# **EMI MP Germany Topco Limited**

# Directors' report and financial statements Registered number 6388962 for the year ended 31 March 2011

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#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors present their directors' report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2011.

### Principal Activities and Review of the Business

EMI MP Germany Topco Limited (the "Company") was incorporated on 3 October 2007.

At the beginning of the year the Company was a wholly owned subsidiary of Maltby Capital Limited and TFCP Holdings Limited was the ultimate parent undertaking.

On 1 February 2011, Citibank N.A. acquired all the ordinary and preference capital of EMI Group Worldwide Holdings Limited (formerly Maltby Acquisitions Limited) from Maltby Investments Limited, a subsidiary of Maltby Capital Limited and now owns the EMI group of companies.

The Company is now a wholly owned subsidiary of EMI Group Worldwide Holdings Limited (the "Group") and Citigroup Inc. ('Citigroup') is the ultimate parent undertaking

The principal activity of the Company is that of a finance company. There has not been any change to the principal activity of the Company during the year ended 31 March 2011 or subsequently. The directors do not anticipate any change to the principal activity of the Company during the next year.

The Company operates as part of the EMI Group Worldwide Holdings Limited Group ("the Group") and all of its transactions are with fellow Group undertakings. As such its activities are dependent on the activities of the Group as a whole.

## **Going Concern**

As set out in more detail in note 1 the Directors have assessed the current and expected future funding position of the Company. After appropriate consideration they have concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future. For these reasons, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and financial statements

### **Principal Risks and Uncertainties**

The Company operates as part of the Group and all of its transactions are with fellow Group undertakings and an external lender As such its activities are dependent on the activities of the Group as a whole

The risks and uncertainties facing the Company are linked to those of the Group. A detailed discussion of the Group risks and uncertainties is contained in the EMI Group Worldwide Holdings Limited's annual report.

#### **Dividends**

The Directors do not recommend payment of a dividend (2010 nil).

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)**

## **Directors' Qualifying Third Party Indemnity Provisions**

Certain directors benefit from qualifying third party indemnity provisions at the date of this report.

#### **Donations**

Grants and charitable donations made during the year amounted to €nil (2010 nil) There were no political contributions made during the year (2010 nil).

#### **Directors**

The Directors throughout the year and subsequently were as follows

A G Bebawı

L J Corbett

R C Faxon

C S Palmer

#### Disclosure of information to the auditor

The Directors who held office at the date of approval of this Directors' Report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and each Director has taken all steps that he or she ought to have taken as a Director in order to make himself or herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditors will be deemed to be reappointed and KPMG LLP will therefore continue in office

By Order of the Board

Anthony Bebawi

Director

December 2011

Registered Office 27 Wrights Lane London W8 5SW

# STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE DIRECTORS' REPORT AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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 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.

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 have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF EMI MP GERMANY TOPCO LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of EMI MP Germany Topco Limited for the year ended 31 March 2011 set out on pages 6 to 17. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

This report is made solely to the company's members, 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 members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 3, 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, 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 (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors

### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the APB's website at <a href="https://www.frc.org.uk/apb/scope/private.cfm">www.frc.org.uk/apb/scope/private.cfm</a>.

### 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 2011 and of its loss for the year then ended
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK 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 Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF EMI MP GERMANY TOPCO 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

H Green (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants
15 Canada Square
London E14 5GL
United Kingdom

(f) December 2011

### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

	Notes	2011 €000	2010 €000
Amounts written off investments	5	-	(71,457)
Amounts written off intercompany receivables	6	(67,456)	-
Interest receivable and similar income	2	8,829	8,137
Interest payable and other charges	3	(3,740)	(3,031)
NET INTEREST RECEIVABLE/(PAYABLE)		5,089	5,106
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(62,367)	(66,351)
Taxation	4	-	-
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		(62,367)	(66,351)

All activities are continuing operations

The notes on pages 8 to 17 form part of these financial statements

# STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2011

There are no recognised gains and losses attributable to the shareholders of the Company other than the loss of 62,367,000 (2010: 666,351,000 loss)

# **BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2011**

	Notes	<b>2011</b> €000	<b>2010</b> €000
FIXED ASSETS Investments	5	31,574	31,574
CURRENT ASSETS			
DEBTORS AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR Amount due from fellow Group undertaking	6	45,240	103,867
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			
Amount due to fellow Group undertaking	7	(101,039)	(14,759)
Bank loans	8	-	(82,540)
		(101,039)	(97,299)
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)/ASSETS	_	(55,799)	6,568
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	_	(24,225)	38,142
NET (LIABILITIES)/ASSETS	_	(24,225)	38,142
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Share Capital	9	-	-
Share Premium	10	143,682	143,682
Profit and loss reserve	10	(167,907)	(105,540)
SHAREHOLDERS' (DEFICIT)/ FUNDS	10 _	(24,225)	38,142

