



**UK POWER NETWORKS SERVICES (COMMERCIAL) LIMITED**  
**(Formerly EDF ENERGY CONTRACTING LIMITED)**

**Registered Number 2965182**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**31 DECEMBER 2010**



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## DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010

### Principal activity and review of the business

The Company's principal activity during the year continued to be the supply of electrical contracting services. It will continue in this activity for the foreseeable future.

On 29 October 2010, UK Power Networks Holdings Limited (formerly Eclipse First Network Limited) acquired the Distribution Networks and associated non-regulated businesses, including UK Power Networks Services (Commercial) Limited (formerly EDF Energy Contracting Limited), from EDF Energy plc.

### Change of name

On 1 November 2010, subsequent to the acquisition, the Company changed its name from EDF Energy Contracting Limited, to UK Power Networks Services (Commercial) Limited.

### Business Review

The profit for the year, before taxation, amounted to £7,979,000 (2009 £4,054,000) and after taxation, to £5,808,000 (2009 £2,924,000). No dividends were paid in the year (2009 £nil).

In July 2010, the business undertaken by the Company was re-organised resulting in the Company concentrating on long-term electrical infrastructure projects. Short-term project work was discontinued including the provision of contracting services to the Group's regulated businesses. Employees previously engaged in this work were transferred to the employment of UK Power Networks (Operations) Limited.

The UK Power Networks group ("the Group") manages its operations on a business segment basis. For this reason, the Company's Directors believe that further key performance indicators for the Company are not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business. The performance of the business segments including this Company is discussed in the Group's Annual Report which does not form part of this report.

### Future developments

The Directors regard the results for the year and the year end financial position as satisfactory and expect the Company to continue to perform to a satisfactory level in the future.

### Directors

Directors who held office during the year and subsequently were as follows:

Laurent Ferrari	(resigned on 29 October 2010)
Jean-Noel Reimeringer	(resigned on 29 October 2010)
Thomas Kusterer	(resigned on 29 October 2010)
Richard Martin Harpley	(appointed on 20 October 2010 and resigned on 29 October 2010)*
Andrew John Hunter	(appointed on 29 October 2010)
Neil Douglas McGee	(appointed on 29 October 2010)
Basil Scarsella	(appointed on 29 October 2010)

\*Appointed as alternate director to Laurent Ferrari.

None of the Directors had a service contract with the Company in the current or prior year.

The Company has made qualifying third party indemnity provisions for the benefit of its Directors which were made during the year and remain in force at the date of this report.

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT continued**

### **Creditors' payment policy**

The Company's current policy concerning the payment of its trade creditors and other suppliers is to

- settle the terms of payment with those creditors/suppliers when agreeing the terms of each transaction,
- ensure that those creditors/suppliers are made aware of the terms of payment by inclusion of the relevant terms in contracts, and
- pay in accordance with its contractual and other legal obligations

The payment policy applies to all payments to creditors/suppliers for revenue and capital supplies of goods and services without exception. At 31 December 2010, the Company had an average of 4 days (2009 24 days) purchases outstanding in its trade creditors

### **Financial risk management**

The Company is exposed to financial risk through its financial assets and liabilities. The key financial risk is that the proceeds from financial assets are not sufficient to fund the obligations arising from liabilities as they fall due. The most important components of financial risk are interest rate risk, currency risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, cash flow risk and price risk. Due to the nature of the Company's business and the assets and liabilities contained within the Company's balance sheet the only financial risks the Directors consider relevant to this company are credit risk and liquidity risk. These risks are mitigated by the nature of the debtor balances owed, with these due from other group companies who are able to repay these if required.

### **Going concern**

The Company's forecasts and projections, taking account of reasonably possible changes in trading performance, show that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the Directors continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

### **Employees**

The Company's policies and procedures relating to Health and Safety at work are kept under constant review to ensure a safe and healthy working environment for all employees.

### **Employee involvement**

The Company places considerable value on the involvement of its employees and has continued to keep them informed on matters affecting their employment and on the various factors affecting the performance of the Company and Group. This is carried out in a number of ways, including formal and informal briefings, departmental meetings and regular reports in staff newsletters and on the Group intranet.

