

Company Registration No 3521776 (England and Wales)

**ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED**  
**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2009**

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# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## DIRECTOR AND ADVISERS

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<b>Director</b>	D Vince
<b>Secretary</b>	P Catherall
<b>Company number</b>	3521776
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# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2009**

The director presents his report and financial statements for the year ended 30 April 2009

### **Principal activities and review of the business**

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of a holding and management company

In the year ended 30 April 2009, turnover was £38m representing an increase of 36% from the prior year

Owing to macro-economic instability in the year from financial collapses, energy prices and a global recession this has been a turbulent year but through all of this we have made great progress in our work to change the way electricity is made

The company has achieved significant growth in the last few years by successfully expanding the number of wind parks and our retail business. Ecotricity generate 52MW across 15 wind parks and we will continue our expansion with granted planning permission for 22MW to build as soon as we can. We have also submitted applications for another 53MW into the system. The MW capacity generated from our wind parks is a key performance indicator for the business as we look to maximise the percentage of green electricity in our fuel mix and we gained a record number of planning consents in the year. We now have 35,000 retail customers

We run a not-for-profit model and so we are committed to dedicate all our money to our mission - changing the way electricity is made in the UK. We will keep turning the money spent on electricity bills into windmills. A key financial indicator arising from this is the spend per customer building new sources of green electricity. The latest "WhichGreen" table published in 2008 shows Ecotricity spend at £401.49 per customer for the year and the five year average was £450.14, with our closest rival spending less than £30 per customer over the same period.

We have a Good Neighbour policy and are committed to building turbines where we can be sure they will be good neighbours throughout their lifetime. If we can't be sure, we walk away.

The principal risks are regulatory (if government were to focus incentives on other forms of renewable energy or significantly adversely alter the renewable obligation), recessionary (if potential customers have less focus on environmental issues owing to financial constraints) or environmental (if constraints were placed on being able to plan and develop wind parks).

The company has significant bank loans and net debt has increased in the year from £40.9m to £46.3m owing to continued investment in the business. Cash management is a key focus for the group.

### **Results and dividends**

The consolidated profit and loss account for the year is set out on page 5.

### **Director**

The following director has held office since 1 May 2008

D. Vince

### **Auditors**

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Griffiths Marshall be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put at a General Meeting.

# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2009**

### **Statement of director's responsibilities**

The director is responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the director to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the director has elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the group and of the profit or loss of the group for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the director is required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and 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 group will continue in business.

The director is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and the group and enable him to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. He is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

### **Statement of disclosure to auditors**

So far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the group's auditors are unaware. Additionally, the director has taken all the necessary steps that he ought to have taken as director in order to make himself aware of all relevant audit information and to establish that the group's auditors are aware of that information.

On behalf of the board

D Vince

**Director**

9 December 2009



# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

### TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

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We have audited the group and parent company financial statements (the "financial statements") of Ecotricity Group Limited for the year ended 30 April 2009 set out on pages 5 to 25. 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 495 and 496 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 director and auditors**

The director's responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and for being satisfied that the financial statements give a true and fair view are set out in the Statement of Director's Responsibilities.

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 have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, and give a true and fair view. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the director's report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the company has not kept adequate accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if certain disclosures of director's remuneration specified by law are not made.

We read the director's 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 judgements made by the director in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the group's and 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.

# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

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#### Opinion

##### In our opinion

- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice,
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006,
- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and parent company's affairs as at 30 April 2009 and of the group's profit for the year then ended, and
- the information given in the director's report is consistent with the financial statements



**Mr C J Bourne (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
for and on behalf of Griffiths Marshall

10 December 2009

**Chartered Accountants**  
**Statutory Auditor**

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# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2009

	Notes	2009 £	2008 £
Turnover	2	38,343,373	28,046,007
Cost of sales		(22,944,229)	(13,358,538)
Gross profit		15,399,144	14,687,469
Administrative expenses		(12,154,037)	(10,360,365)
Operating profit	3	3,245,107	4,327,104
Other interest receivable and similar income		260,548	433,401
Interest payable and similar charges	4	(3,170,421)	(2,776,513)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		335,234	1,983,992
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	1,509,860	(2,393,012)
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities after taxation		1,845,094	(409,020)

