Each Board member is required to complete a Board appraisal assessment form. On the basis of returns submitted, the Chairman of the NC prepares a consolidated report which is presented together with financial performance information to the Board for consideration and adoption.

In evaluating the Board's performance, the NC considers a set of quantitative and qualitative performance criteria. Such performance criteria for the board evaluation are in respect of board size and composition, board processes, board information and accountability and board performance in relation to discharging its principal functions and responsibilities for financial targets.

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Principle 6: Access to Information

The Management provides the Board members with complete, adequate and timely information prior to Board meetings and on an ongoing basis, and have separate and independent access to the Management to enable them to make informed decisions to discharge their duties and responsibilities. Detailed Board papers are prepared for each meeting of the Board and are normally circulated in advance of each meeting. The Board papers include sufficient information from Management on financial, business and corporate issues to enable the Directors to be properly briefed on issues to be considered at Board meetings. In respect of budgets, where there is a material variance between the projections and actual results, the Management will disclose and explain this to the Board.

Directors are also entitled to request from Management and are provided with such additional information by the Management as needed to make informed decisions.

A Company Secretary attends all Board meetings and is responsible to ensure that established procedures and all relevant statutes and regulations which are applicable to the Company are complied with. The appointment and removal of the Company Secretary is a matter for the Board as a whole. All Directors have separate, direct and independent access to the Company Secretary.

The Board also has in place procedures for Directors to obtain independent professional advice on matters affecting the Group, if necessary, at the Company's expense.

REMUNERATION MATTERS

Principle 7: Procedures for Developing Remuneration Policies

As of 31 December 2012, the RC members were as follows:

Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee	(Chairman)
Mr. Gary Ho Kuat Foong	(Member)
Mr. Ong Pang Liang	(Member)

The RC has its terms of reference which clearly set out its authority and duties. The RC comprises three Directors, all non-executive directors, and a majority of the RC comprises Independent Directors.

According to its terms of reference, the responsibilities of the RC include reviewing and recommending to the Board a general framework of remuneration for the Board and key executives, as well as specific remuneration packages for each Director as well as key executives. The RC reviews the remuneration packages with the aim of building capable and committed management teams through competitive remuneration compensation. The RC's recommendations are made in consultation with the Chairman of the Board and submitted for endorsement by the entire Board.

The RC has access to expert advice on remuneration of all Directors. No remuneration consultants have been appointed for FY2012.

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Principle 8: Level and Mix of Remuneration

In setting remuneration packages, the aim of the RC is to motivate without being excessive retain and motivate Directors and key executives, and ensure that the Company is able to attract and retain talent in the market to drive the Group's businesses forward in order to maximise long-term shareholder value. The RC takes into account the performance of the Group, as well as individual Directors and key executives, aligning their interests with those of shareholders, and linking rewards to corporate and individual performance. The RC also takes into consideration industry practices and norms in compensation.

Directors are paid Directors' fees, determined by the Board based on the effort, time spent and responsibilities of the Directors. The RC ensures that non-executive Directors are not overcompensated to the extent that their independence is compromised. Directors' fees for Directors are subject to the approval of shareholders at the AGM.

Principle 9: Disclosure on Remuneration

The remuneration of Directors and key executives of the Group for FY2012 is set out below:

	Fees (\$\$)	Salary (\$\$)	Bonus (\$\$)	Benefits (\$\$)	Total (\$\$)
(a) Directors					
Mr. Tong Kooi Ong	4,972	333,333	55,875	5,743	399,923
Mr. Koh Wan Kai	-	240,000	96,000	5,554	341,554
Mr. Gary Ho Kuat Foong	50,000	-	-	-	50,000
Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee	50,000	-	-	-	50,000
Mr. Ong Pang Liang ⁽¹⁾	31,401	82,667	-	1,749	115,817
Mr. Koh Kim Huat ⁽²⁾	-	158,333	-	153	158,486
Mr. Lim Chow Cher Charles ⁽³⁾	12,960	-	-	-	12,960
Mr. Hardjanto Adiwana ⁽⁴⁾	11,435	-	-	-	11,435

(b) Key Executives of the Group

Below S\$100,000	Fees (%)	Salary (%)	Bonus (%)	Benefits (%)	Total (%)
Ms. Tai Lai Yeen	-	85	14	1	100
Mr. Tong Kim Chai	-	79	21	-	100
Mr. Khoo Hsien Ming Kevin	-	100	-	-	100
Mr. Edward Lee Eng Chew	-	100	-	-	100

Notes:

- (1) On 20 April 2012, Mr. Ong Pang Liang relinquished his executive role as Finance Director and was re-designated as a Non-Executive Director of the Company.
- (2) On 29 February 2012, Mr. Koh Kim Huat gave notice of his intention to resign from his executive functions as the Executive Chairman and CEO. Such resignation took effect on 31 May 2012.
- (3) Mr. Lim Chow Cher Charles retired by rotation at the 2011 AGM, and did not seek re-election as a Director of the Company.
- (4) Mr. Hardjanto Adiwana retired by rotation at the 2011 AGM, and did not seek re-election as a Director of the Company.

The RC met once during the year to decide on Directors' fees, review the remuneration packages of the Executive Directors, assess the performance of senior management and determine their compensation packages (including bonus awards) for FY2012. The RC's recommendations covered all aspects of remuneration, including but not limited to Directors' fees, salaries, allowances, bonuses, options and benefits in kind.

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ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT

Principle 10: Accountability

The Board undertakes the responsibility of (i) overseeing the corporate performance of the Company and is accountable to shareholders for the processes and structure of directing and managing the Company's business and affairs; (ii) providing a balanced and understandable assessment of the Company's performance, position and prospects, which extends to interim and other price sensitive public reports and reports to regulators (if required), and (iii) taking adequate steps to ensure compliance with legislative and regulatory requirements, including requirements under the listing rules of the securities exchange Listing Manual, by establishing written policies where appropriate.

Management's role is to report to the Board the operational and financial performance of the Group by keeping the Board informed and updated with the provision of financial and management reports, on a monthly basis and as the Board may require from time to time to enable the Board to make a balanced and informed assessment of the Company's prospects. For FY2012, the CEO and Chief Operating Officer have provided written confirmation to the Board on the integrity of the Group's financial statements, risk management, compliance and internal control systems.

Aside from adopting corporate governance practices in line with the spirit of the Code, the Company also observes obligations of continuing disclosure under the Listing Manual. The Company undertakes to circulate timely, adequate and non-selective disclosure of information. The Board also issues quarterly financial statements as reviewed by the AC to provide shareholders with comprehensive information and a balanced view on the Group's performance, position and prospects.

Principle 11: Audit Committee

As of 31 December 2012, the AC members were as follows:

Mr. Gary Ho Kuat Foong	(Chairman)
Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee	(Member)
Mr. Ong Pang Liang	(Member)

A majority of the members of the AC are Independent Directors, and all the members are non-executive Directors, appropriately qualified to discharge their responsibilities. The Chairman and one of its members have recent and relevant accounting or related financial management expertise and one of them is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA).

The AC meets at least twice a year. Details of members and their attendance at meetings are provided on page 16 of this Annual Report.

The AC has its terms of reference defining its role which include:

- (a) reviewing the scope and results of audit, its costs effectiveness and the objectivity of the external auditors;
- (b) reviewing the independence of the external auditors annually;
- (c) where the auditors also supply a substantial volume of non-audit services to the Company, the AC shall keep under review the nature and extent of such services, so as to balance the maintenance of objectivity and value for money;
- (d) meeting with the external auditors without the presence of the Company's management at least once a year;
- (e) reviewing, at least annually, the effectiveness of the Company's material internal controls;
- (f) ensuring that the internal audit function is adequately resourced and has appropriate standing within the Company;
- (g) ensuring, at least annually, the adequacy of the internal audit function;

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- (h) reviewing with the external auditors:
 - the audit plan, including the nature and scope of the audit before the audit commences;
 - their evaluation of the system of internal accounting controls;
 - their audit report; and
 - their management letter and the management's response;
- (i) ensuring co-ordination where more than one (1) audit firm is involved;
- (j) reviewing the quarterly and annual financial statements before submission to the Board for approval;
- (k) discussing problems and concerns, if any, arising from the internal and external audits, and any matters which the auditors may wish to discuss (in the absence of the management, where necessary);
- (l) reviewing the assistance given by the management to the auditors;
- (m) reviewing the balance sheet and income statements of the Company and the consolidated balance sheet and income statements, before approval by the Board;
- (n) reviewing and discussing with the external auditors, any suspected fraud or irregularity, or suspected infringement of any Singapore law, rules or regulations, which has or is likely to have a material impact on the Company's operating results or financial position, and the management's response;
- (o) reporting to the Board on its findings from time to time on matters arising and requiring the attention of the AC;
- (p) undertaking such other reviews and projects as may be requested by the Board; and
- (q) considering the appointment/re-appointment of the external auditors, the audit fee and matters relating to the resignation or dismissal of the auditors.

The AC has explicit authority to conduct or authorise investigations into any matter within its terms of reference and any aspect of the Group's financial affairs, audits and exposure to risks of a regulatory or legal nature, with full access to records, resources and personnel, to enable it to discharge its functions properly. The AC has full access to and cooperation of the Management, and has full discretion to invite any Director and executive officer to attend its meetings. Management is invited to attend all meetings of the AC.

The AC has reviewed and is satisfied with the effectiveness of the Company's system of accounting controls including financial, operational and compliance controls. The AC also conducted a review of the Group's interested person transactions.

In performing its functions, the AC met with the external auditors and the internal auditors, each without the presence of Management. The external auditor has unrestricted access to the AC. Reasonable resources were made available to the AC to enable it to discharge its functions properly.

The AC, having reviewed all non-audit services provided by the external auditors of the Group, Nexia TS Public Accounting Corporation ("**Nexia TS**"), is satisfied that the nature and extent of such services would not prejudice the independence and objectivity of the external auditors and recommends to the Board, the nomination of the external auditors for re-appointment.

The Group's external auditors, Nexia TS, is an accounting firm registered with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority. The AC is satisfied that Nexia TS and the audit engagement partner assigned to the audit have adequate resources and experience to meet its audit obligations. In this connection, the Group confirms that it is in compliance with Rules 712 and 715 of the Listing Manual.

REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The statement of the external auditors of the Company about their reporting responsibilities for the financial statements is set out in the “Independent Auditor’s Report” which is found in this Annual Report. During the year under review, the remuneration paid/payable to the Group’s external auditors, Nexia TS (including auditor of subsidiaries which is the network of member firms of Nexia International), is set out below.

Service Category	Fees Paid / Payable (S\$’000)
Audit Services	57
Non-Audit Services	14
Total	71

Principle 12: Internal Controls

The Board recognises that it is responsible for the overall internal control framework and a review of the effectiveness of the Company’s internal controls is conducted at least annually. It believes that the system of internal control maintained by the Company’s management that was in place throughout the financial year and up to the date of this Annual Report provides reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material financial misstatements or loss, including the safeguarding of assets, the maintenance of proper accounting records, the reliability of financial information, compliance with appropriate legislation, regulation and best practice, and the identification and containment of business risk. Based on the work carried out by the internal auditors, the review undertaken by the external auditors, representations made by management and the existing management controls in place, the AC and the Board are satisfied that there are adequate internal controls in place to help mitigate critical and significant risks relating to financial, operational and compliance matters. The Board, together with the AC and management, will continue to enhance and improve the existing internal control framework to identify and mitigate these risks. The system of internal controls established by the Company provides reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that the Company’s assets and investments are safeguarded. The likelihood of achieving the internal control objectives is affected by limitations inherent in all internal control and risk management systems. The Board notes that no system of internal controls and risk management can provide absolute assurance in this regard, or absolute assurance against the occurrence of material errors, poor judgment in decision-making, human error, losses, fraud or other irregularities.

The Board has received assurance from the CEO and the Management that: (a) the financial records have been properly maintained and the financial statements give a true and fair view of the company’s operations and finances; and (b) regarding the effectiveness of the company’s risk management and internal control systems.

Principle 13: Internal Audit

The Company recognises the importance of the internal audit function as an integral part of an effective system of good corporate governance. The internal audit function is staffed with persons with the relevant qualifications and experience, is adequately resourced and has appropriate standing within the Company.

The internal audit schedules and scope of internal audit work each year are determined in consultation with, but independent of, Management and are submitted to the AC for approval. The Internal Auditor’s primary line of reporting is to the AC Chairman, but the Internal Auditor also reports administratively to the CEO and Executive Director. The AC reviews and discusses with management the significant internal audit observations.

REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Principle 14: Communication with Shareholders

Principle 15: Greater Shareholder Participation

The Board is aware of its obligations to shareholders in providing information of changes in the Company or its business which would be likely to materially affect the price or value of the Company's shares.

