PREMIER FISHING AND BRANDS LIMITED (Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)
Registration number 1998/018598/06
Share code: PFB and ISIN: ZAE000247516
("PFB" or "the Company"or "the Group" or "Premier")

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2019 AND DIVIDEND DECLARATION

Group Profile

Premier Fishing and Brands Limited through its subsidiaries operates a vertically integrated fishing business which specialises in the harvesting, processing and marketing of fish and fish-related products. The Group holds medium to long-term fishing rights in squid, lobster, small pelagics, hake deep-sea trawl, hake longline ,horse mackerel, swordfish and tuna. The Group also owns an abalone farm and invests in organic fertilisers through the "Seagro" range of products.

 $\label{eq:highlights} \mbox{Highlights compared to the prior period:}$

- Revenue increased by 55% to R287 million from R185 million.

 Gross profit increased by 72% to R130 million from R76 million.

 Operating profit increased by 200% to R60 million from R20 million.

 Profit before tax increased by 78% to R73 million from R41 million.

 Cash generated from operations for the period amounted to R55 million.

 A maiden interim gross dividend of 12 cents per share has been declared after the reporting period, but before the financial attacements were authorized for issue. statements were authorized for issue.

The Group delivered a strong performance for the period under review, with revenue increasing by 55% and operating profit increasing by 200% compared to the previous period.

Group headline earnings increased by 22% to R35 million from R29 million Headline earnings per share ("HEPS") increased to 13.49 cents per share from 11.10 cents per share and earnings per share ("EPS") increased to 13.44 cents per share from 11.10 cents per share.

Cash generated from operations for the period amounted to R55 million, compared to cash used in operations of R22 million in the prior

The acquisition of Talhado Fishing Enterprises Propriety Limited("Talhado") into the Group is now fully accounted for and the benefits of the acquisition has contributed positively to our results under review.

The increase in operating profit is mainly attributable to the strong performance of the squid division.

Our abalone division continued to deliver results in line with management's expectations, whilst we continue to focus on our expansion plans with increased performance expected to be achieved once the expansion of the abalone farm is completed.

During the current interim reporting period, the carrying value of property, plant and equipment increased from R310 million to R368 million, the majority of which is attributed to the abalone farm expansion.

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Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or loss and Other Comprehensive Income for the six months ended 28 February 2019

