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# **Dover Fluids UK Ltd**

**Annual Report and Financial Statements** 

For the year ended 31 December 2021



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# Strategic report

for the year ended 31 December 2021

The directors present their Strategic report with the audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2021.

## Business review and principal activities

The Company acts as a holding company for certain subsidiaries of Dover Corporation based in the UK, Australia, Dubai and South Africa. The Company is a private company limited by shares.

The principal activity of the Company during the year was the management of investments and certain activities relating to the group where co-ordination facilitates more effective management, mainly in the areas of accounting, taxation and treasury facilities.

Dover Fluids UK Ltd is a wholly owned subsidiary of Dover Corporation, a diversified global manufacturer of value-added products and components that serve a variety of industrial and commercial markets. The Company's investments in subsidiaries include the majority of Dover operations in the UK and also in a number of Dover companies in Australia, Dubai and South Africa. All investments are listed within the notes to the financial statements.

The Company's profit for the financial year was £37,822,000 (2020: loss of £50,828,000). This financial result was achieved due to foreign exchange gains and intercompany interest payable, as well as the year-end tax position.

During the year under review, impairments of investments were made for £4,161,000 (2020: £5,189,000).

In the future, the costs of the Company will be covered by dividend income from its investments. The directors believe that the underlying business will generate profits and dividends in the future that will supply an appropriate return on the investments. The directors' have received confirmation that Dover Luxembourg Participations SARL (the immediate parent company) intends to support the Company in order that it can meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least one year after the financial statements are signed and therefore the directors believe the Company to be a going concern.

#### **Key performance indicators**

At 31 December 2021, the Company's net assets were £48,913,000 (2020: £11,091,000).

#### Principal risks and uncertainties and financial risk management

The principal risks and uncertainties facing the business are connected to foreign exchange rate fluctuations. These are managed in conjunction with Dover Corporation's Treasury department. Loans from parent undertakings are denominated in Swedish Krona and Euros hence the Company is exposed to volatility when translating these amounts to Sterling. Regarding the COVID-19 outbreak, the directors are not aware of any significant risks that jeopardise the going concern status of the Company.

Given the size of the Company, the directors have not delegated the responsibility of monitoring financial risk management to a sub-committee of the board. The policies set by the board of directors are implemented by the Company's finance department. The Company has a policy and procedures manual that sets out specific guidelines to manage interest rate risk and credit risk. The performance of subsidiary investments is reported on a monthly basis, and impairment assessments are performed annually or when impairment triggers are identified.

#### Price risk

The Company has a limited exposure to commodity price risk as a result of its operations. Given the size of the Company's operations, the costs of managing exposure to commodity price risk exceed any potential benefits. The directors will revisit the appropriateness of this policy should the Company's operations change in size or nature.

# Strategic report

for the year ended 31 December 2021 (continued)

#### Credit risk

The main transactions of the Company are with companies within the group, and so the Company has limited exposure to credit risk.

#### Liquidity risk

The management of the Company's liquidity risk resides with the parent company.

#### Interest rate risk

The Company has interest bearing intercompany payables. Interest on the intercompany advance account is reviewed quarterly and interest on loan notes is fixed. The directors will revisit the appropriateness of this policy should the Company's operations change in size or nature.

#### Foreign exchange risk

The Company has loans from parent undertakings which are denominated in Swedish Krona and Euros hence it is exposed to volatility when translating these amounts to Sterling.

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Lionel Essé

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Director

# **Directors' report**

for the year ended 31 December 2021

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2021.

#### **Directors**

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the year from 1 January 2021 to the date of this report:

V Fisson

L Esse

R Amir

#### **Dividends**

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2020: £nil).

## Financial risk management

Information on the Company's financial risk management policies can be found in the Strategic report.

#### **Future developments**

The Company is actively involved in the management of Dover Corporation's investments in the UK, Australia and Dubai and South Africa, in line with Dover Corporation guidelines and actively supports targeted acquisition activity. The Company is not involved in the day to day operations of the businesses, but rather offers corporate services including taxation, banking, treasury management, company secretarial activities and co-ordination of accounting and audit services, and will continue to do so in the future.

#### Going concern

The directors have reasonable expectation that the underlying business will generate profits and dividends receivable in the future that will supply an appropriate return on the investments. The business is subject to significant exchange rate fluctuations, due to its Euro and Swedish Krona intercompany loans, without this raising any concerns for the business continuity. The directors have received confirmation that Dover Luxembourg Participations SARL intends to support the Company in order that it can meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least one year after the financial statements are signed. The Company therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

#### **Directors' confirmations**

The directors consider that the annual report and accounts, taken as a whole, is fair, balanced and understandable and provides the information necessary for shareholders to assess the Company's position and performance, business model and strategy.

