We at VICOM Ltd (VICOM or Company, and together with its subsidiaries, the Group), believe that a fundamental measure of our success is the shareholder value we create over the long-term.

We will continue to:

- Focus relentlessly on our customers;
- Make sound corporate decisions to build long-term value, rather than short-term considerations;
- Spend wisely and maintain our lean culture as we understand the importance of being cost-conscious;
- Hire and retain skilled and dedicated employees; and
- Look for sustainable ways to protect the environment.

# Corporate Governance Statement

VICOM strongly believes that good corporate governance makes good business. To this end, we maintain the highest standards of corporate governance, professionalism and integrity as we build an organisation that our Shareholders, Employees, Business Partners, the Authorities and other Stakeholders can trust and be proud of.

We adhere to the revised Code of Corporate Governance issued by the Monetary Authority of Singapore on 2 May 2012 (Code) and ensure that it is upheld by each and every one in the Group. We have also adopted a Code of Business Conduct, which sets out the principles and policies upon which our businesses are to be conducted, and implemented a Whistleblowing Policy which provides a mechanism for employees to raise concerns about possible improprieties in financial reporting or other improper business conduct, whilst protecting the whistleblowers from reprisal within the limits of the law.

This Report sets out the Corporate Governance practices that were in place during the year, with specific references to the Code. For the Financial Year 2015, we are pleased to report that the Company complied substantially with the key principles and supporting guidelines set out in the Code except where specifically identified and disclosed in this report.

#### 1. Board Matters

In choosing directors, the Company seeks individuals who have high integrity, expertise, business acumen, shareholder orientation and a genuine interest in the Group.

# Principle 1:

# The Board's Conduct of Affairs Board's Role

At the helm of the decision-making process of the Company is the Board of Directors. The Board is headed by the non-executive and non-independent Chairman, Mr Lim Jit Poh, and is responsible for:

- (i) Providing the entrepreneurial leadership and guidance, setting strategic direction and objectives of the Group, and ensuring that adequate financial and human resources are in place to achieve the objectives;
- (ii) Ensuring that appropriate and adequate systems of internal control, risk management processes and financial authority limits are in place to safeguard Shareholders' interests and the Group's assets;
- (iii) Monitoring Management performance;
- (iv) Identifying the key Stakeholder groups and guiding Management in the Company's strategy and approach in addressing the concerns of these key Stakeholder groups;

- (v) Setting the Company's values and standards (including ethical standards), and ensure that obligations to Shareholders and other Stakeholders are understood and met; and
- (vi) Considering environmental, social and governance as part of its strategic formulation on sustainability.

#### **Reserved Matters**

VICOM has adopted internal guidelines setting forth certain matters that require the Board's approval. Under these guidelines, acquisitions of businesses, disposals or changes in equity interests in existing subsidiaries/associates, capital expenditure, investment in financial instruments, tender for businesses above the prescribed limits, assessing and approving key business decisions, funding and investment initiatives and other corporate actions, including approval of the Financial Authority Limits, Annual Budget and Capital Expenditure and the release of the quarterly and full-year Financial Results require approval from the Board. In addition, the acceptance of credit facilities from banks, the establishment of capital market programmes and the issuance of debt instruments require the approval of the Board.

The Board periodically reviews the adequacy of internal controls and Financial Authority Limits to ensure that while there is delegation of authority, there are sufficient checks and balances in place to monitor such delegation.

## Independent Judgement

All Directors are aware of their fiduciary duties and exercise due diligence and independent judgement in ensuring that their decisions are objective and in the best interests of the Company.

# Delegation by the Board

To assist the Board in the detailed consideration of the various issues at

hand and to facilitate decision-making, three Board Committees are formed, namely, the Audit and Risk Committee (ARC), the Nominating Committee (NC) and the Remuneration Committee (RC). Ad hoc committees are also formed to look at specific issues from time to time.

Each Board Committee is governed and regulated by its own terms of reference, which sets out the scope of its duties and responsibilities, regulations and procedures governing the manner in which the Board Committee is to operate and how decisions are to be

taken. Although the Board Committees are empowered to make their own decisions, the Board is ultimately responsible for all decisions made by the Board Committees.

# Directors' Attendance at Board and Board Committee Meetings

At least four scheduled Board Meetings are held every year for the purpose of approving the release of the Financial Results every quarter and the Annual Budget. The Board Meetings to approve the Financial Results are held within 45 days after the end of each quarter and

the financial year. The Annual Budget is approved at the Board Meeting convened for the third quarter's results. Ad hoc Board and Board Committee Meetings are also held from time to time when the need arises. Directors who are unable to attend the Meetings in person can still participate in the discussions through teleconferencing. Decisions of the Board and Board Committees may also be obtained via circular resolutions. Directors are free to seek clarifications and explanations from Management on the reports and papers submitted to the Board.

## Attendance of Directors at Board and Board Committee Meetings in 2015

	Во	ard	Audit a Comn	nd Risk nittee		nating nittee		eration nittee
Name	No. of meetings held	No. of meetings attended						
Lim Jit Poh	4	4	-	-	1	1	2	2
Kua Hong Pak	4	4	-	-	1	1*	2	2*
Sim Wing Yew	4	4	4	4*	-	-	2	2*
Goh Yeow Tin	4	4	4	4	1	1	-	-
Ho Kah Leong	4	4	4	4	-	-	2	2
Ong Teong Wan	4	4	4	4	1	1	-	-
Sim Cheok Lim	4	4	-	-	1	1	2	2
Teo Geok Har, Nancy	4	4	4	4	-	-	2	2

<sup>\*</sup> Attended Meetings by invitation of the Board Committee

Induction and Training of Directors
Upon appointment as a Director, the
Board Chairman will send an official
letter of appointment to the Director,
which clearly explains his/her role,
duties and responsibilities.

Management will conduct a comprehensive orientation programme for newly appointed Directors, where key aspects of the businesses, including financial and corporate governance policies are discussed. Site visits will also be arranged for new Directors so that they can better familiarise themselves with the Group's operations. When a Director is appointed to a Board Committee, he/she is provided with its terms of reference.

Directors are free to request for sponsorship from the Company to attend courses to update their knowledge and better equip themselves to discharge their duties as Directors. The Company Secretary assists in professional development and training by regularly disseminating details of suitable seminars and courses organised by the Singapore Institute of Directors and arranging for the Directors to attend such courses when requested. The Company Secretary also updates the Board on corporate governance practices and circulates articles relating to changes in laws relevant to the Group's businesses. The Group has engaged an external lawyer to brief and discuss with the Directors on the recent changes in the Companies Act, Cap. 50 in March 2016.

