# Lucite International Holdings Limited

Annual report and financial statements

Year ended 31 December 2009

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## Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009

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#### Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 2009

The directors present their annual report together with the audited financial statements for the year to 31 December 2009

## International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS")

The financial statements are being reported under IFRS for the first time. The impact of the adoption of IFRS on the Company's results and financial position is shown in note 4 to the financial statements accompanying this report.

## Business overview and principal activities

The principal activity of the Company is that of a holding company

## Current year performance

The income statement is set out on page 5 and shows the result for the year ended 31 December 2009

During the year ended 31 December 2009, administrative expenses totalled \$0.5 million (2008 \$78.1 million), which in both years related to the net charge for increasing the provision for impairment of amounts due from group undertakings, such that the net receivable recognised was reduced to nil

During the year ended 31 December 2009 finance income of \$0.7 million was receivable (2008 \$5.3 million). This income related to interest earned on the balance due from related parties and decreased since 2008 due to a fall in variable interest rates. In the year ended 31 December 2009, there was no foreign exchange movement on balances receivable as the balances remained fully impaired throughout the year. In the year ended 31 December 2008, there was a foreign exchange loss of \$29.7 million which related to the period until the provision for impairment was established.

On 28 May 2009, the Company's ultimate parent undertaking, Lucite International Group Limited, was acquired by Mitsubishi Rayon Co, Ltd

The directors do not recommend payment of a dividend on ordinary shares (2008 \$nil)

All audit and non audit fees payable to the Company's auditors are met by fellow group undertaking, Lucite International UK Limited

## Current year position

At 31 December 2009, the Company had a gross amount receivable of \$87 1 million (2008 \$78 1 million) This increase was due to accrued interest and foreign exchange retranslation. At the end of 2009 and 2008, an impairment provision has been established equal to the total amount receivable.

## Directors

The directors of the Company during the year were as follows

IR Lambert AS Veerman NL Sayers (resigned 25 March 2010)

## Post balance sheet event

Effective 19 March 2010, Mitsubishi Chemical Holdings Corporation became the ultimate controlling party of the Company, by acquiring control of Mitsubishi Rayon Co , Ltd

## Principal risks and uncertainties

The Company is subject to a number of risks. A discussion of these is provided in note 2 to the financial statements accompanying this report.

Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 2009 (continued)

#### Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union Further information on this conversion from UK Generally Accepted Accounting Principles is given in note 4 to the financial statements.

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 profit or loss of the Company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable IFRS as adopted by the European Union 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, in which case there should be supporting assumptions or qualifications as necessary

The directors confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements

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 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.

## Disclosure of information to auditors

So far as each of the directors are aware, there is no relevant information that has not been disclosed to the Company's auditors and each of the directors believes that all steps have been taken that ought to have been taken to make them aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors have been made aware of that information

#### Indemnification of directors

The Company has taken out insurance for directors' liability in respect of losses resulting from claims relating to their responsibilities acting as officers of the Company

On behalf of the Board

IR LAMBERT Director

23 September 2010

## Independent auditors' report to the members of Lucite International Holdings Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Lucite International Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 December 2009 which comprise the income statement, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows, the statement of changes in equity and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union

## Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the statement of directors' responsibilities set out on page 2 the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view Our responsibility is to audit 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

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the Company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

#### 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 2009 and of its result and cash flows for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

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

In our opinion the information given in the Report of the directors for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

Independent auditors' report to the members of Lucite International Holdings Limited (continued)

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

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

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

R Casson

Randal Casson (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors Leeds

23 September 2010

Company number: 03830184

## Income statement for the year ended 31 December 2009

	Note	2009 \$'million	2008 S'million
Continuing operations			
Administrative expenses		(0 5)	(78 1)
Operating loss	5	(0 5)	(78 1)
Finance income		0 7	5 3
Finance costs		-	(29 7)
Finance income/(costs) – net	7	0 7	(24 4)
Profit/(loss) before income tax		0 2	(102 5)
Income tax charge	8	(0 2)	-
Loss for the year from continuing operations	12		(102 5)

There was no income or expense other than as presented above and therefore no statement of comprehensive income has been presented

There was no difference between the results presented above and their historical cost equivalents

The notes on pages 9 to 17 are an integral part of these financial statements

## Balance sheet as at 31 December 2009

	Note	2009 S'million	2008 \$'million	2007 \$'million
Assets				
Non-current assets				
Investments in subsidiaries	9	334 0	334 0	334 0
Current assets				
Trade and other receivables	10	-	-	102 5
Total assets		334 0	334 0	436 5
Equity				
Ordinary shares	11	283 0	283 0	283 0
Retained earnings	12	51 0	510	153 5
Total equity		334 0	334 0	436 5
Total equity and liabilities	_	334.0	334 0	436 5