In the case of each director in office at the date the directors' report is approved:

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware; and
- they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

# **Directors' report**

for the year ended 31 December 2021 (continued)

#### Post balance sheet events

On 31 March 2022, the Company sold Quantex Arc Limited, which was a wholly owned subsidiary, to Em-Tec GmbH. The new shareholder, Em-Tec GmbH, is also part of the group of companies of which Dover Corporation is the ultimate parent company. The sale occurred as part of an internal legal restructuring involving Em-Tec GmbH and Quantex Arc Limited, in order to effectively and efficiently rationalize Quantex Arc Limited operations and facilitate its compliance with certain medical regulatory requirements. The sale price was determined to be €18,252,000 (£15,271,000), being the fair market value of the Quantex Arc Limited shares.

Prior to the sale, the net book value of Quantex Arc Limited was £17,106,000. The reduction of the price, to £15,271,000 was driven by the increase of the net debt of the investment. Since the conditions of this decrease existed at 31 December 2021, this has been accounted for an adjusting event and consequently, an impairment of £1,835,000 has been recognised in the current year.

## Independent auditors

Mazars LLP will be deemed to be reappointed in accordance with Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006.

Lionel Essé

L Esse Director

# Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulation.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have prepared the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", and applicable law).

Under company law, directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- · make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- 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 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.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006.

# Independent auditor's report to the members of Dover Fluids UK Ltd

## **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Dover Fluids UK Limited (the 'Company') for the year ended 31 December 2021 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet and the statement of changes in equity 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 United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2021 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
   and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### **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 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 as applied to listed entities, 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.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

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.

Our audit procedures to evaluate the directors' assessment of the Company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting included but were not limited to:

- Undertaking an initial assessment at the planning stage of the audit to identify events or conditions that may
  cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern;
- Obtaining an understanding of the relevant process relating to the directors' going concern assessment and making inquiries of the directors to understand the period of assessment considered by them;
- Obtaining and reviewing a letter of support from the directors of the parent company, Dover Luxembourg
  Participants SARL (as disclosed in note 2), and assessing the parent company's ability to provide support to
  the Company for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for
  issue;
- Considering the consistency of the directors' going concern assessment against evidence we obtained in other areas of our audit; and
- · Evaluating the appropriateness of the directors' disclosures in the financial statements on going concern.

# Independent auditor's report to the members of Dover Fluids UK Ltd (continued)

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 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.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### **Key audit matters**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period and include the most significant assessed risks of material misstatement (whether or not due to fraud) we identified, including those which had the greatest effect on: the overall audit strategy, the allocation of resources in the audit; and directing the efforts of the engagement team. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

We summarise below the key audit matters in forming our audit opinion above, together with an overview of the principal audit procedures performed to address each matter and key observations arising from those procedures. The matters set out below are in addition to going concern which, as set out in the "Conclusions relating to going concern" section above, was also identified as a key audit matter.

These matters, together with our findings, were communicated to those charged with governance through our Audit Completion Report.

#### Key audit matter

#### Impairment of investments

Refer to note 13 of the financial statements

The Company holds a number of investments in subsidiaries with a carrying value of £823m at 31 December 2021. These investments are held at cost less accumulated impairment.

The directors conduct an exercise at the year end to determine whether investments in subsidiaries should be subject to a full impairment review, based on whether an indicator of impairment is identified.

Where an impairment indicator was identified in an investment, the directors carried out a full impairment review by assessing the net assets of the investment and by using a discounted cash flow model. The directors concluded no further impairment was required to that included in this year's financial statements.

# How our scope addressed this matter

We made inquiries of management to understand the process they undertook to identify indicators of impairment and, to corroborate this process, we compared the carrying value of each material investment to the net assets of the related underlying business.

For those material investments where a full impairment review was undertaken by the directors, we:

 reperformed the calculations in the impairment models to ensure they were mathematically accurate;

# Independent auditor's report to the members of Dover Fluids UK Ltd (continued)

Given the significant value of the investments on the balance sheet, the current economic conditions and the judgements required in forming the assumptions applied by the directors in their impairment reviews, we identified the impairment of investments as a key audit matter

- considered the most recent financial statements of the underlying businesses;
- considered and challenged the sensitivity of the models and assumptions;
- conducted sensitivity analysis by considering the impact of changing one assumption in isolation and reviewing the sensitivity of the models to weighted average cost of capital (WACC); and
- engaged our internal valuation experts to review a sample of discounted cashflows by challenging the assumptions used and the WACC applied. We then reviewed the work produced and concluded accordingly.

