# REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013

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# **DIRECTORS AND ADVISERS**

Directors

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**Company Secretary** 

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

#### **AEGIS UNDERWRITING LIMITED**

The Directors have pleasure in presenting their Report together with the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2013.

#### **Results and Dividends**

The results for the year are set out on pages 9 and 10 of the Financial Statements. Details of the interim dividends declared and paid is given in Note 13 to the Financial Statements. The Directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend.

# **Directors**

The Directors of the company are as in the Directors and Advisors section of the accounts. Mrs Linda C Chandler was appointed as a Director of the Company on 4 September 2013.

#### Disclosure of Information to the Auditor

In the case of each of the persons who are Directors at the time this report is approved, the following applies:

- (a) So far as the Directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware; and
- (b) They have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a Director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

#### **Auditor**

The auditor, PKF Littlejohn LLP, has signified its willingness to continue in office.

By Order of the Board

S C Chandler (Director)

Date: 18 September 2014

The Directors have pleasure in presenting the Strategic Report together with the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2013.

#### **Review of the Business**

The principal activity of the Company in the period under review was that of a corporate underwriting member of Lloyd's.

The Financial Statements incorporate the annual accounting results of the syndicates on which the Company participates for the 2011, 2012 and 2013 years of account, as well as any 2010 and prior run-off years.

The annual accounting technical result for the year is a profit of £951,878 (2012 – profit of £743,315).

The lack of any major catastrophe losses has seen the company record a strong annual accounting result.

The 2011 year closed at 31 December 2013 with a profit, net of any calendar year run-off movements of £430,328 (2010 profit - £142,754). The 2012 and 2013 open underwriting account will normally close at 31 December 2014 and 2015 respectively.

# **Future Developments**

The Company continues to write insurance business in the Lloyd's insurance market as a corporate underwriting member of Lloyd's. The capacity being underwritten on the 2014 year of account is £6,105,771 a decrease of £40,895 (0.67%) compared to the 2013 year of account.

#### **Key Performance Indicators**

The Directors consider the following to be the key performance indicators of the Company:

	2013	2012	Change
US\$ exchange rate to £1	1.66	1.63	1.8%
Capacity (youngest underwriting year) £'000	6,147	6,028	2.0%
Profit / (loss) after tax	593,351	260,882	(127.4)%
Underwriting profit of latest closed pure year	430,328	142,754	201.4%
as a % of capacity	7.2%	2.2%	225.2%

#### **Other Performance Indicators**

As a result of the nature of this Company as a Lloyd's Corporate Member the majority of its activities are carried out by the Syndicates in which it participates. The company is not involved directly in the management of the Syndicate's activities, including employment of Syndicate staff, as these are the responsibility of the relevant Managing Agent. Each Managing Agent will also have responsibility for the environmental activities of each Syndicate, although by their nature insurers do not produce significant environmental emissions. As a result, the Directors of the Company do not consider it appropriate to monitor and report any performance indicators in relation to staff or environmental matters.

#### **Risk Management**

As a corporate member of Lloyd's the majority of the risks to this company's future cash flows arise from its participation in the results of Lloyd's syndicates. As detailed below, these risks are mostly managed by the Managing Agent of the syndicate. This company's role in managing this risk in conjunction with its Members' Agent is limited to selection of syndicate participations and monitoring performance of the syndicates. The Company seeks to achieve a balance of risk and reward in the portfolio of syndicates it chooses to support.

# Syndicate risks

The trading activities of a syndicate expose it to a variety of financial and non-financial risks. The Managing Agent is responsible for managing the syndicate's exposure to these risks and, where possible, introducing controls and procedures that mitigate the effects of the exposure to risk. For the purposes of setting capital requirements for the 2014 year of account the Lloyd's Capital Return ("LCR") is used. Each Managing Agent prepares a LCR for the syndicate, the purpose of this being to agree capital requirements with Lloyd's based on an agreed assessment of the risks impacting the syndicate's business, and the measures in place to manage and mitigate those risks from a quantitative and qualitative perspective. The risks described below are typically reflected in the LCR; and typically the majority of the total assessed value of the risks concerned is attributable to Insurance Risk.

The insurance risks faced by a syndicate include the occurrence of catastrophic events, downward pressure on pricing of risks, reductions in business volumes and the risk of inadequate reserving. Reinsurance risks arise from the risk that a reinsurer fails to meet their share of a claim. The management of the syndicate's funds is exposed to risks of investment, liquidity, currency and interest rates leading to financial loss. The syndicate is also exposed to regulatory and operational risks including its ability to continue to trade. However, supervision by Lloyd's and the Prudential Regulation Authority provide additional controls over the syndicate's management of risks.

The company manages the risks faced by the syndicates on which it participates in conjunction with its Members' Agent by monitoring the performance of the syndicates it supports. This commences in advance of committing to support a syndicate for the following year, with a review of the business plan prepared for each syndicate by its Managing Agent. In addition quarterly reports and annual accounts together with any other information made available by the Managing Agent are monitored and if necessary enquired into. If the company or Members' Agent considers that the risks being run by the syndicate are excessive it will seek confirmation from the Managing Agent that adequate management of the risk is in place and if considered appropriate will withdraw support from the next underwriting year.

