E.ON UK plc

Strategic Report, Directors' Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2017



Company number: 02366970

E.ON UK PLC STRATEGIC REPORT for the Year Ended 31 December 2017

The directors present their strategic report of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2017.

Fair review of the business

The Company's turnover during the year was £480 million (2016: £302 million), an increase of £178 million in comparison with the prior year, with an operating loss of £5 million (2016: operating loss of £20 million). The decrease in the operating loss was primarily due to reduced administration costs and other operating income in the year. The directors believe that the level of operating activity of the Company will remain stable in the current year.

During the year, the Company made a profit before taxation of £639 million (2016: profit before taxation of £146 million). The increase in the profit was mainly due to a higher level of dividend income received compared to the prior year.

At 31 December 2017, the Company had net assets of £2,744 million (2016: net assets of £2,410 million). This position was as expected.

During 2017, the Company continued to operate the biomass plant at Steven's Croft, to buy and sell renewable energy and Renewable Obligation Certificates ('ROCs') through power purchase arrangements and to act as a holding company for E.ON's Customer Solutions and Renewables activities in the UK.

Business to Municipalities

The Company's Business to Municipalities business (which forms part of the Customer Solutions UK division) consists primarily of the biomass plant at Steven's Croft. This plant has a capacity of 44MW and operated as expected during the year.

The turnover of the Business to Municipalities segment was £60 million (2016: £49 million), an increase of £11 million. The increase was partly due to further recognition of turnover in relation to a district heating scheme accounted for under IFRIC 12 Service Concession Arrangements ('IFRIC 12'). The Business to Municipalities segment made a profit on ordinary activities before taxation of £22 million (2016: profit of £11 million). The improvement in the performance of the segment is mainly due to a reduction in costs in comparison to the prior year.

Renewables

The Company's Renewables business, part of E.ON's Climate & Renewables global unit, consists of purchasing power generated by wind farm operators as well as renewable related trading activities.

The turnover of the Renewables segment was £451 million (2016: £295 million), an increase of £156 million. The increase was mainly due to increased revenue from trading ROCs. The Renewables segment made a profit on ordinary activities before taxation of £13 million (2016: profit of £38 million).

Other

The Company's Other segment includes central support services delivering facilities management, human resources, procurement, insurance, property, legal and finance support to other E.ON companies operating in the UK and dividend income received from certain subsidiaries.

The Other segment generated a profit on ordinary activities before taxation of £604 million (2016: profit of £97 million). The increase was due to a higher level of dividend income received during the year compared to the prior year.

During 2017 reorganisation and restructuring costs of £18 million were incurred relating to the Support Function Transformation and the Uniper spin off project. In the prior year, the costs related solely to the Uniper spin off project (2016: £12 million).

E.ON UK PLC STRATEGIC REPORT for the Year Ended 31 December 2017 (continued)

Principal risks and uncertainties

The management of the business and the execution of the Company's strategy are subject to a number of risks. The key business risks and uncertainties affecting the Company are considered to relate to:

Regulatory risk

The political, legal and regulatory environments within which the Company operates are a source of external risk. Changes to these environments can lead to considerable uncertainty. For example, the energy price cap bill currently progressing through parliament is causing additional uncertainty in the marketplace. The Company manages these risks by engaging in intensive and constructive dialogue with government agencies and policy makers. Under UK legislation the carrying out of certain electricity and gas activities are prohibited unless authorised by a licence or exemption. A number of the Company's activities are authorised by licence and failure to comply with the requirements of such licences risks a fine of up to 10% of the Company's turnover.

Credit risk - financial instruments

The Company is at risk if a counterparty is unable to meet its obligations, resulting in potential losses. The Company is subject to the E.ON group's finance policy which sets a credit limit for every financial institution with which the Company does a significant amount of business. The creditworthiness of the institutions with which the Company does significant business is established by the ratings they receive from external rating agencies including Standard & Poor's. In addition, other counterparty credit risk is subject to the E.ON group's credit risk management policy supported_by_individual_business_unit_policies_to_establish_internal_ratings_for_limit_setting.—Credit~risk_assessment involves quantitative and qualitative criteria including ratings by independent rating agencies where these are available.

Reputational risk

The Company is a prominent energy company in the UK and is frequently mentioned during public discussions of energy policy issues. Trust and credibility are essential for the Company to remain successful over the long term. The foundation for earning trust and credibility is built by clear and consistent communications with the Company's key stakeholders and customers. The Company works hard to engage in dialogue and maintain good relationships with its key stakeholders and customers. This is achieved in part by paying attention to environmental and social issues. The Company's objective is to minimise its reputational risks and garner public support so that it can continue to operate its business successfully.

Commodity prices

In the prior year the Company sold the majority of its power to Uniper Global Commodities SE ('UGC'), using a transfer pricing mechanism which transferred substantially all of the associated short term commodity price risk out of the Company. UGC then traded this volume on the market. During 2017, the Company transitioned to using E.ON UK Energy Markets Limited ('EEM'), a wholly owned subsidiary, as its primary route to market.

Brexit

On 23 June 2016, Britain voted to leave the European Union. Article 50 was triggered on 29 March 2017, which started a two year exit process from the European Union. If no agreement is reached during the two year period, all existing treaties will cease to apply. The Company has created a cross functional working group, which meets regularly to consider the impact of Brexit legislative changes on existing and new contracts, as well as other potential implications of Brexit, and to monitor further Brexit developments and their potential impact on the Company's business. Until such time as the final agreement and/or the transitional arrangements are agreed, the actual impact of Brexit on the Company's business remain uncertain.

Key performance indicators ('KPIs')

The Board of Management of E.ON manages the group's operations on a divisional basis. For this reason, the Company's directors believe that analysis using financial key performance indicators for the Company is not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business of the Company. The development, performance and position of the Customer Solutions UK and Renewables divisions of E.ON, which includes the Company, is discussed within the financial review section of the group's annual report which does not form part of this report.

The Company's non-financial KPIs for the Business to Municipalities segment during the year are disclosed in the table below. There are no non-financial KPIs for the Renewables and Other segments. The directors do not believe there are any further relevant financial KPIs that are not already disclosed within these financial statements.

E.ON UK PLC STRATEGIC REPORT for the Year Ended 31 December 2017 (continued)

Business to Municipalities	2017	2016	
Plant technical availability (taking account of planned and unplanned outages)	94.0%	85.0%	Availability of the Steven's Croft plant was as expected.
Installed generating capacity at year end (MW)	44.0	44.0	The generation capacity of 44.0 MW relates solely to the biomass assets at Steven's Croft.
Generation production during the year (TWh)	0.3	0.3	The Steven's Croft plant generated 0.3 TWh of electricity during 2017, which was in line with the level in 2016 (0.3 TWh).

Approved by the Board of Directors on 18 June 2018 and signed on its behalf by:

M D Lewis Director

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E.ON UK PLC DIRECTORS' REPORT for the Year Ended 31 December 2017

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2017.

Directors of the Company

The directors of the Company who were in office during the year and up to the date of signing these financial statements were:

S L Vaughan
M D Lewis (appointed 26 April 2017)
C S Norbury (appointed 15 March 2018)
A D Cocker (resigned 31 July 2017)
J T Lightfoot (resigned 8 December 2017)
D G Newborough (resigned 30 March 2018)
A Groth (resigned 30 May 2018)

Principal activities

The Company's principal activities during the year were the generation of electricity through the use of a biomass plant and the buying and selling of renewable energy and ROCs through power purchase arrangements. The Company also provides central support services to other E.ON companies operating within the UK and acts as a holding company.

Results and dividends

The Company's profit for the financial year is £649 million (2016: profit of £147 million). Interim dividends were paid during the year of £324 million (2016: £nil). The directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend (2016: £nil).

Financial risk management

Objectives and policies

The Company, in common with other E.ON subsidiaries, must comply with the E.ON group's finance guidelines that set out the principles and framework for managing group-wide finances. The Company also has its own local operational treasury team which services the treasury requirements of the business. Further information on the E.ON group's policies and procedures is available in the financial statements of the E.ON group.

E.ON has a central department that is responsible for financing and treasury strategy, policies and procedures throughout the E.ON group. Major strategic financing and corporate finance activities are planned and executed by the corporate finance team at E.ON. There is also a treasury team which co-ordinates currency and interest risk management as well as cash management for the whole E.ON group.

The Company operates its own specific treasury procedures within the overall E.ON treasury framework. The E.ON treasury team liaises closely with the Company to ensure that liquidity and risk management needs are met within the requirements of the E.ON's policies and procedures.

E.ON's central financing strategy

E.ON's financing policy is to centralise external financing at the E.ON level and to reduce external debt in subsidiaries wherever possible. E.ON then funds its subsidiaries with inter-company finance. This finance may be in the form of equity or debt, as appropriate.

