Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2020

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STRATEGIC REPORT

The directors present their Strategic Report for the period from 01 January 2020 to 31 December 2020.

Xtera provides subsea telecommunications solutions worldwide. The Group offers un-repeatered and repeatered subsea connectivity, using high bandwidth undersea amplifiers, as well as a full range of turnkey services and solutions, including system design, on-shore and off-shore security, landing route and station development, and operational support.

Business review and future developments

The Group loss for the period, after taxation, was \$826,858 (2019: \$626,437).

Xtera's long term goal is to continue to invest in its world class portfolio of IP, and to build on existing contracts with customers. The Group will also broaden the customer base by opening up new revenue streams, such as licensing IP.

As permitted under UK Company Law, the Group has opted to prepare its financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union (EU). The financial statements have been prepared on an historical cost basis as applied by the Companies Act 2006. The IFRS adopted by the EU and applied by the Group and Company are those that were effective as at 31 December 2020. These have been consistently applied in the preparation of these financial statements.

The Group's key financial and other performance indicators during the period ending 31 December 2020 were as follows:

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Turnover (continuing operations)	19,817,476	9,651,646
Operating loss	(395,909)	(562,190)
Total comprehensive loss for the period	(925,088)	(1,034,423)
Shareholder's (deficit)	(6,499,517)	(5,574,429)

The Group derives a substantial majority of revenue from turnkey sales and from the sale of its products and also from the sales of support services related to the products. The main driver of operating loss in 2020 was the delayed orders from customers because of the lockdowns and uncertainty from Covid-19. Because of the delay the revenue from some orders will be recognised only in 2021. The Group won a turnkey contract in the first half of 2020. However, the substantial portion of the turnkey sales and its profitability will be recorded only in 2021. The operating loss in prior year was driven primarily because of delay in getting the turnkey contracts. The group has also won another turnkey contract in 2021 which is expected to have a positive impact on revenue and profitability for the years 2021 and 2022.

Shareholders' (deficit) includes retained losses of \$22,129,536 (2019: \$21,302,678).

STRATEGIC REPORT (continued)

Principal risks and uncertainties

The Board has established a risk committee that meets quarterly, and which evaluates the Group's risk appetite. The principal risks and uncertainties facing the Group are broadly Grouped as — Operational risk, Competition risk, Brexit risk, Credit risk, Liquidity risk and foreign currency risk.

Operational risk

The Group has put together a management incentive plan to attract and retain key personnel in the Group. The Group also has a management team put in place for enforcement of IP through active litigation. The Group continues to invest in key technologies to ensure that its products are differentiated and create unique value in the marketplace.

Competition risk

Xtera's IP has a competitive advantage as it increases the line's bandwidth from 36 nanometres to 100 nanometres, allowing the Group to offer nearly three times more data-carrying wavelengths, or channels, than its competitors, and at two times the distance. This also allows the Group to offer an attractive combination of higher line capacity, better noise performance and high optical power efficiency. However as with all of our products and services, our competitors continue to make investments in R&D and can offer products and services that can rival our offering or can offer better terms to customers that may undercut our business. Hence the Group has to make continuous investments in technology to retain the competitive advantage.

Brexit risk

The Group's customers operate mainly in the US so the work carried out by the Group for its customers are in the US. Expertise and staff required to undertake trading activities are sourced from US, and as the group has minimum exposure to European market directors do not believe that Brexit will have significant operational level impact. However, the key challenge in relation to Brexit is the uncertainty surrounding regulatory and economic environment in the UK which the directors can assess only after the position is confirmed by the UK parliament.

Exposure to credit, and liquidity risk:

Credit risk: The Group's exposure to credit risk arises in respect of the following:

- Cash and cash equivalents
 - The Group's cash and cash equivalents are held mainly with JP Morgan Chase Bank NA, which is rated A+ by S&P for 2020
- Receivables from Customers
 - The Group has receivables from Customers on projects and on services. The credit risk related to this is considered small due to the small credit term involved and high quality of the customers. As of the reporting date all the receivables on the balance sheet have been recovered.

Liquidity risk:

- The Group renegotiated its repayment obligation with its bank and secured \$4m of additional Funds from its investor HIG during the year. It has sufficient liquidity as of the balance sheet date and also has receivables that will be sufficient to meet its obligations.

Foreign Currency risk:

The Group has operations in different countries and hence has exposure to movements in different currencies.
 The Group primarily earns revenue in US Dollars but has significant exposure to the fluctuations in GBP.
 Management has decided to keep its exposure in GBP unhedged and has not relied on derivative instruments.
 The management seeks to hedge its risk long term by generating revenue in GBP.

STRATEGIC REPORT (continued)

Coronavirus (COVID-19) risk:

The management believes that current economic conditions related to Covid-19 may create uncertainty, causing delays in customer orders and collections. The group faced initial delays in the first half of 2020, in securing customer upgrade orders. However, after some initial delays, the customer orders have picked up and are at comparable levels to 2019. The Telecom industry has largely remained immune to the effects of Covid-19 because of higher demand for bandwidth from residential customers. This has resulted in our customers continuing to place orders to upgrade bandwidth.

The management believes that the following may impact project execution timelines for the following reasons:

- Delays because of supply chain disruption
- Delays in access to customers
- Availability of employees due to sickness
- Disruption in travel of employees and subcontractors

The management has taken following steps to mitigate these:

- Implemented systems and enabled seamless remote work from home for all employees and subcontractors
- Mandatory work from home for all its employees since March 2020 and only allowing short duration office visit on a case by case basis, wherever it's deemed particularly necessary because of the nature of work like shipping, engineering, customer service or R&D
- Restricted domestic and international travel for employees
- All customer and supplier meetings and service requests have been carried out remotely by employees

The group primarily relies on extended care service contracts, repairs and regular yearly equipment upgrade contracts with its customers to meet a major part of its day to day working capital requirements. The group in addition also works on securing large turnkey contracts. Turnkey contracts are key to profitability and growth of the business and provides a long-term working capital buffer in periods of uncertainty.

The group has won a high value turnkey contract in 2020 and another in the year 2021. The group has also entered negotiations with a number of potential customers and forecasts that additional turnkey contracts will be secured and won in 2021 and in 2022.

The Group secured \$4m of additional Funds from its investor HIG during the year 2019. The group has currently drawn \$2m of the facility from HIG. Under the terms of the agreement with HIG, final repayment of facility is due on 22 September 2022. The Group is projecting sufficient liquidity during the year to repay this obligation to HIG.

This report was approved by the Board on	13/9/2021	and signed on its behalf by:
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Stuart Barnes

Stuart Robert Barnes Director

DIRECTORS REPORT

The directors present their report together with the audited financial statements of the Group & Company for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Principal activity

The Group operates in the area of sub-sea telecoms solutions and the supply of both un-repeatered and repeatered systems, using its high-performance optical amplifiers to deliver traffic directly inland to cities.

Results and dividends

The Group loss after taxation amounted to \$826,858 (2019: \$626,437). No dividend is proposed for the period.

Directors

The directors who served during the financial period were as follows:

Stuart Robert Barnes
James George Mitchell
Carl Harring- resigned 18 August 2020
Leigh Esmond Hadyn Frame – appointed 18 August 2020
Michael John Evangelos Pothitos – appointed 18 August 2020

Subsequent events

There were no material transactions or events after 31 December 2020.

Future developments

It is the intention of the directors to continue to develop the activities of the Group, as noted in the Strategic Report.