Regular presentations are made by Management to the Board to enable Directors to better familiarise themselves with the Group's businesses.

# Principle 2: Board Composition and Guidance Board Independence

There is a strong element of independence in the Board. The Board comprises the Chief Executive

Officer (CEO) and seven non-executive Directors (NED). Of the seven NEDs, five of them are considered by the NC to be independent which exceeds the Code's requirement of at least half of the Board to comprise independent Directors where the Chairman is not an independent Director.

The NC is responsible for assessing the independence of the Directors on an annual basis. Each Director is required to complete a Confirmation of Independence checklist which is drawn up in accordance with the guidelines provided by the Code and requires each Director to assess his/ her own independence. The Director is required to declare any circumstances in which he/she may be considered nonindependent. The NC will then review the Confirmation of Independence to determine whether a Director is independent. The NC deems a Director who is directly associated with a 10% Shareholder in the current and immediate past financial year (as defined in the Code) as non-independent. Mr Lim Jit Poh and Mr Kua Hong Pak are deemed as non-independent as they are also Directors of ComfortDelGro Corporation Limited (ComfortDelGro), a 10% Shareholder.

As at 31 December 2015, four out of five independent Directors have served on the Board for more than nine years. They are Dr Ho Kah Leong, Mr Ong Teong Wan, Mr Sim Cheok Lim and Ms Teo Geok Har, Nancy. The NC takes the view that a Director's independence cannot be determined solely and arbitrarily on the basis of the length of time. A Director's contribution in terms of experience, expertise, professionalism, integrity, objectivity and independent judgement in engaging and challenging Management in the best interests of the Group as he/she performs his/her duties in good faith, are more critical measures in ascertaining his/her independence than the number of years served on the Board. Hence, the Board

does not impose a limit on the length of service of the independent Directors. The Board and the NC exercise due and careful review, taking into consideration all other factors, in assessing the independence of a Director. These factors include, inter alia, if the Director has any interest, business, relationship and/or any other material contractual relationship with the Group which could reasonably be perceived to compromise his/her independence and interfere with the exercise of his/her independent business judgement with a view to the best interests of the Group. After due and careful review, the Board is of the view that all independent Directors remain independent in the exercise of their judgement on Board matters.

# Board Size, Composition and Competency

The NC annually examines the size of the Board with a view to determine its overall effectiveness. Taking into account the scope and nature of the operations of the Group and the requirements of the Group's businesses, the NC and the Board are of the view that its current size of eight is conducive to facilitate effective decision making.

The Directors are individuals with a broad diversity of expertise and experience including financial, engineering and business management, both domestically and internationally. Each Director provides a valuable network of industry contacts and brings in alternative perspectives and fresh challenges at Board discussions.

The NC is satisfied that the Board and Board Committees comprise Directors who as a group provide an appropriate balance and diversity of skills, experience, knowledge and core competencies required for the Board and Board Committees to discharge their responsibilities effectively.

The individual profile of the Directors, their principal directorships and

chairmanships held currently and their directorships and chairmanships held in listed companies in the preceding three years, are found in the 'Board of Directors' and 'Directors' Particulars' sections on pages 8 to 11 and page 38 to 40 of this Annual Report.

Non-Executive Directors' Participation
NEDs participate actively at Board and
Board Committee Meetings. To facilitate
this, they are kept informed of the
Group's businesses and performance
through monthly and quarterly reports

Group's businesses and performance through monthly and quarterly reports from the Management and have unrestricted access to the Management.

# Principle 3: Chairman and CEO Roles of Chairman and CEO

The roles of the Chairman and the CEO are kept separate and distinct. This is a deliberate policy and one that is strictly adhered to. This ensures Management accountability and Board independence. The Chairman is responsible for the effective functioning of the Board, while the CEO is responsible for the operations and management of the Group's businesses. The CEO reports to the Deputy Chairman. The Chairman, Deputy Chairman and the CEO are not related.

#### The Chairman:

- (i) Leads the Board and promotes comprehensive and open discussions at Board meetings and facilitates the effective contribution of the NEDs:
- (ii) Oversees the translation of the Board's decisions into executive actions;
- (iii) Ensures adequacy and timeliness of information flow between the Board and Management and effective communications with Shareholders;
- (iv) Encourages constructive relations within the Board and between the Board and Management; and

(v) Promotes high standards of corporate governance and transparency.

The CEO is given full executive responsibility for the management of the Group's businesses and the implementation of the Group's strategies and policies and reports to the Board on a regular basis.

# Lead Independent Director

Consistent with the guidelines of the Code, as the Chairman, Mr Lim Jit Poh, is deemed non-independent, the Board had unanimously appointed Mr Goh Yeow Tin as the Lead Independent Director on 1 January 2013.

## Principle 4: Board Membership

There is a formal and transparent process for the appointment and reappointment of Directors to the Board.

# Nominating Committee

The NC comprises four non-executive Directors, of whom three including the Chairman, are independent. Consistent with the Code, the Lead Independent Director is also the Chairman of the NC who is not associated with a 10% Shareholder. The NC is responsible for regularly reviewing the composition of the Board, identifying and proposing suitable candidates for appointment to the Board and ensuring succession plans are in place. The renewal of Board membership is an ongoing process to ensure good governance and to maintain relevance in a changing business environment.

The key terms of reference of the NC include the following:

- Make recommendations to the Board on all appointments and re-appointments of Directors of the Company;
- (ii) Assess the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and contribution by each individual Director; and

(iii) Develop a process for evaluation of the Board's performance, including comparison with industry peers, and review of training and development plans for the Board.

#### Multiple Board Representations

The NC subscribes to the view that it is important for Directors to devote sufficient time and attention to the affairs of the Group. Consistent with the guidelines in the Code, the NC and the Board adopt the following as a proactive step in ensuring that Directors devote sufficient time and attention to the affairs of the Group:

- A Director who is in full-time employment should not serve as a director on the board of more than three listed companies; and
- A Director who is not in full-time employment should not serve as a director on the board of more than six listed companies.

The NC prescribes that Directors who are affected by the guidelines on multiple board representations shall be given up to three years to comply from April 2013. As the number of board representations should not be the only measure of a Director's commitment and ability to contribute effectively, the NC takes the view that if a Director wishes to hold more board representations than the maximum stated in the guidelines, a request must be made to the Chairman of the Board for approval. As a policy, the Chairman himself should not hold more than six directorships in listed companies.