The Company's treasury team employs a continuous forecasting and monitoring process to ensure that the Company complies with all its banking and other covenants that apply to the financing of the UK business. The treasury team works in close liaison with the other E.ON companies operating within the UK, when considering hedging requirements related to their activities. A group-wide cash forecasting and currency exposure reporting process exists which ensures regular reporting into UK treasury of future positions, both short and medium term. Information is submitted to E.ON for incorporation into the E.ON group's forecasting processes on a weekly and quarterly basis.

The Company does not enter into speculative treasury arrangements. Accordingly, all transactions in financial instruments are matched to an underlying business requirement, such as committed purchases or forecast funding requirements. Treasury activities are reviewed by internal audit on a regular basis.

E.ON UK PLC DIRECTORS' REPORT for the Year Ended 31 December 2017 (continued)

Price risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and cash flow risk

Foreign exchange risk management

The Company primarily trades in Sterling but its principal currency exposure is to the Euro. The Company operates within the framework of E.ON's guidelines for foreign exchange risk management. The Company has local policies dealing with operational exposures (typically cash flows arising on construction and maintenance which impact the cash flow and profit and loss account).

The Company's policy is to hedge all contractually committed operational exposures, as soon as the commitment arises. The Company will also partly hedge less certain cash flows when appropriate. The Company determines the hedging of translation exposures (the value of foreign currency liabilities and assets in the balance sheet) on a case by case basis in consultation with the E.ON Treasury department.

Interest rate risk management

The Company operates within E.ON's framework for interest rate risk management. The Company has a number of funding arrangements and is exposed to movements in interest rates. These interest rate exposures are managed primarily through the use of a mixture of fixed and floating rate borrowings.

Credit risk management

The Company is subject to the E.ON group's finance policy which sets a credit limit for every financial institution with which the Company does a significant amount of business. The creditworthiness of the institutions with which the Company_does_significant_business-is-established-by-the-ratings-they-receive-from-external rating agencies including Moody's and Standard & Poor's. In addition, other counterparty credit risk is subject to the E.ON group's credit risk management policy supported by individual business unit policies to establish internal ratings for limit setting. Credit risk assessment involves quantitative and qualitative criteria including ratings by independent rating agencies where these are available.

Liquidity planning, trends and risks

The Company has sufficient committed borrowing facilities to meet planned liquidity needs with headroom, through facilities provided by E.ON. The Company also has a bank overdraft facility to support daily liquidity management. The level of operating cash is affected by the performance of the business, market prices and margins amongst other things.

Political donations

It is the Company's policy not to make cash donations to any political party. However, the Company undertakes activities, such as event sponsorship, which are not designed to support or influence support for any particular political party, but which are covered under the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 and must be disclosed. As in the prior year, the Company sponsored receptions at the Labour Party conference at a cost of £6,000 (2016: £5,000) and at the Conservative Party conference at a cost of £14,000 (2016: £7,450). The total cost required to be disclosed as political donations was £20,000 (2016: £12,450).

Equal opportunities

The Company's employment policies are designed to attract, retain and motivate the very best people recognising that this can only be achieved through offering equal opportunities for all, irrespective of sex, race, marital status, age or disability.

Employment practices and procedures are regularly reviewed to ensure that they provide equality of opportunity to all employees within the current legislative framework. The Company encourages the use of flexible working arrangements where practicable.

E.ON UK PLC DIRECTORS' REPORT for the Year Ended 31 December 2017 (continued)

Employee involvement

Recognising that the success of the Company depends on the quality of performance of its employees, the Company has communication programmes to ensure that employees understand the business strategy and can contribute towards its achievements. Throughout the year, principally through regular team briefings and meetings with employees and their representatives, individual businesses have continued to improve their arrangements for employee consultation and communication on matters relating to business performance and objectives. There are also well established consultative and negotiating arrangements involving employees, employee representatives and trade union officials to ensure that employee's views are considered in relation to employment conditions, safety and health, welfare and training issues.

The Company provides appropriate training in order to satisfy business needs and to develop the talents and skills of employees, benefiting the individual, the Company and its customers.

Safety and health

The Company considers that good safety and health performance is an essential part of business activities and the Company aims to achieve the highest standards. All aspects of safe and healthy working practices are promoted by the Company in the interests of employees, customers, suppliers and the wider community.

People with disabilities

The Company fully recognises its responsibility to encourage and assist the recruitment, employment, training and career development of people with disabilities. If employees become disabled during their service with the Company arrangements are discussed to enable continuity of employment and development as appropriate.

Corporate responsibility

Society expects increasingly more of the energy industry, particularly of large energy companies. The Company is committed to providing answers to questions about climate change, energy efficiency and what tomorrow's energy supply will look like. The Company continues to engage in dialogue with its stakeholders and its customers and deals with society's evolving expectations. This is the only way the Company will continue to earn its licence to operate and grow. The Company's ability to remain successful over the long term depends in part on incorporating its stakeholders' and customers' interests and expectations into the way it operates its business. More information on the Company's corporate responsibility efforts is available on the Company's website (www.eonenergy.com). This information is not considered to be part of these financial statements.

Future developments

Further discussion of future developments is included in the Strategic Report.

Directors' indemnities

The Company maintains liability insurance for its directors and officers. This is a qualifying third party indemnity provision for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006. This insurance cover was in force during the year and is still in force at the date of approving the Directors' Report.

Post balance sheet events

On 1 January 2018, the Company acquired the entire share capital of a fellow E.ON group subsidiary, E.ON IT UK Limited, from E.ON Business Services GmbH for a total cash consideration of £17.7 million representing the fair value of the business.

On 26 April 2018, the Company increased its investment in E.ON UK Heat Limited by £1 million.

On 3 May 2018, the Company increased its investment in E.ON Energy Installation Services Limited by £5 million.

Disclosure of information to the auditors

Each director has taken steps that they ought to have taken as a director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information. The directors confirm that there is no relevant information that they know of and which they know the auditors are unaware of.

E.ON UK PLC DIRECTORS' REPORT for the Year Ended 31 December 2017 (continued)

Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of these financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, the Directors' Report and these 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 these financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework", and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve these 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;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 101, have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; 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 these financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006.

The directors 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.

Approved by the Board of Directors on 18 June 2018 and signed on its behalf by:

M D Lewis Director

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Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of E.ON UK PLC

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

In our opinion, E.ON UK plc's financial statements (the "financial statements"):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2017 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework", and applicable law); and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Strategic Report, Directors' Report and Financial Statements (the "Annual Report"), which comprise: the balance sheet as at 31 December 2017; the profit and loss account, statement of comprehensive income and statement of changes in equity for the year then ended; and the notes to the financial statements, which include a description of the significant accounting policies.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We remained independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which ISAs (UK) require us to report to you when:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Reporting on other information

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, any form of assurance 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 an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of 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 based on these responsibilities.

With respect to the Strategic Report and Directors' Report, we also considered whether the disclosures required by the UK Companies Act 2006 have been included.

Based on the responsibilities described above and our work undertaken in the course of the audit, ISAs (UK) require us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below.

Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of E.ON UK PLC (continued)

Strategic Report and Directors' Report

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Strategic Report and Directors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2017 is consistent with the financial statements and has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we did not identify any material misstatements in the Strategic Report and Directors' Report.

Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

Responsibilities of the directors for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Statement of directors' responsibilities, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The directors' are also responsible for such internal control as they 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.

Auditors' 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 auditors' 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 auditors' report.

Use of this report

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.

Other required reporting

Companies Act 2006 exception reporting

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 by the Company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

Andrew Lygn (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

East Midlands

Date 18 5 mg 1010

E.ON UK PLC PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the Year Ended 31 December 2017

	Note	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Turnover	3	480	302
Cost of sales	•	(417)	(239)
Gross profit		63	63
Administrative expenses		(114)	(150)
Other operating income		46	67
Operating loss	5	(5)	(20)
Income from shares in group undertakings		700	220
Interest receivable and similar income	9	. 21	28
Interest payable and similar expenses	. 10	(77)	(82)
Profit before taxation		639	146
Tax on profit	11	10	1
Profit for the financial year		649	147

The notes on pages 14 to 42 form an integral part of these financial statements.