#### Investment and currency risks

The other significant risks faced by the company are with regard to the investment of the available funds within its own custody. The elements of these risks are investment risk, liquidity risk, currency risk and interest rate risk. To mitigate this, the surplus company funds are invested in the Money Market. The main liquidity risk would arise if a syndicate had inadequate liquid resources for a large claim and sought funds from the company to meet the claim. In order to minimise investment, credit and liquidity risk the company's funds are invested in readily realisable money market deposits. The Company does not use derivative financial instruments to manage either its interest rate risk or its currency risk and, as such, no hedge accounting is applied.

#### **Regulatory Risks**

The company is subject to continuing approval by Lloyd's to be a member of a Lloyd's syndicate. The risk of this approval being removed is mitigated by monitoring and fully complying with all requirements in relation to membership of Lloyd's. The capital requirements to support the proposed amount of syndicate capacity for future years are subject to the requirements of Lloyd's. A variety of factors are taken into account by Lloyd's in setting the capital requirements including market conditions and syndicate performance and although the process is intended to be fair and reasonable the requirements can fluctuate from one year to the next, which may constrain the volume of underwriting the company is able to support.

#### **Operational Risks**

As there are relatively few transactions actually undertaken by the company there are only limited systems and staffing requirements of the company and therefore operational risks are not considered to be significant. Close involvement of all directors in the company's key decision making and the fact that the majority of the company's operations are conducted by syndicates provides control over any remaining operational risks.

By Order of the Board

S C Chandler (Director)

Date: 18 Sep 2014

# Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Report of the Directors, Strategic Report and 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 judgments 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; 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 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 to 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.

# Independent Auditor's Report to the Shareholders of Aegis Underwriting Limited

We have audited the Financial Statements of Aegis Underwriting Limited for the year ended 31 December 2013 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement, the Accounting Policies and the related notes. 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 shareholders, 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 shareholders 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 shareholders as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Auditor

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, the Company's 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 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 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 Stategic Report and Report of the Directors' for the financial year for which the Financial Statements are prepared is consistent with the Financial Statements.

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

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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.

John Periol (Senior statutory auditor)
For and on behalf of PKF Littlejohn LLP
Statutory Auditor

Date:

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# **TECHNICAL ACCOUNT - GENERAL BUSINESS**

	Note	2013	2012
Gross Premiums Written	1	5,352,858	5,524,111
Outward reinsurance premiums		(1,006,537)	(1,013,031)
Net Premiums Written		4,346,321	4,511,080
Change in the provision for unearned premiums			
Gross provision Reinsurers' share		2,879 6,959	(88,408) (1,513)
Earned Premiums, Net of Reinsurance		4,356,159	4,421,159
Allocated Investment Return Transferred from the Non-Technical Account		65,854	178,580
Claims Paid		r	
Gross amount Reinsurers' share		(2,726,853) 548,245	(2,771,262) 590,358
Net claims paid		(2,178,608)	(2,180,904)
Change in Provision for Claims			
Gross amount Reinsurers' share		913,761 (333,390)	94,002 (115,862)
Net change in provision for claims		580,371	(21,860)
Claims Incurred, Net of Reinsurance		(1,598,237)	(2,202,764)
Net operating expenses	3	(1,871,898)	(1,653,660)
Balance on Technical Account for General Business	•	£951,878	£743,315

All the amounts above relate to continuing operations.

# NON TECHNICAL ACCOUNT

	Note	2013	2012
Balance on the General Business Technical Account		951,878	743,315
Investment income	4	166,749	192,108
Unrealised gains on investments Investment expenses and charges	5	58,569 (78,155)	88,958 (65,806)
Unrealised losses on investments Allocated investment return transferred to the general business		(80,808)	(36,493)
technical account Other income		(65,854) -	(178,580) 1,221
Other charges	-	(258,063)	(462,186)
Profit/(Loss) on Ordinary Activities before Taxation	. 6	694,316	282,537
Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities	7	(100,965)	(21,655)
Profit/(Loss) on Ordinary Activities after Taxation	13	£593,351	£260,882

All operations are continuing.

The Company had no recognised gains and losses in the year other than the profit above.

