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### SINGAPORE POST LIMITED AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES

(Registration number: 199201623M)

SGXNET ANNOUNCEMENT UNAUDITED RESULTS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER AND NINE MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### PART I INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS OF QUARTERLY (Q1, Q2 & Q3), HALF YEAR AND FULL YEAR RESULTS

### (1)(a)(i) Statement of comprehensive income for the group, together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

Consolidated Income Statemer		FY2016/17		FY2017/18	FY2016/17	
	Q3	Q3	Variance	9M	9M	Variance
	S\$'000	S\$'000	%	S\$'000	S\$'000	%
Revenue	412,789	369,388	11.7%	1,121,598	1,024,493	9.5%
Other income and gains (net)						
- Rental and property-related income	13,947	9,123	52.9%	33,573	27,767	20.9%
- Miscellaneous	2,862	(1,770)	N. <i>M</i> .	9,299	2,445	280.3%
Labour and related expenses	(102,427)	(88,357)	15.9%	(282,241)	(260,989)	8.1%
Volume-related expenses <sup>1</sup>	(223,570)	(196,203)	13.9%	(596,161)	(519,043)	14.9%
Administrative and other expenses	(40,035)	(37,641)	6.4%	(113,606)	(107,867)	5.3%
Depreciation and amortisation	(15,265)	(12,891)	18.4%	(45,022)	(35,022)	28.6%
Selling expenses	(2,119)	(3,499)	(39.4%)	(11,719)	(9,094)	28.9%
Finance expenses	(3,126)	1,653	N.M.	(9,853)	(296)	@
Total expenses	(386,542)	(336,938)	14.7%	(1,058,602)	(932,311)	13.5%
Exceptional items <sup>2</sup>	925	(57)	N. <i>M</i> .	5,842	4,405	32.6%
Share of profit / (loss) of associated						
companies and joint ventures	951	(208)	N.M.	3,069	704	@
Profit before income tax	44,932	39,538	13.6%	114,779	127,503	(10.0%)
Income tax expense	(2,944)	(8,490)	(65.3%)	(19,782)	(26,999)	(26.7%)
Total profit	41,988	31,048	35.2%	94,997	100,504	(5.5%)
Net profit attributable to:						
Equity holders of the Company	43,011	31,354	37.2%	102,454	98,649	3.9%
Non-controlling interests	(1,023)	(306)	234.3%	(7,457)	1,855	N.M.
Operating Profit <sup>3</sup>	46,143	37,296	23.7%	117,941	124,808	(5.5%)
Underlying Net Profit <sup>4</sup>	35,159	31,411	11.9%	89,685	94,244	(4.8%)

#### **Consolidated Income Statement**

equity holders of the Company during the period / year:<sup>5</sup>

-	Basic	1.73 cents	1.28 cents	4.02 cents	4.04 cents
-	Diluted	1.73 cents	1.28 cents	4.02 cents	4.04 cents

Notes

1 Volume-related expenses comprise mainly of traffic expenses and cost of sales.

3 Operating profit for the purposes of paragraph 8 "Review of the performance of the Group" is defined as profit before net interest expense, tax and share of profit or loss of associated companies and joint ventures.

4 Underlying net profit is defined as net profit before exceptional items, net of tax.

5 Earnings per share were calculated based on net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company less distribution attributable to perpetual securities holders, divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding (excluding treasury shares).

N.M. Not meaningful.

<sup>2</sup> Exceptional items comprised one-off items such as asset impairment, fair value changes on investment properties, gains or losses on sale of investments and property, plant and equipment and M&A related professional fees.

<sup>@</sup> Denotes variance exceeding 300%.

#### **Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income**

	FY2017/18 Q3 S\$'000	FY2016/17 Q3 S\$'000	Variance %	FY2017/18 9M S\$'000	FY2016/17 9M S\$'000	Variance %
Total profit	41,988	31,048	35.2%	94,997	100,504	(5.5%)
Other comprehensive income / (loss) (net of tax): Items that may be reclassified subsequently						
to profit or loss:						
Available for sale financial assets - fair value	(212)	(33)	@	(422)	(26)	@
losses Currency translation differences arising from Consolidation						
- (Losses) / gains	(3,194)	20,375	N.M.	(3,826)	19,609	N.M.
- Transfers to profit & loss arising from	x-y - y	- ,		(- <i>y</i> ,	- ,	
disposals of subsidiaries and associates	-	-	-	-	(332)	N.M.
Other comprehensive (loss) / income for the						
period (net of tax)	(3,406)	20,342	N.M.	(4,248)	19,251	N.M.
Total comprehensive income for the period*	38,582	51,390	(24.9%)	90,749	119,755	(24.2%)
Total comprehensive income attributable to:						
Equity holders of the Company	39,758	51,452	(22.7%)	98,539	118,859	(17.1%)
Non-controlling interests	(1,176)	(62)	@	(7,790)	896	N.M.
	38,582	51,390	(24.9%)	90,749	119,755	(24.2%)

\* As shown in the Statement of changes in equity on pages 8 and 9.

#### Underlying Net Profit Reconciliation Table

	FY2017/18 Q3 S\$'000	FY2016/17 Q3 S\$'000	Variance %	FY2017/18 9M S\$'000	FY2016/17 9M S\$'000	Variance %
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company	43,011	31,354	37.2%	102,454	98,649	3.9%
(Gains) / losses on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(2,953)	42	N.M.	(2,938)	(4)	@
Professional fees	46	15	206.7%	1,528	491	211.2%
Fair value loss / (gain) on warrants from an associated company	1,982	-	N. <i>M</i> .	(5,423)	-	N.M.
Gain on dilution of interest in an associated company		-	-		(4,892)	N.M.
Provision for the restructuring of overseas operation	-	-	-	991	-	N. <i>M</i> .
Adjustments of deferred tax in respect of change in US tax rate	(6,927)	-	N. <i>M</i> .	(6,927)	-	N. <i>M</i> .
Underlying Net Profit	35,159	31,411	11.9%	89,685	94,244	(4.8%)

N.M. Not meaningful.

@ Denotes variance exceeding 300%.

### (1)(a)(ii) The following items have been included in arriving at profit before income tax:

	FY2017/18 Q3 S\$'000	FY2016/17 Q3 S\$'000	Variance %	FY2017/18 9M S\$'000	FY2016/17 9M S\$'000	Variance %
Other operating income and interest income	16,809	7,353	128.6%	42,872	30,212	41.9%
Interest on borrowings	2,016	2,348	(14.1%)	6,736	6,510	3.5%
Depreciation and amortisation	15,265	13,005	17.4%	45,022	35,416	27.1%
Allowance for doubtful debts and bad debts written off / (written back)	-	(33)	N.M.	5,781	(244)	N.M.
Foreign exchange gains / (losses)	198	86	130.2%	(37)	2,395	N.M.
Gains / (losses) on sale of investments, property, plant and equipment	2,953	(40)	N.M.	2,938	5,242	(44.0%)
Adjustments of deferred tax in respect of change in US tax rate	6,927	-	N.M.	6,927	-	N.M.

N.M. Not meaningful.

# (1)(b)(i) Statement of financial position (for the issuer and group), together with a comparative statement as at the end of the immediately preceding financial year.