E.ON UK PLC STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME for the Year Ended 31 December 2017

	Note	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Profit for the financial year		649	147
Other comprehensive income/(expense): Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss			
Actuarial gains/(losses) on pension schemes	25	10	(319)
Tax (charge)/credit on actuarial gains/(losses)	11	(1)	46
Total other comprehensive income/(expense)		9	(273)
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the year		658	(126)

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E.ON UK PLC BALANCE SHEET as at 31 December 2017

	Note	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Fixed assets		1	
Intangible assets	12	29	22
Tangible assets	13	110	. 117
Investment property	14	20	24
Investments	15	2,299	2,294
		2,458	2,457
Current assets			
Stocks	16	2	. 3
Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year	· 17	. 96	110
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	18	3,932	4,419
		4,030	4,532
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	19	(2,322)	(3,124)
Net current assets		1,708	1,408
Total assets less current liabilities		4,166	3,865
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	20	(900)	(900)
Provisions for liabilities	22	(522)	(555)
Net assets	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2,744	2,410
Capital and reserves		, 	
Called up share capital	. 23	1,325	1,325
Share premium account		97	97
Capital redemption reserve		85	85
Special capital reserve		474	474
Profit and loss account		763	429
Total shareholders' funds		2,744	2,410

The financial statements on pages 10 to 42 were approved by the Board of Directors on 18 June 2018 and signed on its behalf by:

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M D Lewis
Director
E.ON UK plc

Company No: 02366970

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E.ON UK PLC STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY for the Year Ended 31 December 2017

	Called up share capital £000 000	Share premium account £000 000	Capital redemption reserve £000 000	Special capital reserve £000 000	Profit and loss S account £000 000	Total hareholders' Funds £000 000
At 1 January 2016	1,325	97	85	474	555	2,536
Profit for the financial year	-	-	-	.	147	147
Other comprehensive expense:	. •				•	•
Actuarial losses on pension schemes		- `	-	-	(319)	· (319)
Tax credit on actuarial losses	-	-	-	-	. 46	46
Total other comprehensive expense:	_	-			(273)	(273)
At 31 December 2016	1,325	97	85	474	429	2,410
Profit for the financial year	-		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	649	649
Other comprehensive income: Actuarial gains on pension schemes		· _		·	10	10
Tax expense on actuarial gains		-	-		(1)	(1)
Total other comprehensive income:		-			9	9
Dividends and total transactions with owners recognised directly in equity	-	-	<u>-</u>	- . · ·	(324)	(324)
At 31 December 2017	1,325	97	85	474	763	2,744

The share premium account, capital redemption reserve and special capital reserve are not available for distribution. The special capital reserve was determined in accordance with the Transfer Scheme made pursuant to the Electricity Act 1989, under which the Central Electricity Generating Board's ('CEGB') net assets were vested in its successor companies.

The notes on pages 14 to 42 form part of these financial statements

E.ON UK PLC NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the Year Ended 31 December 2017

1. General information

The Company generates electricity using biomass assets and buys and sells renewable energy and ROCs. It also provides central support services delivering facilities management, human resources, procurement, insurance, property, legal and finance support to other E.ON companies operating in the UK and acts as a holding company.

The Company is an indirect subsidiary of a listed company, is a public company limited by shares and is incorporated and domiciled in the UK. The address of the Company's registered office is Westwood Way, Westwood Business Park, Coventry, England, CV4 8LG.

2. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation of financial statements

These financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention as modified by revaluation of derivative financial instruments and listed investments, in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom. The principal accounting policies, which have been applied consistently throughout the year, are set out below.

The values of assets and liabilities vested in the Company on 31 March 1990 under the Transfer Scheme made pursuant to the Electricity Act 1989 are based on their historical cost to the CEGB.

The Company has prepared these financial statements in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101, 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' (FRS 101).

The Company has adopted disclosure exemptions in relation to the following:

- The requirements of paragraphs 10(d) (statement of cash flows), 16 (statement of compliance with all IFRS), 111 (cash flow statement information) and 134-136 (capital management disclosures) of IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements
- The comparative information requirements of paragraph 38 of IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements in respect of paragraph 79(a)(iv) of IAS 1, paragraph 73(e) of IAS 16 Property, Plant and Equipment and paragraph 118(e) of IAS 38 Intangible Assets (reconciliations between the carrying amount at the beginning and the end of the year)
- The requirements of IAS.7 Statement of Cash Flows
- The requirements of Paragraphs 30 and 31 of IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
- The requirements of paragraph 17 of IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures (key management compensation)
- The requirements of IAS 24 Related party disclosures to disclose related party transactions entered into between two or more members of a group
- The requirements of IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures
- The disclosures required by IFRS 5 Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations in respect of the cash flows of discontinued operations
- The requirements of paragraphs 91 to 99 of IFRS 13 Fair value measurement (disclosure of valuation techniques and inputs used for fair value measurement of assets and liabilities)
- The requirements of paragraphs 45(b) and 46 to 52 of IFRS 2 Share based payments

Exemption from preparing group financial statements

The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary undertaking of E.ON SE, the ultimate parent undertaking, and is included in the publicly available consolidated financial statements of E.ON SE. Consequently, the Company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing consolidated financial statements under the terms of Section 400 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Company's financial statements present information about it as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

Going concern

In adopting the going concern basis for preparing these financial statements, the directors have considered the business activities as set out on page 1 as well as the Company's principal risks and uncertainties as set out on page 2. Based on the Company's cash flow forecasts and projections, the directors are satisfied that the Company will be able to operate within its current facilities for the foreseeable future, being a period of at least twelve months from the date of the approval of these financial statements. For this reason, the Company continues to adopt the going concern basis

Judgement in applying accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions which affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of incomes and expenses during the reporting year. These judgements are based on management's best knowledge of the relevant facts and circumstances, having regard to prior experience, but actual results may differ from the amounts included in the financial statements.

Areas of significant judgement in application of accounting policies and critical accounting estimates that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are as follows:

Defined benefit pension schemes

The Company has an obligation to pay pension benefits to certain current and ex-employees. The cost of these benefits and the present value of the obligation depend on a number of factors, including, life expectancy; salary increases, asset valuations and the discount rate on corporate bonds. Management estimates these factors in determining the net pension obligation in the balance sheet. The assumptions reflect historical experience and current trends. See note 25 for further details of the defined benefit schemes.

Determination of fair values of derivatives

Derivative contracts are carried in the balance sheet at fair value, with changes in fair value recorded in the profit and loss account. As quoted market prices for certain derivatives used by the Company are not readily available, the fair values of these derivatives have been calculated using common market valuation methodologies and value influencing market data at the balance sheet date. For certain long-term physical commodity contracts, forward looking market data is unavailable. In this case the Company uses other valuation techniques, incorporating estimated cash flows based on the most relevant market data available.

The use of valuation models requires the Company to make assumptions and estimates regarding the volatility of commodity prices and other indices at the balance sheet date and actual results could differ significantly due to fluctuations in value influencing market data.

Corporation tax

Significant judgement is required in determining the Company's provision for corporation taxes. There are many transactions and calculations for which the ultimate tax determination is uncertain. The Company recognises liabilities for anticipated tax issues based on estimates of whether additional taxes will be due. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the current and deferred tax assets and liabilities in the period in which such determination is made.

Impairment

Impairments of assets are calculated as the difference between the carrying value of the asset and its recoverable amount, if lower. Recoverable amount is defined as the higher of fair value less costs to sell and estimated value in use at the date the impairment review is undertaken. Significant judgement is required in determining value in use as this represents the present value of expected future cash flows, discounted using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted. Where such an asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from other assets, the Company estimates the recoverable amount of the income generating unit.

Turnover

Turnover from the generation of electricity from renewable and biomass sources represents the value of the sale of electricity from power purchase agreements and the biomass plant and related renewable credits and is recognised when the power is supplied. Turnover excludes value added tax.

Accrued income

Income recognised in advance of receipt is debited to an accrued income account and is recognised in the profit and loss account in the period to which it relates.

Current_and_deferred_income-tax-

The tax credit for the year represents the sum of the current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the income statement, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in shareholders' funds. In this case, the tax is recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in shareholders' funds, respectively.

The current income tax credit is calculated on the basis of the tax laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date in respect of the relevant years, in the countries where the Company operates and generates taxable income.

Deferred income tax is recognised on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in these financial statements. Deferred tax liabilities are not recognised if they arise from the initial recognition of goodwill; or arise from an initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction other than a business combination that at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting nor taxable profits or losses. Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date and are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred income taxes 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 balances on a net basis.

Operating leases

Leases in which a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessor are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account evenly over the term of the lease.

Pensions

Payments to defined contribution schemes are charged against profits as incurred. The Company has no further payment obligation once contributions have been paid. Contributions are recognised in the profit and loss account as employee costs when they are due and prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or reduction in the future payments is available.

The Company also contributes to a funded group defined benefit pension scheme operated by the Company, the assets of which are invested in a separate trustee-administered fund. The liability recognised on the balance sheet in respect of the defined benefit pension plan is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the end of the year less the fair value of the plan assets. The defined benefit obligation is calculated annually by independent actuaries using the projected unit credit method. The present value of the defined benefit obligation is determined by discounting the estimated future cash outflows using interest rates of high quality corporate bonds that are denominated in the currency in which the benefits will be paid, and that have terms to maturity approximating to the terms of the related pension obligation.