The AGM is the principal forum for dialogue with shareholders. The Board welcomes questions and comments relating to the Company's business or performance from shareholders at AGMs. Shareholders are given an opportunity to air their views and direct questions to the Board on matters affecting the Company. The Chairman of the Board and the respective Chairman of the AC, NC and RC, all Directors, management and representatives of the external audit firm are normally present at the AGM to address questions from shareholders. The articles of association of the Company allow a shareholder to appoint not more than two proxies to attend and vote in his place at AGMs. Shareholders will be informed of the rules, including voting procedures that govern general meetings of shareholders. According to the articles of association of the Company, at any general meeting, a resolution put to the vote of the meeting shall be decided on a show of hands, unless before or on the declaration of the results of the show of hands, a poll is demanded in the manner as set out in the Company's articles. Where a resolution has been put to vote by poll, the Company will make an announcement of the detailed results showing the number of votes cast for and against each resolution and the respective percentages. The Company has not amended its Articles to provide for absentia voting methods which call for elaborate and costly implementation of a fool-proof system, the need for which does not presently arise. Minutes of general meetings are prepared and available to shareholders upon their request in accordance with applicable laws.

The Company also encourages active shareholder participation at its general meetings. Notices of meetings are published in the major newspapers together with explanatory notes or a circular on items of special business, at least fourteen (14) clear days before the meeting. Reports or circulars of the general meetings are despatched to all shareholders by post. Separate resolutions are passed at every general meeting on each distinct issue.

The Board is aware of its obligations to shareholders and has devised investor relations policies to provide regular, effective and fair communication and convey pertinent information to shareholders. In line with continuous disclosure obligations of the Company pursuant to the Listing Manual, the Board's policy is that all shareholders should be equally and timely informed of all major developments and events that impact the Company. Information is communicated to Shareholders through public announcements via SGXNET, news releases where appropriate and annual reports/circulars that are sent to all shareholders and notices of general meeting are advertised. The Company does not practice selective disclosure of material information. Material information is excluded from briefings with investors or analysts, unless it has been publicly released via SGXNET before, or concurrently with, such meetings. Where there is inadvertent disclosure made to a selected group, the Company makes the same disclosure publicly to all others as soon as practicable.

For FY2012, the Company will be paying dividends of 0.15 cents per share.

CODE OF BUSINESS CONDUCT

The Group has adopted a Code of Business Conduct to regulate the standards of ethical conduct of the Group, which provides that its Directors, officers and employees are required to observe and maintain high standards of integrity in compliance with the law, regulations and Company policies.

REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

WHISTLE BLOWING POLICY

The Company introduced a whistle-blowing framework, where employees of the Company may, in confidence, raise concerns about possible improprieties in matters of financial reporting and other matters. The AC has ensured that arrangements are in place for concerns to be raised and independently investigated, and for appropriate follow-up action to be taken. Details of the whistle-blowing policies and arrangements were made available to all employees. The Company also has a whistle-blowing policy which can be retrieved from its website.

DEALINGS IN SECURITIES

In line with Rule 1207(19) of the Listing Manual, the Group has issued a policy on share dealings by Directors and key officers of the Company, setting out the implications of insider trading and recommendations of the best practices set out in Rule 1207(19). The Group adopts a code of conduct to provide guidance to its Directors and officers with regard to dealing in the Company's shares, which includes an annual declaration by the Company's Directors and officers with regard to securities trading and disclosure by the Company's Directors and officers when they deal in the Company's shares.

The Group also issues periodic circulars to its Directors, officers and employees reminding them that there must be no dealings in the Company's shares during the period commencing two (2) weeks before the announcement of the Company's quarterly financial results, as the case may be, and if they are in possession of unpublished material price-sensitive information. In the case of the Company's full year financial results announcement, the applicable period is one (1) month before the announcement of financial results.

In the opinion of the Directors, UPP is in compliance with the best practices set out in Rule 1207(19).

CORPORATE INFORMATION

Particulars of Directors as of 31 December 2012

Name of Directors	Board Committee as Chairman or Member	Directorship: Date first appointed Date last re-elected	Board appointment	Directorship in other listed companies in Singapore (present & held over preceding 3 years)
Mr. Tong Kooi Ong	-	15 March 2012 20 April 2012	Executive Chairman	-
Mr. Koh Wan Kai	-	1 April 2009 21 April 2011	Executive	-
Mr. Gary Ho Kwat Foong	Chairman: Audit Committee Member: Remuneration Committee, Nominating Committee	31 October 2006 29 April 2010	Lead Independent	-
Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee	Chairman: Remuneration Committee, Nominating Committee Member: Audit Committee	5 November 2002 21 April 2011	Independent	Isetan (Singapore) Limited Yoma Strategic Holdings Ltd. AEM Holdings Ltd Global Investments Limited Biosensors International Group, Ltd.
Mr. Ong Pang Liang ⁽¹⁾	Member: Audit Committee, Remuneration Committee, Nominating Committee	1 August 2010 20 April 2012	Non-Executive	-

Note:

- (1) On 20 April 2012, Mr. Ong Pang Liang relinquished his executive role as Finance Director and was re-designated as a Non-Executive Director of the Company.

REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Attendance at Board and Committee Meetings for the financial year ended 31 December 2012

Directors	Board		Audit Committee		Remuneration Committee		Nominating Committee	
	No. of meetings	Attendance	No. of meetings	Attendance	No. of meetings	Attendance	No. of meetings	Attendance
Mr. Tong Kooi Ong	4	3 ⁽¹⁾	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Mr. Koh Wan Kai	4	4	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Mr. Gary Ho Kuat Foong	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	1
Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	1
Mr. Ong Pang Liang	4	4	4	3 ⁽²⁾	1	0 ⁽²⁾	1	0 ⁽²⁾
Mr. Lim Chow Cher Charles	1	1 ⁽³⁾	1	1 ⁽³⁾	1	1 ⁽³⁾	N.A.	N.A.
Mr. Hardjanto Adiwana	1	1 ⁽⁴⁾	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	1	1 ⁽⁴⁾

Notes:

- (1) Mr. Tong Kooi Ong was first appointed to the Board on 15 March 2012.
 (2) Mr. Ong Pang Liang was only appointed as a member of the AC, RC and NC on 20 April 2012.
 (3) Mr. Lim Chow Cher Charles retired and did not seek re-election at the 2011 AGM.
 (4) Mr. Hardjanto Adiwana retired and did not seek re-election at the 2011 AGM.

Particulars of Key Executives of the Group as at 31 December 2012

Tai Lai Yeen

Ms. Tai is the Group Finance Manager and is responsible for accounting, financial, taxation as well as internal control functions of the Group. Prior to joining the Group in 2010, Ms. Tai was an audit manager in Ernst & Young LLP and has over 9 years of experience in the accounting and auditing profession. Ms. Tai holds a degree in Accountancy from the University of Putra Malaysia. She is a member of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Singapore.

Tong Kim Chai

Mr. Tong is the General Manager of UPP Pulp & Paper (M) Sdn. Bhd. and is in charge of all the operational matters. Mr. Tong joined the Group in 2000 and has extensive experience in the paper recycling industry.

Khoo Hsien Ming Kevin

Mr. Khoo is the President (Investments) of UPP Capital (M) Sdn. Bhd. and is responsible for identifying and evaluating new investment opportunities for the Group. Prior to joining UPP Capital, Mr. Khoo was the group Editor-in-Chief of The Edge Communications Sdn Bhd, a Malaysian media company. Mr. Khoo has extensive management and operations experience in Malaysia, particularly in equities research and banking. He holds a Bachelor of Commerce Degree from The University of Melbourne.

Edward Lee Eng Chew

Mr. Lee is the Executive Vice President (Corporate and Legal Service) of UPP Capital (M) Sdn. Bhd. and is responsible for the corporate and legal affairs of the Group. Prior to joining UPP Capital, Mr. Lee was the Head of the Legal Department of Sunrise Berhad, a Malaysian property developer listed on Bursa Malaysia. Mr. Lee has extensive legal expertise in property, media, and financial services sectors. He holds a Bachelor of Economics (Accounting) and LLB from Monash University, Melbourne.

REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

INTERESTED PERSON TRANSACTIONS POLICY

The Company has adopted an internal policy in respect of any transaction with interested persons and has set out the procedures for review and approval of the Company's interested person transactions.

There were no interested person transactions for FY2012.

UPDATE ON USE OF PROCEEDS

Rights Issue (OIS dated 8 February 2010)

The Company wishes to announce that to-date, a total of approximately S\$19.9 million out of the net proceeds of approximately S\$23.6 million from the Rights Issue, had been utilized in FY2010 and FY2011. There was no utilization of the net proceeds from the Rights Issue in FY2012. The unutilized balance of net proceeds is approximately S\$3.7 million.

Shares Placement (completion of allotment on 16 May 2012)

The net proceeds of approximately S\$40.3 million have not been utilized as at date of this report.

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

The Group is committed to conduct its business activities in a ethically, socially and environmentally sustainable manner.

We ensure that our business operations and processes are managed in a way that minimizes its impact on our environment. The Group recognises the importance of and committed in ensuring a healthy and safe work environment for the well being of our employees. Employees are also expected to maintain the highest standards of integrity and trust in all business relationships and dealings. The Group places great emphasis on accountability, transparency, ethical business conduct and good corporate governance.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

For the financial year ended 31 December 2012

The directors present their report to the members together with the audited financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2012 and the balance sheet of the Company as at 31 December 2012.

Directors

The directors of the Company in office at the date of this report are as follows:

Tong Kooi Ong (Executive Chairman, appointed on 1 May 2012)
Koh Wan Kai (Executive Director)
Gary Ho Kuat Foong
Adrian Chan Pengee
Ong Pang Liang

Arrangements to enable directors to acquire shares and debentures

Neither at the end of nor at any time during the financial year was the Company a party to any arrangement whose object was to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate, other than as disclosed under "Share options" on Page 19 of this report

Directors' interest in shares or debentures

According to the register of directors' shareholdings, none of the directors holding office at the end of the financial year had any interest in the shares or debentures of the Company or its related corporations, except as follows:

Company (Number of ordinary shares)	Holdings registered in name of director or nominee	
	At 31.12.2012	At 1.1.2012 or date of appointment, if later
Tong Kooi Ong	213,561,000	159,931,000
Ong Pang Liang	5,000,000	5,000,000
Adrian Chan Pengee	200,000	200,000

Mr. Tong Kooi Ong, who by virtue of his interest of not less than 20% of the issued capital of the Company, is deemed to have an interest in the whole of the share capital of the Company's wholly owned subsidiaries and in the shares held by the Company in the following subsidiaries that are not wholly owned by the Group:

	At 31.12.2012	At date of appointment
UPP Pulp & Paper (M) Sdn. Bhd. - Number of ordinary shares	75,858,112	75,858,112
UPP Recycled Fibre (M) Sdn. Bhd. - Number of ordinary shares	408,163	408,163

The directors' interests in the ordinary shares and convertible securities of the Company as at 21 January 2013 were the same as those as at 31 December 2012.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

For the financial year ended 31 December 2012

Directors' contractual benefits

Since the end of the previous financial year, no director has received or become entitled to receive a benefit by reason of a contract made by the Company or a related corporation with the director or with a firm of which he is a member or with a company in which he has a substantial financial interest, except as disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and in this report.

Share options

Employee Share Option Scheme

The UPP Employee Share Option Scheme (the “**Option Scheme**”) for any director (including a Non-Executive Director) or confirmed employee of the Group selected by the Committee (the “**Participant**”) was approved by members of the Company at an Extraordinary General Meeting on 21 April 2011.

The purpose of the Option Scheme is to provide an opportunity for employees of the Group who have contributed significantly to the growth and performance of the Group, as well as directors, to participate in the equity of the Company so as to motivate them to greater dedication, loyalty and higher standards of performance, and to give recognition to past contributions and services. Additionally, the Option Scheme will help the Group to attract and retain the services of appropriate, qualified and experienced employees who would be able to contribute to the Group's business and operations.

Under the Option Scheme, subject to the absolute discretion of the Committee, options to subscribe for the ordinary shares of the Company are granted to Participants who have attained the age of 21 years on or prior to the relevant Date of Grant, are not undischarged bankrupts, have not entered into a composition with their respective creditors, and, where applicable, who have, as of the Date of Grant, been in the employment of the Group for a period of at least 12 months, or such shorter period as the Committee may determine, and Non-Executive Directors who, in the opinion of the Committee, have contributed or will contribute to the success of the Group. The exercise price of the options is determined at the Market Price as quoted on the Singapore Exchange, or at a price which is set at a discount to the Market Price, the quantum of such discount to be determined by the Committee in its absolute discretion, provided that the maximum discount which may be given in respect of any Option shall not exceed 20% of the Market Price. Once the options are granted, they are exercisable within five years from the Date of Grant of the options. The options may be exercised in full or in part in respect of 1,000 shares or a multiple thereof, on the payment of the exercise price. The Group has no legal or constructive obligation to repurchase or settle the options in cash.