	The Gr	oup	The Com	pany
	Dec-17	Mar-17	Dec-17	. , Mar-17
	S\$′000	S\$′000	S\$′000	S\$′000
ASSETS				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	284,346	366,614	223,621	303,179
Financial assets	2,541	4,301	2,541	3,954
Trade and other receivables	246,300	199,007	193,339	173,304
Derivative financial instruments	22,378	16,079	22,378	16,142
Inventories	4,423	4,450	141	107
Other current assets	<u>18,756</u> 578,744	<u> </u>	7,279 449,299	<u>5,180</u> 501,866
Non-current assets				
Financial assets	35,462	36,010	35,213	35,748
Trade and other receivables	7,132	7,091	395,222	405,122
Investments in associated	.,	.,	,	,
companies and joint ventures	120,454	117,783	14,849	14,849
Investments in subsidiaries	-	-	340,533	340,533
Investment properties	1,000,731	970,392	957,338	927,538
Property, plant and equipment	545,909	565,583	241,919	240,371
Intangible assets	392,596	400,683	-	-
Deferred income tax assets	3,774	6,218	-	-
Other non-current asset	4,513	5,198	-	-
_	2,110,571	2,108,958	1,985,074	1,964,161
Total assets	2,689,315	2,716,583	2,434,373	2,466,027
LIABILITIES				
Current liabilities				
Trade and other payables	501,053	395,084	396,766	353,681
Current income tax liabilities	30,640	34,774	25,439	30,367
Deferred income <sup>1</sup>	7,281	7,413	7,281	7,413
Derivative financial instruments	525	1,055	423	1,055
Borrowings	19,834	148,786	-	117,743
Maria and Palettera	559,333	587,112	429,909	510,259
Non-current liabilities	22.040	44.460	1.025	2.070
Trade and other payables Borrowings	23,840 215,490	44,462	1,935 201,753	2,070 202,318
Deferred income <sup>1</sup>	44,116	215,199 49,545	44,116	49,545
Deferred income tax liabilities	51,970	62,547	22,844	22,603
	335,416	371,753	270,648	276,536
	· · · ·	<u> </u>		
Total liabilities	894,749	958,865	700,557	786,795
NET ASSETS	1,794,566	1,757,718	1,733,816	1,679,232
EQUITY				
Capital and reserves attributable to				
the Company's equity holders				
Share capital	638,762	638,756	638,762	638,756
Treasury shares	(11,794)	(1,227)	(11,794)	(1,227)
Other reserves	66,119	71,787	36,395	37,249
Retained earnings	707,204	650,007	719,919	657,628
Ordinary equity	1,400,291	1,359,323	1,383,282	1,332,406
Perpetual securities <sup>2</sup>	350,534	346,826	350,534	346,826
	1,750,825	1,706,149	1,733,816	1,679,232
Non-controlling interests	43,741	51,569	-	-
Total equity	1,794,566	1,757,718	1,733,816	1,679,232

<u>Notes</u>

Mainly relates to the postassurance collaboration with AXA Life Insurance Singapore Private Limited.

2 Perpetual securities amounting to \$\$350 million were issued by the Company on 2 March 2012. The perpetual securities are cumulative and distributions are at the option of the Company, subject to terms and conditions of the securities issue. Based on FRS32 "Financial Instruments: Presentation", the perpetual securities are presented within equity.

## (1)(b)(ii)In relation to the aggregate amount of the group's borrowings and debt securities.

	Dec-17 S\$′000	Mar-17 S\$'000
Amount repayable in one year or less, or on demand		
- Borrowings (secured)	2,834	14,043
- Borrowings (unsecured)	17,000	134,743
Amount repayable after one year:		
- Borrowings (secured)	13,737	12,881
- Borrowings (unsecured)	201,753	202,318
	235,324	363,985

The Group's unsecured borrowings comprised mainly S\$200 million 10-year Fixed Rate Notes issued in March 2010. The Fixed Rate Notes is listed on the SGX-ST and carry a fixed interest rate of 3.5% per annum.

#### Details of any collateral.

Secured borrowings comprised bank loans and are secured over investment properties, or guaranteed by a director of a subsidiary with non-controlling interests.

# (1)(c) Statement of cash flows (for the group), together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

		Group		
	FY2017/18	FY2016/17	FY2017/18	FY2016/17
	Q3	Q3	9M	9M
	S\$′000	S\$′000	S\$′000	S\$′000
Cash flows from operating activities				
Total profit	41,988	31,048	94,997	100,504
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Adjustments for:	2,944	8,490	19,782	26,000
Income tax expense Allowance for doubtful debts and	2,944	6,490	19,702	26,999
bad debts written off / (write back)	-	(33)	5,781	(244)
Amortisation of deferred income	(1,854)	(2,264)	(5,561)	(5,905)
Amortisation of intangible assets	2,471	1,775	7,239	3,885
Depreciation	12,794	11,230	37,783	31,531
(Gains) / losses on sale of investments,				
property, plant and equipment	(2,953)	42	(2,938)	(5,240)
Loss / (gain) on derivative instrument	1,982	-	(5,423)	-
Share-based staff costs	41	869	508	2,782
Interest expense Interest income	2,016 (964)	2,348 (797)	6,736 (3,622)	6,510 (2,287)
Share of (profit) / loss of associated companies	(904)	(797)	(3,022)	(2,207)
and joint ventures	(951)	208	(3,069)	(704)
	15,526	21.868	57,216	57,327
		,		0.701
Operating cash flow before working capital changes	57,514	52,916	152,213	157,831
Changes in working capital, net of effects from				
acquisition and disposal of subsidiaries				
Inventories	19	454	27	60
Trade and other receivables	(14,857)	(40,714)	(53,207)	(19,584)
Trade and other payables	68,801	53,074	77,851	43,742
Cash generated from operations	111,477	65,730	176,884	182,049
Income tax paid	(15,498)	(13,138)	(30,400)	(29,572)
Net cash provided by operating activities	95,979	52,592	146,484	152,477
Cash flows from investing activities				
Acquisition of additional interest in a subsidiary	(220)	-	(220)	-
Additions to property, plant and equipment, investment				
properties and intangible assets	(14,006)	(52,457)	(52,878)	(164,106)
Contingent consideration paid in relation to acquisition				
of subsidiaries	-	-	(3,730)	(528)
Disposal of a subsidiary, net of cash disposed of	-	-	-	(1,568)
Dividends received from associated company	413	-	413	1,660
Interest received	902	453	4,006	1,947
Loan to an associated company Proceed from sale of financial assets	- 1.633	-	- 1,633	(1,521)
Proceeds from partial divestment of a subsidiary	1,035	- 85,927	1,035	- 85,927
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	8,650	140	8,886	1,894
Proceeds on maturity of financial assets	-	-	-	4,250
Repayment of loans by associated companies	-	135	-	6,605
Net cash (used in) / provided by investing activities	(2,628)	34,198	(41,890)	(65,440)
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Cash flows from financing activities				
Distribution paid to perpetual securities	-	-	(7,499)	(7,499)
Dividends paid to shareholders	(11,337)	(21,648)	(34,050)	(108,180)
Interest paid	(4,405)	(2,531)	(6,148)	(7,122)
Proceeds from issuance of ordinary shares	-	391	6	3,662
Purchase of treasury shares Proceeds from bank term loan	(4,278)	-	(11,507)	- 
Repayment of bank term loan	48,926 (120,253)	220,514 (212,476)	280,926 (408,590)	522,031 (387 515)
Net cash (used in) / provided by financing activities	(91,347)	(15,750)	(186,862)	(387,515) 15,377
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Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	2,004	71,040	(82,268)	102,414
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial period	282,342	158,014	366,614	126,640
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial period	284,346	229,054	284,346	229,054

#### Significant non-cash transactions

In the current financial period, contingent consideration amounting to \$\$905,000 (9M FY2016/17: \$\$2,060,000) in relation to the acquisition of subsidiaries in prior financial years was settled by way of offset against escrow deposits for the acquisition of those subsidiaries.

# (1)(d)(i) Statement of changes in equity (for the issuer and group), together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

#### The Group – Q3

	Attributable	to ordinary	shareholder	s of the Co	mpany			Non-	
	Share	Treasury	Retained	Other		Perpetual		controlling	Total
	capital	shares	earnings	reserves	Total	securities	Total	interests	equity
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$′000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Balance at 1 October 2017	638,762	(7,516)	679,279	69,513	1,380,038	346,785	1,726,823	44,955	1,771,778
Total comprehensive income /									
(loss) for the period	-	-	43,011	(3,253)	39,758	-	39,758	(1,176)	38,582
	638,762	(7,516)	722,290	66,260	1,419,796	346,785	1,766,581	43,779	1,810,360
Additional investment of									
a subsidiary	-	-	-	(182)	(182)	-	(182)	(38)	(220)
Distribution of perpetual									
Securities	-	-	(3,749)	-	(3,749)	3,749	-	-	-
Dividends	-	-	(11,337)	-	(11,337)	-	(11,337)	-	(11,337)
Employee share option scheme:									
- Value of employee services	-	-	-	41	41	-	41	-	41
Purchase of new treasury shares	-	(4,278)	-	-	(4,278)		(4,278)		(4,278)
Balance at 31 December 2017	638,762	(11,794)	707,204	66,119	1,400,291	350,534	1,750,825	43,741	1,794,566
Balance at 1 October 2016	452,259	(1,227)	722,952	8,181	1,182,165	346,785	1,528,950	12,071	1,541,021
Total comprehensive income /									
(loss) for the period	-	-	31,354	20,098	51,452	-	51,452	(62)	51,390
	452,259	(1,227)	754,306	28,279	1,233,617	346,785	1,580,402	12,009	1,592,411
Partial divestment of a subsidiary	-	-	(5,191)	39,624	34,433	-	34,433	51,494	85,927
Distribution of perpetual									
securities	-	-	(3,749)	-	(3,749)	3,749	-	-	-
Dividends	-	-	(21,648)	-	(21,648)	-	(21,648)	-	(21,648)
Employee share option scheme:									
- Value of employee services	-	-	-	869	869	-	869	-	869
- New shares issued	420	-	-	(29)	391	-	391	-	391
Balance at 31 December 2016	452,679	(1,227)	723,718	68,743	1,243,913	350,534	1,594,447	63,503	1,657,950

