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# **Financial Statements**

# Year ended 31 December 2007

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# **Company Information**

The board of directors Virgin Media Directors Limited

Virgin Media Secretaries Limited

Company secretary Virgin Media Secretaries Limited

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# The Directors' Report

#### Year ended 31 December 2007

The directors present their report and the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2007

#### Principal activities

The principal activity of the company was, and will continue to be, that of a holding company, and to fund UKTV New Ventures Limited, which operates a portfolio of television channels that broadcast on cable, satellite and digital terrestrial TV channels under the brand name "UKTV"

The company is a wholly-owned subsidiary undertaking of Virgin Media Inc., which changed its name from NTL Incorporated on 6 February 2007 as part of the rebrand to Virgin Media. Virgin is one of the most recognised consumer brands in the world and gives the group a prominent profile in a crowded communications marketplace. The Virgin Media group believes that the strong heritage and reputation of the Virgin brand is a powerful competitive advantage and the Virgin Media group's distinctive approach to advertising, packaging and marketing differentiates it from the competition

The Virgin Media group is a leading UK entertainment and communications business providing the first "quadplay" offering of television, broadband, fixed line telephone and mobile telephone services in the UK, together with one of the most advanced TV on demand services available in the UK market

At 31 December 2007, by customer numbers, the Virgin Media group was the UK's largest residential broadband and mobile virtual network provider and the second largest provider in the UK of pay television and fixed line telephone services. The Virgin Media 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

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

Through Virgin Media Television, the Virgin Media group also provides a broad range of programming through its wholly-owned channels, such as Virgin 1, Living and Bravo, through UKTV, its joint ventures with BBC Worldwide, and through the portfolio of retail television channels operated by sit-up tv

On 8 February 2007, the names of certain Virgin Media group companies were changed including.

- ntl Cable PLC became Virgin Media Finance PLC
- Flextech Television Limited became Virgin Media Television Limited

The new company names are used throughout the rest of this report and financial statements whether describing events before or after the change of name

#### Results and dividends

The profit for the financial year amounted to £13,814,000 (2006 - profit of £8,876,000) The directors have not recommended an ordinary dividend (2006 - £nil)

The Directors' Report (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2007

#### Directors

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

Virgin Media Directors Limited Virgin Media Secretaries Limited

On 16 February 2007, the names of ntl Directors Limited and ntl Secretaries Limited were changed to Virgin Media Directors Limited and Virgin Media Secretaries Limited respectively

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

### Disclosure of information to the auditor

So far as each person who was a director at the date of approving this report is aware, there is no relevant audit information, being information needed by the auditor in connection with preparing its report, of which the auditor is unaware. Having made enquiries of fellow directors and the company's auditor, each director has taken all the steps that he is obliged to take as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information

#### Auditor

Ernst & Young LLP will be re-appointed as the company's auditor in accordance with the elective resolution passed by the company under Section 386 of the Companies Act 1985

#### Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part VII of the Companies Act 1985

Signed on behalf of the directors

R M Mackenzie

For and on behalf of Virgin Media Secretaries Limited

Approved by the directors on 21 October 2008

# Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Year ended 31 December 2007

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). The financial statements are required by law to 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,

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 proper accounting records that 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 1985. 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's Report to the Member of Flextech Broadband Limited

#### Year ended 31 December 2007

We have audited the company's financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses, the Balance Sheet and the related notes 1 to 17 These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein

This report is made solely to the company's member in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's member those matters we are required to state to it 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 member, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

# Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland)

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed

We read the directors' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it

#### Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgments made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Independent Auditor's Report to the Member of Flextech Broadband Limited (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2007

#### Opinion

In our opinion

the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2007 and of its profit for the year then ended,

the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985, and

the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements

Ernst & Young LLP
Registered Auditor

London

21 October 2008

# **Profit and Loss Account**

# Year ended 31 December 2007

	Note	2007 £000	2006 £000
Administrative expenses		(1,993)	117
Operating (loss)/profit	2	(1,993)	117
Profit on disposal of discontinued operations	4	5,150	_
		3,157	117
Income from participating interests	5	10,867	6,485
Interest receivable	6	2,642	3,037
Amount written back on investments	7	-	6,780
Interest payable and similar charges	8	(2,852)	(7,543)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		13,814	8,876
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	9	-	_
Profit for the financial year	16	13,814	8,876

All of the activities of the company are classed as continuing

# Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the profit of £13,814,000 attributable to the shareholder for the year ended 31 December 2007 (2006 - profit of £8,876,000)

The notes on pages 9 to 16 form part of these financial statements.

