Annual report

for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

Registration number: 1913990





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# Arjo Wiggins North America Investments Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

The directors present their strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2013.

#### **Business review**

#### Fair review of the business

The company's profit for the financial year is £nil (2012: £nil). It has no key performance indicators and is dependent upon its fellow group undertakings.

#### **Future developments**

The directors expect the company's activities to continue on a similar basis for the foreseeable future.

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The Company has no ongoing trade therefore it is exposed to limited financial risk.

Approved by the Board on 25 June 2014 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr. C Mountford

Director

#### Directors' Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013.

#### Directors of the company

The directors who held office during the year were as follows:

Mr. E T Hodgson

Mr. C Mountford

Mr. M J Newell

#### **Principal activity**

The company is an unlimited private company and has no on-going trade.

#### Results and dividends

The audited accounts for the year ended 31 December 2013, are set out on pages 6 to 9.

No dividends have been paid during the year, and the directors recommend that no final dividend be declared in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2013 (2012: £nil).

#### Financial risk management

#### Price risk, credit risk and liquidity risk

The company has no exposure to price and credit risk.

The company's exposure to liquidity risk is not significant as long term and short term finance can be provided by other Group companies to ensure that the company has sufficient available funds for operation.

#### **Future developments**

The directors expect the company's activities to continue on a similar basis for the foreseeable future.

#### Declaration in relation to relevant audit information

Having made enquiries of fellow directors each of the directors confirms that:

- (a) so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware; and
- (b) he 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 auditors are aware of that information.

# Arjo Wiggins North America Investments Directors' Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2013 ....... continued

#### Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, 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 prepared 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 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.

#### Reappointment of auditors

An elective resolution has been passed to appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as auditors until such time as the Board decides otherwise.

Approved by the Board on 25 June 2014 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr. C Mountford Director

# Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Arjo Wiggins North America Investments

#### Report on the financial statements

#### Our opinion

In our opinion the financial statements, defined below:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2013 and of its result 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.

This opinion is to be read in the context of what we say in the remainder of this report.

#### What we have audited

The financial statements, which are prepared by Arjo Wiggins North America Investments, comprise:

- · the Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2013
- the notes to the financial statements which include a summary of significant accounting policies and other expanatory information

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). In applying the financial reporting framework, the directors have made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. In making such estimates, they have made assumptions and considered future events.

#### What an audit of financial statements involves

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) ("ISAs (UK & Ireland)"). 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 consistantly 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 other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report and Strategic Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

# Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Arjo Wiggins North America Investments

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#### Other matters on which we are required to report by exception

#### Adequacy of accounting records and information and explanations received

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
  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.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

#### **Directors' remuneration**

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

#### Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

#### Our responsibilities and those of the directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, 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 ISAs (UK & Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

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Simon O'Brien (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP,
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

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Date:.....

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**Balance Sheet at 31 December 2013** 

	Note	2013 £	2012 £
Current assets			•
Cash at bank and in hand		1,113	1,113
Net current assets		1,113	1,113
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	5	1,000	1,000
Profit and loss account	6	113	113
'Shareholders' funds	7	1,113	1,113

The Company did not trade in the year and there were also no other recognised gains and losses for the current or the preceding financial year. Accordingly, neither a profit and loss account nor a statement of total recognised gains and losses have been presented.

Approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 25 June 2014 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr. C Mountford

Director

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### **Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared on a realised basis under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and accounting standards applicable in the United Kingdom. A summary of the principal accounting policies, which have been applied consistently, is set out below.

#### Exemption from preparing cash flow statement

The company, as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sequana, which publishes consolidated financial statements in which the Company is included, is exempt under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) No.1 (Revised) from publishing a cash flow statement.

#### **Taxation**

Current tax is provided at amounts expected to be paid or recovered using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date. Timing differences are differences between the company's taxable profits and its results as stated in the financial statements that arise from the inclusion of gains or losses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements.

Deferred tax is measured at average tax rates that are expected to apply in periods in which timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is measured on a non-discounted basis. Deferred tax assets are only recognised to the extent that it is regarded more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted.

#### 2 Administrative expenses

The auditors' remuneration for the year of £1,000 (2012: £1,000) has been borne by Sequana Capital UK Limited, the immediate parent company.

# Arjo Wiggins North America Investments Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2013 ....... continued

#### 3 Directors' emoluments and staff costs

The directors are all employees of other companies within the Sequana group of companies and their emoluments and the contributions to pension schemes on their behalf are paid by those companies. Their services to the company are of a non-executive nature and their remuneration, including pension benefits, is deemed to be wholly attributable to their services to other group companies. Accordingly, none of the directors received any remuneration for their services as a director of the company during the year (2012: £nil).

The company has no employees and so no staff costs have been incurred during the year (2012: £nil).

#### 4 Taxation

#### Factors that will affect future tax charges

The standard rate of UK corporation tax changed from 24% to 23% on 1 April 2013 and will reduce to 21% on 1 April 2014, and to 20% on 1 April 2015.

#### 5 Share capital

Allotted, called up and fully paid shares

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	2013	2012
	No. ° £	No. £
Ordinary shares of £1.00 each	1,000 1,0	00 1,000 1,000

#### 6 Reserves

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At 1 January 2013				113
At 31 December 2013	٠			113

**Profit and** 

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

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#### 7 Reconciliation of movement in shareholders' funds

	2013 £	2012 £
Net addition/(reduction) to shareholders' funds		
Shareholders' funds at 1 January	1,113	1,113
Shareholders' funds at 31 December	1,113	1,113

#### 8 Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS8 "Related Party Disclosures" from disclosing transactions with other wholly owned members of the group.

#### 9 Control

The company's immediate parent undertaking is Sequana Capital UK Limited.

The ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Sequana SA, a company registered in France, which is the parent undertaking of the smallest and largest group to consolidate these financial statements. A copy of the consolidated financial statements of that company can be obtained from the Company Secretary, at the following address:

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