#### Our observations

From the audit procedures carried out, we are satisfied that the carrying value of investments is reasonable.

#### Our application of materiality and an overview of the scope of our audit

The scope of our audit was influenced by our application of materiality. We set certain quantitative thresholds for materiality. These, together with qualitative considerations, helped us to determine the scope of our audit and the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures on the individual financial statement line items and disclosures and in evaluating the effect of misstatements, both individually and on the financial statements as a whole. Based on our professional judgement, we determined materiality for the financial statements as a whole as follows:

Overall materiality

£17,332,000

How we determined it

2% of total assets

Rationale for benchmark

applied

The Company is a holding company for certain subsidiaries of Dover Corporation with its principal activity being the management of these

investments.

Performance materiality

Performance materiality is set to reduce to an appropriately low level the probability that the aggregate of uncorrected and undetected misstatements in the financial statements exceeds materiality for the

financial statements as a whole.

Performance materiality of £13,865,000 was applied in the audit, which is 80% of overall materiality.

# Independent auditor's report to the members of Dover Fluids UK Ltd (continued)

Reporting threshold

We agreed with the directors that we would report to them misstatements identified during our audit above £519,000 as well as misstatements below that amount that, in our view, warranted reporting for qualitative reasons.

As part of designing our audit, we assessed the risk of material misstatement in the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and then designed and performed audit procedures responsive to those risks. In particular, we looked at where the directors made subjective judgements such as making assumptions on significant accounting estimates.

We tailored the scope of our audit to ensure that we performed sufficient work to be able to give an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. We used the outputs of a risk assessment, our understanding of the Company, it's environment, controls and critical business processes, to consider qualitative factors in order to ensure that we obtained sufficient coverage across all financial statement line items.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information. 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 course of 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.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the 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.

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 Company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- · the 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.

# Independent auditor's report to the members of Dover Fluids UK Ltd (continued)

#### Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the financial statements set out on page 6, 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.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the 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 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.

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

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.

Based on our understanding of the Company and its industry, we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to anti-bribery, corruption and fraud, and money laundering, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements such as the Companies Act 2006 and UK tax legislation.

To help us identify instances of non-compliance with these laws and regulations, and in identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect to non-compliance, our procedures included, but were not limited to:

- Inquiring of management and, where appropriate, those charged with governance, as to whether the Company is in compliance with laws and regulations, and discussing their policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations;
- Inspecting correspondence, if any, with relevant licensing or regulatory authorities;
- Communicating identified laws and regulations throughout our engagement team and remaining alert to any
  indications of non-compliance throughout our audit; and
- Considering the risk of acts by the Company which were contrary to the applicable laws and regulations, including fraud.

We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the preparation of the financial statements, such as tax legislation, pension legislation, the Companies Act 2006.

# Independent auditor's report to the members of Dover Fluids UK Ltd (continued)

In addition, we evaluated the directors' and management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements, including the risk of management override of controls, and determined that the principal risks related to posting manual journal entries to manipulate financial performance, management bias through judgements and assumptions in significant accounting estimates, in particular in relation to the impairment of investments, revenue recognition (which we pinpointed to the cut off assertion), and significant one-off or unusual transactions.

Our audit procedures in relation to fraud included but were not limited to:

- Making enquiries of the directors and management on whether they had knowledge of any actual, suspected
  or alleged fraud;
- · Gaining an understanding of the internal controls established to mitigate risks related to fraud;
- · Discussing amongst the engagement team the risks of fraud; and
- · Addressing the risks of fraud through management override of controls by performing journal entry testing.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of irregularities including fraud rests with management. As with any audit, there remained a risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal controls.

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.

#### Use of the audit 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.

Neil Barton

Neil Barton (Senior Statutory Auditor)
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Date: 6 May 2022

# **Profit and loss account**

for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 £ 000	2020 £ 000
Administrative expenses including foreign exchange gain of £49,700,000 (2020: loss of £42,620,000)		48,770	(43,749)
Impairment of investment	5	(4,161)	(5,189)
Other operating income	6	611	503
Income from shares in group undertakings	7	20,000	43,000
Operating profit/(loss)	8	65,220	(5,435)
Interest receivable and similar income	9	1	5
Interest payable and similar expenses	10	(26,820)	(27,953)
Profit/(loss) before tax		38,401	(33,383)
Tax on profit/(loss)	11	(579)	(17,445)
Profit/(loss) for the financial year		37,822	(50,828)

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2021 or 2020 other than those included in the statement above.