#### The Group – 9M

	Attributable	to ordinary	shareholder	rs of the Co	mpany			Non-	
	Share	Treasury	Retained	Other		Perpetual		controlling	Total
	capital	shares	earnings	reserves	Total	securities	Total	interests	equity
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$′000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Balance at 1 April 2017	638,756	(1,227)	650,007	71,787	1,359,323	346,826	1,706,149	51,569	1,757,718
Total comprehensive income /									
(loss) for the period	-	-	102,454	(3,915)	98,539	-	98,539	(7,790)	90,749
	638,756	(1,227)	752,461	67,872	1,457,862	346,826	1,804,688	43,779	1,848,467
Additional investment of									
a subsidiary	-	-	-	(182)	(182)	-	(182)	(38)	(220)
Adjustment to other									
reserves	-	-	-	(1,139)	(1,139)	-	(1,139)	-	(1,139)
Distribution of perpetual									
Securities	-	-	(11,207)	-	(11,207)	11,207	-	-	-
Distribution paid on perpetual									
Securities	-	-	-	-	-	(7,499)	(7,499)	-	(7,499)
Dividends	-	-	(34,050)	-	(34,050)	-	(34,050)	-	(34,050)
Employee share option scheme:									
- Value of employee services	-	-	-	508	508	-	508	-	508
- New shares issued	6	-	-	-	6	-	6	-	6
- Treasury shares re-issued	-	940	-	(940)	-		-	-	-
Purchase of new treasury shares	-	(11,507)	-	-	(11,507)	-	(11,507)	-	(11,507)
Balance at 31 December 2017	638,762	(11,794)	707,204	66,119	1,400,291	350,534	1,750,825	43,741	1,794,566
Balance at 1 April 2016	448,775	(2,116)	749,647	7,258	1,203,564	346,826	1,550,390	11,113	1,561,503
Total comprehensive income									
for the period	-	-	98,649	20,210	118,859	-	118,859	896	119,755
	448,775	(2,116)	848,296	27,468	1,322,423	346,826	1,669,249	12,009	1,681,258
Partial divestment of a subsidiary	-	-	(5,191)	39,624	34,433	-	34,433	51,494	85,927
Distribution of perpetual									
securities	-	-	(11,207)	-	(11,207)	11,207	-	-	-
Distribution paid on perpetual									
securities	-	-	-	-	-	(7,499)	(7,499)	-	(7,499)
Dividends	-	-	(108,180)	-	(108,180)	-	(108,180)	-	(108,180)
Employee share option scheme:									
- Value of employee services		-		2,782	2,782	-	2,782	-	2,782
	-								
- New shares issued	- 3,904	-	-	(242)	3,662	-	3,662	-	3,662
	- 3,904 -	- 889	-	(242) (889)	3,662	-	3,662	-	3,662

#### The Company – Q3

	Attribut	able to ordina	ary shareholde	ers of the Corr	npany		
	Share	Treasury	Retained	Other		Perpetual	
	capital	shares	earnings	reserves	Total	securities	Total
	S\$'000	S\$′000	S\$′000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Balance at 1 Oct 2017	638,762	(7,516)	697,916	36,566	1,365,728	346,785	1,712,513
Total comprehensive income /			27.000	(212)	26.077		26.077
(loss) for the period	638,762	(7 51()	37,089	(212)	36,877	346,785	<u>36,877</u> 1,749,390
	638,/62	(7,516)	735,005	36,354	1,402,605	340,/85	1,/49,390
Distribution on perpetual securities	-	-	(3,749)	-	(3,749)	3,749	-
Dividends	-	-	(11,337)	-	(11,337)	-	(11,337)
Employee share option scheme:							
- Value of employee services	-	-	-	41	41	-	41
Purchase of new treasury shares	-	(4,278)	-	-	(4,278)	-	(4,278)
Balance at 31 December 2017	638,762	(11,794)	719,919	36,395	1,383,282	350,534	1,733,816
Balance at 1 October 2016	452,259	(1,227)	758,605	35,531	1,245,168	346,785	1,591,953
Total comprehensive income /							
(loss) for the period	-	-	36,892	(33)	36,859	-	36,859
	452,259	(1,227)	795,497	35,498	1,282,027	346,785	1,628,812
Distribution on perpetual securities	-	-	(3,749)	-	(3,749)	3,749	-
Dividends	-	-	(21,648)	-	(21,648)	-	(21,648)
Employee share option scheme:							
- Value of employee services	-	-	-	869	869	-	869
- New shares issued	420	-	-	(29)	391	-	391
Balance at 31 December 2016	452,679	(1,227)	770,100	36,338	1,257,890	350,534	1,608,424

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Share capital synces         Treasury synces         Retained synces         Other reserves         Total synces         Perpetual synces         Total synces         Perpetual synces         Total synces         Perpetual synces         Total synces         Synces         Total synces         Synces         Total synces         Synces         Total synces         Synces         Total synces         Synces         Total synce         Synces         Total synces         Synces         Total synces         Synces         Total synces         Total synces         Synces         Total synces         Synces         Total synces         Synces         Total synces         Synces         Total synces         Synces         Total synces         Synces         Total synce         Synces         Total synce		Attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company						
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- Treasury shares re-issued - 889 - (889)	- Value of employee services	-	-	-	2,782	2,782	-	,
	- New shares issued	3,904	-	-	(242)	3,662	-	3,662
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	Balance at 31 December 2016	452,679	(1,227)	770,100	36,338	1,257,890	350,534	1,608,424

(1)(d)(ii) Details of any changes in the company's share capital arising from rights issue, bonus issue, share buy-backs, exercise of share options or warrants, conversion of other issues of equity securities, issue of shares for cash or as consideration for acquisition or for any other purpose since the end of the previous period reported on. State also the number of shares that may be issued on conversion of all the outstanding convertibles, as well as the number of shares held as treasury shares, if any, against the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares of the issuer, as at the end of the current financial period reported on and as at the end of the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

During the 3rd quarter ended 31 December 2017, no share was issued under the Singapore Post Share Option Scheme.

As at 31 December 2017, there were unexercised options for 24,980,000 (31 December 2016: 26,428,000) unissued ordinary shares under the Singapore Post Share Option Scheme (including Performance Option Plan but excluding Restricted Share Plan) and unvested shares for 1,211,264 (31 December 2016: 2,800,421) unissued ordinary shares under the Restricted Share Plan.

As at 31 December 2017, the Company held 9,208,005 treasury shares (31 December 2016: 1,181,409).

(1)(d)(iii) To show the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares as at the end of the current financial period and as at the end of the immediately preceding year.

As at 31 December 2017, total issued shares excluding treasury shares were 2,265,881,520 (31 March 2017: 2,273,903,116).

### (1)(d)(iv) A statement showing all sales, transfers, disposal, cancellation and / or use of treasury shares as at end of the current financial period reported on.

During the third quarter ended 31 December 2017, no treasury share was re-issued.

## (2) Whether the figures have been audited or reviewed, and in accordance with which auditing standard or practice.

The figures have not been audited nor reviewed.

(3) Where figures have been audited or reviewed, the auditors' report (including any qualifications or emphasis of a matter).

Not applicable.

## (4) Whether the same accounting policies and methods of computation as in the issuer's most recently audited annual financial statements have been applied.

Except as disclosed under paragraph 5 below, the Group has applied the same accounting policies and methods of computation in the financial statements for the current reporting period compared with the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2017.

(5) If there are any changes in the accounting policies and methods of computation, including any required by an accounting standard, what has changed, as well as the reasons for, and the effect of, the change.

On 1 April 2017, the Group adopted the new or amended FRS and Interpretations to FRS ("INT FRS") that are mandatory for application from that date. 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 Group's and Company's accounting policies and had no material effect on the amounts reported for the current or prior financial years.

(6) Earnings per ordinary share of the group for the current financial period reported on and the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year, after deducting any provision for preference dividends.

