

BP CHEMICALS (KOREA) LIMITED

(Registered No.02316280)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2019

Board of Directors: N C Dunn
C A McCann

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019.

In accordance with section 414B (b) of the Companies Act 2006, the directors are taking advantage of the small companies exemption to not prepare a strategic report.

Directors

The present directors are listed above.

N C Dunn and C A McCann served as directors throughout the financial year. Changes since 1 January 2019 are as follows:

	<u>Appointed</u>	<u>Resigned</u>
T M Thornton	—	1 July 2020

Directors' indemnity

The company indemnifies the directors in its Articles of Association to the extent allowed under section 232 of the Companies Act 2006. Such qualifying third party indemnity provisions for the benefit of the company's directors remain in force at the date of this report.

Dividends

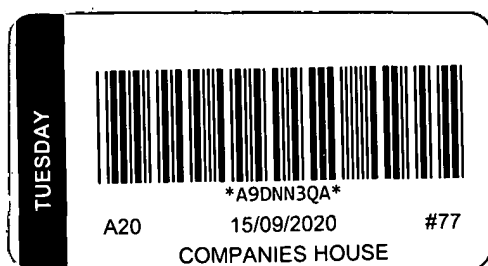
During the year the company has declared and paid dividends of £33,000,000 (2018 £10,000,000). The directors do not propose the payment of a final dividend.

Post balance sheet event

Since 31 December 2019, oil and gas prices have fallen sharply in large part due to the impact of the international spread of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) and geopolitical factors. The impact of COVID-19 and the current economic environment on the basis of preparation of these financial statements has been considered. The directors continue to consider it appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements. Further details are provided under Going Concern below.

On 29 June 2020 BP announced that it has agreed to sell its global petrochemicals business, including BP Chemicals (Korea) Limited, to INEOS for a total consideration of \$5 billion, subject to customary adjustments. The sale agreement includes the whole of BP's aromatic and acetyls businesses, including assets, technology and licences. Subject to regulatory and other approvals, the transaction is expected to complete by the end of 2020.

Both of these are non-adjusting events for the financial statements for the period ending 31 December 2019.



DIRECTORS' REPORT

Going concern

The directors have considered expectations of the position and performance of the company, taking account of its short-term and longer-range plans. Taking into account the company's current position and its principal risks, the directors have also considered the impact of non-adjusting events which have occurred since the balance sheet date.

Since 31 December 2019, the oil price has fallen sharply in large part due to the impact of the international spread of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) and geopolitical factors. The impact of COVID-19 and the current economic environment on the basis of preparation of these financial statements has been considered.

The company is included in the sale of BP's global petrochemicals business to INEOS. Subject to regulatory and other approvals, the transaction is expected to complete by the end of 2020.

Liquidity and financing is managed within BP under pooled group-wide arrangements which include the company. As part of assuring the going concern basis of preparation for the company, the ability and intent of the BP group to support the company has been taken into consideration. The BP group financial statements continue to be prepared on a going concern basis. Forecast liquidity extending at least twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements has been assessed at a group level under a number of stressed scenarios and a reverse stress test performed to support the group's going concern assertion. In addition, group management of BP have confirmed that the existing intra-group funding and liquidity arrangements as currently constituted are expected to continue while the company remains part of the BP group.

In assessing the prospects of BP Chemicals (Korea) Limited, the directors noted that such assessment is subject to a degree of uncertainty that can be expected to increase looking out over time and, accordingly, that future outcomes cannot be guaranteed or predicted with certainty. The directors have assessed that the company will continue to receive sufficient intra-group funding and liquidity to continue as a going concern while it remains a part of the BP group.

Subject to regulatory and other approvals, INEOS are acquiring the company as part of the global petrochemicals transaction, and they may choose to arrange the business using a different corporate structure such that the company ceases to trade. The directors have therefore concluded that they are unable to dictate or confirm the intentions of INEOS management after they acquire the company. Accordingly there is a material uncertainty which casts significant doubt in relation to the going concern assumption for this company. Nevertheless, having considered these uncertainties and having assessed the company's performance and financial situation, the directors have concluded that it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Future developments

On 29 June 2020, BP announced that it has agreed to sell its global petrochemicals business, including BP Aromatics Limited, to INEOS. Subject to regulatory and other approvals, the transaction is expected to complete by the end of 2020. The directors are unable to confirm the intentions of INEOS management after they acquire the company. Whilst the company remains part of the BP Group, the directors expect to maintain the management policies which have resulted in the company's stability in recent years.