The notes on pages 9 to 17 are an integral part of these financial statements

The financial statements on pages 5 to 17 were approved by the Board on 23 September 2010 and signed on its behalf by

IR LAMBERT

Director

# Company number 03830184

# LUCITE INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

Statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 December 2009

There were no cash transactions in the year, therefore there are no cash flows to present

## Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2009

	Share capital \$'million	Retained earnings S'million	Total equity \$'million
Balance at 1 January 2008	283 0	153 5	436 5
Comprehensive income			
Profit or loss	-	(102 5)	(102 5)
Total comprehensive income	-	(102 5)	(102 5)
Balance at 1 January 2009	283 0	51 0	334 0
Comprehensive income			
Profit or loss	•	-	•
Total comprehensive income	•	-	-
Balance at 31 December 2009	283 0	51 0	334 0

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form an integral part of these financial statements

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009

## 1 Accounting policies

#### General Information

Lucite International Holdings Limited (the "Company") is registered in England and Wales under the Companies Act 2006. The operations and principal activities are discussed in the Report of the directors. The address of the registered office is

Queens Gate 15 – 17 Queens Terrace Southampton SO14 3BP

#### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") and International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee ("IFRIC") interpretations, as adopted by the European Union, and with those parts of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies reporting under IFRS

The Company is not required to prepare consolidated IFRS financial statements under section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 and IAS27 "Presentation of consolidated financial statements" as it is a subsidiary of another entity that prepares consolidated IFRS financial statements. As such the results presented here are for the Company as an individual undertaking and not of its group

These are the Company's first financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS. The disclosures required by IFRS 1, "First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards", concerning the transition to IFRS and its effect on the reported financial position, financial performance and cash flows, are given in note 4.

The financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention

The financial statements are presented in US dollars and the prevailing exchange rate at the balance sheet date was \$1.59 to £1 (2008 \$1.44 to £1)

The accounting policies set out in this note have been applied consistently throughout the year and where applicable comparatives for 2008 and 2007 have been restated to IFRS. The following principal accounting policies have been applied

## Taxation

The tax charge represents the sum of the current and deferred income tax

The charge for taxation is based on the taxable profit for the year and takes into account deferred income tax because of temporary differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and for accounting purposes. Current tax also includes any income receivable from fellow group undertakings in respect of group relief surrendered in the financial year.

Deferred income tax is recognised in respect of all temporary differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date. A net deferred income tax asset is regarded as recoverable and therefore recognised when, on the basis of all available evidence, taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009 (continued)

#### Foreign currencies

Transactions in currencies other than the entity's functional currency (foreign currencies) are initially recorded at the rate prevailing on the date of the transaction. At each subsequent balance sheet date monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency at rates of exchange prevailing at the end of the financial period. Foreign exchange differences are taken to the income statement in the period in which they arise. All exchange differences are charged/credited to the income statement.

#### Investments

Investments held as fixed assets are stated at historical cost, which is the fair value of the consideration paid, less any provision for diminution in value. Investments relating to equity share capital are translated at prevailing rate of exchange at the time of acquisition.

#### Hedging

The Company does not use financial instruments to hedge its assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies

#### Financial assets

The Company's financial assets comprise receivables which are non-derivative assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are included in current assets within trade and other receivables in the balance sheet.

A provision for impairment of loans and receivables is established when on the basis of the evidence available the Company will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the terms of the receivables. The amount of the provision is the difference between the assets cost and the estimated value of future cash flows

#### Impact of future accounting standards

The following standards, amendments and interpretations to existing standards have been published, endorsed by the EU and are mandatory for the Company's accounting years beginning on

## 1 January 2010

- Improvements to IFRSs (2009)
- IFRS 2, "Share based payments Group cash-settled share-based payment transactions"
- IFRS 3 (revised), "Business combinations"
- IAS 27 (revised), "Consolidated and separate financial statements"
- Amendment to IAS 39, "Financial Instruments Recognition and measurement" on "Eligible hedged items"
- Amendment to IFRS 1 "First time adoption of IFRS" and IAS 27 "Consolidation and separate financial statements" on the "Cost of an investment in a subsidiary, jointly controlled entity or associate"
- IFRIC 12, "Service concession arrangements"
- IFIRC 15, "Agreements for construction of real estates"
- IFRIC 16, "Hedges of a net investment in a foreign operation"
- IFRIC 18, "Transfer of assets from customers"

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009 (continued)

## 1 January 2011

- Annual improvements 2010
- Amendment to IAS 32, "Financial instruments Presentation on classification of rights issues"
- Amendment to IFRIC 14, IAS 19, "Prepayments of a minimum funding requirement"
- IFRIC 19, "Extinguishing financial liabilities with equity investments"
- · Amendment to IAS 24, "Related party disclosure"

The Company has not early adopted these and does not anticipate any material changes to its financial statements on their adoption

#### 2 Financial Risk Management

The Company's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks and risk management is carried out by the Company under policies approved by the board of directors within a group governance framework. The framework covers risk identification, management, mitigation and reporting

The Company is exposed to financial risks through its financial assets and liabilities. The most important financial risks for the Company are those of foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk and liquidity risk.