	The Group					
	FY2017/18 Q3	FY2016/17 Q3	FY2017/18 9M	FY2016/17 9M		
Based on weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	1.73 cents	1.28 cents	4.02 cents	4.04 cents		
On fully diluted basis	1.73 cents	1.28 cents	4.02 cents	4.04 cents		

(7) Net asset value (for the issuer and group) per ordinary share based on the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares of the issuer at the end of the current financial period reported on and immediately preceding financial year.

	The (	Group	The Co	mpany
	Dec-17	Mar-17	Dec-17	Mar-17
Net asset value per ordinary share based on issued share capital of the Company at the end of the financial paried (capta)	77 07	75.02	76 50	73.05
financial period (cents)	77.27	75.03	76.52	73.85
	The	Group	The Co	mpany
	Dec-17	Mar-17	Dec-17	Mar-17
Ordinary equity per ordinary share based on issued share capital of the Company at the end of the				
financial period (cents)	61.80	59.78	61.05	58.60

#### (8) **Review of the performance of the group.**

Revenue						
	FY17/18	FY16/17		FY17/18	FY16/17	
	Q3	Q3	Variance	9M	9M	Variance
	S\$′000	S\$′000	%	S\$′000	S\$′000	%
Postal	165,994	143,352	15.8%	464,168	407,339	14.0%
Logistics	173,852	171,252	1.5%	506,029	482,065	5.0%
eCommerce	97,140	81,132	19.7%	225,338	210,390	7.1%
Inter-segment eliminations*	(24,197)	(26,348)	8.2%	(73,937)	(75,301)	1.8%
Total	412,789	369,388	11.7%	1,121,598	1,024,493	9.5%

#### Third Quarter And Nine Months Ended 31 December 2017

<sup>#</sup> Inter-segment eliminations relate to the elimination of inter-segment billings for internal services to better reflect the profitability of each business segment.

Group revenue rose 11.7% for the third quarter ("Q3") and 9.5% for the nine months ("9M") ended 31 December 2017, with growth across the Postal, Logistics and eCommerce segments.

In the Postal segment, revenue rose 15.8% in Q3 and 14.0% in 9M respectively as strong growth in International mail revenue helped offset the decline in Domestic mail revenue.

In Q3, International mail revenue rose 37.7% and quarterly revenue crossed S\$100 million for the first time, on the back of higher cross-border eCommerce deliveries including collaboration with Alibaba Group for the Double Eleven event in November.

Logistics revenue increased 1.5% in Q3 and 5.0% in 9M respectively. SP Parcels and Couriers Please's revenue rose with increased last-mile delivery volume in Singapore and Australia respectively, while Famous Holdings' revenue grew in line with higher freight forwarding volumes.

The above were partially offset by a revenue decline at Quantium Solutions, which continues to face competitive pressures at its Hong Kong operations. This negated the improved performance in Singapore from higher utilisation at the Regional eCommerce Logistics Hub.

eCommerce revenue rose 19.7% and 7.1% in Q3 and 9M respectively. In Q3, Jagged Peak revenue rose 43.9% as volume surged over the US peak shopping season from October to December. TradeGlobal overcame the loss in revenue from two major customers as previously disclosed and grew revenue marginally in Q3, aided by the addition of new customers.

#### Other Income

Rental and property-related income rose 52.9% in Q3 with rental income recognition for SingPost Centre retail mall which opened in October 2017. Committed occupancy for the mall was 85.9% as at 31 December 2017, up from 80.4% as at 30 September 2017.

Miscellaneous other income was S\$2.9 million in Q3, compared to a loss of S\$1.8 million last year, due largely to favourable trade related foreign exchange translation differences.

#### **Total Expenses**

Total expenses increased 14.7% in Q3 and 13.5% in 9M respectively, largely due to the increase in volume-related expenses, as the Group seeks to grow volumes to benefit from economies of scale from operating leverage.

Labour and related expenses rose 15.9% in Q3 and 8.1% in 9M with higher temporary and contract staff costs to support the growth in volumes, in particular for the US eCommerce businesses.

Volume-related expenses were up 13.9% in Q3 and 14.9% in 9M, due to higher International mail terminal dues and air conveyance expenses in line with higher volumes.

Administrative and other expenses rose 6.4% in Q3 and 5.3% in 9M, as a result of higher professional fees and property-related expenses.

Depreciation and amortisation expenses were higher by 18.4% in Q3 and 28.6% in 9M, due largely to higher equipment depreciation costs at the Regional eCommerce Logistics Hub and higher amortisation of intangible assets for TradeGlobal with the shortening of amortisation period of customer relationships from 18 years to 7 years.

Selling expenses declined 39.4% in Q3 with lower promotion and advertising expenses, and rose 28.9% for 9M due largely to doubtful debt provision in Q2.

Finance expenses rose to \$\$3.1 million in Q3 and \$\$9.9 million in 9M, mainly due to unfavourable non-trade related foreign exchange translation differences.

	FY17/18 Q3 S\$'000	<b>FY16/17</b> <b>Q3</b> S\$'000	Variance %	FY17/18 9M S\$′000	<b>FY16/17</b> <b>9M</b> S\$'000	Variance %
Postal	40,092	38,545	4.0%	111,459	113,925	(2.2%)
Logistics	4,875	8,837	(44.8%)	5,059	21,043	(76.0%)
eCommerce	(3,750)	(8,406)	55.4%	(10,848)	(18,685)	41.9%
Property	9,010	5,934	51.8%	19,627	20,223	(2.9%)
Others*	(5,009)	(7,557)	33.7%	(13,198)	(16,103)	18.0%
Operating Profit before exceptional items	45,218	37,353	21.1%	112,099	120,403	(6.9%)
Exceptional items	925	(57)	N.M.	5,842	4,405	32.6%
Operating Profit	46,143	37,296	23.7%	117,941	124,808	(5.5%)

#### **Operating Profit**

N.M. Not meaningful

<sup>#</sup> Others refer to the unallocated corporate overhead items and trade-related translation differences.

Postal operating profit rose 4.0% in Q3, as higher contribution from International mail helped offset the decline in the Domestic mail business. For 9M, the growth from International mail was not sufficient to offset the decline in Domestic mail operating profit, and consequently Postal operating profit declined 2.2%.

In Logistics, operating profit declined 44.8% in Q3, which reflects an increase in line haul and handling costs as well as lower contribution from Quantium Solutions. For 9M, operating profit declined 76.0% as it included a doubtful debt provision in Q2 for a key customer.

The eCommerce segment's operating losses narrowed significantly by 55.4% and 41.9% in Q3 and 9M respectively. TradeGlobal performed largely in line with the turnaround business plan and delivered good cost controls over the peak season in Q3.

Under Property, operating profit rose 51.8% to \$\$9.0 million, boosted by rental income from the SingPost Centre retail mall which re-opened on 9 October 2017 after a redevelopment period of around two years.

The Others category comprises unallocated corporate costs and trade-related foreign exchange translation differences. The decline in Q3 and 9M was due to favourable trade-related foreign exchange translation differences compared to last year, partially offset by corporate costs.

#### Exceptional items

The Group recorded exceptional items of S\$0.9 million in Q3 due to a gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment, partially offset by a fair value loss on warrants from an associated company.

Excluding exceptional items, operating profit rose 21.1% in Q3 to S\$45.2 million and declined 6.9% for 9M.

#### Share of results of associated companies and joint ventures

Share of results of associated companies and joint ventures improved for Q3 and 9M, largely driven by an improved performance at Indo Trans Logistics, our integrated logistics associate in Vietnam.

In Q3, income tax expense was lower by 65.3% due to a one-off adjustment of deferred tax of S\$6.9 million arising from changes in the US corporate tax rate. Consequently, for 9M, income tax expense was lower by 26.7%.

#### Net Profit and Underlying Net Profit

Net profit attributable to equity holders rose 37.2% in Q3 to \$\$43.0 million. Excluding exceptional items, underlying net profit rose 11.9% for Q3, driven by improved performance from Postal, eCommerce and Property.

For 9M, net profit attributable to equity holders increased 3.9% and underlying net profit declined 4.8% largely due to lower operating profit in the Logistics segment.

#### **Balance Sheet**

The Group's total assets amounted to S\$2.7 billion as at 31 December 2017, slightly lower than as at 31 March 2017, due largely to lower cash and cash equivalents used to pay down short-term borrowings, partially offset by higher trade and other receivables.

Total liabilities were S\$894.7 million, compared to S\$958.9 million as at 31 March 2017, due largely to lower borrowings which decreased from S\$364.0 million as at 31 March 2017 to S\$235.3 million as at 31 December 2017. A foreign subsidiary has tax-related contingent liabilities which are yet to be determined.

As at 31 December 2017, the Group was in a net cash position of S\$49.0 million, compared to S\$2.6 million as at 31 March 2017.