| Revenue Cost of sales Gross profit Other operating income Other operating expenses Operating profit Investment revenue | Group 28 February 2019 6 months R'000 286 920 (156 793) 130 127 7 388 (76 703) 60 812 14 685 | Group 28 February 2018 6 months R'000 184 580 (108 763) 75 817 672 (56 220) 20 269 22 325 | Group 31 August 2018 12 months R'000 490 870 (280 651) 210 219 19 523 (138 161) 91 581 40 975 |
|--|--|---|---|
| Finance costs Profit before taxation Taxation Profit after taxation for the period Total comprehensive income for the period | (2 013) | (1 343) | (3 543) |
| | 73 484 | 41 251 | 129 013 |
| | (18 775) | (12 401) | (33 672) |
| | 54 709 | 28 850 | 95 341 |
| | 54 709 | 28 850 | 95 341 |
| Profit after tax attributable to: Shareholders of Premier Non-controlling interests Profit after taxation for the period | 34 940 19 769 54 709 | 28 850 - 28 850 | 81 858 13 483 95 341 |
| Basic and diluted earnings per share (cents) Headline and diluted headline earnings per share (cents) Weighted average number of shares (OOOs) | 13.44 | 11.10 | 31.48 |
| | 13.49 | 11.10 | 31.60 |
| | 260 000 | 260 000 | 260 000 |
| Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at 28 February 2019 | Unaudited | Unaudited | Audited |
| | Group | Group | Group |
| | 28 February | 28 February | 31 August |
| | 2019 | 2018 | 2018 |
| | 6 months | 6 months | 12 months |
| | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 |
| Assets Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Goodwill Intangible assets Loans to group companies Deferred tax | 568 374 367 718 70 129 36 310 94 131 86 | 290 033 173 969 18 165 66 97 821 | 509 625 310 242 70 129 39 550 89 618 86 |
| Current assets Inventories Other financial assets Current tax receivable Trade and other receivables Construction deposits Biological assets Cash and cash equivalents | 524 959 | 654 770 | 599 460 |
| | 48 865 | 48 861 | 48 528 |
| | 4 685 | 10 665 | 3 424 |
| | 260 | 154 | 264 |
| | 128 612 | 104 825 | 128 643 |
| | - | 8 951 | - |
| | 76 015 | 55 872 | 68 021 |
| | 266 522 | 425 442 | 350 580 |
| Total assets | 1 093 333 | 944 803 | 1 109 085 |
| Equity and liabilities Equity Stated capital Reserves Retained income Equity attributable to shareholders of Premier Non-controlling interests Total equity | 507 517 | 507 517 | 507 517 |
| | 8 014 | 8 014 | 8 014 |
| | 268 364 | 245 416 | 298 424 |
| | 783 895 | 760 947 | 813 955 |
| | 43 032 | - | 48 481 |
| | 826 927 | 760 947 | 862 436 |
| Non-current liabilities Other financial liabilities Operating lease liability Post-employment medical costs Deferred tax | 120 108 | 87 062 | 116 134 |
| | 4 550 | 6 564 | 4 663 |
| | 313 | 788 | 333 |
| | 854 | 1 111 | 984 |
| | 114 391 | 78 599 | 110 154 |
| Current liabilities Other financial liabilities Current tax payable Trade and other payables Provisions Bank overdraft | 146 298 36 215 20 750 84 689 4 644 | 96 794 3 178 23 201 42 151 4 492 23 772 | 130 515 6 712 19 186 89 937 14 680 |
| Total liabilities Total equity and liabilities Net asset value per share (cents) Weighted average number of shares in issue | 266 406 | 183 856 | 246 649 |
| | 1 093 333 | 944 803 | 1 109 085 |
| | 318.05 | 292.67 | 331.71 |
| | 260 000 000 | 260 000 000 | 260 000 000 |

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Shareholder's Equity for the six months ended 28 February 2019

| Unaudited | Unaudited | Audited |
|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| Group | Group | Group |
| 28 February | 28 February | 31 August |
| 2019 | 2018 | 2018 |
| 6 months | 6 months | 12 months |
| R'000 | R'000 | R'000 |
| | | |

| Balance at the beginning of the year | 862 436 | 771 097 | 771 097 |
|--|-------------------|----------|-------------------|
| Non-controlling interests arising on acquisition of Talhado | | - | 50 662 |
| Acquisition of additional shares from non-controlling interests in subsidiaries of Talhado | - | - | (15 664) |
| Profit for the year attributable to shareholders of Premier | 34 940 | 28 850 | 81 858 |
| Profit for the year attributable to non-controlling interests | 19 769 | - | 13 483 |
| Dividends Balance at the end of the year | (90 218) | (39 000) | (39 000) |
| | 826 927 | 760 947 | 862 436 |
| Comprising of: Stated capital | 507 517 | 507 517 | 507 517 |
| Reserves Retained income | 8 014 | 8 014 | 8 014 |
| | 268 364 | 245 416 | 298 424 |
| Non-controlling interests Total equity | 43 032 826 927 | 760 947 | 48 481 862 436 |

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the six months ended 28 February 2019

| Cash (used in)/generated from operations Interest income Finance cost Tax paid Net cash flows from operating activities | Unaudited Group 28 February 2019 6 months R'000 54 621 9 010 (2 013) (13 141) 48 477 | Unaudited Group 28 February 2018 6 months R'000 (21 731) 15 537 (1 343) (4 644) (12 181) | Audited Group 31 August 2018 12 months R'000 91 187 29 448 (3 543) (54 820) 62 272 |
|--|--|--|--|
| Cash flows from investing activities Purchases of property, plant and equipment to sustain operations Purchases of property, plant and equipment to expand operations Purchases of intangible assets Purchase of biological assets Business combinations Acquisition of additional shares from non-controlling interests in subsidiaries of Talhado Loans advanced to group companies Loans to group companies repaid Financial assets advanced Net cash flows from investing activities | (22 077) (45 679) (16) (2 994) - (36 868) 37 550 (1 261) (71 345) | (26 488) (25 026) (7) - - (20 794) 11 520 (8 959) (69 754) | (28 837) (86 803) (1 862) (520) (61 239) (15 664) (58 721) 60 720 (341) (193 267) |
| Cash flows from financing activities Proceeds received from financial liabilities Repayment of other financial liabilities Dividends paid Net cash flows from financial activities Total cash movement for the year Cash at the beginning of the year Total cash at the end of the year | 31 362 (2 334) (90 218) (61 190) (84 058) 350 580 266 522 | (1 328) (39 000) (40 328) (122 263) 523 933 401 670 | 942 (4 300) (39 000) (42 358) (173 353) 523 933 350 580 |