In assessing a Director's contribution, the NC takes a holistic approach. Focussing solely on Directors' attendance at Board and Board Committee Meetings per se may not be an adequate evaluation of the contribution of the Directors. Instead, their abilities to provide valuable insights and strategic networking to enhance the businesses of the Group, availability

for guidance and advice outside the scope of formal Board and Board Committee Meetings and contributions in specialised areas are also factors relevant in assessing the contributions of the Directors.

As a policy, the CEO, being an executive of the Company, besides adhering to the guidelines set on the maximum number of board representations on listed companies, will also have to seek the approval of the Chairman before accepting any directorships of companies not within the Group. In considering whether or not to grant the approval, the Chairman will consider the time commitment of the CEO and whether the new external directorships will provide strategic fit and networking for the businesses of the Group. The Chairman will also ensure that the CEO will not accept appointments to the boards of competitors.

#### Alternate Director

Consistent with the Code, there is no alternate Director on the Board.

# Process for Selection, Appointment and Re-appointment of Directors

From time to time, new Directors may be identified for appointment to the Board after the NC evaluates and assesses their suitability in strengthening the diversity of skills, knowledge and experience of the Board relevant to the businesses of the Group.

The Articles of Association of the Company provide that one-third of the Board of Directors, are subject to retirement and re-election by rotation at every Annual General Meeting (AGM). All Directors are required to retire from office at least once every three years. Re-election is, however, not automatic, and all Directors are assessed by the NC on their past performance and contributions before being recommended for re-election. Newly appointed Directors are also

subject to retirement and re-election at the AGM immediately following their appointments. For the forthcoming AGM, Mr Sim Wing Yew, is due for re-election pursuant to Article 95(2) of the Articles of Association. Dr Ho Kah Leong, Mr Sim Cheok Lim, Mr Ong Teong Wan, Mr Lim Jit Poh, and Mr Kua Hong Pak were re-appointed as Directors at the last AGM pursuant to Section 153(6) of the Companies Act, Cap. 50 to hold office until the forthcoming AGM. Although Section 153(6) has been repealed on 3 January 2016, the five Directors will seek reappointment at the forthcoming AGM in order to continue in office. Upon their successful re-appointments, they will be subject to retirement by rotation at subsequent AGMs.

# Principle 5:

## **Board Performance**

The effectiveness of the Board is monitored by the NC annually in terms of overall performance and growth of the Group, achieving an adequate return for Shareholders, preventing conflicts of interest and balancing the competing demands of the Group. In evaluating the contributions and performance of each individual Director, factors taken into consideration include attendance at Board and Board Committee Meetings and activities, contributions in specialist areas and maintenance of independence.

In the last quarter of the year, the NC conducted an evaluation of Board Performance which included key points on Board's composition, Board's contributions, contributions from Board Committees and conduct of proceedings and whether the Directors had discharged their duties effectively. The findings were then presented by the Chairman of the NC to the Board during its Meeting for deliberation and discussion on possible areas of improvement to enhance overall effectiveness.

# Principle 6: Access to Information Complete, Adequate and Timely Information

Prior to each Board and Board
Committee Meeting, and where needed,
Management provides Directors
with complete, adequate and timely
information. The Board also receives
monthly management accounts and
quarterly investor relations reports
covering investor relations activities
and updates of analysts' views and
comments. This enables the Board to
make informed and sound business
decisions and be kept abreast of
key challenges, opportunities and
developments for the Group.

Directors are entitled to request for additional information and the Board has full access to the Management team. Should there be a need to obtain independent professional advice on matters relating to the businesses of the Group or issues affecting the duties of the Directors, the Company will arrange for the appointment of relevant professional advisers at its own cost.

#### Company Secretary

The Company Secretary assists in scheduling Board and Board Committee Meetings and prepares the agenda in consultation with the Chairman and CEO. The Company Secretary attends the Board and Board Committee Meetings. The Company Secretary keeps the Directors informed of any significant developments or events relating to the Group and ensures compliance with all relevant rules and regulations. The Directors have independent access to the Company Secretary.

# 2. Remuneration Matters

#### Principle 7:

# Procedures for Developing Remuneration Policies

VICOM recognises the importance of having a skilled and dedicated workforce to manage and grow the businesses in an increasingly competitive and challenging environment. It therefore places great emphasis on motivating staff through engagement, recognition and an alignment of rewards to performance and the long-term interests of the Group.

#### Remuneration Committee

The RC plays a key role in the Group's remuneration policies. Besides providing the Board with an independent assessment and review of Directors' remuneration, it also reviews the remuneration framework and strategy for executive compensation, with the purpose of developing talent and building leadership bench strength to ensure the Group's continued success.

In accordance with the Code, the RC comprises four non-executive Directors, of whom three including the Chairman, are independent. Members of the RC are independent of Management and also free from any business or other relationships, which may materially interfere with the exercise of independent judgement.

All decisions by the RC are made by a majority of votes of the RC members who are present and voting. Any member of the RC with a conflict of interest in relation to the subject matter under consideration would abstain from voting, approving or making recommendations that would affect the decisions of the RC. The RC's decisions also exclude the vote, approval or recommendation of any members with a conflict of interest in relation to the subject matter under consideration. The CEO is not present at any RC discussions relating to his own compensation, terms and conditions of service and the review

of his performance. He is, however, in attendance when the compensation and incentive policies of Senior Management staff are discussed.

The terms of reference of the RC are to:

- Review and recommend to the Board the remuneration framework for compensation to each Director, and ensure that the level of remuneration offered is appropriate to the level of contribution;
- (ii) Review and approve the remuneration of Senior Management staff that is aligned with the long-term interests of the Group to ensure that the overall remuneration package is attractive to retain and motivate key executives; and
- (iii) Review the Group's obligations arising in the event of termination of directors' and key executives' services in a fair, reasonable and equitable manner, including the cessation of financial incentives that has been earned but not yet disbursed due to exceptional circumstances of misstatement or misconduct.

The RC has access to remuneration data and would seek expert advice from external remuneration consultants whenever required. During the year, there is no particular requirement for the engagement of external consultants.

