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**Centrica PB Limited** 

Annual Report and Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2014



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### Strategic Report for the year ended 31 December 2014

The Directors present the Strategic Report of Centrica PB Limited ("the Company") for the year ended 31 December 2014.

#### **Business review**

The Company operates a 360MW gas-fired open cycle gas turbine generating station in Peterborough ("Peterborough power station"). During 2014, the Company principally sold power through a Short-Term Operating Reserve (STOR) contract with National Grid which means that it can be called on at short notice to balance the network. The STOR contract expires at the end of March 2016.

Market conditions continued to be challenging for gas-fired power stations with low UK Clean Spark Spreads during 2014. Baseload power generation has predominantly been provided by coal while installed capacity from renewable sources has also increased, leaving gas to operate in peak periods of demand only.

The future market for gas fired power generation is expected to improve with the forecast closure of a number of stations and the requirement for back-up plants to support intermittent renewable generation. These changes mean that there are risks to the future security of electricity supplies. In December 2014, the Government conducted the first Capacity Market Auction to address these concerns. The Capacity Market is designed to provide a market framework to encourage participants to invest in generating facilities to ensure we have enough reliable electricity capacity to meet demand. Despite the auction taking place, clearing prices were much lower than anticipated and Peterborough was unsuccessful in obtaining a capacity market agreement.

Trading for 2014 was behind Directors' expectations due to an unforeseen breakdown of one of Peterborough's gas turbines, resulting in reduced power generation. Repair works to restore the gas turbine to use resulted in a charge to the Profit and Loss Account of £1,800,000 and capital expenditure of £1,400,000.

The Company recognised an operating loss for 2014 due to the adverse market conditions and the breakdown described above, which ultimately resulted in the fixed costs of the station not being covered by revenues generated from operations.

Due to difficult economic conditions, an impairment review was carried out in 2014 which resulted in a charge to the Profit and Loss Account of £9,037,000 (2013: £nil).

The Company has been in dispute with HMRC regarding the rateable value of the power station. In May 2015 the Valuation Office Agency of HMRC was successful in its appeal of the ruling on Peterborough test case from 2011, which reduced the rateable value for Peterborough. As a result a cost of £6,330,000 has been recognised in the profit and loss account relating to the rates refund due to the local authority and award of legal costs.

## Strategic Report for the year ended 31 December 2014 (continued)

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

From the perspective of the Company, the principal risks and uncertainties are integrated with the principal risks of the Group and are not managed separately. Accordingly, the principal risks and uncertainties of the Group, which include those of the Company, are discussed on pages 40-45 of the 2014 Centric plc Annual Report and Accounts, which does not form part of this report.

#### Key performance indicators (KPIs)

The Directors of the Group use a number of key performance indicators to monitor progress against the Group's strategy. The development and performance of the Group, which includes the Company, are discussed on pages 18-19 of the 2014 Centrica plc Annual Report and Accounts, which does not form part of this report.

This Strategic Report was approved by the Board on 31 July 2015.

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MATTHEW MADELEY

31.7.2015

By order of the board for and on behalf of Centrica Secretaries Limited Company Secretary

Company registered in England and Wales No. 04262250

Registered office: Millstream Maidenhead Road Windsor Berkshire SL4 5GD

### Directors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2014

The Directors present their report and the audited financial statements of Centrica PB Limited ("the Company") for the year ended 31 December 2014.

#### **Future developments**

There are no plans to change the nature of activities in the foreseeable future. A similar trading profile to 2014 is expected in the coming year.

#### Financial risk management

The Directors have established objectives and policies for managing financial risks to enable the Company to achieve its long-term shareholder value growth targets within a prudent risk management framework. These objectives and policies are regularly reviewed. Exposure to counterparty credit risk and liquidity risk arises in the normal course of the Company's business:

- Counterparty credit exposures are monitored by individual counterparty and by category of credit rating, and are subject to approved limits. Credit risk is predominantly limited to exposures with other Centrica plc group undertakings.
- Cash forecasts identifying the liquidity requirements of the Company are produced frequently and reviewed regularly.
- Liquidity risk is managed through funding arrangements with Centrica plc group undertakings.

The Company did not take part in hedging of any kind (2013: £nil). The Company would hedge foreign currency risk if the need arose.

