

Viridian Group Investments Limited

Unaudited Interim Consolidated Financial Statements

Third Quarter 2019



GROUP FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Underlying Business Results¹

Third Quarter 2019

- Group pro-forma Earnings Before Interest, Tax, Depreciation and Amortisation (EBITDA) for Third Quarter 2019 was £41.9m (2018 - £32.9m)
- Group pro-forma operating profit for Third Quarter 2019 was £30.5m (2018 - £24.1m)

Nine Months 2019

- Group pro-forma EBITDA for Nine Months 2019 was £101.7m (2018 - £92.7m)
- Group pro-forma operating profit for Nine Months 2019 was £71.8m (2018 - £65.8m)

IFRS Results

Third Quarter 2019

- Revenue for Third Quarter 2019 was £482.9m (2018 - £447.2m)
- Operating profit before exceptional items and certain remeasurements for Third Quarter 2019 was £36.3m (2018 - £21.0m)

Nine Months 2019

- Revenue for Nine Months 2019 was £1,294.7m (2018 - £1,102.3m)
- Operating profit before exceptional items and certain remeasurements for Nine Months 2019 was £76.0m (2018 - £77.0m)

¹ Based on regulated entitlement and before exceptional items and certain remeasurements as outlined in note 2.

MANAGEMENT REPORT

The director of Viridian Group Investments Limited (VGIL) presents the condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the 3 months ended 31 December 2018 (Third Quarter 2019) and the 9 Months ended 31 December 2018 (Nine Months 2019) including comparatives for the 3 months ended 31 December 2017 (Third Quarter 2018) and the 9 Months ended 31 December 2017 (Nine Months 2018). All references in this document to 'Group' denote Viridian Group Investments Limited and its subsidiary undertakings and to 'Company' denote Viridian Group Investments Limited, the parent company.

Principal Activities

There were no changes to the principal activities of the Group's businesses during Third Quarter 2019. These comprise:

- **Energia Group** – a vertically integrated energy business with activities covering supply, generation and renewable supported off-take contracts. Through Energia, its retail supply business, it is active in the competitive supply of electricity to business and residential customers in the Republic of Ireland (RoI), as well as business customers in Northern Ireland. Energia Retail also supplies natural gas to business and residential customers in the RoI. Energia Group also has a generation portfolio comprising of wholly-owned wind generation assets and its two conventional (Huntstown) combined-cycle gas turbine (CCGT) plants and a Bioenergy plant under construction. Energia Group's retail electricity supply business is supported by long-term off take Power Procurement Agreement (PPA) contracts with third-party renewable generators and its own wind farm assets;
- **Power NI** – supply of electricity primarily to residential customers in Northern Ireland; and
- **PPB** – procurement of power under contract with the Ballylumford power station in Northern Ireland.

Review of Presentational Currency

The Group is considering making an accounting policy change for the Company to change its presentational currency from Sterling to Euro effective for the year ending 31 March 2019. In anticipation of such a change in presentational currency being effected, The Group have presented provisional Euro financial statements for the 9 Months ended 31 December 2018 and for the year ended 31 March 2018 on the investor relations page of the Group's website. The provisional Euro financial statements do not form part of these condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the Third Quarter 2019 and Nine Months 2019.

New Accounting Standards

The Group has adopted two new accounting standards, IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers and IFRS 9 Financial Instruments which have resulted in the restatement of previous financial statements for the Third Quarter 2018, Nine Months 2018 and year ended 31 March 2018. The nature and effect of these changes are described in note 1 and detailed in note 22.

Group pro-forma EBITDA and Operating Profit

The Group's pro-forma EBITDA¹ (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) by business is shown below:

| | Third Quarter 2019 £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 £m | Nine Months 2019 £m | Restated Nine Months 2018 £m | Restated Year ended 31 March 2018 £m |
|--|--------------------------------|--|------------------------------|--|--|
| Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) | 19.0 | 15.4 | 49.2 | 47.8 | 61.4 |
| Energia renewable assets | 13.1 | 7.6 | 23.6 | 16.4 | 27.6 |
| Power NI | 9.4 | 9.2 | 27.3 | 26.2 | 35.1 |
| PPB | 0.4 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 2.0 | 5.9 |
| Other | - | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.8 |
| | 41.9 | 32.9 | 101.7 | 92.7 | 130.8 |

The Group's pro-forma Operating Profit¹ (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) by business is shown below:

| | Third Quarter 2019 £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 £m | Nine Months 2019 £m | Restated Nine Months 2018 £m | Restated Year ended 31 March 2018 £m |
|--|--------------------------------|--|------------------------------|--|--|
| Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) | 13.5 | 10.6 | 33.9 | 33.1 | 42.0 |
| Energia renewable assets | 7.8 | 3.9 | 10.3 | 5.6 | 12.9 |
| Power NI | 9.0 | 9.0 | 26.5 | 25.2 | 33.9 |
| PPB | 0.4 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 2.0 | 5.9 |
| Other | (0.2) | - | - | (0.1) | 0.2 |
| | 30.5 | 24.1 | 71.8 | 65.8 | 94.9 |

Third Quarter 2019

Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) EBITDA (pre exceptional items and certain re-measurements) increased to £19.0m (2018 - £15.4m) primarily reflecting higher unconstrained utilisation of Huntstown 1 and higher non-residential and residential margins, partly offset by higher operating costs.

Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) operating profit (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) increased to £13.5m (2018 - £10.6m) primarily due to the reasons described above for EBITDA.

Energia renewable assets EBITDA increased to £13.1m (2018 - £7.6m) and operating profit increased to £7.8m (2018 - £3.9m) reflecting the commissioning of new wind farms, higher wind factors and higher market prices.

Power NI EBITDA increased to £9.4m (2018 - £9.2m) reflecting higher contributions from small scale renewable PPAs, partly offset by lower unregulated margins and higher operating costs.

Power NI operating profit was in line with the prior period at £9.0m (2018 - £9.0m).

PPB EBITDA and operating profit decreased £0.4m (2018 - £0.6m) reflecting higher operating costs.

¹ As shown in note 2 to the accounts

Nine Months 2019

Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) EBITDA (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) increased to £49.2m (2018 - £47.8m) primarily reflecting higher contributions from renewable PPAs (primarily reflecting higher market prices including ROC prices), higher Huntstown plant unconstrained utilisations and higher availability of Huntstown 2, partly offset by lower non-residential earnings with higher energy costs (associated with higher gas prices) and higher operating costs.

Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) operating profit (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) increased to £33.9m (2018 - £33.1m) primarily due to the reasons described above for EBITDA.

Energia renewable assets EBITDA increased to £23.6m (2018 - £16.4m) and operating profit increased to £10.3m (2018 - £5.6m) reflecting the commissioning of new wind farms and higher market prices.

Power NI EBITDA increased to £27.3m (2018 - £26.2m) primarily reflecting higher contributions from renewable PPAs, partly offset by lower regulated and unregulated margins and higher operating costs.

Power NI operating profit increased to £26.5m (2018 - £25.2m) primarily reflecting the reasons described above for EBITDA.

PPB EBITDA and operating profit decreased to £1.1m (2018 - 2.0m) reflecting higher operating costs (associated with the timing of recovery of I-SEM costs).