### **Equal opportunities**

The Company is fully committed to ensuring that all current and potential future employees and customers are treated fairly and equally, regardless of their gender, marital status, disability, race, colour, nationality or ethnic origin in accordance with the appropriate legislation and Government guidelines. The Company provides equal opportunities for employment, training and development, having regard to particular aptitudes and abilities. In the event of employees becoming disabled during employment, where possible, assistance and retraining is given so that they may attain positions compatible with their ability.

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT continued**

### **Political and charitable contributions**

During the year, the Company made various charitable contributions totalling £1,813 (2009 £2,333) and no political contributions in either year

### **Disclosure of information to Auditor**

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

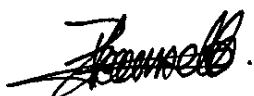
- so far as the Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's Auditor is unaware, and
- the Director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's Auditor is aware of that information

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

### **Auditor**

On 20 October 2003 the Company passed an elective resolution dispensing with the requirement to appoint an auditor annually. In accordance with s487 of the Companies Act 2006, Deloitte LLP are deemed reappointed until such time as a member or the Directors determine otherwise

Approved by the Board and signed on its behalf by -



B Scarsella  
**Director**  
26 April 2011

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

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

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

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

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

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF UK POWER NETWORKS SERVICES (COMMERCIAL) LIMITED**

We have audited the financial statements of UK Power Networks Services (Commercial) Limited (formerly EDF Energy Contracting Limited) for the year ended 31 December 2010 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses and the related notes 1 to 21. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

**Respective responsibilities of Directors and Auditor**

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (United Kingdom and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

**Scope of the audit of the financial statements**

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

**Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2010 and of its profit for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

**Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

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

**Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

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



**Makhan Chahal (Senior statutory auditor)**

for and on behalf of Deloitte LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor  
London, United Kingdom

26 April 2011

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**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010**

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2010</b> <b>£000</b>	2009 £000
<b>Turnover</b>			
Continuing operations		<b>47,899</b>	59,846
Discontinued operations		<b>24,438</b>	29,258
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Cost of sales	2 3	<b>72,337</b> <b>(50,589)</b>	89,104 (73,444)
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<b>Gross profit</b>		<b>21,748</b>	15,660
Other operating expenses	3	<b>(13,088)</b>	(15,017)
<b>Operating profit on ordinary activities before interest, exceptional items and taxation</b>			
Continuing operations		<b>7,545</b>	489
Discontinued operations		<b>1,115</b>	154
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Exceptional items	4 8	<b>8,660</b> -	643 3,900
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<b>Profit on ordinary activities before interest and taxation</b>		<b>8,660</b>	4,543
Interest payable and similar charges	9	<b>(681)</b>	(489)
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<b>Profit on ordinary activities before taxation</b>		<b>7,979</b>	4,054
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	10	<b>(2,171)</b>	(1,130)
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<b>Profit for the financial year</b>	17	<b>5,808</b>	2,924

Discontinued operations relate to short-term project work as discussed in the Directors Report

**STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010**

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2010</b> <b>£000</b>	2009 £000
Profit for the year		<b>5,808</b>	2,924
Actuarial gain/(loss) net of deferred tax on defined benefit pensions	19	<b>10,860</b>	(11,253)
Deferred tax rate change		<b>(175)</b>	-
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<b>Total recognised gain/(loss) relating to the year</b>		<b>16,493</b>	(8,329)

The deferred tax charge (2009 credit) reflected in the actuarial gain (2009 loss) net of deferred tax on defined benefit pensions amounted to £4,016,000 (2009 £4,377,000) The deferred tax rate change of £175,000 represents the reduction in main stream corporation from 28% to 27% from 1st of April 2011



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**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AT 31 DECEMBER 2010**

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2010</b> <b>£000</b>	<b>2009</b> <b>£000</b>
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	11	1,883	4,312
<b>Current assets</b>			
Stocks	12	4,226	4,626
Debtors	13	72,678	21,845
Cash		9,148	55,955
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>86,052</b>	<b>82,426</b>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	14	<b>(59,916)</b>	<b>(64,449)</b>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>26,136</b>	<b>17,977</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>28,019</b>	<b>22,289</b>
Provisions for liabilities	15	(2,832)	(2,460)
<b>Net assets excluding pension liabilities</b>		<b>25,187</b>	<b>19,829</b>
Pension liabilities	19	(3,118)	(14,253)
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>22,069</b>	<b>5,576</b>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Called up share capital	16	33,371	33,371
Capital reserve	17	-	-
Profit and loss account	17	(11,302)	(27,795)
<b>Shareholder's funds</b>	17	<b>22,069</b>	<b>5,576</b>

The financial statements of UK Power Networks Services (Commercial) Limited, registered number 2965182, on pages 7 to 23 were approved by the Board of Directors on 26 April 2011 and were signed on its behalf by



**B Scarsella**  
**Director**

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies are set out below. They have all been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year.

#### Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except as noted below in respect of Share based payments and in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards.

#### Going concern

The Company's forecasts and projections, taking account of reasonably possible changes in trading performance, show that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the Directors continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

#### Cash flow statement

The Company is exempt from preparing a cash flow statement under the terms of FRS 1 'Cash flow statements (revised 1996)' as it is a member of a group, headed by UK Power Networks Holdings Limited, whose consolidated accounts include a cash flow statement and are publicly available.

#### Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost, net of depreciation and provision for impairment. The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value based on prices prevailing at the date of acquisition, of each asset evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:

Motor vehicles	–	5 years
Equipment and fittings	–	5 years

#### Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost includes all costs incurred in bringing each product to its present location and condition, as follows:

Raw materials, consumables and goods for resale

- Purchase cost on an average price basis

Work in progress

- Cost of direct materials and labour plus attributable overheads based on a normal level of activity

Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less any further costs expected to be incurred to completion and disposal.

Provisions are made for obsolete, slow moving or defective items where appropriate.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Continued

### 1. Accounting policies continued

#### Long-term contracts

Long-term contracts are valued at cost plus attributable profit less any foreseeable losses. Profit is recognised when the outcome of a contract can be assessed with reasonable certainty. The excess of turnover over payments on account is included in debtors. To the extent payments on account exceed turnover and long term contract balances they are included as payments on account within creditors.

Turnover is calculated as that proportion of the total contract value which costs incurred to date bear to total expected costs for that contract.

#### Taxation

Current tax, including United Kingdom corporation tax, is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

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

- provision is made for gains on disposal of fixed assets that have been rolled over into replacement assets only where, at the balance sheet date, there is a commitment to dispose of the replacement assets with no likely subsequent rollover or available capital losses,
- provision is made for gains on revalued fixed assets only where there is a commitment to dispose of the revalued assets and the attributable gain can neither be rolled over or eliminated by capital losses, 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 difference can be deducted.

Deferred tax is measured on an undiscounted basis.

#### Operating Leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged in the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the lease term, even if payments are not made on such a basis.

#### Pensions

The Company has obligations under two funded defined benefit pension arrangements as part of the UK Power Networks group, and the Company accounts for these schemes in accordance with FRS 17 'Retirement Benefits', ("FRS 17").

The amounts charged to the profit and loss account are the current service costs and gains and losses on settlements and curtailments. They are included as part of staff costs. Past service costs are recognised immediately in the profit and loss account if the benefits have vested. If the benefits have not vested immediately the costs are recognised over the period until vesting occurs. The interest cost and the expected return on the assets are shown as a net amount of other finance costs or credits adjacent to interest. Actuarial gains and losses are recognised immediately in the statement of total recognised gains and losses.

Defined benefit schemes are funded, with the assets of the scheme held separately from those of the Group, in separate trustee administered funds. Pension scheme assets are measured at fair value and liabilities are measured on an actuarial basis using the projected unit method and discounted at a rate equivalent to the current rate of return on a high quality corporate bond or equivalent currency and term to the scheme liabilities. The actuarial valuations are obtained at least triennially and are updated at each balance sheet date. The resulting defined benefit asset or liability, net of the related deferred tax, is presented separately after other net assets on the face of the balance sheet.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Continued**

**1. Accounting policies continued**

**Share-based payments**

Whilst part of the EDF Energy group the Company participated in a share-based payment scheme, the ACT 2007 Free Award Share Plan, from August 2007 to August 2009. Based on the specific rules of the plan employees were awarded shares of the former ultimate parent company Electricité de France SA ("EDF") which is partially listed on Euronext, the French Stock exchange. The share-based payments to employees were measured at fair value on the date of announcement of the plan in August 2007 using the Black-Scholes model and expensed on a straight line basis over the two year vesting period. A corresponding amount was recognised as a capital contribution from EDF within equity. This was offset by the repayment required to EDF, recognised as a liability at the prevailing market value of the shares, until the final award and settlement in 2009.

**Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the Group 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. If the effect of the time value of money 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.