# **Balance Sheet**

# 31 December 2007

Emil and	Note	2007 £000	2006 £000
Fixed assets Investments	10	272,080	269,602
Current assets			
Debtors	11	113,971	121,245
Cash at bank		223	41
		114,194	121,286
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	(120,470)	(138,898)
Net current liabilities		(6,276)	(17,612)
Total assets less current liabilities		265,804	251,990
Capital and reserves			
Called-up equity share capital	15	1,670,600	1,670,600
Profit and loss account	16	(1,404,796)	(1,418,610)
Shareholder's funds	16	265,804	251,990

These financial statements were approved by the directors on 21 October 2008 and are signed on their behalf by

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R C Gale

For and on behalf of Virgin Media Directors Limited

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

#### Year ended 31 December 2007

### 1. Accounting policies

#### Accounting convention

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

### Fundamental accounting concept

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis because the ultimate parent undertaking has given the necessary assurances that sufficient resources will be made available, so that the company can meet its liabilities as and when they fall due, for at least twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements

#### Cash flow statement

The company has taken advantage of the exemption under FRS 1 (revised) not to prepare a cash flow statement as it is a subsidiary which is at least 90% controlled by the ultimate parent undertaking (see note 17)

### Deferred taxation

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 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

#### Investments

Investments are recorded at cost, less any provision for impairment. The company assesses at each reporting date whether there is an indication that an investment may be impaired. If any such indication exists, the company makes an estimate of the asset's recoverable amount. Where the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount. A previously recognised impairment loss is reversed only if there was an event not foreseen in the original impairment calculations, such as a change in use of the assets or a change in economic conditions. The reversal of impairment loss would be to the extent of the lower of the recoverable amount and the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years

#### Group accounts

The company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing group accounts afforded by Section 228 of the Companies Act 1985 because it is a wholly owned subsidiary of another company incorporated in Great Britain which prepares group accounts (see note 17) These financial statements therefore present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group

#### 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 full amount is written off when the probability for recovery of a balance is assessed as being remote

### Notes to the Financial Statements

#### Year ended 31 December 2007

2.	Operating	(loss)/profit

Operating (loss)/profit is stated after charging/(crediting)

	2007 £000	2006 £000
Increase/(release) in provision against amounts due from group		
undertakings	1,993	(117)
	<del></del>	-

The company has corporate directors which receive no remuneration

Auditor's remuneration disclosed of £1,000 (2006 - £1,000) represents costs attributed to the company by the fellow group undertakings that pay all auditor's remuneration on behalf of the Virgin Media group. The company is exempt from disclosing additional information regarding non-audit services, as the disclosures required under Regulation 4 (1) (b) of Section 390B of the Companies Act 1985, are made in the group accounts of Virgin Media Finance PLC on a consolidated basis

The impairment review of inter-company indebtedness as at 31 December 2007 concluded that a provision for non-recovery amounting to £1,993,000 should be made (2006 - release of £117,000). The primary driver for the change in the provisions is a decline in the valuation of the underlying assets in the Virgin Media group as shown by a third party valuation as at 31 December 2007.

#### 3 Staff costs

The company does not have any directly employed staff and is not charged an allocation of staff costs by Virgin Media Television Limited

# 4. Profit on disposal of discontinued operations

	Disposal of discontinued operations	2007 £000	2006 £000
	Profit on sale of operation (see note 10)	5,150	_
5	Income from participating interests		
		2007	2006
		£000	£000
	Interest income from participating interests	2,804	2,219
	Preference dividend income from participating interests	1,136	1,174
	Ordinary dividend income from participating interests	6,927	3,092
		10,867	6,485
6.	Interest receivable		
		2007	2006
		£000	£000
	Bank interest receivable	454	4
	Interest from group undertakings	2,188	3,033
		2,642	3,037