# Principle 8:

## Level and Mix of Remuneration Performance-related Remuneration

The remuneration packages of the CEO and Senior Executives of the Group comprise fixed and variable components. The variable component in the form of year-end performance bonuses, forms a significant proportion of the remuneration packages and is dependent on the profitability of the

Group and individual performance. Subject to market conditions and the operating environment, the Group targets a total compensation package with fixed to variable component ratios of 70:30 for rank and file employees, 60:40 for Middle Management staff and 50:50 for Senior Management staff. The Group believes that a higher proportion of performance related component would ensure greater alignment of interests of the executives with those of Shareholders and contributes to sustainable performance in the long-term.

# Short-term and Long-term Incentive Schemes

The Group advocates a performance-based remuneration system that is responsive to the operating environment and labour market besides the Group's and individual's performance. The amount and mix of compensation are aligned to the interests of Shareholders and promote the long-term success of the Group.

Though the last grant of employee share options under the 2001 VICOM Share Option Scheme was in 2010, the options may be exercised up to the tenth anniversary of the date of grant of the options, i.e. 2020. Consideration of other forms of longer term incentive schemes will be made as and when appropriate. The current remuneration mix of fixed and variable components is considered appropriate for the Group and for each key executive role.

# Remuneration of Non-Executive Directors

The structure for the payment of Directors' fees for NEDs is based on a framework comprising basic fees and additional fees for serving on Board Committees, and also for undertaking additional services for the Group. The fees are subject to the approval of Shareholders at the AGM. The CEO does not receive Director's fees for his Board Directorship with the Company.

#### Directors' Fee Structure

The Directors' fee structure is set out below:

Board		Basic fee (per annum)
Chairman		\$55,000
Deputy Chairman		\$41,250*
Lead Independent Director		\$33,000
Member		\$27,500
Board Committee		Additional fees as
	Chairman	Member
	(per annum)	(per annum)
Audit and Risk Committee	\$18,333	\$12,833
Nominating Committee	\$9,167	\$6,417
Remuneration Committee	\$9,167	\$6,417
Meetings	Att	endance fee (per meeting)
Board		\$1,000**
Board Committee		\$1,000**

 $<sup>^{\</sup>ast}$  Fee paid to ComfortDelGro Corporation Limited, holding company of VICOM Ltd.

# Principle 9:

## Disclosure on Remuneration Remuneration of Directors and Key Executives

The remuneration of the Directors and the key executives of the Group (who are not Directors) for the Financial Year 2015 can be found on pages 78 and 79 of this Annual Report.

## Remuneration of Certain Related Employees

During the Financial Year 2015, no key executive was an immediate family member of any Director of the Company.

# 3. Accountability and Audit Principle 10: Accountability

The Board has overall accountability to the Shareholders of the Company and ensures that the Group is well-managed and guided by strategic objectives. The financial results are

reported each quarter via SGXNet with an accompanying negative assurance by the Board to confirm that nothing has come to its attention that may render the results false or misleading in any material aspects. The Company believes that prompt and full compliance with statutory reporting requirements is fundamental to maintaining shareholder confidence and trust.

VICOM has adopted an internal code based on the SGX's guideline to provide guidance to the Directors and executives of the Group in relation to dealings in the securities of the Company, ComfortDelGro and SBS Transit Ltd. Directors and executives of the Group are prohibited from dealing in the securities of the Company, ComfortDelGro and SBS Transit during the period commencing two weeks before the announcement of the Company's, ComfortDelGro's and

SBS Transit's first, second and third quarter results, and one month before the announcement of the full-year results, and ending on the date of the announcement of the relevant results. All Directors and executives are notified of the trading blackout periods before the start of the financial year.

All Directors and executives of the Group are also told that they must not deal in (i) the securities of the Company, ComfortDelGro and SBS Transit on short-term consideration and/or while in possession of unpublished material price-sensitive information relating to the relevant securities; and (ii) the securities of other listed companies while in possession of unpublished material price-sensitive information relating to those securities.

 $<sup>^{**}</sup>$  Directors are only paid one attendance fee when two or more Meetings are held on the same day.

## Principle 11:

**Risk Management and Internal Controls** Risk management is an important and integral part of VICOM's strategic planning and decision-making process. Key risks are identified and presented to the Board annually. Ownership of the risk management process is clearly defined and cascaded to the executive and functional level, with stewardship retained at Senior Management. Plans that are necessary to manage and mitigate the risks are in place and closely monitored. The adequacy of the internal controls in place is also assessed as part of the process. A detailed description of the Group's approach to internal controls and risk management is set out on pages 41 to 43 of this Annual Report.

The Internal and External Auditors conduct reviews in accordance with their audit plans to assess the adequacy of the internal controls that are in place. Any material non-compliance and recommendations for improvements are reported to the ARC. The ARC also reviews the effectiveness of the actions taken by Management on the recommendations made by the Internal and External Auditors. The recommendations are followed up as part of the Group's continuous review of the system of internal controls.

For the Financial Year 2015, the Board has received assurance from the CEO and the Vice President (Special Grade), Finance that (i) the financial records have been properly maintained and the financial statements are prepared in compliance with the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards and are correct in all material aspects and give a true and fair view of the operations and finances of the Group; and (ii) the Group's risk management and internal control systems (including financial, operational, compliance and information technology controls) are adequate and effective.

Based on these reviews, the Board is of the view, with the concurrence of the ARC, that there are adequate and effective internal controls in place within the Group to address its financial, operational, compliance and information technology risks and to provide reasonable assurance against material financial misstatements or loss.

## Principle 12: Audit and Risk Committee

The Company's ARC comprises four non-executive independent Directors. The Board has reviewed and is satisfied that the members of the ARC are appropriately qualified to discharge their responsibilities. The members of the ARC collectively have recent and related financial management expertise and experience. They keep abreast of relevant changes to accounting standards and issues through attendance at relevant seminars/ talks, articles and news circulated by the Company Secretary and regular updates by the External Auditors at ARC Meetings.

The roles of the ARC include the following:

- (i) Risk identification and reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of financial, operational, compliance and information technology controls and risk management systems to ensure effectiveness in the management of risks and compliance with internal policies and external regulations;
- (ii) Review the quarterly and annual financial statements, and also significant accounting and reporting issues and their impact on financial statements so as to ensure the integrity of the financial statements and any formal announcements

- relating to the Group's financial performance, and recommend to the Board the acceptance of such financial statements:
- (iii) Review the scope and results of the audits undertaken by the Internal and External Auditors, including non-audit services performed by External Auditors to ensure that there is a balance between maintenance of objectivity and cost effectiveness;
- (iv) Review Interested Person transactions;
- (v) Recommend the appointment, re-appointment or removal of the External Auditors at the AGM and review the fees due to them;
- (vi) Review the audit plans of the Internal and External Auditors; and
- (vii) Review the effectiveness of the Group's Whistleblowing Policy, which has been put in place for staff to raise concerns in confidence about possible improprieties in matters of financial reporting or other matters, and ensure that an independent investigation and appropriate follow-up actions are taken. The Whistleblowing Policy is described in more detail on page 43 of this Annual Report.