Foreign exchange risk

The Company is exposed to changes in the foreign exchange rate of US dollars in relation to sterling

Interest rate risk

The amounts due from related undertakings incur interest based upon relevant LIBOR rates and therefore the Company is exposed to movements in this rate

Liquidity risk

The Company is supported by the group parent Company who engages in full liquidity forecasting and management measures and so liquidity risk to the Company is considered minimal

## 3 Critical accounting estimates

The Company makes estimates and assumptions that are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. These accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results

Management believes that the following accounting policy is a critical policy where the assumptions and judgements made could have a significant impact on the consolidated financial statements

Provision for impairment

Management assess the recoverability of investments and receivables based upon the information available. When indicators exist that suggest an investment or receivable is impaired a provision for impairment is established. The level of this impairment is judgemental and may not ultimately represent the amount subsequently recovered for an asset.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009 (continued)

## 4 Explanation of transition to IFRS as adopted by the E.U.

These financial statements are the first financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the EU. The accounting policies set out in note 1 have been applied in preparing the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009, the comparative information presented in these financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 and in the preparation of an opening IFRS balance sheet at 1 January 2008 (the date of transition)

In preparing opening IFRS balance sheets, the Company has adjusted amounts reported previously in financial statements prepared in accordance with its previous basis of accounting (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Principles – "UK GAAP") An explanation of how the transition from UK GAAP to IFRS has affected the Company's position and financial performance is set out in the following tables and the notes that accompany the tables

Under the provisions of IAS21, "The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates", the Directors consider the functional currency of the Company to be US dollars, where the operations of the Company could in effect be an extension of the activity of the UK holding company, the functional currency of which is also US dollars, being representative of the primary environment within which the group operates. The equivalent "local currency" of the Company under UK GAAP, SSAP 20 "Foreign currency translation" was determined to be sterling. The principal difference being that under IFRS there is, in most circumstances, a requirement for a non-trading company to look to the parent company's functional currency.

Upon adoption of IFRS monetary assets and liabilities have been converted at the exchange rate ruling at that date. Non monetary assets and liabilities have been converted at the historic rate prevailing at the date of initial recognition.

No other changes which have a material impact upon either equity or profit for the year have been identified from the results previously reported under UK GAAP

## Reconciliation of equity reported under UK GAAP to equity reported under IFRS

As shown in the table below the effect of adopting IFRS has no impact upon the equity that has previously been reported under UK GAAP, at 31 December 2008 and at the date of transition

	2009	2008
	\$'million	\$'million
Total equity at 1 January as previously reported	334 0	436 5
Total equity at 1 January in accordance with IFRS	334 0	436 5

As a result of adopting IFRS, a balance sheet as at 31 December 2007 has been included in these financial

# Reconciliation of total recognised loss reported under UK GAAP to total comprehensive expense reported under IFRS

As disclosed in the table below adopting IFRS has had no impact upon on the statement of comprehensive income that has previously been reported under UK GAAP, for the year ended 31 December 2008

	2008	
	\$'million	
Total recognised loss reported under UK GAAP	102 5	
Total comprehensive expense in accordance with IFRS	102 5	

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009 (continued)

## 5 Operating loss

	2009	2008
	\$'million	\$'million
Operating loss is stated after charging		
Increase in provision for impairments (note 10)	0.5	78 1

All audit and non audit fees payable to the Company's auditors are met by fellow group undertaking, Lucite International UK Limited

## 6 Employee benefit expense

There were no persons holding service contracts with the Company during the year (2008) none)

None of the directors received any remuneration from the Company during the year (2008 none)

## 7 Finance income and costs

	2009 \$'million	2008 \$'million
Foreign exchange loss	_	(29 7)
Finance costs	_	(29 7)
Interest receivable from group undertakings	0 7	53
Finance income	0.7	5 3
Net finance income/(costs)	0 7	(24 4)

## 8 Income tax charge

	2009	2008	
	\$'million	\$'million	
Current tax:			
Group relief paid	0 2		
Income tax charge	0.2		

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009 (continued)

The tax on the Company's profit before tax differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the weighted average tax rate applicable to profits of the Company as follows

