Windmill Midco Limited

Report and Financial Statements

31 July 2014

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Directors

R George
Ian Dew (appointed – 24 January 2014)
G W Chittick (resigned – 23 June 2014)
R R R Davis (resigned – 23 June 2014)
I Jamieson (resigned – 24 January 2014)
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Strategic Report

The directors of Windmill Midco Limited ('the Company') present their strategic report for the year ended 31 July 2014.

Principal activities and review of the business

Windmill Midco Limited is an intermediate parent undertaking that directly and indirectly holds investments in a number of subsidiaries. The Company's trading subsidiaries are engaged in the following:

- the design, manufacture and distribution of unitary and systems ventilation products and equipment. These include a number of respected brands in the ventilation industry; and
- the design, manufacture and distribution of a range of motors and components for use in air movement applications and gas boilers.

Key performance indicators

The Company's key financial performance indicator is net assets, which has increased to £153,394,000 (2013 – £673,000) as a result of a group debt restructure during the year.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The directors consider the principal risks and uncertainties facing the Company to be broadly grouped as the potential for impairment of assets and financial instrument related risk.

Asset impairment risk

To identify any risk of impairment in a timely manner, the company reviews the financial performance of its investments on a regular basis and only lends to companies in the group within which it is a member. To date, all investments have had a strong year and are not exhibiting indicators of impairment. This is expected to continue for the foreseeable future.

Liquidity risk

Risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in raising funds to meet commitments associated with financial instruments. To the best of the directors' knowledge there are no foreseeable constraints in discharging the company's obligations. Cash flow is regularly monitored using weekly and monthly reporting in addition to quarterly reforecast updates against the annual budget.

The company also reviews its long term funding requirements in parallel with its long term strategy, with an objective of aligning both in a timely manner.

On behalf of the Board

Ian Dew Director

Date 18 - Dec - 2014

Directors' report

The directors of Windmill Midco Limited ('the Company') present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2014.

Results and dividends

The Company generated a loss for the year of £1,817,000 (year ended 31 July 2013 - £286,000). The directors do not recommend a dividend (2013: £nil).

Going Concern

The directors confirm that after making appropriate enquiries, they have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

The ultimate parent undertaking in the UK (as set out in note 16) has agreed to provide financial support to the Company to meet its liabilities as and when they fall due. For these reasons, the directors continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. The directors' responsibilities are set out on page 4 and should be read in conjunction with this statement.

Directors

The directors who served the company during the year and subsequent to the year-end are set out on page 1.

Directors' liabilities

The enlarged Group of which the Company is a member has granted an indemnity to certain directors against liability in respect of proceedings brought by third parties, subject to the conditions set out in section 234 of the Companies Act 2006. Such qualifying third party indemnity provision remains in force at the date of approving the directors report.

Financial instruments

The company's financial instruments include investments, share capital and share premium, cash, and various items arising directly from operations (such as debtors, creditors etc.).

The main risks arising from these financial instruments are impairment risk and liquidity risk which are discussed in detail in the strategic report. Furthermore these are also managed at a group level, and additional details can be obtained from the Volution Group plc financial statements.

Disclosure of information to the auditor

So far as each person who was a director at the date of approving this report is aware, there is no relevant audit information, being information needed by the auditor in connection with preparing its report, of which the auditor is unaware. Having made enquiries of fellow directors and the company's auditor, each director has taken all the steps that he is obliged to take as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

Re-appointment of auditor

In accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006, a resolution is to be proposed at the AGM for reappointment of Ernst & Young LLP as auditor of the Company

On behalf of the Board

Ian Dew

Director

18 - Dec - 2014 Date

Directors' responsibilities statement

The directors are responsible for preparing the strategic report, 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 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 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 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 Windmill Midco Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Windmill Midco Limited for the year ended 31 July 2014 which comprise the profit and loss account, statement of total recognised gains and losses, balance sheet and the related notes 1 to 16. 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 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 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 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 the directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the report and financial statements to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially inconsistent 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 the financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs at 31 July 2014 and of its loss 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 strategic report and the directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Independent auditors' report

to the members of Windmill Midco 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.

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Zishan Nurmohamed (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Ernst & Young LLP (Statutory Auditor)

London

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Profit and loss account

for the year ended 31 July 2014

		2014	2013
	Notes	£000	£000
Interest receivable	5	7,491	8,467
Interest payable	6 _	(6,799)	(8,707)
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation		692	(240)
Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities	7	(2,509)	(46)
Loss for the financial year	13	(1,817)	(286)

The results for the current and prior years arise solely from continuing operations.

Statement of total recognised gains and losses

for the year ended 31 July 2014

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the loss for the year of £1,817,000 (2013 -£286,000).

