Company Registration No 2971095

**BOND PEARCE (RESOURCES)** 

(an unlimited company having a share capital)

Report and Financial Statements

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# **DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2013**

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# OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

### **DIRECTORS**

L H Gabb C G Kagan S R Pierce V S Tettmar

### **SECRETARY**

**Bondlaw Secretaries Limited** 

### REGISTERED OFFICE

3 Temple Quay Temple Back East Bristol BS1 6DZ

## **BANKERS**

Lloyds TSB 8 Royal Parade Plymouth PL1 1HB

### **AUDITORS**

KPMG LLP 100 Temple Street Bristol BS1 6AG

### **DIRECTORS' REPORT (Continued)**

### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 April 2013

### STATUS AND PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The company is an unlimited company having a share capital. The sole activity of the company is the provision of services to Bond Pearce LLP (a limited liability partnership) through the employment of staff in the business of the LLP.

### **REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS AND FUTURE PROSPECTS**

The company is a service company which provides staff to Bond Pearce LLP. It may also be used in providing staff to any other company that in future may be associated with the partnership

Turnover has remained relatively consistent compared with last year

Bond Pearce LLP merged with Dickinson Dees LLP to create Bond Dickinson LLP with effect from 1 May 2013. In connection with this merger, Bond Pearce LLP transferred its trade and assets to Dickinson Dees LLP and the members of Bond Pearce LLP became members of Dickinson Dees LLP. Dickinson Dees LLP subsequently changed its name to Bond Dickinson LLP.

All employees of Bond Pearce (Resources) were transferred to Bond Dickinson Service Company Limited with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2013

The affairs of Bond Pearce (Resources) and Bond Pearce LLP will be wound down as soon as is practicable after 1<sup>st</sup> May 2013 Bond Dickinson LLP will provide funding if necessary in order to allow an orderly wind down

### **RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS**

The results for the year are set out in detail on page 7. The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2012 - nil)

### **DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS**

The directors who held office during the year were as follows

L H Gabb

V S Tettmar

C G Kagan

S R Pierce

## **EMPLOYEE INVOLVEMENT**

Bond Pearce has an elected and well established employee forum which fully complies with the regulations laid down by the Information and Consultation of Employees Regulations 2004, based on a formal constitution. The elected staff representatives represent all lawyers (including non-qualified legal staff), associates and secretaries and support staff across all its offices. They meet as a group at least four times a year.

In addition, using external consultants, the firm surveys all the staff of the company regularly to assess their engagement and satisfaction

### **DIRECTORS' REPORT (Continued)**

All employees receive a daily newsletter which contains details of the performance of the firm and items of general interest for employees

### **EMPLOYMENT OF DISABLED PERSONS**

Full and fair consideration is given to the employment of disabled persons having regard to their particular aptitudes and abilities. Appropriate training is provided for disabled persons and this includes the re-training for alternative work for employees who become disabled

### **DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITOR**

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, as far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware, and each director has taken all the relevant steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information

### **AUDITOR**

Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor will be deemed to be appointed and KPMG LLP will therefore continue in office

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board by

V S Tettmar Director

Date 20 November 2013

Company Number 2971095

# STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE DIRECTORS' REPORT AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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 they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to

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

The directors are responsible for keeping proper 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 to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They have a general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.



# Independent auditor's report to the members of Bond Pearce (Resources)

We have audited the financial statements of Bond Pearce (Resources) for the year ended 30 April 2013, set out on pages 7 to 12 The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK 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's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 4, 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 (UK 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

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at <a href="https://www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate">www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate</a>

### 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 30 April 2013 and of its results for the year then ended,
- · have been properly prepared in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

# Independent auditor's report to the members of Bond Pearce (Resources) (continued)

### 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

Andrew Campbell-Orde (Senior Statutory Auditor)

RO November 2013

for and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor Chartered Accountants

100 Temple Street

Bristol BS1 6AG

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the year ended 30 April 2013

	Note	2013 £	2012 £
TURNOVER	2	21,071,292	19,701,780
Staff costs	3	(21,071,292)	(19,701,780)
OPERATING PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	4	-	-
Tax on profit on ordinary activities Tax compensation from Bond Pearce LLP	5	(151,713) 151,713	(153,674) 153,674
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR AFTER TAXATION		<u> </u>	

