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Financial Statements
31 December 2012

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# **Financial Statements**

# Year ended 31 December 2012

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# **Company Information**

The board of directors

C B E Withers

R C Gale

Company secretary

G E James

Registered office

Bartley Wood Business Park

Hook Hampshire RG27 9UP

# The Directors' Report

#### Year ended 31 December 2012

The directors present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2012

### **Principal activities**

The principal activity of the company during the year was, and will continue to be, to provide funding to fellow group undertakings

At 31 December 2012 the company was a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of Virgin Media Inc. On 5 February 2013, Liberty Global, Inc. and Virgin Media Inc. entered into a merger agreement ("the Merger Agreement") Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, Liberty Global, Inc. and Virgin Media Inc. completed a series of mergers on 7 June 2013 that resulted in the surviving corporations in the mergers becoming wholly owned subsidiaries of Liberty Global plc. This is referred to in more detail in the financial statements of Virgin Media Inc. which are available from the company secretary at Virgin Media, Bartley Wood Business Park, Hook, Hampshire, RG27 9UP

The Virgin Media group ("the group") will continue to operate under the Virgin Media brand in the UK

The group is a leading entertainment and communications business, being a "quad play" provider of broadband internet, television, mobile telephony and fixed line telephony services

As of 31 December 2012, the group provided services to approximately 4.9 million residential cable customers on its network. The group is also one of the UK's largest mobile virtual network operators by number of customers, providing mobile telephony service to 1.7 million contract mobile customers and 1.3 million prepay mobile customers over third party networks. As of 31 December 2012, 85% of residential customers on the group's cable network received multiple services from the group, and 65% were "triple play" customers, receiving broadband internet, television and fixed line telephony services from the group

The group believes that its advanced, deep fibre access network enables it to offer faster and higher quality broadband services than its digital subscriber line, or DSL, competitors. As a result it provides its customers with a leading next generation broadband service and one of the most advanced TV on-demand services available in the UK market.

Through Virgin Media Business, the group provides a complete portfolio of voice, data and internet solutions to businesses, public sector organisations and service providers in the UK

## Future outlook

Detail of the future outlook of the group is provided in Virgin Media Inc 's financial statements and annual report for 2012, which are available from the company secretary at Virgin Media, Bartley Wood Business Park, Hook, Hampshire, RG27 9UP

#### Results and dividends

The loss for the financial year amounted to £496,000 (2011 - loss of £497,000) The directors have not recommended an ordinary dividend (2011 - £mil)

#### Directors

The directors who served the company during the year were as follows

R C Gale C B E Withers J C Tillbrook

(Appointed 31 December 2012) (Resigned 31 December 2012)

# The Directors' Report (continued)

#### Year ended 31 December 2012

Virgin Media Inc has indemnified the directors of the company against liability in respect of proceedings brought by third parties, subject to the conditions set out in the Companies Act 2006 Such qualifying third party indemnity provision is in force as at the date of approving the Directors' Report

### Going concern

After making suitable enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing these financial statements.

# Audit exemption

Virgin Media Finance PLC issued a guarantee against all outstanding liabilities to which the company is subject as at 31 December 2012, until they are satisfied in full. The guarantee is enforceable against Virgin Media Finance PLC by any person to whom the company is liable in respect of those liabilities. Since Virgin Media Finance PLC is the smallest group to which the company's accounts are consolidated, the company has taken advantage of the exemption from audit of its individual accounts for the year ended 31 December 2012 by virtue of Section 479A of the Companies Act 2006

# Small company provisions

The directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006

Signed on behalf of the directors

C B E Withers

Director

Approved by the directors on 27 August 2013

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# Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

#### Year ended 31 December 2012

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

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

In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to

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

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

# **Profit and Loss Account**

# Year ended 31 December 2012

	Note	2012 £000	2011 £000
Interest payable and similar charges	4	(496)	(497)
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation		(496)	(497)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	5	-	_
Loss for the financial year		(496)	(497)

