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### **AMPEX GREAT BRITAIN LIMITED**

## DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

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## **COMPANY INFORMATION**

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### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011

### Principal activities and review of the business

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of the sale and support of magnetic recording, digital image processing, high performance digital storage and mass data storage equipment

The directors consider the level of business for the year under review to be satisfactory

During the year the company received financial support from its parent company, and remains reliant on its parent for ongoing financial support and supply of products for resale, in order to continue to trade. The company's immediate parent company has confirmed its intention to support the company, so far as to ensure that it meets its liabilities as they fall due for at least twelve months after the date of approval of the financial statements, and consequently the directors have prepared the accounts on a going concern basis.

#### Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 5

The directors do not recommend payment of an ordinary dividend

#### Directors

The following directors have held office since 1 January 2011

D G Strickland

L Chiarella

### Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report 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 these 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 UK 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.

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)**

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

## Statement of disclosure to auditors

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware. Additionally, the directors have taken all the necessary steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of all relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006

On behalf of the beard

Lama i ax // La Chiarella, Director

Dated 16 Feb 2012

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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### TO THE MEMBERS OF AMPEX GREAT BRITAIN LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Ampex Great Britain Limited for the year ended 31 December 2011 set out on pages 5 to 13. 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 auditors' 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 Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on pages 1 - 2, 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 Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. 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 2011 and of its loss 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 Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)**

## TO THE MEMBERS OF AMPEX GREAT BRITAIN LIMITED

### 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, or

Roslyn McFarlane (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of HW

Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditor

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2 March 2012

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# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

		2011	2010
	Notes	£	£
Turnover	2	176,261	249,739
Cost of sales		(32,017)	(50,098)
Gross profit		144,244	199,641
Distribution costs		(2,038)	(2,672)
Administrative expenses		(183,256)	(268,078)
Operating loss	3	(41,050)	(71,109)
Other interest receivable and similar	г		
income	4		69
Loss on ordinary activities before	•		
taxation		(40,978)	(71,040)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	5	<u>.</u>	
Loss for the year	11	(40,978)	(71,040)

The profit and loss account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account

## **BALANCE SHEET**

## AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2011

		20	011	20	10
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	6		4,349		-
Current assets					
Debtors	7	17,298		30,909	
Cash at bank and in hand		88,390		101,603	
		105,688		132,512	
Creditors amounts falling due within					
one year	8	(493,212)		(474,709)	
Net current liabilities			(387,524)		(342,197)
Total assets less current liabilities			(383,175)		(342,197)
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	10		100,000		100,000
Profit and loss account	11		(483,175)		(442,197)
Shareholders' funds	12		(383,175)		(342,197)

Approved by the Board and authorised for issue on 16/02/2012

L Chiarella Director

Company Registration No. 02987174

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

### 1 Accounting policies

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small company

### 1.2 Compliance with accounting standards

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), which have been applied consistently (except as otherwise stated)

### 1.3 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT and trade discounts Revenue is generally recognised upon invoicing

### 1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows

Fixtures, fittings & equipment

6 years straight line

### 1.5 Leasing

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term

### 16 Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution scheme for the benefit of its employees. Contributions payable are charged to the profit and loss account in the year they are payable.

### 1.7 Deferred taxation

No provision has been made for the deferred tax asset as future profitability is uncertain and therefore it cannot be concluded when the deferred tax asset will crystalise. The deferred tax balance has not been discounted

### 18 Foreign currency translation

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. All differences are taken to profit and loss account.

