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Surname	Green	
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Affinitus Renewable Energy Limited (In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation)

Annual Progress Report to 17 June 2019

Vincent John Green Mark Newman

Crowe U.K. LLP 4 Mount Ephraim Road Tunbridge Wells Kent TN1 1EE



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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

On 18 June 2013, Vincent John Green and Mark Newman of Crowe U.K. LLP were appointed Joint Liquidators of Affinitus Renewable Energy Limited ("the Company").

This Progress Report summarises the progress of the Liquidation for the period from 18 June 2018 to 17 June 2019 ("the Reporting Period").

Statutory information relating to the Company is attached at Appendix I.

#### 2. ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING

The Joint Liquidators are required to meet a considerable number of statutory and regulatory obligations. Whilst many of these tasks do not have a direct benefit in enhancing realisations for the insolvent estate, they assist in the efficient and compliant progression of the administration of the case, which ensures that work is carried out to high professional standards. A detailed list of these tasks can be found at **Appendix II**.

#### Reporting

The Joint Liquidators have met their statutory and regulatory duties to report to creditors, as listed below. In consideration of the need for transparency and engagement with creditors, care has been taken to ensure that reports and other communications with creditors have provided useful details of the strategies pursued and the outcomes anticipated.

During the Reporting Period, the following key documents have been issued:

• The fifth annual progress report for the period 18 June 2017 to 17 June 2018.

#### Other administrative tasks

During the Reporting Period, the following material tasks in this category were carried out:

- Conducting periodic case reviews to ensure that the Liquidation is progressing efficiently, effectively and in line with statutory requirements;
- Maintaining case files, including documenting decisions made by the Joint Liquidators that materially affect the Liquidation

#### 3. REALISATION OF ASSETS

The Joint Liquidators' Receipts and Payments account is attached at Appendix III.

There have been no receipts in the period from 18 June 2018 to 17 June 2019.

#### Other Assets

Affinitus Group Limited ("AGL")

As previously reported, according to the Joint Liquidators' investigations, the sum of £50,737.63 is payable to the Company by AGL in respect of an inter-company loan. Demand for repayment was made and in response AGL stated that the Company is a creditor of AGL but provided no evidence of this counterclaim.

In the period prior to this report, Griffin Law LLP ("Griffin"), being a firm of solicitors, was instructed to recover the balance of the loan account. Griffin has been in correspondence with AGL in regard to the Company's claim and payment of this loan is continued to be pursued and counsel's opinion in respect of recoverability of the loan has been obtained.



So not to prejudice the outcome of our negotiations, the Joint Liquidators are unable to provide any further information to creditors at this stage. Further information is expected to be provided within the Joint Liquidators' next report to creditors.

To date legal fees have been paid in the amount of £2,120. Further legal costs may yet be incurred in respect of counsel's costs and legal fees.

#### 4. CREDITORS

Irrespective of whether sufficient realisations are achieved to pay a dividend to creditors, the Joint Liquidators have had to carry out key tasks which are detailed at **Appendix II**. The following sections explain the anticipated outcomes to creditors and any distributions paid.

#### Secured Creditors

The Company has not granted any charges over its assets.

#### Preferential Creditors

No preferential creditor liabilities are recorded on the director's Statement of Affairs and no such claims have been received.

#### **Unsecured Creditors**

The directors' Statement of Affairs listed 43 unsecured creditors including H M Revenue & Customs ("HMRC") with an estimated total liability of £106,720.23. The Joint Liquidators have received claims from 25 unsecured creditors totalling £161,601.21 to date. This sum includes claims amounting to £67,855.86 from 4 creditors not included on the directors' Statement of Affairs, including a counterclaim from a debtor of the Company for incomplete works in the sum of £67,688.04.

Please be advised that the total value of unsecured claims is not confirmed at present.

#### **Dividend Prospects**

The Company has not granted a floating charge to any creditor after 15 September 2003 and consequently the prescribed part provisions do not apply.

Any distribution to non-preferential unsecured creditors will be dependent on the sum of final asset recoveries and the costs of the liquidation.

