

# Boreas (Investment) Limited

## Annual report and financial statements

Registered number 08692723

For the period ended 31 December 2014

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## **Company Information**

### **Directors and advisors:**

#### **Directors**

Rana Ghorayeb  
Andreas Beroutsos  
Macky Tall

#### **Company Secretary**

Lve Giard (appointed 16 September 2013)

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#### **Solicitors**

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#### **Independent Auditors**

Ernst & Young LLP  
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SE1 2AF

## Strategic Report

### Principal activities and business review

On the 31 March 2014 the Company acquired a 25% interest in a large UK offshore wind farm called London Array Limited the primary purpose of which is to harness power from the wind and provide a reliable electricity supply to south east England. The wind farm has 175 turbines that are capable of generating enough energy to power nearly half a million UK homes and reduce harmful CO2 emissions by more than 900 000 tonnes a year. The Company's goal is to continue providing reliable energy in the foreseeable future whilst keeping its environmental footprint to an absolute minimum.

The net current liabilities and net liabilities stand at £124,394k and £21,508k respectively at 31 December 2014. The Company made a loss for the period amounting to £22,508k. The directors are confident that the Company is well positioned to achieve sales growth and profitability going forward.

### Industry analysis and principal risks and uncertainties

The structure of the UK wind energy generation market is currently aligned with the UK power generation market as a whole, with almost two thirds of operational wind farms owned by the major UK licensed suppliers i.e. Centrica, E.ON, FDI Energy, RWE, npower, Scottish and Southern Electricity, Scottish Power (part of Iberdrola). These purchasers of electricity are the wholesale energy suppliers which means that any credit risk is from these suppliers, not the government. There is also the risk that the output of the wind farm will fluctuate in line with wind volatility in the UK.

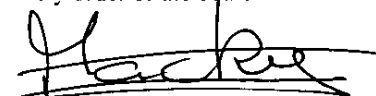
### Key performance indicators

The management team responsible for the operations of the business use a number of financial and non-financial KPIs in order to manage and develop the business to achieve the Company's strategic objectives. The Company's key financial performance indicators (KPIs) are operating profit margin and cash generation which were 18% and £5,246k respectively.

### Future developments

The company will continue with its current activities.

By order of the board



**Macky Tall**  
*Director*

Date: May 29, 2015

## Directors' Report

The directors present their Directors' Report and the audited financial statements of the Company for the period from incorporation on 16 September 2013 until 31 December 2014 (referred to as "2014" or "period" throughout the financial statements)

### Directors

The directors who held office during the period were as follows

Name	Appointed	Resigned
Rana Ghorayeb	14 October 2014	
Andreas Beroutsos	15 July 2014	
Macky Tall	16 September 2013	
Luc Houle	16 September 2013	14 October 2014
Cyrille Vittecoq	16 September 2013	6 August 2014
Normand Provost	16 September 2013	15 July 2014
Pierre Lortier	16 September 2013	14 October 2014

### Going concern

The directors of the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec group have prepared financial projections for a period of more than twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements. After considering these financial projections, the directors have concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the group and the Company has adequate resources to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future and as a result have prepared these financial statements on a going concern basis.

The immediate parent of the Company, Boreas Holdco Limited have confirmed that for at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements it will not seek repayment of the amounts currently loaned to the company, if repayment of these amounts would result in the company being unable to meet its obligations.

### Results and dividends

The loss after taxation amounted to (£22 508 000) for the period ended 31 December 2014. The directors do not propose a dividend in respect of the financial year.

### Political contributions

The Company made no political donations or incurred any political expenditures during the period.

### Directors' indemnities

The Company maintains liability insurance for its directors and officers. This is a qualifying third party indemnity provision for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006. The insurance cover was in force during the year and is still in force at the date of the approving the Directors' report.

### Disclosure of information to auditors

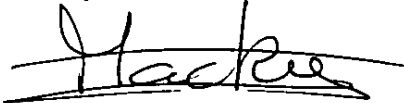
The directors who held office at the date of approval of this Directors' Report confirm that so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he or she ought to have taken as a director to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

## Directors' Report *(continued)*

### Auditors

Ernst & Young LLP were appointed as auditors during the period. Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006 the auditors will be deemed to be reappointed and Ernst & Young LLP will therefore continue in office.

By order of the board

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Macky Tall', written over a horizontal line.

