

CREST PETROLEUM BHD
(45631 - D)
Incorporated in Malaysia

QUARTERLY REPORT ON CONSOLIDATED RESULTS FOR THE FIRST QUARTER ENDED 31 MARCH 2002.

THE FIGURES HAVE NOT BEEN AUDITED.

I. CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

		INDIVIDUAL QUARTER		CUMULATIVE QUARTER	
		Current year quarter	Preceding year corresponding quarter	Current year to date	Preceding year corresponding period
		31/3/2002	31/3/2001	31/3/2002	31/3/2001
		RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
1.	(a) Revenue	97,586	93,924	97,586	93,924
	(b) Investment income	-	-	-	-
	(c) Other income	490	456	490	456
2.	(a) Profit before finance cost, depreciation and amortisation, exceptional items, income tax, minority interests and extraordinary items	6,718	1,608	6,718	1,608
	(b) Finance cost	(381)	(1,118)	(381)	(1,118)
	(c) Depreciation and amortisation	(5,960)	(5,385)	(5,960)	(5,385)
	(d) Exceptional items	-	739	-	739
	(e) Profit/(loss) before income tax, minority interests and extraordinary items	377	(4,156)	377	(4,156)
	(f) Share of profits of associated companies / jointly controlled entities	5,120	5,258	5,120	5,258
	(g) Profit before income tax, minority interests and extraordinary items after share of profits and losses of associated companies / jointly controlled entities	5,497	1,102	5,497	1,102
	(h) Income tax	(2,338)	(136)	(2,338)	(136)
	(i) (i) Profit after income tax before deducting minority interests	3,159	966	3,159	966
	(ii) Minority interests	465	405	465	405
		3,624	1,371	3,624	1,371
	(j) Pre-acquisition profit/(loss)	-	-	-	-
	(k) Net profit from ordinary activities attributable to members of the Company	3,624	1,371	3,624	1,371
	(l) (i) Extraordinary items	-	-	-	-
	(ii) Minority interests	-	-	-	-
	(iii) Extraordinary items attributable to members of the Company	-	-	-	-
	(m) Net profit attributable to members of the Company	3,624	1,371	3,624	1,371

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I. CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT (Contd.)

		INDIVIDUAL QUARTER		CUMULATIVE QUARTER	
		Current year quarter	Preceding year corresponding quarter	Current year to date	Preceding year corresponding period
		31/3/2002	31/3/2001	31/3/2002	31/3/2001
		RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
3.	Earnings per share based on 2(m) above after deducting any provision for preference dividend, if any:-				
	(i) Basic (based on 2002: 75,778,200 [2001: 75,778,200] ordinary shares)	<u>4.78 sen</u>	<u>1.81 sen</u>	<u>4.78 sen</u>	<u>1.81 sen</u>
	(ii) Fully diluted	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>
4.	(a) Dividend per share	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	(b) Dividend description	The Board of Directors does not propose the payment of an interim dividend for the current period ended 31 March 2002.			
				As at end of current quarter	As at preceding financial year end
				31/3/2002	31/12/2001
5.	Net tangible assets per share			<u>RM 4.62</u>	<u>RM 4.56</u>

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II. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

	Unaudited	Audited
	As at end of current quarter 31/3/2002 RM'000	As at preceding financial year end 31/12/2001 RM'000
1. Property, plant & equipment	147,653	151,040
2. Investment in associated companies	91,361	87,851
3. Investment in subsidiary company	177	177
4. Long term investment	500	500
5. Deferred expenditure	5,900	6,708
6. Jointly controlled entities	1,379	1,411
	246,970	247,687
7. Current assets		
Inventories	24,142	652
Trade receivables	133,260	200,196
Other receivables	20,839	8,688
Amount due from associated companies	-	1,524
Deposits with licensed financial institutions	87,248	107,752
Cash and bank balances	25,214	30,320
	290,703	349,132
8. Current liabilities		
Trade payables	71,206	150,801
Other payables	36,048	13,365
Amount due to associated companies	21,782	24,818
Amount due to subsidiary company	153	153
Amount due to jointly controlled entities	7	9
Short term borrowings	4,411	4,868
Provision for taxation	7,030	7,187
	140,637	201,201
9. Net current assets	150,066	147,931
	397,036	395,618
10. Shareholders' funds		
Share capital	75,778	75,778
Reserves		
Share premium	134,251	134,251
Revaluation reserve	7,678	7,678
Capital reserve	3,519	3,519
Merger reserve	51,989	51,989
Reserve on consolidation	19,753	19,753
Exchange reserve	204	166
Retained profit	62,808	59,184
Total reserves	280,202	276,540
11. Minority interests	6,966	7,267
12. Long term borrowings	7,243	8,769
13. Other long term liabilities	4,863	5,398
14. Deferred taxation	21,984	21,866
	397,036	395,618
15. Net tangible assets per share	RM 4.62	RM 4.56

The subsidiary company, Maser Kentz Sdn Bhd, was not consolidated as it was placed in members' voluntary liquidation on 19 February 2001. The investment in this subsidiary company (held through Maser Engineering Sdn Bhd) is carried at Group cost.