Business Reviews

Energia Group (excluding renewable assets)

| KPIs | Third Quarter 2019 | Third Quarter 2018 | Nine Months 2019 | Nine Months 2018 | Year end 31 March 2018 |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Availability (%) | | | | | |
| - Huntstown 1 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 96.1 | 96.8 | 97.5 |
| - Huntstown 2 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 99.8 | 90.6 | 92.9 |
| Unconstrained utilisation (%) | | | | | |
| - Huntstown 1 | 89.9 | 0.2 | 46.0 | 27.6 | 21.3 |
| - Huntstown 2 | - | 4.7 | 37.4 | 30.6 | 23.2 |
| Incremental impact of constrained utilisation (%) | | | | | |
| - Huntstown 1 | (32.7) | 46.7 | - | 28.3 | 29.9 |
| - Huntstown 2 | 23.6 | 28.4 | 10.0 | 5.1 | 6.7 |
| Customer sites (number) | | | | | |
| - Non-residential | | | | | |
| - electricity | 52,600 | 56,500 | 52,600 | 56,500 | 55,800 |
| - gas | 4,000 | 4,400 | 4,000 | 4,400 | 4,300 |
| | 56,600 | 60,900 | 56,600 | 60,900 | 60,100 |
| - Residential | | | | | |
| - electricity | 150,500 | 132,200 | 150,500 | 132,200 | 141,400 |
| - gas | 55,800 | 46,800 | 55,800 | 46,800 | 50,700 |
| | 206,300 | 179,000 | 206,300 | 179,000 | 192,100 |
| Energia electricity sales (TWh) | 1.5 | 1.5 | 4.4 | 3.8 | 5.3 |
| Energia gas sales (million therms) | 22.6 | 22.3 | 50.3 | 49.6 | 78.3 |
| Complaints to the CCNI and CRU (number) | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Contracted renewable generation capacity in operation in Northern Ireland and the RoI (MW) | | | | | |
| - average during the period | 998 | 986 | 998 | 982 | 984 |
| - at end of period | 998 | 998 | 998 | 998 | 998 |

Huntstown 1 availability for Third Quarter 2019 was 99.9% (2018 – 100.0%) and for Nine Months 2019 was 96.1% (2018 – 96.8%). A ten day planned outage took place during May 2018 in relation to a minor inspection on the gas turbine.

Huntstown 2 availability for Third Quarter 2019 was 99.9% (2018 – 100.0%) and for Nine Months 2019 was 99.8% (2018 – 90.6%). The prior year lower availability reflects a twenty-two day outage which commenced in June 2017. Huntstown 2 is scheduled to undertake a planned maintenance outage of c42 days commencing mid March 2019.

Huntstown 1 unconstrained utilisation for Third Quarter 2019 was 89.9% (2018 – 0.2%) reflecting significant outages of other plant in the market together with Huntstown 2 not operating in the Day Ahead and Intraday Energy market as described below. For the Nine Months 2019, Huntstown 1 unconstrained utilisation was 46.0% (2018 – 27.6%). The incremental impact of constrained utilisation for Huntstown 1 was 32.7% constrained off (2018 – 46.7% constrained on) and for Nine Months 2019 was nil (2018 – 28.3% constrained on).

From the commencement of I-SEM (1 October 2018), under the terms of the Locational Reserve Service Agreement with Eirgrid, as Huntstown 2 was not successful in achieving a Reliability Option for the first capacity year (October 2018 – September 2019), Huntstown 2 does not partake in the Day Ahead or Intraday Energy market and thus Huntstown 2 unconstrained utilisation for Third Quarter was nil (2018 - 4.7%). For the Nine Months 2019, Huntstown 2 unconstrained utilisation was 37.4% (2018 – 30.6%). Huntstown 2 continues to partake in the Balancing market and the incremental impact of constrained utilisation for Huntstown 2 was 23.6% (2018 - 28.4%) and for Nine Months 2019 was 10.0% (2018 – 5.1%).

Energia Group (continued)

Non-residential electricity customer sites were 52,600 at 31 December 2018 (30 September 2018 – 54,100; 31 March 2018 – 55,800). Non-residential gas customer sites were 4,000 at 31 December 2018 (30 September 2018 – 4,000; 31 March 2018 – 4,300).

Residential electricity and gas customer sites increased to 206,300 at 31 December 2018 (30 September 2018 – 201,300; 31 March 2018 – 192,100).

Energia received 1 customer complaint during Third Quarter 2019 (2018 – 2) and 2 for Nine Months 2019 (2018 – 3).

Total electricity sales volumes were 1.5TWh for Third Quarter 2019 (2018 - 1.5TWh) and 4.4TWh for Nine Months 2019 (2018 – 3.8TWh). Total gas sales volumes were 22.6m therms for Third Quarter 2019 (2018 – 22.3m therms) and 50.3m therms for Nine Months 2019 (2018 – 49.6m therms).

Renewable PPA portfolio

Energia Group's renewable PPA portfolio primarily consists of offtake contracts with third party-owned wind farms (including wind generation assets in which the Group has an equity interest).

Energia has entered into contracts with developers under which it has agreed to purchase the long term output of a number of wind farm projects and with generators from other renewable sources.

The average contracted renewable generation capacity in operation during the Third Quarter 2019 was 998MW (2018 - 986MW) and during Nine Months 2019 was 998MW (2018 – 982MW) with 31 December 2018 capacity of 998MW (30 September 2018 - 998MW; 31 March 2018 – 998MW).

At 31 December 2018, the operating capacity under contract in Northern Ireland was 413MW (30 September 2018 – 413MW; 31 March 2018 – 413MW) and the RoI operating capacity was 585MW (30 September 2018 – 585MW; 31 March 2018 – 585MW).

Energia renewable assets

Wind Generation Assets

| KPIs | Third Quarter 2019 | Third Quarter 2018 | Nine Months 2019 | Nine Months 2018 | Year end 31 March 2018 |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Wind generation capacity in operation in Northern Ireland and the RoI (MW) | | | | | |
| - average during the period | 277 | 202 | 236 | 200 | 203 |
| - at end of period | 277 | 202 | 277 | 202 | 223 |
| Availability (%) | 96.9 | 96.0 | 97.3 | 95.9 | 96.3 |
| Wind factor (%) | 34.4 | 29.5 | 25.3 | 23.9 | 27.3 |

Energia renewable assets availability for Third Quarter 2019 was 96.9% (2018 – 96.0%) with a wind factor of 34.4% (2018 – 29.5%). Availability for Nine Months 2019 was 97.3% (2018 – 95.9%) with a wind factor of 25.3% (2018 – 23.9%).

In the Third Quarter 2019 and from October 2019, 54MW of previous in construction capacity became operational and the total 277MW portfolio is now fully operational.

The average owned wind generation capacity in operation during the Third Quarter 2019 was 277MW (2018 - 202MW) with 31 December 2018 capacity of 277MW (30 September 2018 – 223MW; 31 March 2018 – 223MW).

At December 2018, the owned wind generation capacity in operation in Northern Ireland was 173MW (30 September 2018 – 119MW, 31 March 2018 – 119 MW) and the ROI operating capacity was 104MW (30 September 2018 – 104MW; 31 March 2018 – 104MW).

In June 2018, non-recourse project finance facilities of up to £24.7m were put in place in respect of the two remaining wind farms with a combined capacity of 18MW in Northern Ireland. All wind farm projects now have project finance facilities in place.

Energia renewable assets (continued)

In February 2019, the Group completed the acquisition of a 21 MW wind farm development project at Coolberrin in County Cavan, RoI.

The Energia Group also retains a minority share of 25% in the RoI wind farm projects sold to the Irish Infrastructure Fund (IIF) in June 2012. In December 2018, the Group disposed of its 20% share in the Northern Ireland wind farm projects (previously owned by IIF) which resulted in a profit on disposal of £4.6m and cash proceeds of £8.8m.

Distributions of £4.7m were made in the Nine Months 2019 (2018 - £0.1m) from the wholly owned renewable assets to the Restricted Group together with £1.3m (2018 - £0.2m) from the minority assets.

Bioenergy Assets

In May 2018, the Energia Group completed the acquisition of CEHL (Dublin) Bioenergy Limited and subsidiary, Huntstown Bioenergy Limited, from Connective Energy Holdings Limited and entered into an Engineering Procurement Contract (EPC) for the design and build of the state of the art 4.9MW anaerobic digestion facility at Huntstown which will process up to 100,000 tonnes of organic municipal waste from the Dublin region and will produce c32GWh of green renewable electricity on an annual basis. Huntstown Bioenergy Limited has entered into a long term fuel supply agreement to supply the majority of organic waste for the plant over 10 years at fixed prices. The total cash flows on acquisition were £1.1m and total consideration for the acquisition was £0.5m cash and £2.3m discounted contingent consideration (£2.6m undiscounted). It is intended to put project finance facilities in place and commercial operation is expected by December 2019 with the plant benefitting from the Renewable Energy Feed-In Tariff scheme (REFIT) support.