	2009 S'million	2008 S'million	
Profit/(loss) before income tax	0 2	(102 5)	
Tax calculated at domestic rates applicable to profits - 28% (2008 28 5%)	(0 1)	29 2	
Tax effects of			
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	(0.1)	(30 7)	
Losses utilised from group companies	-	1 5	
Tax charge	(0.2)	•	

The Company has no deferred income tax provided or unprovided for at the balance sheet date

During 2010, the UK government announced their intention to ultimately reduce the corporation tax rate in the UK to 24% The reduction is planned to be enacted in phases whereby the rate is reduced by 1% per annum over the next four tax years

## 9 Investments in subsidiaries

	2009	2008 s'million	
	\$'million		
Cost			
At 1 January	334.0	334 0	
Additions	-	-	
At 31 December	334.0	334 0	
Accumulated impairment losses			
At 1 January	-	-	
Increase in provision for impairment	-	-	
Reversal of provision for impairment	-	-	
At 31 December		•	
Net book amount			
At 1 January	334 0	334 0	
At 31 December	334 0	334 0	

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009 (continued)

The following were subsidiary undertakings at the end of the year

Name	Country of incorporation or registration	Proportion of voting rights and ordinary share capital held	Nature of business
Lucite International Holdco			
Limited	England and Wales	100%	Holding company
Lucite International Finco			
Limited	England and Wales	100%	Finance company
Lucite International Finance			Non trading
Limited	England and Wales	100%	company
Lucite International US Finco			Non trading
LLC	USA	100%	company
Lucite International Luxembourg			Non trading
Finance S à r l Limited	Luxembourg	100%	company

For all undertakings listed above, the country of operation is the same as its country of incorporation or registration. In the opinion of the directors, the value of the investments is not less than the book value

During August 2010, Lucite International Luxembourg Finance S à r 1 Limited was liquidated. There was no material impact of this transaction on the results of the Company

#### 10 Trade and other receivables

	2009 \$'million	2008 \$'million
Amount due from group undertakings	87.1	78 1
Less provision for impairment	(87 1)	(78 1)
Trade and other receivables - net	-	<u>-</u>

The above amount due from group undertakings under financing agreements are unsecured, attract interest at a variable rate of UK LIBOR minus 0 125% and are repayable on demand. The amount is denominated in sterling

During the year ended 31 December 2009, the directors reviewed of the performance of the related parties from which amounts are owed. As a result of this the provision for impaired debtors has been increased to \$87.1 million (2008 \$78.1 million)

Movements on the provision for impairment of receivables are as follows

	2009 \$'million	2008 \$'million
At 1 January	78.1	-
Provision for receivables impairment	0.5	78 1
Currency translation adjustment	8.5	
At 31 December	87.1	78 1

Charges relating to the creation of provision for impaired receivables have been included in "administrative expenses" in the income statement

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009 (continued)

## 11 Called up share capital

	Number	\$'million
Authorised, allotted and fully paid at 31 December 2009 and 2008		
Ordinary shares of £1 each	175,016,700	283.0

## 12 Retained earnings

	2009	2008 s'million
	\$'mıllıon	
At 1 January	51.0	153 5
Loss for the year	-	(102 5)
At 31 December	51.0	510

## 13 Related parties

## Amounts due from related parties

	2009 \$'mıllıon	2008 s'million
Amounts due from indirect subsidiaries		<u>.</u>
At 1 January	-	102 5
Exchange differences	-	(29 7)
Interest receivable	0.7	5 3
Increase in provision for impairment	(0.5)	(78 1)
Amounts payable for group relief	(0 2)	-
At 31 December		

At 31 December 2009 provisions for impairments held against related parties were \$87.1 million (2008 \$78.1 million)

The above amount due from group undertakings under financing agreements are unsecured, attract interest at a variable rate of UK LIBOR minus 0 125% and are repayable on demand

There were no transactions with directors or key management personnel during the year ended 31 December 2009 (2008 none)

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009 (continued)

## 14 Ultimate controlling party

The immediate parent undertaking is Lucite International Investment Limited, a company registered and operating in England and Wales. The parent company of the smallest group to consolidate these financial statements is MRC Group Holdings (UK) Limited. Copies of these financial statements can be obtained from

The Company Secretary MRC Group Holdings (UK) Limited 10 Norwich Street London EC4A 1BD

The ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party at the balance sheet date was Mitsubishi Rayon Co , Ltd , 6-41 Konan 1-Chome, Minato Ku, Tokyo, 108-8506 Japan

 $Effective\ 19\ March\ 2010,\ Mitsubishi\ Chemical\ Holdings\ Corporation\ became\ the\ ultimate\ controlling\ party\ of\ the\ Company\ by\ acquiring\ control\ of\ Mitsubishi\ Rayon\ Co\ ,\ Ltd$