Balance sheet

at 31 July 2014

		2014	2013
	Notes	£000	£000
Fixed assets			
Investments	8	64,721	1,946
Current assets			
Debtors:			
amounts falling due after one year	9	92,373	113,996
amounts falling due within one year	9	-	74
Cash at bank and in hand	_	<u> </u>	2,800
		92,373	116,870
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(2,503)	(921)
Net current assets		89,870	115,949
Total assets less current liabilities		154,591	117,895
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	11	(1,197)	(117,222)
Net assets		153,394	673
Capital and reserves	10	1.046	1.046
Called up share capital	12	1,946	1,946
Share premium	13	154,538	<u>-</u>
Profit and loss account	13	(3,090)	(1,273)
Shareholders' funds	13	153,394	673

The financial statements were authorised for and approved on behalf of the board of directors by:

Ian Dew Director

Date 18 - Dec - 2014

Notes to the financial statements

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1. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Group financial statements

As set out in note 16, the results of the Company are consolidated into the results of a parent undertaking, which are publicly available. The Company is therefore exempt from the requirement to prepare consolidated financial statements by virtue of section 400 of the companies Act 2006. These financial statements therefore present information about the Company as an individual undertaking.

Going concern

The directors confirm that after making appropriate enquiries, they have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

The ultimate parent undertaking in the UK (as set out in note 16) has agreed to provide financial support to the Company to meet its liabilities as and when they fall due. For these reasons, the directors continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Cash flow statement

In accordance with FRS 1 (Revised), the Company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that the Company is a wholly owned subsidiary and the results of the Company are consolidated into the results of its parent (as set out in note 16), which are publicly available.

Investments

Investments are stated at cost less provision for any impairment in value. The carrying values of investments are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

Deferred taxation

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 have occurred at that date that will result in an obligation to pay more, a right to pay less or to receive more tax, with the following exceptions:

- Provision is made for deferred tax that would arise on remittance of retained earnings of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures only to the extent that, at the balance sheet date, dividends have been accrued as receivable; and
- Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that the directors consider that it is more likely
 than not that taxable profits will be available from which the future reversal of the underlying timing
 differences can be deducted.

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

2. Revenue recognition

Interest income is recognised as interest accrues using the effective interest rate method.

3. Auditors' remuneration

Auditors' remuneration was borne by a fellow group company.

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4. Directors' remuneration

No remuneration was paid or is payable to the directors in their capacity as directors of the Company (2013 - £nil). The directors receive remuneration from a fellow group undertaking, Windmill Bidco Limited in respect of services to the group of which the Company is a member. Total remuneration paid by the enlarged group to directors of the Company (including pension scheme contributions) was £1,691,000 (2013 - £709,000). It is not possible to identify the proportion of this remuneration that relates to services to this Company.

5.	Interest receivable		
		2014	2013
		£000	£000
	On loans to group undertakings	7,491	8,467
6.	Interest payable		
	• •	2014	2013
		£000	£000
	On loan notes	6,799	8,707

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(a) Tax on profit/loss on ordinary activities

The tax	charge	is	made	un	ac	follows:
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The tax charge is made up as follows:		
	2014	2013
	£000	£000
Current tax:	1 200	50
UK corporation tax on profit/loss for the year	1,209	52
Adjustments in respect of prior years	1,294 2,503	52
Total current tax (note 7(b))	2,303	32
Deferred tax:		
Origination and reversal of timing differences (note 7(c))	1	(6)
Adjustments in respect of prior years	5	-
Total deferred tax	6	(6)
Tax on profit/loss on ordinary activities	2,509	46
(b) Factors affecting tax charge for the year		
The tax assessed for the year differs from the standard rate of corporation (2013 – 23.67%). The differences are explained below:	tax in the UK of	of 22.33%
	2014	2013
	£000	£000
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before tax	692	(240)
Profit/loss on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of		
corporation tax in the UK of 22.33% (2013 – 23.67%)	155	(57)
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	1,055	1,394
Short term timing difference	(1)	-
Group relief claimed for no payment	-	(1,285)
Prior year current tax adjustment	1,294	
Current tax for the year (note 7(a))	2,503	52
(c) Deferred tax		
	2014	2013
	£000	£000
At 1 August	6	-
(Charge)/credit in the year (note 7(a))	(6)	6
At 31 July 2014		6

The deferred tax asset consisted of other timing differences.

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8. Investments

	Subsidiary undertakings £000
At 1 August 2013	1,946
Additions	62,775
At 31 July 2014	64,721

The investment represents a 100% shareholding in Windmill Cleanco Limited, which is incorporated in England and Wales and has interests in the following companies:

Company i.	Country of ncorporation	Proportion of shares held	Nature of business
Indirect:			
Windmill Bidco Limited	England	100%	Holding company
Volution Holdings Limited	England	100%	Holding company
Manrose Manufacturing Limited	England	100%	Air movement products
Volution Ventilation Group Limited			
(formerly Volution Limited)	England	100%	Holding Company
Torin Sifan Limited	England	100%	Air movement products
Anda Products Limited	England	100%	Unremunerated agent
Axia Fans Limited	England	100%	Dormant
Roof Units Limited	England	100%	Unremunerated agent
Torin Limited	England	100%	Unremunerated agent
Vent-Axia Limited	England	100%	Unremunerated agent
Vent-Axia Clean Air Systems Limited	England	100%	Unremunerated agent
Vent-Axia Group Limited	England	100%	Air movement products
Volution Holdings Sweden AB	Sweden	100%	Holding company
Fresh AB	Sweden	100%	Air movement products
Volution Norge AS			
(formerly Fresh Norge AS)	Norway	100%	Air movement products
Fresh Shanghai Limited	China	100%	Air movement products
PAX AB	Sweden	100%	Air movement products
PAX Norge AS	Norway	100%	Air movement products
Volution Management Holding GmbH	Germany	100%	Holding company
inVENTer GmbH	Germany	100%	Air movement products
Volution Deutschland Real Estate Gmbl	H Germany	100%	Property investment