The above results were derived from continuing operations.

No separate statement of comprehensive income has been presented because the Company has no other comprehensive income other than profit/(loss) for the financial year.

# **Balance sheet**

as at 31 December 2021

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	Note	2021 £ 000	2020 £ 000
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	12	2,044	2,311
Investments	13 _	823,491	789,513
•	_	825,535	791,824
Current assets			
Debtors	14	15,360	14,754
Cash at bank and in hand	15	25,740	6,747
		41,100	21,501
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	(125,411)	(85,623)
Net current liabilities	_	(84,311)	(64,122)
Total assets less current liabilities		741,224	727,702
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	17 _	(692,311)	(716,611)
Net assets	=	48,913	11,091
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	19	28,846	28,846
Share premium account	•	325	· 325
Capital contribution reserve	20	8,357	8,357
Retained earnings	_	11,385	(26,437)
Total shareholders' funds	=	48,913	11,091

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Director

The notes on pages 16 to 32 form an integral part of these financial statements.

# Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Called up share capital £ 000	Share premium account £ 000	Capital contribution reserve £ 000	Retained earnings £ 000	Total shareholders' funds £ 000
Balance at 1 January 2020 Loss for the financial year	28,846	325	8,357	24,391 (50,828)	61,919 (50,828)
Balance at 31 December 2020	28,846	325	8,357	(26,437)	11,091
Profit for the financial year			· <u>-</u>	37,822	37,822
Balance at 31 December 2021	28,846	325	8,357	11,385	48,913

# Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 31 December 2021

#### 1 General information

Dover Fluids UK Ltd is a private company, limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in the United Kingdom and registered in England. The Company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company information page 1.

The principal activities of the Company are described in the Strategic report on page 2.

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Dover Luxembourg Participations S.A.R.L. and of its ultimate parent, Dover Corporation. It is included in the consolidated financial statements of Dover Corporation which are publicly available and may be obtained from its principal place of business which is 3005 Highland Parkway Suite 200, Downers Grove, IL65015, USA. Therefore, the Company is exempt by virtue of section 401 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirement to prepare consolidated financial statements.

These financial statements are the Company's separate financial statements.

## 2 Accounting policies

#### Summary of significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### Basis of preparation

The Company's financial statements have been prepared in compliance with United Kingdom accounting standards, comprising Financial Reporting Standard 102, "the financial reporting standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements have been prepared in Sterling which is the functional currency of the Company rounded to the nearest thousand. These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention.

The Company has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions under FRS 102:

- (a) the requirement to prepare a statement of cash flows, under FRS102 paragraph 1.12(b), on the basis that it is a qualifying entity and its ultimate parent company, Dover Corporation, includes the Company's cash flows in its own consolidated financial statements [Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows and Section 3 Financial Statement Presentation paragraph 3.17 (d)].
- (b) the requirement to disclose transactions with wholly owned subsidiaries within the group [Section 33 Related Party Disclosures paragraph 33.1a].
- (c) the requirements of Sections 11 and 12 for certain financial instrument disclosures, as listed by section 1, paragraph 1.12 (c), where such disclosures are presented in the consolidated financial statements of the group in which the Company is consolidated.

# Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 31 December 2021 (continued)

## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Going concern

The directors have reasonable expectation that the underlying business will generate profits and dividends receivable in the future that will supply an appropriate return on the investments. The business is subject to significant exchange rate fluctuations, due to its Euro and Swedish Krona intercompany loans, without this raising any concerns for the business continuity. The directors have received confirmation that Dover Luxembourg Participations SARL intends to support the Company in order that it can meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least one year after the financial statements are signed. The Company therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

#### Investments

Investments in subsidiaries are accounted for at cost less any provision for impairment. The value of investments is reviewed annually by the directors or more frequently if there is a triggering event and provision made where the investment's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the profit and loss account. Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the investment is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, not to exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment losses been recognised for the investment in prior years. A reversal of impairment loss is recognised immediately in the profit and loss account.

#### Financial Instruments

The Company has chosen to adopt Sections 11 'Basic Financial Instruments', in respect of financial instruments. Financial assets and liabilities are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

#### Financial assets

Basic financial assets, including trade and other receivables and cash and bank balances are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### Impairment of financial assets

The Company assesses at each reporting date whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. Impairment losses are recognised in administrative expenses in the profit and loss account for the excess of the carrying value of the asset over the present value of the estimated future cash flows.

#### Financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables and loans from fellow group companies are recognised at transaction price.