# Audit and Risk Committee's Activities

The ARC held four meetings during the financial year under review. The CEO, Vice President (Special Grade), Finance, Group Financial Officer of ComfortDelGro, Group Internal Audit Officer (GIAO) and the External Auditors were present at these meetings. The ARC reviewed and considered the following:

- Overall scope of both internal and external audits and results of their respective audits;
- (ii) Significant internal and external audit observations and Management's responses;
- (iii) Quarterly and full year results announcements and the financial statements before submission to the Board;
- (iv) Interested person transactions;
- (v) Adequacy of internal controls;
- (vi) Independence of the External Auditors; and
- (vii) Re-appointment of External Auditors and its remuneration for recommendation to the Board.

In the performance of its duties, the ARC has explicit authority to investigate the affairs falling within its terms of reference, with full access to and cooperation from Management, discretion to invite any Director to attend its meetings and reasonable resources to enable it to discharge its duties properly.

The ARC meets with the Internal and External Auditors in the absence of Management annually. During these meetings, the Auditors may raise issues encountered in the course of their work directly to the ARC.

## Review of Independence of External Auditor

Prior to the re-appointment of the External Auditors, the ARC assesses their independence based on the guidelines set by the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority. Having satisfied itself that the independence of the External Auditors, Deloitte & Touche LLP, is not impaired by their provision of non-audit services to the Group and

that Rules 712, 715 and 716 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual have been complied with, the ARC has recommended to the Board that Deloitte & Touche LLP be nominated for re-appointment as the Company's External Auditors at the next AGM.

As a further safeguard of Deloitte & Touche LLP's independence, the Deloitte & Touche LLP's partner-in-charge of auditing the Company is changed every five years.

## Principle 13: Internal Audit

The internal audit function of the Group is performed by the ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit Division comprising suitably qualified and experienced staff and is headed by the GIAO. The GIAO reports functionally to the Chairman of the ARC.

The ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit Division adopts a risk-based approach in its continuous audit work. Based on the audit plan, it provides an independent and objective evaluation of the internal control systems and corporate governance processes of the Group. The audit plan is developed by the GIAO in consultation with, but independent of, Management and is subject to the ARC's approval before the start of each financial year. Quarterly internal audit summary reports are also prepared and submitted to the ARC on the status of audits carried out. Any material non-compliance or lapses in internal controls are reported to the ARC and the CEO for improvements to be made. The independence of the internal audit function is ensured as the ARC meets with the GIAO at least once a year in the absence of Management. The ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit Division is given unfettered access to all the Group's documents, records, properties and personnel, including access to the ARC.

The activities and organisational structure of the ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit Division are monitored and reviewed by the ARC periodically to ensure that it has the necessary resources to adequately perform its functions and that there are no unjustified restrictions and limitations placed on the performance of its duties.

The ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit Division has adopted the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing laid down in the International Professional Practices Framework issued by the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA Standards). The ComfortDelGro Group Internal Audit Division successfully completed its external Quality Assurance Review in 2014 by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP and continues to meet or exceed the IIA Standards in all key aspects.

# 4. Shareholders Rights and Responsibilities

Principle 14: Shareholders Rights Disclosure of Information to Shareholders

The Company notifies Shareholders in advance of the date of release of its Financial Results through the Company's regularly updated website at www. vicom.com.sg as well as a SGXNet announcement. Communication with Stakeholders is conducted through announcements to the SGXNet, media and analyst briefings after the announcement of the Financial Results, as well as the posting of announcements and press releases on the Company's website. Shareholders may send in their requests or queries through the feedback channel provided on the website. The ComfortDelGro Group's Investor Relations (IR) team is accessible throughout the year to address Shareholders' queries. The contact details of the Group Investor Relations & Special Projects Officer (GIRSPO) can be found on the website.

Beyond complying with the requirements of the Code, the SGX-ST Listing Manual and the Companies Act, Cap. 50, the Company has also taken various additional measures to enhance corporate governance and improve transparency, including:

- The Company has taken steps to advertise the Notice of AGM at least 28 days before the AGM is held; and
- (ii) The Company sends electronic annual reports (by way of a CD-ROM) to all Shareholders (including foreign Shareholders) at least 21 days before the AGM to ensure that all Shareholders have adequate time to review the annual reports before the AGM. The move to electronic documentation demonstrates the Group's commitment towards Green and sustainable efforts. Upon request, hard copies are also provided to Shareholders.

#### Principle 15:

Communication with Shareholders Regular, Effective and Fair
Communications with Shareholders
VICOM is committed to actively
engaging its Shareholders and have
put in place an IR programme to
promote regular, effective and fair
communications with Shareholders
and the investment community. The
ComfortDelGro Group IR team works
with Senior Management to proactively
carry out this engagement programme.

Communication with the SGX is handled by the Company Secretary, while communication with Shareholders, analysts and fund managers is handled by the GIRSPO. Specific guidelines have been laid down for compliance in respect of all public communication. The Company does not practise selective disclosure in the communication of material information. In addition,

the Company has also put in place operational procedures to respond promptly to queries from the SGX on any unusual trading activities in its securities.

#### Dividend Policy

The Company's dividend policy is to pay out at least 50% of profit after taxation attributable to Shareholders of the Company. The dividend policy takes into account the long-term objective of maximising shareholder value, availability of cash and retained earnings, projected capital expenditure and growth opportunities. The Company declares dividend semi-annually and informs its Shareholders of the dividend payments via announcements in the SGXNet.

## Principle 16:

#### Conduct of Shareholder Meeting

The Company views the AGM as a good opportunity for Shareholders to meet the Board and Senior Management staff. Shareholders are informed of Shareholders' Meetings through notices published in the newspapers and circulars sent to all Shareholders. All registered Shareholders are invited to attend and participate actively in the AGM and are given the opportunity to seek clarification or question the Group's strategic direction, business, operations, performance and proposed resolutions.