The aggregate number of shares over which options may be granted on any date, when added to the number of shares issued and issuable in respect of all options granted under the Option Scheme, shall not exceed 15% of the issued share capital of the Company on the day preceding that date.

There were no options granted during the financial year, including options to controlling shareholders of the Company or their associates (as defined in the Listing manual of Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited), to subscribe for unissued shares of the Company.

No shares have been issued during the financial year by virtue of the exercise of options to take up unissued shares of the Company or its subsidiaries.

There were no unissued shares of the Company or its subsidiaries under option at the end of the financial year.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

For the financial year ended 31 December 2012

Audit Committee ("AC")

The members of the AC at the end of the financial year were as follows:

Gary Ho Kuat Foong (Chairman)
Adrian Chan Pengee
Ong Pang Liang

All members of the AC are independent and non-executive directors except for Mr Ong Pang Liang who was previously an Executive Director of the Company.

The AC carried out its functions in accordance with Section 201B(5) of the Singapore Companies Act. In performing those functions, the AC reviewed:

- the scope and the results of internal audit procedures with the internal auditor;
- the audit plan of the Company's independent auditor and any recommendations on internal accounting controls arising from the statutory audit;
- the assistance given by the Company's management to the independent auditor; and
- the balance sheet of the Company and the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2012 before their submission to the Board of Directors, as well as the independent auditor's report on the balance sheet of the Company and the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

The AC has recommended to the Board that the independent auditor, Nexia TS Public Accounting Corporation, be nominated for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the Company.

Further details regarding the AC are disclosed in the Report on Corporate Governance.


Independent auditor

The independent auditor, Nexia TS Public Accounting Corporation, has expressed its willingness to accept re-appointment.

On behalf of the directors



Tong Kooi Ong
Director



Koh Wan Kai
Director

18 March 2013

STATEMENT BY DIRECTORS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2012

In the opinion of the directors,

- (a) the balance sheet of the Company and the consolidated financial statements of the Group as set out on pages 24 to 68 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group as at 31 December 2012 and of the results of the business, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group for the financial year then ended; and
- (b) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

On behalf of the directors



Tong Kooi Ong

Director



Koh Wan Kai

Director

18 March 2013

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of UPP Holdings Limited

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of UPP Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”) and its subsidiaries (the “**Group**”) set out on pages 24 to 68, which comprise the consolidated balance sheet of the Group and the balance sheet of the Company as at 31 December 2012, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows of the Group for the financial year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act (the “**Act**”) and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards, and for devising and maintaining a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide a reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorised use or disposition; and transactions are properly authorised and that they are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of true and fair profit and loss accounts and balance sheets and to maintain accountability of assets.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view 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 entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of financial statements.

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of UPP Holdings Limited

Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements of the Group and the balance sheet of the Company are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Act and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group and of the Company as at 31 December 2012, and of the results, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group for the financial year ended on that date.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In our opinion, the accounting and other records required by the Act to be kept by the Company and by those subsidiaries incorporated in Singapore, of which we are the auditors, have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

Nexia TS Public Accounting Corporation

Public Accountants and Certified Public Accountants

Director in-charge: Kristin Kim

Appointed since financial year ended 31 December 2012

Singapore

18 March 2013

BALANCE SHEETS

As at 31 December 2012

		Group		Company	
	Note	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
ASSETS					
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	4	80,289	25,308	77,437	22,515
Trade and other receivables	5	12,378	11,900	33,411	34,034
Inventories	6	8,957	8,191	-	-
Available-for-sale financial assets	10	3,016	-	3,016	-
		<u>104,640</u>	<u>45,399</u>	<u>113,864</u>	<u>56,549</u>
Non-current assets					
Property, plant and equipment	7	66,819	68,839	475	324
Investment property	8	8,069	8,280	-	-
Investments in subsidiaries	9	-	-	15,422	15,422
Available-for-sale financial assets	10	3,613	6,737	3,613	6,737
		<u>78,501</u>	<u>83,856</u>	<u>19,510</u>	<u>22,483</u>
Total assets		<u>183,141</u>	<u>129,255</u>	<u>133,374</u>	<u>79,032</u>
LIABILITIES					
Current liabilities					
Trade and other payables	11	5,103	4,830	285	212
Borrowings	12	4,575	4,575	-	-
Current income tax liabilities		-	79	-	-
		<u>9,678</u>	<u>9,484</u>	<u>285</u>	<u>212</u>
Non-current liabilities					
Deferred income tax liabilities	13	636	650	-	-
Total liabilities		<u>10,314</u>	<u>10,134</u>	<u>285</u>	<u>212</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>172,827</u>	<u>119,121</u>	<u>133,089</u>	<u>78,820</u>
EQUITY					
Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the Company					
Share capital	14	136,511	82,834	136,511	82,834
Retained profits/(accumulated losses)		36,938	35,559	(3,225)	(3,925)
Other reserves	15	(7,337)	(5,706)	(197)	(89)
		<u>166,112</u>	<u>112,687</u>	<u>133,089</u>	<u>78,820</u>
Non-controlling interests		<u>6,715</u>	<u>6,434</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total equity		<u>172,827</u>	<u>119,121</u>	<u>133,089</u>	<u>78,820</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the financial year ended 31 December 2012

		Group	
	Note	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Revenue	17	49,996	51,125
Cost of sales		(41,851)	(45,383)
Gross profit		8,145	5,742
Other income/(losses), net	18	464	(249)
Expense			
- Selling and distribution		(2,279)	(2,132)
- Administrative		(3,711)	(3,413)
- Finance	21	(196)	(346)
Profit/(loss) before income tax		2,423	(398)
Income tax credit/(expense)	22	94	(47)
Net profit/(loss)		2,517	(445)
Other comprehensive loss:			
Fair value losses on available-for-sale financial assets		(108)	(28)
Currency translation differences arising from consolidation		(1,765)	(1,168)
Other comprehensive income, net of tax		(1,873)	(1,196)
Total comprehensive income/(loss)		644	(1,641)
Profit/(loss) attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		1,994	(612)
Non-controlling interests		523	167
		2,517	(445)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		363	(1,648)
Non-controlling interests		281	7
		644	(1,641)
Earnings/(loss) per share for profit/(loss) attributable to equity holders of the Company (cents per share)			
- Basic	23	0.30	(0.11)
- Diluted	23	0.27	(0.11)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the financial year ended 31 December 2012

← Attributable to equity holders of the Company →									
	Note	Share capital \$'000	Retained profits ⁽¹⁾ \$'000	Capital reserve \$'000	Currency translation reserve \$'000	Fair value reserve \$'000	Total other reserves \$'000	Non-controlling interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
2012									
Beginning of financial year		82,834	35,559	712	(6,255)	(163)	(5,706)	6,434	119,121
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year		-	1,994	-	(1,523)	(108)	(1,631)	281	644
Share placement	14	41,224	-	-	-	-	-	-	41,224
Share placement expenses	14	(890)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(890)
Warrants conversion	14	13,343	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,343
Dividend relating to 2011 paid	16	-	(615)	-	-	-	-	-	(615)
End of financial year		136,511	36,938	712	(7,778)	(271)	(7,337)	6,715	172,827

← Attributable to equity holders of the Company →									
	Note	Share capital \$'000	Retained profits ⁽¹⁾ \$'000	Capital reserve \$'000	Currency translation reserve \$'000	Fair value reserve \$'000	Total other reserves \$'000	Non-controlling interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
2011									
Beginning of financial year		82,833	36,754	712	(5,247)	(135)	(4,670)	6,427	121,344
Total comprehensive loss for the year		-	(612)	-	(1,008)	(28)	(1,036)	7	(1,641)
Warrants conversion	14	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Dividend relating to 2010 paid	16	-	(583)	-	-	-	-	-	(583)
End of financial year		82,834	35,559	712	(6,255)	(163)	(5,706)	6,434	119,121

⁽¹⁾ Retained profit of the Group are distributable.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2012

	Note	Group 2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net profit/(loss)		2,517	(445)
Adjustments for:			
- Income tax (credit)/expense		(94)	47
- Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	7	2,882	2,844
- Depreciation of investment property	8	211	211
- Loss on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets	18	-	416
- Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	18	(42)	(2)
- Allowance for impairment of trade receivables	18 & 27	-	5
- Write back of allowance for impairment of trade receivables	18	(41)	-
- Reversal of inventory write-down		-	(1)
- Interest income	18	(501)	(381)
- Interest expense	21	196	346
- Unrealised currency translation losses		(302)	194
Operating cash flow before working capital changes		4,826	3,234
Changes in working capital			
- Trade and other receivables		(349)	740
- Inventories		(766)	(1,641)
- Trade and other payables		(194)	(960)
Cash generated from operations		3,517	1,373
Interest received		402	305
Interest paid		(196)	(346)
Income tax refund		12	71
Net cash provided by operating activities		3,735	1,403
Cash flows from investing activities			
Additions to property, plant and equipment		(2,057)	(1,218)
Disposal of property, plant and equipment		241	4
Disposal of available-for-sale financial assets		-	303
Net cash used in investing activities		(1,816)	(911)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings		-	4,391
Repayment of borrowings		-	(11,700)
Repayment of finance lease liabilities		-	(9)
Net proceeds from issuance of shares of the Company	14	13,343	1
Net proceeds from share placement	14	40,334	-
Dividends paid to equity holders of the Company	16	(615)	(583)
Short-term bank deposits (pledged)/released		(405)	4,390
Net cash generated from/(used in) financing activities		52,657	(3,510)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		54,576	(3,018)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		25,308	28,326
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	4	79,884	25,308

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

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These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

The financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2012 were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Directors on 18 March 2013.

1 General Information

UPP Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”) is listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (“**SGX-ST**”) and incorporated and domiciled in Singapore. The address of its registered office is located at 1 Kim Seng Promenade, #14-01 Great World City East Tower, Singapore 237994.

The principal activities of the Company are investment holding, providing management services and trading of paper products. The principal activities of the subsidiary companies are stated in Note 9 to the financial statements.

2 Significant Accounting Policies

2.1 Basis of Preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (“**FRS**”) under the historical cost convention except as disclosed in the accounting policies below.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group’s accounting policies. It also requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in Note 3.

Interpretations and amendments to published standards effective in 2012

On 1 January 2012, the Group adopted the new or amended FRS and Interpretations to FRS (“**INT FRS**”) that are mandatory for application for the financial year. Changes to the Group’s accounting policies have been made as required, in accordance with the transitional provisions in the respective FRS and INT FRS.

The adoption of these new or amended FRS and INT FRS did not result in substantial changes to the accounting policies of the Group and the Company and had no material effect on the amounts reported for the current or prior financial years.

2.2 Revenue recognition

Revenue comprises the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for the sale of goods and rendering of services in the ordinary course of the Group’s activities. Revenue is presented, net of value-added tax, rebates and discounts, and after eliminating sales within the Group.

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2 Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

2.2 Revenue recognition (Continued)

The Group recognises revenue when the amount of revenue and related cost can be reliably measured, it is probable that the collectability of related receivables is reasonably assured and when the specific criteria for each of the Group's activities are met as follows:

(i) *Sale of goods*

Revenue is recognised upon the transfer of significant risk and rewards of ownership of the goods to the customers which generally coincides with delivery and acceptance of the goods sold. Revenue is not recognised to the extent where there are significant uncertainties regarding recovery of the consideration due, associated costs or the possible return of goods.

(ii) *Management fees*

Management fee is recognised when amounts are due to be received.

(iii) *Interest income*

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method.

(iv) *Dividend income*

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

(v) *Rental income*

Rental income from operating leases (net of any incentives given to the lessees) is recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

2.3 Group accounting

(a) *Subsidiaries*

(i) *Consolidation*

Subsidiaries are entities (including special purposes entities) over which the Group has power to govern the financial and operating policies so as to obtain benefits from its activities, generally accompanied by a shareholding giving rise to a majority of the voting rights. The existence and effect of potential voting rights that are currently exercisable or convertible are considered when assessing whether the Group controls another entity. Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are de-consolidated from the date on which control ceases.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group entities are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated but are considered an impairment indicator of the asset transferred. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

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2 Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

2.3 Group accounting (Continued)

(a) Subsidiaries (Continued)

(i) Consolidation (Continued)

Non-controlling interests are that part of the net results of operations and of net assets of a subsidiary attributable to the interests which are not owned directly or indirectly by the equity holders of the Company. They are shown separately in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and balance sheet. Total comprehensive income is attributed to the non-controlling interests based on their respective interests in a subsidiary, even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

(ii) Acquisitions

The acquisition method of accounting is used to account for business combinations by the Group.

The consideration transferred for the acquisition of a subsidiary or business comprises of the fair value of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred and the equity interests issued by the Group. The consideration transferred also includes the fair value of any contingent consideration arrangement and the fair value of any pre-existing equity interest in the subsidiary.

Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred.

Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are, with limited exceptions, measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date.

On an acquisition-by-acquisition basis, the Group recognises any non-controlling interest in the acquiree at the date of acquisition either at fair value or at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the acquiree's net identifiable assets.