#### Offsetting

Financial assets and liabilities are offset only when the Company currently has a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

# Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 31 December 2021 (continued)

## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Derecognition of financial assets and liabilities

A financial asset is derecognised only when the contractual right to the cash flows expire or are settled, or substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are transferred to another party, or if some of the significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party without imposing additional restrictions.

A financial liability (or part thereof) is derecognised when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expired.

#### Interest bearing loans and borrowings

Obligations for loans and borrowings are recognised when the Company becomes party to the related contracts and are measured initially at the fair value of consideration received less directly attributable transaction costs. After initial recognition, interest bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Gains and losses arising on the repurchase, settlement or otherwise cancellation of liabilities are recognised respectively in interest receivable and similar income and interest payable and similar expenses.

#### Foreign currencies

#### i. Functional and presentational currency

The Company's functional and presentational currency is the pound sterling.

#### ii. Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

At each period end foreign currency monetary items are translated using the closing rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and non-monetary items measured at fair value are measured using the exchange rate when fair value was determined.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the profit and loss account except where deferred in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow hedges.

All foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in the profit and loss account within 'Administrative expenses'.

# Notes to the financial statements

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## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Tavation

Taxation expense for the period comprises current and deferred tax recognised in the reporting period. Tax is recognised in the profit and loss account, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity. In this case tax is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively. Current or deferred taxation assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Current tax is the amount of income tax payable in respect of the taxable profit for the year or prior years. Tax is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the period end. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulation is subject to interpretation. It establishes provisions where appropriate on the basis of amounts expected to be paid to the tax authorities.

Deferred tax arises from timing differences between taxable profits and total comprehensive income as stated in the financial statements. These timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements. Deferred tax is recognised on all timing differences at the reporting date except for certain exceptions. Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are only recognised when it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits. Deferred tax is recognised on a non-discounted basis.

Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the period end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

#### Related party transactions

The Company discloses transactions with related parties which are not wholly owned within the same group. Where appropriate, transactions of a similar nature are aggregated unless, in the opinion of the directors, separate disclosure is necessary to understand the effect of the transactions on the financial statements.

## Intangible assets

Intellectual property rights arising on business acquisitions is included in the balance sheet and amortised over their remaining useful life as follows:

Intellectual property - 15 years

The related royalty income is recognised on an accruals basis in accordance with the substance of the relevant agreement.

#### Pension costs

The Company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The scheme funds, which are administered by trustees, are independent of the Company's finances. The Company's contributions to the funds are charged to the profit and loss account in the year in which the contributions are paid.

#### Interest income

Interest income is recognised as interest accrues using the effective interest method. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument to its net carrying amount.

# Notes to the financial statements

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## 2 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Finance cost

Finance costs are charged to Profit and loss account over the term of the debt using the effective interest method so that the amount charged is at a constant rate on the carrying amount. Bank charges are recognised in the year in which they are incurred.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

#### Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Equity instruments are measured at the fair value of the cash or other resources received or receivable, net of the direct costs of issuing the equity instruments. If payment is deferred and the time value of money is material, the initial measurement is on a present value basis.

#### Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported for assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date and the amounts reported for income and expenses during the year. However, the nature of estimation means that actual outcomes could differ from those estimates.

The Company applied no material judgements within the period.

The following estimate is dependent upon assumptions which could change in the next financial year and have a material effect on the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities recognised at the balance sheet date:

#### Impairment of non financial assets

Where there are indicators of impairment of individual assets, the Company performs impairment tests based on a value in use calculation. The value in use calculation is based on a discounted cash flow model. The cash flows are derived from the budget for the next five years and do not include restructuring activities that the Company is not yet committed to or significant future investments that will enhance the performance of the cash generating unit being tested. The recoverable amount is most sensitive to the discount rate used for the discounted cash flow model as well as the expected future cash flows and the growth rate used for extrapolation purposes.

#### 3 Directors' emoluments

No directors were accruing retirement benefits (2020: none) under the Company's money purchase scheme.

No directors (2020: none) exercised share options during the year. The emoluments above relate to one director employed by another group company and for which salary costs are recharged to the Company.

The emoluments of the other directors have been borne by Dover Luxembourg Participations SARL as their services provided to Dover Fluids UK Ltd are incidental to services provided elsewhere within the group. It is not possible to determine a specific allocation for services rendered to this Company.

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#### 4 Staff costs and numbers

The average number of persons employed by the Company (including directors) during the year, analysed by category was as follows:

	2021 No.	2020 · No.
Administration	3	3
The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:		
	2021 £ 000	2020 £ 000
Wages and salaries	-	43
Social security costs	-	7
Other pension costs (note 21)	-	2
		52
5 Amounts written off investments		
	2021 £ 000	. 2020 £ 000
Instructions and of instructor and		
Impairment of investments	(4,161)	(5,189)

During 2021, the Company impaired it's investment in Dover Business Services EMEA Ltd due to a management decision of striking off the subsidiary.