Interest coverage ratio stands at 24.6 times compared to 13.3 times as at 31 March 2017.

Ordinary shareholders' equity was slightly higher at S\$1.4 billion as at 31 December 2017, compared to 31 March 2017 due to retained profit for the period.

#### Cash Flow

Net cash inflow from operating activities in 9M amounted to \$\$146.5 million, compared to \$\$152.5 million last year. Operating cash flow before working capital changes declined in line with the decline in profit, while working capital and income tax paid remained largely stable.

Net cash outflow for investing activities in 9M was S\$41.9 million comprising largely residual capital expenditure for the SingPost Centre retail mall redevelopment, compared to S\$65.4 million last year.

With the completion of the mall redevelopment and the Regional eCommerce Logistics Hub, capital expenditure declined to S\$52.9 million for 9M compared to S\$164.1 million in the comparative period last year.

Net cash outflow from financing activities in 9M was S\$186.9 million, compared to inflow of S\$15.4 million last year, largely due to net repayment of short-term borrowings of S\$127.7 million.

(9) Where a forecast, or a prospect statement, has been previously disclosed to shareholders, any variance between it and the actual results.

Not applicable.

(10) A commentary at the date of the announcement of the significant trends and competitive conditions of the industry in which the group operates and any known factors or events that may affect the group in the next reporting period and the next 12 months.

#### Postal

The decline in domestic letter mail volumes is expected to continue, and the Group remains focused on growing the International mail segment to mitigate the drop in contribution from Domestic mail.

The International mail transhipment market remains highly competitive, and margins are relatively low. With the shift in mix towards lower margin International mail, blended Postal margin is expected to decline.

Changes in the international terminal dues system have taken effect from 1 January 2018. Mitigating measures are being put in place, including the introduction of a new international small packets airmail rate structure. The Group is closely monitoring the financial impact of the changes.

#### Logistics

Over the past few years, we have built out an eCommerce logistics network and invested in infrastructure to support growth in volumes. Partly as a result of costs from planned investments in our network, Logistics margins have declined.

SingPost will continue to drive traffic and volumes onto our eCommerce logistics network and increase utilisation of existing infrastructure, so as to benefit from greater economies of scale and operating leverage. We will rationalise and integrate our businesses across geographies and maximise the potential of our investments.

It will take time for the Logistics segment to grow its profit contribution while it executes on its plans.

#### eCommerce

In eCommerce, the Group has acquired technologies, customers and market knowhow which enables SingPost to scale its integrated solutions by offering an omni-channel experience that will drive volumes onto its logistics network.

TradeGlobal is executing on a turnaround business plan. While business and cost initiatives are being put in place to improve performance, TradeGlobal is not expected to be profitable for the financial year ending 31 March 2018.

#### Property

The retail mall at the new SingPost Centre opened on 9 October 2017 after a two year redevelopment period. The Group has begun to recognise rental income and this is expected to improve Property income contribution.

#### Capital expenditure and Cash flow

Capital expenditure for FY2017/18 is expected to be lower than FY2016/17, as the majority of development projects had been completed. With lower capital expenditure, free cash flow is expected to improve in FY2017/18.

#### Strategy

As announced in November 2017, the key themes of our strategy are:

#### Win in our home market

• We strive to be the leading eCommerce logistics player in Singapore, building on our strong infrastructure backbone and harnessing technologies to serve the urban logistics needs of a smart nation.

#### Deliver full value from our overseas investments

• We will integrate our businesses across geographies; and

• maximise the potential of our overseas investments, including a turnaround of our TradeGlobal business.

#### Ignite our future growth engines

• We aim to capture global cross-border eCommerce flows by strengthening our strategic collaboration with Alibaba and its associated companies; and

• build out our eCommerce logistics capabilities in Southeast Asia.

#### Drive cost leadership

• We will optimise costs and re-engineer our operations to enhance competitiveness and provide best value for customers.

#### (11) Dividends

#### Current financial period reported on

#### Interim dividend

For the third quarter ended 31 December 2017, the Board of Directors has declared an interim dividend of 0.5 cent per ordinary share (tax exempt one-tier).

The interim quarterly dividend of 0.5 cent per ordinary share will be paid on 28 February 2018. The transfer book and register of members of the Company will be closed on 14 February 2018 for the preparation of dividend warrants. Duly completed registrable transfers of the ordinary shares in the capital of the Company received by the Company's registrar up to 5.00 pm on 13 February 2018 will be registered to determine members' entitlements to the dividend.

#### Corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year

#### Interim dividend

An interim dividend of 0.5 cent per ordinary share (tax exempt one-tier) for the third quarter ended 31 December 2016 was declared on 10 February 2017 and paid on 9 March 2017.

#### (12) If no dividend has been declared (recommended), a statement to that effect.

Not applicable.

#### (13) Interested Person Transactions

During the third quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2017, the following interested person transactions were entered into by the Group:

	transactions less than S\$100,000 and transactions conducted under shareholders'		Aggregate value of person transaction under shareholde pursuant to Rule 9 transactions less th	ns conducted ers' mandate 20 (excluding
	FY2017/18	FY2016/17	FY2017/18	FY2016/17
	Q3	Q3	Q3	Q3
	S\$′000	S\$′000	S\$′000	S\$′000
Sales				
Singapore Telecommunications Group	-	-	446	12,565*
	-	-	446	12,565
Purchases				
Sembcorp Group	-	-	-	300*
SMRT Group	-	-	1,404*	-
	-	-	1,404	300
Total interested person transactions	-	-	1,850	12,865

#### Aggregate value of all interested person transactions during the financial period (excluding transactions less than \$\$100,000 and transactions conducted under shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920)

Aggregate value of all interested person transactions conducted under shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920 (excluding transactions less than S\$100,000)

	FY2017/18	FY2016/17	FY2017/18	FY2016/17
	9M	9M	9M	9M
	S\$′000	S\$′000	S\$′000	S\$′000
Sales				
Mediacorp Group	-	-	370*	-
Singapore Telecommunications Group	-	-	1,684	14,366*
Starhub Group	-	-	638	759
-	-	-	2,692	15,125
Purchases				

Certis Cisco Group	-	-	-	450
PSA Corporation	-	-	1,518*	-
SembCorp Group	-	-	-	5,524*
Singapore Airlines Group	-	-	4,248	4,588
Singapore Telecommunications Group	-	-	499*	-
SMRT Group	-	-	1,404*	-
	-	-	7,669	10,562
Total interested person transactions	-	_	10,361	25,687

Note

All the transactions set out in the above table were based on the Group's interested person transactions register. They were either based on contractual values for the duration of the contracts (which vary from 2 months to 3 years) or annual values for open-ended contracts.

\*Include contracts of duration exceeding one year.

#### (14) Confirmation by the Board pursuant to rule 720(1) of the Listing Manual

The Board had received undertakings from all its directors and executive officers in the format as set out in Appendix 7.7 in pursuant to Rule 720(1) of the listing manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited.

#### (15) Confirmation by the Board pursuant to rule 705(5) of the Listing Manual

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Company, we, the undersigned, hereby confirm to the best of our knowledge that nothing has come to the attention of the Board of Directors of the Company which may render the financial statements for the third quarter ended 31 December 2017 to be false or misleading.