The excess of (i) the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the acquisition-date fair value of any previous equity interest in the acquiree over the (ii) fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill.

(iii) Disposals

When a change in the Group ownership interest in a subsidiary results in a loss of control over the subsidiary, the assets and liabilities of the subsidiary including any goodwill are derecognised. Amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in respect of that entity are also reclassified to profit or loss or transferred directly to retained earnings if required by a specific Standard.

Any retained equity interest in the entity is remeasured at fair value. The difference between the carrying amount of the retained interest at the date when control is lost and its fair value is recognised in profit or loss.

Please refer to the paragraph "Investments in subsidiaries" for the accounting policy on investments in subsidiaries in the separate financial statements of the Company.

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2 Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

2.3 Group accounting (Continued)

(b) Transactions with non-controlling interests

Changes in the Group's ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control over the subsidiary are accounted for as transactions with equity owners of the Company. Any difference between the change in the carrying amounts of the non-controlling interest and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised within equity attributable to the equity holders of the Company.

2.4 Property, plant and equipment

(a) Measurement

(i) Land and buildings

Land and buildings are initially recognised at cost. Freehold land is subsequently carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Buildings and leasehold land are subsequently carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

(ii) Other property, plant and equipment

All other items of property, plant and equipment are initially recognised at cost and subsequently carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

(iii) Components of costs

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment initially recognised includes its purchase price and any cost that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

(b) Depreciation

Freehold land is not depreciated. Depreciation on other items of property, plant and equipment is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their depreciable amounts over their estimated useful lives as follows:

	<u>Useful lives</u>
Leasehold land	over the lease term
Building	50 years
Plant and machinery	3 to 40 years
Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	3 to 10 years
Motor vehicles	5 to 7 years

The residual values, estimated useful lives and depreciation method of property, plant and equipment are reviewed, and adjusted as appropriate, at each balance sheet date. The effects of any revision are recognised in profit or loss when the changes arise.

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2 Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

2.4 Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

(c) Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure relating to property, plant and equipment that has already been recognised is added to the carrying amount of the asset only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the Company and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repair and maintenance expenses are recognised in profit or loss when incurred.

(d) Disposal

On disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment, the difference between the disposal proceeds and its carrying amount is recognised in profit or loss.

2.5 Investment properties

Investment properties include those portions of office buildings that are held for long-term rental yields and/or for capital appreciation and land under operating leases that is held for long-term capital appreciation or for a currently indeterminate use. Investment properties include properties that are being constructed or developed for future use as investment properties.

Investment properties are initially recognised at cost and subsequently carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is calculated using a straight-line method to allocate the depreciable amounts over the estimated useful lives of 50 years. The residual values, useful lives and depreciation method of investment properties are reviewed, and adjusted as appropriate, at each balance sheet date. The effects of any revision are included in profit or loss when the changes arise.

Investment properties are subject to renovations or improvements at regular intervals. The cost of major renovations and improvements is capitalised and the carrying amounts of the replaced components are recognised in profit or loss. The cost of maintenance, repairs and minor improvement is recognised in profit or loss when incurred.

On disposal of an investment property, the difference between the disposal proceeds and the carrying amount is recognised in profit or loss.

2.6 Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

2.7 Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses in the Company's balance sheet. On disposal of investments, the difference between disposal proceeds and the carrying amounts of the investments are recognised in profit or loss.

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2 Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

2.8 Impairment of non-financial assets

Property, plant and equipment

Investments in subsidiaries

Property, plant and equipment and investments in subsidiaries are tested for impairment whenever there is any objective evidence or indication that these assets may be impaired.

For the purpose of impairment testing, the recoverable amount (i.e. the higher of the fair value less cost to sell and the value-in-use) is determined on an individual asset basis unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets. If this is the case, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating units ("CGU") to which the asset belongs.

If the recoverable amount of the asset (or CGU) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or CGU) is reduced to its recoverable amount.

The difference between the carrying amount and recoverable amount is recognised as an impairment loss in profit or loss, unless the asset is carried at revalued amount, in which case, such impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

An impairment loss for an asset is reversed only if, there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognised. The carrying amount of this asset is increased to its revised recoverable amount, provided that this amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of any accumulated amortisation or depreciation) had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years.

A reversal of impairment loss for an asset is recognised in profit or loss.

2.9 Financial assets

(a) Classification

The Group classifies its financial assets as loans and receivables and available-for-sale. The classification depends on the nature of the asset and the purpose for which the assets were acquired. Management determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition.

(i) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are presented as current assets, except for those expected to be realised later than 12 months after the balance sheet date which are presented as non-current assets. Loans and receivables are presented as "trade and other receivables" (Note 5) and "cash and cash equivalents" (Note 4) on the balance sheets.

(ii) Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivatives that are either designated in this category or not classified in any of the other categories. They are presented as non-current assets unless the investment matures or management intends to dispose of the assets within 12 months after the balance sheet date.

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2 Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

2.9 Financial assets (Continued)

(b) *Recognition and derecognition*

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on trade date – the date on which the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Group has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership. On disposal of a financial asset, the difference between the carrying amount and the sale proceeds is recognised in profit or loss. Any amount previously recognised in other comprehensive income relating to that asset is reclassified to profit or loss.

(c) *Initial measurement*

Financial assets are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs.

(d) *Subsequent measurement*

Available-for-sale financial assets are subsequently carried at fair value. Loans and receivables are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Interest and dividend income on available-for-sale financial assets are recognised separately in income. Changes in the fair values of available-for-sale debt securities (i.e. monetary items) denominated in foreign currencies are analysed into currency translation differences on the amortised cost of the securities and other changes; the currency translation differences are recognised in profit or loss and the other changes are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the fair value reserve. Changes in fair values of available-for-sale equity securities (i.e. non-monetary items) are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the fair value reserve, together with the related currency translation differences.

(e) *Impairment*

The Group assesses at each balance sheet date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired and recognises an allowance for impairment when such evidence exists.

(i) Loans and receivables

Significant financial difficulties of the debtor, probability that the debtor will enter bankruptcy and default or significant delay in payments are objective evidence that these financial assets are impaired.

The carrying amount of these assets is reduced through the use of an impairment allowance account which is calculated as the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate. When the asset becomes uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are recognised against the same line item in profit or loss.

The impairment allowance is reduced through profit or loss in a subsequent period when the amount of impairment loss decreases and the related decrease can be objectively measured. The carrying amount of the asset previously impaired is increased to the extent that the new carrying amount does not exceed the amortised cost had no impairment been recognised in prior periods.

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2 Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

2.9 Financial assets (Continued)

(e) *Impairment (Continued)*

(ii) Available-for-sale financial assets

In addition to the objective evidence of impairment described in Note 2.9(e)(i), a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of an equity security below its cost is considered as an indicator that the available-for-sale financial asset is impaired.

If any evidence of impairment exists, the cumulative loss that was previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified to profit or loss. The cumulative loss is measured as the difference between the acquisition cost (net of any principal repayments and amortisation) and the current fair value, less any impairment loss previously recognised as an expense. The impairment losses recognised as an expense on equity securities are not reversed through profit or loss.

(f) *Offsetting financial instruments*

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the balance sheet when there is a legally enforceable right to offset and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

2.10 Borrowings

Borrowings are presented as current liabilities unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the balance sheet date, in which case they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value (net of transaction costs) and subsequently carried at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is recognised in profit or loss over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

2.11 Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Group prior to the end of financial year which are unpaid. They 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). Otherwise, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade and other payables are initially recognised at fair value, and subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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2 Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

2.12 Fair value estimation of financial assets and liabilities

The fair values of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market are determined by using valuation techniques. The Group uses a variety of methods and makes assumptions based on market conditions that are existing at each balance sheet date. Where appropriate, quoted market prices or dealer quotes for similar instruments are used. Valuation techniques, such as discounted cash flow analysis, are also used to determine the fair values of the financial instruments.

The fair values of current financial assets and liabilities carried at amortised cost approximate their carrying amounts.

2.13 Leases

(a) *When the Group is the lessee*

The Group leases certain properties under operating leases from non-related parties.

Leases where substantially all risks and rewards incidental to ownership are retained by the lessors are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessors) are recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Contingent rents are recognised as an expense in profit or loss when incurred.

(b) *When the Group is the lessor*

The Group leases investment property under operating leases to non-related parties.

Leases of investment property where the Group retains substantially all risks and reward incidental to ownership are classified as operating leases. Rental income from operating leases (net of any incentives given to lessees) is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Initial direct costs incurred by the Group in negotiating and arranging operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised as an expense in profit or loss over the lease term on the same basis as the lease income.

Contingent rents are recognised as income in profit or loss when earned.

2.14 Inventories

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined using the weighted average method. Cost of raw materials comprises costs of purchase. Cost of finished goods and work-in-progress include cost of raw material, direct labour, other direct costs and appropriate production overheads based on normal operating capacity. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

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2 Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

2.15 Income taxes

Current income tax for current and prior periods is recognised at the amount expected to be paid to or recovered from the tax authorities, using the tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred income tax is recognised for all temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements except when the deferred income tax arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss at the time of the transaction.

A deferred income tax liability is recognised on temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries, except where the Group is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

A deferred income tax asset is recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences and tax losses can be utilised.

Deferred income tax is measured:

- (i) at the tax rates that are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled, based on tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date; and
- (ii) based on the tax consequence that will follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the balance sheet date, to recover or settle the carrying amounts of its assets and liabilities.

Current and deferred income taxes are recognised as income or expense in profit or loss, except to the extent that the tax arises from a business combination or a transaction which is recognised directly in equity. Deferred tax arising from a business combination is adjusted against goodwill on acquisition.

2.16 Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is more likely than not that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation and the amount has been reliably estimated.

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2 Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

2.17 Employee compensation

Employee benefits are recognised as an expense, unless the cost qualifies to be capitalised as an asset.

(i) *Defined contribution plans*

Defined contribution plans are post-employment benefit plans under which the Group pays fixed contributions into separate entities such as the Central Provident Fund on a mandatory, contractual or voluntary basis. The Group has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid.

(ii) *Share-based compensation*

The Group operates an equity-settled, share-based compensation plan. The value of the employee services received in exchange for the grant of options is recognised as an expense with a corresponding increase in the share option reserve over the vesting period. The total amount to be recognised over the vesting period is determined by reference to the fair value of the options granted on the date of the grant. Non-market vesting conditions are included in the estimation of the number of shares under options that are expected to become exercisable on the vesting date. At each balance sheet date, the Group revises its estimates of the number of shares under options that are expected to become exercisable on the vesting date and recognises the impact of the revision of the estimates in profit or loss, with a corresponding adjustment to the share option reserve over the remaining vesting period.

When the options are exercised, the proceeds received (net of transaction costs) and the related balance previously recognised in the share option reserve are credited to share capital account, when new ordinary shares are issued, or to the “treasury shares” account, when treasury shares are re-issued to the employees.

2.18 Financial guarantees

The Company has issued corporate guarantees to banks for borrowings of its subsidiaries. These guarantees are financial guarantees as they require the Company to reimburse the banks if the subsidiaries fail to make principal or interest payments when due in accordance with the term of their borrowings.

Financial guarantees are initially recognised at their fair values plus transaction costs in the Company's balance sheet.

Financial guarantees are subsequently amortised to profit or loss over the period of the subsidiaries' borrowings, unless it is probable that the Company will reimburse the banks for an amount higher than the unamortised amount. In this case, the financial guarantees shall be carried at the expected amount payable to the banks in the Company's balance sheet.

Intra-group transactions are eliminated on consolidation.

2.19 Currency translation

(i) *Functional and presentation currency*

Items included in the financial statements of each entity in the Group are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (“functional currency”). The financial statements are presented in Singapore Dollar, which is the functional currency of the Company.

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2 Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

2.19 Currency translation (Continued)

(ii) *Transactions and balances*

Transactions in a currency other than the functional currency ("foreign currency") are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Currency translation differences resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the closing rates at the balance sheet date are recognised in profit or loss. However, in the consolidated financial statements, currency translation differences arising from borrowings in foreign currencies and other currency instruments designated and qualifying as net investment hedges and net investment in foreign operations, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the currency translation reserve.

When a foreign operation is disposed of or any loan forming part of the net investment of the foreign operation is repaid, a proportionate share of the accumulated translation differences is reclassified to profit or loss, as part of the gain or loss on disposal.

Foreign exchange gains and losses impacting profit or loss are presented in the statement of comprehensive income within "other income/(losses) - net".

Non-monetary items measured at fair values in foreign currencies are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair values are determined.

(iii) *Translation of Group's entities financial statements*

The results and financial position of all the Group entities (none of which has the currency of a hyperinflationary economy) that have a functional currency different from the presentation currency are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

- (a) Assets and liabilities are translated at the closing exchange rates at the reporting date;
- (b) Income and expenses are translated at average exchange rates (unless the average is not a reasonable approximation of the cumulative effect of the rates prevailing on the transaction dates, in which case income and expenses are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions); and
- (c) All resulting currency translation differences are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the currency translation reserve. These currency translation differences are reclassified to profit or loss on disposal or partial disposal of the entity giving rise to such reserve.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of foreign operations are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign operations and translated at the closing rates at the reporting date.