**2. Turnover**

Turnover, which is stated net of value added tax, arises entirely in the United Kingdom and is attributable to the continuing activity of electrical contracting services.

**3. Cost of sales, gross profit and other operating expenses (net)**

	<b>2010</b>			<b>2009</b>		
	<b>Continuing operations</b>	<b>Discontinued operations</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Continuing operations</b>	<b>Discontinued operations</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>
Cost of sales	<b>(31,192)</b>	<b>(19,397)</b>	<b>(50,589)</b>	<b>(50,482)</b>	<b>(22,962)</b>	<b>(73,444)</b>
Gross profit	<b>16,707</b>	<b>5,041</b>	<b>21,748</b>	<b>9,364</b>	<b>6,296</b>	<b>15,660</b>
Distribution costs	<b>(5,800)</b>	<b>(3,299)</b>	<b>(9,099)</b>	<b>(4,120)</b>	<b>(5,102)</b>	<b>(9,222)</b>
Administrative expenses	<b>(3,362)</b>	<b>(627)</b>	<b>(3,989)</b>	<b>(4,755)</b>	<b>(1,040)</b>	<b>(5,795)</b>
Other operating expenses	<b>(9,162)</b>	<b>(3,926)</b>	<b>(13,088)</b>	<b>(8,875)</b>	<b>(6,142)</b>	<b>(15,017)</b>

Discontinued operations related to short-term project work as discussed in the Directors Report

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Continued**

**4. Operating profit**

This is stated after charging/(crediting)	<b>2010</b>	2009
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	<b>739</b>	1,084
Loss/(profit) on disposal of fixed assets	<b>54</b>	(84)

In 2010 an amount of £22,000 (2009 £28,000) for the audit of the Company's annual accounts was payable to Deloitte LLP. The Auditor's remuneration was borne by another group company, in both years.

**5 Directors' emoluments**

The Directors are not employed directly by the Company and did not receive any remuneration for services to the Company during the year or preceding year.

**6. Staff costs**

	<b>2010</b>	2009
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Wages and salaries	<b>12,306</b>	16,054
Social security costs	<b>790</b>	1,265
Other pension costs	<b>1,065</b>	1,015
Share based payments (note 7)	-	264
	<b>14,161</b>	18,598

Recharges relating to staff employed by other companies within the Group are excluded from the disclosure above.

The monthly average number of employees including Directors, during the year was as follows:

	<b>2010</b>	2009
	<b>Number</b>	Number
Indirect	<b>139</b>	152
Direct	<b>157</b>	302
	<b>296</b>	454

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Continued**

**7. Share based payments**

**ACT 2007**

The ACT 2007 Free Award Share Plan entitled all persons who, on 30 of August 2007, were bound by an employment contract with the former ultimate parent company Electricité de France SA ("EDF") or one of its subsidiaries, a free distribution of EDF ordinary shares in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the plan. Each employee who agreed to take part in the plan was guaranteed to receive 10 free shares plus an additional number of shares proportional to their June 2007 salary. The award of shares in August 2009 was dependent on the employee remaining in continuous employment within the EDF SA group for two years and also relied on the EDF SA group achieving certain financial targets.

**ACT 2007 Impact**

	<b>2010</b>	2009
	<b>£000</b>	£000
At 1 January	-	99
Granted during the year	-	264
Revaluation	-	(424)
Cumulative loss transferred to profit and loss account (note 17)	-	61
Balance carried forward in capital reserves	-	-

The value of the shares 'Granted during the year' represents the charge to the Profit and Loss account pro rata over the 2 year vesting period computed using the share price (base price) on the date of announcement of the plan in August 2007, namely €72.50 or £48.99. The 'Revaluation' line is the cost of the shares at current market price due to EDF, also accrued pro rata over the vesting period. The net 'Balance carried forward in Capital reserves', represents the cumulative difference between the two valuations. Upon completion of the vesting period in August 2009, the adverse balance was transferred to the profit and loss account. During 2009 the Company paid £745,273 to EDF SA in exchange for the final award of 13,976 shares to the Company's employees.

**8. Exceptional items**

In the prior year a sum of £3,900,000 was released from the provision for loss making contracts as a result of more favourable terms being negotiated on a particular contract.

