Vodafone Enterprise Equipment Limited (Formerly, Cable & Wireless Global Markets Equipment Limited)

Annual report and financial statements

For the year ended 31 March 2014

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Directors' report

The Directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2014.

Principal activities and review of developments

The principal activity of the Company is to hold network assets which are used by other Vodafone Group companies. No change in the Company's activities is envisaged in the foreseeable future.

During the year the Company has changed its name from Cable & Wireless Global Market Equipment Limited to Vodafone Enterprise Equipment Limited.

The Company has met the requirement in the Companies Act 2006 to take the exemption from the need to present a Strategic Report.

Business review

The loss for the year amounts to £315,000 (2013: loss of £138,000).

Given the support of the Vodafone Group the Directors consider that the Company has sufficient funding to meet its financial needs as they fall due for a period of not less than 12 months from the date of these financial statements. Accordingly, the Directors have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis, notwithstanding net liabilities of £6,164,000 (2013: £5,849,000).

Dividends

The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2013: £nil).

Directors of the company

The Directors who held office during the year and subsequent to the year end were:

P S Davis (resigned, 1 September 2014)

A R Kinch (resigned 30 November 2014)

K Phillip (appointed 1 September 2014)

Vodafone Corporate Secretaries Limited (appointed 8 December 2014)

S Showell (appointed 8 December 2014)

All Directors benefit from qualifying third party indemnity provisions in place during the financial year and at the date of this report.

Directors' report

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Disclosure of information to the auditor

Each of the persons who is a director at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware; and
- the director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of s418 of the Companies Act 2006.

On behalf of the Board

Director, Vodafone Corporate Secretaries Limited

Company secretary

Date:

12/12/14

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Statement of Directors' responsibilities in respect of the Directors' report and the financial statements

The Directors are responsible for preparing the annual 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 apply them consistently;
- · make judgements and accounting 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; and
- 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 have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the Company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

Independent Auditor's report to the members of Vodafone Enterprise Equipment Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Vodafone Enterprise Equipment Limited for the year ended 31 March 2014, which comprise the Profit and loss account, the Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds, the Balance sheet and the related notes 1 to 12. 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 Statement of Directors' responsibilities in respect of the Directors' report and the financial statements (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

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the annual report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

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 March 2014 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- · have been properly prepared in accordance with UK 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.

Independent Auditor's report to the members of Vodafone Enterprise Equipment Limited (continued)

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 from preparing a Strategic report or in preparing the Directors' report.

David Griffin FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Deloitte LLP

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor

London

United Kingdom

Date: 12 December 2014

Profit and loss account

For the year ended 31 March 2014

	Note	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Turnover	2	. 1,681	1,270
Operating expenses Operating profit	3 -	(1,201) 480	(1,016) 254
Interest payable and similar charges Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	. 4	(511)	(392)
Taxation	5	(284)	
Loss for the financial year	=	(315)	(138)

The results for the year are derived entirely from continuing operations.

The company has no recognised gains or losses for the year other than the results above. Accordingly, no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' deficit

For the year ended 31 March 2014

	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Loss attributable to the members of the company	(315)	(138)
Net increase to shareholders' deficit	(315)	(138)
Opening shareholders' deficit at 1 April	(5,849)	(5,711)
Closing shareholders' deficit at 31 March	(6,164)	(5,849)

Balance sheet

as at 31 March 2014

	Note	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Fixed assets			•
Tangible assets	·6 _	6,925	7,313
Current assets			
Debtors	7	928	725
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	8	(14,017)	(13,887)
Net current liabilities		(13,089)	(13,162)
Net liabilities		(6,164)	(5,849)
Capital and reserves			
Called-up share capital	9	500	500
Profit and loss account	10 _	(6,664)	(6,349)
Total shareholders' deficit	_	(6,164)	(5,849)

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 12/12/14 and signed on its behalf by:

K Phillip Director

Notes to the financial statements

(forming part of the financial statements)

1 Accounting policies

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

Basis of preparation

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), and under the historical cost accounting rules.

Given the support of the Vodafone Group the Directors consider that the Company has sufficient funding to meet its financial needs as they fall due for a period of not less than 12 months from the date of these financial statements. Accordingly, the Directors have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis, notwithstanding net liabilities of £6,164,000 (2013: £5,849,000).

Cash flow statement

Under FRS 1, the Company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking. A consolidated cash flow statement is included in the financial statements of Vodafone Group Plc in which the Company is consolidated and which are publicly available from the address in note 12.