Going concern

A summary of the directors' considerations in respect of going concern is set out in Note 3.3

Disclosure of information to the auditors

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 Group's auditor, each director has taken all the steps that he/she is obliged to take as a director in order to made himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

Auditors

Grant Thornton UK LLP was appointed auditors during the year. Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor will be deemed to be reappointed and Grant Thornton UK LLP will therefore continue in office.

This report was approved by the Board and signed on its behalf by:

Stuart Barnes

Stuart Robert Barnes Director 13/9/2021

DIRECTORS RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, the Directors' Report and consolidated financial statements in accordance with applicable UK law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under the law, the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union (EU). 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 Group and Company, and of the profit or loss of the Group for that period.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies for the Group financial statements and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- state that the financial statements comply with IFRS as adopted by the EU, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group and Company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Group's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Group & Company to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Group & Company for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF XTERA TOPCO LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Xtera Topco Limited (the 'parent company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 December 2020, which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Total Comprehensive Income, the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, the Company Statement of Financial Position, the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity, the Company Statement of Changes in Equity, the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and international accounting standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and, as regards the parent company financial statements, as applied in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006.

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and of the parent company's affairs as at 31 December 2020 and of the group's loss for the year then ended;
- the group financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with international accounting standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006;
- the parent company financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with international
 accounting standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and as applied in
 accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006; and
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements' section of our report. We are independent of the group and the parent company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of matter- effects of future contracts

We draw attention to Note 3.6 to the financial statements, which sets out the effects of future turnkey contracts. The recoverability of investments in subsidiaries (\$15,604,223) and amounts due from group companies (\$19,381,821) included in parent company's Statement of Financial Position are based on management winning new turnkey contracts during the financial years 2021-2024. These new turnkey contracts have yet to be finalised however the negotiation with the customers are at a significantly advanced stage. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We are responsible for concluding on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the group's and the parent company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify the auditor's opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our report. However, future events or conditions may cause the group or the parent company to cease to continue as a going concern.

In our evaluation of the directors' conclusions, we considered the inherent risks associated with the group's and the parent company's business model including effects arising from macro-economic uncertainties such as Brexit and Covid-19, we assessed and challenged the reasonableness of estimates made by the directors and the related disclosures and analysed how those risks might affect the group's and the parent company's financial resources or ability to continue operations over the going concern period.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF XTERA TOPCO LIMITED

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the group's and the parent company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

The responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the 'Responsibilities of directors for the financial statements' section of this report.

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the strategic report and the directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the strategic report and the directors' report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matter on which we are required to report under the Companies Act 2006

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the parent company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the strategic report or the directors' report.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent company, or returns adequate for our audit
 have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent company 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.

Responsibilities of directors for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement on page 7, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF XTERA TOPCO LIMITED

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the group's and the parent company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the group or the parent company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that material misstatements in the financial statements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with the ISAs (UK).

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- The Group and Parent Company is subject to many laws and regulations where the consequences of
 non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements. We
 identified the following laws and regulations as the most likely to have a material effect if non-compliance
 were to occur; financial reporting legislation, distributable profits legislation, tax legislation, anti-bribery
 legislation and employment law.
- We communicated relevant laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit.
- We understood how the Group is complying with those legal and regulatory frameworks by making inquiries
 of management and those charged with governance. We corroborated our inquiries through our review of
 board minutes provided by management.
- We assessed the susceptibility of the Group's financial statements to material misstatement, including how
 fraud might occur, by making enquiries of management, those charged with governance, legal advisers and
 internal audit. We utilised internal and external information to corroborate these enquiries and to perform a
 fraud risk assessment for the Group as a whole. We considered the risk of fraud to be higher through the
 potential for management override of controls.
- Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:
 - evaluation of the programmes and controls established to address the risks related to irregularities and fraud;
 - testing manual journal entries, in particular journal entries relating to management estimates, entries
 processed by unauthorised user, and entries determined to be large or relating to unusual transactions;
 and,
 - identifying and testing related party transactions
- Assessment of the appropriateness of the collective competence and capabilities of the engagement team included consideration of the engagement team's:
 - understanding of, and practical experience with audit engagements of a similar nature and complexity through appropriate training and participation;
 - knowledge of the industry in which the client operates; and,
 - understanding of the legal and regulatory requirements specific to the Group.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF XTERA TOPCO LIMITED

Use of our report

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.

Christian Heeger Bsc FCA Senior Statutory Auditor for and on behalf of Grant Thornton UK LLP Statutory Auditor, Chartered Accountants Crawley 13/9/2021

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

		2020	2019
	Notes	\$	\$
Continuing operations:			
Revenue	4	19,817,476	9,651,646
Cost of sales	5	(10,074,211)	(3,623,351)
Gross profit		9,743,265	6,028,295
Operating expenses		(10,139,174)	(11,419,927)
Exceptional income	8	-	2,604,123
Other income			2,225,319
Operating loss		(395,909)	(562,190)
Interest expense	7	(486,966)	(634,644)
Finance charges		(797)	(1,510)
Currency gain (loss)		(795,690)	471,907
Loss before tax on continuing operations		(1,679,362)	(726,437)
Income tax	9	852,504	100,000
Loss for the period from continuing operations		(826,858)	(626,437)
Other comprehensive loss: Items that may be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss:			
Exchange differences on retranslation of foreign subsidiaries		(98,230)	(407,986)
Other comprehensive loss		(98,230)	(407,986)
Total comprehensive loss for the period		(925,088)	(1,034,423)
Attributable to equity holders of the parent		(925,088)	(1,034,423)

All group operations are continuing.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

		2020	2019
	Notes	\$	\$
Assets		,	-
Property, plant and equipment	10	646,397	768,121
Intangible assets	12	579,324	1,158,088
Right-of-use assets	11	646,141	1,027,255
Deferred tax asset	9	2,053,025	1,131,093
Other non-current assets		316,518	26,615
Total non-current assets		4,241,405	4,111,172
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Prepayments and other receivables	14	2,047,411	219,884
Inventories	15	5,343,853	5,094,800
Contract assets		793,434	-
Trade and other receivables	16	1,567,728	1,856,441
Unbilled receivable		-	2,314,511
Cash and cash equivalents	17	2,625,887	935,601
Total current assets		12,378,313	10,421,237
Total assets		16,619,718	14,532,409
Equity and liabilities			
Equity			
Share Premium	18	156,043	156,043
Share Capital	18	15,448,149	15,448,149
Retranslation reserve	18	25,827	124,057
Prior Year Earnings	18	(21,302,678)	(20,676,241)
Loss for the year	18	(826,858)_	(626,437)
Total equity		(6,499,517)	(5,574,429)
Liabilities			
Interest bearing loans and borrowings	20	2,700,000	3,509,716
Lease liability	11	359,607	668,162
Deferred tax liability	9	1,123,037	1,123,037
Warranty provision	19	949,171	941,967
Total non-current liabilities		5,131,815	6,242,882
			
Trade and other payables	21	5,465,075	4,595,420
Interest bearing loans and borrowings	20	7,046,936	6,200,000
Lease liability	11,21	436,713	415,173
Other accrued liabilities	21	1,309,784	1,728,578
Accrued compensation and benefits	21	595,800	437,031
Deferred revenue	22	2,913,725	406,485
Warranty provision	19	219,387	81,269
Total current liabilities		17,987,420	13,863,956
Total liabilities		23,119,235	20,106,838
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Total equity and liabilities		16,619,718	14,532,409
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020 (continued)

The financial statements were approved by the board on $\frac{13}{9}/2021$ and signed on its behalf by:

Stuart Barnes

Stuart Robert Barnes

Director

COMPANY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
Assets			
Investment in subsidiary	13	15,604,223	15,604,223
Total non-current assets	_	15,604,223	15,604,223
Prepayments and other receivables	14	207,048	50,908
Intercompany receivable		19,381,821	11,487,581
Cash and cash equivalents	17	85,750	63,925
Total current assets	_	19,674,619	11,602,414
Total assets	-	35,278,842	27,206,637
Equity and liabilities Equity			
Share Premium	18	156,043	156,043
Share capital	18	15,448,149	15,448,149
Retranslation reserve	18	(936,944)	(743,007)
Prior Year Earnings	18	(2,786,258)	(2,051,386)
Profit / (loss) for the Year	18	10,135	(734,872)
Total equity	=	11,891,125	12,074,927
Liabilities			
Interest bearing loans and borrowings	20	2,700,000	3,509,716
Total non-current liabilities	=	2,700,000	3,509,716
Trade and other payables	21	1,518,448	1,916,118
Interest bearing loans and borrowings	20	7,046,936	6,200,000
Intercompany payable		12,038,049	3,349,462
Other accrued liabilities	21	56,986	154,386
Accrued compensation and benefits	21	27,298_	2,028
Total current liabilities	_	20,687,717	11,621,994
Total liabilities	=	23,387,717	15,131,710
Total conity and liabilities	-	35,278,842	27,206,637
Total equity and liabilities	=	33,270,042	27,200,037

The financial statements were approved by the board on $\frac{13}{9}$ and signed on its behalf by:

Stuart Barnes

Stuart Robert Barnes

Director

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Called up share capital \$	Share premium account	Retained earnings \$	Retranslation reserve	Total \$
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Balance at 1 January 2020 Comprehensive income for the year	156,043	15,448,149	(21,302,678)	124,057	(5,574,429)
Loss attributable to equity holders	-	-	(826,858)	-	(826,558)
Retranslation reserve				(98,230)	(98,230)
Balance at 31 December 2020	156,043	15,448,149	(22,129,536)	25,827	(6,499,517)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	Called up share capital	Share premium account	Retained earnings	Retranslation reserve	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 January 2019 Comprehensive income for the year	156,043	15,448,149	(20,676,241)	532,043	(4,540,006)
Loss attributable to equity holders	_	-	(626,437)	-	(626,437)
Retranslation reserve	-	_		(407,986)	(407,986)
Balance at 31 December 2019	156,043	15,448,149_	(21,302,678)	124,057	(5,574,429)

COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Called up share capital \$	Share premium account	Retained earnings \$	Retranslation reserve	Total \$
Balance at 1 January 2020 Comprehensive income for the year	156,043	15,448,149	(2,786,258)	(743,007)	12,074,927
Profit attributable to equity holders	-	-	10,135	-	10,135
Retranslation reserve				(193,937)	(193,937)
Balance at 31 December 2020	156,043	15,448,149	(2,776,123)	(936,944)	11,891,125

COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	Called up share capital	Share premium account \$	Retained earnings	Retranslation reserve	Total \$
Balance at 1 January 2019 Comprehensive income for the year	156,043	15,448,149	(2,051,386)	(597,787)	12,955,019
Loss attributable to equity holders	-	Ē	(734,872)	-	(734,872)
Retranslation reserve		<u>.</u>		(145,220)	(145,220)
Balance at 31 December 2019	156,043	15,448,149	(2,786,258)	(743,007)	12,074,927

Xtera Topco Ltd

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

		2020	2019
	Notes	\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Loss from operations before tax		(1,679,362)	(726,437)
Adjustments to reconcile loss before tax to net cash			, , ,
flows:			
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	10	307,765	341,722
Amortisation and impairment of intangible assets	12	578,764	591,912
Amortisation of right-of-use assets	11	434,884	425,071
Net foreign exchange differences		697,460	(407,986)
Finance costs-net	7	486,966	634,644
Operating cash flows before changes in working	-	· ·	,
capital		826,477	858,926
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Decrease in trade and other receivables		775,697	2,840,711
(Decrease) in trade and other payables		(110,167)	(8,320,221)
(Increase)/decrease in inventories		(249,053)	724,617
Increase in contract assets		(793,434)	-
Decrease/(increase) in deferred revenue		2,507,240	(113,285)
Net cash flows from operating activities	-	2,956,760	(4,009,252)
the case nows from operating activities	-	2,20,100	(1,000,232)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Interest paid	7	(393,086)	(518,909)
Lease payments		(397,444)	(484,726)
Proceeds from borrowings		· -	1,240,719
Net cash flows from financing activities	-	(790,530)	237,084
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Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant & equipment	10	(186,041)	-
Other long term assets		(289,903)	(954)
Net cash outflow from investing activities	_	(475,944)	(954)
3	_		
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		1,690,286	(3,773,122)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial			
period	_	935,601	4,708,723
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial			
period	17	2,625,887	935,601
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NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1. Corporate Information

Xtera Topco Limited (formerly Neptune Subsea Acquisitions Limited) is a limited liability Company incorporated in England under the Companies Act 2006. The registered office of the Company is Bates House, Church Road, Harold Wood, Essex RM3 0SD, U.K.

2. Statement of compliance and basis of preparation

The consolidated and Company's financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis and in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as adopted by the EU and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements, which are presented in US Dollars (the Group's functional currency) have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The Company has opted to use the exemption under the provisions of Section 408 of the Company's Act 2006 and hence is not presenting its statement of total comprehensive income and statement of cash flows.

3. Summary of Significant 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.

3.1 New standards effective from 1 January 2020 relevant to the Group and Company

There are certain amendments to accounting standards that are mandatorily effective for periods starting 1 January 2020. The application of these amendments had no significant impact on the Group's and Company's financial statements.

3.2 New standards and interpretations not yet applied

Certain amendments to accounting standards and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for 31 December 2020 reporting periods and have not been early adopted by the Group and the Company. These standards are not expected to have a material impact on the entity in the current or future reporting periods an on foreseeable future transactions.

3.3 Going concern

The accompanying financial statements as at 31 December 2020 have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Group has funded its operations through a combination of bank debt, draws on line of credit and from common stock.

The group primarily relies on extended care service contracts, repairs and regular yearly equipment upgrade contracts with its customers to meet a major part of its day to day working capital requirements. The group in addition also works on securing large turnkey contracts. Turnkey contracts are key to profitability and growth of the business and provides a long-term working capital buffer in periods of uncertainty.

The group has won a high value turnkey contract in 2020 and another in the year 2021. The group has also entered negotiations with a number of potential customers and forecasts that additional turnkey contracts will be secured and won in 2021 and in 2022.

The Group secured \$4m of additional Funds from its investor HIG during the year 2019. The group has currently drawn \$2m of the facility from HIG. Under the terms of the agreement with HIG, final repayment of facility is due on 22 September 2022. The Group is projecting sufficient liquidity during the year to repay this obligation to HIG.

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (Continued)

Exceptional items

Exceptional items are any income recognised during the year by the group that is outside of the ordinary course of business and of a material nature. Exceptional items are separately disclosed on the face of the statement of total comprehensive income.

Exceptional items for the year has been detailed in note 8 of these accounts.

3.5 Estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRSs requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies.

In determining the carrying amounts of certain assets and liabilities, the Group makes assumptions of the effects of uncertain future events on those assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date. The Group's estimates and assumptions are based on historical experience and expectation of future events and are reviewed annually. This excludes uncertainty over future events and judgements in respect of measuring financial instruments.