**Macky Tall**  
*Director*

4th Floor  
40 Dukes Place  
London  
EC3A 7NH

Date May 29, 2015

## **Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in respect of the Strategic Report, the Directors' Report and the financial statements**

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report 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 judgements 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 AUDITORS' REPORT**

### **TO THE MEMBERS OF BOREAS (INVESTMENT) LIMITED**

We have audited the financial statements of Boreas (Investment) Limited for the period ended 31 December 2014 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow and the related notes 1 to 18. 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 5, 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 annual report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

#### **Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements

- ▶ give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2014 and of its loss for the period 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.

#### **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

*Ernst & Young LLP*

Natalia Moolman (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Ernst & Young LLP, Statutory Auditor

*29 May 2015*

London

**Profit and Loss Account**  
*for the period from 16 September 2013 to 31 December 2014*

	<i>Note</i>	<b>16 September 2013 to 31 December 2014 £000</b>
Turnover	2	47,806
Cost of sales		(14,409)
<b>Gross profit</b>		<b>33,397</b>
Administrative expenses		(24,789)
<b>Operating profit</b>	3	<b>8,608</b>
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(34,622)
<b>Loss on ordinary activities before taxation</b>		<b>(26,014)</b>
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	7	3,506
<b>Loss for the financial period</b>	15	<b>(22,508)</b>

There is no material difference between the loss on ordinary activities before taxation and the loss for the financial period stated above and the historical cost equivalents

The results of the Company are generated entirely from continuing operations

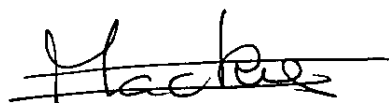
The Company has no recognised gains and losses for the period other than those included in the profit and loss account above

The notes on pages 11 to 21 form a part of these financial statements

**Balance Sheet**  
*as at 31 December 2014*

	<i>Note</i>	<b>31 December 2014</b>	
		<b>£000</b>	<b>£000</b>
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Intangible assets	8	<b>616,904</b>	
			<b>616,904</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	10	<b>35,503</b>	
Cash at bank and in hand	11	<b>5,246</b>	
		<b>40,749</b>	
<b>Creditors</b> Amounts falling due within one year	12	<b>(165,143)</b>	
<b>Net current liabilities</b>			<b>(124,394)</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<b>492,510</b>
<b>Creditors</b> Amounts falling due after one year	13	<b>(514,018)</b>	
<b>Net liabilities</b>			<b>(21,508)</b>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Called up share capital	14		<b>1,000</b>
Profit and loss account	15		<b>(22,508)</b>
<b>Shareholders' deficit</b>	16		<b>(21,508)</b>

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on May 28, 2015 and were signed on its behalf by



**Macky Tall**  
*Director*

Company registered number 08692723

## Cash Flow Statement

as at 31 December 2014

	Note	31 December 2014 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Loss for the financial period	15	(22,508)
Adjustments for		
Depreciation	8	23,957
Deferred tax		(3,506)
(Increase)/decrease in trade and other debtors		(31,997)
(Decrease)/increase in trade and other creditors		3,385
Interest payable and similar charges	6	34,622
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>		<b>3,953</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Acquisition of land and buildings		(4,531)
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment		(636,330)
<b>Net cash from investing activities</b>	8	<b>(640,861)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>		
New share capital subscribed	14	1,000
Loans from group undertakings		664,804
Repayment of loans		(23,650)
<b>Net cash from financing activities</b>		<b>642,154</b>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		5,246
Cash and cash equivalents 16 September 2013		-
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 2014</b>	11	<b>5,246</b>

## Notes

*(forming part of the financial statements)*

### 1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements except as noted below

#### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost accounting rules

The Company is a wholly owned member of the group headed by the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec. Advantage has been taken of the exemption contained in FRS 8 not to disclose transactions or balances with other wholly owned members of the group

During the period the Company acquired a 25% interest in a joint operation and is therefore party to a joint arrangement which is not an entity. The Company's share of the income and expenditure, assets, liabilities and cash flows have been included in these financial statements

#### Going concern

The directors of the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec group have prepared financial projections for a period of more than twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements. After considering these financial projections, the directors have concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the group and the Company has adequate resources to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future and as a result have prepared these financial statements on a going concern basis

The immediate parent of the Company Boreas Holdco Limited have confirmed that for at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements it will not seek repayment of the amounts currently loaned to the company, if repayment of these amounts would result in the company being unable to meet its obligations

#### Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Cost includes the original purchase price of the asset and the costs attributable to bringing the asset to its present place and working condition for its intended use

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of tangible fixed assets by equal instalments over their estimated useful economic lives as follows

Plant and machinery	-	20 years
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No depreciation is provided on land and buildings or on fixed asset investments

## **Notes** *(continued)*

### **1 Accounting policies** *(continued)*

#### **Fixed asset investments**

Fixed asset investments are stated at the lower of cost and the underlying net asset value of the investments

#### **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

#### **Leases**

Operating lease rentals are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease

#### **Taxation**

The charge for taxation is based on the loss for the period 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

#### **Interest bearing borrowings**

Immediately after issue debt is stated at the fair value of the consideration received on the issue of the capital instrument after deduction of issue costs. The finance cost of the debt is allocated to periods over the term of the debt at a constant rate on the carrying amount

#### **Financial instruments**

Financial instruments are classified and accounted for, according to the substance of the contractual arrangement, as financial assets, financial liabilities or equity instruments. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the company after deducting all of its liabilities. Where share are issued, any component that creates a financial liability of the company is presented as a liability in the balance sheet. The corresponding dividends relating to the liability component are charged as interest expense in the profit and loss account

#### **Interest rate swaps**

The Company is using interest rate swaps to manage its interest rate exposure. The company has not adopted FRS 26 and therefore does not fair value the swaps at the year end

## Notes (continued)

### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Turnover

Turnover represents amounts invoiced to third parties net of Value Added Tax and trade discounts and is generated from the principal activity of the Company

Fees are recognised in the month they relate to and are either billed on a monthly basis or an accrual is included until the fee is raised

### 2 Analysis of turnover

The analysis of turnover by geographical market for the only major business activity of the Company is set out below

	16 September 2013 to 31 December 2014 Turnover £000
<i>By geographical market</i>	
United Kingdom	47,806
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	47,806
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### 3 Operating profit

	16 September 2013 to 31 December 2014 £000
<i>Operating profit is stated after charging</i>	
Depreciation on tangible fixed assets owned	23,957
Auditors' remuneration	45
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## Notes (continued)

### 4 Remuneration of directors

The directors did not receive any emoluments in the period in respect of their services to the Company

### 5 Staff numbers and costs

The Company had no employees during the period

### 6 Interest payable and similar charges

	16 September 2013 to 31 December 2014 £000
On loans from group companies	34,622
	<u>34,622</u>

### 7 Taxation

#### (a) Analysis of charge in period

	16 September 2013 to 31 December 2014 £000	16 September 2013 to 31 December 2014 £000
<i>UK corporation tax</i>		
Current tax on income for the period	-	
Total current tax		-
<i>Deferred tax</i>		
Accelerated capital allowances	12,228	
Tax losses carried forward and other deductions	(15,734)	
Total deferred tax credit		(3,506)
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities		<u>(3,506)</u>



## Notes (continued)

### 7 Taxation (continued)

(b) Factors affecting the tax charge for the current period

The current tax charge for the period is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 21.00%. The differences are explained below

	16 September 2013 to 31 December 2014 £000
<i>Current tax reconciliation</i>	
Loss on ordinary activities before tax	(26,014)
Current tax charge at 21.00%	(5,463)
Effects of	
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	1,781
Capital allowances in excess of depreciation	(12,840)
Unrelieved tax losses and other deductions arising in the period	16,522
Total current tax charge (see above)	-

A reduction in the UK corporation tax rate from 21% to 20% (effective from 1 April 2015) was substantively enacted on 2 July 2013. This will reduce the company's future current tax charge accordingly.

At the balance sheet date the Company recognised a deferred tax asset of £3,506k in relation to accelerated capital allowances and unutilised tax losses and other deductions of £12,228k and £15,734k respectively. The Company's financial projections have provided sufficient certainty over the levels and timings of future taxable profits and therefore the directors have decided to recognise this deferred tax asset.