# Registered Number 3641769

•	lote	Syndicate Participation	2013 Corporate	Total	Syndicate Participation	2012 Corporate	Total
ASSETS							
Intangible Assets							
Syndicate participation rights	8	-	16,212	16,212	-	32,424	32,424
Investments							
Financial investments Deposits with ceding undertakings	9	6,712,040 4,004	-	6,712,040 4,004	6,780,752 3,122		6,780,752 3,122
		6,716,044		6,716,044	6,783,874	-	6,783,874
Reinsurers' Share of Technical Provisions							
Provision for unearned premiums		262,084	-	262,084	254,682	-	254,682
Claims outstanding		1,344,119		1,344,119	1,691,806		1,691,806
·		1,606,203		1,606,203	1,946,488	-	1,946,488
Arising out of direct insurance operations Policyholders Intermediaries Arising out of reinsurance operations Other debtors  Other Assets Cash at bank and in hand Other		999,310 1,490,290 547,096 3,036,696 366,027 467,315 833,342	22,028 22,028 209,387 509,387	999,310 1,490,290 569,124 3,058,724 875,414 467,315 1,342,729	1,129,977 1,471,401 701,360 3,302,738 315,922 541,107 857,029	364,277	1,129,977 1,471,401 701,360 3,302,738 680,199 541,107 1,221,306
Prepayments and Accrued Income  Accrued interest Deferred acquisition costs Other prepayments and accrued income		11,686 539,394 10,772 561,852		11,686 539,394 10,772 561,852	13,353 500,034 8,297 521,684	- - - -	13,353 500,034 8,297 521,684
Total Assets		£12,754,137	£547,627	£13,301,764	£13,411,813	£396,701	£13,808,514

The Accounting Policies and Notes on pages 14 to 26 form part of these Financial Statements.

# Registered Number 3641769

	Note	Syndicate Participation	2013 Corporate	Total	Syndicate Participation	2012 Corporate	Total
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS							
Capital and Reserves							
Called-up share capital Share Premium Account	12	-	380	380		380	380
Profit and Loss Account	13	839,655	(124,864)	714,791	30,529	90,911	121,440
Total Shareholders' Funds	14	839,655	(124,484)	715,171	30,529	91,291	121,820
Technical Provisions			· C				
Provision for unearned premiums Claims outstanding - gross amount		2,083,004 8,244,483	-	2,083,004 8,244,483	2,022,722 9,519,300	-	2,022,722 9,519,300
		10,327,487	-	10,327,487	11,542,022		11,542,022
Provisions for Other Risks					٠		
Deferred Taxation	15	-	353,725	353,725	-	232,797	232,797
Deposits Received from Reinsurers		1,691		1,691	1,506	-	1,506
Creditors							
Arising out of direct insurance operations Arising out of reinsurance		204,581	-	204,581	240,484	-	240,484
operations		604,845	-	604,845	713,275	-	713,275
Amounts owed to credit institutions Other creditors	16	674,281	313,350	987,631	812,986	68,295	881,281
		1,483,707	313,350	1,797,057	1,766,745	68,295	1,835,040
Accruals and Deferred Income		101,597	5,036	106,633	71,011	4,318	75,329
Total Liabilities		£12,754,137	£547,627	£13,301,764	£13,411,813	£396,701	£13,808,514

Approved by the Board on 18 Sep 2014

S C Chandler (Director)

The Accounting Policies and Notes on pages 14 to 26 form part of these Financial Statements.

	Note	20	013	201	2
Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) from operating activities	17		(89,517)		333,840
Returns on Investments and Servicing of Finance					
Interest received Interest paid on related party loan		501		187 -	
Net Cash Inflow from Returns on Investments and Servicing of Finance			501		187
Taxation					
Corporation Tax refunded/(paid) Overseas Taxation refunded/(paid)		(68,295) (2,065)		1,424 1,993	
Taxation refunded/(paid)			(70,360)		3,417
Capital Expenditure and Financial Investment					
Purchase of syndicate participations rights Proceeds from sale of syndicate participations rights		- -		-	
Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) from Capital Expenditure and Financial Investment				_	
			(159,376)		337,444
Equity Dividends Paid			<del>-</del>		
Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) before Financing			(159,376)		337,444
Financing					
Funds lent/(repaid) to the Company by the Shareholders to meet expenses and cash calls		304,486		-	
Net Cash Inflow from Financing			304,486		_
Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) in the year			£145,110		£337,444
Cash flows were invested as follows:	18				
Increase/(decrease) in cash holdings			145,110	_	337,444
Net investment of cash flows			£145,110	=	£337,444

The Company has no control over the disposition of assets and liabilities at Lloyd's. Consequently, the Cash Flow Statement is prepared reflecting only the movement in corporate funds, which includes transfers to and from the Syndicates at Lloyd's.

The Accounting Policies and Notes on pages 14 to 26 form part of these Financial Statements.

#### **Accounting Policies**

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The Financial Statements are prepared under the historical cost basis of accounting modified to include the revaluation of investments, and comply with applicable Accounting Standards.

The Company participates in insurance business as an underwriting member of various Syndicates at Lloyd's.

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with Section 396(3) of the Companies Act 2006, Schedule 3 of the Large and Medium-sized Companies and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2011 and the recommendations of the Statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting for Insurance Business issued by the Association of British Insurers in December 2005, as amended in December 2006 except that exchange differences arising on Syndicate assets and liabilities are dealt with in the technical account as all of these differences arise from technical account transactions.

