### **REGISTERED NUMBER: 02201553 (England and Wales)**

Strategic Report, Report of the Directors and **Audited Financial Statements** for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

for

**ABS Consulting Limited** 

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## **ABS Consulting Limited**

# Company Information for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

DIRECTORS:

M W Goodwin

Ms S Barton Dr M P Wong D R Weinstein D A Walker

**SECRETARIES:** 

M Mannix Ms S Barton

**REGISTERED OFFICE:** 

EQE House, The Beacons

Warrington Road

Birchwood Warrington Cheshire WA3 6WJ

**REGISTERED NUMBER:** 

02201553 (England and Wales)

**AUDITORS:** 

Ernst & Young LLP, Statutory Auditor

1 More London Place

London SE1 2AF

**BANKERS:** 

National Westminster Bank plc

5 Ormskirk St St Helens Merseyside WA10 1DR

# Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

The directors present their strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2013.

#### **REVIEW OF BUSINESS**

This year (2013) was the twenty fourth year of operations and the Company continued to focus on the strategic direction implemented in previous years. The Company remains well positioned in all its target markets and the directors are confident that the continued investment in diversification of products and services will ensure the business remains profitable.

The key performance indicators during the year were as follows:

	2013	2012	Change %
Value of proposals won (£'000)	11,544	9,607	+20
Training (hours)	2,741	1,594	+72

During 2013 ABS Consulting Limited won proposals of £11.5m which represents an increase on the level of 2012 successful bids.

The 2,741 training hours in the year represents the continued commitment of the business to invest in training initiatives which ensure the development and retention of key staff.

During 2013 ABS Consulting Limited disposed of its interest in EQE International SARL, a subsidiary undertaking. Details of which can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

#### PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Company's principal risk is that it is operating in a market place where the demand for suitably qualified engineers exceeds the supply. The Company continues to mitigate this risk by ensuring salaries remain above market rates and forging links with key engineering educational institutions. The business operates primarily in the UK energy market, it is therefore exposed to downturns in the UK and global economies.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

W Marinix - Secretar

Date: 16 JULY 2014

# Report of the Directors for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2013.

#### **DIVIDENDS**

The Company delivered turnover to the value of £10.7m in 2013 and made a profit before taxation of £802k (2012: £654k). The Company delivered a 7.5% pre-tax rate of profit compared to 6% in 2012. The directors do not recommend payment of a dividend (2012: £nil). The retained profit has been transferred to reserves together with the unrealised exchange differences.

#### **DIRECTORS**

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 1 January 2013 to the date of this report.

M W Goodwin Ms S Barton Dr M P Wong

Other changes in directors holding office are as follows:

A Nassif - resigned 21 September 2013 D R Weinstein - appointed 18 December 2013 D A Walker - appointed 23 September 2013

#### **GOING CONCERN**

After making reasonable enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the directors continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and financial statements.

### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

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

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

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

#### STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he or she ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself or herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

# Report of the Directors for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

### **AUDITORS**

Ernst & Young LLP are deemed to be reappointed in accordance with an elective resolution made under section 386 of The Companies Act 1985 which continues in force under the Companies Act 2006.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

M Mannix - Secretary

Date: 16 TULY 2014

# Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of ABS Consulting Limited (Registered number: 02201553)

We have audited the financial statements of ABS Consulting Limited for the year ended 31 December 2013 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses and the related notes 1 to 21. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

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

#### 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 Strategic Report and Report of the Directors 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 of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2013 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.

### Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Strategic Report and the Report of the Directors for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

# Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of ABS Consulting Limited (Registered number: 02201553)

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

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of Directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Ernst & Young LLP

Denise Larnder (Senior statutory auditor) for and on behalf of Ernst & Young LLP, Statutory Auditor 1 More London Place London SE1 2AF

Date: 21 July 2014

# Profit and Loss Account for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

	Notes	2013 £	2012 £
TURNOVER	2	10,721,002	10,287,566
Cost of sales		9,086,435	8,602,624
GROSS PROFIT		1,634,567	1,684,942
Administrative expenses		1,400,446	1,461,720
OPERATING PROFIT	5	234,121	223,222
Profit/(loss) on disposal of fixed asset investment	7	542,434	
		776,555	223,222
Interest receivable and similar income		80,293	449,022
		856,848	672,244
Interest payable and similar charges	8	54,365	18,527
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		802,483	653,717
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	9	53,391	60,797
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		749,092	592,920

### **CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

None of the Company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the current year or previous year.

# Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

	2013 £	2012 £
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR Cumulative translation adjustment	749,092 16,975	592,920 13,653
TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES RELATING TO THE YEAR	766,067	606,573

# Balance Sheet 31 December 2013

		20	13	201	2
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS	40		50.454		55 707
Tangible assets Investments	10 11		59,451 48,000		55,737 82,372
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			107,451		138,109
CURRENT ASSETS					
Deferred tax	12	36,809		48,964	
Debtors	13	17,329,258		15,054,475	
Cash at bank		406,984		353,687	
		17,773,051		15,457,126	
CREDITORS		10.000.011			
Amounts falling due within one year	14	16,258,314		14,832,430	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			1,514,737		624,696
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			1,622,188		762,805
CREDITORS Amounts falling due after more than one year	15		(48,000)		(48,000)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES	47		(02.246)		
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES	17		(93,316)		<del></del>
NET ASSETS			1,480,872		714,805
			<u></u>		
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	18		118,415	•	118,415
Share premium	19		205,292		205,292
Profit and loss account	19		1,157,165		391,098
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	21		1,480,872		714,805

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 16 July 2014 and were signed on its behalf by:

Dr M P Wong - Director

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the Company is in a strong net asset position and has historically been profit-making.

Under Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 1: 'Cash Flow Statements' (revised 1996) the Company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that a parent undertaking includes the Company in its own published consolidated financial statements.

As the Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of The American Bureau of Shipping, the Company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 8: 'Related Party Disclosures' and has therefore not disclosed transactions or balances with other wholly owned entities which form part of the group, or investees of the group qualifying as related parties. The American Bureau of Shipping produces consolidated financial statements, the address of the company can be found within note 20.

#### **Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

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

#### **Exemption from preparing consolidated financial statements**

The financial statements contain information about ABS Consulting Limited as an individual company and do not contain consolidated financial information as the parent of a group. The Company is exempt under Section 405 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirements to prepare consolidated financial statements as the inclusion of subsidiary undertakings are not material for the purpose of giving a true and fair view.

#### **Turnover**

Turnover, which is stated net of value added tax, represents the value of services provided to clients (including other group companies) during the year, after provision for contingencies and anticipated future losses on contracts, including amounts not invoiced. The turnover and pre-tax profit is attributable to the provision of consulting services in specialised engineering, safety and risk management to a broad range of clients in the energy, process, transportation, insurance and defence sectors.

### Tangible fixed assets

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

Improvements to leasehold buildings - over the lease term Office equipment, furniture and fittings - lower of 3 to 5 years or the lease term

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

There have been no impairments of tangible fixed assets in the current or prior year.

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# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

#### Deferred tax

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes.

Deferred tax is measured at the rates that are expected to apply in the periods when the timing differences are expected to reverse, based on the tax rates and law enacted at the balance sheet date.

A deferred tax asset is recognised when there is a reasonable certainty that at least some of the brought forward losses will be offset by future profits.

#### Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date and the gains or losses on translation are included in the profit and loss account.

The assets and liabilities of overseas branches are translated into Sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. The profit and loss accounts of such branches are translated at the average rates of exchange during the year. Exchange differences arising on these translations are taken to reserves and disclosed in the Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses.

Intercompany balances are treated as monetary assets or liabilities and in accordance with Statement of Standard Accounting Practice (SSAP) 20: 'Foreign Currency Translation', the revaluation of prior year balances is included in the Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses.

#### **Pensions**

The Company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

#### Investments

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

#### Long-term contracts

The amount of profit attributable to the stage of completion of a long term contract is recognised when the outcome of the contract can be foreseen with reasonable certainty. Turnover for such contracts is stated at cost appropriate to their stage of completion plus attributable profits, less amounts recognised in previous years. Provision is made for any losses as soon as they are foreseen.

Contract work in progress is stated at costs incurred, less those transferred to the profit and loss account, after deducting foreseeable losses and payments on account not matched with turnover.

Amounts recoverable on contracts are included in debtors and represent turnover recognised in excess of payments on account.

Payments on account made in excess of turnover recognised are included in creditors within accruals and deferred income.

#### Disposal of fixed assets

The profit or loss on the disposal of an asset; including tangible fixed assets, intangible fixed assets and fixed asset investments; is calculated as the difference between the net sale proceeds and the net carrying amount of the asset at the time of disposal, whether carried at historical cost (less any provisions made) or at a valuation in line with 'Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 3: Reporting Financial Performance'.

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

## 2. TURNOVER

The turnover and profit before taxation are attributable to the one principal activity of the Company.