The company has no other gains or losses and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains or losses is presented

All results relate to continuing operations

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

### **Balance Sheet**

### **31 December 2012**

Current assets	Note	2012 £000	2011 £000
Debtors due within one year	6	307,009	307,009
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	7	(205,296)	(204,800)
Net current assets		101,713	102,209
Total assets less current liabilities		101,713	102,209
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	10	1	1
Share premium account	11	12	12
Profit and loss account	11	101,700	102,196
Total shareholder's funds	11	101,713	102,209

For the year ending 31 December 2012 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 479A of the Companies Act 2006 relating to subsidiary companies

# Directors' responsibilities

- (i) the member has not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476, and
- (11) the directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

These financial statements were approved by the directors on 27 August 2013 and are signed on their behalf by

K. C. Chall

R C Gale Director

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

#### Year ended 31 December 2012

### 1. Accounting policies

A summary of the principal accounting policies is set out below. All accounting policies have been applied consistently, unless noted below.

# Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, and applicable UK accounting standards

#### Cash flow statement

The company is exempt from publishing a cash flow statement as permitted by FRS 1 "Cash flow statements (revised 1996)", as it is a wholly owned subsidiary of its ultimate parent company

#### Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is recognised, as appropriate, in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events have occurred at that date that will result in an obligation to pay more, or a right to pay less or to receive more tax, with the following exceptions

- provision is made for deferred tax on gains arising from the revaluation (and similar fair value adjustments) of fixed assets, and gains on disposal of fixed assets that have been rolled over into replacement assets, only to the extent that, at the balance sheet date, there is a binding agreement to dispose of the assets concerned. However, no provision is made where, on the basis of all available evidence at the balance sheet date, it is more likely than not that the taxable gain will be rolled over into replacement assets and charged to tax only where the replacement assets are sold, and
- deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that the directors consider that it is more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted

Deferred tax is measured on an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences reverse, based on tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date

# Trade and other debtors

Trade and other debtors are stated at their recoverable amount. Provision is made when the amount receivable is not considered recoverable and the amount is fully written off when the probability for recovery of a balance is assessed as being remote.

# 2. Operating profit

Auditor's remuneration of £nil (2011 - £1,000) represents costs attributed to the company by fellow group undertakings that pay all auditors' remuneration on behalf of the group

The directors received remuneration for the year of £500 (2011 - £500) in relation to qualifying services as directors of this company, all of which was paid by Virgin Media Limited

# 3. Staff costs

The company does not have any directly employed staff and is not charged an allocation of staff costs by the group

# Notes to the Financial Statements

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4.	Interest payable and similar charges		
	Interest on amounts owed to group undertakings	2012 £000 496	2011 £000 497
5.	Taxation on loss on ordinary activities		
	The tax charge is made up as follows	2012 £000	2011 £000
	Current tax charge: Current tax on loss for the year	-	
	Deferred tax: Origination and reversal of timing differences	-	-
	Total tax charge on loss on ordinary activities		
	The tax assessed on the loss on ordinary activities for the year is higher rate of corporation tax in the UK of 24 50% (2011 - 26 50%) The different		
	Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	2012 £000 (496)	2011 £000 (497)
	Loss on ordinary activities multiplied by rate of tax Effects of	(122)	(131)
	Group relief surrendered without payment  Total current tax		
	Factors affecting current and future tax charges		
	As at 31 December 2012 the UK corporation tax rate was 24% A rate of April 2013 was substantially enacted in the Finance Act 2012 and furth announced to be introduced in annual decrements to reduce the rate to 20 the amount of future tax payments to be made by the company	er rate reductions ha	ve also beer
6.	Debtors		
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	2012 £000 307,009	2011 £000 307,009
	Amounts owed by group undertakings are unsecured and repayable on de	mand	