All Directors including the Chairman of the Board, CEO and the Chairmen of the various Board Committees together with Senior Management and the Company Secretary are present to address any question or feedback raised by the Shareholders at the AGM and thereafter, including those pertaining to the proposed resolutions before the resolutions are voted on. The External Auditors are also present to address Shareholders' queries about the conduct of audit and the preparation and contents of the Auditors' Report.

The Board had since 2009 decided to remove and stop seeking the general authority to issue shares to address concerns from the Shareholders that if this general authority to share issue was mandated, the Company could subsequently issue shares pursuant to this mandate, which would dilute their shareholding percentages and affect their voting rights.

The Articles of Association of the Company provide for voting in person and by proxy at the AGM of the Company. Each Shareholder is allowed to appoint up to two proxies to vote on his behalf at Shareholders' Meetings through proxy forms sent in advance. With the amendments to the Companies Act, Cap. 50 which took effect on 3 January 2016, relevant intermediaries such as the Central Provident Fund and custodian banks are entitled to appoint more than two proxies to attend, speak and vote at the meeting. Shareholders who hold shares through these relevant intermediaries will be allowed to attend, speak and vote at the forthcoming AGM subject to being appointed a proxy by their respective relevant intermediaries. In line with the amendments to the Companies Act, Cap. 50, the Company's Articles of Association will also be amended, subject to Shareholders' approval, to reflect the same.

Each issue or matter requiring
Shareholders' approval is tabled as a
separate and distinct resolution. All
the resolutions at the Shareholders'
Meetings are single item resolutions.
The Company will consider implementing
absentia voting methods such as voting
via mail, e-mail or fax when security,
integrity and other pertinent issues are
satisfactorily resolved.

The Company prepares minutes of general meetings that include substantial and relevant comments or queries from Shareholders relating to the agenda of the meeting and responses from the Board and

Management. The minutes are available to Shareholders upon their request.

The Company has adopted electronic poll voting for general meetings since 2013 to ensure greater transparency and efficiency in the voting process and results. Shareholders are invited to vote on each of the resolutions by poll, using an electronic voting system. The voting results of all votes cast for or against each resolution are screened at the meeting and announced via the SGXNet after the meeting. Voting by poll is the most accurate means of tabulating Shareholders' votes according to the number of shares owned. We believe that this will encourage greater Shareholders' participation at the Company's general meetings and demonstrates VICOM's commitment to high standards of corporate governance and transparency.

# 5. Additional Measures to Enhance Corporate Governance

The Company has also undertaken various additional measures to enhance corporate governance as follows:

#### Corporate Gifts/Entertainment Policy

Whilst business gifts and entertainment are courtesies that build goodwill and sound working relationships among business partners, the Group does not tolerate the improper use of gifts or entertainment to gain any special advantage in a business relationship.

The Group discourages the receipt of gifts or acceptance of entertainment, loans or other favours as these may compromise an employee's ability to make objective, independent and fair business decisions. Offering excessive gifts in whatever form or entertainment to others can also be opened to misinterpretation. Employees are therefore not permitted to offer or accept any gifts or entertainment

without first seeking their supervisor's authorisation. Where business entertainment is deemed appropriate, they will be moderately scaled to facilitate the achievement of business goals and objectives.

Employees, who receive gifts directly or indirectly in relation to their course of employment with the Group, are expected to notify their supervisors and declare such gifts to the Group Human Resource Department. All gifts declared are processed through structured corporate procedures to ensure proper accountability.

Business gifts and entertainment presented on the Group's behalf are consistent with generally accepted business practices and ethical standards, and do not violate any applicable laws, regulations or policies of any country we operate in or company in which we have dealings with.

## **Block Leave Policy**

As a further risk mitigation measure and to enhance governance, the Group has a Block Leave Policy in place which applies to employees holding key functions. This arrangement allows covering officers to fully step into the duties of the employees on leave, as an additional check and balance against any breaches.

#### **Information Protection Policy**

We have implemented an information protection policy to ensure that all documents and data information of the Group are properly safeguarded.

Information is classified into secret, confidential, restricted and unrestricted use based on its nature, contents and implications. Processes and systems used to store, process or communicate the information provide protection from unauthorised disclosure and use.

#### **Data Protection Policy**

Business units in Singapore have implemented data protection policies and practices to ensure compliance with the obligations under the Personal Data Protection Act and Do Not Call provisions that came into force in 2014.

## **Interested Person Transactions**

# Listing Manual - Rule 907

Name of Interested Person Aggregate value of all Interested Person transactions during the financial year under review (excluding transactions less than \$100,000 and transaction conducted under Shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920)

ComfortDelGro and its associates

\$1,923,000

There is no Shareholders' mandate for Interested Person transactions pursuant to Rule 920 of the Listing Manual.

# Disclosure on Compliance with the Code of Corporate Governance 2012 $\,$

Guideline	Qu	estions	How has the Company complied?	
General	(a)	Has the Company complied with all the principles and guidelines of the Code? If not, please state the specific deviations and the alternative corporate governance practices adopted by the Company in lieu of the recommendations in the Code.	Yes, the Company has complied with all the principles and guidelines of the Code except for the detailed disclosure of the remuneration of Directors, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and the Group's top five key executives. The Board had considered this matter carefully and has decided against such disclosure. Given the wage disparities and the keen competition in the industry and the likely competitive pressures resulting from such disclosures, it is felt that the disadvantages of disclosure outweigh the benefits.	
	(b)	In what respect do these alternative corporate governance practices achieve the objectives of the principles and conform to the guidelines in the Code?	The remuneration of the Directors and key executives are reviewed and approved by the Remuneration Committee, which comprises four non-executive Directors, of whom three including the Chairman, are independent. In addition, the structure for the payment of Directors' fees has been disclosed in the Corporate Governance Report. Directors' fees are subject to the approval of the Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting (AGM).	
Board Responsibi	lity			
Guideline 1.5	What are the types of material transactions which require approval from the Board?		VICOM has adopted internal guidelines setting forth certain matters that require the Board's approval. Under these guidelines, acquisitions of businesses, disposals or changes in equity interests in existing subsidiaries/associates, capital expenditure, investment in financial instruments, tender for businesses above the prescribed limits, assessing and approving key business decisions, funding and investment initiatives and other corporate actions, including approval of the Financial Authority Limits, Annual Budget and Capital Expenditure and the release of the quarterly and full-year Financial Results require approval from the Board. In addition, the acceptance of credit facilities from banks, the establishment of capital market programmes and the issuance of debt instruments require the approval of the Board.	
Members of the E	Board			
Guideline 2.6	(a)	What is the Board's policy with regard to diversity in identifying director nominees?	The Board believes that it is important to have diversity of competencies including gender diversity to support the growth of the Group. The Nominating Committee (NC) reviews annually the balance and diversity of skills, experience, gender and knowledge required by the Board and the size of the Board.	