The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below:

(a) Establishing useful economic lives of intangible assets and other long-term assets other than Goodwill

Intangible assets and other tangible long-term assets, comprise a significant portion of the total assets. The annual depreciation and amortisation charge depends primarily on the estimated useful economic lives of each type of asset and estimates of residual values. The directors regularly review these assets useful economic lives and change them as necessary to reflect current thinking on remaining lives in light of prospective economic utilisation and physical condition of the assets concerned. Changes in assets' useful lives can have a significant impact on depreciation and amortisation charges for the period. Detail of the useful economic lives is included in the accounting policies notes 3.20 and 3.21.

(b) Deferred taxes

Deferred tax assets are recognised for unused tax losses to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the losses can be utilised. Management judgement is required to determine the amount of deferred tax assets that can be recognised, based upon the future customer contracts; and the level of future taxable profits generated by these contracts.

(c) Warranty provision

The accounting for future warranty claims are based on a reasonable estimate, derived from history of actual cost of warranty claims and calculating the relationship between costs incurred and revenue or units sold. This information can be applied to current sales level that can form the basis for a justification of the amount that can be accrued as a warranty reserve. The accrual is made in the same reporting period in which the related product sales are recorded. Detail of the warranty provisions are provided in note 19.

(d) Revenue recognition

The Group recognises revenue for some of its revenue streams over time based on percentage completion. In recognising revenue on percentage completion, the group must make estimates of work done on the contract, within the Group and also by its various subcontractors. Management judgement is required to ensure that the estimates given by the subcontractors for work done are fair and accurate. Refer to note 3.19 for a detailed explanation of the accounting policy.

(e) Inventory provision

The Group has a policy of reviewing its inventory and determining obsolescence based on an estimate of its usage in the future on projects that are active and in the pipeline. Management judgement is required to determine the appropriateness of such reserve. Detail of the inventory provisions are provided in note 15.

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (Continued)

f) Investments in subsidiaries

The company's assessment of impairment in the carrying value of its investment in subsidiaries involves management judgement on the likely timing and value of future customer contracts, and the level of future profits generated by these contracts. In particular the carrying value of the investments in subsidiaries is highly dependent upon new turnkey contracts being secured, which is further disclosed in note 3.6.

g) Amounts due from group companies

The company's assessment of impairment in the carrying value of amounts due from group companies involves management judgement on the likely timing and value of future customer contracts, and the level of future profits generated by these contracts. In particular the carrying value of the investments in subsidiaries is highly dependent upon new turnkey contracts being secured, which is further disclosed in note 3.6.

3.6 Effects of future turnkey contracts

In 2020 the Group won one turnkey contract with total value of €44.3m. A substantial portion of revenue and profitability on this turnkey contract will be recognised in 2021. The Group also won another turnkey contract in 2021 with a total value of \$26.8m. Further the Group has also entered into negotiations with a number of potential customers and are at an advanced stage of negotiation to secure those contracts. In the opinion of the Directors, as a result of those advanced negotiations, a number of new turnkey contracts will be secured in 2021/2022. However, given that these additional turnkey contracts have yet to be fully secured, we have considered whether an impairment charge should be recognised against assets whose carrying value are supported by the future cashflows generated from those turnkey contracts, namely investments in subsidiaries (\$15,604,223) and amounts due from group companies (\$19,381,821). The directors have produced a discounted cash flow analysis that shows that providing we enter into new turnkey contracts during 2021/2022 there will be sufficient headroom and therefore no impairment charge against those assets should be recognised. Given our history of securing turnkey contracts and the fact that we are significantly advanced in negotiations with the potential new customers, the directors are of the opinion that the Group will secure new turnkey contracts during 2021/2022 and that as a result, no impairment charge is necessary against the carrying value of the investments in subsidiaries and amounts due from group companies.

3.7 Property, plant and equipment and depreciation

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment loss. Cost includes all costs that are directly attributable to bringing the asset into working condition for its intended use.

An item of property, plant and equipment and any significant party initially recognised is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in the statement of the profit or loss when the asset is derecognised.

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each financial year-end. Changes in the expected useful life are accounted for by changing the depreciation period or method as appropriate on a prospective basis.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset systematically over its expected useful life, as follows:

Computer Equipment, and Software Fixtures and Fittings, and Equipment

5 years

3- 5 years

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (Continued)

3.8 Impairment of non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of such assets are reviewed at each reporting date for indications of impairment and where an asset is impaired, it is written down as an expense through the statement of profit or loss to its estimated recoverable amount. Recoverable amount is the higher of value in use and the fair value less costs of disposal of the individual asset or the cash-generating unit (CGU). The recoverable amount is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or Groups of assets. If this is the case, recoverable amount is determined for the CGU to which the asset belongs. Value in use is the present value of the estimated future cash flows of the asset / unit. Present values are computed using pre-tax discount rates that reflect the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset / unit whose impairment is being measured.

Impairment losses for CGUs are allocated first against the goodwill of the unit and then pro rata amongst the other assets of the unit. Subsequent increases in the recoverable amount caused by changes in estimates are credited to profit or loss to the extent that they reverse the impairment.

3.9 Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiary companies are held at historical cost less any provision for impairment.

3.10 Current Vs Non-Current Classification

The Group presents assets and liabilities in the statement of financial position based on current/non-current classification. An asset is current when it is:

- Expected to be realised or intended to sold or consumed in the normal operating cycle
- Held primarily for the purpose of trading
- Expected to be realised within twelve months after the reporting period, or
- Cash or cash equivalent unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period

All other assets are classified as non-current. A liability is current when:

- Expected to be settled in the normal operating cycle
- Held primarily for the purpose of trading
- Expected to be settled within twelve months after the reporting period, or
- No unconditional right to defer the settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period

The Group classifies all other liabilities as non-current. Deferred tax liabilities are classified as non-current liabilities.

3.11 Financial instruments

Initial recognition and measurement

The Group recognises a financial asset or a financial liability in the balance sheet when, it becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. On initial recognition, the Group recognises all financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value. The fair value of a financial asset / liability on initial recognition is normally represented by the transaction price. The transaction price for financial assets / liabilities other than those classified at fair value through profit or loss includes the transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition / issue of the financial instrument. Transaction costs incurred on acquisition of a financial asset and issue of a financial liability classified at fair value through profit or loss are expensed immediately.

The Group recognises financial assets using settlement date accounting, thus an asset is recognised on the day it is received by the Group and derecognised on the day that it is delivered by the Group.

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (Continued)

3.12 Financial instruments

Financial assets at amortised cost

The group classifies its financial assets as at amortised cost only if both of the following criteria are met:

- the asset is held within a business model whose objective is to collect the contractual cash flows; and,
- the contractual terms give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest.

Assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows, where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest, are measured at amortised cost. Interest income from these financial assets is included in finance income using the effective interest rate method. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition is recognised directly in profit or loss and presented in other gains/(losses) together with foreign exchange gains and losses. Impairment losses are presented as a separate line item in the statement of profit or loss.

Impairment of financial assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Group assesses whether its financial assets (other than those at FVTPL) are impaired, based on objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition, the estimated future cash flows of the (Group of) financial asset(s) have been affected. Objective evidence of impairment could include significant financial difficulty of the counterparty, breach of contract, probability that the borrower will enter bankruptcy, disappearance of an active market for that financial asset because of financial difficulties, etc.

In addition, for trade receivables that are assessed not to be impaired individually, the Group assesses them collectively for impairment, based on the Group's past experience of collecting payments, an increase in the delayed payments in the portfolio, observable changes in economic conditions that correlate with default on receivables, etc.

Only for trade receivables, the carrying amount is reduced through the use of an allowance account and subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against the allowance account. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognised in profit or loss.