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




# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## BALANCE SHEETS

AS AT 30 APRIL 2009

	Notes	Group 2009 £	2008 £	Company 2009 £	2008 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Intangible assets	7	4,533,468	1,475,000	2,741,533	1,475,000
Tangible assets	8	76,275,792	73,939,256	5,131,424	4,798,912
Investments	9	5,665	9,442	254,191	257,868
		<u>80,814,925</u>	<u>75,423,698</u>	<u>8,127,148</u>	<u>6,531,780</u>
<b>Current assets</b>					
Stocks	10	435,249	353,710	-	-
Debtors	11	12,007,841	25,605,784	9,972,975	10,536,222
Cash at bank and in hand		3,206,946	10,695,741	15,456	2,575
		<u>15,650,036</u>	<u>36,655,235</u>	<u>9,988,431</u>	<u>10,538,797</u>
<b>Creditors, amounts falling due within one year</b>	12	<u>(10,010,174)</u>	<u>(20,989,257)</u>	<u>(16,865,753)</u>	<u>(15,471,448)</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>5,639,862</u>	<u>15,665,978</u>	<u>(6,877,322)</u>	<u>(4,932,651)</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>86,454,787</u>	<u>91,089,676</u>	<u>1,249,826</u>	<u>1,599,129</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	13	<u>(46,126,269)</u>	<u>(49,656,652)</u>	<u>(668,785)</u>	<u>(1,018,089)</u>
<b>Provisions for liabilities</b>	14	<u>(1,968,450)</u>	<u>(3,558,801)</u>	<u>(182,528)</u>	<u>(227,357)</u>
		<u>38,360,068</u>	<u>37,874,223</u>	<u>398,513</u>	<u>353,683</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>					
Called up share capital	16	2	2	2	2
Revaluation reserve	17	31,576,297	32,935,546	-	-
Other reserves	17	1	1	1	1
Profit and loss account	17	6,783,768	4,938,674	398,510	353,680
<b>Shareholders' funds</b>	18	<u>38,360,068</u>	<u>37,874,223</u>	<u>398,513</u>	<u>353,683</u>

Approved by the Board and authorised for issue on 9 December 2009

  
D. Vince  
Director

Company Registration No 3521776

# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2009

	£	2009 £	£	2008 £
<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>		7,903,697		3,939,836
<b>Returns on investments and servicing of finance</b>				
Interest received	260,548		433,401	
Interest paid	(3,170,421)		(2,776,513)	
<b>Net cash outflow for returns on investments and servicing of finance</b>		(2,909,873)		(2,343,112)
<b>Taxation</b>		(87,075)		(7,754)
<b>Capital expenditure</b>				
Payments to acquire intangible assets	(3,300,935)		(1,500,000)	
Payments to acquire tangible assets	(7,097,362)		(23,715,710)	
Receipts from sales of tangible assets	10,773		4,631	
<b>Net cash outflow for capital expenditure</b>		(10,387,524)		(25,211,079)
<b>Acquisitions and disposals</b>				
Purchase of subsidiary undertakings (net of cash acquired)	(100)		(500)	
<b>Net cash outflow for acquisitions and disposals</b>		(100)		(500)
<b>Net cash outflow before management of liquid resources and financing</b>		(5,480,875)		(23,622,609)
<b>Financing</b>				
New long term bank loan	2,100,000		49,520,109	
Repayment of long term bank loan	(3,788,910)		(16,735,019)	
Capital element of hire purchase contracts	(59,573)		(60,056)	
Capital element of finance lease contracts	(319,085)		598,586	
<b>Net cash (outflow)/inflow from financing</b>		(2,067,568)		33,323,620
<b>(Decrease)/increase in cash in the year</b>		(7,548,443)		9,701,011

# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2009

1	Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow from operating activities			2009	2008
				£	£
	Operating profit	-		3,245,107	4,327,104
	Depreciation of tangible assets			3,322,561	1,833,557
	Amortisation of intangible assets			242,467	25,000
	Loss on disposal of tangible assets			1,182	2,006
	Increase in stocks			(81,539)	(97,776)
	Decrease/(increase) in debtors			9,445,878	(9,558,652)
	(Decrease)/increase in creditors within one year			(8,271,959)	7,408,597
	Net cash inflow from operating activities			7,903,697	3,939,836

2	Analysis of net debt	1 May 2008	Cash flow	Other non-cash changes	30 April 2009
		£	£	£	£
	Net cash				
	Cash at bank and in hand	9,696,979	(7,052,197)	-	2,644,782
	Bank overdrafts	(6,984)	(59,648)	-	(66,632)
		9,689,995	(7,111,845)	-	2,578,150
	Liquid resources				
	Bank deposits	998,762	(436,598)	-	562,164
	Finance leases	(1,237,192)	376,855	-	(860,337)
	Debts falling due within one year	(1,313,100)	(1,461,397)	-	(2,774,497)
	Debts falling due after one year	(49,058,066)	3,228,144	-	(45,829,922)
		(51,608,358)	2,143,602	-	(49,464,756)
	Net debt	(40,919,601)	(5,404,841)	-	(46,324,442)

3	Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt	2009	2008
		£	£
	(Decrease)/increase in cash in the year	(7,111,845)	9,230,166
	Cash inflow/(outflow) from decrease/(increase) in liquid resources	(436,598)	470,845
	Cash outflow/(inflow) from decrease/(increase) in debt	2,143,602	(34,341,840)
	Movement in net debt in the year	(5,404,841)	(24,640,829)
	Opening net debt	(40,919,601)	(16,278,772)
	Closing net debt	(46,324,442)	(40,919,601)

# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2009

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention modified to include the revaluation of plant and machinery

#### 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 Basis of consolidation

The consolidated profit and loss account and balance sheet include the financial statements of the company and its subsidiary undertakings made up to 30 April 2009. The results of subsidiaries sold or acquired are included in the profit and loss account up to, or from the date control passes. Intra-group sales and profits are eliminated fully on consolidation.

#### 1.4 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT and trade discounts.

#### 1.5 Goodwill

Acquired goodwill is written off in equal annual instalments over its estimated useful economic life.

#### 1.6 Patents

Patents are valued at cost less accumulated amortisation. Amortisation is calculated to write off the cost in equal annual instalments over their estimated useful lives.

Brand name	15 year life
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#### 1.7 Research and development

Research expenditure is written off to the profit and loss account in the year in which it is incurred. Development expenditure is written off in the same way unless the directors are satisfied as to the technical, commercial and financial viability of individual projects. In this situation, the expenditure is deferred and amortised over the period during which the company is expected to benefit.

#### 1.8 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

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

Land and buildings Freehold	2% straight line
Plant and machinery	15 year life & 24 year life - 1/4 residual value
Fixtures, fittings & equipment	33 3% & 25% straight line
Motor vehicles	25% straight line

#### 1.9 Leasing

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

#### 1.10 Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value.

# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2009

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### 1 Accounting policies

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#### 1.11 Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value

#### 1.12 Pensions

The Group 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.

#### 1.13 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided in full in respect of taxation deferred by timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. The deferred tax balance has not been discounted.

#### 1.14 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.

#### 1.15 Development costs

Development costs are development wind assets which represent the costs incurred in bringing individual wind farm projects to the consented stage. Costs associated with reaching the consent stage include options over land rights, planning application costs and environmental impact studies. Development wind assets are not depreciated until the asset is substantially complete and ready for its intended use. At the time the project is confirmed, the carrying value of the project is transferred to property, plant and equipment as assets under construction. Depreciation is over the expected useful life of the related operational asset. The asset is derecognised on disposal, or when no future economic benefits are expected from their use (see note 7).

### 2 Turnover

The total turnover of the group for the year has been derived from its principal activity wholly undertaken in the United Kingdom.

# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2009

3	Operating profit	2009	2008
		£	£
	Operating profit is stated after charging		
	Amortisation of intangible assets	242,467	25,000
	Depreciation of tangible assets	3,322,561	1,833,557
	Loss on disposal of tangible assets	1,182	2,006
	Loss on foreign exchange transactions	40,362	68,047
	Research and development	-	108,611
	Operating lease rentals	206,976	120,895
	and after crediting		
	Profit on foreign exchange transactions	(25,899)	(1,992)
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	<b>Auditors' remuneration</b>		
	Fees payable to the group's auditor for the audit of the group's annual accounts (company £26,840, 2008 £24,840)	19,731	8,261
	Taxation and accountancy	9,940	13,382
	Other services	22,130	26,129
		<u>51,801</u>	<u>47,772</u>
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
4	Interest payable	2009	2008
		£	£
	On bank loans and overdrafts	652,942	509,459
	On other loans	2,415,227	2,166,517
	On overdue tax	-	1,324
	On bonds	102,252	99,213
		<u>3,170,421</u>	<u>2,776,513</u>
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# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2009

5	Taxation	2009 £	2008 £
	<b>Domestic current year tax</b>		
	U K corporation tax	(3,292)	3,292
	Adjustment for prior years	83,339	17,226
	<b>Current tax charge</b>	80,047	20,518
	<b>Deferred tax</b>		
	Deferred tax charge/credit current year	(1,589,907)	2,372,494
		<u>(1,509,860)</u>	<u>2,393,012</u>
	<b>Factors affecting the tax charge for the year</b>		
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	<u>335,234</u>	<u>1,983,992</u>
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied by standard rate of UK corporation tax of 21.00% (2008 - 21.00%)	<u>70,399</u>	<u>416,638</u>
	Effects of		
	Non deductible expenses	32,096	23,736
	Depreciation add back	950,243	478,835
	Capital allowances	(1,752,078)	(990,005)
	Tax losses utilised	765,109	(76,665)
	Other tax adjustments	14,278	167,979
		<u>9,648</u>	<u>(396,120)</u>
	<b>Current tax charge</b>	<u>80,047</u>	<u>20,518</u>

## 6 Profit/(loss) for the financial year

As permitted by section 408 Companies Act 2006, the holding company's profit and loss account has not been included in these financial statements. The profit/(loss) for the financial year is made up as follows:

	2009 £	2008 £
Holding company's profit/(loss) for the financial year	<u>44,830</u>	<u>(391,297)</u>

# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2009

### 7 Intangible fixed assets Group

	Patents	Development Costs	Total
	£	£	£
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 May 2008	1,500,000	-	1,500,000
Additions	1,509,000	1,791,935	3,300,935
	<u>3,009,000</u>	<u>1,791,935</u>	<u>4,800,935</u>
At 30 April 2009			
<b>Amortisation</b>			
At 1 May 2008	25,000	-	25,000
Charge for the year	242,467	-	242,467
	<u>267,467</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>267,467</u>
At 30 April 2009			
<b>Net book value</b>			
At 30 April 2009	2,741,533	1,791,935	4,533,468
	<u>1,475,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,475,000</u>
At 30 April 2008			

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Development wind assets are not depreciated until the asset is substantially complete and ready for its intended use. At the time the project is confirmed, the carrying value of the project is transferred to property, plant and equipment as assets under construction. Depreciation is over the expected useful life of the related operational asset. The asset is derecognised on disposal, or when no future economic benefits are expected from their use.



# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2009

### 7 Intangible fixed assets

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#### Intangible fixed assets (continued) Company

	Patents £
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 May 2008	1,500,000
Additions	1,509,000
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At 30 April 2009	3,009,000
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<b>Amortisation</b>	
At 1 May 2008	25,000
Charge for the year	242,467
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At 30 April 2009	267,467
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<b>Net book value</b>	
At 30 April 2009	2,741,533
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At 30 April 2008	1,475,000
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# ECOTRICITY GROUP LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2009