**9 Interest payable and similar charges**

	<b>2010</b>	2009
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Net interest cost on pension scheme	<b>681</b>	478
Interest payable to Group undertakings	-	11
	<b>681</b>	489

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Continued**

**10. Tax on profit on ordinary activities**

(a) Analysis of tax charge in the year

**UK current tax**

	<b>2010</b>	2009
	<b>£000</b>	£000
UK corporation tax charge on profit for the year	<b>2,196</b>	1,031
Adjustment in respect of previous years	<b>(120)</b>	(52)
<b>Total current tax charge for the year (note 10 (b))</b>	<b>2,076</b>	979

**UK deferred tax**

Origination and reversal of timing differences	<b>46</b>	237
Adjustment in respect of previous years	<b>30</b>	(86)
Effect of tax rate change on opening balance	<b>19</b>	-
<b>Total deferred tax charge for the year</b>	<b>95</b>	151
<b>Total tax charge on profit on ordinary activities</b>	<b>2,171</b>	1,130

(b) Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is lower (2009 lower) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK

The differences are explained below

	<b>2010</b>	2009
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	<b>7,979</b>	4,054
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 28.0% (2009 28.0%)	<b>2,234</b>	1,135
Effect of		
Disallowed expenses and non taxable income	-	133
Depreciation in excess of capital allowances	<b>144</b>	61
Movement in pension liability	<b>(182)</b>	(172)
Other deferred tax items	-	(126)
Adjustment in respect of previous years	<b>(120)</b>	(52)
<b>Current tax charge for the year</b>	<b>2,076</b>	979

A number of changes to the UK Corporation tax system were announced in the June 2010 Budget Statement. The Finance (No2) Act 2010 included legislation to reduce the main stream rate of corporation tax from 28% to 27% from 1 April 2011. As a result of the change the deferred tax balances have been remeasured. The impact was to increase the deferred tax charge by £19m.

Additional changes were announced in the March 2011 Budget Statement to further reduce the main stream rate of corporation tax to 26% from 1 April 2011 and thereafter by 1% per annum to 23% by 1 April 2014. The changes had not been substantively enacted at the balance sheet date and therefore are not included in these financial statements.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Continued**

**11. Tangible fixed assets**

	Motor vehicles £000	Equipment and fittings £000	Total £000
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 January 2010	2,626	6,380	9,006
Additions	15	24	39
Disposals	(2,344)	(2,712)	(5,056)
<b>At 31 December 2010</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>3,692</b>	<b>3,989</b>
<b>Depreciation</b>			
At 1 January 2010	2,001	2,693	4,694
Charge for the year	185	554	739
Disposals	(1,930)	(1,397)	(3,327)
<b>At 31 December 2010</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>1,850</b>	<b>2,106</b>
<b>Net book value</b>			
<b>At 31 December 2010</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>1,842</b>	<b>1,883</b>
At 31 December 2009	625	3,687	4,312

**12 Stocks**

	2010 £000	2009 £000
Work in progress	4,226	4,626

**13. Debtors**

	2010 £000	2009 £000
<b>Debtors: amounts falling due within one year</b>		
Trade debtors	1,791	1,084
Amounts owed by Group undertakings	63,159	4,431
Other debtors	20	353
Corporation tax (Group relief receivable)	-	8,564
Prepayments and accrued income	7,708	7,413
	<b>72,678</b>	<b>21,845</b>



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**14 Creditors' amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>2010</b>	2009
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Trade creditors	<b>589</b>	4,192
Amounts owed to Group undertakings	<b>867</b>	3,091
Corporation tax (Group payments)	<b>1,875</b>	-
Other taxation and social security	<b>41</b>	11
Other creditors	<b>2,563</b>	293
Accruals and deferred income	<b>53,981</b>	56,862
	<b>59,916</b>	64,449

**15. Provisions for liabilities**

The movements in provisions during the current year are as follows

	At 1 January	Arising during	Utilised in	Released in	At 31
	2010	the year	the year	the year	December
	£000	£000	£000	£000	2010
Loss making contracts	2,341	1,048	(562)	-	2,827
Other	11	-	-	(8)	3
Deferred tax	108	-	-	(106)	2
	<b>2,460</b>	<b>1,048</b>	<b>(562)</b>	<b>(114)</b>	<b>2,832</b>

Other provisions relate to employees unused holiday pay entitlement of up to four weeks. Amounts provided are to be paid to employees when they leave the company at the rate of salary at the time of leaving.