Financial risk management

The company is exposed to a number of different financial risks arising from natural business exposures as well as its use of financial instruments including market risks relating to foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. Further details on these financial risks are included within Note 29 of the BP group Annual Report and Form 20-F for the year ended 31 December 2019.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

Directors' statement as to the disclosure of information to the auditor

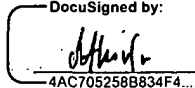
The directors who were members of the board at the time of approving the directors' report are listed on page 1. Having made enquiries of fellow directors and of the company's auditor, each of these directors confirms that:

- To the best of each director's knowledge and belief, there is no information relevant to the preparation of the auditor's report of which the company's auditor is unaware; and
- Each director has taken all the steps a director might reasonably be expected to have taken to be aware of 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 s418 of the Companies Act 2006.

Authorized for issue by Order of the Board

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For and on behalf of
Sunbury Secretaries Limited
Company Secretary

10 September 2020

Registered Office:

Chertsey Road
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**STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT
OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

BP CHEMICALS (KOREA) LIMITED

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable UK 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) including Financial Reporting Standard 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework'. 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 the profit or loss for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom 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.

The directors confirm that they have complied with these requirements. Details of the directors' assessment of going concern are provided in the directors' report.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF BP CHEMICALS (KOREA) LIMITED

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements of BP Chemicals (Korea) Limited (the company):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2019 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, including Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework"; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements which comprise:

- the profit and loss account;
- the statement of comprehensive income;
- the balance sheet;
- the statement of changes in equity; and
- the related notes 1 to 15.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report.

We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the Financial Reporting Council's (the 'FRC's') Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Material uncertainty related to going concern

We draw attention to note 2 in the financial statements, which indicates that BP have announced that it has agreed to sell its global petrochemicals business, including BP Chemicals (Korea) Limited, to INEOS. As stated in note 2, this event indicates that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Responsibilities of 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, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- The directors' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified any material misstatements in the directors' report.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

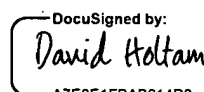
Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report in respect of the following matters if, in our opinion:

- 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 the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

Use of our report

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.

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David Holtam, FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of Deloitte LLP Statutory Auditor

London, United Kingdom

11 September 2020

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019****BP CHEMICALS (KOREA) LIMITED**

		2019	2018
	Note	£000	£000
Dividend income		41,889	17,748
Administrative expenses		(2,332)	(3,093)
Operating profit	3	39,557	14,655
Interest receivable and similar income	5	697	472
Profit before taxation		40,254	15,127
Tax on profit	6	(2,095)	(887)
Profit for the year		38,159	14,240

The profit of £38,159,000 for the year ended 31 December 2019 was derived in its entirety from continuing operations.

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019**

There is no comprehensive income attributable to the shareholders of the company other than the profit for the year.

BALANCE SHEET**AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019****BP CHEMICALS (KOREA) LIMITED****(Registered No.02316280)**

	Note	2019 £000	2018 £000
Fixed assets			
Investments	8	20,493	20,493
Current assets			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	9	93,750	88,638
Cash at bank and in hand		1	1
		93,751	88,639
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(676)	(723)
Net current assets		93,075	87,916
NET ASSETS		<u>113,568</u>	<u>108,409</u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	11	45,300	45,300
Profit and loss account	12	68,268	63,109
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>113,568</u>	<u>108,409</u>

Authorized for issue on behalf of the Board

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N C Dunn

Director

11 September 2020

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019****BP CHEMICALS (KOREA) LIMITED**

	Called up share capital (Note 11)	Profit and loss account (Note 12)	Total
	£000	£000	£000
Balance at 1 January 2018	45,300	58,869	104,169
Profit for the year, representing total comprehensive income	—	14,240	14,240
Dividends paid	—	(10,000)	(10,000)
Balance at 31 December 2018	45,300	63,109	108,409
Profit for the year, representing total comprehensive income	—	38,159	38,159
Dividends paid	—	(33,000)	(33,000)
Balance at 31 December 2019	<u>45,300</u>	<u>68,268</u>	<u>113,568</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019****BP CHEMICALS (KOREA) LIMITED****1. Authorization of financial statements and statement of compliance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework (FRS 101)**

The company acts as an intermediate holding company, holding certain investments in Korean chemical companies. The financial statements of BP Chemicals (Korea) Limited for the year ended 31 December 2019 were approved by the board of directors on 10th September 2020 and the balance sheet was signed on the board's behalf by N C Dunn. BP Chemicals (Korea) Limited is a private company, limited by shares incorporated, domiciled and registered in England and Wales (registered number 02316280). The company's registered office is at Chertsey Road, Sunbury on Thames, Middlesex, TW16 7BP. These financial statements were prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' (FRS 101) and the provisions of the Companies Act 2006.