Accounting information in respect of the Syndicate participations has been provided by the Syndicate's managing agent and has been reported upon by the Syndicate's auditor.

# Going Concern

The Company's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect its future development, performance and position are set out in the Strategic Report on Page 4. In addition, the Strategic Report includes the Company's objectives, policies and processes for managing the majority of the risk to the company's future cash flows.

The Company has net assets at 31 December 2013 and participates on the 2012 and 2013 underwriting years of account, which will normally close at 31 December 2014 and 2015 respectively. It has continued this participation since the year end on the 2014 year of account. As a consequence, the Director believe that the company is well placed to manage its business risks successfully.

The Directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to meet its underwriting and other operational obligations for the foreseeable future. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual Financial Statements.

# **Basis of Accounting**

The Financial Statements are prepared under the annual basis of accounting. Under the annual basis of accounting a result is determined at the end of each accounting period reflecting the profit or loss from providing insurance coverage during that period and any adjustments to the profit or loss of providing insurance cover during earlier accounting periods.

Amounts reported in the General Business Technical Account relate to the movements in the calendar year in respect of all relevant years of account of the Syndicates on which the Company participates.

Assets and liabilities arising as a result of the underwriting activities are mainly controlled by the Syndicates' managing agents. Accordingly, these assets and liabilities have been shown separately in the balance sheet as "Syndicate Participation". Other assets and liabilities are shown as "Corporate". The syndicate assets are held subject to trust deeds for the benefit of the Syndicates' insurance creditors.

The information included in these Financial statements in respect of the Syndicates has been supplied by Managing Agents based upon the various accounting policies they have adopted. The following describes the policies they have generally adopted.

#### **General Business**

#### i. Premiums

Premiums written comprise the total premiums receivable in respect of business incepted during the year, together with any differences between booked premiums for prior years and those previously accrued, and include estimates of premiums due but not yet receivable or notified to the syndicates on which the Company participates, less an allowance for cancellations. All premiums are shown gross of commission payable to intermediaries and exclude taxes and duties levied on them.

# ii. Unearned Premiums

Written premium is earned according to the risk profile of the policy. Unearned premiums represent the proportion of premiums written in the year that relate to unexpired terms of policies in force at the balance sheet date, calculated on a time apportionment basis having regard where appropriate, to the incidence of risk. The specific basis adopted by each syndicate is determined by the relevant managing agent.

#### iii. Deferred Acquisition Costs

Acquisition costs, which represent commission and other related expenses, are deferred over the period in which the related premiums are earned.

# iv. Reinsurance Premiums

Reinsurance premium costs are allocated by the Managing Agent of each syndicate to reflect the protection arranged in respect of the business written and earned.

#### v. Claims Incurred and Reinsurers' Share

Claims incurred comprise claims and settlement expenses (both internal and external) occurring in the year and changes in the provisions for outstanding claims, including provisions for claims incurred but not reported and settlement expenses, together with any other adjustments to claims from previous years. Where applicable, deductions are made for salvage and other recoveries.

The provision for claims outstanding comprises amounts set aside for claims notified and claims incurred but not yet reported (IBNR). The amount included in respect of IBNR is based on statistical techniques of estimation applied by each syndicate's in house reserving team and reviewed by external consulting actuaries. These techniques generally involve projecting from past experience the development of claims over time to form a view of the likely ultimate claims to be experienced for more recent underwriting, having regard to variations in the business accepted and the underlying terms and conditions. The provision for claims also includes amounts in respect of internal and external claims handling costs. For the most recent years, where a high degree of volatility arises from projections, estimates may be based in part on output from rating and other models of the business accepted and assessments of underwriting conditions.

The reinsurers' share of provisions for claims is based on calculated amounts of outstanding claims and projections for IBNR, net of estimated irrecoverable amounts, having regard to each syndicate's reinsurance programme in place for the class of business, the claims experience for the year and the current security rating of the reinsurance companies involved. Each syndicate uses a number of statistical techniques to assist in making these estimates.

Accordingly the two most critical assumptions made by each syndicate's managing agent as regards claims provisions are that the past is a reasonable predictor of the likely level of claims development and that the rating and other models used including pricing models for recent business are reasonable indicators of the likely level of ultimate claims to be incurred.

#### v. Claims Incurred and Reinsurers' Share (continued)

The level of uncertainty with regard to the estimations within these provisions generally decreases with time since the underlying contracts were exposed to new risks. In addition the nature of short tail claims such as property where claims are typically notified and settled within a short period of time will normally have less uncertainty after a few years than long tail risks such as some liability business where it may be several years before claims are fully advised and settled. In addition to these factors if there are disputes regarding coverage under policies or changes in the relevant law regarding a claim this may increase the uncertainty in the estimation of the outcomes.

