Registered number: 4008609

**Plusfigure Limited** 

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2010

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# Plusfigure Limited

# **Directors and advisers**

### **Directors**

LAC Atherton JC Challis CB Ryan

# **Company Secretary**

Newgate Street Secretaries Limited

# **Registered Office**

81 Newgate Street London EC1A 7AJ

# **Independent Auditors**

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountant and Statutory Auditors Erskine House 68-73 Queen Street Edinburgh EH2 4NH 1

### Directors' report for the year ended 31 March 2010

The directors submit their annual report and the audited financial statements of Plusfigure Limited (the "Company") for the year ended 31 March 2010 The registered number of the Company is 4008609

The directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the special provision of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

### Review of activities and future developments

The Company's principal activity is to act as an investment holding company within the British Telecommunications plc group of companies. The directors do not anticipate any change in the foreseeable future

### Principal risks and uncertainties

The directors of BT Group plc (the ultimate controlling entity of the Company) manage the group's risks at a group level, rather than at an individual business unit level. For this reason, the Company's directors believe that a discussion of the group's risks would not be appropriate for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the Company's business. The principal risks and uncertainties of BT Group plc, which include those of the company, are discussed on the group's annual report which does not form part of this report.

### **Key performance indicators**

The directors of BT Group plc manage the group's operations on a divisional basis. For this reason, the Company's directors believe that analysis using key performance indicators for the Company is not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business of the Company

#### Results and dividends

The profit before taxation was £468,000 (2009 £1,413,000). The charge for taxation was £131,000 (2009 £396,000) which left a profit after taxation for the year of £337,000 (2009 - £1,017,000)

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend in respect of the year ended 31 March 2010 (2009 £nil)

#### **Directors**

A list of the current directors is set out on page 1 LAC Atherton and CB Ryan were appointed to the board on 1 July 2010 J Sasse also served as a director until she resigned on 1 July 2010 The remaining director held office throughout the year and up to the date of signing this report

# Directors' report for the year ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

### Statement of directors' responsibilities

A statement by the directors of their responsibilities for preparing the financial statements is included on page 4

#### Auditors and disclosure of information to the auditors

So far as each of the directors is 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

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office

By order of the Board,

Authorised Signatory

for and on behalf of Newgate Street Secretaries Limited

**Company Secretary** 

3rd November 2010

# Statement of directors' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements

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 prepared 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 those financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, 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 adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

# Independent auditors' report to the members of Plusfigure Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Plusfigure Limited for the year ended 31 March 2010, which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, 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)

### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 4, 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 March 2010 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

# Independent auditors' report to the members of Plusfigure Limited (continued)

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

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

### 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

# Makin Cowie

Martin Cowie (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors
Edinburgh

3 November 2010

# Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 March 2010

	Notes	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Administrative expenses		(2)	(2)
Operating loss	1	(2)	(2)
Interest receivable	2	470	1,415
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		468	1,413
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	(131)	(396)
Profit for the financial year	10	337	1,017

The profit on ordinary activities before taxation derives entirely from continuing activities

Other than the profit for the financial year, there have been no other recognised gains or losses during either 2010 or 2009

There were no differences between the results as disclosed in the profit and loss account and the results on an unmodified historic cost basis

# Balance sheet as at 31 March 2010

	Notes	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Current assets			
Debtors	6	30,223	30,151
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	(133)	(398)
Net current assets		30,090	29,753
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year  Net assets	8	(260) 29,830	(260) 29,493
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital Share premium Profit and loss account	9 10 10	740 24,000 5,090	740 24,000 4,753
Total shareholders' funds	11	29,830	29,493

The financial statements on pages 7 to 13 were approved by the board of directors on 3rd November 2010 and were signed on its behalf by

L Atherton Director

# **Accounting policies**

### **Basis of accounting**

These financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom. The principal accounting policies which have been consistently applied are set out below.

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenditure during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates are used principally when accounting for investment impairment, provisions for liabilities and charges, and taxes.