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2 Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

2.20 Segment reporting

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the executive committee whose members are responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments.

2.21 Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and deposits with financial institutions which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

2.22 Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issuance of new ordinary shares are deducted against the share capital account.

2.23 Dividends to Company's shareholders

Dividends to Company's shareholders are recognised when the dividends are approved for payment.

3 Critical accounting estimates, assumptions and judgements

Estimates, assumptions and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

3.1 Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

(a) *Depreciation of property, plant and equipment*

The cost of plant and equipment for the manufacturing activities is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the plant and machinery's estimated economic useful lives. Management estimates the useful lives of these plant and machinery to be within 3 to 40 years. These are common life expectancies applied in the industry. Changes in the expected level of usage and technological developments could impact the economic useful lives and the residual values of these assets, therefore future depreciation charges could be revised. The carrying amount of the Group's plant and machinery as at 31 December 2012 was \$43,529,000 (2011: \$45,895,000).

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3 Critical accounting estimates, assumptions and judgements (Continued)

3.1 Critical accounting estimates and assumptions (Continued)

(b) Allowance for impairment of receivables

The Group makes allowances for impairment of receivables based on an assessment of recoverability of trade and other receivables. Allowances are adopted to trade and other receivables where events or changes in circumstances indicate that the balances may not be collectible. The identification of impairment of receivables requires the use of judgements and estimates, where the expectation is different from the original estimate, such difference will impact the carrying value of trade and other receivables and allowance for impairment expenses in the period in which such estimate has been changed. As at 31 December 2012, the total allowances for impairment of receivables of the Group are \$201,000 (2011: \$458,000).

3.2 Critical judgements in applying the entity's accounting policies

(a) Deferred income tax assets

The Group recognises deferred income tax assets on carried forward capital allowances and investment and reinvestment allowances to the extent there are sufficient estimated future taxable profits and/or taxable temporary differences against which these allowances can be utilised and the Group is able to satisfy the continuity ownership test. Significant management judgement is required to determine the amount of deferred tax assets that can be recognised, based upon the likely timing and level of future taxable profits together with future tax planning strategies.

The total carrying amount of recognised capital allowances, investment and reinvestment allowances and other temporary differences of the Group amounted to \$47,465,000 (2011: \$46,794,000) and the unrecognised tax losses, capital allowances, investment and reinvestment allowances of the Group was \$33,220,000 (2011: \$41,709,000). If the tax authority regards the Group entities as not satisfying the continuing ownership test, the deferred income tax asset will have to be written off as income tax expense.

4 Cash and cash equivalents

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Cash at bank and on hand	3,307	3,259	1,072	888
Short-term bank deposits	76,982	22,049	76,365	21,627
	<u>80,289</u>	<u>25,308</u>	<u>77,437</u>	<u>22,515</u>

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4 Cash and cash equivalents (Continued)

Cash and bank balances denominated in foreign currency other than the functional currencies of the Group's entities at balance sheet date are as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
United States Dollar	<u>3,442</u>	<u>865</u>	<u>2,494</u>	<u>534</u>

For the purpose of presenting the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise the following:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Cash at bank balances (as above)	80,289	25,308
Less: Bank deposits pledged	(405)	-
Cash and cash equivalents per consolidated statement of cash flows	<u>79,884</u>	<u>25,308</u>

Bank deposits were pledged in relation to the security granted for certain borrowings (Note 12).

5 Trade and other receivables

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Trade receivables – non-related parties	12,146	11,572	818	440
Less: Allowance for impairment of receivables – non-related parties	(201)	(458)	-	-
	<u>11,945</u>	<u>11,114</u>	<u>818</u>	<u>440</u>
Amount due from subsidiaries - non-trade	-	-	32,421	33,434
Deposits	127	150	52	47
Prepayments	155	199	19	17
Tax recoverable	1	12	-	-
Others	150	425	101	96
	<u>433</u>	<u>786</u>	<u>32,593</u>	<u>33,594</u>
	<u>12,378</u>	<u>11,900</u>	<u>33,411</u>	<u>34,034</u>

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5 Trade and other receivables (Continued)

Trade receivables are non-interest bearing and are generally on 30 to 120 days' terms. They are recognised at their original invoice amounts which represent their fair values on initial recognition.

The non-trade amounts due from subsidiaries are unsecured, interest-free and are repayable on demand.

Trade and other receivables denominated in foreign currency other than the functional currencies of the Group's entities at balance sheet date are as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Malaysian Ringgit	-	-	1,466	2,859
United States Dollar	1,076	758	805	440

6 Inventories

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Finished goods	5,351	4,810
Raw materials	2,791	2,468
Work-in-progress	5	2
Production supplies	650	845
Goods-in-transit	160	66
	<u>8,957</u>	<u>8,191</u>

The cost of inventories recognised as an expense and included in "cost of sales" amounts to \$26,524,000 (2011: \$30,257,000).

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7 Property, plant and equipment

	Freehold Land \$'000	Leasehold Land and Building \$'000	Plant and Machinery \$'000	Furniture, Fixtures and Office Equipment \$'000	Motor Vehicles \$'000	Total \$'000
Group						
2012						
Cost						
Beginning of financial year	4,659	21,997	66,922	1,607	1,367	96,552
Currency translation differences	(102)	(480)	(1,466)	(28)	(18)	(2,094)
Additions	-	-	742	798	983	2,523
Disposals	-	-	-	(1)	(378)	(379)
Written off	-	-	-	(33)	-	(33)
End of financial year	4,557	21,517	66,198	2,343	1,954	96,569
Accumulated depreciation						
Beginning of financial year	-	4,437	21,027	1,234	1,015	27,713
Currency translation differences	-	(100)	(491)	(24)	(17)	(632)
Charge for the year (Note 19)	-	431	2,133	161	157	2,882
Disposals	-	-	-	(1)	(179)	(180)
Written off	-	-	-	(33)	-	(33)
End of financial year	-	4,768	22,669	1,337	976	29,750
Net book value						
End of financial year	4,557	16,749	43,529	1,006	978	66,819

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7 Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

	Freehold Land \$'000	Leasehold Land and Building \$'000	Plant and Machinery \$'000	Furniture, Fixtures and Office Equipment \$'000	Motor Vehicles \$'000	Total \$'000
Group						
2011						
Cost						
Beginning of financial year	4,751	22,383	67,100	1,564	1,478	97,276
Currency translation differences	(92)	(429)	(1,287)	(26)	(23)	(1,857)
Additions	-	43	1,109	81	-	1,233
Disposals	-	-	-	(3)	(13)	(16)
Written off	-	-	-	(9)	(75)	(84)
End of financial year	4,659	21,997	66,922	1,607	1,367	96,552
Accumulated depreciation						
Beginning of financial year	-	4,084	19,254	1,106	1,019	25,463
Currency translation differences	-	(80)	(376)	(21)	(19)	(496)
Charge for the year (Note 19)	-	433	2,149	159	103	2,844
Disposals	-	-	-	(1)	(13)	(14)
Written off	-	-	-	(9)	(75)	(84)
End of financial year	-	4,437	21,027	1,234	1,015	27,713
Net book value						
End of financial year	4,659	17,560	45,895	373	352	68,839

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7 Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

Company

2012

Cost

Beginning of financial year

Additions

Disposals

End of financial year

Accumulated depreciation

Beginning of financial year

Charge for the year

Disposals

End of financial year

Net book value

End of financial year

Company

2011

Cost

Beginning of financial year

Additions

Disposals

End of financial year

Accumulated depreciation

Beginning of financial year

Charge for the year

Disposals

End of financial year

Net book value

End of financial year

	Furniture, Fixtures, and Office Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Beginning of financial year	200	290	490
Additions	5	430	435
Disposals	(2)	(290)	(292)
End of financial year	203	430	633
Beginning of financial year	84	82	166
Charge for the year	62	24	86
Disposals	(2)	(92)	(94)
End of financial year	144	14	158
End of financial year	59	416	475
Beginning of financial year	199	290	489
Additions	4	-	4
Disposals	(3)	-	(3)
End of financial year	200	290	490
Beginning of financial year	21	24	45
Charge for the year	64	58	122
Disposals	(1)	-	(1)
End of financial year	84	82	166
End of financial year	116	208	324

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8 Investment property

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Cost		
Beginning and end of financial year	10,545	10,545
Accumulated depreciation		
Beginning of financial year	2,265	2,054
Charge for the year (Note 19)	211	211
End of financial year	2,476	2,265
Net book value	<u>8,069</u>	<u>8,280</u>

The fair value of the investment property as at 31 December 2012 is \$31,000,000 (2011: \$31,000,000) as estimated by management. The property was last valued in February 2012 by DTZ Debenham Tie Leung (SEA) Pte Ltd ("DTZ"), an independent valuer with a recognised and relevant professional qualification and with recent experience in the location and category of the property being valued. The valuation was performed based on comparable market transactions that consider the sales of similar properties in the open market.

Investment property is leased to non-related party under operating leases (Note 25).

The following amounts are recognised in profit or loss:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Rental income (Note 17)	1,273	1,252
Direct operating expenses (including repairs and maintenance arising from rental generating property)	<u>(211)</u>	<u>(211)</u>

9 Investments in subsidiaries

	Company	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
<i>Equity investments at cost</i>		
Beginning and end of financial year	<u>15,422</u>	<u>15,422</u>

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9 Investments in subsidiaries (Continued)

Details of subsidiaries are as follow:

Name of companies	Country of business/ Incorporation	Principal activities	Equity holding	
			2012 %	2011 %
<i>Held by the Company</i>				
⁽¹⁾ UPP Industries Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	Investment holding, rental and management of property	100.0	100.0
⁽³⁾ UPP Greentech Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	Dormant	100.0	100.0
⁽¹⁾ UPP Investment (Asia) Pte Ltd	Singapore	Investment holding	100.0	100.0
<i>Held through subsidiaries</i>				
⁽²⁾ UPP Capital (M) Sdn. Bhd. (Previously known as UPP Greentech (M) Sdn. Bhd.)	Malaysia	Investment holding	100.0	100.0
⁽²⁾ UPP Pulp & Paper (M) Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia	Manufacture and sale of paper products and trading in recycled fibre	86.1	86.1
⁽²⁾ UPP Recycled Fibre (M) Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia	Dormant	86.1	86.1
⁽⁴⁾ Berlian Bestari Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	Dormant	-	86.0

⁽¹⁾ Audited by Nexia TS Public Accounting Corporation, Singapore, a member firm of Nexia International.

⁽²⁾ Audited by SSY Partners Chartered Accountants, Malaysia, a member firm of Nexia International.

⁽³⁾ Not required to be audited under the laws of the country of incorporation.

⁽⁴⁾ Struck off during the year.

10 Available-for-sale financial assets

	Group		Company	
	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Quoted securities – SGD corporate bonds				
Non-current	3,613	6,737	3,613	6,737
Current	3,016	-	3,016	-
	<u>6,629</u>	<u>6,737</u>	<u>6,629</u>	<u>6,737</u>

The Group's and Company's investments in SGD corporate bonds bear interest rates ranging from 3.13% to 3.56% (2011: 3.13% to 3.56%) per annum and are due between April 2013 and June 2014.

During the year, fair value losses recognised in other comprehensive income is \$108,000 (2011: \$28,000).

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11 Trade and other payables

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Trade payables – non-related parties	3,376	2,992	-	-
Accrued operating expenses	1,310	1,490	205	126
Deferred rental income	146	151	-	-
Other payables	271	197	80	86
	<u>5,103</u>	<u>4,830</u>	<u>285</u>	<u>212</u>

Trade payables are non-interest bearing and are normally settled on 30 to 90 days terms.

Trade and other payables denominated in foreign currency other than the functional currencies of the Group's entities at balance sheet date are as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
United States Dollar	<u>1,146</u>	<u>254</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>-</u>

12 Borrowings

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
<i>Current</i>		
Bankers' acceptance	<u>4,575</u>	<u>4,575</u>

The exposure of the borrowings of the Group to interest rate changes and the contractual repricing dates at the balance sheet date are as follows:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
6 months or less	<u>4,575</u>	<u>4,575</u>

Security granted

Bankers' acceptance amounting to \$4,575,000 (2011: \$4,575,000), which bear interest ranging from 4.23% to 5.27% (2011: 4.56% to 5.03%) per annum are secured by bank deposits of \$405,000 (2011: Nil) (Note 4) and a corporate guarantee of the Company.