On behalf of the Board of Directors

MR SIMON CLAUDE ISRAEL Chairman

Singapore 1 February 2018

MR PAUL COUTTS Director

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### Q3 FY2017/18 Profit & Loss



Q3 FY2017/18 P&L, \$M

	Q3 FY17/18	Q3 FY16/17	% change
Revenue	412.8	369.4	+11.7%
Other income and gains (net)			
Rental and property-related income	13.9	9.1	+52.9%
Miscellaneous	2.9	(1.8)	N.M.
Total expenses	386.5	336.9	+14.7%
Exceptional items	0.9	(0.0)	N.M.
Operating profit	46.1	37.3	+23.7%
Share of associated companies & JVs	1.0	(0.2)	N.M.
Net profit attributable to equity holders	43.0	31.4	+37.2%
Underlying net profit	35.2	31.4	+11.9%

 Revenue growth across all three segments driven by higher eCommerce-related activities

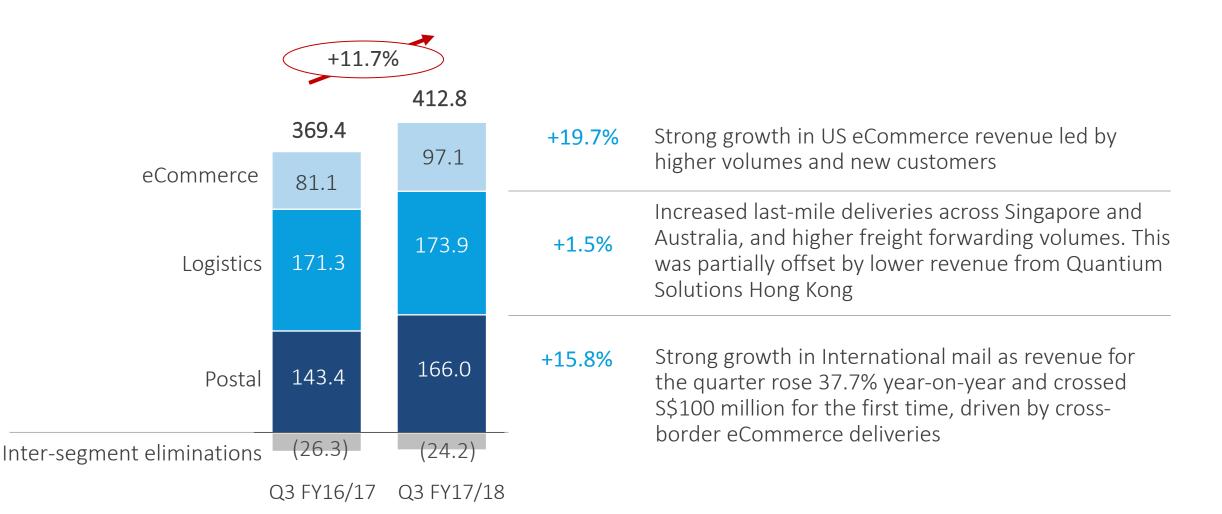
YoY

- Boosted by rental income from SingPost Centre retail mall which opened in October 2017
- Net profit rose 37.2%, driven by improved performance from the Postal, eCommerce and Property segments, as well as a one-off adjustment of deferred tax
- Excluding exceptional and one-off items, underlying net profit rose 11.9%.

### **Revenue movement**

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### Q3 FY2016/17 vs. Q3 FY2017/18 Revenue performance, \$M



### **Operating expenses**



### Total expenses Q3 FY2017/18 breakdown, \$M

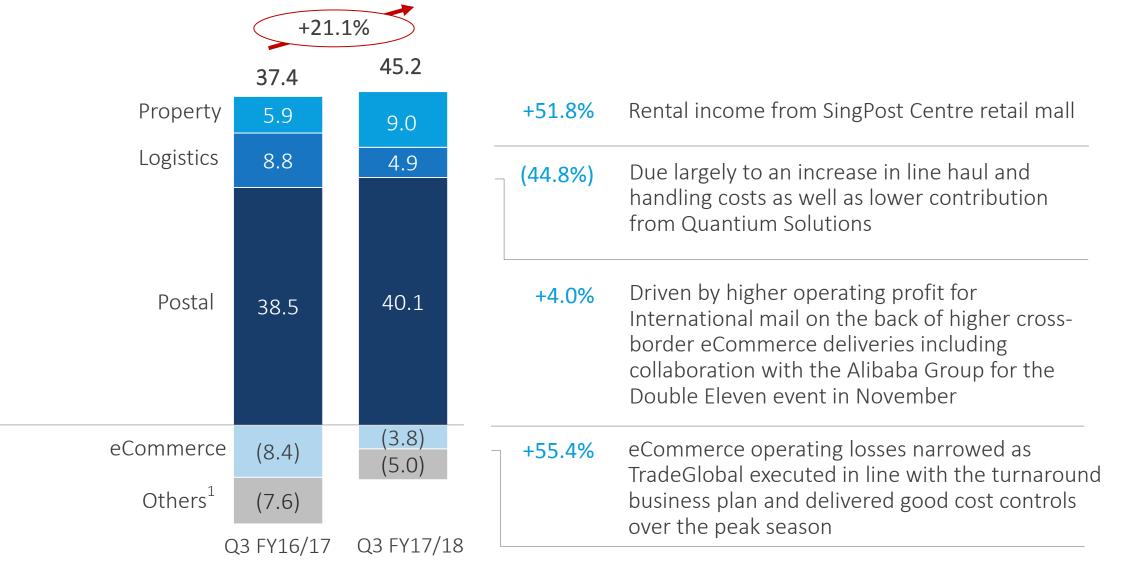
	Q3 FY17/18	Q3 FY16/17	YoY % change
Labour & related	102.4	88.4	+15.9%
Volume-related	223.6	196.2	+13.9%
Traffic & related Outsourcing services and delivery expenses	130.0 93.5	101.6 94.6	+28.0% (1.2%)
Admin & others	40.0	37.6	+6.4%
Depreciation & amortisation	15.3	12.9	+18.4%
Selling	2.1	3.5	(39.4%)
Finance expense	3.1	(1.7)	N.M.
Total expenses	386.5	336.9	+14.7%

- higher temporary and contract staff costs to support growth in the business
- higher International mail terminal dues and air conveyance costs in line with higher volume
- higher professional fees
- mainly due to equipment depreciation costs at the Regional eCommerce Logistics Hub, and shortening of amortisation period for intangible assets of TradeGlobal
  - mainly due to unfavourable nontrade related foreign exchange translation differences

### **Operating Profit before exceptional items**

Q3 FY2016/17 vs. Q3 FY2017/18 Operating Profit performance, \$M





Differences in total due to rounding

1. Refer to unallocated corporate overhead items and trade-related foreign currency translation differences

### Q3 FY2017/18 Underlying Net Profit movement



Underlying Net Profit performance, \$M

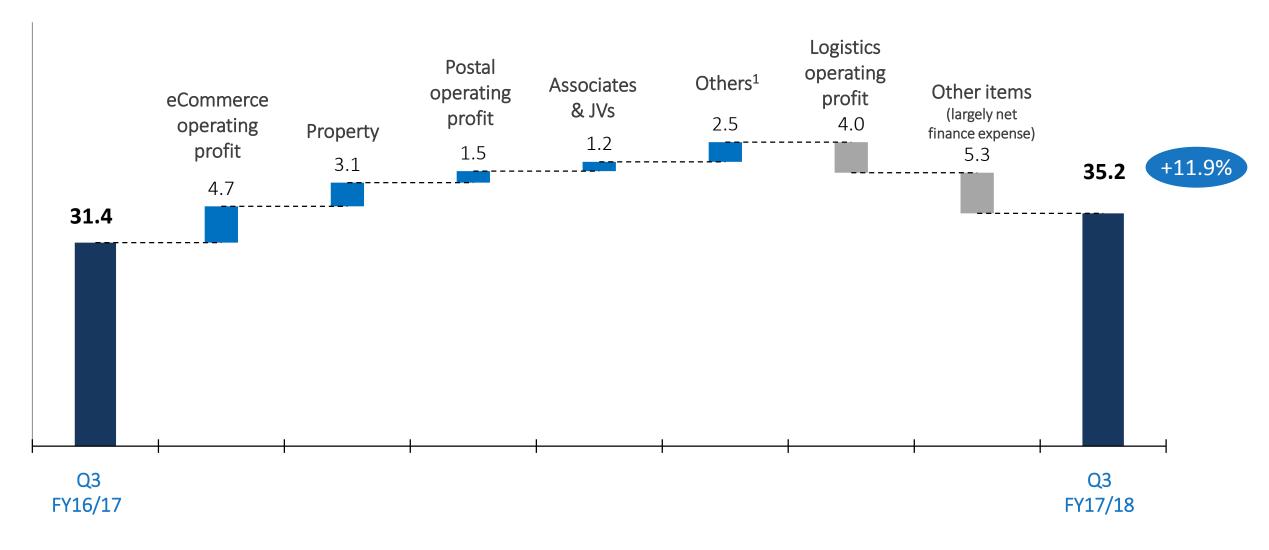


Chart not shown to scale, differences in total due to rounding

1. Previously grouped in "Property & Others". Refers to unallocated corporate overhead items and trade-related foreign currency translation differences

### 9M FY2017/18 Profit & Loss



9M FY2017/18 P&L, \$M

	9M FY17/18	9M FY16/17	% change
Revenue	1,121.6	1,024.5	+9.5%
Other income and gains (net)			
Rental and property-related income	33.6	27.8	+20.9%
Miscellaneous	9.3	2.4	+280.3%
Total expenses	1,058.6	932.3	+13.5%
Exceptional items	5.8	4.4	+32.6%
Operating profit	117.9	124.8	(5.5%)
Share of associated companies & JVs	3.1	0.7	@
Net profit attributable to equity holders	102.5	98.6	+3.9%
Underlying net profit	89.7	94.2	(4.8%)