Power NI

| KPIs | Third Quarter 2019 | Third Quarter 2018 | Nine Months 2019 | Nine Months 2018 | Year end 31 March 2018 |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Stage 2 complaints to the Consumer Council (number) | - | - | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Customer sites (number) | | | | | |
| - Residential | 458,000 | 470,000 | 458,000 | 470,000 | 466,000 |
| - Non-residential | 35,000 | 34,000 | 35,000 | 34,000 | 34,000 |
| | 493,000 | 504,000 | 493,000 | 504,000 | 500,000 |
| Electricity sales (TWh) | 0.7 | 0.7 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 2.5 |
| Contracted renewable generation capacity in operation (deregulated) (MW) | | | | | |
| - average during the period | 317 | 232 | 298 | 202 | 214 |
| - at end of period | 316 | 247 | 316 | 247 | 251 |

During the Third Quarter 2019 Power NI received no Stage 2 complaints (2018 - nil) and during Nine Months 2019 received 1 Stage 2 complaint (2018 - 2).

Residential customer sites decreased to 458,000 at 31 December 2018 (30 September 2018 - 460,000; 31 March 2018 - 466,000). Non-residential customer sites were 35,000 at 31 December 2018 (30 September 2018 - 35,000; 31 March 2018 - 34,000).

Electricity sales for Third Quarter 2019 were 0.7TWh (2018 - 0.7TWh) and for Nine Months 2019 were 1.8TWh (2018 - 1.8TWh).

Power NI's deregulated renewable PPA portfolio consists of contracts with small to medium scale renewable generation sites primarily from wind, anaerobic digestion and biomass technologies. The average contracted generation capacity in operation during the Third Quarter 2019 was 317MW (2018 - 232MW) with 31 December 2018 capacity 316MW (30 September 2018 - 318MW; 31 March 2018 - 251MW).

Power NI (continued)

On the 25 May 2018, and in light of the delay in the introduction of I-SEM from 23 May 2018 to 1 October 2018, the Utility Regulator confirmed its intention to extend Power NI's current price control a further 2 years, from 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2021, based on Power NI agreeing to share with customers the benefits of annual efficiency gains made during the current price control period. The related licence modifications were published for consultation on 11 October 2018 and on 8 November 2018 the Utility Regulator confirmed that the licence modifications will take effect from 1 April 2019.

On 16 August 2018, Power NI announced a 13.8% increase in its regulated electricity tariff, effective 1 October 2018, reflecting an increase in its expected wholesale energy costs. The tariff increase was agreed with the Utility Regulator.

PPB

As at 31 December 2018 the generation capacity remaining under contract to PPB comprised 600MW at Ballylumford (30 September 2018 – 600MW; 31 March 2018 – 600MW).

The Utility Regulator ("UR") published, on 14 January 2019, its decision paper and proposed licence modifications necessary to implement the revised PPB price control. The revised price control is scheduled to be effective from May 2019 and is expected to run until September 2023 to coincide with the expiry of the Generation Unit Agreements covering 600MW of CCGT capacity at Ballylumford Power Station.

Regulation Update

I-SEM market capacity auction update

The new I-SEM market went live on 1 October 2018. On 21 December 2018, SEMO published provisional results which confirmed that both Huntstown plants had been awarded reliability options in the T-1 capacity auction for the 2019/20 capacity year. The auction clearing price was €40,646/MW and the final results were confirmed on 1 February 2019.

The final auction information pack for the first T-4 capacity market auction covering the 2022/23 capacity year was issued on 8 March 2019. The auction is scheduled to take place on 28 March 2019 and results are expected to be confirmed by the end of April 2019.

Revenue

| | Third Quarter 2019 £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 £m | Nine Months 2018 £m | Restated Nine Months 2018 £m | Restated Year end 31 March 2018 £m |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) | 320.2 | 320.0 | 912.7 | 762.5 | 1,096.9 |
| Energia renewable assets | 16.7 | 9.8 | 32.6 | 22.6 | 35.0 |
| Power NI (based on regulated entitlement) | 113.5 | 99.5 | 274.5 | 236.7 | 334.5 |
| PPB (based on regulated entitlement) | 43.0 | 31.0 | 103.5 | 93.4 | 125.6 |
| Adjustment for over/(under)-recovery | 5.8 | (3.1) | 4.2 | 11.2 | (4.3) |
| Inter business elimination | (16.3) | (10.0) | (32.8) | (24.1) | (37.0) |
| Total revenue from continuing operations | 482.9 | 447.2 | 1,294.7 | 1,102.3 | 1,550.7 |

Third Quarter 2019

Revenue increased to £482.9m (2018 - £447.2m). The breakdown by business is as follows:

Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) revenue increased to £320.2m (2018 - £320.0m) primarily reflecting higher utilisation of Huntstown 1, higher non-residential and residential revenue and favourable foreign exchange translation (with the strengthening of Euro to Sterling during the period compared to the same period last year), partly offset by lower interconnector revenue (due to the new I-SEM market design) and lower renewable PPA revenues (due to timing of ROC sales, partly offset by higher output).

Energia renewable assets revenue increased to £16.7m (2018 - £9.8m) reflecting the commissioning of new wind farms, higher wind factors and higher market prices.

Power NI revenue (based on regulated entitlement) increased to £113.5m (2018 - £99.5m) primarily due to higher deregulated revenue and higher regulated revenue (reflecting the tariff increase in October 2018), partly offset by a reduction in residential customer numbers.

PPB revenue (based on regulated entitlement) increased to £43.0m (2018 - £31.0m) primarily reflecting higher utilisation of the Ballylumford plant.

During the Third Quarter 2019 the Power NI Energy regulated businesses over-recovered against its regulated entitlement by £5.8m (2018 – £3.1m under-recovery) and at 31 December 2018 the cumulative over-recovery against regulated entitlement was £14.8m. The over-recovery of regulated entitlement reflects the phasing of tariffs.

Nine Months 2019

Revenue increased to £1,294.7m (2018 - £1,102.3m). The breakdown by business is as follows:

Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) revenue increased to £912.7m (2018 - £762.5m) primarily reflecting higher non-residential and residential revenue, higher Huntstown plant revenues (due to higher utilisation), favourable foreign exchange translation (with the strengthening of Euro to Sterling during the period compared to the same period last year) and higher renewable PPA revenues (due to higher market prices including ROC prices), partly offset by lower interconnector revenue (due to the new I-SEM market design).

Energia renewable assets revenue increased to £32.6m (2018 - £22.6m) reflecting the commissioning of new wind farms and higher market prices.

Power NI revenue (based on regulated entitlement) increased to £274.5m (2018 - £236.7m) primarily due to the same reasons as described above for Third Quarter 2019.

Nine Months 2019 (continued)

PPB revenue (based on regulated entitlement) increased to £103.5m (2018 - £93.4m) primarily due to higher market prices, partly offset by lower availability and utilisation of the Ballylumford plant.

During the Nine Months 2019 the Power NI Energy regulated businesses over-recovered against their regulated entitlement by £4.2m (2018 – £11.2m) and at 31 December 2018 the cumulative over-recovery against regulated entitlement was £14.8m. The over-recovery of regulated entitlement reflects the phasing of tariffs.

Operating costs

Operating costs (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) include energy costs, employee costs, depreciation and amortisation and other operating charges.

Energy costs include the cost of wholesale energy purchases from the SEM pool, capacity payments made to the SEM, the cost of natural gas (including hedges) and fixed and variable natural gas capacity costs for the Huntstown plants, emissions costs, use of system charges and costs for third party renewable PPAs. Employee costs include salaries, social security costs and pension costs. Other operating charges include costs such as operating and maintenance costs, insurance, local business taxes, consultancy, marketing, licence fees and IT services.

Third Quarter 2019

Operating costs (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) for Third Quarter 2019 increased to £446.6m (2018 - £426.2m).

Energy costs increased to £410.6m (2018 - £400.7m) primarily reflecting higher energy costs (associated with higher prices), higher utilisation of the Ballylumford plant, higher utilisation of Huntstown 1, higher residential and non-residential volumes and impact of foreign exchange translation (with the strengthening of Euro to Sterling compared to last year), partly offset by lower interconnector costs (due to the new I-SEM market design).