#### Results and dividends

The results of the Company are set out on page 7.

The loss for the financial year ended 31 December 2014 is £14,955,000 (2013: loss of £3,610,000). No dividends were paid on the ordinary shares for the year ended 31 December 2014 (2013: £nil). The Directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend (2013: £nil).

#### Financial position

The financial position of the Company is presented in the Balance Sheet on page 8. The shareholders' funds at 31 December 2014 were £14,007,000 (2013: £28,962,000)

#### Directors

The following served as Directors during the year and up to the date of signing this report:

Richard McCord

John Knight (Appointed 1 January 2014, Resigned 24 October 2014)

Mark Futyan (Appointed 22 April 2014)
Peter Koch De Gooreynd (Appointed 2 February 2015)
Graeme Collison (Resigned 1 January 2014)
John Watts (Resigned 22 April 2014)

#### Going concern

The Directors believe that preparing the financial statements on the going concern basis is appropriate due to the continued financial support of the ultimate parent company, Centrica plc. The Directors have received confirmation that Centrica plc intends to support the Company for at least one year after these financial statements have been signed.

#### Directors' and officers' liability

Directors' and officers' liability insurance has been purchased by the ultimate parent company, Centrica plc, and was in place throughout the year under review. The insurance does not provide cover in the event that the Director is proved to have acted fraudulently.

## Directors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2014 (continued)

#### Statement of Directors' responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, 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 prepared 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 period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting 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.

#### Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the Directors who held office at the date of approval of this Directors' Report confirm that so far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware and they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as Directors to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

#### **Independent Auditors**

Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditors will be deemed to be reappointed and PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP will therefore continue in office.

This report was approved by the Board on 31 July 2015.

MATTHEN MADELEY

31.7.2015

By order of the board for and on behalf of Centrica Secretaries Limited Company Secretary

Company registered in England and Wales No. 04262250

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## Independent Auditors' Report to the members of Centrica PB Limited

#### Report on the financial statements

#### Our opinion

In our opinion Centrica PB Limited's financial statements (the "financial statements"):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2014 and of its loss 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.

#### What we have audited

Centrica PB Limited's financial statements comprise:

- Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2014
- Profit and Loss Account for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of the financial statements is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In applying the financial reporting framework, the directors have made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. In making such estimates, they have made assumptions and considered future events.

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

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

#### Other matters on which we are required to report by exception

#### Adequacy of accounting records and information and explanations received

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- adequate accounting records have not been kept, 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.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

#### Directors' remuneration

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

# Independent Auditors' Report to the members of Centrica PB Limited (continued)

#### Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit Our responsibilities and those of the Directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' responsibilities, 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) ("ISAs (UK & Ireland)"). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the Company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

#### What an audit of financial statements involves

We conducted our audit in accordance with ISAs (UK & Ireland). 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.

We primarily focus our work in these areas by assessing the directors' judgements against available evidence, forming our own judgements, and evaluating the disclosures in the financial statements.

We test and examine information, using sampling and other auditing techniques, to the extent we consider necessary to provide a reasonable basis for us to draw conclusions. We obtain audit evidence through testing the effectiveness of controls, substantive procedures or a combination of both.

In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report and Financial Statements to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Mark King (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors
London
31 July 2015

## Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31 December 2014

	Note	2014 £000	2013 £000
Turnover	3	5,837	8,221
Cost of sales		(9,522)	(11,466)
Gross loss		(3,685)	(3,245)
Administrative expenses - including exceptional items	4	(17,040)	(355)
Operating loss before exceptional items		(5,358)	(4,372)
Exceptional operating item - profit on disposal of fuel oil	4	-	947
Exceptional operating item - rates	4	(6,330)	-
Exceptional operating item - impairment of fixed assets	4	<b>(9,037)</b> .	· -
Exceptional operating item - restructuring	4	-	. (175)
Operating loss	4	(20,725)	(3,600)
Interest receivable and similar income	7 .	997	788
Interest payable and similar charges	8	(1,854)	(2,841)
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	_	(21,582)	(5,653)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	9	6,627	2,043
Loss for the financial year.	17	(14,955)	(3,610)

The Company has no recognised gains or losses other than the loss above and therefore no separate Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses has been presented.