There are no recognised gains and losses for the current and preceding financial years other than as stated in the profit and loss account. Accordingly no statement of total recognised gains and losses has been prepared

All operations are continuing

# RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2013

	2013 £	2012 £
Profit for the financial year Opening shareholders' funds	19,024	19,024
Closing shareholders' funds	19,024	19,024

# BALANCE SHEET As at 30 April 2013

	Note	2013 £	2012 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6	1,540,056	1,457,523
CREDITORS amounts falling due within one year	7	(1,521,032)	(1,438,499)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		19,024	19,024
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	8	19,020	19,020
TOTAL EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	5	19,024	19,024

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 20 Novel 2013 and signed on behalf of the Board of Directors by

V S Tettmar

Director

Company Number 2971095

### Notes to the financial statements Year ended 30 April 2013

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements

### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost accounting rules

Under FRS 1 the company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that a parent undertaking includes the company in its own published consolidated financial statements

### Post retirement benefits

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The amount charged against profits represents the contributions payable to the scheme in respect of the accounting period.

### Taxation

The charge for taxation is based upon the results for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. Deferred tax is recognised without discounting in respect of all timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes which have arisen but not been reversed by the balance sheet date, except as otherwise required by FRS 19

Dividends on shares presented within shareholders' funds

Dividends unpaid at the balance sheet are only recognised as a liability at that date to the extent that they are appropriately authorised and are no longer at the discretion of the company

Unpaid dividends that do not meet these criteria are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements

### Going Concern

The Directors have adopted the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements

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### 2. TURNOVER

The turnover of the company represents charges to Bond Pearce LLP for the provision of services of staff and is stated exclusive of VAT

Notes to the financial statements Year ended 30 April 2013

### 3. INFORMATION REGARDING EMPLOYEES

20	13 o.	2012 No.
Average number of persons employed by the company		
	85	283
Administrative and support staff 2	58	260
5	43 <b>—</b>	543
~	13 £	2012 £
Staff costs during the year	-	~
Wages and salaries 18,382,4	<b>59</b> 17	,194,923
Social security costs 1,941,8	12 1	,790,265
Pension costs 747,0	21	716,592
21,071,2	<b>92</b> 19	,701,780

Directors' remuneration is borne by the parent company, Bond Pearce LLP

# 4. OPERATING PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

	2013	2012
Operating profit on ordinary activities	£	£
before taxation	-	-

Auditors' remuneration of £4,100 (2012 £4,100) is borne by the parent company, Bond Pearce LLP

Notes to the financial statements Year ended 30 April 2013

5.	TAXATION		
	Analysis of charge in the period	2013 £	2012 £
	UK corporation tax Current tax on income for the period	151,713	153,674
	Factors affecting the tax charge for the current period		
	The current tax charge for the period is higher (2012 higher) than the statax in the UK (24%). The differences are explained below	ndard rate of o	corporation
	Current tax reconciliation	2013	2012
	Profit on ordinary activities before tax	£	£
	Current tax at 24% (2012 26%)	•	-
	Effects of		
	UK transfer pricing adjustment	151,713	153,674
	Total current tax charge (see above)	151,713	153,674
6.	DEBTORS		
0.	BESTORG	2013 £	2012 £
	Amounts receivable from Bond Pearce LLP	1,540,056	1,457,523
	All amounts included above are due within one year		
7.	CREDITORS AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		2013 £	2012 £
	Taxation and social security	1,521,032	1,438,499

Notes to the financial statements Year ended 30 April 2013

### 8. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	2013 £	2012 £
Authorised 100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
Called up, allotted and fully paid 4 ordinary shares of £1 each	4	4

### 9. PENSION SCHEME

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost for the year represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amounted to £747,021 (2012 - £716,592). There were no outstanding contributions at the year end

### 10. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING

The company is a subsidiary undertaking of Bond Pearce LLP, a Limited Liability Partnership incorporated in England. The consolidated financial statements of the group are available to the public and may be obtained from Companies House.