An analysis of turnover by class of business is given below:

		2013	2012
	Commercial Risk	£ 1,003,000	£ 695,000
	Process	3,703,000	3,950,000
	Energy	6,015,002	5,642,566
		10,721,002	10,287,566
	An analysis of turnover by geographical market is given below:		
		2013	2012
	Haitad Kiandana	£	£
	United Kingdom Europe	9,174,000 424,000	8,012,000 188,000
	Rest of World	1,123,002	2,087,566
		10,721,002	10,287,566
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3.	STAFF COSTS	2013	2012
		£	£
	Wages and salaries	2,443,316	2,432,255
	Social security costs	295,988	300,767
	Other pension costs	133,008	145,225
		2,872,312	2,878,247
	The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follow	s:	
		2013	2012
	Rechargeable staff	50	44
	Administration	14	14
		64	58
4.	DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS		
		2013 £	2012 £
	Aggregate emoluments in respect of qualifying services	174,498	
	Company contributions to money purchase pension schemes	17,204	27,921
	Number of directors accruing benefits under money purchase pension		
	schemes	2	2 3
	•		

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

### 5. **OPERATING PROFIT**

The operating profit is stated after charging:

	Depreciation - owned assets	2013 £ 31,577	2012 £ 45,186
6.	AUDITORS' REMUNERATION		
		2013 £	2012 £
	Fees payable to the Company's auditor for the audit of the Company's financial statements	68,800 ———	72,659

#### 7. PROFIT ON DISPOSAL OF FIXED ASSET INVESTMENT

The profit on the disposal of fixed asset investments relates to the sale of EQE International SARL, one of the Company's subsidiaries.

The profit on disposal of the subsidiary has been calculated as the difference between the net sale proceeds and the net carrying amount of the investment at the date of disposal.

#### 8. INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES

	2013 £	2012 £
Bank interest Exchange adjustment	- 54,365	3 18,524
	54,365	18,527

#### 9. TAXATION

# Analysis of the tax charge The tax charge on the profit on ordinary activities for the year was as follows:

	2013 £	2012 £
Current tax:	L	~
UK corporation tax	40,000	15,132
Group relief payment	-	45,566
Adjustments in respect of		
previous periods	1,236	3,365
Total current tax	41,236	64,063
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Deferred tax:		
Deferred tax	12,155	1,077
Adjustments in respect of	12,100	.,
previous periods	-	(4,343)
	40.455	(0.000)
Total deferred tax	12,155	(3,266)
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	53,391	60,797
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# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

#### 9. TAXATION - continued

### Factors affecting the tax charge

The tax assessed for the year is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK. The difference is explained below:

	2013 £	2012 £
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	802,483	653,717
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 23.250% (2012 - 24.500%)	186,577	160,161
Effects of:		•
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Income not taxable for tax purposes	4,960 (144,774)	5,258 (106,888)
Depreciation in excess of capital allowances	(3,249)	(1,391)
Other timing differences	(5,494)	4,509
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of previous periods	1,236	3,365
Other tax adjustments	1,980	<u>(951)</u>
Current tax charge	41,236	64,063

#### Factors that may affect future tax charges

The Company has recognised a deferred tax asset of £36,809 (2012: £48,964) in respect of accelerated capital allowances and other timing differences. Legislation was introduced in Finance Act 2013 to reduce the main rate of corporation tax from 23% to 21% with effect from 1 April 2014, and from 21% to 20% with effect from 1 April 2015.

The Finance Bill 2014, published on 25 March 2014, confirms the UK government's previously stated intention to reduce the main rate of corporation tax to a uniform rate of 20% with effect from 1 April 2015. The impact of these future tax rate reductions have been reflected in the closing deferred tax asset recognised.

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

### 10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Improvements		
	to	Fixtures	
	leasehold	and	
	buildings	fittings	Totals
	£	£	£
COST			
At 1 January 2013	182,436	768,063	950,499
Additions	-	35,291	35,291
Disposals	<u> </u>	(29,463)	(29,463)
At 31 December 2013	182,436	773,891	956,327
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 January 2013	157,331	737,431	894,762
Charge for year	9,994	21,583	31,577
Eliminated on disposal	<u>-</u>	(29,463)	(29,463)
At 31 December 2013	167,325	729,551	896,876
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 December 2013	15,111	44,340	59,451
At 31 December 2012	25,105	30,632	55,737
		=====	====

#### 11. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	group undertakings £
COST At 1 January 2013 Disposals	82,372 (34,372)
At 31 December 2013	48,000
NET BOOK VALUE At 31 December 2013	48,000
At 31 December 2012	82,372

The Company's investments at the balance sheet date in the share capital of companies include the following:

## **Subsidiaries**

### **EQE-ISS Limited**

Country of incorporation: United Kingdom

Nature of business: Dormant

Class of shares: holding Ordinary 100.00

The voting rights follow the shareholdings.