The assessment of these provisions is usually the most subjective aspect of an insurer's accounts and may result in greater uncertainty within an insurer's accounts than within those of many other businesses. The provisions for gross claims and related reinsurance recoveries have been assessed on the basis of the information currently available to the directors of each syndicate's managing agent. However, ultimate liability will vary as a result of subsequent information and events and this may result in significant adjustments to the amounts provided. Adjustments to the amounts of claims provisions established in prior years are reflected in the financial statements for the period in which the adjustments are made. The provisions are not discounted for the investment earnings that may be expected to arise in the future on the funds retained to meet the future liabilities. The methods used, and the estimates made, are reviewed regularly.

#### vi. Unexpired Risks Provision

Provisions for unexpired risks are made where the costs of outstanding claims, related expenses and deferred acquisition costs are expected to exceed the unearned premium provision carried forward at the balance sheet date. The provision for unexpired risks is calculated separately by reference to classes of business which are managed together, after taking into account relevant investment return. The provision is made on a syndicate by syndicate basis by the relevant managing agent.

#### vii. Closed Years of Account

At the end of the third year, the underwriting account is normally closed by reinsurance into the following year of account. The amount of the reinsurance to close premium payable is determined by the managing agent, generally by estimating the cost of claims notified but not settled at 31 December, together with the estimated cost of claims incurred but not reported at that date, and an estimate of future claims handling costs. Any subsequent variation in the ultimate liabilities of the closed year of account is borne by the underwriting year into which it is reinsured.

The payment of a reinsurance to close premium does not eliminate the liability of the closed year for outstanding claims. If the reinsuring syndicate was unable to meet its obligations, and the other elements of Lloyd's chain of security were to fail, then the closed underwriting account would have to settle outstanding claims.

The Directors consider that the likelihood of such a failure of the reinsurance to close is extremely remote, and consequently the reinsurance to close has been deemed to settle the liabilities outstanding at the closure of an underwriting account. The company has included its share of the reinsurance to close premiums payable as technical provisions at the end of the current period, and no further provision is made for any potential variation in the ultimate liability of that year of account.

#### viii. Run-off Years of Account

Where an underwriting year of account is not closed at the end of the third year (a "run-off" year of account) a provision is made for the estimated cost of all known and unknown outstanding liabilities of that year. The provision is determined initially by the managing agent on a similar basis to the reinsurance to close. However, any subsequent variation in the ultimate liabilities for that year remains with the corporate member participating therein. As a result any run-off year will continue to report movements in its results after the third year until such time as it secures a reinsurance to close.

#### ix. Net Operating Expenses (including Acquisition Costs)

Net operating costs include acquisition costs, profit and loss on exchange and other amounts incurred by the syndicates on which the Company participates.

Acquisition costs, comprising commission and other costs related to the acquisition of new insurance contracts, are deferred to the extent that they are attributable to premiums unearned at the Balance Sheet date.

#### x. Distribution of Profits and Collection of Losses

Lloyd's operates a detailed set of regulations regarding solvency and the distribution of profits and payment of losses between syndicates and their members. Lloyd's continues to require membership of syndicates to be on an underwriting year of account basis and profits and losses belong to members according to their membership of a year of account. Normally profits and losses are transferred between the syndicate and members after results for a year of account are finalised after 36 months. This period may be extended if a year of account goes into run-off. The syndicate may make earlier on account distributions or cash calls according to the cash flow of a particular year of account and subject to Lloyd's requirements.

#### xi. Investments

Investments are stated at current value, including accrued interest at the Balance Sheet date.

# xii. Investment Return

Investment return comprises all investment income, realised investment gains and losses and movements in unrealised gains and losses, net of investment expenses and charges.

Realised and unrealised gains and losses are measured by reference to the original cost of the investment if purchased in the year, or if held at the beginning of the year by reference to the current value at that date.

Investment return is initially recorded in the non-technical account. A transfer is made from the non-technical account to the general business technical account to reflect the investment return on funds supporting the underwriting business.

#### xiii. Basis of Currency Translation

Syndicates maintain separate funds in sterling, United States dollars, Canadian dollars and Euros.

Income and expenditure in US dollars, Canadian dollars and Euros is translated at the average rate of exchange for the year. Underwriting transactions denominated in other foreign currencies are included at the rate of exchange ruling at the date the transaction is processed.

Assets and liabilities are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange at the Balance Sheet date.

All differences arising on the translation of foreign currency amounts in syndicates are included in the technical account within net operating expenses irrespective of their treatment by the underlying syndicates. The underlying syndicates have adopted different accounting policies including the non-retranslation of non-monetary items by some and retranslations to year end values within the Statement of Recognised Gains and Losses by others.

#### ix. Debtors/Creditors arising from insurance/reinsurance operations

The amounts shown in the balance sheet include the totals of all the Syndicates outstanding debit and credit transactions as processed by the Lloyd's central accounting facility; no account has been taken of any offsets which may be applicable in calculating the net amounts due between the Syndicates and each of their counterparty insureds, reinsurers or intermediaries as appropriate.

