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PBA HOLDINGS WINS 2 PUBLIC-LISTING RELATED AWARDS

- **Highest Growth in Profit After Tax (PAT) over 3 years**
- **Highest Returns to Shareholders over 3 years**
- **“The Edge Centurion Club Awards 2025” for public-listed telecom, media & utilities companies with market capitalisation below RM1 billion.**

PENANG, Thursday, 7.8.2025: PBA Holdings Bhd (PBAHB) has received 2 awards for outstanding achievements from The Edge, a leading and reputable Malaysian financial news organisation.

These “The Edge Centurion Club Awards 2025” are for:

- “Highest Growth in Profit After Tax (PAT) over 3 years” and
- “Highest Returns to Shareholders over 3 years”,

in the telecommunications, media and utilities category for public-listed companies with a market capitalisation below RM1 billion. PBAHB is the holdings company for PBAPP. PBAPP is the licensed holistic water supply operator that serves the State of Penang.

YB Senator Tengku Datuk Seri Zafrul Abdul Aziz, the Minister of Investment, Trade and Industry, handed over the awards to a PBAHB delegation during a dinner event in The Hilton Kuala Lumpur on Tuesday (5.8.2025).

PBAHB performance (2022 – 2024)

PBAHB's reported financial key performance indicators (KPIs) for the last 3 financial years may be summarised as follows:

KPI		2022	2023	2024
1.	Nett Profit	RM77.1 million	RM34.3 million	RM144.2 million
2.	Dividend	3.0 sen per share	3.5 sen per share	4.5 sen per share

Awards context

In fact, PBAHB has been rewarding its shareholders annually since its public listing on the Main Board of Bursa Malaysia in 2002. This year marks the 24th consecutive year in which the company has paid dividends to them.

The 2025 “highest return to shareholders over 3 years” award is the 3rd award of its kind that PBAHB has received from The Edge. We won similar awards in 2019 and 2023.

Since it recognises a triannual achievement, this 3rd award reflects the fact that PBAHB has paid the best dividends to shareholders in the past 9 years amongst all public-listed telecommunications, media and utility companies in Malaysia (with market capitalisation below RM1 billion).

The “highest PAT over 3 years award” is a new award for PBAHB. Since water supply is a tightly regulated public service industry in Malaysia, PBAHB is not primarily a profit- driven company.

Nevertheless, it shows that a professional, responsible and financially sound water supply organisation may occasionally top the charts in profitability as a public-listed company. This award will inspire PBAHB to seek new heights in profitability so that we may continue to reward our shareholders in the future and raise sufficient funds for urgent waterworks in Penang that will further improve water supply services.

Acknowledgements

The 2 awards represent the good results of hard work and commitment of a PBA team with 1,511 personnel.

Much credit is also due to the good guidance of the PBAPP and PBAHB Boards of Directors, led by YAB Tuan Chow Kon Yeow, the Chief Minister of Penang.

Thank You.

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