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III. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. The unaudited quarterly consolidated financial statements have been prepared by applying accounting policies and methods of computation consistent with those used in the preparation of the most recent audited financial statements of the Group. In respect of the companies Varia Perdana Sdn. Bhd. and Tioman Drilling Company Sdn. Bhd. in which the Group holds 51% shareholding through Probadi Sdn. Bhd., the Board of Directors, having given due consideration to earlier unsuccessful negotiations to vary certain operating policies in 2001, is of the opinion that the Group no longer controls but currently only exercises significant influence over these companies based on board representation in the companies concerned. Accordingly, Varia Perdana Sdn. Bhd. and Tioman Drilling Company Sdn. Bhd. have been classified as associated companies and the results of these former subsidiary companies have been equity accounted for in the consolidated financial statements with effect from 1 January 2001. The Group results of the preceding year quarter ended 31 March 2001 have been re-stated as follows:

	Preceding year quarter 31/3/2001 (As re-stated) RM'000
Revenue	93,924
Profit/(Loss) before income tax, minority interests and extraordinary items	(4,156)
Share of profits of associated companies / jointly controlled entities	5,258
Profit before income tax, minority interests and extraordinary items after share of profits and losses of associated companies / jointly controlled entities	1,102
Income tax	(136)
Profit after income tax before deducting minority interests	966
Minority interests	405
Net profit from ordinary activities attributable to members of the Company	1,371

There is no financial impact to the net profit attributable to members of the Company arising from the change in classification for these companies.

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2. Exceptional items consist of the following:

	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	Current year quarter 31/3/2002 RM'000	Preceding year corresponding quarter 31/3/2001 RM'000	Current year to date 31/3/2002 RM'000	Preceding year corresponding period 31/3/2001 RM'000
Realised foreign exchange gain/(loss)	-	603	-	603
Gain on sale of asset	-	136	-	136
	<u>-</u>	<u>739</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>739</u>

3. There were no extraordinary items in the results for the current quarter and financial period ended 31 March 2002.

4. Income tax consists of:

	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	Current year quarter 31/3/2002 RM'000	Preceding year corresponding quarter 31/3/2001 RM'000	Current year to date 31/3/2002 RM'000	Preceding year corresponding period 31/3/2001 RM'000
Malaysian taxation				
- current taxation	695	21	695	21
- share of taxation of associated companies / jointly controlled entities	1,643	115	1,643	115
	<u>2,338</u>	<u>136</u>	<u>2,338</u>	<u>136</u>

The effective tax rate is higher than the statutory tax rate due to certain disallowable expenses for tax purposes.

5. There were no disposals of unquoted investments and/or properties during the current quarter and financial period ended 31 March 2002.

6(a) There were no acquisitions and disposals of quoted securities for the current quarter and financial period ended 31 March 2002.

6(b) There were no investments in quoted securities as at 31 March 2002.

7. For the current quarter and financial period ended 31 March 2002, there were no changes in the composition of the Group including business combinations, acquisitions or disposals of subsidiaries and long term investments, restructuring or discontinued operations.

8. There were no corporate proposals announced but not completed as at the date of this announcement.

9. The Group and the Company did not undertake any issuance and/or repayment of debt and equity securities, share buy-backs, share cancellations, shares held as treasury shares and resale of treasury shares during the current financial period ended 31 March 2002.

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10. The details of Group borrowings as at 31 March 2002 are as follows:

	Long term borrowings			Short term borrowings		
	Secured	Unsecured	Total	Secured	Unsecured	Total
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
<u>Borrowings</u>						
Domestic						
- Banks	7,243	-	7,243	4,411	-	4,411
TOTAL	7,243	-	7,243	4,411	-	4,411

11. There were no changes in the contingent liabilities as at the date of this announcement since the preceding financial year ended 31 December 2001 except that the Company provided performance guarantees to ensure performance of contracts by certain subsidiary companies and corporate guarantees to secure credit and guarantee facilities of certain subsidiary companies amounting to RM121.9 million. As at 31 March 2002, an amount of RM84.6 million was utilised by certain subsidiary companies under several facilities granted by financial institutions.

The Inland Revenue Board has sought clarification on various significant income and expense items, for certain companies in the Group in respect of prior year assessments. The potential tax liability on this is uncertain as it is pending submission of requested information for finalisation and agreement by the Inland Revenue Board. The Board and management are taking steps to resolve the matter.

12. There were no financial instruments with off-balance sheet risks as at the date of this announcement.

13. The Company and its subsidiary companies have no outstanding material litigation as at the date of this announcement.

14. The Group is principally engaged in activities in the oil and gas industry and, accordingly, any other segment is not significant to be disclosed under the requirements of MASB 22 – Segment Reporting.

15. The Group's revenue of RM97.6 million for the current quarter was 67.9% lower than the immediate preceding quarter mainly due to lower revenue from the offshore construction and installation, offshore drilling and marine services activities. As a result, the Group recorded a lower profit before income tax of RM5.5 million for the current quarter compared with RM21.0 million in the immediate preceding quarter.

16. Review of Performance for the Current Quarter

Compared with the corresponding period in the preceding year, the Group's revenue of RM97.6 million was 3.9% higher mainly due to the extension of the offshore construction and installation activities from the preceding year. The Group registered a profit before income tax for the current quarter of RM5.5 million compared with a profit before income tax of RM1.1 million in the corresponding quarter in the preceding year mainly due to the improved performance in offshore drilling and offshore construction and installation activities.

17. In the opinion of the Directors, there are no items, transactions or events of a material and unusual nature which have arisen from 31 March 2002 to the date of this announcement and which would substantially affect the financial results of the Group and of the Company for the three months ended 31 March 2002.

18. The Group's operations were not subject to any seasonal or cyclical factors.

19. Prospects for Year 2002

Barring any unforeseen circumstances, the Directors expect the Group to achieve satisfactory results for the financial year ending 31 December 2002.

20. No commentary is made on any variance between actual profit from forecast profit, as it does not apply to the Group.

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21. The Board of Directors does not propose the payment of an interim dividend for the current period ended 31 March 2002 (2001: Nil).
22. The comparative figures have been re-classified to conform with the current period's presentation, where necessary.

By Order of the Board

**Kuala Lumpur
31 May 2002**

**TAN HWEE THIAN
RAHAYU ZULKIFLI
Secretaries**