#### **Taxation**

The company is taxed on its results including its share of underwriting results declared by the syndicates and these are deemed to accrue evenly over the calendar year in which they are declared. The syndicate results included in these financial statements are only declared for tax purposes in the calendar year following the normal closure of the year of account. No provision is made for corporation tax in relation to open years of account. However, full provision is made for deferred tax on underwriting results not subject to current corporation tax.

The taxable results of the syndicates at a syndicate level are calculated by the managing agent and computations submitted to HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC). Any adjustments that may be necessary to the tax provisions established by the Company, as a result of any HMRC enquiry into these computations, will be reflected in the financial statements of subsequent periods.

#### **Deferred Taxation**

Deferred tax is provided in full on timing differences which result in an obligation at the balance sheet date to pay more tax, or a right to pay less tax, at a future date, at rates expected to apply when they crystallise based on current tax rates and law.

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is regarded as more likely than not that they will be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities have not been discounted.

#### **Intangible Assets**

Costs incurred by the Company in the Corporation of Lloyd's auctions in order to acquire rights to participate on Syndicates' underwriting years are included within intangible fixed assets and amortised over a 3 year period beginning in the year after the underwriting commences in respect of the purchased Syndicate participation.

#### **Cash Flow Statement**

The company has no control over the disposition of assets and liabilities at Lloyd's. Consequently, the Cash Flow Statement is prepared reflecting only the movement in corporate funds, which includes transfers to and from Syndicates at Lloyd's.

		Net	Gross	Cross	Crass	Class of Business
	Reinsurance	operating	claims	Gross premiums	Gross written	
Total	balance	expenses	incurred	earned	premiums	2013
						Direct
25,460	(16,536)	(99,637)	(92,518)	234,151	242,680	Accident and health
185	405	(7,637)	(11,784)	19,201	27,808	Motor (third party liability)
(441)	392	(28,492)	(37,942)	65,601	76,971	Motor (other classes)
130,473	(83,427)	(277,514)	(291,714)	783,128	766,247	Marine, aviation and transport
127,801 11,872	(229,278) (19,344)	(520,119) (258,553)	(512,399) (408,117)	1,389,597 697,886	1,387,871 722,062	Fire and other damage to property
53,451	(9,385)	(37,160)	(5,056)	105,052	103,584	Third party liability Credit and suretyship
2,486	(1,113)	(9,845)	(6,405)	19,849	20,970	Legal expenses
31,704	5,824	(101,912)	20,431	107,361	15,555	Other
382,991	(352,462)	(1,340,869)	(1,345,504)	3,421,826	3,363,748	Total Direct
						Reinsurance Business
503,032	(432,261)	(531,030)	(467,588)	1,933,911	1,989,110	Reinsurance balance
						Tremsurance balance
503,032	(432,261)	(531,030)	(467,588)	1,933,911	1,989,110	Total Reinsurance
£886,023	£(784,723)	£(1,871,899)	£(1,813,092)	£5,355,737	£5,352,858	Total
						2012
		•				Direct
30,605	(238)	(110,257)	(127,061)	268,161	263,585	Accident and health
11,285	7	(4,168)	3,467	11,979	8,876	Motor (third party liability)
7,552	2,790	(23,340)	(35,337)	63,439	65,685	Motor (other classes)
226,112 1,233	(50,279) (156,581)	(268,273) (473,732)	(258,138)	802,802	821,988	Marine, aviation and transport
58,041	(53,527)	(260,823)	(719,027) (337,523)	1,350,573 709,914	1,407,930 711,519	Fire and other damage to property Third party liability
33,029	(15,773)	(37,988)	(25,000)	111,790	111,101	Credit and suretyship
(285)	(28)	(8,395)	(9,279)	17,417	18,616	Legal expenses
3,173	(3,074)	(25,823)	9,140	22,930	2,055	Other
370,745	(276,703)	(1,212,799)	(1,498,758)	3,359,005	3,411,355	Total Direct
						Reinsurance Business
					2 112 756	
193,990	(263,345)	(440,861)	(1,178,502)	2,076,698	2,112,756	Reinsurance balance
193,990	(263,345)	(440,861)	(1,178,502)	2,076,698	2,112,756	Total Reinsurance