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6.	Debtors		
		2012 £000	2011 £000
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	307,009	307,009
	Amounts owed by group undertakings are unsecured and repayable on demand		
7.	Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		
		2012 £000	2011 £000
	Amounts owed to group undertakings	205,296	204,800
	The analysis of amounts owed to group undertakings is		
		2012	2011
		£000	£000
	Loans advanced by group undertakings	21,865	21,369
	Other amounts owed to group undertakings	183,431	183,431
		205,296	204,800

Amounts owed to group undertakings are unsecured and repayable on demand

# 8. Contingent liabilities

Fellow group undertakings are party to a senior secured credit facility with a syndicate of banks. As at 31 December 2012 this comprised a term facility of £750 million and a revolving facility of £450 million Borrowings under the facility are secured against the assets of certain members of the group

In addition, a fellow group undertaking has issued senior secured notes which, subject to certain exceptions, share the same guarantees and security which have been granted in favour of the senior credit facility. The amount outstanding under the senior secured notes at 31 December 2012 amounted to £2,582 million (2011 - £2,575 million). Borrowings under the notes are secured against the assets of certain members of the group

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# 8. Contingent liabilities (continued)

On 7 June 2013, fellow group undertakings entered into a new senior secured credit facility agreement, pursuant to which the lenders agreed to provide the borrowers with i) a £375 million term loan (Facility A), ii) a \$2,755 million term loan (Facility B), iii) a £600 million term loan (Facility C) and iv) a £660 million revolving credit facility. With the exception of the revolving credit facility, all available amounts were borrowed under the new senior secured credit facility in June 2013, with an equivalent aggregate value of £2,733 million. The new senior secured credit facility ranks pari passu with the group's existing senior secured notes, and subject to certain exceptions, shares in the same guarantees and security granted in favour of its existing senior secured notes. The borrowings on the new senior secured credit facility were used in part to repay in full the borrowings on the previous senior secured credit facility.

On 7 June 2013, upon completion of the merger, two senior secured notes issued by a subsidiary of Liberty Global Inc on 22 February 2013, with an equivalent aggregate principal amount of £1,744 million due in 2021, were pushed down to Virgin Media Secured Finance PLC, a fellow group undertaking of the company. The notes are split into a \$1,000 million U S dollar denominated tranche and a £1,100 million sterling denominated tranche. The new senior secured notes rank pari passu with the group's existing senior secured notes and senior secured credit facility, and subject to certain exceptions, share in the same guarantees and security granted in favour of its existing senior secured notes. On 11 June 2013, the net proceeds of the issuance of the senior secured notes were in part used to repay an equivalent aggregate amount of £55 million of the group's existing senior secured notes.

The company has joint and several liabilities under a group VAT registration

# 9. Related party transactions

In accordance with the exemptions offered by FRS 8 "Related Party disclosures" there is no disclosure in these financial statements of transactions with entities that are part of Virgin Media Inc, and its subsidiaries (see note 12)

#### 10. Share capital

# Authorised share capital:

136,000 Ordinary shares of £0 01 each			2012 £000 1	2011 £000 1
Allotted, called up and fully paid:				
	2012		2011	
	No	£000	No	£000
Ordinary shares of £0 01 each	136,000	1	136,000	1

### Notes to the Financial Statements

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# 12. Parent undertaking and controlling party

The company's immediate parent undertaking is Flextech Broadcasting Limited

The smallest and largest groups of which the company is a member and in to which the company's accounts were consolidated at 31 December 2012 are Virgin Media Finance PLC and Virgin Media Inc , respectively

The company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party at 31 December 2012 was Virgin Media Inc , a company incorporated in the state of Delaware, United States of America

On 7 June 2013 pursuant to the merger agreement, Liberty Global, Inc. and Virgin Media Inc. completed a series of mergers, which resulted in the company's ultimate parent and controlling party changing to Liberty Global plc.

Copies of all sets of group accounts which include the results of the company are available from the company secretary, Virgin Media, Bartley Wood Business Park, Hook, Hampshire, RG27 9UP