#### 5. FEES AND EXPENSES

#### The Joint Liquidators' Fees

It is the firm's practice to ensure that work is conducted by the appropriate staff member at the appropriate level of experience. Junior members of staff deal with the day to day administration on cases and a manager and partner then oversees the work undertaken. Where the issues are complex and litigious, the work will be closely supervised or undertaken by a manager or partner.

At the initial meeting of creditors held on 18 June 2013, the following resolution was passed in relation to the Joint Liquidators' on-going fees:

"That the Joint Liquidators' remuneration be fixed by reference to the time properly given by the Joint Liquidators and their staff in attending to matters arising in the winding up, and that the Joint Liquidators may draw remuneration on account from time to time."



The actual time costs in the Reporting Period total £1,133.25, representing 6.15 hours at an average hourly rate of £184.27. No fees have been drawn on account of time costs incurred in the Reporting Period. The total time costs to date amount to £51,776.95 representing 298.18 hours at an average hourly rate of £173.64.

A schedule of the Joint Liquidators' time costs incurred for the Reporting Period and a schedule of total time costs to 17 June 2019 are attached as **Appendix IV**.

#### Expenses & Disbursements

The expenses and disbursements incurred and paid in the Reporting Period and also since the commencement of the Liquidation are detailed below:

#### Category 1 Disbursements

Description	Incurred in	Total	Paid in	Total	Amount still to	
	Period	incurred	<u>Period</u>	paid	be paid	
Postage	£36.06	£127.12	£0.00	£90.51	£36.61	
Online Reporting Fee	£0.00	£44.00	£0.00	£44.00	£0.00	
Search Fees - Land	£0.00	£3.00	£0.00	£3.00	£0.00	
Registry						
Redirection of Mail	£0.00	£360.00	£0.00	£360.00	£0.00	
Storage Costs	£33.60	£47.60	£0.00	£0.00	£47.60	
Statutory Bond	£0.00	£210.00	£0.00	£210.00	£0.00	
Statutory Advertising	£0.00	£253.80	£0.00	£253.80	£0.00	
Insurance of Assets	£0.00	£185.50	£0.00	£185.50	£0.00	
Total	£69.66	£1231.02	£0.00	£1,146.81	£84.21	

#### Category 2 Disbursements

Description	Incurred in Period	Total Paid in incurred Period		Total paid	Amount still to be paid	
Company Searches	£0.00	£15.00	£0.00	£15.00	£0.00	
Mileage	£0.00	£43.69	£0.00	£30.81	£12.88	
Photocopying	£0.00	£5.20	£0.00	£5.20	£0.00	
Internal Meeting Room	£0.00	£50.00	£0.00	£50.00	£0.00	
Total	£0.00	£113.89	£0.00	£101.01	£12.88	

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http://www.insolvency-practitioners.org.uk/regulation-and-guidance/guides-to-fees

Information about insolvency processes can be found on the R3 website at:

http://www.creditorinsolvencyguide.co.uk/

A hard copy of this guidance information will be provided on request.

Crowe U.K. LLP's charge out rate and disbursements policy is attached at Appendix V.

#### 6. CREDITORS' RIGHTS

An unsecured creditor may, with the permission of the Court or with the concurrence of 5% in value of the unsecured creditors (including the creditor in question), request further details of the Joint Liquidators' remuneration and expenses within 21 days of receipt of this report. Any secured creditor may request the same details in the same time limit.



An unsecured creditor may, with the permission of the Court or with the concurrence of 10% in value of the creditors (including the creditor in question), apply to Court to challenge the amount and/or basis of the Joint Liquidators' fees and the amount of any proposed expenses or expenses already incurred, within 8 weeks of receipt of this report. Any secured creditor may make a similar application to court within the same time limit.

## 7. EU REGULATIONS (WHETHER PROCEEDINGS ARE MAIN PROCEEDINGS OR TERRITORIAL)

The Company's centre of main interest was in the UK as its registered office address and trading address was located in the UK. Therefore, it is considered that the EU Regulations apply. These proceedings are main proceedings as defined in the EU Regulation.

#### 8. CONCLUSION

The administration of the Liquidation will continue in order to finalise the following outstanding matters that are preventing the case from being closed:

- Continue to pursue the AGL intercompany Loan
- Finalise the Company's tax and VAT affairs

The Joint Liquidators anticipate that the Liquidation will remain open for a further 9 months to enable these matters to be dealt with.