2	Geographical Analysis	2013	2012
	Direct Gross Premium Written In		
	United Kingdom Other EU Member States Rest of the World	3,363,748 - -	3,411,355 - -
		£3,363,748	£3,411,355
3	Net Operating Expenses	2013	2012
	Acquisition costs	1,354,082	1,288,950
	Change in deferred acquisition costs	(5,208)	(38,313)
	Administrative expenses	444,213	342,731
	(Profit)/loss on exchange	78,811	60,292
		£1,871,898	£1,653,660
		<del></del>	
4	Investment Income	2013	2012
	Income from investments	153,081	164,780
	Realised gains on investments	13,167	27,141
	Bank Deposit Interest	501	187
		£166,749	£192,108
_	Louister and Sharras	2013	2012
5	Investment Expenses and Charges	2013	2012
	Investment management expenses	15,099	12,746
	Losses on the realisation of investments	63,056	53,060
		£78,155	£65,806
6	Profit/(Loss) on Ordinary Activities before Taxation	2013	2012
	This is stated after charging/(crediting):	£	£
	Fees payable to the company's auditor for:	~	-
	- audit of the financial statements	1,800	1,300
	- taxation services	5,300	800
	- other services	1,200	1,200
	Directors remuneration	-	-
	Amortisation of syndicate capacity	16,212	16,212
	(Profit)/loss on sale of syndicate capacity Exchange (gain) or loss - Non Technical Account	(3,694)	(4,032)
	Interest payable on related party loan	(3,034)	(4,032)
	Interest payable - other	-	-
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Taxation	2013	2012
Analysis of Charge in Year		
Current tax		
UK Corporation Tax on profits of the year Adjustments in respect of previous years	(22,028)	80,033 (7,497)
	(22,028)	72,536
Double Taxation Relief		(5,685)
	(22,028)	66,851
Foreign tax	2,065	(1,993)
Total current tax	(19,963)	64,858
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of timing differences Effect of change in tax rate on opening liability or asset	151,293 (30,365)	(21,123) (22,080)
Total deferred tax	120,928	(43,203)
Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities	£100,965	£21,655
Factors Affecting Tax Charge for the Year	<del></del> =	
The tax assessed for the period is different to the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK. The differences are explained below:		
	2013	2012
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before tax	£694,316	£282,537
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of Corporation Tax in the UK of 23.25% (2012 - 24.5%)	161,428	69,222
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Income not subject to tax Timing differences arising on the taxation of the underwriting results Trading losses carried back Foreign tax Adjustments in respect of previous periods Marginal rate adjustment	(175,123) 13,695 2,065 (22,028)	16,016 - (7,678) (7,497) (5,205)
Current tax charge/(credit) for year	£(19,963)	£64,858

# Factors that may affect Future Tax Charges

The results of the Company's participation on the 2011, 2012 and 2013 years of account and the calendar year movement on 2010 and prior run-offs, will not be assessed to tax until the year ended 31 December 2014, 2015 and 2016 respectively being the year after the calendar year result of each run-off year or the normal date of closure of each year of account. In addition, tax only Claims Equalisation Reserves (CER) may further affect the timing of the taxation of underwriting profits.

The above charge for foreign taxes has been estimated after making provision for double taxation relief with the UK. However due to the differences of timings and tax rates some foreign taxes may ultimately not be fully recoverable.

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B Intangible Assets	Syndicate Participation Rights
Cost	
At 1 January 2013 Additions	251,189 -
Disposals	<u>-</u>
At 31 December 2013	251,189
Amortisation	
At 1 January 2013 Charge for the year Disposals	218,765 16,212 -
At 31 December 2013	234,977
Net Book Value	
At 31 December 2013	£16,212
At 31 December 2012	£32,424

# 9 Investments

# Other Financial Investments - Syndicate

	2013		2012	
	Market Value	Cost	Market Value	Cost
Shares and other variable yield securities and units in unit trusts	555,456	548,481	605,461	598,472
Debt securities and other fixed income securities	5,679,765	5,733,513	5,623,134	5,543,614
Participation in investment pools	327,720	315,957	319,806	398,872
Loans secured by mortgage	32,465	32,109	63,324	62,650
Other Loans	3,834	3,834	34,610	34,600
Deposits with credit institutions	5,169	5,169	12,828	12,828
Overseas deposits	103,627	102,382	121,223	116,358
Other	4,004	3,600	366	165
	£6,712,040	£6,745,045	£6,780,752	£6,767,559
Listed investments included within the above	£6,562,941	£6,597,951	£6,548,401	£6,540,958

#### 10 Debtors

	2013				2012	
	Syndicate Participation	Corporate	Total	Syndicate Participation	Corporate	Total
Corporation Tax	•	22,028	22,028	-,	-	-
Related Party Loan Accounts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	547,096		547,096	701,360		701,360
	£547,096	£22,028	£569,124	£701,360	£-	£701,360
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Other debtors includes £Nil (2012 - £Nil) in respect of cash calls paid to Lloyd's syndicates. This amount will be recoverable when the year of account on whose behalf the call was made is closed at a profit, or will be treated as a payment on account if the year is closed at a loss.

#### 11 Cash at Bank and in hand

	2013			2012			
	Syndicate			Syndicate			
	Participation	Corporate	Total	Participation	Corporate	Total	
Lloyd's deposit		499,090	499,090	-	221,262	221,262	
Cash at bank and in hand	366,027	10,297	376,324	315,922	143,015	458,937	
	£366,027	£509,387	£875,414	£315,922	£364,277	£680,199	

The Lloyd's deposit represents monies deposited with the Corporation of Lloyd's (Lloyd's) to support the Company's underwriting activities as described in the Accounting Policies. The Company has entered into a Lloyd's Deposit Trust Deed which gives Lloyd's the right to apply these monies in settlement of any claims arising from the participation on the syndicates. These monies can only be released from the provision of this Deed with Lloyd's express permission and only in circumstances where the amounts are either replaced by an equivalent asset, or after the expiration of the Company's liabilities in respect of its underwriting.