#### **Taxation**

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing 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 tax asset is recognised as recoverable and therefore recognised only when, on the basis of all available evidence, it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits against which to recover carried forward tax losses and from which the future reversal of underlying timing differences can be deducted

Deferred tax is measured at the average tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which the timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is measured on an undiscounted basis

#### Cash flow statement

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of BT Group plc. The cash flows of the Company are included in the consolidated cash flow statement of BT Group plc, whose annual report is publicly available Consequently the Company is exempt under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard Number 1 (Revised 1996) from publishing a cash flow statement

### Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from the proceeds

# **Plusfigure Limited**

### Notes to the financial statements

### 1 Operating loss

Operating loss is stated after charging	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Auditors' remuneration for audit services	2	2
2 Interest receivable	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Interest receivable on loans from group undertakings	470	1,415
Total interest receivable	470	1,415

### 3 Directors' emoluments

The directors are employed and remunerated by British Telecommunications plc or other group companies in respect of their services to the BT group as a whole. No emoluments were paid to the directors in respect of their services to the Company in the year ended 31 March 2010 (2009 £nil)

### 4 Employee information

The average monthly number of persons employed by the Company during the year was nil (2009 nil)

5 Tax on profit on ordinary activities

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	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Current tax:		
UK corporation tax at 28% (2009 28%)	131	396_
Total current tax	131	396
The tax assessed for both years is equal to the standard. The details are explained below	d rate of corporation ta	x in the UK.
•	2010	2009
	£,000	£,000
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	468	1,413
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of		
corporation tax at 28% (2009 28%)	131	396
Current tax charge	131	396

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# Notes to the financial statements (continued)

### 6 Debtors

	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Amounts owed by group undertakings	30,223	30,151

An amount owed by group undertakings includes an interest bearing loan facility of £29,999,000 (2009 £30,074,000) to British Telecommunications plc The loan is repayable within 12 months. The loan attracted interest at 6 month GBP LIBOR less 10 basis points up to 16 August 2009. From 17 August 2009, the interest rate became 12 month GBP LIBOR less 10 basis points.

## 7 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Corporation taxes Accruals	131	396 2
Total creditors falling due within one year	133	398
8 Creditors: amounts falling due after more tha	an one year	
	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Preference share capital	260	260
Total creditors falling due after more than one year	260	260
Preference share capital		
	2010 £	2009 £
Authorised: 260,000 preference shares of £leach	260,000	260,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid: 260,000 preference shares of £1 each	260,000	260,000

### Notes to the financial statements (continued)

### 8 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year (continued)

The preference shares were issued on 10 November 2000 The holders of preference shares are entitled to be paid (in priority to the payment of any dividend to the holders of ordinary shares) in aggregate a cumulative preferential dividend in respect of each financial year of the Company equal to the prescribed percentage of the Company's profit available for distribution. The holders of preference shares have the same rights as ordinary shareholders.

On a return of capital, preference shares are entitled to any unpaid dividends prior to the winding up, and otherwise rank equally with ordinary shares and are entitled to receive the nominal value and premium paid up plus any unpaid dividends prior to the winding up and any surplus assets available following distribution of the nominal value and premium paid up to ordinary shareholders rateably distributed between the preference shareholders and ordinary shareholders on the basis of the aggregate amounts of nominal value and premium paid up by both classes of shareholders prior to the winding up

9 Called up share capital	2010	2009
Authorised:	£'000	£'000
740,000 (2009 740,000) ordinary shares of £1 each	740	740
Allotted, called up and unpaid: 740,000 (2009 740,000) ordinary shares of £1 each	740	740
10 Reserves	Share premium account £'000	Profit and loss account £'000
Balance at 1 April 2009 Profit for the financial year	24,000	4,753 337
Balance at 31 March 2010	24,000	5,090
11 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders	7 funds 2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Profit for the financial year	337_	1,017
Net addition to shareholders' funds	337	1,017
Opening shareholders' funds	29,493	28,476
Closing shareholders' funds	29,830	29,493

### Notes to the financial statements (continued)

### 12 Contingent liabilities

At 31 March 2010 there were no contingent liabilities or guarantees other than those arising in the ordinary course of the Company's business and on these no material losses are anticipated

### 13 Controlling entities

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of British Telecommunications plc, which is the immediate controlling entity. The ultimate controlling entity as at 31 March 2010 was BT Group plc.

The parent undertaking of the largest group of companies into which the results of the Company are consolidated is BT Group plc, a company incorporated in England and Wales Consequently the Company is exempt under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard Number 8 from disclosing details of transactions and balances with BT Group plc, fellow group subsidiaries and associated undertakings, and those deemed under control during the year ended 31 March 2010 Copies of the financial statements of BT Group plc may be obtained from The Assistant Secretary, BT Group plc, 81 Newgate Street, London EC1A 7AJ

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