The notes on pages 8 to 17 form part of these financial statements

These financial statements were approved for issue by the Board of Directors on 16 December 2011 and were signed on its behalf by:

Anthony Bebawi

Director

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **Basis of Preparation**

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and are stated in Euros being the primary currency in which the Company operates

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The Company is exempt by virtue of section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirement to prepare group financial statements. These financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

#### Going Concern

EMI MP Germany Topco Limited has made a loss for the year of €62.4 million (2010. €66.4 million) and has net current liabilities of €55.8 million (2010 net current assets of €6.6 million) at the reporting date. The Company operates as part of the EMI Group Worldwide Holdings Limited group ("the Group") and has provided a guarantee to the Group's lender, as such the Company is affected by the terms of the Group's banking facilities. The continued availability of existing bank facilities requires the Group to comply with the covenants set out in those bank facilities.

On 1 February 2011, the Group was acquired by Citibank and the Group's debt was significantly reduced. This has resulted in the Group's lender and its sole shareholder both being part of the US finance institution Citigroup. Immediately following the acquisition, Citigroup completed a recapitalisation of the EMI Group Worldwide Holdings Limited, resulting in the significant reduction of debt from £3.2 billion of bank debt and £1.7 billion of inter-company debt, to £1.2 billion of total debt for the Group. The strengthened balance sheet combined with continued strong operating performance means that the Group is able to meet its ongoing working capital needs and its current debt service obligations under the finance facility agreements to which the Company and a number of its subsidiaries are party to.

The Company has prepared its own forecasts for a period of more than twelve months which show its dependency for its working capital on funds provided to it by EMI Group Worldwide Holdings Limited ("EMI") Based on these forecasts EMI has indicated that for the foreseeable future intends to provide such support to the Company, as it needs (and in particular will not seek repayment of amounts already made available). On 11 November 2011 Citibank entered into a share purchase agreement with Universal/a Sony-led consortium in order to dispose of the Group's Recorded Music/Music Publishing business to which the Company pertains (note 16). The agreement will not take effect until clearance is received from Competition authorities, which is expected to take between 6-12 months, and other conditions are met. On completion of the sale the Group's debt will be replaced by the buyer's own facilities Irrespective of any consequential changes to the guarantee provided over the Group's debt, as the Company is not a direct debtor to Citigroup the Directors believe that this change of control will not impact its funding structure.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

### Going Concern (continued)

The Company's forecasts were shared with the incoming controlling shareholder during the process of finalising the sale agreements and the Directors have no reason to doubt that it understands the level of financial support required and intends to manage the business as a going concern. The directors consider that this should enable the Company to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future by meeting its liabilities as they fall due

## **Foreign Currencies**

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded using the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated using the contracted rate or the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date and the gains or losses on translation are included in the profit and loss account

#### **Cash Flow Statement**

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 1 (revised) not to prepare a cash flow statement as a parent undertaking prepares a consolidated cash flow statement, which includes the Company, in accordance with FRS 1 (revised)

#### **Related Parties**

As the Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of EMI Group Worldwide Holdings Limited, the Company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in FRS 8 and has therefore not disclosed transactions or balances with entities which form part of the Group (or investees of the Group qualifying as related parties) The consolidated financial statements of EMI Group Worldwide Holdings Limited, within which this Company is included, can be obtained from the address given in note 12.

#### Investments

Investments in subsidiary and associated undertakings are stated at cost less provision to reflect any impairment.

### Impairment of fixed assets

The carrying amounts of the Group's assets are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the fixed asset may not be recoverable. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Impairment of fixed assets (continued)

An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an assets or its incomegenerating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the profit and loss account unless it arises on a previously revalued fixed asset. An impairment loss on a revalued fixed asset is recognised in the profit and loss account if it is caused by a clear consumption of economic benefits. Otherwise impairments are recognised in the statement of total recognised gains and losses until the carrying amount reaches the asset's depreciated historic cost

#### Calculation of recoverable amount

The recoverable amount of fixed assets is the greater of their net realisable value and value in use. In assessing value in use, the expected future cash flows are discounted back to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the rate of return expected on an equally risky investment. For an asset that does not generate largely independent income streams, the recoverable amount is determined for the income-generating unit to which the asset belongs

### Impairment of fixed assets (continued)

## Reversals of impairment

An impairment loss is reversed on intangible assets and goodwill only if subsequent external events reverse the effect of the original event which caused the recognition of the impairment or the loss arose on an intangible asset with a readily ascertainable market value and that market value has increased above the impaired carrying amount. For other fixed assets where the recoverable amount increases as a result of change in economic conditions or in the expected use of the asset then the resultant reversal of the impairment loss should be recognised in the current period.