Remeasurement gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are charged or credited to shareholders' funds in other comprehensive income in the period in which they arise.

The amount charged or credited to finance costs is a net interest amount calculated by applying the liability discount rate to the net defined benefit liability or asset.

Past service costs are recognised immediately in the income statement.

Share-based payments

Certain directors and senior management personnel participate in cash settled share-based payment schemes administered by the ultimate parent company, E.ON. One scheme is currently relevant to the Company – the E.ON Share Performance Plan. The Company accounts for this scheme in accordance with IFRS 2 "Share-based payment". The liability is measured initially and at each reporting date, based on fair value, by applying the Monte Carlo option pricing model, taking into account rights granted and service rendered to date. Costs are recognised in the income statement over the expected vesting period.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised in the balance sheet when the Company has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the present obligation at the balance sheet date. If the effect is material, provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability. Future operating costs are not provided for.

A provision for restructuring is recognised when the Company has approved a detailed and formal restructuring plan, and the restructuring has either, commenced or has been announced to those affected by it.

Present obligations arising under onerous contracts are recognised and measured as provisions. An onerous contract is considered to exist where the Company has a contract under which the unavoidable costs of meeting the obligations under contract exceed the economic benefits expected to be received under it.

Intangible assets

Software development costs that are directly attributable to the design and testing of identifiable and unique software products controlled by the Company are recognised as internally generated intangible assets.

Computer software development costs recognised as assets are amortised over their estimated useful lives, which does not exceed five years.

During the contracted construction phase of the arrangement, the Company's asset (representing its accumulating right to be paid for providing district heating services) is classified as an intangible asset (licence to charge users of the infrastructure). The Company measures the fair value of its consideration received or receivable as equal to the construction costs plus 5% margin, which the Company concludes is consistent with the rate that a market participant would require as compensation for providing the construction services and for assuming the risk associated with the construction costs.

Emission rights held under national and international emissions rights systems are reported as intangible assets. Emission rights are capitalised at their acquisition costs when issued for the respective reporting period as (partial) fulfilment of the notice of allocation from the responsible national authorities, or purchased from third parties. The consumption of emission rights is recognised at average cost based on emissions made. A shortfall in emission rights is recognised within other provisions at cost. The expenses incurred for the consumption of emission rights and the recognition of a corresponding, provision are reported under cost of goods sold.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are stated at original cost less accumulated depreciation and any provision for impairment. Cost includes the original purchase price of the asset and the costs attributable to bringing the asset to its working condition for its intended use. Land and buildings and plant and machinery relate primarily to generating assets.

Major assets in the course of construction are included in tangible assets on the basis of expenditure incurred at the balance sheet date. In the case of assets constructed by the Company, directly related overheads and commissioning costs are included in cost. Where borrowings are used to finance the construction of a major capital project with a long period of development, interest payable is capitalised as part of the cost of the asset and written off over the economic useful life of the asset. Where specific borrowings are used, the amount capitalised is based on actual interest payable. Where general borrowings are used, the amount capitalised is based on the weighted average cost of capital of the E.ON group not exceeding the actual expenditure incurred during the relevant period of construction.

Depreciation is provided on tangible assets so as to write off the cost, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class

Freehold buildings Long leasehold land and buildings Plant and machinery Fixtures and fittings

Depreciation method and rate

Straight-line basis over 25-40 years Straight-line basis over 15-40 years Straight-line basis over 35-40 years Straight-line basis over 3-40 years

Estimated useful lives are reviewed annually. No depreciation is provided on freehold land or assets in the course of construction.

Overhaul of generation plant

Major periodic overhaul costs on generation plant are capitalised as part of generating assets and depreciated on a straight-line basis over their useful economic life, typically the period until the next major overhaul. That period is usually four years.

Investment properties

Investment properties are properties which are held either to earn rental income or for capital appreciation or for both. Investment properties are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Asset class
Investment properties - buildings

Depreciation method and rate Straight-line basis over 8-28 years

Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after due regard for obsolete and slow moving stocks. Net realisable value is based on selling price less anticipated costs to completion and selling costs. In general, stocks are recognised in the profit and loss account on a weighted average cost basis. The Companies Act 2006 requires stocks to be categorised between raw materials, work in progress and finished goods.

Stores are considered to be raw materials under this definition.

Decommissioning costs

The fair value of a liability arising from the decommissioning of an asset is recognised in the period in which the asset is commissioned and when a reasonable estimate of the fair value can be made. When the provision is recorded, the Company capitalises the costs of the provision by increasing the carrying amount of the tangible assets. In subsequent periods, the provision is accreted to its present value and the carrying amount of the asset is depreciated over its useful life. Changes to estimates arise, particularly when there are deviations from original cost estimates or changes-to-the-payment-schedule-or-the-level-of-relevant-obligation. The provision must be adjusted in the case of both negative and positive changes to estimates. Such an adjustment is usually effected through a corresponding adjustment to tangible fixed assets and is not recognised directly in the profit and loss account.

Research and development

Research and development expenditure is written off as incurred only when it does not meet the capitalisation criteria.

Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at historical cost less provision for any diminution in value.

Listed and other investments are treated as available for sale and are carried at fair value. Unrealised gains and losses on available for sale investments are recognised in equity until the investment is disposed of.

Cash and short-term deposits

Short-term deposits include cash at bank and in hand.

Foreign currency

These financial statements are presented in Great British Pounds ('GBP') which is the Company's functional currency. All financial information presented in GBP has been rounded to the nearest million.

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the closing rates at the balance sheet date.

Financial instruments

The Company's financial risk management policies are consistent with those of the E.ON group and are described in the E.ON group's financial statements.

Debt instruments

All borrowings are initially stated at the fair value of consideration received after deduction of directly attributable transaction costs. The issue costs and interest payable on bonds are charged to the profit and loss account at a constant rate over the life of the bond. Any premium or discount arising on the early repayment of borrowings is written off to the profit and loss account as incurred or received.

Derivative instruments

The Company uses a range of derivative instruments, including foreign exchange contracts and commodity contracts. Derivative instruments are used for hedging purposes.

See note 21 for further details of the fair values of the financial instruments.

Derivative instruments are recorded as either assets or liabilities in the balance sheet and measured at fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivatives that do not qualify for hedge accounting are recognised in the profit and loss account as they arise.

Derivatives embedded within other financial instruments or host contracts are treated as separate derivatives when their risks and characteristics are not closely related to those of host contracts and the host contracts are not carried at fair value in their entirety.

Inter-company balances

Inter-company payable and receivable trading balances within the E.ON group are consolidated at each period end into a single balance with each group company. These transactions are net settled. As a result the directors consider it appropriate to present inter-company balances within these financial statements on a net basis. Formal loan balances are settled and presented gross.

Offsetting

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the balance sheet, when the Company has a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and it intends either to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Dividend distribution

Dividend distribution to the Company's shareholder is recognised as a liability in the financial statements in the period in which the dividends are approved.

3. Turnover

Turnover from the generation of electricity from renewable and biomass sources represents the value of the sale of electricity from wind farms and the biomass plant and related renewable credits and is recognised when the power is supplied.

4. Segmental reporting

The segments derive their turnover from the following sources:

Segment Description

Business to Sale of energy from biomass plant

Municipalities

Renewables Sale of energy and ROCs purchased from renewable sources

Other Support functions for other segments and other E.ON companies in the UK

The turnover in respect of Europe relates to sales to UGC.

Year ended 31 December 2017 Turnover:	Business to Municipalities £000 000	Renewables £000 000	Other £000 000	Inter-Segment elimination £000 000	Total £000 000
UK Europe	60	399 52	-	(31)	428 52
Total turnover	60	451		(31)	480
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	22	13	604	-	639
Net assets	131	501	2,112	·	2,744

Year ended	Business to	Renewables	Other	Inter-Segment	Total
31 December 2016 Turnover:	Municipalities £000 000	000 0003	£000 000	elimination £000 000	£000 000
UK Europe	49	96 199		(42)	103 199
Total turnover	49	295	. =	(42)	302
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	11	38	97	<u>.</u>	146
Net assets	109	488	1,813		2,410

5. Operating loss

Operating loss is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Operating leases	. 10	8
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets (note 12)	. 2	<u>-</u> ·
Impairment of intangible fixed assets (note 12)	2	
Depreciation of owned assets (note 13)	8	. 8
Depreciation of investment property assets (note 14)	1	. 1
Impairment of investment property assets (note 14)	3	
Impairment of inventory (included in cost of sales)	. 1	·
Foreign currency gains	(12)	_
Derivative losses/(gains)	`14´	(14)
Profit on disposal of investments	-	(3)
Auditors' remuneration	-	`1
· ·		

Operating loss includes costs of £15 million relating to the Support Function Transformation project and £3 million relating to the Uniper spin off project (2016: £12 million).