There are no material differences between the loss on ordinary activities before taxation and the loss for the year stated above and their historical cost equivalents.

All results relate to continuing operations.

The notes on pages 9 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

## Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2014

Fixed assets	Note	2014 £000	2013 £000
Tangible assets	10	5,744	15,293
Current assets			•
Stocks	11	1,119	1,092
Debtors	12	38,203	52,791
Cash at bank and in hand		643	
		39,965	53,883
Creditors - amounts falling due within one year	13	(24,278)	(24,627)
Net current assets		15,687	29,256
Total assets less current liabilities	•	21,431	44,549
Creditors - amounts falling due after more than one			
year	14	(4,907)	(13,245)
Provisions for liabilities	15	(2,517)	(2,342)
Net assets		14,007	28,962
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	16	-	, -
Profit and loss account	17	14,007	28,962
Total shareholders' funds	17	14,007	28,962

The notes on pages 9 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 7 to 19 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 31 July 2015 and were signed on its behalf by:

Richard McCord

Director

Registered Number: 04262250

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## Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2014

#### 1. Principal accounting policies

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

#### Going concern

The Directors believe that preparing the financial statements on the going concern basis is appropriate due to the continued financial support of the ultimate parent company, Centrica plc. The Directors have received confirmation that Centrica plc intends to support the Company for at least one year after these financial statements have been signed.

#### **Turnover**

Turnover is recognised on an accruals basis and principally relates to the sale of power generation capacity to a fellow Group undertaking in accordance with a capacity tolling arrangement.

The Company is a lessor for certain lease contracts that contain both fixed and variable cash flows. The fixed income generated from operating leases is accounted for on a straight line basis whereas the variable income element is recognised on an accruals basis because this is deemed to be the most relevant method to account due to the nature of the income stream.

#### Tangible assets

Tangible assets are stated at historic cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment. Cost includes the original purchase price of the asset and costs attributable to bringing the asset to its working condition for its intended use. Depreciation is charged on all fixed assets, other than freehold land and gas turbine components in the course of a major overhaul and assets in the course of construction. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset to its residual value on a straight-line basis over its expected useful life as follows for these asset classes:

- Power station assets and decommissioning assets: 20 years

- Turbine components, other plant and machinery: 3-6 years

For gas turbine components, depreciation is provided to write off the cost of the assets over their operating lives on an equivalent operating hours basis.

#### Overhaul costs

Contract work involved in replacing gas turbine components is capitalised and depreciated over their expected economic life, typically over the period to the next overhaul. Repairs and other costs that are not of a capital nature are charged directly to the Profit and Loss Account as incurred.

#### Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost incurred in bringing each item to its present location and condition and net realisable value. Provision is made where necessary for obsolete, slow-moving and defective stocks. Cost is determined on an average cost basis.

#### Finance leases

Assets held under finance lease arrangements have been capitalised and are included in fixed assets at their fair value at the inception of the lease. The obligations relating to finance leases, net of finance charges in respect of future years, are included as appropriate under creditors due within or after more than one year. The interest element of the lease rental is allocated to accounting years during the lease on an accruals basis. The interest charge is based on the outstanding finance lease creditor.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2014 (continued)

#### 1. Principal accounting policies (continued)

#### **Taxation**

Current tax, including UK corporation tax, is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially 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 tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date. Timing differences are differences between the Company's taxable profits and its results as stated in the financial statements.

Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the years in which the timing differences are expected to reverse, based on the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is measured on a non-discounted basis.

Deferred tax assets relating to the carry-forward of unused tax losses are recognised to the extent that it can be regarded as more likely than not that future taxable profits will be available against which the unused tax losses can be utilised.

#### **Decommissioning provision**

Provision is made for the net present value of the estimated cost of decommissioning the power station at the end of its useful life, based on price levels and technology at the balance sheet date.

Changes in these estimates and changes to the discount rates are dealt with prospectively. When an increase in the provision gives access to future economic benefits, a decommissioning asset is recognised and amortised on a straight-line basis over the useful life of the facility; otherwise the increase is recognised directly in the Profit and Loss Account. When a reduction in the estimated provision is required, the amount of the related asset is reduced to the extent of the asset's carrying amount. Any excess is recognised immediately in the profit and loss Account. The unwinding of the discount on the provision is included in the Profit and Loss Account within interest expense.