1.STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE AND BASIS OF PREPARATION

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared and presented in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 ("IAS34"), the Listings Requirements of the JSE Limited ("JSE") ("the Listings Requirements"), the SAICA Financial Reporting Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee and the Financial Reporting Pronouncements as issued by the Financial Reporting Standards Council and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa (No. 71 of 2008), as amended, applicable to summarised financial statements.

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis and historical cost bases, except where otherwise indicated.

2.ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies applied in the preparation of the condensed consolidated interim financial statements, which are based on reasonable judgement and estimates, are in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") and are consistent with those applied in the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2018, except for the adoption of accounting policies described below.

3.ADOPTION OF NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

During the reporting period the Group adopted the newly effective accounting standards, namely:

IFRS 9: Financial Instruments.

- IFRS 9 Financial Instruments (replacing IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement) is applicable to the Group for the 2019 annual reporting period, with the first application in the interim Group financial statements.
- The completed standard comprises guidance on the classification and measurement of financial assets and liabilities, and the introduction of the expected credit loss model (ECL) with respect to the measurement of impairment allowances for financial assets.

Effect of transition

- The Group has transitioned to IFRS 9 retrospectively, with any cumulative material impact being recognised in opening retained income as a result of the initial application of IFRS 9. Comparative information has therefore not been restated.

Classification

IFRS 9 introduces a new approach to the classification of financial assets, which is driven by the business model in which the
asset is held and their cash flow characteristics.

- There was no material impact on classification of financial assets nor financial liabilities.

Impairment

- The new standard introduces a single "expected credit loss" impairment model for the measurement of financial assets.
- The Group has assessed the impact of IFRS 9 including the application of the expected credit loss (ECL) model for the measurement of the impairment allowance of our trade and other receivables (through the application of the simplified approach) as well as loans to Group Companies.

Trade Receivables

- In terms of IAS 39, trade and other receivables were impaired when there was objective evidence of default.
 IFRS 9 dictates that the impairment is based on the lifetime expected credit losses on trade and other receivables.
- The Group has established a provision matrix that is based on historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward looking factors specific to trade and other receivables including the economic environment.

Loan receivables

- The Group has adopted the general approach, which takes into account the three-stage approach, with respect to the recognition of credit losses being:

| Description | Stage 1 Credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition | Stage 2 Credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition | Stage Credit-impaire |
|-------------------------|--|--|---|
| Recognition of ECLs | 12-month ECL | Lifetime ECL | Lifetime EC |
| Recognition of interest | Effective interest on gross carrying amount | Effective interest on gross carrying amount | Effective interest o net carrying amoun |

- At each reporting date, the Group assess whether financial assets classified as amortised cost are credit impaired. Loans receivables are credit impaired when one or more events identified has a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows.
- The Group's definition of credit impaired is aligned to its internal credit risk definition of default, namely a failure to make payment when due.
- As at the reporting date, credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition ("Stage 1), and therefore a 12 month ECLs has been determined, which is not material.

Based on our assessment, the application of IFRS 9 had no material impact on the reported earnings or financial position for the interim period under review.

IFRS 15: Revenue from contracts with customers.

- IFRS 15 replaces all existing revenue requirements in IFRS and applies to all revenue arising from contracts with customers, unless the contracts are in the scope of the standards on leases, insurance contracts and financial instruments.
- The core principle of the standard is that revenue recognised reflects the consideration to which the Company expects to be entitled in exchange for the transfer of promised goods or services to the customer. The standard incorporates a five-step analysis to determine the amount and timing of revenue recognition.