### 19 Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis as the immediate parent company has confirmed its intention to continue its financial support of the company so as to ensure that it is able to meet its liabilities as they fall due, for at least twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

2	Turnover		
	Geographical market		
		Turnov	
		2011	2010
		£	£
	United Kingdom	150,523	179,784
	Europe	25,738	69,955
		176,261	249,739
3	Operating loss	2011	2010
	•	£	£
	Operating loss is stated after charging		
	Depreciation of tangible assets	490	958
	Loss on foreign exchange transactions	4,173	15,941
	Operating lease rentals		
	- Plant and machinery	_	3,056
	- Other assets	34,365	48,834
	Fees payable to the company's auditor for the audit of the company's		
	annual accounts	6,250	11,500
	-Preperation of statutory accounts and Corporation Tax return	2,000	2,000
	-Other services	1,000	1,700
	Profit on disposal of tangible assets	-	(6,746)
4	Investment income	2011	2010
		£	£
	Bank interest	72	69
		72	69
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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

Taxation	2011	2010
Total current tax	-	<u> </u>
Factors affecting the tax charge for the year		
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	(40,978)	(71,040)
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied by standard rate of		
UK corporation tax of 21 00% (2010 - 21 00%)	(8,605)	(14,918)
Effects of		
Non deductible expenses	-	26
Depreciation add back	103	201
Capital allowances	(2,371)	(3,111)
Other tax adjustments	10,873	17,802
	8,605	14,918
Current tax charge for the year	•	

The company has estimated losses of £609,831 (2010 - £558,152) available for carry forward against future trading profits. Deferred tax in relation to these losses has not been recognised due to the uncertainty of future profitability.

The company has an estimated deferred tax asset of £4,507 (2010 - £6,775) ansing due to decelerated capital allowances. No provision has been made for this deferred tax asset as future profitability is uncertain and therefore it cannot be concluded when the deferred tax asset will crystalise.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

6	Tangıble fixed assets		
			Fixtures,
			fittings & equipment
			£
	Cost		
	At 1 January 2011		-
	Additions		4,839
	At 31 December 2011		4,839
	Depreciation		
	At 1 January 2011		-
	Charge for the year		490
	At 31 December 2011		490
	Net book value		
	At 31 December 2011		4,349
	At 31 December 2010		
7	Debtors	2011	2010
		£	£
	Trade debtors	8,667	19,322
	Other debtors	250	250
	Prepayments and accrued income	8,381	11,337
		17,298	30,909

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

8	Creditors amounts falling due within one year	2011	2010
	-	£	£
	Amounts owed to parent and fellow subsidiary undertakings	477,985	445,412
	Taxes and social security costs	477	2,687
	Accruals and deferred income	14,750	26,610
		493,212	474,709

Amounts owed to group undertakings are unsecured, interest free and payable on demand, although may not be wholly repayable within one year

## 9 Pension and other post-retirement benefit commitments Defined contribution

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund.

2011

2010

loss

		£	£
	Contributions payable by the company for the year	4,478	5,479
10	Share capital	2011 £	2010 £
	Allotted, called up and fully paid 100,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	100,000	100,000
11	Statement of movements on profit and loss account		Profit and

	account £
Balance at 1 January 2011 Loss for the year	(442,197) (40,978)
Balance at 31 December 2011	(483,175)

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

12	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2011 £	2010 £
	Loss for the financial year	(40,978)	(71,040)
	Opening shareholders' funds	(342,197)	(271,157)
	Closing shareholders' funds	(383,175)	(342,197)

### 13 Financial commitments

At 31 December 2011 the company was committed to making the following payments under non-cancellable operating leases in the year to 31 December 2012

	Land and bu	ııldıngs
	2011	2010
	£	£
Operating leases which expire		
Within one year	-	26,2 <del>9</del> 8
Between two and five years	13,735	-
	13,735	26,298

### 14 Employees

## Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees (excluding directors) during the year was

	Number	Number
Sales, operations and administration	3	4
Employment costs	2011 £	2010 £
Wages and salaries	99,377	141,021
Social security costs Other pension costs	7,907 4,478	9,845 5,479
	111,762	156,345

2011

2010

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

### 15 Control

The company's immediate parent undertaking is Ampex Data Systems Corporation, a company registered in the United States of America Ampex Data Systems Corporation had a 100% interest in the equity share capital of the company at 31 December 2011

The ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Ampex Corporation, a company registered in the United States of America

## 16 Related party relationships and transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard Number 8 from the requirement to disclose related party transactions with its parent company Ampex Data Systems Corporation as the company is wholly owned subsidiary