

# Independent Auditors' Report To The Members Of MAA Holdings Berhad

(Incorporated in Malaysia) (Company No.471403-A)

## REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We have audited the financial statements of MAA Holdings Berhad, which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2008 of the Group and of the company, and the income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes, as set out on pages 88 to 215.

### Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with MASB Approved Accounting Standards in Malaysia for Entities Other than Private Entities and the Companies Act, 1965. This responsibility includes: designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance 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 our judgement, including the assessment of risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the Company's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 Company's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements have been properly drawn up in accordance with MASB Approved Accounting Standards in Malaysia for Entities Other than Private Entities and the Companies Act, 1965 so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group and of the Company as of 31 December 2008 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended.

### Emphasis of Matter

Without qualifying our opinion, we draw attention to note 2(a) in the financial statements which discloses the plans of the Company's wholly-owned insurance subsidiary, Malaysian Assurance Alliance Berhad, to meet the new prescribed capital requirements of the Risk-Based Capital Framework, which came into effect on 1 January 2009. Compliance with the said framework will depend on the successful implementation of that subsidiary company's action plans.

## REPORT ON OTHER LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act, 1965 in Malaysia we also report the following:

- (a) in our opinion, the accounting and other records and the registers required by the Act to be kept by the Company have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.
- (b) we have considered the accounts and the auditors' reports of all the subsidiaries of which we have not acted as auditors, which are indicated in note 10 to the financial statements.
- (c) we are satisfied that the accounts of the subsidiaries that have been consolidated with the Company's financial statements are in form and content appropriate and proper for the purposes of the preparation of the financial statements of the Group and we have received satisfactory information and explanations required by us for those purposes, and

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- (d) the audit reports on the accounts of the subsidiaries did not contain any qualification or any adverse comment made under Section 174(3) of the Act.

## **OTHER MATTERS**

This report is made solely to the members of the Company, as a body, in accordance with Section 174 of the Companies Act, 1965 in Malaysia and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility to any other person for the content of this report.

**PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS**  
**(No. AF: 1146)**  
**Chartered Accountants**

**JAYARAJAN A/L U. RATHINASAMY**  
**(No. 2059/06/10 (J))**  
**Chartered Accountant**

Kuala Lumpur  
20 April 2009