Effect of transition

- The Group has transitioned to IFRS 15 by applying the standard retrospectively with the cumulative effect of initial application recognised as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained income in accordance with Para C7 of IFRS 15. Comparatives have therefore not been restated.
- However, given the nature of revenue streams and contracts with customers, the adoption of the standard did not materially affect the manner of revenue recognition, and therefore no adjustment is required to opening retained income at the date of initial application.
- IFRS 15 uses the terms 'contract liability' to describe what might more commonly be known as 'accrued revenue' and 'deferred revenue'. The Group has adopted the terminology used in IFRS 15 to describe such balances.
- No financial statement line item has been significantly affected in the current reporting period by the application of IFRS 15, as compared to IAS 18.

4. RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM RESULTS

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared by Brent Robertson CA(SA), Head of Finance under the supervision of Imraan Moosa CA(SA), the Financial Director and were not reviewed nor audited by the Group's external auditors, BDO Cape Inc.

5. SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS

| 5. SEGMENTAL ANALISIS | Segm | ent Revenue | | Segi | ment Profit bef | ore tax |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------|-----------|
| | Unaudited | Unaudited | Audited | Unaudited | Unaudited | Audited |
| | 28 February | 28 February | 31 August | 28 February | 28 February | 31 August |
| | 2019 | 2018 | 2018 | 2019 | 2018 | 2018 |
| | 6 months | 6 months | 12 months | 6 months | 6 months | 12 months |
| | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 |
| Lobster | 58 663 | 89 170 | 202 318 | 15 728 | 18 173 | 53 941 |
| Pelagics | 18 512 | 20 101 | 62 904 | 3 902 | 4 212 | 16 379 |
| Hake | 13 429 | 15 644 | 31 492 | 5 021 | 5 046 | 8 893 |
| Squid | 171 661 | 30 627 | 128 169 | 59 593 | 8 338 | 58 018 |
| Abalone | 16 199 | 15 337 | 31 291 | 4 748 | 4 615 | 12 175 |
| Horse mackerel | 231 | 569 | 879 | 231 | 569 | 879 |
| Cold storage | 5 623 | 5 378 | 10 453 | 448 | 387 | 359 |
| Seagro | 3 955 | 2 885 | 5 790 | 918 | 712 | 1 193 |
| Processing and marketing | 1 676 | 6 963 | 23 486 | 306 | 1 045 | 5 503 |
| | 289 949 | 186 674 | 496 782 | 90 895 | 43 097 | 157 340 |
| Less: | | | | | | |
| inter segmental sales | (3 029) | (2 094) | (5 912) | | | |
| Administration and support services | | = | | (35 083) | (24 378) | (78 937) |
| Fair value gains | | - | | 5 000 | 1 550 | 13 178 |
| Interest income | | - | | 14 685 | 22 325 | 40 975 |
| Finance costs Total | | - | | (2 013) | (1 343) | (3 543) |
| IOCAI | 286 920 | 184 580 | 490 870 | 73 484 | 41 251 | 129 013 |

The inter-segmental sales are in respect of cold storage charges to the lobster segment.

Segmental profit represents the profit before tax earned by each segment without the allocation of central administration costs, fair value adjustments, interest income and finance costs. This is the measure that is reported to the chief operating decision-maker for the purposes of assessing the segment performance and resource allocation. The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies.

Segmental assets

| Segmental assets | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| | Unaudited | Unaudited | Audited |
| | 28 February | 28 February | 31 August |
| | 2019 | 2018 | 2018 |
| | 6 months | 6 months | 12 months |
| | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 |
| Lobster | 69 119 | 85 245 | 77 566 |
| Pelagics | 90 887 | 100 478 | 103 806 |
| Hake | 6 290 | 5 214 | 11 457 |
| Squid | 220 066 | 26 140 | 220 602 |
| Abalone | 229 023 | 115 508 | 190 774 |
| Cold storage | 1 035 | 619 | 839 |
| Seagro | 1 915 | 2 954 | 3 193 |
| Processing and marketing | 24 080 | 35 648 | 19 522 |
| Administration and support services | 450 832 | 572 985 | 481 240 |
| Total segment assets | 1 093 247 | 944 791 | 1 108 999 |
| Unallocated | 86 | 12 | 86 |
| Consolidated total assets | 1 093 333 | 944 803 | 1 109 085 |
| | | | |

