



UWC OVERCOMES VARIOUS MCOs TO POST OUTSTANDING Q4 PERFORMANCE

Q4 PAT soared 85.1% Year on Year

BATU KAWAN, PENANG, 3 September 2020 – UWC Berhad (“UWC” or the “Group”), an integrated engineering supporting services provider, today announced its fourth quarter results for the financial year ended 31 July 2020 (“Q4FYE2020”). Despite its operations being hindered by the various stages of the movement control order (“MCO”) in the fourth quarter, UWC’s resilience through the challenging quarter enabled the Group to record a revenue and profit after tax (“PAT”) of RM61.4 million and RM18.6 million, rewarding UWC with a revenue and PAT growth of 30.9% and 85.1% respectively.

	Q4FYE2020 RM'mil	Q4FYE2019 RM'mil
Revenue	61.406	46.908
Gross profit (“GP”)	25.547	18.074
Profit before tax (“PBT”)	22.825	13.857
PAT	18.648	10.074

UWC’s commendable top line increase was mainly due to stronger demand from the Group’s global customers in both the semiconductor industry as well as life science industry. Subsequently, the Group’s increased bottom-line was mainly driven by increased manufacturing efficiencies, delivering higher valued products to clients as well as lower administrative and other expenses.

UWC’s core business, the sheet metal fabrication and assembly segment contributed 93.1% of the revenue, followed by the machining segment’s 6.9%.

	FYE2020 RM'mil	FYE2019 RM'mil
Revenue	219.050	144.354
GP	82.611	50.786
PBT	72.629	46.191
PAT	57.764	36.236

For the full year revenue and PAT were RM219.1 million and RM57.8 million, translating to increases of 51.8% and 59.4% respectively.

As at 31 July 2020, the Group’s balance sheet remains healthy with a net cash position of RM53.1 million and a current ratio of 3.94x.

In line with the Group’s commitment to reward shareholders, UWC is proposing an interim single-tier dividend of RM0.02 per ordinary share.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/ GROUP CEO COMMENTARY

UWC executive director & group CEO, Dato' Ng Chai Eng said, "I am delighted to report a fantastic full year results despite the challenging times caused by the onslaught of the COVID-19 pandemic that has disrupted the supply chain. The outstanding results merely proof that the Group's strategic execution of supply chain management to resolve shortages (due to the implementation of MCO) was perfectly implemented. Moving forward, UWC maintains an optimistic outlook on the back of increased number of enquiries from existing and potential customers for both the semiconductor and life science industries. We will gradually move into the front-end semiconductor supply chain for better margins and the deployment of 5G as catalyst for growth.

A new breakthrough in the life science industry is our involvement in the supply chain for COVID-19 related equipment. Our equipment is still contributing the front line analysis in the fight against the COVID-19. "

ABOUT UWC BERHAD

UWC Berhad is an integrated engineering supporting services provider, principally involved in fabrication and full turnkey assembly services for automated test equipment in the semiconductor, life science and medical technology, and heavy equipment industries. In addition, UWC collaborates with customers in the initial designs and development of their products to achieve cost reduction and improve production cycle time. UWC's share price stellar performance has garnered the Group with the title of the best IPO in 2019, beating 29 others that debuted on Bursa Malaysia in the year concerned. UWC's market capitalisation stands at RM3.6 billion as at 3rd September 2020.

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