Employee costs increased to £8.4m (2018 – £6.7m) primarily reflecting an increase in headcount.

Depreciation and amortisation increased to £11.4m (2018 – £8.8m) primarily due to higher depreciation of renewable assets (associated with the commissioning of new assets).

Other operating charges increased to £16.2m (2018 - £10.0m) primarily due to higher maintenance costs for Huntstown 2 and higher operating costs for renewable assets with the commissioning of new assets.

Nine Months 2019

Operating costs (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) for Nine Months 2019 increased to £1,218.7m (2018 - £1,025.3m).

Energy costs increased to £1,121.5m (2018 - £944.8m) primarily reflecting higher energy costs (associated with higher prices), higher residential and non-residential electricity volumes, higher Huntstown plant utilisation and the impact of foreign exchange translation (with the strengthening of Euro to Sterling during the period compared to the same period last year) partly offset by lower interconnector costs (due to the new I-SEM market design).

Employee costs increased to £24.1m (2018 – £21.0m) primarily due to the same reasons described above for Third Quarter 2019.

Depreciation and amortisation increased to £29.9m (2018 – £26.9m) primarily due to the same reasons as described above for Third Quarter 2019.

Other operating charges increased to £43.2m (2018 - £32.6m) primarily due to higher maintenance costs in Huntstown 2 (associated with higher utilisation partly offset by lower outage costs), higher operating costs for renewable assets, higher operating costs in Power NI and higher maintenance costs in Huntstown 1 (associated with the outage in May 18).

Summary of Financial Performance

Group operating profit

| | Third Quarter 2019 £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 £m | Nine Months 2019 £m | Restated Nine Months 2018 £m | Restated Year end 31 March 2018 £m |
|--|--------------------------------|--|------------------------------|--|--|
| Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) | 13.5 | 10.6 | 33.9 | 33.1 | 42.0 |
| Energia renewable assets | 7.8 | 3.9 | 10.3 | 5.6 | 12.9 |
| Power NI | 9.0 | 9.0 | 26.5 | 25.2 | 33.9 |
| PPB | 0.4 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 2.0 | 5.9 |
| Other | (0.2) | - | - | (0.1) | 0.2 |
| Group pro-forma operating profit | 30.5 | 24.1 | 71.8 | 65.8 | 94.9 |
| Over/(under)-recovery of regulated entitlement | 5.8 | (3.1) | 4.2 | 11.2 | (4.3) |
| Operating profit | 36.3 | 21.0 | 76.0 | 77.0 | 90.6 |

All of the above amounts are pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements as shown in note 2 to the accounts

Third Quarter 2019

Operating profit (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) increased to £36.3m (2018 - £21.0m) primarily reflecting an over-recovery of regulated entitlement of £5.8m (2018 - £3.1m under-recovery), an increase in Energia renewable assets operating profit from £3.9m to £7.8m and an increase in Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) operating profit from £10.6m to £13.5m.

Group pro-forma operating profit (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) for Third Quarter 2019 increased to £30.5m (2018 - £24.1m).

Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) operating profit for Third Quarter 2019 increased to £13.5m (2018 - £10.6m) primarily reflecting the increase in EBITDA outlined above.

Energia renewable assets operating profit for Third Quarter 2019 increased to £7.8m (2018 - £3.9m) reflecting the increase in EBITDA outlined above.

Power NI operating profit was in line with the prior period at £9.0m (2018 - £9.0m).

PPB operating profit decreased to £0.4m (2018 - £0.6m) reflecting the decrease in EBITDA as outlined previously.

Nine Months 2019

Operating profit (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) decreased to £76.0m (2018 - £77.0m) primarily reflecting a decrease in the over-recovery of regulated entitlement from £11.2m to £4.2m, partly offset by an increase in Energia renewable assets from £5.6m to £10.3m.

Group pro-forma operating profit (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) for Nine Months 2019 increased to £71.8m (2018 - £65.8m).

Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) operating profit for Nine Months 2019 increased to £33.9m (2018 - £33.1m) primarily reflecting the increase in EBITDA outlined previously.

Energia renewable assets operating profit for Nine Months 2019 increased to £10.3m (2018 - £5.6m) reflecting the increase in EBITDA outlined previously.

Power NI operating profit increased to £26.5m (2018 - £25.2m) primarily reflecting the increase in EBITDA outlined previously.

PPB operating profit decreased to £1.1m (2018 - £2.0m) reflecting the decrease in EBITDA outlined previously.

Exceptional items and certain remeasurements

Exceptional acquisition costs for Third Quarter 2019 of £0.2m (2018 - £0.1m) and for Nine Months 2019 of £0.4m (2018 - £0.4m) relate to costs associated with acquisitions whether successful or unsuccessful.

Profit on disposal of associates for Third Quarter 2019 of £4.6m (2018 - £nil) relates to the net gain on disposal of the Group's minority interest in IIF Cyclone.

Release of contingent consideration for Third Quarter 2019 of £1.6m (2018 - £nil) relates to contingent consideration previously recognised for Cornavarrow, Slieveglass and Teiges.

Certain remeasurements for Third Quarter 2019 were £22.6m loss (2018 – £5.9m gain) and for Nine Months 2019 were £6.9m gain (2018 - £6.7m gain) and reflect the recognition of the fair value movements of derivatives as outlined in note 5 to the accounts.

Net finance costs

Net finance costs (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) for Third Quarter 2019 increased from £7.6m to £8.7m primarily reflecting lower capitalisation of interest with the commissioning of wind farms.

Net finance costs (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) for Nine Months 2019 decreased from £35.3m to £24.1m primarily reflecting a decrease in the Senior secured notes interest charge associated with the refinancing undertaken in September 2017 and a higher benefit from the impact of foreign exchange movements in the period compared to the same period last year.

Tax charge

The total tax charge (pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements) for Third Quarter 2019 was £3.3m (2018 - £4.5m) and for Nine Months 2019 was £5.5m (2018 - £5.2m).

Cash flow before acquisitions, disposals, interest and tax

Group cash flow before acquisitions, disposals, interest and tax is summarised in the following table:

| | Third Quarter 2019 £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 £m | Nine Months 2019 £m | Restated Nine Months 2018 £m | Restated Year end 31 March 2018 £m |
|---|--------------------------------|--|------------------------------|--|--|
| Group pro-forma EBITDA ⁽¹⁾ | 41.9 | 32.9 | 101.7 | 92.7 | 130.8 |
| Defined benefit pension charge less contributions paid | (0.6) | - | (0.6) | - | (1.1) |
| Net movement in security deposits | (0.9) | (0.6) | (13.3) | 0.3 | (1.7) |
| Changes in working capital ⁽²⁾ | 12.3 | 15.8 | 9.8 | 19.0 | 24.2 |
| Over/(under)-recovery of regulated entitlement | 5.8 | (3.1) | 4.2 | 11.2 | (4.3) |
| Foreign exchange translation | 0.2 | (0.3) | - | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| Exceptional items | (0.2) | (0.1) | (0.4) | (0.4) | (0.3) |
| Share based payment | - | - | 0.5 | - | - |
| Cash flow from operating activities | 58.5 | 44.6 | 101.9 | 123.8 | 148.7 |
| Net capital expenditure ⁽³⁾ | (13.2) | (11.2) | (63.7) | (62.3) | (74.8) |
| (Expenditure)/proceeds from sale and purchases of other intangibles | (14.2) | (4.2) | 0.1 | 0.1 | (7.2) |
| Cash flow before acquisitions, disposals, interest and tax | 31.1 | 29.2 | 38.3 | 61.6 | (66.7) |

(1) Includes EBITDA of renewable assets for Third Quarter 2019 £13.1m (2018 - £7.6m); Nine Months 2019 £23.6m (2018 - £16.4m); year ended 31 March 2018 £27.6m.

(2) Includes changes in working capital of renewable assets for Third Quarter 2019 of £5.7m increase (2018 - £1.5m increase); Nine Months 2019 £8.8m increase (2018 - £3.5m increase); year ended 31 March 2018 £3.9m increase.

