

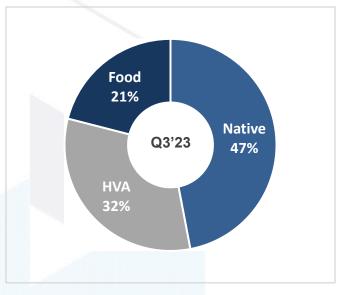
# THAI WAH PCL

# Management Discussion and Analysis For Q3'23 Performance ended September 30, 2023

### Sale Revenue Breakdown by Quarter

## unit: million 3,000 2.603 2,620 2,517 2,469 2,485 2,500 2,000 1.500 1,000 Q3'22 Q4'22 Q1'23 Q2'23 Q3'23 ■ Revenues

### Sales Breakdown by Business



#### Key summary of Revenue for Q3 and 9M 2023

In Q3/2023, the Company consolidated Sales comprised revenue from the Native tapioca business THB 1,157 million or 47 percent, the High value-added (HVA) products business THB 802 million or 32 percent, and the Food business THB 526 million or 21 percent. The group's sales were THB 2,485 million, which decreased by THB 118 million or 5 percent over the same period last year.

The gross profit margin for Q3 recorded 14 percent, which increased 1 percent QoQ. The increase was mainly from the food business, which positively impacted the downward trend of imported raw materials and the cost savings from renewable energy, resulting in a higher gross profit margin of 30 percent, 1 percent higher than the same period last year.

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The starch business had a gross profit margin for Q3 of 10 percent, the same level as last year.

For the 9M/2023 sales, the Company consolidated Sales comprised revenue from the Native tapioca business THB 3,480 million or 47 percent, the High value-added (HVA) products business THB 2,405 million or 32 percent, and the Food business THB 1,586 million or 21 percent. The group's sales were THB 7,471

million, which decreased by THB 330 million or 4 percent from last year.

The gross profit margin for 9M/2023 recorded 15 percent, which dropped 3 percent YoY. The decrease was due to the increase in raw material price, which was higher than the increase in selling price, plus the increase in energy cost.

#### The Company's consolidated financial performance by business units as follows:

(Unit: million Baht)

	Q3'23	Q3'22	QoQ	9M'23	9M'22	YoY
Sales	2,485	2,603	-5%	7,471	7,801	-4%
COGS	2,137	2,255	-5%	6,342	6,390	-1%
GP	348	348	0%	1,129	1,411	-20%
SG&A	356	310	15%	1,088	1,091	0%
Other income*	17	25	-28%	52	50	4%
EBIT	10	63	-84%	93	370	-75%
Finance cost	19	14	36%	57	49	16%
EBT	(9)	49	-118%	36	321	-89%
Income tax	(3)	9	-133%	20	58	-66%
Net Profit (loss)	(6)	40	-115%	16	263	-94%
Share to NCI	(5)	(8)	38%	(22)	2	-1,200%
Share to equity holder	(1)	48	-102%	38	261	-85%
EPS (THB/share)	(0.00)	0.05	-102%	0.04	0.30	-85%
FX: USD/THB	35.2	36.4	-3%	34.5	34.6	0%
GPM (%)	14%	13%	1%	15%	18%	-3%
%SG&A/Sales	14%	12%	2%	15%	14%	1%
NPM (%)	0%	2%	-2%	0%	3%	-3%

<sup>\*</sup>Including net exchange gain (loss) and profit (loss) on fair value of derivatives

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Revenue from Tapioca Starch and High value-added Businesses

In Q3/2023, the sale of tapioca starch business

was THB 1,157 million, which had decreased by

6 percent from last year. The high value-added

(HVA) products business sales were THB 802

million, reduced by 7 percent from last year.

For the 9M/2023, the sale of tapioca starch

business was THB 3,480 million, which had

decreased by 9 percent from last year. The high

value-added (HVA) products business sales were

THB 2,405 million, reduced by 4 percent from last

year.

The decreased sales of native tapioca starch

resulted from the shortage of tapioca root in 2023,

which lowered the production and sale volumes

and affected high raw material costs.

For 9M/2023, the company's export volume

decreased by 14 percent, and export value

decreased by 6 percent. These numbers were

significantly better than Thailand's tapioca starch

export volume for 9M/2023, in which the export

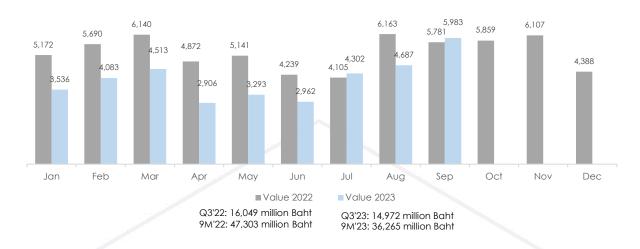
volume decreased by 27 percent; and export

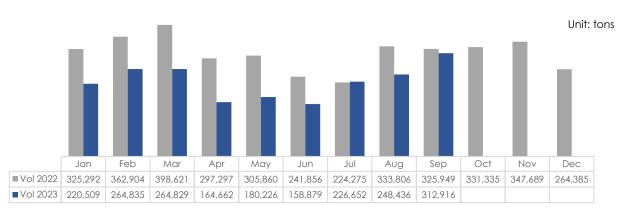
value decreased by 23 percent YoY. (Source:

Thai Customs).