6. Auditors' remuneration

Auditors' remuneration of £374,000 (2016: £479,000) was charged for the audit of these financial statements. The Company also incurred £65,000 (2016: £59,000) in relation to other audit related assurance services and £nil (2016: £193,000) in relation to tax advisory services.

7. Employee information

The monthly average number of persons employed by the Company (including directors) and whose costs were not directly recharged to other companies during the year, analysed by category, was as follows:

•	·		2017 No.	2016 No.
Production Administration and support		•	50 1,059	65 1,126
		_	1,109	1,191

The following salaries and related costs of employees, including directors and key management, were incurred during the year:

		٠.		2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Wages and salaries				57	58
Social security costs	,	•		6	.5
Other pension costs			•	64	、 53
				127	116
Less: pension costs recharge	ed to other companies	•		(44)	(31)
				83	85

8. Directors' remuneration

The directors' remuneration for the year was as follows:

Aggregate emoluments (including benefits in kind)	*	2,926,805	2,962,370
		2017 £	2016 £
The directors remaindration the year was as follows.	•	224	0040

The above amounts include six (2016: seven) directors, all of which shared their management time between the Company and E.ON Energy Solutions Limited ('EESL'), a fellow group company. Of these costs, £2,675,640 (2016: £2,703,764) was recharged to EESL based on the proportion of time that the directors spent on each company's business. In addition to the above, one director who mutually agreed to leave the Company during the year received £1,912,623 as compensation for loss of office.

During the year, the number of directors who were receiving benefits and share incentives was as follows:

		,	2017 No.	2016 No.
Received or were entitled to reincentive ('LTI') schemes	ceive shares under long term		6	
Accruing benefits under a defin	ed benefit pension scheme		5	5
Accruing benefits under a mone	ey purchase pension scheme		1	<u>.</u> -

During the year, five (2016: five) directors exercised Performance Rights over shares in the ultimate parent company, E.ON SE, that they were awarded for services to the E.ON group. Total payments under the LTI schemes were £416,830 (2016: £194,698).

In respect of the highest paid director:

, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	2017 £	2016 £
Annual salary	255,071	437,265
Annual bonus	247,418	391,062
LTI schemes	228,110	103,063
Other benefits	18,138	29,552
Total amount of emoluments and amounts receivable under LTI schemes	748,737	960,942
Defined benefit accrued pension entitlement at the year end	265,966	262,833

The highest paid director shared their management time between the Company and EESL. These costs were borne by the Company and recharged to EESL based on the proportion of time that the director spent on EESL's business. Of their emoluments, £673,864 (2016: £864,847) and of their defined benefit accrued pension entitlement, £239,369 (2016: £236,550) was recharged to EESL.

9. Interest receivable and similar income

	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Interest receivable from group undertakings Other interest receivable	19 2	24 4
	21	28

10. Interest payable and similar expenses

	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Interest payable to group undertakings Other interest payable Net cost of post-employment benefits (note 25)	61 2 14	64 1 17
	77	82
11. Tax on profit		
)	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Current tax UK corporation tax on profits for the year at 19.25% (2016: 20.00%) Adjustments in respect of prior years	(3)	(15) 13
Total current tax credit	(3)	(2)
Deferred tax Origination and reversal of timing differences Adjustments in respect of prior years Impact of change in tax rate	(7) - -	12 (1) (10)
Total deferred tax (credit)/charge	(7)	1
Total tax credit on profit on ordinary activities	(10)	(1)
Current tax in other comprehensive income Deferred tax in other comprehensive income	(20) 21	(29) (17)
	1	(46)

The tax charge for the year is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK for the year ended 31 December 2017 of 19.25% (2016: 20.00%). The differences are explained below:

	2017	2016
	£000 000	£000 000
Profit before taxation	639	146
Tax expense on profit before taxation at 19.25% (2016: 20.00%)	123	29
Effects of:	•	
Impact of rate changes	1	(10)
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	1	
Impairment of intercompany balances	-	8
Dividend income not taxable	(135)	(44)
Adjustments in respect of prior years - deferred tax written off on pension transfer to Uniper	· -	4
Adjustments in respect of prior years - deferred tax	•	(1)
Adjustments in respect of prior years - current tax		13
Tax credit for the year	(10)	(1)

Reductions to the UK corporation tax rate were included in the Finance Act (No. 2) 2015 and which reduced the main rate to 19% from 1 April 2017. A further reduction in the UK corporation tax rate was included in the Finance Act 2016 to reduce the rate to 17% from 1 April 2020. These changes were substantively enacted at the balance sheet date and their impact has been included in these financial statements.

The corporation tax receivable has been reduced by £22 million because of group relief surrendered to a fellow group undertaking for which a payment will be received (2016: payment received of £31 million). Accordingly, no tax losses are available for carry forward.

12. Intangible assets

			Capitalised Software £000 000	Other intangibles £000 000	Total £000 000
Cost At 1 January 2017 Additions Disposals			17 13 (7)	5 5 -	22 18 (7)
At 31 December 2017	· ·		23	10	33
Accumulated amortisation At 1 January 2017 Charge for the year Impairments			- 2 2	- -	- 2 2
At 31 December 2017	<u></u> .	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	4		4
Net book value At 31 December 2017			19	10	29
At 31 December 2016			17	5	22

The disposal relates to one project which was transferred to EESL during the year.

The impairment relates to a project which will no longer be taken forward by the Company.

There are still several ongoing projects of £8 million (2016: £17 million). Amortisation will commence once the projects are completed. The amortisation and impairment charges are included within Administrative expenses in the profit and loss account.

Other intangibles relate to an asset recognised under IFRIC 12 in relation to the Business to Municipalities segment and emission rights held under national and international emissions rights systems.

13. Tangible assets

	Freehold land and buildings £000 000	Long leasehold land and buildings £000 000	Plant and machinery £000 000	and fittings	construction	Total £000 000
Cost At 1 January 2017 Additions	24	10	113	11 1	. 3	161 1
At 31 December 2017	24	10	113	. 12	3	162
Accumulated depreciation At 1 January 2017 Charge for the year	9	2	29 5	4	· -	44 8
At 31 December 2017	9	3	34	6	, -	52
Net book value At 31 December 2017	15	7	79	6	3	110
At 31 December 2016	15	8	84	7	3	117

Plant and machinery includes capitalised finance costs of £3 million (2016: £4 million) in relation to the Steven's Croft biomass plant.

The closing net book value includes £4 million (2016: £4 million) related to assets associated with the costs of decommissioning the Steven's Croft biomass plant.

14. Investment property

				Total £000 000
Cost At 1 January 2017	÷.			43
At 31 December 2017		 		43
Accumulated depreciation At 1 January 2017 Charge for the year Impairment				19 1 3
At 31 December 2017				23
Net book value At 31 December 2017		 •	• ,	20
At 31 December 2016				24

The properties that are classified as investment property are predominantly used by other companies within the E.ON group. There are no formal rental agreements and no rent is paid in relation to these properties.

The rent earned from third parties totalled £1 million (2016: £1 million) and there were no expenses relating to these properties (2016: £nil).

	•			 2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Fair value			•	28	28
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The fair value of investment property was determined by external, independent property valuers, having appropriate recognised professional qualifications and recent experience in the location and category of the property being valued.

The independent valuers provided a fair value of the Company's investment property portfolio on 30 June 2015.

15. Investments

At 31 December 2016

	2017 £000 000	
Shares in group undertakings and participating interests Other investments	2,262 37	2,260
	2,299	2,294
		<u>.</u>
Shares in group undertakings and participating interests		Subsidiary undertakings £000 000
Cost At 1 January 2017 Additions Disposals		3,314 40 (1)
At 31 December 2017		. 3,353
Provision for impairment At 1 January 2017 Charge for the year Eliminated on disposal		1,054 38 (1)
At 31 December 2017		1,091
Net book value At 31 December 2017		2,262

The additions represent increased investments in E.ON UK CHP Limited of £38 million which was immediately impaired in full, and an investment in E.ON Energy Installation Services Limited of £2 million.

2,260

The disposals represent the investments in subsidiary undertakings that were dissolved during 2017, as part of the Company's ongoing corporate restructuring to simplify its structure.