Should you have any queries, please contact Joe Longhurst at this office.

Signed \_\_\_\_

Vincent Green Joint Liquidator

Date 10 July 2019



#### Appendix I

#### **Statutory Information**

Company Name Affinitus Renewable Energy Limited

Company Number 07901973

Registered Office 4 Mount Ephraim Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN1 1EE

Former Registered Office Unit C7 Spectrum Business Centre, Anthony's Way, Rochester,

ME2 4NP

Office holders Vincent John Green and Mark Newman

Office holders' address Crowe U.K. LLP, 4 Mount Ephraim Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent,

TN1 1EE

Office holders' telephone 01892 700 200

Date of appointment 18 June 2013



#### Appendix II

#### List of Work Undertaken in Reporting Period

General Description	
Administration and Planning	
Document maintenance/file review/checklist	Filing of documents Periodic file reviews Periodic reviews of the application of ethical, anti-money laundering and anti-bribery safeguards Maintenance of statutory and case progression task lists/diaries Updating checklists
Bank account administration Planning Review	Bank account reconciliations Correspondence with bank regarding specific transfers Maintenance of the estate cash book Banking remittances and issuing cheques/BACS payments Discussions regarding strategies to be pursued Meetings with team members and independent advisers to consider practical, technical and legal aspects of the case
Books and records storage	Dealing with records in storage Sending job files to storage
Creaitor reports	Preparing annual progress report, investigation, and general reports to creditors
Realisation of Assets	Investigation into a loan paid to AGL by the Company and recovery actions in respect of that loan.  Meetings, calls and correspondence with Griffin regarding recovery actions
Creditor Communication	Receive and follow up creditor enquiries via telephone Review and prepare correspondence to creditors and their representatives via facsimile, email and post
Dealing with proofs of debt	Receipting and filing PODs

### Affinitus Renewable Energy Limited (In Liquidation) Joint Liquidators' Summary of Receipts & Payments

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Statement of Affairs		From 18/06/2018 To 17/06/2019	From 18/06/2013 To 17/06/2019
£		£	£
	ACCET DE ALICATIONS	••	
40.007.00	ASSET REALISATIONS	AIII	<b>8141</b>
12,227.00	Book Debts	NIL	NIL
NIL 1 000 00	Cash at Bank	NIL	2,611.89
1,000.00	Cash in Hand	NIL Aut	NIL
2,711.26	Inter-Company debts	NIL	2,128.68
700.00	Office Furniture & IT Equipment	NIL	NIL
1,733.66	Other Loan Account	NIL	NIL
11,500.00	Plant & Machinery	NIL	9,000.00
2 500 00	Preference Recovery	NIL	10,000.00
3,500.00	Stock	NIL	3,400.00
8,906.00	VAT Refund	NIL	21,316.63
	0000 05 05 05 0 10 10 10 10	NIL	48,457.20
	COST OF REALISATIONS		
	Agents/Valuers Disbursements	NIL	646.00
	Agents/Valuers Fees (1)	NIL	1,750.00
	Category 1 Disbursements	NIL	137.51
	Category 2 Disbursements	NIL	101.01
	Insurance of Assets	NIL	185.50
	Joint Liquidators' Fees	NIL	32,496.10
	Legal Fees & Disbursements	NIL	409.00
	Legal Fees Held on Account	NIL	1,711.00
	Preparation of S. of A.	NIL	5,000.00
	Re-Direction of Mail	NIL	360.00
	Specific Bond	NIL	210.00
	Statutory Advertising	NIL	253.80
		NIL	(43,259.92)
	UNSECURED CREDITORS		
(1,980.00)	Directors	NIL	NIL
(8,636.00)	HM Revenue & Customs	NIL	NIL
(96,104.23)	Trade & Expense Creditors	NIL	NIL
, ,	•	NIL	NIL
	DISTRIBUTIONS		- · · · · · ·
(3.00)	Ordinary Shareholders	NIL	NIL
(/		NIL	NIL
		****	
(64,445.31)		NIL	5,197.28
• •	REPRESENTED BY		
	Bank 1 Current - Svenska		4,626.42
	Vat Receivable		570.86
			5,197.28