#### **Operating leases**

Rentals under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2014 (continued)

#### 1. Principal of accounting policies (continued)

#### **Impairment**

At each balance sheet date, the Company reviews the carrying amounts of its fixed assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of any impairment. Recoverable amount is the higher of net realisable value and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. If the recoverable amount of an asset is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised as an expense immediately.

A previously recognised impairment loss on a tangible asset is reversed only because of a change in economic conditions or in the expected use of the asset. Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in the Profit and Loss Account immediately. After such a reversal the depreciation charge is adjusted in future periods to allocate the asset's revised carrying amount, less any residual value, on a systematic basis over the remaining useful life.

#### **EU Emissions Trading Scheme (EU ETS)**

Where granted EU ETS emissions allowances have been received in a period they are initially recognised at nominal value (nil value). A liability is recognised when the level of emissions exceeds the level of allowances granted. As part of the tolling arrangement, the tollee must provide the Company with sufficient EU ETS emissions allowances to meet any shortfall on the settlement date. The liability is measured at the cost of EU ETS emissions allowances purchased by the tollee, up to the level of purchased EU ETS emissions allowances physically held, and then at the market price of EU ETS emissions allowances ruling at the balance sheet date. A matching receivable from the tollee is recognised at the same time.

#### 2. Cash flow statements and related party disclosures

The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of GB Gas Holdings Limited and is included in the consolidated financial statements of Centrica plc, which are publicly available. Consequently, the Company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement under the terms of financial reporting standard 1 (revised 1996) "Cash Flow Statements". The Company is also exempt under the terms of financial reporting standard 8 "Related Party Disclosures" from disclosure of transactions with other companies that are part of the Centrica plc group.

#### 3. Turnover

All turnover relates to the principal activity of the business and occurs wholly in the United Kingdom.

During the financial year the rentals receivable under operating leases were £2,631,000 (2013: £3,647,000).

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2014 (continued)

#### 4. Operating loss

	2014	2013
	£000	£000
Operating loss is stated after charging / (crediting):		-
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets - owned (note 10)	1,093	912
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets - leased (note 10)	1,140	1,305
Exceptional operating item - profit on disposal of fuel oil (i)	<u>-</u>	(947)
Exceptional operating item - impairment of fixed assets (ii)	9,037	· ·
Exceptional operating item - restructuring (iii)	- ·	175
Exceptional operating item – rates (iv)	6,330	-,
Operating lease charges - plant and machinery	599	539
Services provided by the Company's auditors:	•	
Fees payable for the audit (v).	. 8	8

#### (i) Fuel oil disposal

Fuel oil was disposed in 2013 giving rise to a £947,000 profit on disposal.

#### (ii) Impairment of tangible assets

Following a review in 2014 of the value-in-use of the power station asset, an impairment charge of £9,037,000 was recognised in the year (2013: £nil).

#### (iii) Restructuring

During 2013, due to difficult economic conditions, a restructuring provision was recognised to take account of further planned business reorganisation costs which resulted in an exceptional charge to the Profit and Loss Account of £175,000.

#### (iv) Rates

The Company has been in dispute with HMRC regarding the rateable value of the power station. In May 2015 the Valuation Office Agency of HMRC was successful in its appeal of the ruling on Peterborough test case from 2011, which reduced the rateable value for Peterborough. As a result a cost of £6,330,000 has been recognised in the profit and loss account relating to the rates refund due to the local authority and award of legal costs.

#### (v) Auditors' remuneration

Auditors' remuneration totalling £8,000 (2013: £8,000) relates to fees for the audit of the UK GAAP statutory financial statements of Centrica PB Limited. Auditors' remuneration totalling £1,000 (2013: £nil) relates to non-audit work in respect of the Company.

#### 5. Directors' emoluments

The aggregate emoluments paid to directors in respect of their qualifying services were £63,748 (2013: £105,886) and the aggregate value of company contributions paid to a pension scheme in respect of directors' qualifying services were £6,416 (2013: £13,347).