Other investments	. v			Listed investments £000 000
Cost At 1 January 2017 Additions	,			34 3
At 31 December 2017			·	37
Net book value At 31 December 2017)		37
At 31 December 2016	,		,	34

Details of undertakings

Details of the investments which the Company holds are as follows:

Undertaking	Holding	Proportion of voting rights and shares held	Principal Activity
Subsidiary undertakings			
E.ON Energy Solutions Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Sale of electricity, gas and other energy-related products to residential, business and industrial customers throughout Great Britain
E.ON Climate & Renewables UK Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Intermediate holding company for the Renewables business
E.ON UK CHP Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Sale of energy and related services, primarily from the operation of combined heat and power plants
E.ON UK Energy Markets Limited	Ordinary shares .	100%	Energy procurement business
E.ON UK Heat Limited	Ordinary Shares	100%	Set up phase of district heating business
E.ON UK Steven's Croft Limited (formerly agile accelerator limited)	Ordinary Shares	100%	Intermediate holding company
E.ON Energy Installation Services Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Hardware installation services for residential customers (e.g. boilers and smart thermostats)
Powergen International Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Investment holding company
Lighting for Staffordshire Holdings Limited	Ordinary shares	60%	Holding company to Lighting for Staffordshire Limited, a subsidiary company established for the financing, organisation and operation of a street lighting scheme in Staffordshire, under the Government's Private Finance Initiative Scheme

Undertaking	Holding	Proportion of voting rights and shares held	Principal Activity
Subsidiary undertakings (continued)			•
Hams Hall Management Company Limited	Ordinary shares	47%	Control, supervision, maintenance and management of the premises known as Hams Hall, Coleshill, Birmingham, for the benefit of the tenants
Avon Energy Partners Holdings	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
CHN Contractors Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
CHN Electrical Services Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
CHN Group Ltd	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
CHN Special Projects Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
E.ON (Cross-Border) Pension Trustees Limited	Limited by guarantee	100% .·	Dormant company
E.ON UK Directors Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
E.ON UK Energy Services Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
E.ON UK Pension Trustees Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
E.ON UK Property Services Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
E.ON.UK PS Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
E.ON UK Secretaries Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
E.ON UK Trustees Limited	Limited by guarantee	100%	Dormant company
East Midlands Electricity Distribution Holdings	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
East Midlands Electricity Share Scheme Trustees Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
Industry Development Services Limited Matrix Control Solutions Limited (formerly	Ordinary shares Ordinary shares	100% 100%	Dormant company
E.ON Control Solutions Limited and E.ON Business Services (UK) Limited)	•	·	Dormant company
Midlands Electricity Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
Powergen Power No. 1 Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
Powergen Power No. 2 Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
The Power Generation Company Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant company
Undertaking	Holding	voting rights	Principal Activity
Subsidiant undertakings in member's		and shares held	
Subsidiary undertakings in member's voluntary liquidation or dissolved			
E.ON Climate & Renewables Carbon Sourcing Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dissolved 18 April 2018
Powergen (East Midlands) Loan Notes	Ordinary shares	100%	In liquidation
Powergen Weather Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dissolved 9 January 2018

Undertaking	Holding	Proportion of voting rights and shares held	Principal Activity
Indirect holdings	′	. ,	
Citigen (London) Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Sale of energy services involving the supply of heating hot water and ventilation
E.ON Climate & Renewables UK Biomass Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Develop and operate biomass energy projects
E.ON Climate & Renewables UK Blyth Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Offshore windfarm owner
E.ON Climate & Renewables UK Developments Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Onshore windfarm operation and development
E.ON Climate & Renewables UK Humber Wind Limited	Ordinary A and B shares	100%	Offshore windfarm operation
E.ON Climate & Renewables UK London Array Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Offshore windfarm operation
E.ON Climate & Renewables UK Offshore Wind Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Offshore windfarm operation
E.ON Climate & Renewables UK Operations Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Onshore windfarm operation and investment holding company
E.ON Climate & Renewables UK Robin Rigg East Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Offshore windfarm operation
E.ON Climate & Renewables UK Robin Rigg West Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Offshore windfarm operation
E.ON Climate & Renewables UK Wind Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Construction and development service provider
E.ON Climate & Renewables UK Zone Six Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Non-trading company
E.ON Energy Gas (Eastern) Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant
E.ON Energy Gas (Northwest) Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant
E.ON Project Earth Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Leasing of ground source heating systems
E.ON UK Cogeneration Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Sale of energy services involving the operation of CHP plants
E.ON UK Industrial Shipping Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant
Economy Power Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant
Energy Collection Services Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant
Ergon Overseas Holdings Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant
Lighting for Staffordshire Limited	Ordinary shares	60%	Servicing of street lighting
London Array Limited	Ordinary shares		Joint operator
Novo Innovations Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Energy solutions company
Powergen Holdings B.V.	Ordinary shares	100%	Holding company
Powergen Serang Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant
Rampion Offshore Wind Limited	Ordinary shares	50.1%	Offshore windfarm construction and operation
Scarweather Sands Limited	Ordinary A shares		Dormant
TPG Wind Limited	Ordinary B shares		Onshore windfarm operation
Utility Debt Services Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant
Visioncash	Ordinary A, B and preference shares	i	Dormant
Yorkshire Windpower Limited	Ordinary A shares	50%	Onshore windfarm operation

All of the undertakings disclosed above are incorporated in the United Kingdom and have a registered office of Westwood Way, Westwood Business Park, Coventry, England, CV4 8LG.

The only exceptions to this are as follows: London Array Limited which has a registered office of Number 22, Mount Ephraim, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN4 8AS, Powergen Holdings B.V. which is registered in the Netherlands and the companies in member's voluntary liquidation which have a registered office of KPMG LLP, 15 Canada Square, Canary Wharf, London, England, E14 5GL.

16. Stocks

	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Stores	2	3
		
As at 31 December 2017, there was a provision for the impairment of Stores of £1 mil	lion (2016: £nil).	
17. Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year		
	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Deferred tax Other debtors	95 1	109
	96	110
		
Deferred tax		
The movement in the deferred tax asset in the year is as follows:		
	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
At 1 January	109	. 93
Deferred tax credited to the profit and loss account Deferred tax (charged)/credited to other comprehensive income Deferred tax written off on pension transfer to Uniper	7 (21)	3 17 - (4)
Deferred tax asset at 31 December	95	109
		-
Analysis of deferred tax	•	
	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Accelerated capital allowances	(11)	(12)
Pension Other timing differences	104 2	121
Deferred tax asset	95	109

The Finance Act (No. 2) 2015 included legislation to reduce the main rate of corporation tax to 19% with effect from 1 April 2017. The Finance Act 2016 further reduced the main rate to 17% from 1 April 2020. The deferred tax asset at 31 December 2017 has been measured accordingly.

Within the deferred tax credit of £7 million, the amount that relates to the change in the tax rate is a £127,000 credit.

There are unused capital tax losses of £54 million (2016: £28 million) on which a deferred tax asset has not been recognised and which are available to be carried forward indefinitely.

A deferred tax asset would only be recognised in the event of capital gains within the Company and its group being expected to crystallise within twelve months from the end of the accounting period.

18. Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Trade receivables	9	52
Amounts owed by group undertakings	3,833	4,206
Commodity and other derivative financial instruments (note 21)	49	
Other debtors	6	18
Other taxation and social security	26	30
Prepayments and accrued income	. 9	6
	3,932	4,419

Amounts owed by group undertakings are unsecured, are a combination of interest free and interest bearing, are predominately in Sterling and are repayable on predetermined dates. Interest bearing loans totalling £3,040 million (2016: £3,604 million) are set within the range of LIBOR minus 5 basis points to LIBOR plus 55 basis points.

Amounts owed by group undertakings include an impairment of £nil (2016: £38 million). The £38 million impairment in the prior year was reversed in 2017.

19. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

		2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Bank loans and overdrafts		3	
Trade payables		13	. 7
Amounts owed to group undertakings	,	2,181	2,951
Other taxation and social security		10	10
Accruals and deferred income		55	52
Commodity and other derivative financial instruments (note 21)		57	101
Other creditors		3	3
		2,322	3,124

Amounts owed to group undertakings are unsecured, are a combination of interest free and interest bearing, are predominately in Sterling and are repayable on predetermined dates. Interest bearing loans totalling £855 million (2016: £1,504 million) are set within the range of LIBOR minus 5 basis points to LIBOR plus 55 basis points.

The weighted average interest rate on all short-term bank loans and overdrafts during the year was 1.29% (2016: 1.38%).

20. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

		2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Amounts owed to group undertakings		900	900

Amounts owed to group undertakings are unsecured and relate to a long-term loan of £900 million (2016: £900 million) that is repayable in 2037 and incurs interest at a rate of 6.075% (2016: 6.075%). All amounts owed to group undertakings are non-instalment debts and do not contain any material covenant restrictions.