(3) Includes capital expenditure on renewable assets for Third Quarter 2019 £8.0m (2018 - £7.5m); Nine Months 2019 £47.6m (2018 - £52.0m); year ended 31 March 2018 £61.0m and intangible asset (software and customer acquisition costs) expenditure for Third Quarter 2019 £5.1m (2018 - £3.6m); Nine Months 2019 £11.1m (2018 - £10.4m); year ended 31 March 2018 £12.4m.

Group cash flow from operating activities for Third Quarter 2019 increased to £58.5m (2018 - £44.6m) primarily reflecting an over-recovery of regulated entitlement £5.8m (2018 - £3.1m under-recovery) and an increase in Group pro-forma EBITDA £9.0m from £32.9m to £41.9m partly offset by a lower decrease in working capital £12.3m (2018 - £15.8m).

Group cash flow from operating activities for Nine Months 2019 decreased to £101.9m (2018 - £123.8m) primarily reflecting an increase in security deposits £13.3m (2018 - £0.3m decrease), a lower decrease in working capital £9.8m (2018 - £19.0m) and a lower over-recovery of regulated entitlement £4.2m (2018 - £11.2m), partly offset by an increase in Group pro-forma EBITDA £9.0m from £92.7m to £101.7m.

Net movement in security deposits

The net movement in security deposits for Third Quarter 2019 was an increase of £0.9m (2018 - £0.6m) and for Nine Months 2019 was an increase of £13.3m (2018 - £0.3m decrease). The increase in security deposits relates to deposits put in place in respect of I-SEM go live on 1 October 2018.

As at 31 December 2018 there were £17.4m (30 September 2018 - £16.5m; 31 March 2018 - £4.1m) of security deposits in place.

Changes in working capital

Working capital consists of inventories plus trade and other receivables (primarily retail energy sales including unbilled consumption, wholesale energy income, capacity payment income and ROC sales), prepayments and accrued income less trade and other creditors (primarily wholesale energy costs, capacity payments, natural gas and fixed natural gas capacity costs, renewable PPA costs, ROC costs, emission costs and use of system charges), payments received on account, accruals and tax and social security.

Third Quarter 2019

Working capital decreased by £12.3m (2018 – £15.8m) due to a decrease in working capital requirements of Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) and other Viridian holding companies, partly offset by an increase in the working capital requirements of PPB, Energia renewable assets and Power NI.

Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) working capital decreased by £29.9m (2018 – £17.7m) primarily reflecting an increase in the REFIT creditor for renewable PPAs (due to higher market prices), an increase in trade payables and accruals (reflecting settlement timing differences), a decrease in ROC debtors, an increase in VAT creditor and an increase in ROC liability, partly offset by an increase in trade debtors and accrued income (due to an increase in sales prices and volumes).

Energia renewable assets working capital increased by £5.7m (2018 – £1.5m) primarily due to an increase in trade debtors and accrued income and a decrease in trade payables and accruals due to settlement timing differences.

Working capital at Power NI increased by £4.0m (2018 – £4.1m decrease) primarily due to an increase in trade debtors and accrued income (due to the seasonal increase in sales volumes, an increase in ROC debtors (due to settlement timing differences) and a lower VAT creditor, partly offset by an increase in ROC obligation liabilities and an increase in trade creditors and accruals (due to the seasonal increase in sales volumes and prices and settlement timing differences).

Working capital at PPB increased by £10.1m (2018 – £4.8m) primarily reflecting a decrease in the emissions creditor and higher accrued income (with higher utilisation of the Ballylumford plant), partly offset by higher trade creditors and accruals (due to higher utilisation of the Ballylumford plant and higher gas prices).

Working capital at other Viridian holding companies decreased by £2.2m (2018 – £0.3m).

Nine Months 2019

Working capital decreased by £9.8m (2018 – £19.0m) due to a decrease in working capital requirements of Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) and other Viridian holding companies, partly offset by an increase in the working capital requirements of PPB, Power NI and Energia renewable assets.

Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) working capital decreased by £40.9m (2018 – £24.6m) primarily due to an increase in the REFIT creditor for renewable PPAs (due to higher market prices), an increase in trade payables and accruals (reflecting settlement timing differences) and an increase in VAT creditor, partly offset by an increase in trade receivables and accrued income and a decrease in ROC liabilities.

Energia renewable assets working capital increased by £8.8m (2018 – £3.5m) primarily due to an increase in trade debtors and accrued income and an increase in VAT debtors, partly offset by an increase in trade and other payables.

Working capital at Power NI increased by £9.3m (2018 - £0.1m decrease) primarily due to an increase in trade debtors and accrued income, an increase in ROC debtors (reflecting settlement timing differences), a decrease in ROC obligation liabilities and a decrease in VAT creditor, partly offset by an increase in trade creditors and accruals.

Working capital at PPB increased by £14.5m (2018 - £2.6m) primarily due to a decrease in trade creditors and accruals (reflecting settlement timing differences, partly offset by higher gas prices and higher utilisation of the Ballylumford plant) and an increase in accrued income (with higher utilisation of the Ballylumford plant), partly offset by a lower VAT debtor.

Working capital at other Viridian holding companies decreased by £1.5m (2018 – £0.4m).

Over/(under)-recovery of regulated entitlement

As noted previously during Third Quarter 2019 the regulated businesses of Power NI and PPB over-recovered against their regulated entitlement by £5.8m (2018 – £3.1m under-recovery) and during Nine Months 2019 over-recovered by £4.2m (2018 - £11.2m). At 31 December 2018 the cumulative over-recovery against regulated entitlement was £14.8m. The over-recovery of regulated entitlement reflects the phasing of tariffs.

Capital expenditure

Net capital expenditure in respect of tangible fixed assets and intangible software assets for the Third Quarter 2019 increased to £13.2m (2018 - £11.2m) and for Nine Months 2019 increased to £63.7m (2018 - £62.3m).

Net capital expenditure at Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) for Third Quarter 2019 increased to £3.5m (2018 - £3.0m) and for Nine Months 2019 increased to £12.8m (2018 - £7.5m) primarily reflecting higher plant capital expenditure in respect of the outage of Huntstown 1.

Net capital expenditure at Energia renewable assets for Third Quarter 2019 increased to £8.0m (2018 - £7.5m) reflecting capital expenditure in relation to the development of the bioenergy development assets, partly offset by the commissioning of new wind farms. Capital expenditure for Nine Months 2019 decreased to £47.6m (2018 - £52.0m) reflecting the commissioning of new wind farms, partly offset by capital expenditure in relation to the development of the bioenergy development assets.

Net capital expenditure at Power NI for Third Quarter 2019 was in line with the prior period at £0.6m (2018 - £0.6m). Capital expenditure for Nine Months 2019 decreased to £1.3m (2018 - £2.0m) reflecting the billing system upgrade which became operational in May 2017.

Net capital expenditure at other Group companies for Third Quarter 2019 increased to £1.1m (2018 - £0.1m) and for Nine Months 2019 increased to £2.0m (2018 - £0.8m).

Other cash flows

Net interest paid

Net interest paid (excluding exceptional finance costs) for Third Quarter 2019 increased to £0.8m (2018 - £0.3m) reflecting increased project finance interest payments associated with higher project finance facilities in place.

Net interest paid (excluding exceptional finance costs) for Nine Months 2019 decreased to £19.0m (2018 - £30.5m) primarily reflecting the reduction in interest on the Senior secured notes following the refinancing in September 2017 partly offset by increased project finance interest payments associated with higher project finance facilities in place.

Acquisition of subsidiary

Acquisition of subsidiary for Third Quarter 2019 of £19.1m (2018 - £nil) reflects payment of contingent consideration of £15.4m for Cornavarrow, Slieveglass and Teiges and payment of £3.7m for pre-acquisition services of Cornavarrow and Teiges following commissioning of the windfarms.

Acquisition of subsidiary for Nine Months 2019 of £20.2m (2018 - £3.1m) reflects the payment of contingent consideration and pre-acquisition services of £19.1m discussed above and £1.1m acquisition of the 4.9MW Bioenergy anaerobic digestion project of the Huntstown site in North Dublin in May 2018.