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13 Deferred income taxes

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current income tax assets against current income tax liabilities and when the deferred income taxes relate to the same fiscal authority. The amounts, determined after appropriate offsetting and their movement during the financial year, are shown on the balance sheets as follows:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Deferred income tax liabilities		
- To be recovered after one year	636	650

Movement in deferred income tax account is as follows:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Beginning of financial year	650	620
Tax charged to profit or loss (Note 22)	(14)	30
End of financial year	636	650

Movement in deferred income tax assets and liabilities (prior to offsetting of balances within the same tax jurisdiction) is as follow:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
<i>Deferred income tax liabilities</i>		
<i>Accelerated tax depreciation</i>		
Beginning of financial year	12,348	12,825
Currency translation differences	(264)	(233)
Charged/(credited) to profit or loss	418	(244)
End of financial year	12,502	12,348

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13 Deferred income taxes (Continued)

Deferred income tax assets

Group	Unabsorbed capital allowances	Unutilised investment and reinvestment allowances	Provisions and others	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
2012				
Beginning of financial year	(8,014)	(3,605)	(79)	(11,698)
Currency translation differences	163	100	1	264
Charged/(credited) to profit or loss	1,471	(1,928)	25	(432)
End of financial year	<u>(6,380)</u>	<u>(5,433)</u>	<u>(53)</u>	<u>(11,866)</u>
2011				
Beginning of financial year	(8,791)	(3,380)	(34)	(12,205)
Currency translation differences	167	65	1	233
Charged/(credited) to profit or loss	610	(290)	(46)	274
End of financial year	<u>(8,014)</u>	<u>(3,605)</u>	<u>(79)</u>	<u>(11,698)</u>

Deferred income tax assets are recognised for capital allowances and investment and reinvestment allowances carried forward to the extent that realisation of the related tax benefits through future taxable profits is probable. The Group has unrecognised tax losses, capital allowances and investment and reinvestment allowances of approximately \$2,892,000 (2011: \$2,897,000), \$4,722,000 (2011: \$4,829,000) and \$25,606,000 (2011: \$33,983,000) respectively at the balance sheet date which can be carried forward and used to offset against future taxable income subject to meeting certain statutory requirements by those companies with unrecognised tax losses, capital allowances and investment and reinvestment allowances in their respective countries of incorporation. The tax losses, capital allowances and investment and reinvestment allowances have no expiry date.

14 Share capital

	Group and Company			
	No of shares 2012	Amount 2012	No of shares 2011	Amount 2011
	'000	\$'000	'000	\$'000
Beginning of financial year	582,489	82,834	582,484	82,833
Share placement	109,931	41,224	-	-
Share issuance expense	-	(890)	-	-
Warrants conversion	103,573	13,343	5	1
End of financial year	<u>795,993</u>	<u>136,511</u>	<u>582,489</u>	<u>82,834</u>

All issued ordinary shares are fully paid. There is no par value for these ordinary shares.

Fully paid ordinary shares carry one vote per share and carry a right to dividend as and when declared by the Company.

On 16 May 2012, the Company issued 109,931,000 ordinary shares for a total consideration of \$41,224,000 for cash by way of private placement to provide funds for working capital and for investment (if opportunities arise). The newly issued shares rank *pari passu* in all respects with the previously issued shares.

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14 Share capital (Continued)

Warrants

On 6 January 2010, the Company announced a renounceable rights issue of shares with warrants at the issue price of \$0.10 for each rights share with warrant, each warrant carrying the right to subscribe for 1 new ordinary share at an exercise price of \$0.10, on the basis of 1 rights share with 1 warrant for every 1 existing ordinary share.

On 4 March 2010, the Company allotted and issued 238,557,000 rights shares and 238,557,000 warrants for valid acceptances received. The warrants are exercisable within three years from the date of issue of warrants and were expired on 1 March 2013. As at balance sheet date, the outstanding warrants were 41,106,669 (2011: 133,196,319).

Pursuant the Company's rights issue exercise on 4 June 2007, 58,709,475 warrants convertible into one ordinary share each were issued. These warrants are exercisable within 5 years from the date of issue of the warrants and were expired on 29 May 2012. Outstanding warrants of 58,709,475 which were issued by the Company on 4 June 2007 (the "**2007 warrants**") were adjusted to 65,231,718 and the exercise price was adjusted from \$0.40 to \$0.36 as a result of the Company's rights issue exercise on 4 March 2010. As at balance sheet date, Nil (2011: 65,230,052) warrants were outstanding.

During the financial year, the Company issued 103,573,000 ordinary shares for a total consideration of \$13,343,000 for cash by warrants conversion. The newly issued shares rank pari passu in all respects with the previously issued shares.

Share options

The UPP Employee Share Option Scheme (the "**Option Scheme**") for any director (including a Non-Executive Director) or confirmed employee of the Group selected by the Committee (the "**Participant**") was approved by members of the Company at an Extraordinary General Meeting on 21 April 2011.

The purpose of the Option Scheme is to provide an opportunity for employees of the Group who have contributed significantly to the growth and performance of the Group, as well as directors, to participate in the equity of the Company so as to motivate them to greater dedication, loyalty and higher standards of performance, and to give recognition to past contributions and services. Additionally, the Option Scheme will help the Group to attract and retain the services of appropriate, qualified and experienced employees who would be able to contribute to the Group's business and operations.

Under the Option Scheme, subject to the absolute discretion of the Committee, options to subscribe for the ordinary shares of the Company are granted to Participants who have attained the age of 21 years on or prior to the relevant Date of Grant, are not undischarged bankrupts, have not entered into a composition with their respective creditors, and, where applicable, who have, as of the Date of Grant, been in the employment of the Group for a period of at least 12 months, or such shorter period as the Committee may determine, and Non-Executive Directors who, in the opinion of the Committee, have contributed or will contribute to the success of the Group. The exercise price of the options is determined at the Market Price as quoted on the Singapore Exchange, or at a price which is set at a discount to the Market Price, the quantum of such discount to be determined by the Committee in its absolute discretion, provided that the maximum discount which may be given in respect of any Option shall not exceed 20% of the Market Price. Once the options are granted, they are exercisable within five years from the Date of Grant of the options. The options may be exercised in full or in part in respect of 1,000 shares or a multiple thereof, on the payment of the exercise price. The Group has no legal or constructive obligation to repurchase or settle the options in cash.

The aggregate number of shares over which options may be granted on any date, when added to the number of shares issued and issuable in respect of all options granted under the Option Scheme, shall not exceed 15% of the issued share capital of the Company on the day preceding that date.

There were no options granted during the financial year to subscribe for unissued shares of the Company.

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15 Other reserves

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Capital reserve	712	712	74	74
Currency translation reserve	(7,778)	(6,255)	-	-
Fair value reserve	(271)	(163)	(271)	(163)
	<u>(7,337)</u>	<u>(5,706)</u>	<u>(197)</u>	<u>(89)</u>

Other reserves are non-distributable. Included in capital reserve of the Group is an amount of \$638,000 (2011: \$638,000) which relates to contribution by a non-controlling interest in excess of its shareholding.

The movement of other reserve is as disclosed in the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity.

16 Dividends

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
<i>Ordinary dividends paid</i>		
Final dividend paid in respect of the previous financial year of 0.10 cents (2011: 0.10 cents) per share	<u>615</u>	<u>583</u>

At the coming Annual General Meeting on 19 April 2013, a final dividend of 0.15 cents per share amounting to a total of \$1,255,000 will be recommended. These financial statements do not reflect this dividend, which will be accounted for in shareholders' equity as an appropriation of retained profits in the financial year ending 31 December 2013.

17 Revenue

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Sale of goods	48,723	49,873
Rental income from investment property (Note 8)	<u>1,273</u>	<u>1,252</u>
	<u>49,996</u>	<u>51,125</u>

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18 Other income/(losses), net

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	42	2
Write-back allowance/(Allowance) for impairment of trade receivables, net (Note 27(i))	41	(5)
Interest income		
- Bank deposits	291	171
- Available-for-sale financial assets	210	210
Loss on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets	-	(416)
Currency translation loss - net	(189)	(268)
Others	69	57
	<u>464</u>	<u>(249)</u>

19 Expenses by nature

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Fees on audit services paid/payable to:		
- Auditor of the Company	45	45
- Other auditor*	12	12
Fees on non-audit services paid/payable to:		
- Auditor of the Company	10	9
- Other auditor*	4	5
Purchase of inventories	27,290	31,898
Manufacturing overhead	2,811	3,042
Transportation expenses	1,842	1,729
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (Note 7)	2,882	2,844
Depreciation of investment property (Note 8)	211	211
Employee compensation (Note 20)	4,153	3,625
Rental expenses on operating leases	183	169
Business development expenses	337	282
Directors' fees	161	160
General and professional fees	132	179
Utilities	7,560	7,510
Others	974	849
Changes in inventories	(766)	(1,641)
Total cost of sales, selling and distribution and administrative expenses	<u>47,841</u>	<u>50,928</u>

* Include auditor of subsidiaries which is the network of member firms of Nexia International.

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20 Employee compensation

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Salaries and wages	3,707	3,202
Employer's contribution to defined contribution plans including Central Provident Fund ("CPF")	227	183
Other short-term benefits	219	240
	<u>4,153</u>	<u>3,625</u>

21 Finance expenses

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Interest expense:		
- Bank borrowings	-	216
- Bankers' acceptance	187	124
- Others	9	6
Finance expenses recognised in profit or loss	<u>196</u>	<u>346</u>

22 Income tax expenses

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Tax expense attributable to results are made up of:		
Profit/(loss) from current financial year		
- Current income tax	4	2
- (Over)/under provision in prior year	(84)	15
	<u>(80)</u>	<u>17</u>
Deferred income tax (Note 13)	(14)	30
	<u>(94)</u>	<u>47</u>

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22 Income tax expenses (Continued)

The reconciliation between the income tax expense and the product of accounting multiplied by the applicable corporate tax for the year ended 31 December are as follows:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Profit/(loss) before income tax	2,423	(398)
Tax at domestic rates applicable to profit/(loss) in the countries where the Group operates	666	47
Effects of:		
- Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	314	325
- Income not subject to tax	(28)	(37)
- (Over)/under provision of tax in previous years	(84)	15
- Utilisation of previously unrecognised deferred tax assets	(973)	(344)
- Deferred tax assets not recognised	11	41
	(94)	47

The above reconciliation is prepared by aggregating separate reconciliations for each national jurisdiction.

23 Earnings/(loss) per share

(a) Basic earnings/(loss) per share

Basic earnings/(loss) per share is calculated by dividing the net profit/(loss) attributable to equity holders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year.

	Group	
	2012	2011
Net profit/(loss) attributable to equity holders of the Company (\$'000)	1,994	(612)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding for basic earnings/(loss) per share ('000)	694,670	582,489
Basic earnings/(loss) per share (cents per share)	0.30	(0.11)

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23 Earnings/(loss) per share (Continued)

(b) Diluted earnings/(loss) per share

For purpose of calculating diluted earnings/(loss) per share, profit/(loss) attributable to equity holders of the Company and the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding are adjusted for the effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares. The Company has warrants as a category of dilutive potential ordinary shares.

For warrants, the weighted average number of shares on issue has been adjusted as if all dilutive warrants were exercised. The number of shares that could have been issued upon the exercise of all dilutive warrants less the number of shares that could have been issued at fair value (determined as the Company's average share price for the financial year) for the same total proceeds is added to the denominator as the number of shares issued for no consideration. No adjustment is made to the net profit/(loss).

Diluted earnings/(loss) per share attributable to equity holders of the Company is calculated as follows:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Net profit/(loss) attributable to equity holders of the Company (\$'000)	1,994	(612)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding for basic earnings/(loss) per share ('000)	694,670	582,489
Adjustments for warrants ('000)	27,407	-*
	722,077	582,489
Diluted earnings/(loss) per share (cents per share)	0.27	(0.11)

* The Group's dilutive potential ordinary shares are the warrants. However, there is no impact on the Group's loss per share as the exercise of the warrants will result in anti-dilution of loss per share.

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24 Related party transactions

- (a) No transaction took place between the Group and related parties other than those disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements. Outstanding balances at 31 December 2012 are unsecured and receivables within 12 months from the balance sheet date and are disclosed in Note 5.

- (b) Key management personnel compensation

Key management personnel compensation is as follows:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Salaries and wages	1,465	1,384
Employer's contribution to defined contribution plans including Central Provident Fund ("CPF")	40	42
Other short-term benefits	14	17
	<u>1,519</u>	<u>1,443</u>
Comprise amounts paid to:		
Directors of the Company	1,159	1,165
Other key management personnel	360	278
	<u>1,519</u>	<u>1,443</u>

Details on directors' remuneration are disclosed in the Report on Corporate Governance.

25 Operating lease commitments

(i) Operating lease commitments – where the Group is a lessee

The Group has entered into commercial leases for the use of properties as lessee. These leases have an average tenure of 60 to 99 years with no renewal option and contingent rent provision included in the contracts. There are no restrictions placed upon the Group by entering into these leases. The Group has sub-leased one of the properties to a third party.

