### Kellen Venture Limited

Directors' report and financial statements Registered number 5443889 Year ended 31 December 2011



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#### Directors

R Wallace J Hector N J Clark M Carr T Butler

### Secretary and registered office

Beach Secretaries Limited, Hazeldean, Station Road, Leatherhead, Surrey, KT22 7AA

### Company number

5443889

#### Auditors

BDO LLP Emerald House East Street Epsom KT17 1HS

### Directors' report

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011

#### Principal activities

The company principally acts as a holding company for subsidiaries

#### Results

The profit and loss account is set out on page 5 and shows the profit for the year after receipt of a dividend from a group undertaking

#### Dividends

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend in respect of the ordinary share capital of the company

#### Directors

The directors in office during the year were as follows

R Wallace
J Hector
N J Clark
M Carr
T Butler (Appointed 04<sup>th</sup> October 2011)

### Directors' responsibilities

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

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

## Directors' report (continued)

### **Auditors**

The current directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any information needed by the company's auditors for the purpose of their audit and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information. The directors are not aware of any relevant information of which the auditors are unaware

BDO LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office and a resolution to re-appoint them will be proposed at the annual general meeting

In preparing this directors' report advantage has been taken of the small companies' exemption

By order of the Board

T W Butler Director

Date 17th April 2012

### Independent Auditor's Report to the Shareholders of Kellen Venture Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Kellen Venture Limited for the year ended 31 December 2011 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet and the related notes. 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'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 auditors

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). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB'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 APBs website at www frc org uk/apb/scope/private cfm

#### 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<sup>st</sup> December 2011 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

### Independent Auditor's Report to the Shareholders of Kellen Venture Limited

(continued)

#### Opinion on other matters 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, or
- the directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements and the directors' report in accordance with the small companies' regime

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Andrew Stickland (semor statutory auditor)
For and on behalf of BDO LLP statutory auditor
Epsom, Surrey

United Kingdom

Date 19th April 2012

BDO LLP is a limited liability partnership registered in England and Wales (with registered number OC305127)

### Profit and loss account

for the year ended 31 December 2011

	Note	Year ended 31 December 2011 £	Year ended 31 December 2010 £
Dividend from share in group undertaking		4,615,670	5,000,000
Administrative expenses		(3,120)	(3,161)
Profit on ordinary activities		4,612,550	4,996,839
Interest payable and similar charges	3	(6,896,237)	(6,056,133)
Interest receivable	4	1,009,738	804,439
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	2	(1,273,949)	(254,855)
Tax credit on ordinary activities	5	1,560,749	1,471,359
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation	11	286,800	1,216,504

The operating loss of the company arose solely from continuing activities There are no recognised gains or losses other than the loss for the financial period

### **Balance** sheet

at 31 December 2011

Note	31 December 2011	31 December 2010 £
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6	52,020,233	52,020,233
7	48,680,741	46,945,676
	1,012,580	945,154
	49,693,321	47,890,830
8	(61,614,299)	(60,972,592)
	(11,920,978)	(13,081,762)
	40,099,255	38,938,471
9	(19,330,994)	(18,457,010)
	20,768,261	20,481,461
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10	19,627,847	19,627,847
H	1,140,414	853,614
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These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2012 and are signed on its behalf by

T W Butler

The notes on page 7 to 12 form part of the financial statements

### Notes forming part of the financial statements

#### 1 Accounting policies

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

#### Basis of preparation

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

The company is exempt under section 401 of the Companies Act 2006 from the obligation to prepare group accounts and to deliver them to the Registrar of Companies. The financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

In accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 1 (Revised), the company is exempt from preparing a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of a company whose consolidated accounts include a consolidated cash flow statement dealing with the cash flow of the group

As 100% of the company's voting rights are controlled within the group headed by ESP Gas Group Limited the company has taken advantage of the exemptions contained in Financial Reporting Standard 8 and has therefore not disclosed transactions or balances with entities which form part of the group (or investees of the group qualifying as related parties). The consolidated financial statements of ESP Gas Group Limited, within which this company is included, are publicly available as described in note 14.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, notwithstanding net current liabilities of £11,920,978 (2010 £13,081,762). The company is dependent for its working capital on funds provided to it by a fellow group undertaking. This group undertaking has confirmed it will not seek repayment of amounts outstanding until there are sufficient funds available for the company to be able to make such a repayment. This should enable the company to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future by meeting its liabilities as they fall due for payment.