### 8 Tangible fixed assets Group

	Land and buildings Freehold	Plant and machinery	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Cost or valuation</b>					
At 1 May 2008	2,128,143	72,967,559	828,596	298,789	76,223,087
Revaluation	-	93,176	-	-	93,176
Prior year adjustment	(67,256)	(56,974)	-	-	(124,230)
Additions	156,669	4,306,011	649,778	532,479	5,644,937
Disposals	-	(10,985)	(1,882)	-	(12,867)
	<u>2,217,556</u>	<u>77,298,787</u>	<u>1,476,492</u>	<u>831,268</u>	<u>81,824,103</u>
At 30 April 2009	2,217,556	77,298,787	1,476,492	831,268	81,824,103
<b>Depreciation</b>					
At 1 May 2008	170,320	1,372,044	584,596	156,871	2,283,831
Prior year adjustment	(57,888)	719	-	-	(57,169)
On disposals	-	(213)	(699)	-	(912)
Charge for the year	42,155	3,006,781	222,605	51,020	3,322,561
	<u>154,587</u>	<u>4,379,331</u>	<u>806,502</u>	<u>207,891</u>	<u>5,548,311</u>
At 30 April 2009	154,587	4,379,331	806,502	207,891	5,548,311
<b>Net book value</b>					
At 30 April 2009	<u>2,062,969</u>	<u>72,919,456</u>	<u>669,990</u>	<u>623,377</u>	<u>76,275,792</u>
At 30 April 2008	<u>1,957,823</u>	<u>71,595,515</u>	<u>244,000</u>	<u>141,918</u>	<u>73,939,256</u>

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Included above are assets held under finance leases or hire purchase contracts as follows

	Plant and machinery	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>Net book values</b>				
At 30 April 2009	3,052,709	-	8,145	3,060,854
At 30 April 2008	3,376,210	-	12,014	3,388,224
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>Depreciation charge for the year</b>				
30 April 2009	438,950	-	3,869	442,819
30 April 2008	121,141	-	3,625	124,766
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

Two external revaluations were carried out. The first by KPMG Chartered Accountants at 31 July 2007 and the second was carried out at 30 April 2008 using wind forecasts prepared by SKM Consulting and a previously prepared external valuation model.

The valuations were carried out in accordance with FRSSE on the existing use method based on future projected cash flows. If future projected cash flows are not met then the value can fall as well as rise.

The value of the group's wind turbines is £74,332,176, the directors confirm that they are not aware of any material change in valuation and therefore the valuations have not been updated.

The net carrying amount that would have been shown under the historical cost method less depreciation is £36,300,326.

The directors confirm that no events took place between the balance sheet date and the valuation dates which would have caused a material increase or decrease to the valuations.

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### Tangible fixed assets (continued)

#### Company

	Land and buildings Freehold	Plant and machinery	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Cost</b>					
At 1 May 2008	1,405,388	3,363,830	47,698	249,701	5,066,617
Additions	156,669	126,222	14,016	532,479	829,386
Disposals	-	(10,985)	-	-	(10,985)
At 30 April 2009	1,562,057	3,479,067	61,714	782,180	5,885,018
<b>Depreciation</b>					
At 1 May 2008	78,118	74,016	7,786	107,784	267,704
On disposals	-	(213)	-	-	(213)
Charge for the year	30,647	391,826	12,610	51,020	486,103
At 30 April 2009	108,765	465,629	20,396	158,804	753,594
<b>Net book value</b>					
At 30 April 2009	1,453,292	3,013,438	41,318	623,376	5,131,424
At 30 April 2008	1,327,270	3,289,814	39,912	141,916	4,798,912

Included above are assets held under finance leases or hire purchase contracts as follows

	Plant and machinery	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>Net book values</b>				
At 30 April 2009	3,013,438	-	8,145	3,021,583
At 30 April 2008	3,289,814	-	12,014	3,301,828
<b>Depreciation charge for the year</b>				
30 April 2009	391,825	-	3,869	395,694
30 April 2008	74,016	-	3,625	77,641

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### 9 Fixed asset investments Group

	Listed investments £	Total £
<b>Cost or valuation</b>		
At 1 May 2008	9,442	9,442
Revaluation	(3,777)	(3,777)
At 30 April 2009	5,665	5,665
<b>Net book value</b>		
At 30 April 2009	5,665	5,665
At 30 April 2008	9,442	9,442