Segmental liabilities

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|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| | Unaudited | Unaudited | Audited |
| | 28 February | 28 February | 31 August |
| | 2019 | 2018 | 2018 |
| | 6 months | 6 months | 12 months |
| | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 |
| Lobster | 18 317 | 15 340 | 15 877 |
| Pelagics | 5 297 | 8 852 | 11 600 |
| Hake | 4 698 | 3 698 | 5 347 |
| Squid | 43 249 | 8 635 | 25 665 |
| Abalone | 6 637 | 1 950 | 16 290 |
| Processing and marketing | 10 687 | 6 677 | 14 980 |
| Administration and support services | 63 130 | 60 105 | 46 736 |
| Total segment liabilities | 152 015 | 105 257 | 136 495 |
| Unallocated | 114 391 | 78 599 | 110 154 |
| Consolidated total liabilities | 266 406 | 183 856 | 246 649 |
| | | | |

For the purposes of monitoring segmental performances and resource allocations between segments all assets and liabilities are allocated to reportable segments other than deferred tax assets and liabilities.

Included in the segmental results are:

| · | Depreciation and amortisation | | | Additions to property, plant and equipment | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|-----------|--|-------------|-----------|
| | Unaudited | Unaudited | Audited | Unaudited | Unaudited | Audited |
| | 28 February | 28 February | 31 August | 28 February | 28 February | 31 August |
| | 2019 | 2018 | 2018 | 2019 | 2018 | 2018 |
| | 6 months | 6 months | 12 months | 6 months | 6 months | 12 months |
| | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 |
| Lobster | 2 733 | 2 684 | 4 994 | 7 271 | 12 772 | 12 470 |
| Pelagics | 2 953 | 3 739 | 5 648 | 11 339 | 12 414 | 14 234 |
| Squid | 6 684 | 390 | 5 237 | 504 | 389 | 1 292 |
| Abalone | 1 630 | 565 | 1 051 | 45 711 | 25 890 | 87 625 |
| Cold storage | 38 | 40 | 40 | = | - | = |
| Seagro | 146 | 108 | 135 | = | - | = |
| Processing and marketing | 1 | - | - | - | - | 17 |
| Administration and | | | | | | |
| support services | 162 | 127 | 380 | 2 931 | 49 | 762 |
| Total | 14 347 | 7 653 | 17 485 | 67 756 | 51 514 | 116 400 |

Revenue per region

| Unaudi | rted | Unaudi | Lted | Aud: | ıted |
|----------|--|---|--|--|---|
| 28 Febru | lary | 28 Febru | ıary | 31 Aug | gust |
| 2 | 2019 | 2 | 2018 | 2 | 2018 |
| 6 mor | nths | 6 mor | nths | 12 mor | nths |
| R' | 000 | R' | 000 | R' | 000 |
| 45 | 278 | 63 | 277 | 128 | 058 |
| 26 | 788 | 41 | 546 | 154 | 998 |
| 185 | 090 | 43 | 230 | 107 | 934 |
| 29 | 764 | 36 | 527 | 99 | 880 |
| 286 | 920 | 184 | 580 | 490 | 870 |
| | 28 Febru 6 mor R' 45 26 185 29 | Unaudited 28 February 2019 6 months R'000 45 278 26 788 185 090 29 764 286 920 | 28 February 28 February 2019 2 6 months 6 mort R'000 R' 45 278 63 26 788 41 185 090 43 29 764 36 | 28 February 28 February 2019 2018 6 months 6 months 87'000 87'000 45 278 63 277 26 788 41 546 185 090 43 230 29 764 36 527 | 28 February 28 February 31 Au 2019 2018 2018 6 months 6 months 12 months R'000 R'000 R 45 278 63 277 128 26 788 41 546 154 185 090 43 230 107 29 764 36 527 99 |

6. ACQUISITIONS OF PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

During the current interim reporting period, the carrying value of property, plant and equipment increased from R310 million to R368 million, the majority of which is attributed to the abalone farm expansion.