Disposal of associate

Disposal of associate for Third Quarter 2019 of £8.8m (2018 - £nil) reflects proceeds from disposal of IIF Cyclone Holdco Limited.

Dividends

No dividends have been paid or proposed for the Nine Months 2019 (2018 - £60.0m).

In January 2019, dividends of £30.0m were paid to the parent undertaking.

Net debt

The Group's net debt decreased during Third Quarter 2019 by £8.6m from £674.1m at 30 September 2018 to £665.5m at 31 December 2018 primarily due to an increase in cash and cash equivalents, partly offset by an increase in project finance debt (associated with ongoing construction and development of the wind farm asset portfolio). The Group's net debt increased during Nine Months 2019 by £10.1m from £655.4m at 31 March 2018 to £665.5m at 31 December 2018 primarily reflecting an increase in project finance debt (associated with the ongoing construction and development of the wind farm asset portfolio), partly offset by an increase in cash and cash equivalents.

Net debt at 31 December 2018 includes project finance net debt of £273.3m (30 September 2018 - £271.7m; 31 March 2018 - £233.7m). Excluding project financed net debt, net debt was £392.2m (30 September 2018 - £402.4m; 31 March 2018 - £421.7m).

Defined benefit pension liability

The pension liability in the Group's defined benefit scheme under IAS 19 was £0.2m at 31 December 2018 (30 September 2018 - £nil; 31 March 2018 - £nil).

Treasury

The Group's treasury function manages liquidity, funding, investment and the Group's financial risk, including risk from volatility in currency, interest rates, commodity prices and counterparty credit risk. The treasury function's objective is to manage risk at optimum cost in line with Group policies and procedures approved by the Board. The treasury function employs a continuous forecasting and monitoring process to manage risk and to ensure that the Group complies with its financial and operating covenants.

An analysis of the Group's net debt is as follows:

| | As at 31 December 2018 £m | As at 31 December 2017 £m | Year end 31 March 2018 £m |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Investments | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 145.0 | 116.4 | 101.4 |
| Senior secured notes €350m (2025) | (309.2) | (305.0) | (301.6) |
| Senior secured notes £225m (2024) | (221.5) | (220.9) | (221.1) |
| Interest accruals – Senior secured notes | (6.8) | (6.2) | (1.0) |
| Other interest accruals | (1.0) | (0.7) | (0.7) |
| Net debt excluding project finance facilities | (392.2) | (415.1) | (421.7) |
| Project finance cash | 28.0 | 27.8 | 24.9 |
| Project finance bank facility (RoI) | (104.0) | (110.4) | (105.7) |
| Project finance bank facility (NI) | (194.4) | (155.4) | (152.5) |
| Project finance interest accruals | (2.9) | (2.6) | (0.4) |
| Net debt | (665.5) | (655.7) | (655.4) |

The Group is financed through a combination of retained earnings, medium term bond issuance and both medium term and long term bank facilities. A summary of the Group's net debt is set out above and in note 16. Liquidity, including short term working capital requirements, is managed through committed Senior revolving credit bank facilities together with available cash resources. The Group continues to keep its capital structure under review and may from time to time undertake certain transactions such as financing transactions, acquisitions and disposals which affect its capital structure. The Group may also from time to time repurchase its Senior secured notes, whether through tender offers, open market purchases, private purchases or otherwise.

In June 2018 non-recourse project finance facilities of up to £24.9m were put in place in respect of the remaining 18MW of wind farm capacity.

Treasury (continued)

The Group can have significant movements in its liquidity position due to working capital variations such as the movements in commodity prices, the seasonal nature of the business and regulatory under-recoveries. Short term liquidity is reviewed daily by the treasury function and Group cash forecasts, covering a rolling two year period, are reviewed monthly. This monitoring includes reviewing the minimum EBITDA covenant, required to be reported quarterly under the Senior revolving credit facility, to ensure sufficient headroom is maintained. The project financed facilities have one main covenant, a debt service cover ratio, which measures available cash against the debt service requirements on an historic annual basis.

At 31 December 2018, the Group had letters of credit issued out of the Senior revolving credit facility of £139.7m resulting in undrawn committed facilities of £85.3m (30 September 2018 - £101.4m; 31 March 2018 - £109.2m). Cash drawings under the Senior revolving credit facility at 31 December 2018 were £nil (30 September 2018 - £nil; 31 March 2018 - £nil).

During the period the Group has met all required financial covenants in the Senior revolving credit facility and project finance loans.

At 31 December 2018, there was £28.0m (30 September 2018 - £21.4m; 31 March 2018 - £24.9m) of restricted cash in the project financed wind farms which is subject to bi-annual distribution debt service requirements.

There have been no other significant changes in the Group's exposure to interest rate, foreign currency, commodity and credit risks. A discussion of these risks can be found in the Risk Management and Principal Risks and Uncertainties section of the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2018.

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT
for the three month period ended 31 December 2018

| | | Results before exceptional items and certain re- measurements Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Exceptional items and certain re- measurements (note 5) Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Total Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Results before exceptional items and certain re- measurements Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Exceptional items and certain re- measurements (note 5) Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated Total Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|--|---|--|---|--|--|
| Continuing operations | | | | | | | |
| | Notes | | | | | | |
| Revenue | 2 | 482.9 | - | 482.9 | 447.2 | - | 447.2 |
| Operating costs | 4 | (446.6) | (21.2) | (467.8) | (426.2) | 5.8 | (420.4) |
| Operating profit/(loss) | 2 | 36.3 | (21.2) | 15.1 | 21.0 | 5.8 | 26.8 |
| Finance costs | 6 | (9.0) | - | (9.0) | (7.8) | - | (7.8) |
| Finance income | 6 | 0.3 | - | 0.3 | 0.2 | - | 0.2 |
| Net finance cost | | (8.7) | - | (8.7) | (7.6) | - | (7.6) |
| Share of loss in associates | | - | - | - | (0.1) | - | (0.1) |
| Profit on sale of associate | | - | 4.6 | 4.6 | - | - | - |
| Profit/(loss) before tax | | 27.6 | (16.6) | 11.0 | 13.3 | 5.8 | 19.1 |
| Taxation | 7 | (3.3) | 1.6 | (1.7) | (4.5) | (0.7) | (5.2) |
| Profit/(loss) for the period | | 24.3 | (15.0) | 9.3 | 8.8 | 5.1 | 13.9 |

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT
for the nine month period ended 31 December 2018

| | | Results before exceptional items and certain re- measurements Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Exceptional items and certain re- measurements (note 5) Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Total Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated results before exceptional items and certain re- measurements Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Exceptional items and certain re- measurements (note 5) Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated total Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated results before exceptional items certain re- measurements Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m | Exceptional items and certain re- measurements (note 5) Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m | Restated total Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|---|---|--|---|---|---|--|--|---|
| Continuing operations | Notes | | | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | 2 | 1,294.7 | - | 1,294.7 | 1,102.3 | - | 1,102.3 | 1,550.7 | - | 1,550.7 |
| Operating costs | 4 | (1,218.7) | 8.1 | (1,210.6) | (1,025.3) | 6.3 | (1,019.0) | (1,460.1) | (117.9) | (1,578.0) |
| Operating profit/(loss) | 2 | 76.0 | 8.1 | 84.1 | 77.0 | 6.3 | 83.3 | 90.6 | (117.9) | (27.3) |
| Finance costs | 6 | (25.0) | - | (25.0) | (36.0) | (22.4) | (58.4) | (47.7) | (22.4) | (70.1) |
| Finance income | 6 | 0.9 | - | 0.9 | 0.7 | - | 0.7 | 1.1 | - | 1.1 |
| Net finance cost | | (24.1) | - | (24.1) | (35.3) | (22.4) | (57.7) | (46.6) | (22.4) | (69.0) |
| Share of loss in associates | | (0.8) | - | (0.8) | (0.8) | - | (0.8) | (0.6) | - | (0.6) |
| Profit on sale of associate | | - | 4.6 | 4.6 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Profit/(loss) before tax | | 51.1 | 12.7 | 63.8 | 40.9 | (16.1) | 24.8 | 43.4 | 140.3 | (96.9) |
| Taxation | 7 | (5.5) | (0.8) | (6.3) | (5.2) | (0.8) | (6.0) | (4.0) | 14.6 | 10.6 |
| Profit/(loss) for the period | | 45.6 | 11.9 | 57.5 | 35.7 | (16.9) | 18.8 | 39.4 | (125.7) | (86.3) |