There were 3 directors (2013: 4) to whom retirement benefits are accruing under a defined benefit pension scheme. There were 2 directors (2013: 1) to whom retirement benefits are accruing under money purchase pension schemes. 3 directors (2013: 4) received shares in the ultimate parent company in respect of their qualifying services under a long-term incentive scheme and 3 directors (2013: 2) exercised share options relating to the ultimate parent company. All of these costs were borne by other Group companies.

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2014 (continued)

### 6. Employee information

The Company has no direct employees (2013: nil). However, payroll costs amounting to £1,224,000 (2013: £1,225,000) were incurred through a recharge during the year in respect of an average of 17 (2013: 17) staff providing services to Centrica PB Limited under an employee services agreement with a Group company. Also under this agreement additional pension costs of £316,000 (2013: £3,019,000) have been incurred from the Group company.

#### 7. Interest receivable and similar income

	2014 £000	2013 £000
Interest receivable from Group undertakings	997	788
8. Interest payable and similar charges		
	2014 £000	2013 £000
Decommissioning provision notional interest Finance lease charges	53 1,801	99. 
	1,854	2,841

Current tax credit for the year

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2014 (continued)

### 9. Tax on loss on ordinary activities

	2014 £000	2013 £000
(a) Analysis of tax credit in the year	·	•
The tax credit comprises:		
Current tax:		
UK corporation tax at 21.50% (2013: 23.25%)	(3,254)	(2,043)
Deferred tax:		
Effect of change to deferred tax rate	214	-
Origination and reversal of timing differences	(1,160)	, <b>_</b>
Deferred tax previously not recognised	(1,921)	-
Adjustment in respect of previous periods	(506)	<u> </u>
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	6,627	2,043
The differences between the total current tax shown above and the a rate of UK corporation tax to the loss on ordinary activities before tax		2013 £000
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	(21,582)	(5,653)
Loss on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate in the UK o	$\mathbf{f}$	
21.50% (2013: 23.25%)	(4,640)	(1,314)
Effects of:		, ,
Capital allowances in excess of depreciation	1,017	(754)
Other timing differences	75	. 23
Impairment of non-qualifying assets	318	-
UK:UK transfer pricing	(31)	2
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	7	

The main rate of corporation tax was reduced from 23% to 21% from 1 April 2014. A further reduction to reduce the rate to 20% from 1 April 2015 was substantively enacted in Finance Act 2013 on 2 July 2013 and have been reflected within these financial statements.

(3,254)

(2,043)

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2014 (continued)

## 10. Tangible assets

	Freehold land and buildings	Power station assets	Turbine components, other plant and machinery	Decommissioning asset	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Cost or valuation	•				•
At 1 January 2014	3,081	. 84,405	21,003	1,823	110,312
Additions	-	439	970	-	1,409
Revision of			•	1	•
abandonment asset Disposals	-	, <del>-</del>	- -	312	312
At 31 December 2014	3,081	84,844	21,973	2,135	112,033
Accumulated depreciation	on	•			
At 1 January 2014	1,651	76,652	15,996	720	95,019
Charge for the year	142	. 1,516	382	193	2,233
Impairment charge	759	3,936	3,622	720	9,037
At 31 December 2014	2,552	82,104	20,000	1,633	106,289
•					
Net book value					
At 31 December 2014	529	2,740	1,973	502	5,744
At 31 December 2013	1,430	7,753	5,007	1,103	15,293
The net book value of ass and leased back since 200°			presenting certain it	ems of plant and macl	ninery sold
At 31 December 2014	442	1,586	1,758	·	3,786
At 31 December 2013	1,247	4,855	4,531		10,633
11. Stocks		. •			
				2014 £000	2013 £000
Strategic spares and consu	mables	٠		1,119	1,092

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2014 (continued)

#### 12. Debtors

	2014 £000	2013 £000
Amounts owed by Group undertakings	34,537	51,858
Other debtors	282	924
Deferred tax	3,373	
Prepayments and accrued income	11	9
	38,203	52,791

Included within the amounts owed by Group undertakings is a net receivable of £31,164,000 (2013: £51,491,000) consisting of interest bearing and non-interest bearing balances to the same Group undertaking. The interest bearing balance comprises a receivable of £55,080,000 (2013: £72,240,000) that bears interest at a quarterly rate determined by Group Treasury and linked to the Group cost of funds. The non-interest bearing balance comprises a payable of £23,916,000 (2013: payable of £20,749,000). These two balances netted to a receivable of £31,164,000. The quarterly rates ranged between 1.69% and 1.90% per annum during 2014 (2013: 2.34% and 3.19%). The other amounts receivable from Group undertakings are interest-free.