7. RECONCILIATION OF HEADLINE EARNINGS

| | Unaudited | Unaudited | Audited |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 28 February | 28 February | 31 August |
| | 2019 | 2018 | 2018 |
| | 6 months | 6 months | 12 months |
| | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 |
| Earnings attributable to ordinary | | | |
| equity holders of parent entity | 34 940 | 28 850 | 81 858 |
| Adjusted for: | | | |
| - Effect of (profit) loss on disposal | | | |
| of property, plant and equipment | 199 | - | 409 |
| - Taxation effect | (56) | - | (115) |
| Headline earnings | 35 083 | 28 850 | 82 152 |
| Weighted average number of shares | | | |
| on which earnings and headline earnings | | | |
| per share is based | 260 000 000 | 260 000 000 | 260 000 000 |
| Headline earnings per share (cents) | 13.49 | 11.10 | 31.60 |

8. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the period under review, in the ordinary course of business, the Group entered into related party transactions, the substance of which is disclosed in the Group's 2018 Annual Financial Statements.

A maiden gross interim dividend of 12 cents per share has been declared after the reporting period but before the financial statements were authorised for issue.

Furthermore, the directors are not aware of any other material facts or circumstances which occurred between the statement of financial position date and the date of approval.

10. DIVIDENDS R'000 Dividend declared after reporting date* Dividends per share (cents) ${}^{\star}\mathrm{These}$ dividends were declared subsequent to the respective reporting period.

DECLARATION OF CASH DIVIDEND

Notice is hereby given that an interim gross dividend of 12 cents per share has been declared out of income reserves in respect of ordinary shares of no par value for the six months ended 28 February 2019.

A dividend withholding tax of 20% or 2.4 cents per share will be applicable, resulting in a net dividend of 9.6 cents per share, unless the shareholder is exempt from paying dividend withholding tax or is entitled to a reduced rate in terms of an applicable double-tax agreement.

The issued share capital at the declaration date is 260 000 000 ordinary shares.

The income tax number of the company is $924\ 603\ 6033$.

- Last day to trade in order to participate in the dividend
- Monday, 29 April 2019 Tuesday, 30 April 2019 Friday, 3 May 2019 Monday, 6 May 2019 - Shares trade ex dividend Record date - Payment date

Share certificates may not be dematerialised or rematerialised between Tuesday, 30 April 2019, and Friday 3 May 2019, both days inclusive.

11. CHANGES TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

As previously reported on the JSE Stock Exchange News Service, the following changes to the Board of Directors were effected:

- Reverend Dr Vukile Charles Mehana resigned as on independent non-executive director with effect from 14 March 2019. The Board expresses
- its appreciation and wishes Dr Vukile Charles Mehana the very best for his future endeavours.

 Mr Isaiah Tatenda Bundo has taken up an executive role within an associate of the Group, and hence has stepped down as Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") with effect from 21 January 2019. The Board would like to thank Tatenda for his valuable contribution and wishes him well in his new role.
- Mr Imraan Yousuf Moosa has subsequently been appointed as CFO with effect from 21 January 2019.
- Ms Cherie Felicity Hendricks did not make herself available for re-election to the Board of directors at the Company's annual general meeting. on 19 February 2019, and therefore resigned as a director of the Company with effect from 19 February 2019. The Board wishes Ms Hendricks all of the very best and success going forward.

12. APPROVAL OF INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Condensed Consolidated Interim results were authorised for issue by the Company's Board of Directors.

The Condensed Consolidated Interim results have not been reviewed nor audited by the Group's auditors, BDO Cape Inc.

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

Lobster

The 2018/19 total allowable catch ("TAC") for South Coast Rock Lobster ("SCRL") is 316 tons which resulted in a slight reduction from the prior year's TAC of 331 tons. The quota which is available to Premier is 129 tons (2018: 135 tons). The South Coast rock lobster specie remains a stable fishery and well managed resource.