 Revenue growth across all three segments driven by higher eCommerce-related activities

YoY

Underlying net profit declined
 4.8% due largely to lower
 operating profit in the Logistics
 segment

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### Cash Flow movement



\$M, unless otherwise stated

	9M FY16/17	9M FY17/18	
[_	157.8 24.2 (29.6)	152.2 24.7 (30.4)	Operating cash flow before working capital changes Changes in working capital Income tax paid
	152.5	146.5	Net cash provided by operating activities
	(164.1)	(52.9)	Capital expenditure
—	(11.6)	93.6	Free cash flow
	9M FY16/17	9M FY17/18	
k i	152.5	146.5	Net cash provided by operating activities
	(65.4)	(41.9)	Cash flow used in investing activities
	15.4	(186.9)	Cash flow (used in) / provided by financing activities

Largely stable operating cash flow

 Lower capital expenditure with the completion of Regional eCommerce Logistics Hub and SingPost Centre retail mall

Improved free cash flow

- Due to net repayment of short term bank term loans of S\$127.7 million in 9M FY17/18

 Decrease in cash & cash equivalents due to net repayment of short term bank term loans, compared to loan proceeds last year

### **Balance Sheet and financial indicators**

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Postal	Q3 FY17/18	Q3 FY16/17	YoY % change
Revenue	166.0	143.4	+15.8%
Operating profit	40.1	38.5	+4.0%
OP margin	24.2%	26.9%	

International mail revenue rose 37.7%, as quarterly revenue crossed S\$100 million for the first time on the back of higher cross-border eCommerce deliveries including collaboration with the Alibaba Group for the Double Eleven event in November.

Domestic mail revenue decline reflects continued migration towards electronic statements and bills.

Postal operating profit rose 4.0%, as higher International mail operating profit helped offset the decline in the Domestic mail business.

Revenue breakdown	Q3 FY17/18	Q3 FY16/17	YoY % change
Domestic mail <sup>1</sup>	58.5	62.9	(7.0%)
International mail	100.5	73.0	+37.7%
Post office products & services <sup>2</sup>	7.0	7.5	(6.6%)
Total	166.0	143.4	+15.8%



\$M		

Postal	9M FY17/18	9M FY16/17	YoY % change
Revenue	464.2	407.3	+14.0%
Operating profit	111.5	113.9	(2.2%)
OP margin	24.0%	28.0%	

The revenue trends for 9M are similar to that for Q3.

In 9M, although International mail operating profit rose, this was not sufficient to offset the impact of the decline in Domestic mail operating profit.

Consequently, Postal operating profit declined marginally.

Revenue breakdown	9M FY17/18	9M FY16/17	YoY % change
Domestic mail <sup>1</sup>	172.6	187.3	(7.9%)
International mail	270.3	197.5	+36.9%
Post office products & services <sup>2</sup>	21.3	22.6	(5.5%)
Total	464.2	407.3	+14.0%

2. Includes Agency services, Retail products and Financial services

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 Logistics
 Q3 FY17/18
 Q3 FY16/17
 YoY % change

 Revenue
 173.9
 171.3
 +1.5%

 Operating profit
 4.9
 8.8
 (44.8%)

 OP margin
 2.8%
 5.2%
 Vot % change

Revenue breakdown	Q3 FY17/18	Q3 FY16/17	YoY % change
Quantium Solutions	24.4	29.5	(17.3%)
Couriers Please	41.3	38.5	+7.2%
SP Parcels	25.1	21.3	+17.7%
Famous	62.1	60.8	+2.1%
Others <sup>1</sup>	21.0	21.1	(0.4%)
Total	173.9	171.3	+1.5%

SP Parcels and Couriers Please's revenue rose with increased last-mile delivery volumes in Singapore and Australia respectively, while Famous Holdings' revenue grew in line with higher freight forwarding volumes.

The above were partially offset by a revenue decline at Quantium Solutions, which continues to face competitive pressures at its Hong Kong operations. This negated the improved performance in Singapore from higher utilisation at the Regional eCommerce Logistics Hub.

OP declined 44.8%, which reflects an increase in line haul and handling costs as well as lower contribution from Quantium Solutions.

1. Includes the self storage business under Lock+Store

\$M



Logistics	9M FY17/18	9M FY16/17	YoY % change
Revenue	506.0	482.1	+5.0%
Operating profit	5.1	21.0	(76.0%)
OP margin	1.0%	4.4%	

The revenue trends for 9M are similar to that for Q3.

For 9M, operating profit declined 76% as it included a doubtful debt provision
 in Q2 for a key customer.

Revenue breakdown	9M FY17/18	9M FY16/17	YoY % change
Quantium Solutions	71.1	84.4	(15.8%)
Couriers Please	114.5	107.4	+6.6%
SP Parcels	67.8	58.2	+16.5%
Famous	187.2	173.0	+8.2%
Others <sup>1</sup>	65.4	59.0	+10.8%
Total	506.0	482.1	+5.0%

# eCommerce: Q3 FY2017/18 Performance



\$M

eCommerce	Q3 FY17/18	Q3 FY16/17	YoY % change
Revenue	97.1	81.1	+19.7%
Operating profit	(3.8)	(8.4)	+55.4%
OP margin	(3.9%)	(10.4%)	

Jagged Peak revenue rose 43.9% as volume surged over the US peak shopping season of October to December while TradeGlobal overcame the loss in revenue from two major customers as previously disclosed and grew revenue marginally in Q3, aided by the addition of new customers.

The eCommerce segment's operating losses narrowed significantly by 55.4% as TradeGlobal performed largely in line with the turnaround business plan and delivered good cost controls over the peak season in Q3.

Revenue breakdown	Q3 FY17/18	Q3 FY16/17	YoY % change
TradeGlobal	42.1	41.2	+2.3%
Jagged Peak	46.6	32.4	+43.9%
SP eCommerce	8.4	7.6	+11.2%
Total	97.1	81.1	+19.7%



\$M

eCommerce	9M FY17/18	9M FY16/17	YoY % change
Revenue	225.3	210.4	+7.1%
Operating profit	(10.8)	(18.7)	+41.9%
OP margin	(4.8%)	(8.9%)	

Revenue rose 7.1% for 9M as growth for Jagged Peak was partially offset by a decline at TradeGlobal and SP eCommerce.

Operating losses narrowed by 41.9% as TradeGlobal continues to execute on the turnaround business plan.

Revenue breakdown	9M FY17/18	9M FY16/17	YoY % change
TradeGlobal	97.6	101.7	(4.1%)
Jagged Peak	102.5	82.6	+24.1%
SP eCommerce	25.2	26.1	(3.3%)
Total	225.3	210.4	+7.1%

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## New international airmail rates for Small Packets



- SingPost announced new international rates for Packets airmail Small from 2 January 2018.
- This serves to better track the costs associated with the processing and delivery of packets, and reflects the rise in international postal settlement rates between countries.
- International postal settlement rates, which determine what SingPost compensates other postal organisations for mail delivery in their country, were raised on 1 January 2018.
- These are set every four years by the • Universal Postal Union (UPU), the United Nations agency that sets the rules for international mail exchanges among its 192 member countries.

fingapore New international airmail rates for Small Packets from 2 January 2018

With effect from 2 January 2018, new international airmail rates for Small Packets will apply and Surface Mail service for packets/packages will cease.

Small Packets refer to mail containing goods or merchandise up to 2kg in weight. Examples include accessories, clothes and household products.