The maturity profile of the carrying amount of the Company's long term borrowings is as follows:

					2017	2016
				,	£000 000	£000 000
In more than five years	ı				900	. 900
			•			

21. Financial instruments

Amounts recognised in respect of derivative financial instruments are as follows:

	Asset	Assets		ies
	2017	2016	2017	2016
	£000 000	£000 000	£000 000	£000 000
Foreign currency forward contracts Commodity forward contracts	25	65	(19)	(59)
	24	42	(38)	(42)
	49	107	(57)	(101)

Derivative financial instruments are classified within current assets and current liabilities.

The Company enters into forward foreign currency contracts to mitigate the exchange rate risk of certain foreign currency payables. At December 2017, the outstanding contracts will all mature within 48 months (2016: 48 months) of the year end.

The Company has a long term power purchase and sale agreement with an external counterparty which expires on 30 April 2019. The contract is fully hedged and there is no exposure for the Company in relation to commodity forward contracts

The Company has long term power sale agreements with EEM which are marked to market and which result in a net liability of £14 million (2016: £nil).

The notional principal amounts of derivatives are as follows:

	•	·	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Foreign currency forward contracts Commodity forward contracts			309 233	332 97
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		542	429

22. Provisions for liabilities

	Post employment benefits £000 000	Decommiss- ioning provision £000 000	Restructuring /severance provisions £000 000	Other provisions £000 000	Total £000 000
At 1 January 2017	543	4	2	6	555
Charged to the profit and loss account	75	· -	9	19	103
Utilised during the year	(117)	- ·	(6)	(3)	(126)
Credited to other comprehensive income	(10)	-	`-`	<u> </u>	(10)
At 31 December 2017	491	4	5	i, 22	522

Decommissioning provisions comprise amounts set aside for the estimated costs of terminating power station grid connections, decommissioning and subsequent site restoration costs at the Steven's Croft plant which will be utilised when the plant closes.

Restructuring provisions relate primarily to the restructuring of central support functions, the majority of which were utilised during 2017.

Other provisions relate primarily to onerous lease and fuel purchase contract provisions as well as the amounts provided for under the Share Based Payment agreement.

Further details on post-employment benefits are provided in note 25,

23. Called up share capital

Allotted and fully paid

	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
2,649,241,799 ordinary shares of £0.50 (2016: 2,649,241,799)	1,325	1,325
24. Dividends		
	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Dividends paid Current year interim dividends paid 2017: 6.04 pence (2016: nil pence) per ordinary share	160	_
2017: 6.19 pence (2016: nil pence) per ordinary share	164	

25. Post-employment benefits

Defined contribution scheme

The Company operates a defined contribution retirement benefit scheme for all qualifying employees not already a pension scheme member and for new employees joining the Company. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Company in an independent administered fund held by the individual members. The total cost charged to the profit and loss account of £3 million (2016: £3 million) represents contributions payable to these schemes by the Company at rates specified in the rules of the plan.

The amount outstanding at 31 December 2017, included within other creditors, relating to pensions contributions to this scheme was £339,000 (2016: £284,000). This related to the contributions for December 2017 which were paid in January 2018.

Defined benefit schemes

At 31 December 2017, the Company had three registered pension schemes and one unfunded unregistered pension scheme. The main company pension scheme is the E.ON UK group of the Electricity Supply Pension Scheme ("the Scheme"). This is a funded scheme with several different benefit categories, largely of the defined benefit type. An actuarial valuation of the Scheme is carried out every three years by the Scheme Actuary, who recommends the rates of contribution payable by participating employers. In intervening years the actuary reviews the continuing appropriateness of the rates.

The latest actuarial valuation of the Scheme was at 31 March 2015. As part of the agreement of the valuation of the Scheme, a deficit repair plan was also agreed. The Company agreed to pay £65 million per annum each year for the subsequent 10 years. The January 2017 and 2018 payments have been made in line with the plan.

The amount outstanding at 31 December 2017, included within other creditors, relating to pension contributions to the Scheme was £5 million (2016: £4 million). This related to the contributions for December 2017 which were paid in January 2018.

The Scheme exposes the Company to a number of risks, the most significant of which are:

Asset volatility

The liabilities are calculated using a discount rate set with reference to corporate bond yields; if assets underperform this yield, this will create a deficit. The Scheme holds a significant proportion of growth assets (equities, diversified growth fund and global absolute return fund) which, though expected to outperform corporate bonds in the long-term, create volatility and risk in the short-term. The allocation to growth assets is monitored to ensure it remains appropriate given the Scheme's long term objectives.

Changes in bond yields

A decrease in corporate bond yields will increase the value placed on the Scheme's liabilities for accounting purposes, although this will be partially offset by an increase in the value of the Scheme's bond holdings.

Inflation risk

The majority of the Scheme's benefit obligations are linked to inflation, and higher inflation will lead to higher liabilities (although, in most cases, caps on the level of inflationary increases are in place to protect against extreme inflation). The majority of the assets are either unaffected by or only loosely correlated with inflation, meaning that an increase in inflation will also increase the deficit.

Life expectancy

The majority of the Scheme's obligations are to provide benefits for the life of the member, so increases in life expectancy will result in an increase in the liabilities.

The amounts recognised in the balance sheet are as follows:

		2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Fair value of plan assets Present value of funded obligations		4,558 (5,010)	, 4,537 (5,043)
Present value of unfunded obligations		(452) (39)	(506) (37)
Net liability	•	(491)	(543)

Return on plan assets				2017	2016
			. 1	£000 000	£000 000
Interest income Remeasurements				131 17	147 452
Total				148	599
Plan assets					
The fair value of the plan assets w	/as:			•	• •
		·		2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Equity instruments				687	606
Government bonds		•		2,104	2,101
Corporate bonds Investment funds				377 1,388	266 1,562
Cash and cash equivalents				2	2
Total				4,558	4,537

Actuarial assumptions

Movements in the net defined benefit liability:

wovernents in the net delined benefit i	Defined benefit obligation		Fair value of plan assets		Net defined liability	
- -	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Balance at 1 January	(5,080)	(4,600)	4,537	4,074	(543)	(526)
Current service cost Past service cost Interest (cost)/income	(52) (9) (145)	(43) (7) (164)	- 131	- - 147	(52) (9) (14)	(43) (7) (17)
Total cost recognised as an expense	(206)	(214)	131	147	(75)	(67)
Included in other comprehensive income Remeasurements loss/(gain): Actuarial loss/(gain) arising from						
- Changes in demographic assumptions	106	-	-	-	. 106	-
- Change in financial assumptions - Experience adjustment Return on plan assets	(176) 61	(822) 51	-	- -	(176) 61	(822) 51
excluding interest income Effect of movements in exchange rates	-	- -	17	452 -	17	452
Transfers out of single employees	19	· -	(17)	-	2	-
Total	10	(771)	-	452	10	, (319)
Other Contributions paid by the employer Benefits paid Pension scheme transferred on disposal	- 227 -	204 301	117 (227)	343 (204) (275)	117	343 - 26
Balance at 31 December	(5,049)	(5,080)	4,558	4,537	(491)	(543)

Sensitivity analysis

The calculation of the defined benefit obligation is sensitive to the assumptions set out below. The following table summarises the impact on the defined benefit obligation at the end of the reporting period as a result of a change in the respective assumptions.

	2017 £000 000	2016 £000 000
Current reported figure	491	543
Following a 0.2% decrease in the discount rate	674	746
Following a 0.25% increase in the salary increase assumption	515	578
Following a 10% decrease in the mortality rates	658	691
Following a 0.25% increase in the pension increase assumption	655	729

The sensitivity information shown above has been prepared using the same method as adopted when adjusting the results of the latest funding valuation to the balance sheet date. This is the same approach as has been adopted in previous years.

The Scheme was valued using the following assumptions:

	2017	2016
Discount rate	2.7%	2.9%
Average nominal rate of annual increase in salaries		3.4%
Average nominal rate of annual increase in pensions	3.2%	3.2%
RPI inflation rate	3.4%	3.4%
CPI inflation rate	2.3%	2.3%

Assumptions regarding future mortality are set based on actuarial advice in accordance with published statistics and experience in the UK. These assumptions translate into an average life expectancy in years for a pensioner retiring at age 60:

		2017 Years	2016 Years_
Longevity at age 60 for current pensioners			
- Men		27	28
- Women		29	30
Longevity at age 60 for future pensioners			
- Men	•	28	29
- Women	•	31	31
	•		

26. Share based payments

The directors and certain executives of the Company receive share-based payments as part of their voluntary long-term variable compensation. The purpose of such compensation is to reward their contribution to E.ON's growth and to further the long-term success of the E.ON group. This variable compensation component, comprising a long-term incentive effect along with a certain element of risk, provides for a sensible linking of the interests of shareholders and management.

The following reports on the E.ON Share Matching Plan introduced in 2013 and on the multi-year bonus introduced in 2015.