12	Called-up Share Capital	2013		2012
		Allotted, Called-up and Fully Paid		Allotted, Called-up and Fully Paid
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	£380		£380
13	Profit and Loss Account		2013	
		Syndicate Participation	Corporate	Total
	Retained profit/(loss) brought forward Transfer Profit/(loss) for the financial year Equity dividends paid and declared	30,529 (142,752) 951,878	90,911 142,752 (358,527) -	121,440 - 593,351 -
	Retained profit/(loss) carried forward	£839,655	£(124,864)	£714,791
	The following interim dividends were paid in the year ended 31 December 2014:	Dividend		
	14 August 2014	£500,000		

14	Reconciliation of Movements i	n Shareholders' l	Funds			2013	2012
	Opening shareholders' funds Profit / (loss) for the financial yea Equity dividends paid and declar					121,820 593,351 -	(139,062) 260,882 -
	Closing shareholders' funds					£715,171	£121,820
15	Provision for Deferred Tax					2013	2012
	Liability/(asset) at start of year Deferred tax charge/(credit) in Pr	rofit and Loss Acco	ount for year			232,797 120,928	276,000 (43,203)
	Liability/(asset) at end of year					£353,725	£232,797
	Analysis of Provision for Defer	rred Taxation					-
	Timing differences arising from the Claims Equalisation Reserves Other timing differences Tax losses carried forward	he taxation of the u	underwriting resull	is		167,825 185,900 -	7,058 225,739 - -
						£353,725	£232,797
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	Deferred tax has been calculated	d at a rate of 20% (	(2012 - 23%).				
16	Other Creditors		2013			2012	
	•	Syndicate Participation	Corporate	Total	Syndicate - Participation	Corporate	Total
	Other creditors Corporation Tax	674,281 -	8,864 - 304,486	683,145 - 304,486	812,986 -	- 68,295	812,986 68,295
	Related party loan accounts	<u>.</u>		304,460		<del></del> -	
		£674,281	£313,350	£987,631	£812,986	£68,295	£881,281
17	Reconciliation of Operating Pr Inflow / (Outflow) from Operati		t Cash			2013	2012
	Operating Profit/(Loss) Interest and dividends received - Realised and unrealised profits a					694,316 (501)	282,537 (187)
	Interest charged - non-technical					(054.070)	(740.045)
	Underwriting result in year Closed Year result distributable i	n vear				(951,878) 142,752	(743,315) 1,028,467
	Increase / (Decrease) in creditors	s				9,582	(250,392)
	(Increase) / Decrease in debtors (Profit) / Loss on sale of capacity					- -	518 -
	Amortisation of syndicate capacit					16,212	16,212
	Net cash Inflow / (Outflow) from	operating activities				£(89,517)	£333,840

# 18 Movement in Cash and Portfolio Investments

	At 1 January 2013	Non-cash Transactions	Cash Flow	Changes to Market Values	At 31 December 2013
Cash at bank and in hand	364,277	-	145,110	-	509,387
	£364,277	-	£145,110	-	£509,387

#### 19 Funds at Lloyd's

In addition to the Funds held in the Lloyd's Deposit (Note 11) the Company's Lloyd's underwriting is supported by a further £1,448,705 (2012: £3,027,693).

# 20 Related Party Transactions

S C Chandler is a Director and the sole shareholder of the Company. Clearbrook Trust is a revocable living trust solely for S C Chandler. During 2013, the Trust provided additional funding of £304,486 (2012 - £441,159), including expenses charged to the company; £Nil (2012 - £441,159) was repaid. £304,486 is owed to Clearbrook Trust at 31 December 2013 (2012 - £Nil).

# 21 Ultimate Controlling Party

The ultimate controlling party of the company is Mr S C Chandler

# 22 Syndicate Participation

# Allocated capacity per underwriting year

			• •	•	-
Syndicate No.	Managing Agent	2014	2013	2012	2011
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
33	Hiscox Syndicates Limited	781	741	741	702
510	R J Kiln & Company Limited	766	766	766	700
557	R J Kiln & Company Limited	100	100	250	201
570	Atrium Underwriting Limited	-	-	-	580
609	Atrium Underwriting Limited	1160	1160	1,160	580
623	Beazley Furlonge Limited	757	701	669	669
727	S A Meacock & Company Limited	371	371	371	371
958	Omega Underwriting Agents Limited	273	343	436	436
2010	Cathedral Underwriting Limited	700	700	700	700
2791	Managing Agency Partners Limited	616	700	700	700
6103	Argenta Managing Agency Partners Limited	50	65	35	-
6104	Hiscox Syndicates Limited	150	250	200	100
6105	Ark Syndicate Management Limited	82	-	-	
6111	Catlin Underwriting Agencies Limited	300	250		275
		£6,106	£6,147	£6,028	£6,014
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