For financial assets measured at amortised cost, if the amount of the impairment loss decreases in a subsequent period and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed (either directly or by adjusting the allowance account for trade receivables) through profit or loss. However, the reversal must not result in a carrying amount that exceeds what the amortised cost of the financial asset would have been had the impairment not been recognised at the date the impairment is reversed.

For all other financial assets, the carrying amount is directly reduced by the impairment loss.

Derecognition of financial assets

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual right to receive cash flows from the assets has expired; or when the company has transferred its contractual right to receive the cash flows of the financial assets, and either:

- substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred; or
- the Company has neither retained nor transferred substantially all the risks and rewards, but has not retained control.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when they are extinguished, that is when the obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

3.13 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash at bank and in hand, that is readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (Continued)

3.14 Leases

Identification of leases

For any new contracts, the Group considers whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A lease is defined as a contract, or part of a contract, that conveys the right to use an asset (the underlying asset) for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To apply this definition, the Group assesses whether the contract meets three key evaluations which are whether:

- the contract contains an identified asset, which is either explicitly identified in the contract or implicitly specified by being identified at the time the asset is made available to the Group;
- the Group has the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the identified asset throughout the period of use, considering its rights within the defined scope of the contract; and,
- the Group has the right to direct the use of the identified asset throughout the period of use. The Group assess whether it has the right to direct 'how and for what purpose' the asset is used throughout the period of use.

Measurement of right-of-use asset and lease liability

At lease commencement date, the Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability in the statement of financial position. The right-of-use asset is measured at cost, which is made up of the initial measurement of the lease liability, any initial direct costs incurred by the Group, an estimate of any costs to dismantle and remove the asset at the end of the lease, and any lease payments made in advance of the lease commencement date (net of any incentives received). Subsequently, the Group depreciates the right-of-use asset on a straight-line basis from the lease commencement date to the earlier of the end of the useful life of the right-of-use asset or the end of the lease term. The Group also assesses the right-of-use asset for impairment when such indicators exist.

On the other hand, the Group measures the lease liability at the present value of the lease payments unpaid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease if that rate is readily available or the Group's incremental borrowing rate. Lease payments include fixed payments (including in-substance fixed) less lease incentives receivable, if any, variable lease payments based on an index or rate, amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, and payments arising from options (either renewal or termination) reasonably certain to be exercised. Subsequent to initial measurement, the liability is reduced for payments made and increased for interest. It is remeasured to reflect any reassessment or modification, or if there are changes in in-substance fixed payments. When the lease liability is remeasured, the corresponding adjustment is reflected in the right-of-use asset, or profit and loss if the right-of-use asset is already reduced to zero.

The Group has elected to account for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets using the practical expedients. Instead of recognising a right-of-use asset and lease liability, the payments in relation to these are recognised as an expense in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

On the statement of financial position, right-of-use assets have been presented separately as right-of-use assets and lease liabilities.

3.15 Foreign currency translation and transactions

Functional and presentation currency

Items are included in the financial statements measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ("the functional currency"), which is US Dollars.

The functional currency for the Group's foreign subsidiaries is the local currency in which the entity is located. The financial statements of all subsidiaries with a functional currency other than the United States Dollar ("U.S. Dollar") have been translated into U.S. Dollars. All assets (except long lived assets and investment in subsidiaries, which are translated at historical rates) and liabilities (except the term loans and equity which are translated at historical rates) of foreign operations are translated into U.S. Dollars using period-end exchange, and the statement of operations is translated at average exchange rates during the respective period. The U.S. Dollar results that arise from such translation, as well as exchange gains and losses on intercompany balances of a long-term investment nature, are included in the cumulative currency translation adjustments in accumulated other comprehensive loss in stockholders' equity. For all non-functional currency account balances, the re-measurement of such balances to the functional currency will result in either a foreign exchange transaction gain or loss which is recorded in Foreign exchange gain (loss) in the same period that the re-measurement occurred.

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (Continued)

Group companies

On consolidation, the assets and liabilities of foreign operations are translated into US Dollars at the rate of exchange prevailing at the reporting date and their statements of profit or loss are translated at exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. The exchange differences arising on translation for consolidation are recognised in OCI. On disposal of a foreign operation, the component of OCI relating to that particular foreign operation is reclassified to profit or loss.

3.16 Dividends

Dividends to the Company's ordinary shareholders are recognised as a liability of the Company when approved by the Company's shareholders at the annual general meeting.

3.17 Pensions

The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the contribution payable by the Group during the year.

3.18 Income tax

Tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. Current tax and deferred tax is recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to a business combination, or items recognised directly in equity or in other comprehensive income.

Current income tax

Current income tax is the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the financial period, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous financial years. Current income tax payable also includes any tax liability arising from the declaration of dividends.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. Deferred tax is not recognised for:

- temporary differences on the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction that is not a business combination and that affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss;
- temporary differences related to investments in subsidiaries and associates to the extent that the Group is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that they will not reverse in the foreseeable future; and
- taxable temporary differences arising on the initial recognition of goodwill.

Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to be applied to temporary differences when they reverse, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset if there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax liabilities and assets, and they relate to taxes levied by the same tax authority on the same taxable entity, or on different tax entities, but they intend to settle current tax liabilities and assets on a net basis or their tax assets and liabilities will be realised simultaneously.

3.19 Revenue

The Group has the following revenue income:

- Turnkey contracts
- Equipment upgrade and installations contracts
- Equipment service contracts
- Equipment repair contracts

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (Continued)

The Group's revenue recognition policy is as follows:

1. Identifying the contract with the customer

The Group determines whether a contract with customer exists by evaluating whether the following gating criteria are present:

- (i) the parties to the contract have approved the contract either in writing, orally or in accordance with other customary business practices;
- (ii) each party's rights regarding the goods or services to be transferred or performed can be identified;
- (iii) the payment terms for the goods or services to be transferred or performed can be identified;
- (iv) the contract has commercial substance (i.e., the risk, timing or amount of the future cash flows is expected to change as a result of the contract); and,
- (v) collection of the consideration in exchange of the goods and services is probable.

Contract 'modifications' would be simply additional costs incurred by the Group, which are paid by the customer, as obliged by the terms of the contract.

For Equipment related sales, customers place a purchase order at an agreed price for a specified product / service which is accepted by the Group.

Service contract revenue relates to extended warranties which are provided for additional consideration and covered by a separate contractual agreement to the good or service that they relate to. The 'contract' is approved by both parties and the terms and price are explicit in the agreement.

The customer agrees to pay for the product / service according to set payment terms and their intention to pay is understood by the Group. The Group performs appropriate checks on the customer's ability to satisfy the consideration under the purchase order terms. Contract 'modifications' would be simply additional costs incurred by the Group, which are paid by the customer, as obliged by the terms of the contract.

2. Identify the performance obligations

A contract includes promises to transfer goods or services to a customer. If those goods or services are distinct, the promises are performance obligations and are accounted for separately. A good or service is distinct if the customer can benefit from the good or service on its own or together with other resources that are readily available to the customer and the entity's promise to transfer the good or service to the customer is separately identifiable from other promises in the contract.

Each turnkey contract is reviewed to identify separate performance obligations.

Performance obligations identified on Equipment upgrade and installations contracts are the design, manufacture and deliver optical transmission equipment installation at client location.

Performance obligations on Equipment service contracts are extended warranty and technical support.

3. Determine transaction price

The Group assesses whether the priced is fixed and determinable based on the payment term associated with the transaction and whether the sales price is subject to refund or adjustment. The additional variation is not included in the transaction price on day one, but if the additional price can be identified to a specific obligation, the additional contract variation can be allocated to the specific performance obligations in the contract that resulted in additional recovery.