E.ON Share Matching Plan

From 2013 to 2016, E.ON granted virtual shares under the E.ON Share Matching Plan. At the end of its four-year term, each virtual share is entitled to a cash payout linked to the final E.ON share price established at that time. The calculation inputs for this long-term variable compensation package are equity deferral, base matching and performance matching.

The equity deferral is determined by multiplying an arithmetic portion of the beneficiary's contractually agreed target bonus by the beneficiary's total target achievement percentage from the previous year. Beneficiaries were additionally granted virtual shares in the context of base matching and performance matching. For non-members of the Board of Management of E.ON, the proportion of base matching to the equity deferral was 2:1. The performance-matching target value at allocation was equal to that for base matching in terms of amount. Performance matching will result in a payout only on achievement of a minimum performance as specified at the beginning of the term by the Management Board and the Supervisory Board of E.ON SE.

In 2015 and 2016, virtual shares from the third and fourth tranche were granted in the context of base matching and performance matching exclusively to members of the Management Board of E.ON SE. Executives were instead granted a multi-year bonus, the terms of which are described further below.

Under the plan's original structure, the amount paid out under performance matching was to be equal to the target value at issuance if the E.ON share price was maintained at the end of the term and if the Return on Average Capital Employed ('ROACE') performance matched a target value specified by the Management Board and the Supervisory Board of E.ON SE. If the average ROACE during the four-year term exceeded the target value, the number of virtual shares granted under performance matching increases up to a maximum of twice the target value. If the average ROACE had fallen short of the target value, the number of virtual shares, and thus also the amount paid out, were to decrease.

In 2016, the plan was changed to the effect that for periods from 2016 onwards, Return on Capital Employed ('ROCE') was used instead of ROACE for measuring performance. Accordingly, new targets were defined for 2016 and subsequent years. At the same time, the previous ROACE target achievement for the previous years will be included in the total performance of the respective tranches on a pro-rata basis. In the event of a defined underperformance, there is no payout under performance matching.

A payout generally will not take place until after the end of the four-year term. This is true even if the beneficiary retires beforehand, or if the beneficiary's contract is terminated on operational grounds or expires during the term. A payout before the end of the term will take place in the event of a change of control or on the death of the beneficiary. If the service or employment relationship ends before the end of the term for reasons within the control of the beneficiary, all virtual shares, except for those that resulted from the equity deferral, expire.

At the end of the term, the sum of the dividends paid to an ordinary shareholder during the term is added to each virtual share. The maximum amount to be paid out to a plan participant is limited to twice the sum of the equity deferral, the base matching and the target value under performance matching.

60-day average prices are used to determine both the target value at issuance and the final price in order to mitigate the effects of incidental, short-lived price movements. To offset the change in value resulting from the spinoff of Uniper SE, both the 60-day average price of an E.ON share and the total dividends paid to a shareholder starting from 2017 will be multiplied by a correction factor at the end of the term.

The plan also contains adjustment mechanisms to eliminate the effect of events such as interim corporate actions.

The following are the base parameters of the tranches active in 2017 under these plan terms:

		2nd Tranche
Date of issuance Term Target value at issuance		 April 2014 4 years €13.65

The 60-day average of the E.ON share price as of the balance sheet date is used to measure the fair value of the virtual shares. In addition, the change in ROCE is simulated for performance matching. The provision for the second tranche of the E.ON Share Matching Plan as of the balance sheet date is £3 million (2016: £3 million).

Multi-Year Bonus

In 2015 and 2016, E.ON extended to those executives who in previous years had been granted virtual shares in the context of base matching and performance matching a multi-year bonus extending over a term of four years. Beneficiaries were informed individually of the target value of the multi-year bonus.

For executives in the E.ON Group, the amount paid out is equal to the target value if the E.ON share price at the end of the term is equal to the E.ON share price after the spinoff of Uniper. If the share price is higher or lower than the share price after the spinoff, the amount paid out relative to the target value will increase or decrease in equal proportion to the change in the share price, but in no event shall the pay out be higher than twice the target value.

A payout generally will not take place until after the end of the four-year term. This is true even if the beneficiary retires beforehand, or if the beneficiary's contract is terminated on operational grounds or expires during the term. A payout before the end of the term will take place in the event of a change of control or on the death of the beneficiary. If the service or employment relationship ends before the end of the term for reasons within the control of the beneficiary, there is no entitlement to a multi-year bonus payout.

60-day average prices are used to determine both the share price after the spinoff and the final price in order to mitigate the effects of incidental, short-lived price movements.

The plan contains adjustment mechanisms to eliminate the effect of events such as interim corporate actions.

The provision for the multi-year bonus as at the balance sheet date is £5 million (2016: £2 million).

27. Contingent liabilities

The Company has issued guarantees to third parties to support its subsidiaries' activities, particularly around the development of Renewables projects, gas and power procurement and banking activities. The amount guaranteed is £755 million (2016: £306 million).

The Company is aware of claims in respect of current and former employees, including former employees of the CEGB, and contractors in respect of industrial illness and injury and other potential claims which involve or may involve legal proceedings against the Company. The directors are of the opinion, having regard to legal advice received, the Company's insurance arrangements and provisions held, as appropriate, that it is unlikely that the matters referred to above will have a material effect on the Company's financial position results of operations or liquidity.

In the normal course of business the Company gives certain other indemnities and guarantees which are not considered to be material in the context of these financial statements and on which no losses are anticipated to arise.

28. Commitments

Capital commitments

There were no amounts contracted for but not provided for in these financial statements (2016: £nil).

Operating lease commitments

As at 31 December, the Company had the following future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

Operating leases which expire:

	£000 000	2016 £000 000
Land and buildings		
Not later than one year	8	7
Later than one year and not later than five years	28	27
Later than five years	20	24
Other	•	
Not later than one year	10	9
Later than one year and not later than five years	20	15
	86	82

Other commitments

The Company has committed to sell all power generated to EEM. As the volumes generated are not fixed this commitment cannot be quantified.

The Company is also committed to purchasing power under various power purchase agreements. At 31 December 2017, the estimated minimum commitment for the supply of power under these contracts totalled £685 million (2016: £759 million). The Company has locked in short term fixed sales contracts with EEM, for the power as disclosed in note 21.

29. Post balance sheet events

On 1 January 2018, the Company acquired the entire share capital of a fellow E.ON group subsidiary, E.ON IT UK Limited, from E.ON Business Services GmbH for a total cash consideration of £17.7 million representing the fair value of the business.

On 26 April 2018, the Company increased its investment in E.ON UK Heat Limited by £1 million.

On 3 May 2018, the Company increased its investment in E.ON Energy Installation Services Limited by £5 million.

30. Related party transactions

During the year (2016: in the period from 13 September 2016 to 31 December 2016) the Company had the following related party transactions with companies in the Uniper group, by virtue of it being 47% owned by E.ON SE, the ultimate controlling party of the Company:

Uniper UK Limited (UUK)

In 2017, the Company received £620,000 of income under a Country Management Agreement from UUK. The Company also received backdated rental income of £455,000 relating to a site which transferred to Uniper.

During the final quarter of 2016, the Company recharged UUK £2,690,000 of gross margin costs for transactions prior to the disposal of the conventional generation assets.

There was no balance outstanding at the year end (2016: receivable of £3,404,000). A receivable of £286,000 was written off at year end as it was not determined to be recoverable.

UGC

The Company had income of £29,219,000 (2016: £36,804,000) and costs of £nil (2016: £10,608,000) relating to the Generation transfer pricing mechanism. These amounts are offset by transactions with E.ON UK CHP Limited, E.ON UK Cogeneration Limited and Citigen (London) Limited.

The Company had income of £64,635,000 (2016: £78,503,000) relating to the Renewables transfer pricing mechanism. There was no balance outstanding at the year end (2016: receivable of £44,403,000). A receivable of £767,000 was written off at year end as it was not determined to be recoverable.

Uniper Energy Trading UK Staff Company Limited

The Company recharged £513,000 (2016: £1,999,000) of pension related costs including a deficit payment for the Cross Border Pension Scheme. There was no balance outstanding at the year end (2016: receivable of £144,000). A receivable of £359,000 was written off at year end as it was not determined to be recoverable.

Uniper Technologies Limited

Uniper Technologies Limited provided engineering services to the Company amounting to £838,000 (2016: £453,000) during the year. There was no balance outstanding at the year end (2016: receivable of £732,000). A receivable of £588,000 was written off at year end as it was not determined to be recoverable.

31. Ultimate parent

The Company is controlled by E.ON UK Holding Company Limited. The ultimate controlling party is E.ON SE, which is the parent company of the largest and smallest group to consolidate these financial statements. Copies of E.ON SE's financial statements are available from the offices of E.ON SE at the following address:

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