As with any company placing reliance on other group entities for financial support, the directors acknowledge that there can be no certainty that this support will continue although, at the date of approval of these financial statements, they have no reason to believe that it will not do so

Based on this undertaking the directors believe that it remains appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that would result from the basis of preparation being inappropriate.

#### Investments

Investments are stated at cost less amounts written off where the directors believe that there is an impairment

#### Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the result for the period. 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 reversed by the balance sheet date, except as otherwise required by FRS 19

### Dividends

Dividend income is recognised when the dividend has been approved by the shareholder and the company is legally entitled to them

2011 £

1,009,738

1,009,738

# Notes (continued)

Loss on ordinary activities before taxation

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Loss on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging Auchtors' remuneration – Audit	Year ended 31 December 2011 £ 2,500	Year ended 31 December 2010 £ 2,529
3 Interest payable and similar charges		
	Year ended 31 December 2011 £	Year ended 31 December 2010 £
Interest on loans from group companies Loan note interest	4,392,582 2,503,655	3,655,510 2,400,623
	6,896,237	6,056,133
4 Interest receivable		
	Year ended 31 December	Year ended 31 December

Interest received from group undertakings

2010

804,439

804,439

### Taxation

	Year ended 31 December 2011 £	Year ended 31 December 2010 £
UK Corporation tax Current tax credit on income in the period Adjustment in respect of prior periods	1,560,749 -	1,471,359
Total current tax creds	1,560,749	1,471,359

Factors affecting the tax charge for the current period
The current tax credit for the period is higher (2010 higher) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 26 5%

	Year ended 31 December 2011 £	Year ended 31 December 2010 £
Current tax reconciliation		
Loss on ordinary activities before tax	(1,273,949)	(254,855)
Current tax at 26 5% (2010 28%) Effects of	337,596	71,359
Adjustment in respect of non taxable dividend	1,223,153	1,400,000
Total current tax credit	1,560,749	1,471,359

6 Investments			
		Investi	ment in subsidiary
Cost and net book value at 1 January 2011 Additions			52,020,233
Cost and net book value at 31 December 2011			52,020,233
The subsidiary operates and is registered in England and	Wales, as follows		
Company name	Nature of business	Class of shares held	Holding (%)
ESP Connections Limited	Gas transportation	Ordinary	100
7 Debtors			
		31 December 2011	31 December 2010
Amounts due from fellow subsidiaries		£ 39,869,602	\$ 39,695,300
Group relief recoverable from fellow subsidiaries Prepayments Other debtors		8,806,098 15 5,026	7,245,349 - 5,027
		48,680,741	46,945,676
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8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	ır		
		31 December 2011 £	31 December 2010 £
Accruals and deferred income Amounts owed to fellow subsidiaries		3,373 61,610,926	2,813 60,969,779
		61,614,299	60,972,592

### 9 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

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Loan notes - fellow subsidianes	19,330,994	18,457,010

The loan notes are repayable in 2015 and attract an interest rate of 13 63% per annum. Interest to date has been rolled into the principal amount.

## 10 Share capital

10 Share capital		
	31 December 2011 £	31 December 2010 £
Authorised 20,000,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	20,000,000	20,000,000
	31 December 2011 £	31 December 2010
Allotted, called up and fully paid 19,627,847 Ordinary shares of £1 each	19,627,847	19,627,847
11 Profit and loss account		
	Year ended 31 December 2011	Year ended 31 December 2010
	£	£
Profit for the financial period Profit and loss account at the beginning of the period	286,800 853,614	1,216,504 (362,890)
Profit and loss account at the end of period	1,140,414	853,614
12 Reconciliation of movement in shareholders' funds		
	Year ended 31 December 2011 £	Year ended 31 December 2010 £
Profit for the period	286,800	1,216,504
Opening shareholders' funds	20,481,461	19,264,957
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Closing shareholders' funds

20,481,461

20,768,261

#### 13 Contingent liability

The company holds £942,587 (2010 £872,587) on an escrow account on behalf of other group companies. This is a regulatory requirement and would be used to ensure the continuity of gas supplied by the group company in the event of the group company being unable to continue trading

### 14 Immediate and ultimate holding company and parent undertaking of larger group

The company's immediate holding company is E S. Pipelines Limited, a company registered in England. The company's ultimate holding company is Zoom Holding Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

The largest group in which the results of the company are consolidated is that headed by Zoom Holding Limited. The smallest group in which the results of the company are consolidated is that headed by ESP Gas Group Limited. Copies of these consolidated financial statements are available from Companies House.