#### Deferred tax

The deferred corporation tax asset is analysed as follows:

	Provided		Unprovid	led
•	2014	2013	2014	2013
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Deferred corporation tax - accelerated capital allowances	3,373	· · · · ·	· <u>-</u>	1,921
- other timing differences		-	503	434
	3,373	. <b>-</b>	503	2,355

Due to a change in group policy, the surrender of tax losses for group relief is now compensated by the receiving company, as such previously unrecognised deferred tax assets arising from capital allowances are now being recognised. The company has continued not to recognise deferred tax assets resulting from other timing differences due to uncertainty regarding the amount and timing of relief available in the future.

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2014 (continued)

## 13. Creditors – amounts falling due within one year

	2014 £000	2013 £000
Bank loans and overdrafts	· •	14
Trade creditors	216	72
Amounts owed to Group undertakings	8,826	8,766
Obligations under intra-Group finance lease (note 14)	8,356	15,468
Other creditors	6,330	-
EU ETS emissions obligations	56	99
Value Added Tax	26	60
Accruals and deferred income	468	148
	24,278	24,627

Amounts owed to Group undertakings are interest free, unsecured and repayable on demand.

### 14. Creditors – amounts falling due after more than one year

	2014 £000	2013 £000
Obligations under intra-Group finance lease	4,907	13,245
Maturity of finance lease liabilities	2014 £000	2013 £000
Less than one year	8,356	15,468
Between one and five years	1,256	9,250
Over five years	3,651	3,995
	13,263	28,713

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#### 15. Provisions for liabilities

	Decommissioning provision £000	Restructuring provision £000	Total £000
At 1 January 2014	2,167	175	2,342
Revision to decommissioning provision	312	-	312
Accretion of interest	53	-	53
Utilised in the year	(15)	(175)	(190)
At 31 December 2014	2,517	·	2,517

#### **Decommissioning**

The decommissioning provision represents the future expected costs of decommissioning the station at the end of its useful economic life, discounted to its present value (note 1). The decommissioning is expected to occur in 2019.

#### Restructuring

In 2013 due to difficult economic conditions, a restructuring provision was recognised to take account of further planned business reorganisation costs which resulted in an exceptional charge to the Profit and Loss Account of £175,000; this was fully utilised during 2014.

### 16. Called up share capital

	2014 £	2013 £
Allotted and fully paid:	<b>:</b>	
2 (2013: 2) ordinary shares of £1 each	2	2
17. Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2014	2013
	£000	, £000
Opening shareholders' funds	28,962	32,572
Loss for the financial year	(14,955)	(3,610)
Closing shareholders' funds	14,007	28,962

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#### 18. Profit and Loss account

	2014 £000	2013 £000
At 1 January Loss for the financial year	28,962 (14,955)	32,572 (3,610)
At 31 December	(14,007)	28,962

#### 19. Financial commitments

At 31 December 2014 the Company had future commitments under non-cancellable operating leases expiring as follows:

		Land and bu	Land and buildings	
		2014	2013	
		£000	£000	
Leases which expire:		·		
Within one year	,	_		
Within two to five years		-		
After five years		599	536	

#### 20. Post balance sheet event

The Company has been in dispute with HMRC regarding the rateable value of the power station. In May 2015 the Valuation Office Agency of HMRC was successful in its appeal of the ruling on Peterborough test case from 2011, which reduced the rateable value for Peterborough. As a result a cost of £6,330,000 has been recognised in the profit and loss account relating to the rates refund due to the local authority and award of legal costs.

#### 21. Ultimate parent undertaking

The Company's immediate parent undertaking is GB Gas Holdings Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

The Company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Centrica plc, a company registered in England and Wales, which is the only company to include these financial statements in its consolidated financial statements. Copies of the Centrica plc consolidated financial statements may be obtained from www.centrica.com.