### Company

	Listed investments £	Shares in group undertakings £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 May 2008	9,442	248,426	257,868
Additions	-	100	100
Revaluation	(3,777)	-	(3,777)
At 30 April 2009	5,665	248,526	254,191
<b>Net book value</b>			
At 30 April 2009	5,665	248,526	254,191
At 30 April 2008	9,442	248,426	257,868

In the opinion of the director, the aggregate value of the company's investment in subsidiary undertakings is not less than the amount included in the balance sheet

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### 9 Fixed asset investments

(continued)

The company holds 100% of the ordinary share capital in the the following companies incorporated in England & Wales Their principal activities are also detailed as follows,

Bambers Extension Wind Park Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity
Bambers Wind Park Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity
Bristol Port Wind Park Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity
Dagenham Wind Park Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity
Dundee Merchant Wind Park Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity
Ecotech Wind Park Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity
Fen Farm Wind Park Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity
Green Park Wind Park Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity
Lynch Knoll Wind Park Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity
Mablethorpe Wind Park Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity
Merchant Wind Park (East Kilbride) Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity
New Power Company Ltd	Holding company
Next Generation Ltd	Consulting on developments, operations & maintenance
Next Generation Wind Holdings Ltd	Holding company
Shooters Bottom Wind Park Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity
Somerton Wind Park Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity
Swaffham Wind Park Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity
The Renewable Energy Co Ltd	Selling of renewable energy
Western Windpower Ltd	Manufacture & supply of wind monitoring equipment
Wind Holdings Nord Ltd	Holding company
Worksop Wind Park Ltd	Production & supply of wind generated electricity

### 10 Stocks

	Group		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
	£	£	£	£
Raw materials and consumables	261,147	237,738	-	-
Finished goods and goods for resale	174,102	115,972	-	-
	<u>435,249</u>	<u>353,710</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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### 11 Debtors

	Group		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	11,470,170	17,249,055	-	4,110,250
Corporation tax	3,292	-	-	-
Other debtors	298,325	8,206,436	9,960,224	6,413,117
Prepayments and accrued income	236,054	150,293	12,751	12,855
	<u>12,007,841</u>	<u>25,605,784</u>	<u>9,972,975</u>	<u>10,536,222</u>

### 12 Creditors amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
	£	£	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	2,841,129	1,318,282	101,186	26,716
Bond issue	1,441,000	1,441,000	-	-
Net obligations under finance lease and hire purchase contracts	563,990	638,606	542,009	562,270
Trade creditors	2,057,962	3,560,953	101,364	464,839
Amounts owed to group undertakings	-	-	15,555,427	13,862,102
Corporation tax	-	3,292	-	-
Taxes and social security costs	127,902	544,282	474,487	140,762
Directors current accounts	737,282	423,616	-	-
Other creditors	134,603	4,297,350	13,600	-
Accruals and deferred income	2,106,306	8,761,876	77,680	414,759
	<u>10,010,174</u>	<u>20,989,257</u>	<u>16,865,753</u>	<u>15,471,448</u>

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### 13 Creditors amounts falling due after more than one year

	Group		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
	£	£	£	£
Bank loans	45,829,922	49,058,066	372,438	419,503
Net obligations under finance leases and hire purchase agreements	296,347	598,586	296,347	598,586
	<u>46,126,269</u>	<u>49,656,652</u>	<u>668,785</u>	<u>1,018,089</u>
<b>Analysis of loans</b>				
Not wholly repayable within five years by instalments	411,407	439,235	411,407	439,235
Wholly repayable within five years	48,193,012	49,931,931	-	-
	<u>48,604,419</u>	<u>50,371,166</u>	<u>411,407</u>	<u>439,235</u>
Included in current liabilities	(2,774,497)	(1,313,100)	(38,969)	(19,732)
	<u>45,829,922</u>	<u>49,058,066</u>	<u>372,438</u>	<u>419,503</u>
<b>Loan maturity analysis</b>				
In more than one year but not more than two years	2,770,572	2,666,244	44,383	39,409
In more than two years but not more than five years	7,528,162	8,635,203	142,547	147,816
In more than five years	35,531,188	37,756,619	185,508	232,278
	<u></u>	<u></u>	<u></u>	<u></u>
<b>Net obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts</b>				
Repayable between one and five years	860,337	1,237,192	838,356	1,160,856
Included in liabilities falling due within one year	(563,990)	(638,606)	(542,009)	(562,270)
	<u>296,347</u>	<u>598,586</u>	<u>296,347</u>	<u>598,586</u>