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Guideline	Questions	How has the Company complied?
	(b) Please state whether the current composition of the Board provides diversity on each of the following – skills, experience, gender and knowledge of the Company, and elaborate with numerical data where appropriate.	Yes. The NC is satisfied that the Board and Board Committees comprise Directors who as a group provide an appropriate balance and diversity of skills, experience, knowledge and core competencies required for the Board and Board Committees to discharge their responsibilities effectively. The Company has one female Director on its Board since 1995.
	(c) What steps has the Board taken to achieve the balance and diversity necessary to maximise its effectiveness?	The NC reviews the composition of the Board annually to ensure that the Board is of an adequate size with the right mix of skills and experience that facilitates effective decision making.
Guideline 4.6	Please describe the Board nomination process for the Company in the last financial year for (i) selecting and appointing new directors and (ii) reelecting incumbent directors.	For new Directors  The NC annually reviews the size, effectiveness, diversity of skills and core competencies of the Board taking into consideration the current and future business needs of the Group.  The NC considers the range of skills, knowledge, attributes and experience of the existing Directors, the retirement and re-election/re-appointment of Directors, each Director's contribution and commitment and whether new competencies are required to enhance the effectiveness of the Board. When the need for a new Director arises, the NC
		will shortlist and meet potential candidates and recommend the most suitable candidate to the Board for appointment as a Director.  For incumbent Directors  Pursuant to the Company's Articles of Association, one-
		third of the Directors retire from office at the Company's AGM. Newly appointed Directors are subject to retirement and re-election at the AGM immediately following their appointments.
		The NC reviewed each of the retiring Director's contribution and performance, such as attendance, preparedness, participation and candour, and made the relevant recommendations to the Board for subsequent Shareholders' approval at the AGM.
Guideline 1.6	(a) Are new directors given formal training? If not, please explain why.	Yes.

Guideline	Qu	estions	How has the Company complied?
	(b)	What are the types of information and training provided to (i) new directors and (ii) existing directors to keep them up-to-date?	Management will conduct a comprehensive orientation programme for newly appointed Directors, where key aspects of the businesses, including financial and corporate governance policies are discussed. Site visits will also be arranged for new Directors so that they can better familiarise themselves with the Group's operations. When a Director is appointed to a Board Committee, he/she is provided with its terms of reference.
			The Company Secretary assists in professional development and training by regularly disseminating details of suitable seminars and courses organised by the Singapore Institute of Directors and arranging for the Directors to attend such courses when requested. The Company Secretary also updates the Board on corporate governance practices and circulates articles relating to changes in laws relevant to the Group's businesses.
Guideline 4.4	(a)	What is the maximum number of listed company board representations that the Company has prescribed for its directors? What are the reasons for this number?	The Board has determined that the maximum number of listed company board representations held by a Director who is not in full-time employment should not exceed six. For a Director who is in full-time employment, it should not exceed three. This is to ensure that all Directors have sufficient time and attention to discharge their duties adequately.
	(b)	If a maximum number has not been determined, what are the reasons?	Not Applicable
	(c)	What are the specific considerations in deciding on the capacity of directors?	The contributions of a Director are key in deciding on a Director's capacity to take on other multiple board appointments.
Board Evaluation			
Guideline 5.1	(a)	What was the process upon which the Board reached the conclusion on its performance for the financial year?	In the last quarter of 2015, the NC conducted an evaluation of Board Performance which included key points on Board's composition, Board's contributions, contributions from Board Committees and conduct of proceedings and whether the Directors had discharged their duties effectively. The findings were then presented by the NC Chairman to the Board during its Meeting for the Board to deliberate on the findings and discuss possible areas of improvement to enhance the Board's overall effectiveness.
	(b)	Has the Board met its performance objectives?	Yes. The Board was effective as a whole based on the overall assessment for 2015.
Independence of D	irecto	rs	
Guideline 2.1	Does the Company comply with the guideline on the proportion of independent directors on the Board? If not, please state the reasons for the deviation and the remedial action taken by the Company.		Yes. The Board comprises the CEO and seven non-executive Directors. Of the seven non-executive Directors, five of them are considered by the NC to be independent which exceeds the Code's requirement of at least half of the Board to comprise independent Directors where the Chairman is not an independent Director.

# Disclosure on Compliance with the Code of Corporate Governance 2012

Guideline	Questions	2		
Guideline 2.3	(a) Is there any director who is deemed to be independent by the Board, notwithstanding the existence of a relationship as stated in the Code that would otherwise deem him not to be independent? If so, please identify the director and specify the nature of such relationship.			
	(b) What are the Board's reasons for considering him independent? Please provide a detailed explanation.	Not Applicable.		
Guideline 2.4	Has any independent director served on the Board for more than nine years from the date of his first appointment? If so, please identify the director and set out the Board's reasons for considering him independent.	Yes, Dr Ho Kah Leong, Mr Ong Teong Wan, Mr Sim Cheok Lim and Ms Teo Geok Har, Nancy are independent Directors who have served on the Board for more than nine years as at 31 December 2015.  The NC considered that these Directors have each demonstrated independent judgement at Board and Board Committee Meetings, and was of the firm view that they have at all times been exercising independent judgement in the best interests of the Company in the discharge of their duties as Directors.		
Disclosure on Rei	nuneration			
Guideline 9.2	Has the Company disclosed each director's and the CEO's remuneration as well as a breakdown (in percentage or dollar terms) into base/fixed salary, variable or performance-related income/bonuses, benefits in kind, stock options granted, share-based incentives and awards, and other long-term incentives? If not, what are the reasons for not disclosing so?	Disclosures are made in bands of \$250,000 and deviation from the Code is explained in the Notes to Financial Statements as follows:  Given the wage disparities and the keen competition in the industry and the likely competitive pressures resulting from such disclosures, it is felt that the disadvantages of disclosure outweigh the benefits.		
Guideline 9.3	(a) Has the Company disclosed each key management personnel's remuneration, in bands of \$250,000 or in more detail, as well as a breakdown (in percentage or dollar terms) into base/fixed salary, variable or performance-related income/bonuses, benefits in kind, stock options granted, share-based incentives and awards, and other long-term incentives? If not, what are the reasons for not disclosing so?	Disclosures are made in bands of \$250,000 and deviation from the Code is explained in the Notes to Financial Statements as follows:  Given the wage disparities and the keen competition in the industry and the likely competitive pressures resulting from such disclosures, it is felt that the disadvantages of disclosure outweigh the benefits.		