#### Volume and Value of tapioca starch exports in Thailand

Unit: million Baht





■Vol 2022

■Vol 2023

Q3'22: 884,030 tons 9M'22: 2,815,860 tons Q3'23: 788,004 tons 9M'23: 2,041,944 tons

Source: Thai Custom

Revenue from Food Business

The Company remains one of Thailand's top

market leaders for vermicelli and rice noodles,

with solid growth in all key channels.

The operating result of the food business was

continuous growth. In Q3/2023, the Company

recorded sales for the food business of THB 526

million, which increased by 3 percent over the

same period last year. Domestic sales contributed

86 percent of the food revenue, while export sales

accounted for 14 percent.

The sales increase was mainly from Modern trade,

wholesale, and Van channels. The growth was

driven by the coverage expansion, increase in

product assortments, and continued New

products launched to the market.

In 9M/2023, the Company recorded sales for the

food business of THB 1,586 million, which

increased by 7 percent over the previous year.

Domestic sales contributed 86 percent of the food

revenue, while export sales accounted for 14

percent.

**Gross Profit** 

In Q3/2023, the gross profit was THB 348 million,

or a gross profit margin of 14 percent, which

increased by 1 percent over the same period last

year.

For the 9M/2023, the gross profit was THB 1,129

million, or a gross profit margin of 15 percent,

which decreased by 3 percent from last year.

The increase in starch raw material was the main

driver that dropped the gross profit. The Starch

business gross profit for Q3/2023 was 10

percent, which is on par with the same period

last year, and the gross profit for 9M/2023 was

11 percent, which decreased by 4 percent from

last year. The main reason was the increase in

raw material and energy costs.

For the Food business, the gross profit for

Q3/2023 was 30 percent, which increased by 1

percent due to the decreased raw material cost

resulting from the dropping of imported raw

material prices, and the energy cost also

dropped due to the cost savings from renewable

energy.

dropped 2 percent due to the increased raw material cost resulting from the rise of raw

The gross profit of 9M/2023 was 29 percent,

material price by over 17 percent compared to

last year.

Selling and Administrative Expenses

In Q3/2023, the selling and administrative

expenses were THB 356 million, which increased

by 15 percent over the same period last year. For

9M/2023, the selling and administrative expenses

were THB 1,088 million, which decreased by 0.3

percent from last year. The decrease was mainly

due to the lower logistic costs and one-time bad

debt provision last year.

Net Profit Attributable to Shareholders

For the Q3/2023 result, the Company's net loss

was THB 1 million, which decreased by THB 49

million compared to last year. As mentioned, this

net profit decrease was mainly due to increased

raw material and energy costs.

For 9M/2023, the Company's consolidated net

profit attributable to shareholders was THB 38

million, which decreased by 85 percent

compared to last year, mainly from the root price

shortage that resulted in a rise in raw material cost

and the sales volume drop.

Cash Flow analysis

For the 9M/2023, net cash used in operating

activities was THB 25 million, increasing the use

by THB 612 million compared to last year, mainly

from high raw material stocks. The Company

remained in a strong cash flow position sufficient

for future business expansion.

The Outlook for the year 2023

Expected 2023 Company's Sales will likely remain

at the same level as the previous year. The gross

profit might be lower than last year's 2 percent

due to the starch raw material shortage that

caused the raw material costs to increase higher

than the selling price. However, the company

continued to drive a productivity improvement

program that included energy saving/investing in

alternate energy projects and improved machine

efficiency to lower processing costs in the long

term.

The current tapioca roots situation will likely

improve from Q2 & Q3, a low season period. The

current price is 3.3-3.5 THB/KG for 25 percent

starch content, while the average selling price is

540-570 USD/ton. The demand for the ROSE

brand in China for 9M/2023 was so strong that the

volume of Trading offices in China grew over 6

percent YOY.

The latest Crop survey in August 2023 by four

cassava associations expected the 2022/2023

crop (Oct 2022-Sep 2023) volume to be 26.67

million tons, a drop of 20 percent from the original

forecast in Sep 2022.

For crop 2023/2024 (Oct 2023-Sep 2024), the four

cassava associations expected the cassava

volume to be 24.66 million tons, or a decrease of

7 percent from the previous crop.

The Company closely monitors the impact and

has implemented strategic actions to secure raw

material supplies, such as using digital crop

scans to monitor the roots, increase the root yard

network and stem propagation, and promote

smart farming with the Thai Wah Farmer network

to increase the cassava yield. These measures

will help mitigate the root supply risks in the short

term and long term.

Cambodia's new tapioca starch factory is in

progress, with the target to commission in January

2024. This factory will help to diversify the supply

and serve the continuous demand growth of the

ROSE Brand.

The Outlook of the Food business continued to

grow from distribution expansion and the new

product launch; while continuing production

efficiency through innovation and the lean

program to offset the raw material cost, labor cost,

and energy cost inflation. The Company plans to

continue the new product launch that will be a key

source of growth to continue delivering double-

digit growth in the long term.