During 2021, the Company impaired it's investment in Quantex Arc Ltd. due to increase in its net debt.

During 2020, the Company impaired its investment in Dover Australia Holdings amounting to £5,019,000 and in Dover UK pension amounting £170,000.

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## 6 Other operating income

	2021	2020
	£ 000	£ 000
Royalty income	611	503

The royalty income is in relation to Company's intangible asset, in accordance with the substance of the relevant agreement.

# 7 Income from shares in group undertakings

	2021 £ 000	2020 £ 000
Income from shares in group undertakings	20,000	43,000

This relates to a dividend received from Dover Refrigeration & Food Equipment UK Ltd.

## 8 Operating profit/(loss)

Operating profit/(loss) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	Note	2021 £ 000	2020 £ 000
Foreign exchange (gain)/loss	•	(49,700)	42,620
Amortisation on intangible assets	12	267	267
Auditor's remuneration - audit		19	19
Impairment of investments	13	4,161	5,189

The intercompany loans are denominated in Euro and Swedish Krona. The foreign exchange gains arose on the translation into Sterling at the closing rate for the period.

There are no amounts payable to the auditors for any non-audit services (2020: £nil).

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9 Interest receivable and similar income		
	2021 £ 000	2020 £ 000
Bank interest receivable	1	5
10 Interest payable and similar expenses		
	2021 £ 000	2020 £ 000
Bank interest payable	1	4
Interest on amounts owed to group undertakings Interest on amounts owed to parent undertakings	17,573 9,246	19,521 8,428
	26,820	27,953
11 Tax on profit/(loss)		
	2021 £ 000	2020 £ 000
Current tax		
UK corporation tax for the financial year	31	<del>-</del>
Adjustments in respect of prior years Foreign tax relief/other relief	548 (31)	17,417 -
·	548	17,417
Foreign tax suffered	31	25
Total current tax	579	17,442
Deferred tax Origination and reversal of timing differences Effect of changes in tax rates	- -	3 -
Total deferred tax	-	3
Tax charged to profit and loss account	579	17,445

# Notes to the financial statements

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## 11 Tax on profit/(loss) (continued)

#### Factors affecting the tax charge for the year

The tax on (loss)/profit before tax for the year is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (2020: higher than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK) of 19% (2020: 19%).

The differences are reconciled below:

	2021 £ 000	2020 £ 000
Profit/(loss) before tax	38,401	(33,383)
Profit/(loss) multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2020: 19%)	7,296	(6,343)
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	808	992
Income not taxable	(3,800)	(8,170)
Effects of group relief/ other reliefs	(4,273)	13,529
Effect of foreign tax rates	-	20
Adjustments in respect of prior years	548	17,417
Total tax charge for the financial year	579	17,445

In the Budget 2021, the government announced that the rate of Corporation Tax will increase to 25% from 1 April 2023 for businesses with profits of £250,000 or more. The rate will remain at 19% until that date. The legislation to implement this new law has not been substantively enacted as of the date of this report, and therefore no adjustment to deferred tax balances has been recognised in the financial statements. However, the impact of the rate change is not expected to be material to the Company.

The adjustment from previous periods includes a credit of £364,000 coming from earlier years, and a £912,000 receipt for other balances.

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# 12 Intangible assets

	Intellectual Property £ 000
Cost	
At 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2021	4,011
Accumulated amortisation	
At 1 January 2021 Charge for the year	1,700 267
At 31 December 2021	1,967
Net book value	
At 31 December 2021	2,044
At 31 December 2020	2,311

The intellectual properly relates to intellectual property rights of Liquip International Pty Ltd acquired in 2014. All assets are measured at amortised cost.

# Notes to the financial statements

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#### 13 Investments

	Shares in group undertakings £ 000
Cost	
At 1 January 2021 Additions	795,302 38,139
At 31 December 2021	833,441
Impairment	
At 1 January 2021	5,789
Provision for impairments	4,161
At 31 December 2021	9,950
Net book value	
At 31 December 2021	823,491
At 31 December 2020	789,513

On June 1 2021, Quantex Arc Ltd was acquired for £17,106,000 with £613,000 as contingent consideration.

On October 1 2021, Fibrelite Composites Limited was acquired for £18,707,000.