Vincent John Green Joint Liquidator

#### Affinitus Renewable Energy Limited (In Liquidation)

#### Time Cost Summary for the period from 18 June 2018 to 17 June 2019

	Partner	Manager	Case Administrator	Support Staff	Total Hours	Time Cost £	Average Hourly Rate £
Administration and Planning							
Tax & VAT			0.55		0.55	90.75	165.00
Statutory Matters		0.80	3.20		4.00	760.00	190.00
Case Accounting			1.10		1.10	137.50	125.00
Investigations							
Antecedent Transactions		0.50			0.50	145.00	290.00
Total Hours		1.30	4.85		6.15		
Total Cost		377.00	756.25			1,133.25	
Average Hourly Rate		Γ					184.27

#### Affinitus Renewable Energy Limited (in Liquidation)

Time Cost Summary for the period from 18 June 2013 to 17 June 2019

	Do-d		Case Administrator	Support Staff	Total Hours	Time Cost £	Average
Administration and Planning	Partner	Manager	Administrator	Statt	HOUIS		Hourly Rate £
Case General Administration	-	2.60	15.40	0.80	18.80	2.226.00	118.40
Tax & VAT		1.80	8.00	0.00	9.80	1,545.25	
Legal / Litigation	6.50	9.50	3.00		19.00	4,344.00	
Statutuory Matters	4.50	11.40			45.20	8,020.50	
Case Accounting	7.00	3.25	14.45	0.85	18.55		
Strategy / Case Review	10.50	10.10	36.95	2.60	60.15		174.70
Property Related	10.50	10:10	0.65	2.00	0.65		140.00
Investigations							
SIP2 / CDDA		7.10	14.65		21.75	2,978.50	136.94
Antecedent Transactions	7.50	49.30			56.80	12,562.50	221.17
Realisation of Assets							
Book Debts		2.10	4.50		6.60	1,050.50	159.17
Furniture & Equipt / Plant & Machinery			3.45		3.45	483.00	140.00
Motor Vehicles			5.25	1	5.25	735.00	140.00
Other		1.80	3.30		5.10	822.00	161.18
Stock			0.50		0.50	70.00	140.00
Creditors							
Unsecured Creditors		2.30	16.53	Ī	18.83	2,739.70	145.50
Employees			1.40		1.40	196.00	140.00
Retention of Title			0.90		0.90	126.00	140.00
Secured			0.20		0.20	28.00	140.00
Case Specific Matters							
Shareholder - Communication			5.25		5.25	735.00	140.00
Total Hours	29.00	101.25	163.68	4.25	298.18		
Total Cost	8,700.00	20,453.00	21,272.70	218.00		51,776.95	
Average Hourly Rate	300.00	202.00	129.97	51.29			173.64

Joint Liquidators' Fees drawn from estate funds in accordance with time cost resolution approved at the meeting of creditors on 18 June 2013

£32,496.10



#### **CROWE U.K. LLP**

#### **RECOVERY SOLUTIONS**

#### **CHARGE-OUT RATES AND DISBURSEMENTS**

The table below sets out the charge-out rates utilised by Recovery Solutions at Crowe U.K. LLP for charging staff time:-

Partner £375 per hour
Director £290 per hour

Senior Manager/Manager £210 to £250 per hour

Assistant Manager £180 per hour Senior Administrator £165 per hour Administrator £125 per hour Trainee/support staff £65 per hour

It should be noted that the above rates may increase from time to time over the period of the administration of each insolvency case. The above rates are effective from 1 April 2018. Time is charged in six minute units.

Category 1 disbursements are charged at the actual cost at which they are incurred and are directly attributable to the case. Category 1 disbursements include statutory advertising, specific bond insurance, external records storage and postage. Reimbursement of Category 1 disbursements does not require the approval of creditors.

Category 2 disbursements are those incurred by Crowe U.K. LLP and re-charged to the case and they may include a profit element. Category 2 disbursements are reimbursed from the case only when the basis of the disbursement charge has been approved by creditors in advance.

It is the firm's policy to recover the following disbursements:

Photocopying Re-charged at 10p per sheet

Internal room hire Charged at £50 per meeting held in house

Company searches £15 per corporate case
Mileage Charged at 45 pence per mile

#### **GUIDES TO FEES AND BEST PRACTICE**

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