Any adjustment arising as a result of this reassessment will be booked into the accounts in the period in which the reassessment was made provided it related to completed performance obligations

Collectability is assessed primarily on the creditworthiness of the customer as determined by the Group as well as the customer's payment history.

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4. Allocate the transaction price across each performance obligation

Turnkey contract notes the individual billing milestones for the performance obligations i.e. each obligation consists of certain specific milestones, which are allocated a price in the contract. The sum of the milestones relating to each performance obligation is the allocated transaction price.

For equipment related transactions, the contract / PO / sales invoice outlines the transaction price and how it is to be allocated across the various performance obligations.

Equipment service contract and equipment repairs consist of one obligation, so the full transaction price is allocated to that obligation.

Equipment upgrades and installation are governed by an order for each obligation i.e. the installation is ordered and invoiced separately to the design and manufacture element, and therefore the transaction price is allocated per the order.

- 5. Recognise the revenue when the performance obligations are met Performance obligations are satisfied as follows for different revenue income and revenue recognised accordingly:
 - Turnkey contracts revenue is recognised over time on a percentage complete basis.
 - Equipment upgrade and installations revenue is recognised over time on a percentage complete basis.
 - Equipment service contract revenue is recognised over the term of the warranty.
 - Equipment repair revenue is recognised at point of return to customer.

The Group presents a contract asset when it performs services or delivers goods to a customer before the customer pays consideration or before payment is due. A contract asset is the Group's right to consideration in exchange for goods or services that the Group has transferred to a customer. This is presented as 'Contract assets' in the statement of financial position.

3.20 Intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired separately are measured on initial recognition at cost. The cost of intangible assets acquired in a business combination is their fair value at the date of acquisition. The Group has acquired customer contracts, trade name and IP as part of the asset purchase agreement from the bankruptcy of Xtera Communications Inc.

Following initial recognition, intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Internally generated intangibles, excluding capitalised development costs, are not capitalised and the related expenditure is reflected in profit or loss in the period in which the expenditure is incurred. The useful lives of intangible assets are assessed as either finite or indefinite.

Intangible assets with finite lives are amortised over the useful economic life and assessed for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. The Group has classified value of customer contracts and IP with a finite useful life.

The amortisation period and the amortisation method for an intangible asset with a finite useful life are reviewed at least at the end of each reporting period. Changes in the expected useful life or the expected pattern of consumption of future economic benefits embodied in the asset are considered to modify the amortisation period or method, as appropriate, and are treated as changes in accounting estimates. The amortisation expense on intangible assets with finite lives is recognised in the statement of profit or loss in the expense category that is consistent with the function of the intangible assets.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are not amortised, but are tested for impairment annually, either individually or at the CGU level. The Group has classified trade name as an intangible asset with an indefinite useful life.

The assessment of indefinite life is reviewed annually to determine whether the indefinite life continues to be supportable. If not, the change in useful life from indefinite to finite is made on a prospective basis.

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Gains or losses arising from derecognition of an intangible asset are measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and are recognised in the statement of profit or loss when the asset is derecognised.

3.21 Patents and licences

The Group made upfront payments to purchase patents and licences. The patents have been granted for a period of 10 years by the relevant government agency with the option of renewal at the end of this period. Licences for the use of intellectual property are granted for periods ranging between five and ten years depending on the specific licences. The licences may be renewed at little or no cost to the Group. As a result, those licences are assessed as having an indefinite useful life.

A summary of the policies applied to the Group's intangible assets is, as follows:

	Licences	Patents	Development costs
Useful lives	Indefinite	Finite (10 years)	Finite (20 years)
Amortisation method used	No amortisation	Amortised on a straight line basis over the period of the patent	Amortised on a straight ling basis over the period of expected future sales from the related project
Internally generated or acquired	Acquired	Acquired	Internally generated

3.22 Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Costs incurred in bringing each product to its present location and condition are accounted for, as follows:

Raw materials: purchase cost on a first-in/first-out basis

Finished goods and work in progress: cost of direct materials and labour and a proportion of manufacturing overheads based on the normal operating capacity, but excluding borrowing costs

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

4. Revenue

The Group derives a substantial majority of revenue from the sale of its products and also from the sales of support services related to the products. Products revenue represents sales of long-haul products, which include sales of turnkey solutions. Services revenue consists primarily of pre-and post-implementation services for customer networking needs, including training, network planning and monitoring, on-call support, hardware and software warranties and upgrade planning.

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Sale of goods	11,277,423	4,851,195
Rendering of services	8,540,053	4,800,451
	19,817,476	9,651,646

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	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Services	2,484,186	4,800,451
Turnkey contract goods and services	11,617,680	23,654
	14,101,866	4,824,105

The remaining revenue relates to the sale of goods which is recognised at a point in time.

5. Cost of Sales

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Materials & installation	10,049,601	3,474,159
Scrap	24,610	149,192
	10,074,211	3,623,351

6. Operating expenses

6.1. Employee expenses & directors' emoluments

	2020	2019
Employee benefits expense	\$	\$
Wages and salaries	5,271,204	5,460,194
Social security costs	426,228	433,518
Other pension costs	54,107	52,679
	5,751,539	5,946,391
	2020	2019
Directors' emoluments	\$	\$
Short term benefits (including basic salary)	406,350	158,446
Long term benefits (including post-employment benefits)	4,451	4,549_
	410,801	162,995

The highest paid director received total remuneration of \$258,000 (2019: \$162,995).

6.1.1 Employees

The average numbers of employees (including the directors) during the year were:

	2020	2019
	No.	No.
Sales and marketing	3	2
Administration	36	38
Business development	4	2
	43	42
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6.2 Auditor's fees		
	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Fees payable to the Groups auditors:		
For the audit of Group's annual financial statements	118,000	119,557
For the preparation of financial statements Group and the subsidiaries	15,400	12,275
_	133,400	131,832
7. Interest expense		
•	2020	2019
	\$	\$
On loans and borrowings	393,086	518,909
On lease liabilities	93,880	115,735
	486,966	634,644
Interest payable by remaining maturity:		
- On borrowings wholly repayable within 5 years	486,966	634,644
8. Exceptional income/(loss)		
()	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Loss on inventory obsolescence	•	(660,765)
Suppliers credits	-	3,264,888
Exceptional income	 .	2,604,123
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Exceptional loss relates to obsolescence on the bargain purchase inventory and exceptional income relates to credit provided from supplier this year on legal expenses charged in prior years.

9. Income Taxes

Statement of Comprehensive Income

(a) The major components of income tax expense for the period 31 December 2020 are:

	2020 \$	2019
Current income tax:	Φ	J.
Current income tax charge	(240,934)	100,000
Deferred tax:		
Deferred tax assets	1,093,438	-
	852,504	100,000
Income tax credit/(charge) reported in the profit or loss	852,504	100,000

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(b) A reconciliation between tax expense and the product of accounting profit multiplied by the UK standard rate of tax for the period ended 31 December 2020 is as follows:

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Loss before tax from continuing operations	1,679,362	726,437
At the Standard rate of tax rate of 19.00%	(319,079)	(138,023)
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	12,591	25,636
Unrecognised tax losses	599,240	582,406
Utilisation of deferred tax	(1,093,438)	(592,826)
Different tax rates in other countries	(51,818)	22,807
Current income tax credit for the period	(852,504)	(100,000)
Statement of Financial Position		
	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Tax losses	2,053,025	1,131,093
Deferred tax asset	2,053,025	1,131,093
		
Other timing differences	(1,123,037)	(1,123,037)
Deferred tax liability	(1,123,037)	(1,123,037)
		
	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Current tax payable	852,504	100,000

⁽c) Factors that may affect future tax charges

The tax charge in future years will be affected by any changes to the corporation tax rates in force in the United Kingdom. Deferred tax assets are recognised for unused group tax losses as detailed in note 3.5.