Deferred taxation provided in the financial statements is as follows

	<b>2010</b>	2009
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Accelerated capital allowances	<b>2</b>	146
Other timing differences	<b>-</b>	(38)
Deferred tax liability	<b>2</b>	108

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**15. Provisions for liabilities continued**

The movements in deferred taxation are as follows

	At 1 January 2010 £000	Profit and loss account £000	Statement of total recognised gains and losses £000	At 31 December 2010 £000
Provision for deferred tax	108	(106)	-	2
Deferred tax shown against pension liability	(5,545)	201	4,191	(1,153)
<b>Net deferred tax asset</b>	<b>(5,437)</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>4,191</b>	<b>(1,151)</b>

**16 Share capital**

Authorised	2010 Number	2009 Number	2010 £000	2009 £000
Ordinary shares of £1 each	35,000,000	35,000,000	35,000	35,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid	2010 Number	2009 Number	2010 £000	2009 £000
Ordinary shares of £1 each	33,370,733	33,370,733	33,371	33,371

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**17. Reconciliation of shareholder's funds**

	Share Capital £000	Capital Reserves £000	Profit and Loss Account £000	Total £000
At 1 January 2009	15,371	99	(19,405)	<b>(3,935)</b>
Issue of new shares	18,000	-	-	<b>18,000</b>
Profit for the year	-	-	2,924	<b>2,924</b>
Actuarial loss net of deferred tax on defined pension benefits	-	-	(11,253)	<b>(11,253)</b>
Share based payment (note 7)	-	(160)	-	<b>(160)</b>
Transfer to profit and loss account (note 7)	-	61	(61)	-
At 31 December 2009	33,371	-	(27,795)	<b>5,576</b>
Profit for the year	-	-	5,808	<b>5,808</b>
Actuarial loss net of deferred tax on defined pension benefits	-	-	10,860	<b>10,860</b>
Deferred tax rate change	-	-	(175)	<b>(175)</b>
At 31 December 2010	33,371	-	<b>(11,302)</b>	<b>22,069</b>

**18. Financial commitments**

Amounts contracted for but not provided in the financial statements amounted to £nil (2009 £nil)

**19. Pension commitments**

The Group operates two funded defined benefit pension schemes

- The UK Power Networks Group of the ESPS (the UKPN Grp) – formerly the Networks Section of the EDF Energy Group of the Electricity Supply Pension Scheme (ESPS), and
- The UK Power Networks Pension Scheme (UKPNPS) – formerly the Networks Section of the EDF Energy Pension Scheme (EEPS)

The new parent company UK Power Networks Holdings Limited assumed responsibility for these defined benefit arrangements on 29 October 2010, the date of acquisition of the Distribution Networks and associated non-regulated businesses from the former parent company EDF Energy plc. Scheme assets and liabilities were assigned to the individual legal entities of the Group, including this Company, using a revised allocation methodology based on the attribution portions agreed with the industry regulator Ofgem, within the latest price control determination, DPCR5. This resulted in some transfers between legal entities of the Group where the revised allocation differed from the results of the roll forward method used by EDF Energy since 2005.

The actuarial valuation at 29 October 2010 and an updated valuation as at 31 December 2010 were carried out by Aon Hewitt. The most recent triennial valuation of the schemes for funding purposes has been performed as at 31 March 2010. Under the funding schedule agreed with the scheme trustees, the Group aims to eliminate the current deficit over the next 15 years. The Group will monitor funding levels annually and the funding schedule will be reviewed between the Group and the trustees every three years based on actuarial valuations. The next triennial actuarial valuation is due to be completed at 31 March 2013. The Group considers that the contribution rates agreed with the trustees are sufficient to eliminate the current deficit over the agreed period.

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**19 Pension commitments continued**

The principal financial assumptions used to calculate scheme liabilities under FRS 17 were

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Discount rate</b>		
- UKPN Grp	<b>5.5</b>	5.7
- UKPNPS	<b>5.4</b>	5.6
<b>Rate of increase in RPI</b>		
- UKPN Grp	<b>3.5</b>	3.6
- UKPNPS	<b>3.6</b>	3.8
<b>Rate of increase in CPI</b>		
- UKPNPS	<b>2.8</b>	3.0
<b>Rate of increase in salaries</b>		
- UKPN Grp	<b>5.0</b>	5.6
- UKPNPS	<b>5.1</b>	5.3
<b>Rate of increase of pensions</b>		
- RPI (UKPN Grp)	<b>3.5</b>	3.6
- RPI up to 5% (UKPNPS - service to 31 March 2006)	<b>3.4</b>	3.5
- RPI up to 2.5% (UKPNPS - service from 1 April 2006)	<b>2.2</b>	2.3