2. Significant accounting policies, judgements, estimates and assumptions

The significant accounting policies and critical accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions of the company are set out below.

Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 101. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for the assets.

The accounting policies that follow have been consistently applied to all years presented, except where otherwise indicated.

These financial statements are separate financial statements. The company has taken advantage of the exemption under s400 of the Companies Act 2006 not to prepare consolidated financial statements, because it is included in the group financial statements of BP p.l.c. Details of the parent in whose consolidated financial statements the company is included are shown in Note 15 to the financial statements.

As permitted by FRS 101, the company has taken advantage of the disclosure exemptions available under that standard in relation to:

- (a) the requirements of IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures
- (b) the requirements of paragraphs 91 – 99 of IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement
- (c) the requirements of paragraphs 10(d), 10(f), 16, 38A, 38B, 38C, 38D, 40A, 40B, 40C, 40D, 111 and 134 to 136 of IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements
- (d) the requirement in paragraph 38 of IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements to present comparative information in respect of paragraph 79(a)(iv) of IAS 1
- (e) the requirements of IAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows
- (f) the requirements of paragraphs 30 and 31 of IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors in relation to standards not yet effective
- (g) the requirements of paragraph 17 and 18A of IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures
- (h) the requirements of IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures to disclose related party transactions entered into between two or more members of a group, provided that any subsidiary which is a party to the transaction is wholly owned by such a member
- (i) the requirements of paragraphs 130(f)(ii), 130(f)(iii), 134(d) to 134(f) and 135(c)-135(e) of IAS 36, Impairment of Assets

Where required, equivalent disclosures are given in the group financial statements of BP p.l.c. The group financial statements of BP p.l.c. are available to the public and can be obtained as set out in Note 15.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**2. Significant accounting policies, judgements, estimates and assumptions (continued)****Basis of preparation (continued)**

The financial statements are presented in British pounds and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand pounds (£000), except where otherwise indicated.

Significant accounting policies: use of judgements, estimates and assumptions

Inherent in the application of many of the accounting policies used in preparing the financial statements is the need for management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. Actual outcomes could differ from the estimates and assumptions used. The accounting judgements and estimates that have a significant impact on the results of the company are set out within the boxed text below, and should be read in conjunction with the information provided in the Notes to the financial statements.

Significant accounting policies**Going concern**

Subject to regulatory and other approvals, INEOS are acquiring the company as part of the global petrochemicals transaction, and they may choose to arrange the business using a different corporate structure such that the company ceases to trade. The directors have therefore concluded that they are unable to dictate or confirm the intentions of INEOS management after they acquire the company. Accordingly there is a material uncertainty which casts significant doubt in relation to the going concern assumption for this company. Nevertheless, having considered these uncertainties and having assessed the company's performance and financial situation, the directors have concluded that it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

For further detail on the directors' going concern assessment, please refer to the directors' report.

Foreign currency

The functional and presentation currency of the financial statements is British pounds. The functional currency is the currency of the primary economic environment in which an entity operates and is normally the currency in which the entity primarily generates and expends cash.

As the company is considered to be an intermediate holding company, and therefore an extension of its parent company, its functional currency is the same as its parent company.

Transactions in foreign currencies are initially recorded in the functional currency by applying the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Where this is not practical and exchange rates do not fluctuate materially the average rate has been used. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated into the functional currency at the spot exchange on the balance sheet date. Any resulting exchange differences are included in the profit and loss account, unless hedge accounting is applied. Non-monetary assets and liabilities, other than those measured at fair value, are not retranslated subsequent to initial recognition.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**2. Significant accounting policies, judgements, estimates and assumptions (continued)****Investments**

Fixed asset investments in joint ventures are held at cost. The company assesses investments for an impairment indicator annually. If any such indication of possible impairment exists, the company makes an estimate of the investment's recoverable amount. Where the carrying amount of an investment exceeds its recoverable amount, the investment is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount.

