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DRB-HICOM continues to show strong performance with 67 % increase in pre-tax profit to RM566.9 million for the nine months ended December 2010

Shah Alam, Friday, February 25, 2011 – DRB-HICOM Berhad's revenue for the nine months ended December 31, 2010 increased to RM4.81 billion, compared to RM4.72 billion recorded in the previous corresponding period ended December 31 2009. This increase was a result of the improved performance of the Group's Automotive and Services sectors, which contributed to 57 % and 41 % of Group's revenue.

The Group posted a pretax profit of RM566.9 million during the same period, recording a 67.2 % jump compared to RM 339.1 million recorded in the corresponding period of the last financial year.

In line with this achievement, net profit rose by 87.9 % to RM400.1 million for this period, as opposed to RM212.9 million reported in the last financial year. Earnings per share (EPS) improved to 20.7 sen in the same period, compared to 11.0 sen recorded previously.

“The commendable nine months financial results demonstrate DRB-HICOM's ability to leverage on inherent strengths and scale opportunities available in this competitive environment focusing on improving productivity and returns from its operations. Our gearing levels also

decreased further to 0.30 times," said Group Managing Director, Dato' Sri Haji Mohd Khamil Jamil.

"While we compete to offer the best value to our customers, we continue to be prudent in our spending by maintaining tight focus on cost management efforts and innovative in our approach. DRB-HICOM will seek to increase market share in selected business segments to grow revenue and margins while committed in creating values for all stakeholders.

"In fact, as of December 31, 2010, DRB-HICOM's market capitalisation in Bursa Malaysia has grown 92% to RM3.75 billion from RM1.95 billion over the same period last year, while the Group's net asset per share increased to RM 2.54 from RM2.37. There are many opportunities made available by the stabilizing economy and DRB-HICOM has a lot of potential and is constantly looking to increase our market share and create value-added products and services to our stake holders, " added Dato' Sri Haji Mohd Khamil Jamil.

The Board of Directors has declared an interim gross dividend of 2.0 sen per share less taxation of 25% for the current financial year ending March 31, 2011, which will be paid on March 28. This is an increase of 33.3 % to the 1.5 sen paid in the last financial year.

With the financial improvement reported in the nine months of current financial year, the business outlook of the Group's operating activities for the fourth quarter is expected to remain favourable.

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DRB-HICOM is one of Malaysia's leading corporations, playing an integral role in the Automotive Manufacturing, Assembly and Distribution industry through its involvement in passenger cars and four wheel drive vehicles market segment, the national truck project and the national motorcycle project; among others. Besides Automotive concerns, the Group's core businesses are in the Services and Property & Infrastructure.

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