## Notes (continued)

### 8 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and machinery	Land and buildings	Total
	2014	2014	2014
	£000	£000	£000
<b>Cost</b>			
At beginning of period	-	-	-
Additions	636,330	4,531	640,861
At end of period	<u>636,330</u>	<u>4,531</u>	<u>640,861</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>			
At beginning of period	-	-	-
Charge for period	23,957	-	23,957
At end of period	<u>23,957</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,957</u>
<b>Net book value</b>			
At 31 December 2014	<u>612,373</u>	<u>4,531</u>	<u>616,904</u>
At beginning of period	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

## Notes (continued)

### 9 Fixed asset investments

	Total participating interests 2014 £
<b>Cost</b>	
At beginning of period	-
Additions	75
At end of period	75
<b>Provisions</b>	
At beginning of period	-
Made during the period	-
At end of period	-
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 December 2014	75
At 31 December 2013	-

The principal company in which the Company's interest is greater than 20% is stated below

Participating interests	Country of incorporation	Principal activity	Class and percentage of shares held
London Array Limited	England and Wales	Energy production	Ordinary shares 25%

## Notes (continued)

### 10 Debtors amounts falling due within one year

	31 December 2014 £000
Trade debtors	7,015
VAI	775
Withholding tax	627
Deferred tax	3,506
Prepayments and accrued income	23,580
	<hr/> 35,503 <hr/>

Prepayments and accrued income amounts relate to cost of sales items that have been prepaid and fees that were raised after the balance sheet date

### 11 Cash at bank and in hand

	31 December 2014 £000
Cash at bank and in hand	1,451
Restricted cash (see note below)	3,795
	<hr/> 5,246 <hr/>

Restricted cash represents cash held by the joint operation that the Company is a 25% participant in. These funds can only be used by the operator (London Array Limited) in carrying out the joint operations of the wind farm.

## Notes (continued)

### 12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	31 December 2014 £000
Trade creditors	22
Amounts owed to group undertakings Caisse de dépôt et placement du Quebec	21,282
Amounts owed to group undertakings Boreas Holdco Limited	140,795
Other creditors	716
Accruals and deferred income	2,328
	<hr/> 165,143 <hr/>

Included within *Amounts owed to group undertakings* are two loans. The Caisse de dépôt et placement du Quebec loan is an intercompany loan balance that has arisen in the ordinary course of business. The Boreas Holdco non-deductible loan is repayable on demand and accrues interest at a rate of 8.5% per annum.

### 13 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	31 December 2014 £000
Amounts owed to group undertakings CDP Capital-EuroMezz S a r l Unipersonnelle	329,151
Amounts owed to group undertakings Boreas Holdco Limited	184,547
Taxation and social security	-
Other creditors	320
	<hr/> 514,018 <hr/>

Included within *Amounts owed to group undertakings* are two long term loans. The CDP Capital-EuroMezz S a r l Unipersonnelle senior loan is repayable over the course of a 15 year period and accrues interest at a rate of 3.2% + 1 IBOR each quarter. The Boreas Holdco Limited subordinated loan is repayable over the course of a 15 year period and accrues interest on a compound basis at a rate of 8.5% per annum.

## Notes (continued)

### 14 Called up share capital

	31 December 2014 £000
<i>Allotted, called up and fully paid</i>	
1,000,001 Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000
	<u>1,000</u>

During the period the Company issued 1 000,001 Ordinary shares for a consideration of £1 000k settled in cash

### 15 Profit and loss account

	16 September 2013 to 31 December 2014 £000
At beginning of period	-
Loss for the period	(22,508)
At end of period	<u>(22,508)</u>

### 16 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' deficit

	Called up share capital £000	Profit and loss account £000	Total shareholders' deficit £000
Opening shareholders' funds	-	-	-
Loss for the financial period	-	(22,508)	(22,508)
New share capital subscribed	1,000	-	1,000
Closing shareholders' deficit	<u>1,000</u>	<u>(22,508)</u>	<u>(21,508)</u>

## **Notes** *(continued)*

### **17 Related party disclosures**

Boreas (Investment) Limited is a wholly owned member of a group headed by the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec a legal person established in the public interest within the meaning of the Civil Code, is governed by the Act respecting the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (CQ.L.R. chapter C-2)

Advantage has been taken of the exemption contained in I RS 8 not to disclose transactions or balances with other wholly owned members of the group

There were no other related party transactions requiring disclosure as at 31 December 2014

### **18 Ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party**

The ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party of the Company is the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec a legal person established in the public interest within the meaning of the Civil Code is governed by the Act respecting the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (CQ.L.R. chapter C-2)

The Company's immediate parent undertaking is Boreas Holdco Limited a company incorporated and registered in the United Kingdom