An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

#### **Taxation**

The charge for taxation is based on the profit or loss for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes.

Deferred tax is recognised, without discounting, in respect of all timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes which have arisen but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except as otherwise required by FRS 19.

# 2. INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR INCOME

	2011	2010	
	€000	€000	
Interest receivable from Group undertakings	8,829	8,137	

# 3. INTEREST PAYABLE AND OTHER CHARGES

	2011	2010
	€000	€000
Interest payable on Securitisation Bridge Facility	(2,523)	(3,031)
Interest payable to Group undertakings	(1,217)	-
	(3,740)	(3,031)

#### 4. TAX

Deferred tax	2011	2010	
	€000	€000	
Originating and reversal of timing differences	-	-	
Changes in recoverable amounts of deferred tax assets	-	-	
	-	-	
Tax on loss on ordinary activities			

## Factors affecting current tax charge

The current tax charge for the year is higher (2010 higher) than the standard rate of corporations tax in the UK. The differences are explained below

Loss on ordinary activities before tax	(62,367)	(66,351)
Loss on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 28% (2010 – 28%)	(17,463)	(18,578)
Effect of Group relief received for nil payment - Current year	(1,425)	(1,430)
Permanent difference	18,888	20,008
Total current tax charge		-

### Factors affecting future tax charge

As part of the Group, the Company may receive or surrender losses by way of Group relief. This receipt or surrender is made without charge.

On 5 July 2011, legislation to further reduce the main rate of corporation tax from 26 per cent to 25 per cent from 1 April 2012 was substantially enacted, which has not been reflected in the above calculation

Further reductions to the main rate are proposed to reduce the rate by 1 per cent per annum to 23 per cent by 1 April 2014 None of these expected rate reductions had been substantively enacted at the balance sheet date and, therefore, are not included in these financial statements.

#### Deferred tax

At the balance sheet date the Company had unused tax losses of €nil (2010. €nil) available for offset against future profits

#### 5. INVESTMENTS

### a) SHARES IN GROUP UNDERTAKINGS

	<u>Cost</u> €000	Provisions €000	Net Book <u>Value</u> €000
At the start of the year Impairment	103,031	(71,457) -	31,574
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At 31 March 2011	103,031	(71,457)	31,574
		1,8 5,811	

The Company holds 100% of the share capital of EMI Music Publishing Germany Holdco Limited at a carrying value of €31,574,000.

In accordance with FRS 11 'Impairment of Fixed Assets and Goodwill' the carrying values of the assets have been compared to their recoverable amounts, represented by their value in use to the Group The value in use has been derived from discounted cash flow projections using a nominal discount rate between 9.4% and 10.6% for the recorded music segment on a post-tax basis. For the Company's investments in the music publishing segment nominal discount rates between 8.6% and 9.1% were used on a post-tax basis. For the recorded music segment an annual growth rate of 0% has been assumed over five years plus a terminal value to determine the net present value of the cash flows into perpetuity at the end of the five year period based on a growth rate of 0%, reflecting the Company's view of the outlook for the business. For the music publishing segment annual growth rates between 2.5% and 3% have been assumed over a 5 year period, whilst a terminal growth rate of 2.8% was applied

In the opinion of the Directors the value of the investment is at least equal to its carrying value

#### b) PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS

The following were the principal subsidiary undertakings of EMI Music Publishing Germany Topco Limited at 31 March 2011.

Subsidiary undertakings	Country of Incorporation	Class of shares	Proportion Held	Nature of business
EMI Music Publishing Germany				
Holdco Limited*	Germany	Ordinary	100%	Holding Company
EMI Group Germany GmbH	Germany	Ordinary	100%	Music Publishing

<sup>\*</sup> Held directly

(82.540)

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

6.	DEBTORS	2011 €000	2010 €000	
	Amounts falling due within one year			
	Amounts due from fellow Group undertakings Interest receivable from fellow Group undertakings	103,867 8,829	95,730 8,137	
	Provision against amounts due from fellow Group undertakings	(67,456)		
		45,240	103,867	
7.	CREDITORS	2011 €000	2010 €000	
	Amounts falling due after more than one year:			
	Amounts due to fellow Group undertakings Interest payable to fellow Group undertakings	99,822 1,217	14,759 -	
		101,039	14,759	
8.	BANK LOANS			
			2011 €000	2010 €000

On 1st April 2008 the Company (as transferee) entered into a deed of accession and novation between Maltby Acquisitions Limited (as Transferor) and Citibank in which the Company agreed to be an additional borrower and guarantor of a £1,175,000,000 Senior Facilities Agreement and £1,410,000,000 Securitisation Bridge Facilities Agreement Under that deed of accession and

Securitisation Bridge Facility. Amounts falling due within one year

At 31 March 2010 borrowings were classified as current because at that date the group did not have an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months.

novation €88,230,000 was novated from Maltby Acquisitions Limited to the Company.