10. Property, plant and equipment - Group

	Fixtures and Fittings	Equipment	Computer Equipment	Software	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cost					
1st January 2020	70,636	1,199,198	425,613	167,268	1,862,715
Additions		77,717	108,324		186,041
At 31 December 2020	70,636	1,276,915	533,937	167,268	2,048,756
Depreciation					
1st January 2020	(68,554)	(623,879)	(308,855)	(93,306)	(1,094,594)
Charge for year	(758)	(190,801)	(91,617)	(24,589)	(307,765)
At 31 December 2020	(69,312)	(814,680)	(400,472)	(117,895)	(1,402,359)
Net Book Value					
At 31 December 2020	1,324	462,235	133,465	49,373	646,397
At 31 December 2019	2,082	575,319	116,758	73,962	768,121

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11. Leases - Group

The Group has leases for office properties. With the exception of short-term leases and leases of low-value underlying assets, each lease is reflected on the statement of financial position as a right-of-use asset and a lease liability.

11.1 Right-of-use assets

The carrying amounts of the Group's right-of-use assets and the movements during the period are shown below.

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Cost at beginning of year	1,452,326	-
Additions	53,770	1,452,326
Cost at end of year	1,506,096	1,452,326
	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Accumulated amortisation at beginning of year	425,071	-
Amortisation	434,884	425,071
Accumulated amortisation at end of year	859,955	425,071
Net carrying amount	646,141	1,027,255

11.2 Lease liabilities

Lease liabilities are presented in the statement of financial position are as follows:

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Current	436,713	415,173
Non-current	359,607	668,162
	796,320	1,083,335

The lease liabilities are secured by the related underlying assets. The undiscounted maturity analysis of lease liabilities is as follows:

2020	Within 1 year	1 to 5 years	After 5 years	Total
Lease payments	482,912	368,387	-	851,299
Finance charges	(46,199)	(8,780)	-	(54,979)
	436,713	359,607	-	796,320
2019	Within 1 year	1 to 5 years	After 5 years	Total
Lease payments	496,036	714,162	-	1,210,198
Finance charges	(80,863)	(46,000)	-	(126,863)
	415,173	668,162	-	1,083,335
Finance charges			- -	

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12. Intangible assets - Group

	\$
Cost At 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020	3,100,000
Depreciation	
At 1 January 2020	1,941,912
Charge for year	578,764
At 31 December 2020	2,520,676
Net Book Value	
At 31 December 2020	579,324
At 31 December 2019	1,158,088

Intangible assets relate to intellectual property and customer list that the Group owns valued at \$2,400,000 and \$200,000, respectively, and amortised over 4 years being its average useful life and also the value of its trade name valued at \$500,000 an indefinite useful life.

13. Investment in subsidiaries - Company

Cost	\$
31 December 2019 and 2020	15,604,223
Net book values 31 December 2019 and 2020	15,604,223
31 December 2017 and 2020	13,004,223

The directors' have performed an impairment review of all investment in subsidiaries as one cash generating unit across the wider Group as all subsidiaries operate collectively to complete the Xtera Group's contracts and are therefore inter-dependent on one another. The key inputs into the impairment review are future projected cashflows generated from these assets and a discount factor of 15%. The impairment review indicates that the recoverable value of the assets is higher than their carrying value. Based on the directors' assessment the recoverable value of the investment in subsidiaries is greater than their carrying value. However, the directors' note that there is significant judgements included in their assessment of the recoverable amount, which are further disclosed in note 3.5.

The Company holds 20% or more of the share capital of the following companies;

Company	Country of	Nature of	Share class	Proportion of
	Incorporation or	business		shares held
	Registration			
Neptune Subsea Canada Ltd	Canada	Subsea Optical	Ordinary	100%
Xtera Holdings Ltd	UK	Intermediary Holding Co	Ordinary	100%
Xtera Ltd	UK	Subsea Optical	Ordinary	100%
Neptune Subsea IP Ltd	UK	IP Company	Ordinary	100%
Xtera Brazil Participacoes Itda	Brazil	Subsea Optical	Ordinary	100%
Xtera Inc.	United States	Subsea Optical	Ordinary	100%

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Xtera Holdings Ltd has direct interest of Xtera Topco Ltd, all other subsidiaries above are indirectly owned. Registered office address:

- Xtera Topco Ltd, Xtera Holdings Ltd, Xtera Ltd and Neptune Subsea Holdings ltd -: Bates House, Church Road, Harold Wood, Essex RM3 0SD
- 2. Xtera Inc-: 500 W Bethany Drive Suite 100 Allen Texas 75013
- 3. Xtera Brazil Participacoes Itda -: na Avenida, Ataulfo De Paiva, Leblon Rio De Janeiro, Brazil
- 4. Neptune Subsea Canada Ltd-: 96 Third Avenue, Ottawa, ON K1S 2J8

Parental guarantees to subsidiary undertakings

For the year ended 31 December 2020, Xtera Topco Limited has provided a guarantee in respect of all liabilities due by its United Kingdom incorporated subsidiary companies thus entitling them to exemption from audit under section 479A of Companies Act 2006 relating to subsidiary companies.

14. Prepayments and other receivables

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Group		
Advances to suppliers	1,609,458	48,117
Value added Tax	126,667	58,241
Other Prepayments	311,286	113,526
	2,047,411	219,884
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Prepayments and accrued income	207,048	50,908
15. Inventories – Group and company		
	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Raw materials	925,690	971,070
Finished goods	5,736,929	5,442,496
	6,662,619	6,413,566
Inventory provision	(1,318,766)	(1,318,766)
Inventory net of provision	5,343,853	5,094,800

The inventory is valued at cost or estimated net realisable value whichever is lower. As product moves through its life cycle, the Group makes an estimation of reserves will be required to reflect estimated net realisable value of the product. As at 31 December 2020 reserve for obsolescence of amounted to \$1,318,766 (2019: \$1,318,766).

16. Trade and other receivables - Group

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Receivables from Customers	1,567,728	1,856,441
Analysis of receivables from customers by remaining maturity:		
- On demand	841,347	1,102,587
- 3 months or less	507,961	737,938
- 1 year or less but over 3 months	218,420	15,916
	1,567,728	1,856,441

Receivables from customers represents trade receivables that are falling due within the next 180 days. Management regards these receivables as low risk on collection and no provision has been made against them.

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17. Cash and cash equivalents

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Group		
Cash at bank	2,625,887	935,601
Company		
Cash at bank	85,750	63,925
18. Share capital and reserves – Group and Company		
	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Issued and fully paid Called up share capital		
15,604,316 Ordinary shares of \$0.01 each	156,043	156,043
Share premium account	15,448,149	15,448,149
	15,604,192	15,604,192

Share premium

Share premium represents the excess of the proceeds for shares received over the nominal.

One Ordinary share of GBP 1 was issued at par on incorporation of the Company. On 10 February 2017 the share was redenominated to nominal value of \$1.25. On the same date the Ordinary share of \$1.25 was subdivided into 125 Ordinary shares of \$0.01 each. On 14 February 2017 15,604,191 Ordinary shares were issued at a price of \$1 each (total nominal value \$156,042), giving rise to share premium of \$0.99 per share. The share premium account at 31 December 2020 amounted to \$15,448,149 (2019: 15,448,149).