The table below shows details of assumptions around mortality rates used to calculate the FRS 17 pension liabilities

	<b>At 31 December</b>
	<b>2010</b>
	<b>years</b>
<b>UKPN Group</b>	
Life expectancy for current male pensioner aged 60	<b>28</b>
Life expectancy for current female pensioner aged 60	<b>30</b>
Life expectancy for future male pensioner currently aged 40 from age 60	<b>30</b>
Life expectancy for future female pensioner currently aged 40 from age 60	<b>32</b>

	<b>At 31 December</b>
	<b>2010</b>
	<b>years</b>
<b>UKPNPS</b>	
Life expectancy for current male pensioner aged 65	<b>22</b>
Life expectancy for current female pensioner aged 65	<b>24</b>
Life expectancy for future male pensioner currently aged 45 from age 65	<b>24</b>
Life expectancy for future female pensioner currently aged 45 from age 65	<b>27</b>

These assumptions are governed by FRS 17 and do not reflect the assumptions used by the independent actuary in the triennial valuation as at 31 March 2010, which determined the Company's contribution rate for future years

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Continued**

**19 Pension commitments continued**

The amount recognised in the balance sheet in respect of the Company's defined benefit retirement benefit plan is as follows:

	UKPN Grp 2010 £000	UKPNPS 2010 £000	Total 2010 £000	Total 2009 £000
Fair value of scheme assets	22,627	2,093	24,720	57,745
Present value of defined benefit obligations	(26,231)	(2,760)	(28,991)	(77,543)
Deficit in scheme	(3,604)	(667)	(4,271)	(19,798)
Related deferred tax asset	973	180	1,153	5,545
Liability recognised in the balance sheet	(2,631)	(487)	(3,118)	(14,253)

This amount is presented in pension liabilities

Amounts (charged)/ credited to the profit and loss account in respect of the defined benefit schemes are as follows

	UKPN Grp 2010 £000	UKPNPS 2010 £000	Total 2010 £000	Total 2009 £000
Current service cost	(520)	(545)	(1,065)	(880)
Interest cost	(3,158)	(768)	(3,926)	(3,393)
Expected return on scheme assets	2,665	580	3,245	2,915
	(1,013)	(733)	(1,746)	(1,358)

Of the charge for the year £1,065,000 (2009 £880,000) has been included in staff costs and an expense of £681,000 (2009 £478,000) has been included in interest payable

The estimated amount of contributions expected to be paid to the schemes during 2011 is £953,000

Movements in the present value of defined obligations in the current period were as follows

	UKPN Grp 2010 £000	UKPNPS 2010 £000	Total 2010 £000	Total 2009 £000
At 1 January	(63,593)	(13,950)	(77,543)	(54,304)
Current service cost	(520)	(545)	(1,065)	(880)
Interest cost	(3,158)	(768)	(3,926)	(3,393)
Actuarial gain/(loss)	38,715	13,101	51,816	(20,691)
Benefits paid/(received)	2,325	(598)	1,727	1,725
At 31 December	(26,231)	(2,760)	(28,991)	(77,543)

The actuarial gain includes a net transfer out of scheme liabilities amounting to £53,418,000 at 29 October 2010 as a result of a review of the allocation of the scheme liabilities across the participating companies

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**19. Pension commitments continued**

Movements in the present value of fair value of scheme assets in the current period were as follows

	UKPN Grp 2010 £000	UKPNPS 2010 £000	Total 2010 £000	Total 2009 £000
At 1 January	47,055	10,690	57,745	49,518
Expected return on scheme assets	2,665	580	3,245	2,915
Actuarial (loss)/gain	(25,889)	(11,051)	(36,940)	5,061
Contributions by employer	421	376	797	1,375
Deficit payment	700	900	1,600	601
Benefits (paid)/received	(2,325)	598	(1,727)	(1,725)
<b>At 31 December</b>	<b>22,627</b>	<b>2,093</b>	<b>24,720</b>	<b>57,745</b>

The actuarial loss includes a net transfer out of scheme assets amounting to £39,614,000 at 29 October 2010 as a result of a review of the allocation of the scheme assets across the participating companies