On 1 February 2011 all outstanding amounts under these facilities were novated to EMI Group Worldwide Holdings Limited (formerly Maltby Acquisitions Limited) At the date of novation there was €82,540,000 outstanding under these facilities

#### 9. SHARE CAPITAL

	2011	2010
	€	$\epsilon$
Authorised 100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
Allotted, called up and fully paid 1 ordinary share of £1	1	1

On 3 October 2007 the Company issued one (£1 ordinary) share for consideration of £1, settled in cash. The share was issued at a premium of €143,682,000

Share capital has been converted into Euros based on the historic rate on the date the shares were issued as of 3 October 2007

#### 10. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	Share	Share	Profit and loss	77.4.1
	Capital €000	Premium €000	reserve €000	Total €000
At the beginning of the year		143,682	(105,540)	38,142
Profit for the year	-	-	(62,367)	(62,367)
At the end of the year	_	143,682	(167,907)	(24,225)

#### 11. DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS AND STAFF COSTS

No Directors received any remuneration during neither the previous or current year in respect of their services to the Company. The Company had no employees during either the previous or current year

# 12. PARENT UNDERTAKING

The immediate parent of the Company is EMI Music Publishing Limited. The ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Citigroup Inc., a company registered in Delaware, United States of America.

The parent undertaking of the largest Group to consolidate these financial statements is EMI Group Worldwide Holdings Limited (formerly Maltby Capital Limited) Copies of the consolidated financial statements of EMI Group Worldwide Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 March 2011 can be obtained from the Company's registered address, 27 Wrights Lane, London W8 5SW

Prior to the sale of the group to Citigroup Inc., the Company's previous ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party was TFCP Holdings Limited, a company registered in Guernsey

#### 13. AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION

The auditor's remuneration is borne by an intermediate parent undertaking EMI Group Ltd and is as follows

	2011	2010
	€000	€000
Audit of the financial statements	4	25

Amounts receivable by the Company's auditors and their associates in respect of services to the Company and its associates, other than the audit of the Company's financial statements, have not been disclosed as the information is required, instead, to be disclosed on a consolidated basis in the consolidated financial statements of EMI Group Worldwide Holdings Limited, the Company's intermediate parent.

#### 14. TERMS OF INTERCOMPANY BALANCES

Amounts to and from fellow Group undertakings and the parent undertaking are repayable on demand. Interest bearing loans attract interest at a fixed rate ranging between 8 5% and 9%.

#### 15. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

EMI MP Germany Topco Limited acceded, on 1 April 2008, to a debenture dated 30 August 2007 (as amended, supplemented, novated, extended, restated or varied from time to time) and made between, amongst others, EMI Group Worldwide Holdings Limited (formerly known as Maltby Acquisitions Limited) and Citibank, N A, London Branch as Security Agent, pursuant to which the Company charged, by way of mortgage or fixed charge or assign by way of security (as appropriate) all of their right, title and interest in certain assets, charge all or substantially all of their present and future assets and undertaking by way of first floating charge in favour of the Security Agent to secure the repayment of the Secured Liabilities (as defined therein) and covenant that they will, on demand, pay and discharge the Secured Liabilities

### 16. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On November 11th 2011, Citigroup Inc signed definitive agreements to sell EMI Recorded Music to Universal Music Group and EMI Music Publishing to an investor Group (the 'Investor Group') that comprised of Sony Corporation of America, the Estate of Michael Jackson, Mubadala Development Company PJSC, Jynwel Capital Limited, the Blackstone Group's GSO Capital Partners LP and David Geffen.

The transactions are subject to certain closing conditions, including the approval by relevant regulatory authorities and the separation of the two businesses. Additionally the sale of EMI Recorded Music is conditional on Citigroup taking over the responsibility for EMI's UK defined benefits pension scheme

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 16. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS (continued)

The sale agreements specify that the transactions must be completed in 22 months for Recorded Music and 12 months for Music Publishing Failure to complete the sale on these specified timings will result in one or both businesses being retained by Citigroup.

On completion of the sale, the buyers will repay the outstanding debt from Citigroup for the business they are buying. After the completion of the sales, Universal Music Group will finance Recorded Music using its existing facilities. The Investor Group will raise new financing to fund Music Publishing.

Other than as noted above, there has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the Company, to affect significantly the Company in future financial years.