Retranslation reserve

The retranslation reserve represents the difference arising from translation of the balances of assets and liabilities of subsidiaries change in value of assets and liabilities on translation from local currency to reported currency.

Prior Year Earnings and Loss for the year

Includes all prior and current period retained profit and losses.

19. Warranty provision

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Short term	219,387	81,269
Long term	949,171	941,967
	1,168,558	1,023,236

The Group has a policy (based on historical analysis) of reserving 2.5% to 3.5% of the cost of equipment for the warranty reserve. Analysis of warranty provision is based on warranty period at the year end.

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20. Interest bearing loans and borrowings - Group and Company

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Current		
Bank loan – secured	7,046,936	6,200,000
Non-current		
Bank Ioan - secured	2,700,000	3,509,716
Analysis of outstanding bank loans by remaining maturity		
- less than 1 year	7,046,936	6,200,000
- between 1 and 2 years	2,700,000	3,509,716
- between 2 and 5 years	, , , <u>-</u>	
·	9,746,936	9,709,716

In February 2017 the Group obtained a revolving credit facility from Santander UK Plc. The borrowings under the line of credit bear interest rates at LIBOR + 3 %. All Borrowings are collateralized by the Group's receivable and inventory. Borrowings under this line of credit are subject to certain restrictions on indebtedness, dividend payments, financial guarantees, business combinations and other related items. The outstanding balance as of 31 December 2020 was \$5.0m (2019: \$5.0m).

In February 2017, the Group obtained a term loan from Square 1 Bank for \$5.46 Million as defined in the loan and security agreement. Borrowings under the line of credit bear interest rate of LIBOR + 5%. The Group's obligations under the loan and security agreement are secured by a security interest on the IP and the stock or share capital of all subsidiaries. The outstanding balance on the line of credit was \$2.7 million as of 31 December 2020 (2019: \$2.7 million).

The loan and security agreement contains customary conditions to borrowing, events of default, and covenants limiting the Group's ability to merge or consolidate with other entities, acquire or dispose of assets, make investments, incur debt and pay dividends, in each case subject to exceptions.

21. Trade and other payables

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Group		
Amounts due to related company (note 24)	1,417,661	1,101,400
Trade creditors	4,047,414	3,494,020
Lease liability	436,713	415,173
Other accrued liabilities	1,309,784	1,728,578
Accrued compensation	595,800	437,031
·	7,807,372	7,176,202
Company		
Amounts due to related company (note 24)	1,417,661	1,101,400
Trade creditors	100,787	814,718
Other accrued liabilities	56,986	154,386
Accrued compensation	27,298	2,028
-	1,602,732	2,072,532

Amounts due to group companies are non-interest bearing and are on terms of 30 days.

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22. Deferred revenue - Group

Deferred revenue	2,913,725	406,485
	\$	\$
	2020	2019

Deferred revenue is recorded when cash has been received from the customer and the arrangement does not qualify for revenue recognition under the revenue recognition policies adopted by the Group. Costs incurred for projects not completed are deferred and recorded as a cost upon recognition of the related revenue. For the period ended 31 December 2020, the Group received cash on contracts, from customers, that was pending completion.

23. Ultimate parent undertaking

The immediate parent Company is H.I.G. Europe - Neptune, Ltd, registered in the Cayman Islands. The ultimate parent undertaking is H.I.G. Europe Capital Partners II LP, registered in the Cayman Islands.

24. Related party transactions

		2020	2019
Entity with Significant influence over the Company	Year	Amount owed to related parties	Amount owed to related parties
		\$	\$
HIG Europe Capital Partners Management fee	2020	300,000	-
HIG Europe Capital Partners Management fee	2019	297,130	297,130
HIG Europe Capital Partners Management fee	2018	577,870	577,870
HIG Europe Capital Partners Management fee	2017	134,852	118,591
HIG Europe Capital Partners Investment banking fee	2017	107,809	107,809
		1,417,661	1,101,400

The transactions with HIG are for management services performed and were at arm's length.

25. Key management personnel compensation in the Group

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Short term benefits (Including Basic Salary)	1,254,002	1,046,920
Long term benefits (including post employment benefits)	12,457	4,549
	1,266,459	1,051,469

The amounts disclosed above are the amounts recognised as an expense during the reporting period related to key management personnel.

26. Risk management

The Group assumes a variety of risks in its ordinary business activities. The risks which have been identified by the Senior Management Team can be broadly classified as Operational Risk (including Regulatory Compliance Risk), Liquidity Risk, Credit Risk and Foreign Currency Risk. The role of Risk Management is to ensure that the Group continues to take controlled and appropriate levels of risk in order to protect stakeholder's interests.

The Group's risk management policies are designed to identify and analyse these risks, to set appropriate risk limits and to continually monitor these risks and limits. The Group modifies and enhances its risk management practices on an ongoing basis to reflect changes in markets, products and evolving best practice.

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Risk management is a dynamic process and is part and parcel of the job of each member of staff. Primary responsibility for risk management lies with line management. Within the Group, line management is supported by the Compliance and Finance teams which provide advice on standards, policies, limits and measurement methods.

26.1 Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group may be unable to meet the payment obligations associated with its financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash and other financial assets.

The objective of liquidity management is to ensure that, at all times, the Group holds sufficient funds to meet its contracted and contingent commitments to its customers and counterparties.

To effectively manage liquidity risk, the Group:

- Has internal control processes and contingency plans for managing liquidity risk
- Maintains cash balances with highly-rated counterparties

26.2 Credit risk

This is the risk that a customer or counterparty will be unable or unwilling to meet a commitment that it has entered into and that the Group is unable to recover the full amount that it is owed.

The Group is exposed to credit risk in respect of its cash balances and trade receivables. The Group manages its credit risk in respect of bank deposits by placing funds with financial institutions of systemic importance. These exposures are monitored on an ongoing basis.

26.3 Operational risk

Operational risk is deemed to be the risk of direct or indirect loss arising from a wide variety of causes associated with the Group's processes, personnel, technology and infrastructure, and from external factors other than credit and market risks such as those arising from legal and regulatory requirements and generally accepted standards of corporate behaviour.

The objective of the Group is to manage operational risk so as to balance the avoidance of financial losses and damage to the Group's reputation with overall cost effectiveness. The primary responsibility for the development and implementation of controls to address operational risk is assigned to senior management.

This responsibility is supported by the development of overall standards for the management of operational risk in the following areas:

- Requirements for appropriate segregation of duties, including the independent authorisation of transactions
- Requirements for the reconciliation and monitoring of transactions
- Compliance with regulatory and other legal requirements
- Documentation of controls and procedures (Risk Framework)
- Requirements for reporting of operational losses and proposed remedial action
- Development of contingency plans
- Training and professional development
- Ethical and business standards

Compliance with these standards is supported by a programme of ongoing review by senior management and control functions within the Group.

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26.4 Foreign currency risk

Transactional foreign exchange risk arises from foreign currency transactions, assets and liabilities.

Foreign currency cash and cash equivalent balances for the Group are managed on an ad-hoc basis when balances are deemed to be material.

Most of the revenue, expense and capital purchasing activities are usually transacted in US dollars. However, for the year 2020 and 2021, a substantial portion of the revenue is expected to be realized in Euros, because of the Turnkey contract of Euro 44.3 million that the Group won in 2020. After considering the revenue that is expected to be realized in Euros and the cost of goods and other operating expense in Euros, the group decided to hedge USD 10 million in forward contracts during the year 2020, which are expiring on 12/31/2021.

27. Post balance sheet events

There were no material transactions or events after 31 December 2020.