Revenue recognition

Turnover, which excludes discounts and value added tax, comprises income earned from the use of its assets by fellow group companies.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. The cost of fixed assets includes materials, direct labour and other incremental costs applicable to the design, construction and connection of the telecommunications networks and equipment. Where the Company has a legal or constructive obligation to dismantle and remove its assets and restore the relevant sites, a provision is made for the estimated costs of the asset retirement obligation. The present value of the asset retirement obligation is capitalised as part of the initial cost of the asset.

Depreciation is provided on the difference between the cost of tangible fixed assets and their estimated residual value in equal instalments over the estimated useful life of the assets. These lives are:

Plant and equipment

3 to 5 years

Foreign currencies

Transactions during the year denominated in foreign currency have been translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated to sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. The resulting gains or losses are dealt with through the Profit and loss account.

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1 Accounting policies (continued)

Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the result for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences 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 date, except as otherwise required by FRS 19.

2 Turnover

The Company operates in a single business segment being the provision of telecommunications and related services.

3 Operating expenses

	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Trading foreign exchange Other operating income	(21) (43)	11 (6)
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	1,265	1,011

The Directors did not receive any emoluments in respect of their services for this Company during the year (2013: £nil).

In the current year and the prior year, the auditor's remuneration of £2,500 (2013: £2,500) for the audit of these financial statements has been borne by another group company.

4 Interest payable and similar charges

	2014 £'000	£'000
Interest on loans from group undertakings	511	392
	511	392

Notes to the financial statements

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5 Taxation

Tax charge on loss on ordinary activities

	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Current tax		
UK Corporation Tax at 23% (2013: 24%)	284	
Total tax charge	284	-

The standard rate of tax for the year, based on the UK standard rate of corporation tax, is 23% (2013: 24%) The actual tax charge for the current and previous year differs from the tax charge/(credit) at the standard rate for the reasons set out in the following reconciliation:

	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Loss on ordinary activities before tax	(31)	(138)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities before tax at standard rate of 23% (2013: 24%)	. (7)	(33)
Factors affecting tax charge for the year:		•
Depreciation in excess of capital allowances	291	243 ⁻
Group relief claimed without payment		(210)
Current tax charge for the year	284	-

A deferred tax asset of £485,000 (2013: £267,000) has not been recognised in respect of fixed asset timing differences as it is not certain that suitable taxable profits will be available against which this asset can be utilised.

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6 Tangible assets

	Plant and equipment £'000	Assets under construction £'000	Total £'000
Cost or valuation			
At 1 April 2013	6,459	3,774	10,233
Additions	-	· 877	877
Transfers between categories	4,268	(4,268)	
At 31 March 2014	10,727	383	11,110
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2013	. 2,920	-	2,920
Charge for the year	1,265	· <u>-</u>	1,265
At 31 March 2014	4,185		4,185
Net book value		•	
At 31 March 2014	6,542	383	6,925
At 31 March 2013	3,539	3,774	7,313
7 Debtors			
		2014	2013
•		£'000	£'000
Amounts falling due within one year:	•		
Owed by group undertakings		925	193
Other debtors		· 3	32
Called-up share capital not paid			500
		928	725

Notes to the financial statements

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8 Creditors

		2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Amounts falling due within one year:		•	
Trade creditors		-	33
Amounts owed to fellow group undertakings		13,635	10,427
Group relief payable		284	-
Other creditors		-	6
Accruals and deferred income		98	3,421
	n selec	14,017	13,887

The amount owed by group undertakings includes a loan payable to Cable & Wireless Europe Holdings Limited of £13,633,000 (2013: £9,781,000) which bears interest at LIBOR plus 3.5%. The loan and any interest accrued thereon become repayable in full on the last day of each borrowing period or immediately upon demand by the lender.

9 Called-up share capital

Allotted and called-up shares

	2014		2013	
	No.	£	No.	£
Ordinary shares of £1 each 50p paid	1,000,000	500,000	1,000,000	500,000

10 Reserves

	÷	•		•	Profit and loss account £'000
At 1 April 2013			•		(6,349)
Loss for the year					(315)
At 31 March 2014		· · ·		٠.	(6,664)

Notes to the financial statements

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11 Related party transactions

Under FRS 8, the Company is exempt from the requirement to disclose transactions with wholly owned entities that are part of the Vodafone Group, as all of the Company's voting rights are controlled within the Group. There are no transactions with any other related parties.

12 Ultimate parent company and controlling party

The Company's immediate parent company is The Eastern Leasing Company Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

The Directors regard Vodafone Group Plc, a company registered in England and Wales, as the ultimate parent company and controlling party.

The smallest and largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that of Vodafone Group Plc. The consolidated financial statements of Vodafone Group plc may be obtained from the Company Secretary, Vodafone Group Plc, Vodafone House, The Connection, Newbury, Berkshire, RG14 2FN.