<b>=</b>		AIRMAIL	RATES <sup>1</sup>			
	Letters & Printe	d Papers <sup>2</sup>	Papers <sup>2</sup> Small Packets <sup>3</sup>			
Destination	Weight-Step Up To (max weight: 2kg)	Postage Rate	Weight-Step Up To (max weight: 2kg)	Postage Rate	Postcards	
	20g	\$0,50	100g	\$2,50		
Zone 1	50g	\$0.70	250g	\$3.90		
Malaysia and Brunei	100g	\$1,10	500g	\$5,20	\$0.40	
Bruiler	per additional 100g	\$1,10	per additional 100g	<b>\$</b> 1,10		
Zone 2	1** 20g	\$0.70	100g	\$3.20		
Countries in Asia & The Pacific	1~ 20g	<b>\$0.70</b>	250g	<b>\$</b> 6.80	\$0,60	
(except Australia, Japan &	per additional		500g	\$12.00	\$0,00	
New Zealand)	10g	\$0.25	per additional 100g	\$2,50		
Zone 3 Countries in the	15 00 -	\$1.30	100g	\$4.70		
rest of the world, including Australia, Japan, New	1# 20g	φ1.30	250g	\$9,85	\$0.60	
Zealand, Africa, The Americas,	per additional	\$0.35	500g	\$17.00	<i>40,00</i>	
Europe & The Middle East	10g	a0.35	per additiona  100g	\$3.50		
Aerogrammes (to all countries except Malaysia & Brunei)			\$0.60			

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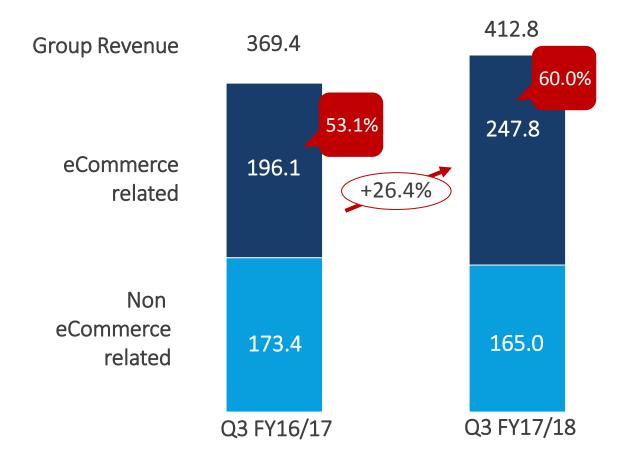
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# eCommerce-related revenue

Singapore

Revenue performance, Q3 FY2016/17 vs Q3 FY2017/18, \$M

## eCommerce-related revenue rose 26.4% year-on-year, forming 60.0% of Group revenue



# Key operating indicators



## Regional eCommerce Logistics Hub

## Warehousing



## Parcel sorting



Utilisation



Utilisation 21%<sup>2</sup>

Processed up to **33,000** parcels a day during peak

## SingPost Centre retail mall



Committed occupancy



1. As at 31 December 2017

2. Average daily utilisation for the quarter ended 31 December 2017, based on handling capacity of 100,000 parcels a day

Agenda



- Q3 & 9M FY2017/18 Financials
- Cash flow and Balance sheet
- Segmental results
- Business & corporate updates

# Summary

The following presentation contains forward looking statements by the management of Singapore Post Limited ("SingPost") relating to financial trends for future periods, compared to the results for previous periods. Some of the statements contained in this presentation that are not historical facts are statements of future expectations with respect to the financial conditions, results of operations and businesses, and related plans and objectives. Forward looking information is based on management's current views and assumptions including, but not limited to, prevailing economic and market conditions. These statements involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results, performance or events to differ materially from those in the statements as originally made. Such statements are not, and should not be construed as a representation as to future performance of SingPost. In particular, such targets should not be regarded as a forecast or projection of future performance of SingPost. It should be noted that the actual performance of SingPost may vary significantly from such statements.

"\$" means Singapore dollars unless otherwise indicated.

# Q3 FY2017/18 Summary



Revenue rose 11.7% with growth across all three segments.

Underlying net profit rose 11.9% largely due to:

• higher operating profit from Postal, narrowed operating losses in eCommerce and improved contribution from Property.

Cash flow and balance sheet position:

- higher free cash flow due to lower capital expenditure
- improved net cash position

Q3 FY17/18 interim dividend of 0.5 cent per share declared.

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# Thank you



### For immediate release

### SingPost net profit rises 37 per cent amid eCommerce peak season

- Revenue rose 11.7 per cent to S\$412.8 million for the third quarter of FY2017/18
- Excluding exceptional items, underlying net profit rose 11.9 per cent on stronger performance of Postal, eCommerce and Property segments
- Q3 FY2017/18 dividend of 0.5 cent per share declared

	Q3 FY17/18 (S\$'000)	Q3 FY16/17 (S\$'000)	Variance (%)	9M FY17/18 (S\$'000)	9M FY16/17 (S\$'000)	Variance (%)
GROUP RESULTS						
Revenue	412,789	369,388	11.7	1,121,598	1,024,493	9.5
Rental & property related income	13,947	9,123	52.9	33,573	27,767	20.9
Total expenses	(386,542)	(336,938)	14.7	(1,058,602)	(932,311)	13.5
Operating profit	46,143	37,296	23.7	117,941	124,808	(5.5)
Net profit	43,011	31,354	37.2	102,454	98,649	3.9
Underlying net profit	35,159	31,411	11.9	89,685	94,244	(4.8)
Earnings per share (cents)	1.73	1.28		4.02	4.04	
Dividend per share (cents)	0.5	0.5		1.5	3.0	

### **Financial Highlights**

**SINGAPORE, 2 February 2018** – Singapore Post Limited ("SingPost") today announced its results for the third quarter ended 31 December 2017.

Revenue for the quarter increased 11.7 per cent to S\$412.8 million, fuelled by growth across the Group.

Net profit attributable to equity holders rose 37.2 per cent to S\$43.0 million, driven by improved performance in the Postal, eCommerce and Property divisions, as well as a S\$6.9 million one-off adjustment of deferred tax arising from changes in the US corporate tax rate. Excluding exceptional items, underlying net profit was up 11.9 per cent to S\$35.2 million.

Mr Paul Coutts, Group Chief Executive Officer, said: "Good execution across the Group saw us capture the benefits of a festive peak season in which eCommerce volumes made new records globally. During the quarter, revenue from eCommerce-related activities rose 26.4 per cent to S\$247.8 million, hitting 60.0 per cent of total revenue. We will move ahead with our strategy to become a leading postal and eCommerce logistics company to realise the full potential of our transformation."



### All round growth with Postal, eCommerce and Property boosting the bottom line

Postal revenue increased 15.8 per cent and operating profit rose 4.0 per cent. International mail revenue rose 37.7 per cent to cross S\$100 million, driven by higher cross-border eCommerce deliveries, including those for the Alibaba Group's Double-Eleven event in November 2017.

Logistics revenue grew 1.5 per cent. SP Parcels and CouriersPlease increased last mile delivery volumes in Singapore and Australia respectively, while Famous Holdings saw higher freight forwarding volumes. Operating profit declined 44.8 per cent due to higher line haul and handling costs, as well as lower contribution from Quantium Solutions, which continued to face competitive pressures in Hong Kong, even as utilisation rose at the Regional eCommerce Logistics Hub in Singapore.

eCommerce revenue rose 19.7 per cent in the quarter and more than halved its operating loss. Jagged Peak recorded a 43.9 per cent surge in revenue, reflecting the US festive peak retail season. TradeGlobal overcame the loss in revenue from major customers that was disclosed previously, growing revenue marginally as it added new customers. TradeGlobal's performance is on track with its turnaround business plan and it delivered good cost controls during the quarter.

Rental and property-related income increased 52.9 per cent, driven by rental income from the SingPost Centre retail mall that was opened in October 2017. Committed occupancy as at 31 December 2017 was 85.9 per cent, up from 80.4 per cent as at 30 September 2017.

Total expenses increased 14.7 per cent, reflecting higher volume-related expenses. The Group is seeking to grow volumes to derive economies of scale from operating leverage.

### Free cash flow improves

For the nine months ended 31 December 2017, free cash flow improved to S\$93.6 million, from negative S\$11.6 million in the corresponding period last year. This was because of lower capital expenditure, following the completion of the Regional eCommerce Logistics Hub and SingPost Centre retail mall.

As at 31 December 2017, SingPost's cash and cash equivalents stood at S\$284.3 million, down from S\$366.6 million as at 31 March 2017. The decrease was largely due to net repayment of short term bank loans. The Group's net cash position improved to S\$49.0 million as at 31 December 2017, from S\$2.6 million as at 31 March 2017.

### Interim dividend

For the third quarter of FY2017/18, the Board of Directors has declared an interim dividend of 0.5 cent per ordinary share (tax exempt one-tier) to be paid on 28 February 2018.

#### About Singapore Post Limited

For over 150 years, Singapore Post (SingPost) as the country's postal service provider, has been delivering trusted and reliable services to homes and businesses in Singapore.

Today, SingPost is pioneering and leading in eCommerce logistics as well as providing innovative mail and logistics solutions in Singapore and around the world, with operations in 19 markets.



Building on its trusted communications through domestic and international postal services, SingPost is taking the lead in end-to-end integrated and digital mail solutions. The suite of SingPost eCommerce logistics solutions includes front end web management, warehousing and fulfilment, last mile delivery and international freight forwarding.

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