The future minimum lease payables under non-cancellable operating leases contracted for at the balance sheet date but not recognised as liabilities, are as follows:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Not later than one year*	270	259
Between one and five years*	1,520	1,462
Later than five years	5,132	5,460
	<u>6,922</u>	<u>7,181</u>

* The lease payments amounting to \$425,000 (2011: \$685,000) shall be indemnified by the sub-tenant up to 21 July 2014 upon the exercise of a renewal option.

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25 Operating lease commitments (Continued)

(ii) Operating lease commitments – where the Group is a lessor

The Group has entered into commercial property lease on its investment property. This non-cancellable lease has remaining lease terms of 2 years (2011: 3 years).

The future minimum rentals receivables under non-cancellable operating lease contracted for at the balance sheet date but not recognised as receivables, are as follows:

	Group	
	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Not later than one year	1,290	1,273
Later than one year but not later than five years	726	2,016
	<u>2,016</u>	<u>3,289</u>

26 Contingent liabilities

(i) Contingent liabilities

Corporate guarantees given to bankers in respect of facilities granted to:

	Group		Company	
	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Subsidiaries	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,575</u>	<u>4,575</u>

The Company has evaluated the fair value of the corporate guarantees and is of the opinion that the consequential benefits derived from its guarantees to banks with regards to the subsidiary is minimal. The subsidiary for which the guarantees were provided is in favourable equity positions and is profitable with no default in the payment of credit facilities.

(ii) Financial support

The Company has provided letters of financial support for certain of its subsidiaries to enable these subsidiaries to operate as going concern and to meet their liabilities as and when they fall due.

27 Financial risk management

The Group and the Company are exposed to financial risks arising from its operations and the use of financial instruments. The key financial risks include credit risk, liquidity risk, interest rate risk, foreign currency risk and capital risk. It is, and has been throughout the current and previous financial year the Group's and the Company's policy that no derivatives shall be undertaken except for the use as hedging instruments where appropriate and cost-efficient. The Group and the Company do not apply hedge accounting.

The following sections provide details regarding the Group's and the Company's exposure to the above-mentioned financial risks and the objectives, policies and processes for the management of these risks.

There has been no change to the Group's and the Company's exposure to these financial risks or the manner in which it manages and measures the risks.

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27 Financial risk management (Continued)

(i) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of loss that may arise on outstanding financial instruments should a counterparty default on its contractual obligations. The major classes of financial assets of the Group and of the Company are bank deposits and trade receivables.

The Group's objective is to seek continual revenue growth while minimising losses incurred due to increased credit risk exposure. The Group trades only with recognised and creditworthy third parties. It is the Group's policy that all customers who wish to trade on credit terms are subject to credit verification procedures. In addition, receivable balances are monitored on an on-going basis with the result that the Group's and the Company's exposure to bad debts is not significant.

For other financial assets (including cash and deposits), the Group and the Company minimise credit risk by dealing exclusively with high credit rating financial institutions.

As the Group and the Company do not hold collateral, the maximum exposure to credit risk for each class of financial instruments is the carrying amount of that class of financial instruments presented on the balance sheet, except as follows:

	Company	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Corporate guarantees provided to banks on subsidiaries' bank facilities	<u>4,575</u>	<u>4,575</u>

The trade receivables of the Group comprise 5 debtors (2011: 3 debtors) that individually represented 5 to 10% (2011: 5 to 12%) of trade receivables.

The credit risk for trade receivables based on the information provided to key management is as follows:

	Group			
	2012		2011	
	\$'000	% of total	\$'000	% of total
By geographical areas				
Singapore	818	7	440	4
Malaysia	11,127	93	10,674	96
	<u>11,945</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>11,114</u>	<u>100</u>

Financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired

Trade receivables that are neither past due nor impaired are substantially companies with a good collection track record with the Group. Bank deposits that are neither past due nor impaired are placed with or entered into with reputable financial institutions with high credit ratings and no history of default.

Financial assets that are past due and/or impaired

There is no other class of financial assets that is past due and/or impaired except for trade receivables.

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27 Financial risk management (Continued)

(i) Credit risk (Continued)

Financial assets that are past due and/or impaired (Continued)

The age analysis of trade receivables past due but not impaired is as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Past due < 1 month	2,670	2,459	398	193
Past due 1 to 3 months	1,767	1,685	4	-
Past due over 3 months	559	1,004	-	-
	<u>4,996</u>	<u>5,148</u>	<u>402</u>	<u>193</u>

The carrying amount of trade receivables individually determined to be impaired and the movement in the related allowance for impairment are as follow:

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Gross amount	201	458
Less: Allowance for impairment	<u>(201)</u>	<u>(458)</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Beginning of financial year	458	458
Currency translation differences	(5)	(5)
Allowance made (Note 18)	-	5
Allowance written off	(211)	-
Allowance written back (Note 18)	<u>(41)</u>	<u>-</u>
End of financial year	<u>201</u>	<u>458</u>

Trade receivables that are individually determined to be impaired at the balance sheet date relate to debtors that are in significant financial difficulties and have defaulted on payments. These receivables are not secured by any collateral or credit enhancements.

(ii) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group or the Company will encounter difficulty in meeting financial obligations due to shortage of funds. The Group's and the Company's exposure to liquidity risk arises primarily from mismatches of the maturities of financial assets and liabilities.

The Group manages its liquidity risk by maintaining sufficient cash and marketable securities and the availability of funding through an adequate amount of committed credit facilities from banks. At the balance sheet date, assets held by the Group and the Company for managing liquidity risk included cash and short-term deposits as disclosed in Note 4.

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27 Financial risk management (Continued)

(ii) Liquidity risk (Continued)

Short-term funding is obtained mainly from trade financing and short-term borrowing from banks. The Group monitors working capital projections regularly, taking into account the available banking and other borrowing facilities to ensure that the Group has adequate working capital to meet current requirements.

The table below analyses non-derivative financial liabilities of the Group and the Company into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period from the balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows. Balances due within 12 months equal their carrying amounts as the impact of discounting is not significant.

	Trade and other payables \$'000	Borrowings \$'000	Financial guarantee contracts \$'000
Group			
2012			
Less than one year	5,103	4,575	-
2011			
Less than one year	4,830	4,575	-
Company			
2012			
Less than one year	285	-	4,575
2011			
Less than one year	212	-	4,575

(iii) Cash flow and fair value interest rate risk

Cash flow interest rate risk is the risk that the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. Fair value interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. The Group's exposure to cash flow interest rate risk arises mainly from their borrowings and bank deposits at variable rates.

At the balance sheet date, if market interest rates had been 100 basis points higher/lower with all other variables held constant, the Group's profit/(loss) for the year would have been \$13,000 (2011: \$13,000) lower/higher, arising mainly as a result of higher/lower interest expenses on borrowings net of interest income on bank balances.

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27 Financial risk management (Continued)

(iv) Foreign currency risk

The Group has transactional currency exposures arising from sales or purchase that denominated in currencies other than the respective functional currencies of Group entities, primarily SGD and Malaysian Ringgit (MYR). The foreign currency in which these transactions are denominated is mainly United States Dollar (USD). To minimise exposure on foreign currency risk, the Group usually settles such transactions within the given credit period.

The Group's and the Company's currency exposure based on the information provided to key management is as disclosed in Note 4, Note 5 and Note 11 to the financial statements.

If the USD change against the SGD and MYR respectively by 5% (2011: 5%) with all other variables including tax rate being held constant, the effects arising from the net financial liability/asset position will be as follows:

	Increase/(Decrease)	
	Profit before tax	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Group and Company		
USD against SGD		
- Strengthened	166	49
- Weakened	(166)	(49)
Group		
USD against MYR		
- Strengthened	5	20
- Weakened	(5)	(20)

(v) Capital risk

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and to maintain an optimal capital structure so as to maximise shareholder value. In order to maintain or achieve an optimal capital structure, the Group may adjust the amount of dividend payment, return capital to shareholders, issue new shares, obtain new borrowings or sell assets to reduce borrowings.

Management monitors capital based on a debt-equity ratio. The debt-equity ratio is calculated as total liabilities divided by net assets.

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Total liabilities	10,314	10,134	285	212
Net assets	172,827	119,121	133,089	78,820
Debt-equity ratio (times)	0.060	0.085	0.002	0.003

The Group and the Company do not have any externally imposed capital requirements for the financial year ended 31 December 2012 and 2011.

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27 Financial risk management (Continued)

(vi) Fair value measurements

The fair value of a financial instrument is the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged or settled between knowledgeable and willing parties in an arm's length transaction, other than in a forced or liquidation sale.

The following table presents assets and liabilities measured at fair value and classified by level of the following fair value measurement hierarchy:

- (a) quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1);
- (b) inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices) (Level 2); and
- (c) inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs) (Level 3).

Group and Company	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
2012				
Financial assets				
Available-for-sale				
- SGD corporate bonds	6,629	-	-	6,629
2011				
Financial assets				
Available-for-sale				
- SGD corporate bonds	6,737	-	-	6,737

The carrying amount less impairment allowance of trade receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their fair values. The fair value of current borrowings approximates their carrying amount.

(vii) Financial instruments by category

The carrying amount of the different categories of financial instruments is as disclosed on the face of the balance sheet and in Note 10 to the financial statements, except for the following:

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Loans and receivables	92,511	36,997	110,829	56,532
Financial liabilities at amortised cost	9,678	9,405	285	212

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28 Segment information

For management purposes, the Group is organised into business units based on their products and services, and has two reportable operating segments.

- (1) The paper mill and recycled fibre divisions manufactures and sells industrial grade paper products, collect and trades in waste paper products and recycled fibre.
- (2) Others which included investment/corporate segment focus on identifying new investment opportunities locally and overseas that has the potential to increase revenue streams and produce good returns on investments.

Except as indicated above, no operating segments have been aggregated to form the above reportable operating segments.

Group's management monitors the operating results of its business units separately for the purpose of making decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment. Segment performance is evaluated based on operating profit or loss. Group income taxes are managed on a group basis and are not allocated to operating segments.

Transfer prices between operating segments are on an arm's length basis.

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28 Segment information (Continued)

	Paper Mill and Recycled Fibre*		Others		Total		Adjustments and Elimination		Per consolidated Financial Statements	
	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Revenue:										
External customers	48,723	49,861	1,273	1,264	49,996	51,125	-	-	49,996	51,125
Inter-segment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total revenue	48,723	49,861	1,273	1,264	49,996	51,125	-	-	49,996	51,125
Results:										
Finance costs	(196)	(346)	-	-	(196)	(346)	-	-	(196)	(346)
Interest income	-	2	501	379	501	381	-	-	501	381
Depreciation	(2,795)	(2,722)	(298)	(333)	(3,093)	(3,055)	-	-	(3,093)	(3,055)
Segment profit/(loss) before taxation	3,767	1,366	(1,344)	(1,764)	2,423	(398)	-	-	2,423	(398)
Assets:										
Additions to non-current assets	2,088	1,229	435	4	2,523	1,233	-	-	2,523	1,233
Segment assets	89,384	90,498	93,757	38,757	183,141	129,255	-	-	183,141	129,255
Liabilities:										
Segment liabilities	8,970	8,752	708	653	9,678	9,405	636	729	10,314	10,134

* The Group merged the Recycled Fibre operations into the Paper Mill Division in January 2011.

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28 Segment information (Continued)

Note A: Inter-segment revenues are eliminated on consolidation.

Note B: Additions to non-current assets consist of additions to property, plant and equipment.

Note C: The following items are added to segment liabilities to arrive at total liabilities reported in the consolidated balance sheet.

	Group	
	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000
Deferred income tax liabilities	636	650
Current income tax liabilities	-	79
	<u>636</u>	<u>729</u>

Geographical information

Revenue and non-current assets information based on the geographical location of customers and assets respectively are as follows:

	Revenue		Non-current assets	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Singapore	5,307	3,731	8,544	8,604
ASEAN	41,327	43,862	66,344	68,515
Rest of Asia	2,036	2,044	-	-
Others	1,326	1,488	-	-
	<u>49,996</u>	<u>51,125</u>	<u>74,888</u>	<u>77,119</u>

There are no customers contributing more than 10% to the revenue of the Group.

Non-current assets information presented above consist of property, plant and equipment and investment property as presented in the consolidated balance sheet.

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29 New or revised accounting standards and interpretations

Below are the mandatory standards, amendments and interpretations to existing standards that have been published, and are relevant for the Company's accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013 or later periods and which the Company has not early adopted:

- Amendments to FRS 1 – Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2012)
- FRS 19 (Revised) – Employee Benefits (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013)
- FRS 27 (Revised) – Separate Financial Statements (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014)
- FRS 28 (Revised) – Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014)
- Amendments to FRS 32 – Financial Instruments: Offsetting of Financial Liabilities and Assets (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014)
- FRS 110 (New) – Consolidated Financial Statements (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014)
- FRS 111 (New) – Joint Arrangements (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014)
- FRS 112 (New) – Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014)
- FRS 113 (New) – Fair Value Measurements (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013)

The management anticipates that the adoption of the above FRSs, INT FRSs and amendments to FRS in the future periods will not have a material impact on the financial statements of the Company in the period of their initial adoption.