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### 14 Provisions for liabilities Group

	Deferred taxation £
Balance at 1 May 2008	3,558,801
Profit and loss account	(1,589,907)
Adjustment for prior year	(444)
Balance at 30 April 2009	<u>1,968,450</u>

### Company

Balance at 1 May 2008	227,357
Profit and loss account	(44,829)
Balance at 30 April 2009	<u>182,528</u>

The deferred tax liability is made up as follows.

	Group		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
	£	£	£	£
Accelerated capital allowances	<u>1,968,450</u>	<u>3,558,801</u>	<u>182,528</u>	<u>227,357</u>

### 15 Pension and other post-retirement benefit commitments

#### Defined contribution

	2009 £	2008 £
Contributions payable by the group for the year	<u>65,910</u>	<u>54,762</u>

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16 Share capital	2009 £	2008 £
<b>Authorised</b>		
100,000 Ordinary shares of each	100,000	100,000
<b>Allotted, called up and fully paid</b>		
2 Ordinary shares of each	2	2

### 17 Statement of movements on reserves Group

	Revaluation reserve £	Other reserves (see below) £	Profit and loss account £
Balance at 1 May 2008	32,935,546	1	4,938,674
Profit for the year	-	-	1,845,094
Revaluation during the year	(1,359,249)	-	-
Balance at 30 April 2009	31,576,297	1	6,783,768

#### Other reserves

##### Capital redemption reserve

Balance at 1 May 2008 & at 30 April 2009

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#### Company

	Other reserves (see below) £	Profit and loss account £
Balance at 1 May 2008	1	353,680
Profit for the year	-	44,830
Balance at 30 April 2009	1	398,510

#### Other reserves

##### Capital redemption reserve

Balance at 1 May 2008 & at 30 April 2009

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Two external revaluations were carried out. The first by KPMG Chartered Accountants at 31 July 2007 and the second was carried out at 30 April 2008 using wind forecasts prepared by SKM Consulting and a previously prepared external valuation model (see note 8). During the year there has been a downward revaluation due to costs to complete projects after the valuation dates.

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<b>18 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Group</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Profit/(Loss) for the financial year	1,845,094	(409,020)
Other recognised gains and losses	(1,359,249)	15,268,531
Net addition to shareholders' funds	485,845	14,859,511
Opening shareholders' funds	37,874,223	23,014,712
Closing shareholders' funds	38,360,068	37,874,223
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Company</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Profit/(Loss) for the financial year	44,830	(391,297)
Opening shareholders' funds	353,683	744,980
Closing shareholders' funds	398,513	353,683
<b>19 Director's emoluments</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Emoluments for qualifying services	65,000	65,500
<b>20 Employees</b>		
<b>Number of employees</b>		
The average monthly number of employees (including directors) during the year was		
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Number</b>
	160	104
<b>Employment costs</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Wages and salaries	3,934,843	3,389,948
Social security costs	448,484	345,956
Other pension costs	65,910	54,762
	4,449,237	3,790,666

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### 21 Control

Ultimate control of the group rests with D Vince a director and shareholder of Ecotricity Group Limited

### 22 Related party transactions

#### Group

The patent included in the accounts was the cost to purchase the 'Ecotricity' brand name from Mr D Vince, a director and shareholder of the company

#### Company

Related party balances as at the balance sheet date can be seen in notes 9 and 10

#### Management charges received

The Renewable Energy Co Ltd - £3,743,406  
Next Generation Ltd - £2,853,482  
Western Wind Power Ltd - £798,932