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In a separate filing, NexG announced that its executive chairman and chief executive officer Datuk Abu Hanifah Noordin had acquired 150.34 million units of warrants at 19 sen per warrant. The warrants are held by Velocity Capital Sdn Bhd in the form of a pledged securities account for Rembulan Lestari Sdn Bhd.

This led to Abu Hanifah being deemed as holding 13.16% of the company's outstanding warrants.

Early this month, NexG announced its plan to diversify into property and construction businesses by acquiring a 32.61% stake in Classita Holdings Bhd (KL:CLASSITA) plus warrants for RM60.31 million cash.

Shares in NexG settled up one sen or 2.08% at 49 sen on Friday, giving the identity solutions, digital trust ID and financial services company a market capitalisation of RM1.64 billion. Year to date, the counter has risen over 75%.