## **Basell UK Holdings Limited**

Directors' report and financial statements Registered number 3053549 31 December 2006

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## Directors' report

The Directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2006

#### Principal activities

The Company is an investment and holding Company

#### Results and dividends

The loss after taxation for the period was £7,625,000 (2005 £2,842,000) and is set out on page 5

The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2005 fnil)

#### Directors and their interests

The Directors of the Company during the year are set out below

Myloly

A Cookson

(resigned 20 March 2006)

S Barnard

M Pooley

F Bos

(appointed 20 March 2006)

P Pyman

(appointed 20 March 2006)

None of the Directors who held office at the end of the financial year had any disclosable interest in the shares of the Company or any other group undertaking

#### Disclosure of information to auditors

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information

#### Auditors

In accordance with Section 384 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution for the re-appointment of KPMG LLP as auditors of the company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting

By order of the board

MJ Pooley
Director

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

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 they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the EU and applicable laws

The financial statements are required by law to present fairly the financial position and the performance of the company, the Companies Act 1985 provides in relation to such financial statements that references in the relevant part of that Act to financial statements giving a true and fair view are references to their achieving a fair presentation

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- · state whether they have been prepared in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the EU, 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 responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.



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## Report of the independent auditors to the members of Basell UK Holdings Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Basell UK Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 December 2006 which comprise the Income Statement, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. 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

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the EU are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities on page 2

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland)

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and whether the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it

#### Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgments made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

# Report of the independent auditors to the members of Basell UK Holdings Limited (continued)

#### Opinion

In our opinion

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the EU, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2006 and of its loss for the year then ended,
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985,
   and
- the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor

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30 October, 2007

## **Income Statement**

for the year ended 31 December 2006

	Note	2006 £000	2005 £000
Administrative expenses		(24)	(89)
Loss before financing costs and gains on sale of land		(24)	(89)
Financial expenses	5	(8,132)	(2,753)
Gain on sale of land	7	531	•
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	2	(7,625)	(2,842)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	6	<del>-</del>	-
Loss for the financial year	13	(7,625)	(2,842)

The results above are all derived from continuing operations

There have been no recognised gains or losses for the current or preceding financial year other than as stated in the income statement and therefore a statement of recognised income and expense has not been presented

## **Balance** sheet

at 31 December 2006

	Note	2006	2005
Non current assets		£000	£000
Property, plant and equipment	7	-	2,425
Investments	8	139,655	139,655
		139,655	142,080
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables	9	74	74
		74	74
Total assets		139,729	142,154
Current liabilities		-	
Trade and other payables	10	(10,722)	(5,522)
		(10,722)	(5,522)
Non current liabilities			
Interest bearing loans	11	(105,000)	(105,000)
Net assets		24,007	31,632
Equity		<del></del>	
Share capital	12	91,828	91,828
Share premium	13	51,902	51,902
Retained earnings	13	(119,723)	(112,098)
Total equity	13	24,007	31,632

These financial statements were approved by the board of Directors on 2640 Tand were signed on its behalf by

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MJ Pooley
Director

Statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 December 2006

	2006	2005
	£000	£000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Loss for the period	(7,625)	(2,842)
Impairment losses	-	100
Financial expenses	8,132	2,753
Gain on sale of land	(531)	-
Operating (loss)/profit before changes in working capital	(24)	11
Movement in trade and other receivables	-	(74)
Movement in trade and other payables	5,200	2,816
Net cash flows from operating activities	5,176	2,753
Cash flows from investing activities		
Proceeds from sale of land	2,956	-
Net cash flows from investing activities	2,956	-
Cash flows from financing activities		
Interest paid	(8,132)	(2 753)
Cash flows from financing activities	(8,132)	(2 753)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	-	
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#### **Notes**

(forming part of the financial statements)

#### 1 Accounting policies

The Company financial statements have been prepared and approved by the directors in accordance with International Accounting Standards (IAS) and International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU ('Adopted IFRSs")

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Adopted IFRSs requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors considered reasonable at the time, but actual results may differ from these estimates. Revisions to these estimates are made in the period in which they are recognised.

In these financial statements, the following Adopted IFRSs are effective, however they had no material impact on these financial statements

IFRIC 4 - Determining whether an arrangement contains a lease'

IFRIC 5 – 'Right to Interest Arising from Decommissioning, Restoration and Environmental Rehabilitation Funds'

IFRIC 6 - 'Liabilities Arising from Participating in a specific market - Waste electrical and electronic equipment'

The amendment to IAS 21 in relation to net investments in a foreign operation

The amendments to IAS 39 and IFRS 4 in relation to financial guarantee contracts

The amendments to IAS 39 in relation to the fair value option and the consequential amendments to IAS 32 in relation to disclosures in respect of financial assets and financial habilities designated as fair value through profit or loss

The amendment to IAS 39 in relation to cash flow hedge accounting of forecast intra-group transactions

The directors anticipate that the adoption of these Standards and Interpretations in future periods will have no material impact on the financial statements of the Company except for additional disclosures on capital and financial instruments

The directors anticipate that the adoption of these Standards and Interpretations in future periods will have no material impact on the financial statements of the company except for additional disclosures on capital and financial instruments when the relevant standards come into effect for periods commencing on or after 1 January 2007

#### Group accounts

These financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group. The results of the companies in the group are included in the audited consolidated accounts of the parent undertaking (see note 14) which is established under the law of a member state of the EU and which complies with the Seventh Directive. The Company is therefore exempt from the requirement to prepare group accounts under \$228 of the Companies Act 1985.

#### Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Taxation, including deferred taxation

Tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the income statement except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity, in which case it is recognised in equity.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years

Deferred tax is provided on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

#### Foreign currency translation

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than sterling are translated to sterling at the rates of exchange prevailing on the balance sheet date, unless the exchange exposure on such asset or liability has been covered by a forward exchange contract or a currency swap, in which case the asset or liability is translated at the applicable contract rate. Exchange gains and losses are recognised in the profit and loss account.

#### Interest bearing loans

Interest bearing loans are recognised initially at fair value less attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition interest bearing loans are stated at amortised cost.

#### 2 Loss on ordinary activities before taxation

In both 2006 and 2005 the audit fees for Basell UK Holdings Limited were paid by Basell Polyolefins UK Limited

#### 3 Remuneration of Directors

None of the Directors received any emoluments in respect of services provided to the Company

#### 4 Staff numbers and costs

There were no employees other than the Directors and no staff costs incurred by the Company

#### 5 Interest payable and similar charges

	2006 £000	2005 £000
On loans from group undertakings	8,132	2,753

#### 6 Taxation

#### Recognised in the income statement

	2006 £000	2005 £000
Current tax expense Deferred tax	- -	-
Total current tax charge	•	-
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The Company has tax losses carried forward of £4,045,000 (2005 £4,496,000) The related deferred tax asset of £1,214,000 (2005 £1,349,000) on the tax losses carried forward has not been recognised as in the opinion of the Directors it is unlikely that these losses will be utilised in the near future

The current tax charge for the period is higher  $(2005 \, higher)$  than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK 30%  $(2005 \, 30\%)$ 

#### Reconciliation of effective tax rate

2006 £000	2005 £000
(7,625)	(2,842)
(2,288)	(853)
2,288	853
-	-
	(7,625) (2,288)

7 Tangible fixed asset	S
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7	Tangible fixed assets				
				Land	d and buildings £000
	Cost At the beginning of the year Disposal				2,425 (2 425)
	At end of the year				<u> </u>
8	Fixed asset investments				
				Investment in subsidiary undertaking £000	Total £000
	Shares at cost: At 1 January 2006 and 31 Decem	ber 2006		230,396	230,396
	Provisions At 1 January 2006 and 31 Decer	mber 2006		90,741	90,741
	Net book value at 31 December	r 2006 and 31 Decer	mber 2005	139 655	139,655
	Details of the investments in	subsidiary and asso	ociate undertakings a	re as follows	
	Name of subsidiary	Class of shares	Percentage held	Country of Incorporation	Business
	Basell Polyolefins UK Limited Basell UK Ltd Moplefan (UK) Limited	Ordinary Ordinary Ordinary	100% 100% 100%	England & Wales England & Wales England & Wales	Plastics Plastics Non-trading
9	Current Assets			***	2005
				2006 £000	2005 £000
	Trade and other receivables			<b>74</b> <del>=</del>	<del></del>
10	Current liabilities: amount	s falling due with	ın one year		
				2006 £000	2005 £000
	Trade and other payables			(10,722)	(5,522)

#### 11 Interest bearing loans

	2006 £000	2005 £000
Interest bearing loans	105,000	105 000
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Interest bearing loans have a repayment date on 31 October 2010 and bear an interest rate of LIBOR + 2.75%

### 12 Called up share capital

	2006	2005
	£000	£000
Authorised		
91 828 042 Ordinary shares of £1 each	91,828	91,828
Allowed collection and Gilliament		
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
91,828,042 Ordinary shares of £1 each	91,828	91 828

#### 13 Movements in share capital and reserves

	Retained Earnings £000	Share capital £000	Share premium £000	Total £000
Balance at 1 January 2006 Loss for the year	(112 098) (7 625)	91,828	51,902	31 632 (7 625)
Balance at 31 December 2006	(119,723)	91,828	51,902	24,007

#### 14 Commitments

There were no capital commitments at the end of the financial year (2005 £nil)

#### 15 Ultimate parent undertaking

The ultimate parent undertaking is BI S à r l The ultimate controlling party is Access Industries

The smallest and largest group in which the Company is consolidated is that headed by BISàrl Copies of these consolidated financial statements are available from BISarl, PO Box 625, 2130 AP, Hoofddorp, Netherlands

## 16 Related party transactions

During the year, the Company entered into the following transactions with group undertakings

	2006 £000	2005 £000
Trading transactions		
Trade receivable	74	74
Trade payables	10,722	5 522
Non-trading transactions		
Loans from group undertakings	105,000	105,000
Interest charged	8,132	2 753

The key management personnel of the Company are considered to be its Directors There are no other transactions with the Directors or their relatives other than those disclosed in note 5

All transactions with related parties were conducted at arm's length