ADDITIONAL SGX DISCLOSURES IN THE ANNUAL REPORT

Material Contracts

Since the end of the financial year ended 31 December 2012, the Company and its subsidiary companies did not enter into any material contracts involving interests of the Chief Executive Officer, Directors or controlling shareholders and no such material contract still subsist at the end of the financial year, save for Interested Person Transactions disclosed on page 17 of this Annual Report.

List of Major Properties

The following properties are owned/leased by the Group:

Location	Description	Land area (sq. m)	Tenure
UPP Industries Pte. Ltd. 35 Tuas View Crescent Singapore 637608	Office and factory	15,999	30 years commencing from 1 December 1999 (with an option to extend for an additional 30 years)
UPP Pulp & Paper (M) Sdn. Bhd. Lots 225-227 & Lots 240-242 Jalan Kuala Selangor, 45620 Ijok Batang Berjuntai, Selangor Malaysia	Office and factory	121,657	Freehold
Lot 538, Mukim of Ijok Kuala Selangor, Selangor Malaysia	Land	6,891	99 years commencing from 17 May 1984
Lot 2772, Mukim of Ijok Kuala Selangor, Selangor Malaysia	Land	3,518	99 years commencing from 13 May 1992
3, Persiaran Sungai Chua Pusat Perindustrian Sungai Chua 43000 Kajang, Selangor Malaysia	Office and factory	5,567	99 years commencing from 23 November 2007

SHAREHOLDING STATISTICS

As at 18 March 2013

ISSUED AND FULLY PAID UP CAPITAL	:	S\$141,928,289
NO. OF SHARES ISSUED	:	836,667,121
CLASS OF SHARES	:	ORDINARY SHARES
VOTING RIGHTS	:	1 VOTE PER SHARE

Size of Shareholdings	Number of Shareholders	%	Number of Shares	%
1 - 999	151	3.28	10,228	0.00
1,000 - 10,000	2,001	43.48	10,317,541	1.23
10,001 - 1,000,000	2,413	52.43	164,153,307	19.62
1,000,001 and above	37	0.81	662,186,045	79.15
Total	4,602	100.00	836,667,121	100.00

TOP 20 SHAREHOLDERS

S/No.	Name	Number of Shares Held	%
1	UOB KAY HIAN PTE LTD	230,441,000	27.54
2	LIM ENG HOCK	183,246,925	21.90
3	CITIBANK NOMINEES SINGAPORE PTE LTD	78,793,440	9.42
4	OCBC SECURITEIS PRIVATE LTD	23,203,977	2.77
5	HSBC (SINGAPORE) NOMINEES PTE LTD	19,033,000	2.27
6	DBS NOMINEES PTE LTD	15,760,047	1.88
7	UNITED OVERSEAS BANK NOMINEES PTE LTD	15,308,699	1.83
8	CHEW CHOO POH	9,000,000	1.08
9	BANK OF SINGAPORE NOMINEES PTE LTD	8,392,000	1.00
10	PHILLIP SECURITIES PTE LTD	7,905,476	0.94
11	DB NOMINEES (S) PTE LTD	7,304,000	0.87
12	MAYBANK KIM ENG SECURITIES PTE LTD	6,058,454	0.72
13	CIMB SECURITIES (S'PORE) PTE LTD	5,961,000	0.71
14	KHOO POH KOON	5,632,001	0.67
15	OCBC NOMINEES SINGAPORE PTE LTD	4,672,927	0.56
16	DMG & PARTNERS SECURITIES PTE LTD	3,613,000	0.43
17	BNP PARIBAS SECURITIES SERVICES	3,055,000	0.37
18	LIM & TAN SECURITIES PTE LTD	2,982,000	0.36
19	RAFFLES NOMINEES (PTE) LTD	2,724,100	0.33
20	WONG SUEI HORNG	2,600,000	0.31
Total		635,687,046	75.96

Source: The Central Depository (Pte) Limited

Substantial Shareholders	Number of Shares Direct Interest	Number of Shares Deemed Interest
Lim Eng Hock	183,246,925	-
Tong Kooi Ong	213,561,000 ⁽¹⁾	-

Note:

⁽¹⁾ Shares held in the name of the registered holder, UOB Kay Hian Pte Ltd.

Approximately 51.85% of the issued Ordinary Shares are held in the hands of the public. Rule 723 of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited has accordingly been complied with.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 46th Annual General Meeting of **UPP HOLDINGS LIMITED** (the “**Company**”) will be held on Friday, 19 April 2013 at 2.00 p.m. at Buona Vista Room, No. 87, Science Park Drive, Science Hub, Singapore 118260 for the following purposes:

AS ORDINARY BUSINESS

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions, with or without any modifications:

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2012 together with the Auditors' Report thereon. **(Resolution 1)**
2. To approve a final dividend of 0.15 cents tax exempt (one tier) dividend per share for the financial year ended 31 December 2012. **(Resolution 2)**
3. To approve the payment of Directors' fees of up to S\$190,000 payable by the Company for the year ending 31 December 2013. **(Resolution 3)**
4. To re-elect Mr. Gary Ho Kuat Foong, retiring pursuant to Article 110 of the Articles of Association of the Company. **(Resolution 4)**
5. To record the retirement of Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee under Article 110 of the Articles of Association of the Company and who has decided not to seek re-election. *(See Explanatory Note (i))*
6. To re-appoint Messrs Nexia TS Public Accounting Corporation as Auditors of the Company and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration. **(Resolution 5)**
7. To transact any other ordinary business which may be transacted at an Annual General Meeting.

AS SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions, with or without any modifications:

8. That pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 (the “**CA**”) and the rules, guidelines and measures issued by the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the “**SGX-ST**”), the Directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised and empowered to issue:
 - (i) shares in the capital of the Company (“**shares**”); or
 - (ii) convertible securities; or
 - (iii) additional convertible securities issued pursuant to adjustments; or
 - (iv) shares arising from the conversion of the securities in (ii) and (iii) above,

(whether by way of rights, bonus or otherwise in pursuance of any offer, agreement or option made or granted by the Directors during the continuance of this authority or thereafter) at any time and upon such terms and conditions and for such purposes and to such persons as the Directors may in their absolute discretion deem fit (notwithstanding the authority conferred by this Resolution may have ceased to be in force),

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provided that:

- 1) the aggregate number of shares to be issued pursuant to this Resolution (including shares to be issued in pursuance of convertible securities made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) does not exceed fifty per cent. (50%) of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below ("**Issued Shares**"), provided that the aggregate number of shares to be issued other than on a pro rata basis to shareholders of the Company (including shares to be issued in pursuance of convertible securities made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) does not exceed twenty per cent. (20%) of the total number of Issued Shares;
- 2) (subject to such manner of calculation as may be prescribed by the SGX-ST) for the purpose of determining the aggregate number of shares that may be issued under sub-paragraph (1) above, the percentage of Issued Shares shall be based on the total number of Issued Shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company at the time this Resolution is passed, after adjusting for:
 - (i) new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities;
 - (ii) (where applicable) new shares arising from exercising share options or vesting of share awards outstanding or subsisting at the time of the passing of this Resolution, provided the options or awards were granted in compliance with the Listing Manual; and
 - (iii) any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of shares;
- 3) in exercising the authority conferred by this Resolution, the Company shall comply with the rules, guidelines and measures issued by the SGX-ST for the time being in force (unless such compliance has been waived by the SGX-ST) and the Articles of Association of the Company; and

(unless revoked or varied by the Company in General Meeting), the authority conferred by this Resolution shall continue in force until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company ("**AGM**") or the date by which the next AGM of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is earlier.

(See Explanatory Note (iii))

(Resolution 6)

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Tong Kooi Ong

Chairman and CEO

4 April 2013

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Notes

- (i) A member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the above Meeting may appoint not more than two (2) proxies to attend and vote in his stead.
- (ii) Where a member appoints two (2) proxies, he shall specify the proportion of his shareholdings to be represented by each proxy. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- (iii) The instrument appointing a proxy must be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting.
- (iv) If the member is a corporation, the instrument appointing the proxy must be under common seal or the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised.

Explanatory Notes

- (i) Retirement of Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee

The Board would like to express its appreciation to Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee for his invaluable contributions to the Board and Company. With his retirement, Mr. Adrian Chan Pengee will also step down as Chairman of the Remuneration Committee and Nominating Committee and as a member of the Audit Committee.

- (ii) Ordinary Resolution 6

The Ordinary Resolution 6 proposed above, if passed, will empower the Directors of the Company, from the date of the above Meeting until the next Annual General Meeting, to issue shares in the capital of the Company and to make or grant convertible securities, and to issue shares in pursuance of such convertible securities, without seeking any further approval from shareholders in general meeting, up to a number not exceeding fifty per cent. (50%) of the total number of Issued Shares of which up to twenty per cent. (20%) of the total number of Issued Shares may be issued other than on a pro rata basis to shareholders.



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PROXY FORM

UPP Holdings Limited

(Company Registration No. 196700346M)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD ON 19 APRIL 2013

(Before completing this form, please see notes below)

IMPORTANT:

1. For investors who have used their CPF monies to buy shares in the capital of UPP Holdings Limited, this Annual Report is forwarded to them at the request of their CPF Approved Nominees and is sent solely FOR INFORMATION ONLY.
2. This Proxy Form is not valid for use by CPF investors and shall be ineffective for all intents and purposes if used or purported to be used by them.

I/We, _____ (Name) _____ (NRIC/Passport No.)
of _____ (Address)

being a member/members of UPP Holdings Limited (the "**Company**"), hereby appoint:

Name	Address	NRIC / Passport No.	Proportion of Shareholdings (%)
and/or (delete as appropriate)			

as my/our proxy/proxies to attend and to vote for me/us on my/our behalf and, if necessary, to demand a poll, at the Annual General Meeting ("**AGM**") of the Company to be held on Friday, 19 April 2013 at 2.00 p.m. at Buona Vista Room, No. 87, Science Park Drive, Science Hub, Singapore 118260, and at any adjournment thereof in the following manner indicated below: (Please indicate with a cross ("**X**") in the spaces provided whether you wish your vote(s) to be cast for or against the Resolutions. In the absence of specific directions, the proxy/proxies will vote or abstain as he/they may think fit.)

No.	Resolution	For	Against
	ORDINARY BUSINESS		
1	Adoption of Directors' Report and Audited Accounts		
2	Approval of a final dividend of 0.15 cents tax exempt (one tier) dividend per share for financial year ended 31 December 2012		
3	Approval of Directors' fees for financial year ending 31 December 2013		
4	Re-election of Mr. Gary Ho Kuat Foong as Director		
5	Re-appointment of Messrs Nexia TS Public Accounting Corporation as Auditors of the Company and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration		
	SPECIAL BUSINESS		
6	To authorise Directors to issue shares and convertible securities under Section 161 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50		

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2013

Total Number of Shares held:	
(a) CDP Register	
(b) Register of Members	

Signature(s) of Member(s) / Common Seal

Important: Please read notes overleaf



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Notes

1. If you have shares in the capital of the Company ("**Shares**") entered against your name in the Depository Register (as defined in Section 130A of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 of Singapore (the "**Act**")), you should insert that number of Shares. If you have Shares registered in your name in the Register of Members, you should insert that number of Shares. If you have Shares entered against his name in the Depository Register and Shares registered in your name in the Register of Members, you should insert the aggregate number of Shares entered against your name in the Depository Register and registered in your name in the Register of Members. If no number is inserted, the instrument of proxy shall be deemed to relate to all the Shares held by you.
2. A member of the Company ("**Member**") entitled to attend and vote at the AGM is entitled to appoint not more than two (2) proxies to attend and vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a Member.
3. Where a Member appoints two (2) proxies, the appointment shall be invalid unless he specifies the proportion of his shareholding (expressed as a percentage of the whole) to be represented by each proxy.
4. The instrument appointing a proxy or proxies must be lodged at the registered office of the Company at 1 Kim Seng Promenade, #14-01 Great World City East Tower, Singapore 237994, not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the time appointed for holding the AGM.
5. The instrument appointing a proxy or proxies must be under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney duly authorised in writing. Where the instrument appointing a proxy or proxies is executed by a corporation, it must be executed under its common seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised.
6. A corporation which is a Member may authorise by resolution of its directors or other governing body such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at the AGM, in accordance with Section 179 of the Act.

General

The Company shall be entitled to reject the instrument of proxy if it is incomplete, improperly completed or illegible or where the true intentions of the Member is not ascertainable from the instructions specified in the instrument of proxy. In addition, in the case of Shares entered in the Depository Register, the Company may reject any instrument of proxy lodged if the Member, being the appointor, is not shown to have Shares entered against his name in the Depository Register forty-eight (48) hours before the time appointed for holding the AGM, as certified by The Central Depository (Pte) Limited to the Company.