Where these circumstances have reversed, the impairment previously made is reversed to the extent of the original cost of the investment.

Interests in joint arrangements

A joint arrangement is an arrangement in which two or more parties have joint control. Joint control is the contractually agreed sharing of control of an arrangement, which exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

A joint venture is a joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the net assets of the arrangement. Joint control is the contractually agreed sharing of control of an arrangement, which exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

Significant judgements and estimates: impairment of investments

Determination as to whether, and how much, an investment is impaired involves management estimates on highly uncertain matters such as the effects of inflation and deflation on operating expenses, discount rates, production profiles, reserves and resources, and future commodity prices, including the outlook for global or regional market supply-and-demand conditions for crude oil, natural gas and refined products.

Management judgement is required to determine whether an indicator of potential impairment exists in relation to the company's investments. No such indicators have been identified during the current year and therefore no impairment test has needed to be performed. Accordingly, the recoverable amount of the investment has not needed to be estimated, nor any assumptions made, and no sensitivity analysis has been required. Details of the carrying value of the investments are provided in Note 8.

Financial assets

Financial assets are recognized initially at fair value, normally being the transaction price. In the case of financial assets not at fair value through profit or loss, directly attributable transaction costs are also included. The subsequent measurement of financial assets depends on their classification, as set out below. The company derecognizes financial assets when the contractual rights to the cash flows expire or the rights to receive cash flows have been transferred to a third party along with either substantially all of the risks and rewards or control of the asset. This includes the derecognition of receivables for which discounting arrangements are entered into.

The company classifies its financial assets as measured at amortized cost or fair value through profit or loss. The classification depends on the business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost

Financial assets are classified as measured at amortized cost when they are held in a business model the objective of which is to collect contractual cash flows and the contractual cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest. Such assets are carried at amortized cost. This category of financial assets includes trade and other receivables.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**2. Significant accounting policies, judgements, estimates and assumptions (continued)****Impairment of financial assets measured at amortized cost**

The company assesses on a forward-looking basis the expected credit losses associated with financial assets classified as measured at amortized cost at each balance sheet date. Expected credit losses are measured based on the maximum contractual period over which the company is exposed to credit risk. As lifetime expected credit losses are recognized for trade receivables and the tenor of substantially all of other in-scope financial assets is less than 12 months there is no significant difference between the measurement of 12-month and lifetime expected credit losses for the company. The measurement of expected credit losses is a function of the probability of default, loss given default and exposure at default. The expected credit loss is estimated as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the future cash flows the company expects to receive, discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate. The carrying amount of the asset is adjusted, with the amount of the impairment gain or loss recognized in the profit and loss account.

A financial asset or group of financial assets classified as measured at amortized cost is considered to be credit-impaired if there is reasonable and supportable evidence that one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset (or group of financial assets) have occurred. Financial assets are written off where the company has no reasonable expectation of recovering amounts due.

Financial liabilities

The measurement of financial liabilities is as follows:

Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost

Financial liabilities are initially recognized at fair value, net of directly attributable transaction costs. For interest-bearing loans and borrowings this is typically equivalent to the fair value of the proceeds received net of issue costs associated with the borrowing.

After initial recognition, these financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortized cost. This category of financial liabilities includes trade and other payables and finance debt.

Offsetting of financial assets and liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities are presented gross in the balance sheet unless both of the following criteria are met: the company currently has a legally enforceable right to set off the recognized amounts; and the company intends to either settle on a net basis or realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. If both of the criteria are met, the amounts are set off and presented net. A right of set off is the company's legal right to settle an amount payable to a creditor by applying against it an amount receivable from the same counterparty. The relevant legal jurisdiction and laws applicable to the relationships between the parties are considered when assessing whether a current legally enforceable right to set off exists.

Taxation

Income tax expense represents the sum of current tax and deferred tax.