Principal shareholdings are of ordinary shares giving rise to complete voting rights in each subsidiary.

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9. Debtors

	2014 £000	2013 £000
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Amounts owed by parent undertaking	-	68
Deferred tax asset (note 7(c))	-	6
	-	74
Amounts falling due after one year: Amounts owed by group undertakings	92,373	113,996

Amounts owed by group undertakings (due after one year) represent amounts of £92,281,000 (2013 – £113,996) due from Windmill Cleanco Limited, which is due for repayment in February 2021 and carries interest at 8% per annum compounded annually at 31 December and £92,000 due from Windmill Topco Limited, which has no fixed date for repayment. Interest is payable at 7% per annum, compounded half-yearly on 31 January and 31 July.

10. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2014	2013
	£000	£000
Amounts owed to group undertakings	2,503	921
	2,503	921
11. Creditors: amounts falling due after one year		
	2014	2013
	£000	£000
Loan notes	188	117,222
Amounts owed to group undertakings	1,009	
	1,197	117,222

Loan notes of £188,000 (2013 - £117,222,000) represent amounts due to Windmill Topco Limited (an intermediate parent undertaking). The loan note is unsecured, repayable in 2021 and carries interest at 8% per annum compounded annually on 31 December.

During the year Windmill Midco's obligations under the loan notes issued by it to certain of the shareholders and directors of Windmill Topco Limited were novated to Windmill Topco Limited (immediate parent company of Windmill Midco Limited) in consideration for an issue of shares by Windmill Midco Limited to Windmill Topco Limited (see note 12).

Amounts owed to group undertakings (due after one year) represent amounts of £985,000 (2013 - £nil) due to Volution Holdings Limited and £24,000 (2013- £nil) due to Volution Group plc, which have no fixed date for repayment. Interest is payable at 7% per annum, compounded half-yearly on 31 January and 31 July.

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12. Issued share capital

Allotted, called up and fully paid	No.	2014 £000	No.	2013 £000
Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,945,509	1,946	1,945,507 _	1,946

During the year, an ordinary share was issued for £62,775,000. The entire share capital was fully paid in cash.

In addition, a further ordinary share was issued for £91,763,000 as consideration for the novation of shareholder and director loan notes to Windmill Topco Limited.

13. Reconciliation of shareholders' funds and movements on reserves

	Share capital	Share premium	Profit and loss account	Total share-holders' funds
	£000	£000	£000	£000
At 1 August 2012	1,946	-	(987)	959
Loss for the year		-	(286)	(286)
At 1 August 2013	1,946	-	(1,273)	673
Issue of share capital in the year (note 12)	-	154,538	-	154,538
Loss for the year	-	-	(1,817)	(1,817)
At 31 July 2014	1,946	154,538	(3,090)	153,394

14. Contingent liabilities

The Company acts as a co-guarantor for bank loans of £53,903,000 held by Windmill Bidco Limited (an intermediate parent undertaking) with GE Corporate Finance Bank SAS, London Branch on a joint and several basis with other Group undertakings. The Company also acts as a charger for this secured bank funding and, as such, is subject to a fixed and floating charge over its assets.

15. Related party transactions

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption available under FRS 8 not to disclose transactions with other wholly owned members of the Volution Group plc group ('the Group'), as 100% of the Company's voting rights are controlled within the Group and Group financial statements in which the Company is included are publicly available.

16. Ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party

The Company's immediate parent undertaking is Windmill Topco Limited. The parent undertaking of the largest and smallest group for which consolidated financial statements were drawn up and include the results of the Company for the year ended 31 July 2014 is Volution Group plc, a public company incorporated in England. Copies of the group financial statements of Windmill Topco Limited and Volution Group plc are available from Fleming Way, Crawley, West Sussex RH10 9YX.

The majority shareholder in Volution Group plc at 31 July 2014 is Windmill Holdings BV. Windmill Holdings BV is incorporated in the Netherlands and is indirectly owned by TowerBrook Investors III, L.P., TowerBrook Investors III Executive Fund, L.P. and TowerBrook Investors III (Parallel) L.P. ('the Funds'). During the financial year up to 23 June 2014, Windmill Holdings BV was regarded by the directors as the direct controlling party of the Company and the Funds were regarded as the ultimate controlling parties of the Company. From 23 June 2014, the directors consider the ultimate parent and controlling party of the Company to be Volution Group plc.