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
for the three and nine month periods ended 31 December 2018

| | Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Profit for the period | 9.3 | 13.9 | 57.5 | 18.8 | (86.3) |
| Items that will be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss: | | | | | |
| Exchange difference on translation of foreign operations | (2.7) | (1.8) | (8.1) | (8.8) | (4.7) |
| Net (loss)/gain on cash flow hedges | (9.7) | 0.3 | (2.4) | (0.1) | 5.3 |
| Transferred (gain)/loss from equity to income statement on cash flow hedges | (2.7) | (0.3) | (1.2) | 4.2 | 4.0 |
| Share of associates net gain on cash flow hedges | 0.7 | - | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| Income tax effect | 3.4 | (0.2) | 0.5 | - | (0.6) |
| | (8.3) | (0.2) | (2.3) | 4.3 | 9.1 |
| | (11.0) | (2.0) | (10.4) | (4.5) | 4.4 |
| Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss: | | | | | |
| Remeasurement (loss)/profit on defined benefit scheme | (0.7) | - | (0.7) | 0.1 | (1.1) |
| Income tax effect | 0.1 | - | 0.1 | - | 0.2 |
| | (0.6) | - | (0.6) | 0.1 | (0.9) |
| Other comprehensive (expense)/income for the period, net of taxation | (11.6) | (2.0) | (11.0) | (4.4) | 3.5 |
| Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period | (2.3) | 11.9 | 46.5 | 14.4 | (82.8) |

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
as at 31 December 2018

| ASSETS | | 31 December 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated 31 December 2017 Unaudited £m | Restated 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|--|-------|--|--|---|
| | Notes | | | |
| Non-current assets: | | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | | 445.7 | 538.8 | 415.1 |
| Intangible assets | | 589.2 | 565.9 | 578.2 |
| Investment in associates | | 2.1 | 6.2 | 6.7 |
| Derivative financial instruments | 15 | 5.4 | 6.7 | 5.3 |
| Other non-current financial assets | 9 | - | 0.1 | - |
| Deferred tax assets | | 26.9 | 25.6 | 27.3 |
| | | <u>1,069.3</u> | <u>1,143.3</u> | <u>1,032.6</u> |
| Current assets: | | | | |
| Inventories | | 5.0 | 5.0 | 4.9 |
| Trade and other receivables | 11 | 217.8 | 194.9 | 191.2 |
| Derivative financial instruments | 15 | 21.3 | 9.5 | 11.0 |
| Other current financial assets | 9 | 18.7 | 3.4 | 5.4 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 12 | 173.0 | 144.2 | 126.3 |
| | | <u>435.8</u> | <u>357.0</u> | <u>338.8</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS | | <u>1,505.1</u> | <u>1,500.3</u> | <u>1,371.4</u> |
| LIABILITIES | | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | | |
| Trade and other payables | 13 | (358.3) | (318.2) | (323.8) |
| Income tax payable | | (2.7) | (3.6) | (2.3) |
| Financial liabilities | 14 | (35.1) | (31.2) | (40.8) |
| Derivative financial instruments | 15 | (10.9) | (7.8) | (6.6) |
| | | <u>(407.0)</u> | <u>(360.8)</u> | <u>(373.5)</u> |
| Non-current liabilities: | | | | |
| Financial liabilities | 14 | (809.7) | (792.4) | (764.2) |
| Derivative financial instruments | 15 | (10.8) | (11.7) | (8.3) |
| Net employee defined benefit liabilities | | (0.2) | (0.1) | - |
| Deferred tax liabilities | | (10.5) | (19.0) | (5.9) |
| Provisions | | (13.5) | (12.7) | (13.1) |
| | | <u>(844.7)</u> | <u>(835.9)</u> | <u>(791.5)</u> |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | | <u>(1,251.7)</u> | <u>(1,196.7)</u> | <u>(1,165.0)</u> |
| NET ASSETS | | <u>253.4</u> | <u>303.6</u> | <u>206.4</u> |
| Equity | | | | |
| Share capital | | - | - | - |
| Share premium | | 660.6 | 660.6 | 660.6 |
| Retained earnings | | (427.3) | (378.6) | (484.7) |
| Capital contribution reserve | | 101.5 | 101.5 | 101.5 |
| Hedge reserve | | (7.1) | (9.6) | (4.8) |
| Foreign currency translation reserve | | (74.3) | (70.3) | (66.2) |
| TOTAL EQUITY | | <u>253.4</u> | <u>303.6</u> | <u>206.4</u> |

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements were approved by the Board and authorised for issue on 8 March 2019.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
for the nine month period ended 31 December 2018

| | Share capital £m | Share premium £m | Retained earnings £m | Capital contribution reserve £m | Hedge reserve £m | Foreign currency translation reserve £m | Total equity £m |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|--|--------------------|
| At 1 April 2017 (restated) | - | 660.6 | (397.5) | 161.5 | (13.9) | (61.5) | 349.2 |
| Profit for the period | - | - | 18.8 | - | - | - | 18.8 |
| Other comprehensive income/(expense) | - | - | 0.1 | - | 4.3 | (8.8) | (4.4) |
| <i>Total comprehensive income/(expense)</i> | - | - | 18.9 | - | 4.3 | (8.8) | 14.4 |
| Dividends paid | - | - | - | (60.0) | - | - | (60.0) |
| At 31 December 2017 (restated) | - | 660.6 | (378.6) | 101.5 | (9.6) | (70.3) | 303.6 |
| | | | | | | | |
| At 1 April 2017 (restated) | - | 660.6 | (397.5) | 161.5 | (13.9) | (61.5) | 349.2 |
| Loss for the year | - | - | (86.3) | - | - | - | (86.3) |
| Other comprehensive (expense)/income | - | - | (0.9) | - | 9.1 | (4.7) | 3.5 |
| <i>Total comprehensive (expense)/ income</i> | - | - | (87.2) | - | 9.1 | (4.7) | (82.8) |
| Dividends paid | - | - | - | (60.0) | - | - | (60.0) |
| At 31 March 2018 (restated) | - | 660.6 | (484.7) | 101.5 | (4.8) | (66.2) | 206.4 |
| Profit for the period | - | - | 57.5 | - | - | - | 57.5 |
| Other comprehensive expense | - | - | (0.6) | - | (2.3) | (8.1) | (11.0) |
| Share based payment | - | - | 0.5 | - | - | - | 0.5 |
| <i>Total comprehensive income/(expense)</i> | - | - | 57.4 | - | (2.3) | (8.1) | 47.0 |
| At 31 December 2018 | - | 660.6 | (427.3) | 101.5 | (7.1) | (74.3) | 253.4 |

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
for the three and nine month periods ended 31 December 2018