Guideline	Questions	How has the Company complied?		
	(b) Please disclose the aggregate remuneration paid to the top five key management personnel (who are not directors or the CEO).	Disclosed as an aggregate together with remuneration of the Directors and deviation from the Code is explained in the Notes to Financial Statements as follows:		
		Given the wage disparities and the keen competition in the industry and the likely competitive pressures resulting from such disclosures, it is felt that the disadvantages of disclosure outweigh the benefits.		
Guideline 9.4	Is there any employee who is an immediate family member of a director or the CEO, and whose remuneration exceeds \$50,000 during the year? If so, please identify the employee and specify the relationship with the relevant director or the CEO.	Nil.		
Guideline 9.6	(a) Please describe how the remuneration received by executive directors and key management personnel has been determined by the performance criteria.	The Group advocates a performance-based remuneration system that aligns the remuneration of CEO and Senior Management to business results and shareholder returns. The total remuneration mix comprises fixed and variable components. The variable component, in the form of an annual performance incentive bonus, forms a significant proportion of the remuneration packages.		
		The annual performance incentive is linked to the Group's and the individual's performance. The Performance Scorecard is used to measure both financial and non-financial performance of Senior Executives. The individual's scorecard performance areas are linked to the overall strategic goals and objectives of the Group.		
	(b) What were the performance conditions used to determine their entitlement under the short-term and long-term incentive schemes?	The amount and mix of reward incentives, which are developed with a focus on long-term shareholders' returns, are responsive to the operating environment and labour market.		
		In awarding the incentives, the Group takes into account the Senior Executive's performance in four key broad areas of the Performance Scorecard, namely a) Financial b) Customers c) Processes and d) People Development.		

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Guideline	Qu	estions	How has the Company complied?	
	(c)	Were all of these performance conditions met? If not, what were the reasons?	Yes.	
Risk Managemen	t and In	ternal Controls		
Guideline 6.1	What types of information does the Company provide to independent directors to enable them to understand its business, the business and financial environment as well as the risks faced by the Company? How frequently is the information provided?		Prior to each Board and Board Committee Meeting, Management provides Directors with complete, adequate and timely information. The Board also receives monthly management accounts and quarterly investor relations reports covering investor relations activities and updates of analysts' views and comments. This enables the Board to make informed and sound business decisions and be kept abreast of key challenges, opportunities and developments for the Group.	
Guideline 13.1		s the Company have an internal audit ction? If not, please explain why.	Yes.	
Guideline 11.3	(a)	In relation to the major risks faced by the Company, including financial, operational, compliance, information technology and sustainability, please state the bases for the Board's view on the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's internal controls and risk management systems.	Risk management is an important and integral part of VICOM's strategic planning and decision-making process. Key risks are identified and presented to the Board annually. Ownership of the risk management process is clearly defined and cascaded to the executive and functional level, with stewardship retained at Senior Management. Plans that are necessary to manage and mitigate the risks are in place and closely monitored. The adequacy of the internal controls in place is also assessed as part of the process. Based on these reviews, the Board is of the view, with the concurrence of the Audit and Risk Committee (ARC), that there are adequate and effective internal controls in place within the Group to address its financial, operational, compliance and information technology risks.	
	(b)	In respect of the past 12 months, has the Board received assurance from the CEO and the CFO as well as the internal auditor that: (i) the financial records have been properly maintained and the financial statements give true and fair view of the Company's operations and finances; and (ii) the Company's risk management and internal control systems are effective? If not, how does the Board assure itself of points (i) and (ii) above?	For the Financial Year (FY) 2015, the Board has received assurance from the CEO and the Vice President (Special Grade), Finance that (i) the financial records have been properly maintained and the financial statements are prepared in compliance with the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards and are correct in all material aspects and give a true and fair view of the operations and finances of the Group; and (ii) the Group's risk management and internal control systems (including financial, operational, compliance and information technology controls) are adequate and effective.	
Guideline 12.6	(a)	Please provide a breakdown of the fees paid in total to the external auditors for audit and non-audit services for the financial year.	The audit and non-audit fees to the External Auditors of the Company and its subsidiaries for FY 2015 are \$64,000 and \$26,000 respectively.	

Guideline	Qu	estions	How has the Company complied?		
	(b)	If the external auditors have supplied a substantial volume of non-audit services to the Company, please state the bases for the Audit Committee's view on the independence of the external auditors.	The ARC undertook a review of the independence and objectivity of the External Auditors by reviewing the non-audit fees awarded to them and has confirmed that the non-audit services performed by the External Auditors were not substantial and would not affect their independence.		
Communication v	vith Sha	reholders			
Guideline 15.4	(a)	Does the Company regularly communicate with shareholders and attend to their questions? How often does the Company meet with institutional and retail investors?	Yes, the Company is committed to disseminating accurate and pertinent information to the Shareholders in a timely manner. Communications with Shareholders and investors are handled centrally at the ComfortDelGro Group level. In FY 2015, nearly 200 meetings and conference calls were held with institutional investors and analysts and also participation in 10 investor conferences in Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, Hong Kong and Tokyo. These provided access to a wide cross-section of institutional investors from around the world.  For the retail investors, they can send in their queries through a link on the Investor Relations (IR) page of the Company's website. The telephone and email contact details of the Group Investor Relations & Special Projects Officer are also listed on the page. In addition to addressing the questions from retail investors over the telephone and email, presentation to over 200 retail investors was made at the SGX Corporate Connect Seminar.  All Shareholders also have the opportunity to interact and speak with the Directors and Senior Management at the Company's AGMs and thereafter.		
	(b)	Is this done by a dedicated IR team (or equivalent)? If not, who performs this role?	Yes, there is a dedicated IR team, which works closely with Senior Management to carry out the investor engagement programme.		
	(c)	How does the Company keep shareholders informed of corporate developments, apart from SGXNet announcements and the annual report?	All announcements to SGX-ST, news releases, financial results, financial calendar and the Annual Reports are posted on the IR page of the Company's website.		
Guideline 15.5	divid	e Company is not paying any dends for the financial year, please ain why.	Not Applicable.		