Income tax is recognized in the profit and loss account, except to the extent that it relates to items recognized in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case the related tax is recognized in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current tax is based on the taxable profit for the period. Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in the profit and loss account because it is determined in accordance with the rules established by the applicable taxation authorities. It therefore excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other periods as well as items that are never taxable or deductible. The company's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**2. Significant accounting policies, judgements, estimates and assumptions (continued)****Taxation (continued)**

Deferred tax is provided, using the balance sheet method, on temporary differences at the balance sheet date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes. Deferred tax liabilities are recognized for all taxable temporary differences except:

- Where the deferred tax liability arises on the initial recognition of goodwill.
- Where the deferred tax liability arises on the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss.
- In respect of taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries and associates and interests in joint arrangements, where the company is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets are recognized for deductible temporary differences, carry-forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses, to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences and the carry-forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilized. An exception is where the deferred tax asset relates to the deductible temporary difference arising from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable or increased to the extent that it is probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilized.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the asset is realized or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset only when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred tax assets and liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities where there is an intention to settle the current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis or to realize the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

Where tax treatments are uncertain, if it is considered probable that a taxation authority will accept the company's proposed tax treatment, income taxes are recognized consistent with the company's income tax filings. If it is not considered probable, the uncertainty is reflected within the carrying amount of the applicable tax asset or liability using either the most likely amount or an expected value, depending on which method better predicts the resolution of the uncertainty.

Judgement is required when determining whether a particular tax is an income tax or another type of tax (for example a production tax). Accounting for deferred tax is applied to income taxes as described above, but is not applied to other types of taxes; rather such taxes are recognized in the profit and loss account in accordance with the applicable accounting policy such as Provisions and contingent liabilities.

Interest income

Interest income is recognised as the interest accrues.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**2. Significant accounting policies, judgements, estimates and assumptions (continued)****Dividend income**

Dividend income from investments is recognized when the shareholders' right to receive the payment is established.

Dividends payable

Final dividends are recorded in the financial statements in the year in which they are approved by the company's shareholders. Interim dividends are recorded in the year in which they are approved and paid.

Impact of new International Financial Reporting Standards

The company adopted IFRS 16 'Leases', which replaced IAS 17 'Leases' and IFRIC 4 'Determining whether an arrangement contains a lease', with effect from 1 January 2019. There are no other new or amended standards or interpretations adopted during the year that have a significant impact on the financial statements.

The adoption of IFRS 16 has had no material impact on the company's financial statements.

3. Operating profit

This is stated after crediting:

	2019	2018
	£000	£000
Net foreign exchange gains	18	12

4. Auditor's remuneration

	2019	2018
	£000	£000
Fees for the audit of the company	11	11

Fees paid to the company's auditor, Deloitte LLP and its associates for services other than the statutory audit of the company are not disclosed in these financial statements since the consolidated financial statements of BP Chemicals (Korea) Limited's ultimate parent, BP p.l.c., are required to disclose non-audit fees on a consolidated basis.

The fees were borne by another group company.

5. Interest receivable and similar income

	2019	2018
	£000	£000
Bank interest receivable	1	—
Interest income from amounts owed by group undertakings	696	472
Total interest receivable and similar income	697	472

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**6. Taxation**

The company is a member of a group for the purposes of relief within Part 5, Corporation Tax Act 2010.

The taxation charge in the profit and loss account is made up as follows:-

	2019	2018
	£000	£000
<u>Current tax</u>		
Overseas tax on income for the year	2,095	887
Tax charged on profit	<u>2,095</u>	<u>887</u>

(a) Reconciliation of the effective tax rate

The tax assessed on the profit for the year is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% for the year ended 31 December 2019 (2018 19%). The differences are reconciled below:

	2019	2018
	£000	£000
Profit before tax	40,254	15,127
Tax charge	2,095	887
Effective tax rate	5%	6%

	2019	2018
	%	%
UK corporation tax rate:	19	19
Overseas corporation tax rate:	—	—

Increase / (decrease) resulting from:

Non-taxable income	1	1
Overseas tax	5	6
Free group relief	—	2
Dividends not subject to UK Tax	(20)	(22)
Effective tax rate	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>

The reconciling items shown above are those that arise for UK corporation tax purposes, rather than overseas tax purposes.

Change in corporation tax rate

A reduction in the UK corporation tax rate from 19% to 17% (effective 1 April 2020) was substantively enacted on 6 September 2016, and the UK deferred tax asset/(liability) as at 31 December 2019 has been calculated based on this rate. The March 2020 Budget announced that a rate of 19% would continue to apply with effect from 1 April 2020, and this change was substantively enacted on 17 March 2020.