On September 22 2021, additional capital injection of amount £2,326,000 was made in Dover Business Services EMEA Ltd. During September 2021, the management decided to strike off the subsidiary company. The strike off was not effective till January 2022.

On March 31 2022, the Company sold Quantex Arc Limited. Prior to the sale, the net book value of the subsidiary was £17,106,000 while the purchase consideration was for £15,271,000. The reduced price consideration was driven by the increase in its net debt and consequently the Company recognised an impairment of £1,835,000, as the conditions existed as at 31 December 2021.

The directors believe that the carrying value of the investments is supported by the recoverable amount with no impairment necessary.

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#### 13 Investments (continued)

The subsidiaries at 31 December 2021 are:

Sub	sidiary	undertakings

**BSC Filters Limited** 

Cook Compression Limited

Dover Refrigeration & Food Equipment UK Limited

Dover UK Pensions Limited

Hydro Systems Europe Limited Waukesha Bearings Limited

Dover Australia Holdings Pty Ltd

Dover EMEA FZE

Fairbanks Environmental Ltd

Dover Business Services EMEA Ltd

Dover Operations South Africa Proprietary Limited

Quantex Arc Ltd

Fibrelite Composites Limited

#### Principal activities

Design and manufacture of filters for the microwave

industry

Design, manufacture and sale of compressor valves

Holding company for refrigeration & food equipment

segment of the Dover group

Pension fund funding vehicle for the Dover UK

corporate group

Sale of proportioning and dispensing systems

Manufacture of industrial bearings

Holding company for Liquip International Pty Ltd

Dover representative office for the Dubai region

Wetstock management

Shared service centre for the EMEA region

Providing business development to the African region.

Other business support service activities

Manufacture of other plastic products

All subsidiaries are wholly owned, incorporated in the United Kingdom and are registered in England and Wales with the exception of Dover Australia Holdings Pty Ltd which is registered in Australia, Dover EMEA FZE which is registered in Dubai, Dover Business Services EMEA Ltd which is registered in Scotland and Dover Operations South Africa Proprietary Limited which is registered in South Africa.

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	2021 £ 000	2020 £ 000
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Amounts owed by group undertakings	7,728	9,075
Gross amounts due from customers for contract work	•	1 .
Other receivables	1	
VAT receivable	9	-
Corporation tax	7,622	5,678
	15,360	14,754

Amounts owed by group undertakings are interest free, unsecured, have no fixed date of repayment and are repayable on demand (2020: £nil).

All assets are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

# 15 Cash and cash equivalents

·	2021 £ 000	2020 £ 000
Cash on hand	25,740	6,747
16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
	2021 £ 000	£ 000
Trade creditors	2	24
Amounts owed to parent undertaking	117,153	77,669
Amounts owed to group undertakings	8,227	7,399
Taxation and social security	•	29
Other payables	1	4
Accruals and deferred income	28	498
	125,411	85,623

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## 16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (continued)

At 31 December 2021, amounts owed to parent undertaking included a cash pool and had a total balance of £116,844,000 (2020: £76,190,000). They are denominated in GBP, unsecured, have no fixed date of repayment and are repayable on demand. Interest was charged based on sterling LIBOR plus 50 basis points (2020: LIBOR plus 50 basis points).

Amounts owed to group undertakings are unsecured, have no fixed date of repayment and are repayable on demand.

There were no overdraft facilities in place at 31 December 2021 (2020: £nil).

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

	2021	2020
	£ 000	£ 000
Amounts owed to parent undertaking	174,220	162,753
Amounts owed to group undertakings	518,091	553,858
	692,311	716,611

£157,444,000 equivalent to SEK 1,916,901,000 (2020: £162,753,000) of the amount owed to parent undertaking is unsecured and repayable in full on 1 January 2027. Interest is charged at 1.427% per annum.

£288,062,000 equivalent to €340,946,00 (2020: £307,949,000) of the amount owed to group undertaking is unsecured and repayable in full on 1 January 2024. Interest is charged at 3.33% per annum.

£230,029,000 equivalent to €272,259,000 (2020: £245,909,000) of the amount owed to group undertaking is unsecured and repayable in full on 1 January 2026. Interest is charged at 3.33% per annum.

£16,776,000 (2020: £nil) of the amount owed to parent undertaking is unsecured and repayable in full on 17 June 2031. Interest is charged at 2.03% per annum.

#### 18 Deferred tax

•	2021	2020 £ 000
	£ 000	
At 1 January		3
Charged to profit and loss account		(3)
At 31 December	<u>-</u>	

# Notes to the financial statements

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## 19 Called up share capital

	2021 £ 000	2020 £ 000
Allocated and fully paid		
28,846,017 (2020: 28,846,017) ordinary shares of £1 each	28,846	28,846

There is a single class of ordinary shares. There are no restrictions on the distribution of dividends and the repayment of capital.