# Notes to the Financial Statements

# Year ended 31 December 2007

7.	Amount written back on investments		<u>-</u>
		2007	2006
		£000	£000
	Amount written back on investments (see note 10)		(6,780)
8.	Interest payable and similar charges		
		2007	2006
	Doub interest moughly and annular above	£000	£000
	Bank interest payable and similar charges On amounts due to group undertakings	2,852	3,478 4,065
	on amount due to group under manige		
		2,852	7,543
9.	Taxation		
	(a) Analysis of charge in the year		
	The tax charge is made up as follows		
	to the total go to make up to to the	2007	2006
		£'000	£'000
	Current tax charge Current tax on profit for the year	-	-
	Deferred tax:		
	Origination and reversal of timing differences	-	-
	Total tax charge on profit on ordinary activities	<del>-</del>	
	(b) Factors affecting current tax charge		
	The tax assessed on the profit on ordinary activities for the year is lower corporation tax in the UK of 30% (2006 - 30%)	er than the stand	lard rate of
	The difference between the effective statutory rate and the actual current follows	tax charge is re	econciled as
		2007	2006
		£000	£000
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	13,814	8,876
	Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by the rate of tax	4,144	2,663
	Utilisation of tax losses	-	686
	Income not taxable	(3,366)	(3,349)
	Group relief claimed without payment	<u>(778)</u>	
	Total current tax (note 9(a))	<del>-</del>	<u> </u>
	(c) Factors that may affect future tax charges		

There are no factors which may affect the future tax charge

# Notes to the Financial Statements

#### Year ended 31 December 2007

# 10. Investments

	in group	Investment in joint venture undertakings	Total
	£000	£000	£000
Cost At 1 January 2007 Disposals	635,600 (44)	1,035,000	1,670,600 (44)
At 31 December 2007	635,556	1,035,000	1,670,556
Value impaired At 1 January 2007 Written off in prior years written back	635,600 (44)	799,470 -	1,435,070 (44)
At 31 December 2007	635,556	799,470	1,435,026
Loans At 1 January 2007 Advanced in year At 31 December 2007	- - -	34,072 2,478 36,550	34,072 2,478 36,550
Net book value At 31 December 2007	<u>-</u>	272,080	272,080
At 31 December 2006	-	269,602	269,602

The loan stock is repayable out of "available cash" in accordance with the terms of the Shareholders' Agreement between UKTV New Ventures Limited and its shareholders Interest is payable at 2% above the six month London Interbank Offered Rate for sterling deposits, as published in the Financial Times

On 17 July 2007, the company sold its investment in Minotaur International Limited, a 100% owned subsidiary undertaking, resulting in a profit of £5,150,000 recognised in the Profit and Loss Account

In the opinion of the directors the aggregate value of the investments in subsidiary and joint venture undertakings is not less than the amount at which they are stated in the financial statements

# Notes to the Financial Statements

# Year ended 31 December 2007

# 10. Investments (continued)

The company has taken advantage of the exemption under Section 228 of the Companies Act 1985 not to disclose the aggregate amount of capital and reserves and the result for the year for each of the subsidiary undertakings on the basis that their results are included in the group accounts of Virgin Media Finance PLC (see note 17)

The material investments in which the company holds at least 20% of the nominal value of any class of share capital, all of which are unlisted, are as follows

Subsidiary undertakings	Country of incorporation		Class and percentage of shares held
Flextech Rights Limited	England	Sourcing and distribution of programming rights	Ordinary 100%
Virgin Media Television Limited	England	Provision of management services	Ordinary 100%
Screenshop Limited	England	Holding Company	Ordinary 100%
Flextech Interactive Limited	England	Operation of interactive services on internet and satellite TV systems	Ordinary 100%
TVS Television Limited	England	Holding Company	Ordinary 100%
Continental Shelf 16 Limited	England	Receive proceeds from sale of TV channel	Ordinary 100%
Flextech (1992) Limited	England	Holding Company	Ordinary 100%
Interactive Digital Sales Limited	England	Sales of television advertising airtime	Ordinary 100%
sit-up Limited *	England	Television and online homes hopping	Ordinary 100%
ntl Victoria II Limited	England	Holding company	Ordinary 100%

