



Press Release

UNISEM RECORDED RM310.7 MILLION REVENUE IN 1Q 2008 - A TWO-FOLD INCREASE, NET INCOME ROSE 8.8 TIMES TO RM22.1 MILLION FROM FIRST QUARTER 2007

Kuala Lumpur, 8 May 2008 – Unisem (M) Berhad today announced results for the first quarter ended 31 March 2008 (**1Q08**).

The group recorded revenue of RM310.7 million (approx. US\$95.5 million) for 1Q08, a significant increase of 111.4 percent compared to RM147.0 million (approx. US\$42.4 million) in the same quarter a year ago (**1Q07**). Group's net profit of RM22.1 million (approx. US\$6.8 million) for 1Q08 grew 8.8 times from RM2.5 million (approx. US\$0.7 million) in 1Q07.

The significant increase in revenue was mainly due to revenue contribution from Unisem Mauritius, Unisem Chengdu and increased sales volume in Unisem Ipoh. The increase in net profit was attributable to improved profit margins arising from higher capacity utilization, gain on foreign exchange and profit contribution from both Unisem Chengdu and Unisem Europe.

As compared to the previous quarter (**4Q07**) the group revenue represents a decline of 13.7 percent from RM359.9 million (approx. US\$106.9 million). Profit before taxation (**PBT**) decreased 57.6 percent to RM23.3 million (approx. US\$7.2 million) compared to RM54.9 million (approx. US\$16.3 million) in 4Q07. Net profit decreased 62.2 percent to RM22.1 million (approx. US\$6.8 million) for 1Q08 compared to RM58.6 million (approx. US\$17.4 million) in 4Q07.

The decrease in PBT was mainly due to lower sales revenue achieved and lower foreign exchange gains. In addition there was a recognition of deferred tax income upon early adoption of the revised FRS 112 in the preceding quarter.

Group earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization (**EBITDA**) for 1Q08 was about RM68.4 million (approx. US\$21.0 million), EBITDA margin was about 22 percent compared to about 28 percent in 1Q07. Equipment capacity utilization averaged at about 75 percent in 1Q08. Group capital expenditure incurred in 1Q08 was about RM31.8 million (approx. US\$9.8 million), principally for purchase of equipment for packaging, wafer bumping and final test activities for Unisem Ipoh, Unisem Chengdu, Unisem Mauritius and Unisem-Advanpack Technologies Sdn Bhd.

Commenting on the outlook of the group, Mr. John Chia Sin Tet, group managing director said, "Unisem expects the Group's revenue and earnings in the second quarter of 2008 to be moderately higher than that of the first quarter and the business of the Group for the financial year 2008 would remain satisfactory."



About Unisem

Unisem is a global provider of semiconductor assembly and test services for many of the world's most successful electronics companies. Unisem offers an integrated suite of packaging and test services such as wafer bumping, wafer probing, wafer grinding, a wide range of leadframe and substrate IC packaging, wafer level CSP and RF, analog, digital and mixed-signal test services. Our turnkey services include design, assembly, test, failure analysis, and electrical and thermal characterization. With approximately 9,500 employees worldwide, Unisem has factory locations in Ipoh, Malaysia; Wales, United Kingdom; Chengdu, People's Republic of China; Batam, Indonesia and Sunnyvale, USA. The company is headquartered in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. For more information about the company, its products and services, please visit www.unisemgroup.com.