(b) Provision for deferred tax

Deferred tax has not been recognised on excess management expenses of £273,962 (2018 £273,962) with no fixed expiry date on the basis that they are not expected to give rise to any future tax benefit.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**7. Directors and employees****(a) Remuneration of directors**

None of the directors received any fees or remuneration for qualifying services as a director of the company during the financial year (2018 £Nil).

(b) Employee costs

The company had no employees during the year (2018 None).

8. Investments

	Investment in joint ventures
Cost	£000
At 1 January 2018	20,493
At 31 December 2018	<u>20,493</u>
At 1 January 2019	20,493
At 31 December 2019	<u>20,493</u>
Net book amount	
At 31 December 2019	<u>20,493</u>
At 31 December 2018	<u>20,493</u>

The investment in joint venture is stated at cost less provision for impairment.

The investment in the joint venture is unlisted.

The joint venture of the company at 31 December 2019 and the percentage of equity capital held are set out below. The principal country of operation is generally indicated by the company's country of incorporation or by its name.

All voting rights are equal to percentage of share capital owned unless otherwise noted below.

Company name	Class of share held	%	Registered address	Principal activity
LOTTE BP Chemical Co., Ltd	Ordinary shares	51	2-2 Sangnam-ri Chungryang-myun Uiju-gun Ulsan 689-863 Republic of Korea	Chemicals

The company received dividends, net of withholding tax, of £39,795,000 from LOTTE BP Chemical Co., Ltd in 2019 (2018 £16,861,000).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**9. Debtors**

Amounts falling due within one year:

	2019	2018
	£000	£000
Amounts owed from parent undertakings	93,730	88,638
Amounts owed from fellow subsidiaries	20	—
	<u>93,750</u>	<u>88,638</u>

The amounts owed from parent undertakings comprise a variable rate funding account of £93,730,000 (2018 £88,638,000), which is repayable on demand. Interest is accrued on a monthly basis based on GBP daily overnight LIBOR. The interest rate at year end was LIBOR minus 11 basis points (2018 LIBOR minus 11 basis points).

10. Creditors

Amounts falling due within one year:

	2019	2018
	£000	£000
Amounts owed to fellow subsidiaries	486	723
Accruals and deferred income	190	—
	<u>676</u>	<u>723</u>

11. Called up share capital

	2019	2018
	£000	£000
Issued and fully paid:		
45,300,000 ordinary shares of £1 each for a total nominal value of £45,300,000	<u>45,300</u>	<u>45,300</u>

12. Reserves*Called up share capital*

The balance on the called up share capital account represents the aggregate nominal value of all ordinary shares in issue.

Profit and loss account

The balance held on this reserve is the retained profits of the company.

In 2019, the company paid interim ordinary dividends of £33,000,000 (2018 £10,000,000). The dividend per share was £0.73 (2018 £0.22).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**13. Related party transactions**

The company has taken advantage of the exemption contained within paragraphs 8(k) and (j) of FRS 101, and has not disclosed transactions entered into with wholly-owned group companies or key management personnel.

During the year the company entered into transactions, in the ordinary course of business, with other related parties. Transactions entered into, and trading balances outstanding at 31 December, are as follows:

Related party	Dividend income
	£000
LOTTE BP Chemical Co. Ltd	
Joint venture	
Chemicals	
2019	41,889
2018	17,748

14. Post balance sheet event

Since 31 December 2019, oil and gas prices have fallen sharply in large part due to the impact of the international spread of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) and geopolitical factors. The impact of COVID-19 and the current economic environment on the basis of preparation of these financial statements has been considered. The directors continue to consider it appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

On 29 June 2020 BP announced that it has agreed to sell its global petrochemicals business, including BP Chemicals (Korea) Limited, to INEOS for a total consideration of \$5 billion, subject to customary adjustments. The sale agreement includes the whole of BP's aromatic and acetyls businesses, including assets, technology and licences. Subject to regulatory and other approvals, the transaction is expected to complete by the end of 2020.

Both of these are non-adjusting events for the financial statements for the period ending 31 December 2019.

15. Immediate and ultimate controlling parent undertaking

The immediate parent undertaking is BP Chemicals Limited, a company registered in England and Wales. The ultimate controlling parent undertaking is BP p.l.c., a company registered in England and Wales, which is the parent undertaking of the smallest and largest group to consolidate these financial statements. Copies of the consolidated financial statements of BP p.l.c. can be obtained from its registered address: 1 St James's Square, London, SW1Y 4PD.