<sup>\*</sup> Indirect shareholding

# Notes to the Financial Statements

# Year ended 31 December 2007

# 10. Investments (continued)

Joint Ventures	Country of incorporation		Class and percentage of shares held
Setanta Sports News Limited *	England	Operation of cable, satellite and digital terrestrial TV channels	A Ordinary 100%
UKTV New Ventures Limited	England	Operation of cable, satellite and digital terrestrial TV channels	A Ordinary 100%
UK Gold Holdings Limited	England	Operation of cable, satellite and digital terrestrial TV channels	Cumulative redeemable fixed rate preference 100%  Non-cumulative redeemable fixed rate preference 100%  Deferred Ordinary 50%  A Ordinary 100%

<sup>\*</sup> Indirect shareholding

The shareholdings in UKTV companies represent 50% of the available share capital, except for the preference share capital, which represents 100% of the available share capital

On 28 November 2007, the company purchased 100% of the allotted share capital of ntl Victoria II Limited at par, the immediate parent company of Setanta Sports News Limited

Associate Undertakings	Country of incorporation	Principal activity	Class and percentage of shares held
Flextech Living Health Limited	England	Operation of an interactive health service provider on internet, cable and satellite TV systems	100% of A Ordinary shares representing 29 995% of the issued capital

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

#### Year ended 31 December 2007

11	Debtors		
		2007	2006
		£000	£000
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	113,790	121,215
	Other debtors	113	_
	Prepayments and accrued income	68	30
		112.051	121 245
		113,971	121,245

Amounts owed by group undertakings are stated after deducting an impairment provision of £1,997,000 (2006 - £4,000) The rates of interest on the amounts receivable ranged from 0% to 6.25% (2006 - 0% to 6.25%) Amounts owed by group undertakings are repayable on demand but are not expected to be recovered in full within one year

# 12. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2007	2006
	£000	£000
Amounts owed to group undertakings	120,468	138,898
Accruals and deferred income	2	-
	120,470	138,898
	120,470 ====================================	150,050

Amounts owed to group undertakings are unsecured and repayable on demand. The rates of interest on the amounts payable ranged from 0% to 8 0% (2006 - 0% to 6 7%)

# 13. Contingent liabilities

The company, along with fellow group undertakings, is party to a senior secured credit facility with a syndicate of banks under which it has guaranteed the borrowings of certain Virgin Media group companies. At 31 December 2007, the maximum contingent liability represented by outstanding borrowings by these companies amounted to approximately £4,905 million (2006 - £5,125 million). Borrowings under the facility are secured against the assets of certain members of the group including those of the company

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

### 14. Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption under FRS 8 not to disclose transactions with group undertakings as it is a subsidiary undertaking which is at least 90% controlled by the ultimate parent undertaking

During the year, UK New Ventures Limited, a joint venture undertaking, increased its funding by the company by £2,478,000 (2006 - £4,577,000) on various loan stock (see note 10) At 31 December 2007 the company was owed £36,550,000 (2006 - £34,072,000) by UK New Ventures Limited

For income received during the year from other UKTV companies within the joint venture, see note 5

# Notes to the Financial Statements

#### Year ended 31 December 2007

15.	Share capital Authorised share capital.				
	•			2007	2006
				£'000	£'000
	1,670,600,007 Ordinary shares of £1 each			1,670,600	1,670,600
	Allotted, called up and fully paid:				
			2007		2006
		No	£'000	No	£'000
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,670,600,007	1,670,600	1,670,600,007	1,670,600
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# 16. Reconciliation of shareholder's funds and movement on reserves

	Share capital £000	Profit and loss account £000	Total share- holder's funds £000
At 1 January 2006	1,670,600	(1,427,486)	243,114
Profit for the year	_	8,876	8,876
At 31 December 2006 and 1 January 2007	1,670,600	(1,418,610)	251,990
Profit for the year		13,814	13,814
At 31 December 2007	1,670,600	( <u>1,404,796</u> )	265,804

# 17. Parent undertaking and controlling party

The company's immediate parent undertaking is Telewest Communications Networks Limited

The smallest and largest groups of which the company is a member and for which group accounts have been drawn up are those headed by Virgin Media Finance PLC and Virgin Media Inc , respectively

The company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party at 31 December 2007 was Virgin Media Inc , a company incorporated in the state of Delaware, United States of America Virgin Media Inc changed its name from NTL Incorporated on 6 February 2007

Copies of all sets of group accounts which include the results of the company are available from the Secretary, Virgin Media, 160 Great Portland Street, London, W1W 5QA