The Company is exempt from preparing individual accounts under s394A of the Companies Act 2006.

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# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

#### 11. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS - continued

#### **Prosoft Resources Limited**

Country of incorporation: United Kingdom

Nature of business: Dormant

Class of shares: holding Ordinary 100.00

The voting rights follow the shareholdings.

The Company is exempt from preparing individual accounts under s394A of the Companies Act 2006.

### **Associated company**

## **EQE Consultants South Africa (PTY) Limited**

Country of incorporation: South Africa

Nature of business: Dormant

Class of shares: holding Ordinary 49.00

The voting rights follow the shareholdings.

The Company is exempt from preparing individual accounts under s394A of the Companies Act 2006.

On 20 December 2013 the Company disposed of its shares in EQE International SARL, a subsidiary incorporated in France, for proceeds of £540,311. After disposing of the cost of the investment (£34,371) and settling an intercompany liability (£36,482), a profit on disposal of £542,422 was recognised.

### 12. **DEFERRED TAX**

Deferred tax	2013 £ 36,809	2012 £ 48,964
Balance as at 1 January 2013 Credit/(charge) to profit and loss during the year		2013 £ 48,964 (12,155)
Balance as at 31 December 2013		36,809
The recognised deferred tax asset of £36,809 (2012: £48,964) comprises:		
Accelerated capital allowances Other short term timing differences	2013 £ 34,259 2,550 36,809	2012 £ 40,736 8,228 48,964

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

### 13. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

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		2013	2012
		£	£
	Trade debtors	1,212,139	1,000,625
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	14,887,106	12,855,338
	Amounts recoverable on contracts	754,456	783,111
	Other debtors	309,522	179,160
	Prepayments and accrued income	166,035	236,241
		17,329,258	15,054,475
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14.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	0040	0040
		2013 £	2012 £
	Trade creditors	75,809	169,287
	Amounts owed to group undertakings	14,877,194	13,018,930
	UK corporation tax	24,812	12,486
	Social security and other taxes	214,642	354,159
	Other creditors	221,699	208,000
	Accruals and deferred income	844,158	1,069,568
		16,258,314	14,832,430
15.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		
		2013	2012
		£	£
	Amounts owed to group undertakings	48,000	48,000

## 16. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

The following operating lease payments are committed to be paid within one year:

		Land and buildings		Other operating leases	
		2013	2012	2013	2012
		£	£	£	£
	Expiring:				
	Within one year	-	2,010	18,853	17,478
	Between one and five years	189,400	217,600	50,975	57,879
	•	189,400	219,610	69,828	75,357
17.	PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES			2013	2012
				2013 £	2012 £
	Other provisions			L	L
	Dilapidation provision			93,316	-

The dilapidation provision relates to the lease of EQE House (the Company's registered office) and the break clause within the lease that has been exercised whereby the Company is due to move out of the premises in March 2015.

The liability provided for is in respect of the costs that will need to be incurred in order to restore the property back to its original condition prior to the Company residing at the property.

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

### 18. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

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Allotted, is:	sued and fully paid:			
Number:	Class:	Nominal	2013	2012
		value:	£	£
54,152	Ordinary A	50p	27,076	27,076
182,678	Ordinary B	50p	91,339	91,339
			118,415	118,415
Class A an	d B shares carry equal voting rights	<b>S</b> .		
RESERVE	S			
		Profit		
		and loss	Share	
		account	premium	Totals
		£	£	£
At 1 Janua	ry 2013	391,098	205,292	596,390
Profit for th		749,092	•	749,092

#### 20. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

Exchange adjustment

At 31 December 2013

The Company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is The American Bureau of Shipping, an entity incorporated by special statute in the United States of America.

16,975

205,292

1,157,165

The largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by The American Bureau of Shipping. The consolidated financial statements of this group are available from the following address:

ABS Plaza 16855 North Chase Drive Houston TX 77060 USA

The smallest group in which they are consolidated is that headed by ABSG Consulting Inc, a company incorporated in the United States of America. The consolidated financial statements are available from the following address:

ABSG Consulting Inc. 16855 North Chase Drive Houston TX 77060 USA 16,975

1,362,457

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

### 21. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	2013 £	2012 £
Profit for the financial year Other recognised gains and losses	749,092	592,920
relating to the year (net)	16,975	13,653
Net addition to shareholders' funds	766,067	606,573
Opening shareholders' funds	714,805	108,232
Closing shareholders' funds	1,480,872	714,805