The analysis of the scheme assets and the expected rate of return at the balance sheet date were as follows

	Expected Return		Fair value of assets			
	2010 %	2009 %	UKPN Grp 2010 £000	UKPNPS 2010 £000	Total 2010 £000	Total 2009 £000
Gilts - fixed	4.3	4.6	3,319	-	3,319	5,033
- index linked	4.2	4.5	2,504	-	2,504	5,319
Equities	7.9	8.2	9,051	698	9,749	24,829
Property	7.8	8.7	894	232	1,126	1,349
Corporate bonds	5.4	5.9	5,561	640	6,201	17,791
Hedge Funds	5.4	5.9	131	-	131	-
Cash	1.4	0.7	1,167	523	1,690	3,424
			<b>22,627</b>	<b>2,093</b>	<b>24,720</b>	<b>57,745</b>

The Group employs a building block approach in determining the long-term rate of return on pension plan assets. Historical markets are studied and assets with higher volatility are assumed to generate higher returns consistent with widely accepted capital market principles. The assumed long-term rate of return on assets is then derived by aggregating the expected return for each asset class over the actual asset allocation for each of the schemes as at 31 December 2010.

The actual return on scheme assets in the year was a gain of £5,919,000 (2009: loss £7,976,000).

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**19. Pension commitments continued**

The history of experience gains and losses is as follows

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>
Fair value of scheme assets	<b>24,720</b>	57,745	49,518	58,916	53,448
Present value of defined obligations	<b>(28,991)</b>	(77,543)	(54,304)	(63,573)	(59,419)
Deficit in the scheme	<b>(4,271)</b>	(19,798)	(4,786)	(4,657)	(5,971)
Experience adjustments on scheme liabilities					
Amount (£000)	<b>(1,602)</b>	(526)	677	(2,439)	(81)
Percentage of scheme liabilities (%)	<b>5.5</b>	0.7	1.2	3.8	0.1
Experience adjustments on scheme assets					
Amount (£000)	<b>2,674</b>	5,061	(13,688)	161	534
Percentage of scheme assets (%)	<b>10.8</b>	8.8	27.6	0.3	1.0

The amounts recognised in the statement of total recognised gains and losses are as follows

	<b>UKPN Grp</b>	<b>UKPNPS</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>2010</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>
At 1 January	<b>(10,726)</b>	<b>(1,881)</b>	<b>(12,607)</b>	(1,354)
Actuarial gain/(loss)	<b>12,826</b>	<b>2,050</b>	<b>14,876</b>	(15,630)
Deferred taxation	<b>(3,463)</b>	<b>(553)</b>	<b>(4,016)</b>	4,377
Deferred tax change	<b>(149)</b>	<b>(26)</b>	<b>(175)</b>	-
<b>At 31 December</b>	<b>(1,512)</b>	<b>(410)</b>	<b>(1,922)</b>	(12,607)

The cumulative amount of actuarial gains and losses recognised in the statement of total recognised gains and losses since the adoption of FRS 17 is a loss of £1,922,000 (2009 £12,607,000)

**20 Related parties**

In accordance with FRS 8 'Related party disclosures', the Company is exempt from disclosing transactions with entities that are part of the Group or investees of the Group qualifying as related parties, as it is a wholly owned subsidiary of a parent, which prepares consolidated accounts which are publicly available

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**21 Parent undertaking and controlling party**

UK Power Networks Services Holdings Limited holds a 100% interest in UK Power Networks Services (Commercial) Limited and is considered to be the immediate parent company

UK Power Networks Services Holdings Limited heads the smallest group for which consolidated accounts are prepared which include the results of the Company UK Power Networks Holdings Limited heads the largest group for which consolidated financial statements are prepared which include the Company Copies of both sets of consolidated financial statements are available from the Company Secretary at Energy House, Carrier Business Park, Hazelwick Avenue, Three Bridges, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 1EX

UK Power Networks Holdings Limited is owned by a consortium consisting of

Power Assets Holdings Limited (Formerly Hong Kong Electric Holdings Limited)	Incorporated in Hong Kong
Li Ka Shing Foundation Limited	Incorporated in Hong Kong
Cheung Kong Infrastructure Holdings Limited	Incorporated in Bermuda

It is the opinion of the Directors that the parent company, UK Power Networks Holdings Limited has no single controlling party as that company is controlled jointly by the consortium