Our South Coast Rock Lobster brand is a top leading brand in the US market due to its high quality standards and is therefore we are able to attract premium prices. The favourable size mix resulted in the Group achieving an increase of 4% in US dollar pricing for SCRL as compared to the prior period. The Group experienced increased landings due to good catch rates for the lobster division.

The West Coast Rock Lobster ("WCRL") sector remains a challenge for the industry and Premier Fishing currently contributes positively as an industry player to ensure that the resource remains sustainable for the foreseeable future. The WCRL's contribution to revenue and profits of the Group is less than 10%.

Small Pelagics

The Group's quota allocation for pilchards were not issued for the reporting period.

Industrial fish catch rates were the same as those experienced in the prior year.

The Group had less fishing days for the current period as compared to the prior period which resulted in lower volumes landed and lower revenues and profit for the division in the current period. However, the Group expects the landings at year end to improve, which will contribute positively to the divisional performance by year end.

The pilchard quota for the 2019 fishing season commenced in March 2019, and its performance will be reported on during the second half

The squid division delivered strong returns for the period, even though catch rates were down compared to the same period in the prior period. The Squid division with the acquisition of Talhado contributes significantly towards the revenue contribution. In the prior period the contribution from the squid division was less than 20%.

the market for South African squid remains strong, with a steady inc

The good catch rates, steady increase in the average Euro selling price and consolidation of Talhado, contributed to the increase in operating profits for the division.

The Group's hake quota is caught, processed and marketed through a joint operation with Blue Continents Products. The division continues to deliver good performance with the division experiencing favourable size mixes as part of its catches. Market prices remained relatively stable resulting in the division maintaining its margins.

The Group remained focused with the expansion of the abalone farm with a target holding capacity between 300 to 350 tons upon completion. The division increased its spat ("Baby Abalone") production from an average of 100 000 spat per month to an average of 200 000 spat per month, when compared to the previous period. The hatchery continues to produce good quality spat which provides a good platform for our planned expansion in production output.

Sales volumes for the period remained similar to that of the prior period, as the farm continues to strategically grow out abalone to a larger size, in order to meet market demand, and thereby maximising the value received for our abalone.

The Group was awarded a horse mackerel quota of 800 tons during the Fishing Rights Application Process 2015/2016. The Group's horse mackerel quota is caught, processed and marketed by Dessert Diamond Fishing (Pty) Ltd.

Seagro is an organic fertiliser produced from fish oil which is a by-product of the fishmeal making process. The division performed in line with management's expectation, with sales volumes slightly increasing when compared to the prior period, with profitability remaining relatively stable when compared to the prior period.

Future Prospects

The future outlook of the Group is a positive one, as the Group is well positioned to create and maintain shareholder value through organic and acquisitive growth, thereby ensuring delivery on our stakeholder commitments.

Our main strategic focus area is the FRAP 2020 process, with the Group continuing to be well positioned for the 2020 Fishing Rights Application Process (FRAP).

The abalone farm expansion continues to progress well and upon completion, production capacity will increase from 120 tons to between 300 and 350 tons per annum.

 $\label{thm:continues} The Group continues to pursue strategic acquisitions within the fishing industry, in line with its growth strategy.$

Reporting entity

Premier is a Company domiciled in South Africa. These condensed unaudited consolidated interim financial statements ("interim financial statements") for the six months ended 28 February 2019, comprises of the Company, its subsidiaries and interests in joint ventures operations.

We wish to thank our employees, Group executives, management, our Board of Directors, as well as our strategic partners, stakeholders and business partners for their loyalty and dedication in contributing to the success of the Group.

Independent Non-executive Deputy Chairman

Mr Mogamat Samir Saban Chief Executive Officer

Cape Town

9 April 2019

DIRECTORATE AND STATUTORY INFORMATION

#*Salim Young (Independent Non-Executive Deputy Chairman); #*Khalid Abdulla; *Mogamat Samir Saban (Chief Executive Officer); *Imraan Yousuf Moosa; *Rushaan Isaacs; #*Rosemary Phindile Mosia; #*Aziza Begum Amod; #*Clifford Leonard van der Venter; #* Advocate Ngoako Ramatlhodi, #*Sebenzile Patrick Mngconkola

*Executive directors

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