#### 20 Capital contribution reserve

Capital contribution reserve comprises capital contributions from the parent company, Dover Luxembourg Participations SARL. No contributions were received during the year (2020: £nil).

#### 21 Pension schemes

Total pension charge for the year was £nil (2020: £2,000). No amounts were outstanding at the end of the year in relation to these schemes. The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the Company in independently administered funds.

#### 22 Related parties

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption under FRS102 Section 33 Related party disclosures (paragraph 33.1a) not to disclose transactions with fellow wholly owned subsidiaries

#### 23 Ultimate parent company

The smallest and largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by Dover Corporation, a company incorporated in the USA, which is also the ultimate parent company and the ultimate controlling party. The consolidated financial statements of this group are available to the public and may be obtained from 3005 Highland Parkway, Suite 200, Downers Grove, IL60515, USA.

Dover Luxembourg Participations SARL is the immediate parent company and was incorporated in Luxembourg.

# Notes to the financial statements

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# 24 Investment registered addresses

The subsidiaries at 31 December 2021 registered addresses are:

Subsidiary undertakings	Registered address		
BSC Filters Limited	Unit 10-11 Sterling Park, York, YO30 4WU, UK		
Cook Compression Limited	1-3 Helix Business Park, New Bridge Road, Ellesmere Port, Cheshire, CH65 4LR, UK		
Dover Refrigeration & Food Equipment UK Limited	Midland House, 2 Poole Road, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH2 5QY, UK		
Dover UK Pensions Limited	c/o Wragge Lawrence Graham & Co LLP, 11th Floor, 2 Snowhill, Birmingham, West Midlands, B4 6WR, UK		
Hydro Systems Europe Limited	Unit 8 Granary Court Business Centre, Alton Road, South Warnborough Hook, Hampshire, RG29 1RP, UK		
Waukesha Bearings Limited	Unit J, Downland Business Park, Lyons Way, Worthing, West Sussex, BN14 9LA, UK		
Dover Australia Holdings Pty Ltd	13 Hume Road, Smithfield, NSW 2164, Australia		
Dover EMEA FZE	Building 6EB/550 DAFZA, Dubai Airport Free Zone, PO Box 371494, Dubai, United Arab Emirates		
Fairbanks Environmental Ltd	The Technology Management Centre, Moss Lane View, Skelmersdale, Lancashire, WN8 9TN, UK		
Dover Business Services EMEA Ltd	34 Reform Street, Dundee, Scotland, DD1 1RJ, UK		
Dover Operations South Africa Proprietary Limited	1st Floor Block B and Block C, Metropolitan Park, 8 Hillside Road, Parktown, Gauteng, 2196, South Africa		
Quantex Arc Ltd	85 Richford Street, London, W6 7HJ		
Fibrelite Composites Limited	Suite C1 Conway House, Ackhurst Business Park, Foxhole Road, Chorley, Lancashire, PR7 1NY		

The Company owns 100% of the ordinary share capital of its subsidiaries.

On 22 September 2021, the management decided to strike off the subsidiary company Dover Business Services EMEA Ltd. The strike off was not effective till January 2022.

# Notes to the financial statements

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#### 24 Investment registered addresses (continued)

The associates at 31 December 2021 registered addresses are:

Associate undertakings

Registered address

HP Guatemala

Avenida Reforma 10-00 zona 9, Condominio Reforma, despacho 5B, Guatemala.

The Company owns 20% of the ordinary share capital of its associate.

#### 25 Post balance sheet events

On 31 March 2022, the Company sold Quantex Arc Limited, which was a wholly owned subsidiary, to Em-Tec GmbH. The new shareholder, Em-Tec GmbH, is also part of the group of companies of which Dover Corporation is the ultimate parent company. The sale occurred as part of an internal legal restructuring involving Em-Tec GmbH and Quantex Arc Limited, in order to effectively and efficiently rationalize Quantex Arc Limited operations and facilitate its compliance with certain medical regulatory requirements. The sale price was determined to be €18,252,000 (£15,271,000), being the fair market value of the Quantex Arc Limited shares.

Prior to the sale, the net book value of Quantex Arc Limited was £17,106,000. The reduction of the price, to £15,271,000 was driven by the increase of the net debt of the investment. Since the conditions of this decrease existed at 31 December 2021, this has been accounted for an adjusting event and consequently, an impairment of £1,835,000 has been recognised in the current year.