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Directors' report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 March 2014

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Directors and other information

Directors

Paul Atkinson Paul Cooper

Company secretary and Registered office

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United Kingdom office

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Registered number: 275494

Auditors

PricewaterhouseCoopers
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Audit Firm
One Spencer Dock
North Wall Quay
Dublin 1

Directors' report for the year ended 31 March 2014

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2014

Directors' responsibilities statement

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

Irish law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year giving a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the financial year Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland (accounting standards issued by the Financial Reporting Council and promulgated by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland)

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business

The directors are responsible for keeping proper books of account that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Acts 1963 to 2013. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Books of account

The measures taken by the directors to secure compliance with the Company's obligation to keep proper books of account are the use of appropriate systems and procedures and ensuring that competent persons are responsible for the books of account. The books of account are kept at Universal Square, Suite 3.1.4, Devonshire Street, Manchester, M12.6JH, England

Principal activities

The Company's principal activity during the year under review was to act as a holding company for a fellow subsidiary undertaking of Experian plc

Results and dividend

The Company has received no income nor incurred any expenditure during the year (2013 US\$nil) and accordingly no profit and loss account is presented. The directors consider the year end financial position to be satisfactory. The directors do not propose the payment of a dividend (2013 US\$Nil).

Future developments

The Company will continue to perform their principal activity, to act as a holding company for fellow subsidiary undertakings of Experian plc

Directors' report for the year ended 31 March 2014 (continued)

Directors

The names of the person who were directors during the year ended 31 March 2014 are set out on page 2

Directors' interests

None of the directors beneficially hold shares in the Company The interests of the directors at 31 March 2014, including family interests, in the ordinary shares of US 10 cents each in the ultimate parent undertaking, Experian plc, are as follows

			GUS plc 1998 Executive Share Option Plans*		Experian Performance Share Plan*	
			2014	2013	2014	2013
			Number	Number	Number	Number
Mr P A Atkınson			_	-	20,859	25,629
Mr P G Cooper			12,400	16,200		
		Experian		SAYE		
	Share	Option Plan*	Share	Option Plan	SI	nareholdings
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013
	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number
Mr P A Atkınson	66,226	88,056	2,534	8,764	4,359	738
Mr P G Cooper	-	<u>-</u>	2,325	4,388	21,352	18,556

^{*} subject to performance conditions

Details of the terms and conditions of the above plans are contained in the Experian plc annual report for the year ended 31 March 2014

There have been no contracts or arrangements during the period in which a director of the Company was materially interested and which were significant to the Company's business

Auditors

The Company's auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers, will continue in office in accordance with Section 160(2) of the Companies Act, 1963

On behalf of the Board

P A Atkınson

P G Cooper

30 September 2014



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBER OF GUS FINANCE IRELAND

We have audited the financial statements of GUS Finance Ireland for the year ended 31 March 2014 which comprise the balance sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is Irish law and accounting standards issued by the Financial Reporting Council and promulgated by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland (Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland)

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 3, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements giving a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with Irish law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the Company's members as a body in accordance with Section 193 of the Companies Act, 1990 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the directors' report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland of the state
 of the Company's affairs as at 31 March 2014 and of its result for the year then ended, and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Acts 1963 to 2013



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBER OF GUS FINANCE IRELAND (CONTINUED)

Matters on which we are required to report by the Companies Acts 1963 to 2013

- We have obtained all the information and explanations which we consider necessary for the purposes of our audit
- In our opinion proper books of account have been kept by the Company
- The financial statements are in agreement with the books of account
- . In our opinion the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements
- The net assets of the Company, as stated in the balance sheet, are more than half of the amount of its calledup share capital and, in our opinion, on that basis there did not exist at 31 March 2014 a financial situation which under Section 40 (1) of the Companies (Amendment) Act, 1983 would require the convening of an extraordinary general meeting of the Company

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the provisions in the Companies Acts 1963 to 2013 which require us to report to you if, in our opinion, the disclosures of directors' remuneration and transactions specified by law are not made. A

John Dillon (

for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers Chartered Accountants and Statutory Audit Firm

Dublin

30 September 2014

Balance sheet at 31 March 2014

	Notes	2014 US\$3000	2013 US\$'000
Fixed assets			
Investment in a group undertaking	3	9,625	9,625
Current assets Debtors – amounts due within one year	4	692	692
Net assets		10,317	10,317
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	5	-	-
Profit and loss account		10,317	10,317
Shareholders' funds		10,317	10,317

Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 March 2014

There was no profit and loss account activity for the year from 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014

On behalf of the Board

P A Atkınson

P G Cooper

30 September 2014

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2014

1. Accounting policies

The significant accounting policies adopted by the Company, which have been consistently applied in the current and preceding period, are as follows

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with accounting standards generally accepted in Ireland and Irish statute comprising the Companies Acts, 1963 to 2013 Accounting standards generally accepted in Ireland in preparing financial statements giving a true and fair view are those issued by the Accounting Standards Board and published by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland

Reporting currency

These financial statements are presented in US dollars, the Company's functional currency

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, which assumes that the Company will continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future having adequate funds to meet obligations as they fall due

Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rates ruling at the balance sheet date and revenues, costs and non-monetary assets at the exchange rates ruling at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets are money held and amounts to be received in money; all other assets are non-monetary assets.

Profits and losses arising from foreign currency translations and on the settlement of amounts receivable and payable in foreign currency are dealt with in the profit and loss account

Investments in group undertakings

Investments in group undertakings are shown at cost less any provisions necessary for permanent diminution in value

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date

Timing differences are temporary differences between profit as computed for tax purposes and profit as stated in the financial statements which arise because certain items of income and expenditure in the financial statements are dealt with in different periods for taxation purposes

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that they are regarded as recoverable. Recoverability is assessed on the basis that more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2014 (continued)

2. Profit and loss account

The Company has received no income nor incurred any expenditure during the year (2013 US\$nil) and accordingly no profit and loss account is presented

The audit fee for the year has been paid by a fellow group undertaking Directors' fees for the year were US\$Nil (2013 US\$Nil) No other employee costs have been charged in these financial statements (2013 US\$Nil)

3. Investment in a group undertaking

investment in a group undertaining	2014 USS'000	2013 US\$'000
Cost less provision for impairment in value At beginning and end of financial year	9,625	9,625

The Company's investment in a group undertaking at 31 March 2014 comprised the whole of the issued preference share capital of GUS 1998 Unlimited (8,376,961 shares of €1 269738 each). GUS 1998 Unlimited is incorporated in England and Wales The whole of that company's issued ordinary share capital at 31 March 2014 (2 ordinary shares of £1 each) was held by Experian Finance plc, a fellow subsidiary undertaking of Experian plc

4. Debtors - amounts due within one year

	2014 US\$'000	2013 US\$'000
Amounts owed by group undertakings	692	692

Amounts owed by group undertakings are unsecured, repayable on demand and earn interest at rates based on LIBOR for the currency in which the balances are denominated

5. Called up share capital

	2014	2013
Authorised 1,000,000,000 ordinary shares of £0 96 each	US\$1,372,800,000 £960,000,000	US\$1,372,800,000 £960,000,000
Issued and fully paid 2 ordinary shares of £0 96 each	US\$3 £2	US\$3 £2

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2014 (continued)

6. Cash flow statement

The Company's ultimate parent undertaking is Experian plc and the cash flows of the Company are included in the consolidated cash flow statement of Experian plc which covered the year ended 31 March 2014 Accordingly the Company is exempt, under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 1 (revised 1996), from publishing a cash flow statement

7. Related party transactions

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 8 from disclosing transactions with entities that are wholly owned by the Experian plc group.

8. Guarantees and contingent liabilities

The Company has no guarantees or contingent liabilities as at 31 March 2014

9. Parent and ultimate parent undertaking

The Company's immediate parent undertaking at 31 March 2014 was GUS Holdings Unlimited, incorporated in England and Wales

The Company's ultimate parent undertaking is Experian plc, a company incorporated in Jersey. It is the only group in which the results of the Company for the year were consolidated and copies of its consolidated financial statements may be obtained from the Company Secretary, Experian plc, Newenham House, Northern Cross, Malahide Road, Dublin 17, Ireland.

10. Post balance sheet events

No events of a material nature have occurred since the year-end that warrant disclosure in these financial statements

11. Approval of financial statements

The directors approved the financial statements on 30 September 2014

In accordance with Regulation 32 of the Overseas Companies Regulations 2009

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Statement of details of parent law and other information for an overseas company



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