

Directors' report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 December 2011

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## **Company Information**

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## Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2011

The Directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011

### Principal activities

The Company's principal activity continued to be to act as a holding company for its investments in Southampton Container Terminals Limited

During the year, the Company did not trade

Subsequent to the year ended 31 December 2011, the Company completed a sale agreement to dispose all 51% of the preference share capital and 34% of the ordinary "P" class shares of the associate company, Tilbury Container Services Limited

The Company is exempt, by virtue of its size, from the requirement to include an enhanced business review

#### **Directors**

The Directors who served during the year and to the date of this report were

F Dalgaard

S M Qureshi

## Political and charitable contributions

During the year the Company has made no charitable or political donations (2010 £NIL)

## Principal risks and uncertainties

### Funding and liquidity

The directors have considered the funding and liquidity position of the company and of its intermediate parent company. The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company. Following this review, the directors consider it appropriate to continue to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

### Qualifying third party indemnity provisions

All directors are entitled to contractual indemnification from the Company to the extent permitted by law against claims and legal expenses incurred in the course of their duties

Such qualifying third party indemnity insurance is provided and remains in force as at the date of approving the directors' report

#### Provision of information to the auditor

Each of the persons who are Directors at the time when this Directors' report is approved has confirmed that

- so far as that Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware, and
- that Director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a Director in order to be aware of any information needed by the Company's auditor in connection with preparing its report and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information

## Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2011

## **Auditor**

The auditor, KPMG LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006

In preparing this report, the Directors have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf

F Dalgaard Director

Date 6 July 2012

## Directors' responsibilities statement for the year ended 31 December 2011

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that period in preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

## Independent auditor's report to the shareholders of P&O Ports Limited

We have audited the financial statements of P&O Ports Limited for the year ended 31 December 2011, set out on pages 5 to 10. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

### Respective responsibilities of Directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Directors' responsibilities statement, set out on page 3, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the APB's website at www frc org uk/apb/scope/private cfm

### Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2011 and of its results for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

## Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

## Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or
- the Directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the Directors' report

Mike Harper

Mike Harper (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of KPMG LLP Chartered Accountants

15 Canada Square London E14 5GL

6 July 2012

# Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 2011

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		2011	2010
	Note	£	£
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		-	-
Tax on profit on ordinary activities		•	-
Results for the financial year	_	-	
	_		

All amounts relate to continuing operations

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2011 or 2010 other than those included in the Profit and loss account

The Company has not traded during the year or the preceding financial year. During these periods, the Company received no income and incurred no expenditure and therefore made neither profit or loss

## P&O Ports Limited Registered number 751061

# Balance sheet as at 31 December 2011

	Note		2011 £		2010 £
Fixed assets					
Investments	2		1,588,454		2,934,665
Current assets					
Fixed assets held for sale	3	1,346,211		-	
Debtors	4	1,651,983		1,651,983	
			2,998,194		1,651,983
Net assets			4,586,648		4,586,648
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	5		2,934,667		2,934,667
Profit and loss account			1,651,981		1,651,981
Shareholders' funds	6		4,586,648		4,586,648

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf by

F Dalgaard Director

Date 6 July 2012

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these financial statements

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011

### 1. Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the Company's financial statements

### 1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards

#### 1.2 Investments

Investments held as fixed assets are shown at cost less provision for impairment

### 1.3 Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in Financial Reporting Standard No 8 "Related Party Disclosure" as it is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company Therefore the company has not disclosed transactions or balances with entities that form part of the group headed by The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company There were no other related party transactions in the year

#### 1.4 Cash flow

The Company, being a subsidiary undertaking where 90% or more of the voting rights are controlled within the group whose consolidated financial statements are publicly available, is exempt from the requirement to draw up a cash flow statement in accordance with FRS 1

### 1.5 Going concern

The directors have considered the funding and liquidity position of the company and of its intermediate parent company. The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company. Following this review, the directors consider it appropriate to continue to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

### 1.6 Taxation

UK Corporation tax is provided on taxable profits at the current rate. The charge for taxation is based on the profit or loss for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing difference between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes.

Deferred tax is recognised without discounting, in respect of all timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes which have arisen but not reversed by the balance sheet dates except as otherwise required by Financial Reporting Standard 19 (Deferred Tax)

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011

## 2. Fixed asset investments

	Investments in subsidiary companies	Investments in associates	Total
Cost or valuation	£	£	£
At 1 January 2011 Transfer to fixed assets	1,588,454	1,346,211	2,934,665
held for sale		(1,346,211)	(1,346,211)
At 31 December 2011	1,588,454	•	1,588,454
Net book value			_
At 31 December 2011	1,588,454	-	1,588,454
At 31 December 2010	1,588,454	1,346,211	2,934,665

## Subsidiary undertakings

The following were subsidiary undertakings of the company

Name	Class of shares	Holding
	Ordinary "P" Class	
Southampton Container Terminals Limited	shares	51%

Name	Business	Registered office
Southampton Container Terminals Limited	Container terminal operating	United Kingdom

### **Associates**

Name	incorporation	class of shares	Holding	Principal activity
Tilbury Container Services Limited	United Kingdom	Ordinary "P" Class shares	34%	Container terminal operating

The holding of 51% in Southampton Container Terminal Limited (SCT) is the result of the company owning 100% of the ordinary "P" class shares, which represents 51% of the ordinary share capital of SCT

In addition to the 34% holding of the ordinary "P" class shares, the company also owned 51% of the preference share capital of the associate company, Tilbury Container Services Limited This investment has been transferred to fixed assets held for sale (refer to note 3)

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011

3.	Fixed assets held for sale		
		2011 £	2010 £
	Fixed assets held for sale	1,346,211	
	Fixed assets held for sale represent the investment in Tilbury Conf	tainer Services Limited	
4.	Debtors		
		2011 £	2010 £
		-	-
	Amounts owed by group companies	1,651,983	1,651,983
	Amounts owed by group companies  Amounts owed by group companies have no fixed repayment term		
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## 7. Post balance sheet events

Shareholders' funds at 1 January 2011 and 31 December 2011

On 25 January 2012, P&O Ports Limited completed a sale agreement to dispose all 51% of the preference share capital and 34% of the ordinary "P" class shares of the associate company, Tilbury Container Services Limited The cost of the investment has been shown in fixed assets held for sale in the Balance sheet

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## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011

## 8. Ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party

The smallest group of companies for which consolidated financial statements are prepared and in which the company is consolidated is The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, a company incorporated by Royal Charter and therefore not registered, copies of whose accounts can be obtained from The Registrar of Companies, Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff CF14 3UZ

The largest group of companies for which consolidated financial statements are prepared and which are publicly available, and in which the company is consolidated is DP World Limited, a company limited by shares incorporated in Dubai, whose accounts are filed with the Dubai International Financial Centre. On 1 June 2011, DP World Limited committed to an admission to the official list of the UK Listing Authority and to trade on the London Stock Exchange's main market for listed securities. DP World Limited has 19 55% of its shares jointly trading on NASDAQ Dubai and London Stock Exchange.

The immediate parent undertaking at 31 December 2011 was The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, a company incorporated in the United Kingdom

In the opinion of the directors the ultimate controlling parent undertaking as at 31 December 2011 was Port & Free Zone World FZE, which owns 80 45% of DP World Limited Port & Free Zone World FZE is a wholly owned subsidiary of Dubai World Corporation, which is the ultimate parent company of the company, but which does not exert control over the company Both Port & Free Zone World FZE and Dubai World Corporation are incorporated in Dubai