| | Notes | Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|--|-------|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cash generated from operations before working capital movements | 16 | 46.9 | 29.7 | 105.4 | 103.5 | 125.1 |
| <i>Working capital adjustments:</i> | | | | | | |
| Increase in inventories | | (0.1) | (0.1) | (0.1) | (0.2) | (0.1) |
| (Increase) in trade and other receivables | | (28.8) | (62.0) | (26.6) | (44.8) | (41.1) |
| (Increase)/decrease in security deposits | | (0.9) | (0.6) | (13.3) | 0.3 | (1.7) |
| Increase in trade and other payables | | 41.2 | 77.9 | 36.5 | 64.0 | 65.4 |
| Effects of foreign exchange | | 0.2 | (0.3) | - | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| | | 58.5 | 44.6 | 101.9 | 123.8 | 148.7 |
| Interest received | | - | - | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Interest paid | | (0.8) | (0.3) | (19.1) | (30.6) | (46.8) |
| Exceptional finance costs | | - | (0.4) | - | (23.5) | (23.5) |
| | | (0.8) | (0.7) | (19.0) | (54.0) | (70.1) |
| Income tax paid | | (0.1) | - | (0.2) | (0.2) | (0.3) |
| Net cash flows from operating activities | | 57.6 | 43.9 | 82.7 | 69.6 | 78.3 |
| Investing activities | | | | | | |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment | | (8.1) | (7.6) | (52.6) | (52.9) | (62.4) |
| Purchase of intangible assets | | (39.2) | (29.8) | (100.0) | (86.7) | (110.7) |
| Proceeds from sale of intangible assets | | 19.9 | 22.0 | 89.0 | 77.4 | 91.1 |
| Return on other non-current financial assets | | - | - | - | - | 0.1 |
| Disposal of subsidiary, net of cash disposed | | - | - | (0.2) | (0.2) | (0.2) |
| Distributions received from associates | | 0.6 | - | 0.7 | - | - |
| Interest received from associates | | 0.1 | - | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Acquisition of subsidiaries | | (19.1) | - | (20.2) | (3.1) | (3.1) |
| Disposal of associate | | 8.8 | - | 8.8 | - | - |
| Net cash flows used in investing activities | | (37.0) | (15.4) | (73.9) | (65.3) | (85.0) |
| Financing activities | | | | | | |
| Proceeds from issue of borrowings | | 5.8 | 5.7 | 50.5 | 596.2 | 598.7 |
| Repayment of borrowings | | (1.2) | - | (12.4) | (508.7) | (547.1) |
| Close out of foreign exchange forward contracts | | - | - | - | - | 29.4 |
| Dividend paid to parent undertaking | | - | - | - | (60.0) | (60.0) |
| Issue costs of new long term loans | | - | (3.7) | (1.0) | (11.8) | (11.8) |
| Net cash flows from financing activities | | 4.6 | 2.0 | 37.1 | 15.7 | 9.2 |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents | | 25.2 | 30.5 | 45.9 | 20.0 | 2.5 |
| Net foreign exchange difference | | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 4.0 | 3.6 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at period start | | 147.6 | 113.6 | 126.3 | 120.2 | 120.2 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at period end | 12 | 173.0 | 144.2 | 173.0 | 144.2 | 126.3 |

1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting as adopted by the European Union.

The accounting policies applied by the Group in these condensed interim consolidated financial statements are the same as those applied by the Group in its consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2018 except for the adoption of new standards effective as of 1 April 2018.

The Group applies, for the first time, IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers and IFRS 9 Financial Instruments that require restatement of previous financial statements. As required by IAS 34, the nature and effect of these changes are described below and further detailed in note 21.

IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

The Group adopted IFRS 15 using the full retrospective method of adoption and the standard is applicable for the Group from 1 April 2018. For the vast majority of the Group's revenue the application of IFRS 15 has no impact on its revenue recognition practices with only the following areas affected:

(a) Principal versus agent considerations

For certain variable price Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) with renewable generators both Energia and Power NI are deemed to be acting as an agent and therefore revenue is now accounted for on a net basis for these PPAs.

There is no impact in the consolidated balance sheet as at 31 March 2018. The consolidated income statement for the year ended 31 March 2018 and the nine months ended 31 December 2017 was restated resulting in decreases in both revenue and operating costs amounting to £9.4m and £6.4m respectively.

(b) Incremental contract costs

The accounting for the incremental costs of obtaining a contract within the Energia supply business has changed with these costs now being capitalised and amortised on a basis that reflects the transfer of goods or services to the customer.

The consolidated balance sheet as at 31 March 2018 was restated, resulting in recognition of contract assets amounting to £5.1m and an increase in retained earnings and foreign currency reserve amounting to £4.7m and £0.4m respectively. The consolidated income statement for the year ended 31 March 2018 was also restated, resulting in a decrease in operating costs amounting to £3.7m and an increase in amortisation of intangible assets amounting to £3.2m.

The consolidated balance sheet as at 31 December 2017 was also restated, resulting in recognition of contract assets amounting to £5.0m and an increase in retained earnings and foreign currency reserve amounting to £4.5m and £0.5m. The consolidated income statement for the nine months ended 31 December 2017 was restated, resulting in a decrease in operating costs amounting to £2.7m and an increase in amortisation of intangible assets amounting to £2.4m.

(c) Other

Income in relation to the reimbursement of costs associated with the administration of the Northern Ireland Sustainable Energy Programme (NISEP) within Power NI has been netted with the corresponding operating costs.

There is no impact in the consolidated balance sheet as at 31 March 2018. The consolidated income statement for the year ended 31 March 2018 and the nine months ended 31 December 2017 was restated resulting in decreases in both revenue and operating costs amounting to £1.1m and £0.6m respectively.

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION (continued)

IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments*

IFRS 9 Financial Instruments replaces IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement and the Group adopted IFRS 9 on 1 April 2018 with the main impact to the Group being as follows:

(a) Impairment

The adoption of IFRS 9 has changed the Group's accounting for impairment losses for financial assets by replacing IAS 39's incurred loss approach with a forward-looking expected credit loss (ECL) approach with the main impact for the Group being in relation to trade receivables.

For Trade receivables, the Group has applied the standard's simplified approach and has calculated ECLs based on lifetime expected credit losses. The Group has established a provision matrix that is based on the Group's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward-looking factors specific to the debtors and the economic environment. There is no material impact in the consolidated balance sheet as at 31 March 2018.

(b) Hedge accounting

The Group applied hedge accounting prospectively. At the date of the initial application of 1 April 2018 all of the Group's existing hedging relationships were eligible to be treated as continuing hedging relationships. Additionally adoption of IFRS 9 hedge accounting enables the Group to achieve hedge accounting for gas as a proxy to SMP prospectively from 1 April 2018. There is no impact in the consolidated balance sheet as at 31 March 2018.

2. SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS

For management purposes, the Group is organised into business units based on its products and services and has four reportable segments, as follows:

- the Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) operates as a vertically integrated energy business consisting of competitive electricity and gas supply to domestic and business customers in the RoI and to business customers in Northern Ireland through Energia, its retail supply business, backed by electricity generation from its two Huntstown CCGT plants, and long term PPAs with third-party renewable generators (including wind generation assets in which the Group has an equity interest);
- Energia renewable assets comprises generation from wholly owned wind generation assets;
- Power NI is the regulated electricity supplier in Northern Ireland; and
- PPB is a regulated business which administers the contracted generation capacity from the Ballylumford power station in Northern Ireland under legacy generating unit agreements which were originally established in 1992 when the Northern Ireland electricity industry was restructured.

The Group Board monitors the operating results of its business units separately for the purpose of making decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment. The measure of profit used by the Group Board is pro-forma EBITDA which is before exceptional items and certain remeasurements (arising from certain commodity, interest rate and currency contracts which are not designated in hedge accounting relationships) and based on regulated entitlement (whereby the adjustment for over/(under)-recovery outlined in the segmental analysis below represents the amount by which the regulated businesses over/(under)-recovered against their regulated entitlement). The Group also monitors revenue on a regulated entitlement basis.

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(a) Revenue by segment

| | Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) | 320.2 | 320.0 | 912.7 | 762.5 | 1,096.9 |
| Energia renewable assets | 16.7 | 9.8 | 32.6 | 22.6 | 35.0 |
| Power NI | 113.5 | 99.5 | 274.5 | 236.7 | 334.5 |
| PPB | 43.0 | 31.0 | 103.5 | 93.4 | 125.6 |
| Inter-group eliminations | (16.3) | (10.0) | (32.8) | (24.1) | (37.0) |
| Group | 477.1 | 450.3 | 1,290.5 | 1,091.1 | 1,555.0 |
| Adjustment for over/(under)-recovery | 5.8 | (3.1) | 4.2 | 11.2 | (4.3) |
| Total | 482.9 | 447.2 | 1,294.7 | 1,102.3 | 1,550.7 |

The adjustment for over/(under)-recovery represents the amount by which the regulated businesses over/(under)-recovered against their regulated entitlement.

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2. SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS (continued)

(b) Operating Profit

| | Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Segment Pro-Forma EBITDA | | | | | |
| Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) | 19.0 | 15.4 | 49.2 | 47.8 | 61.4 |
| Energia renewable assets | 13.1 | 7.6 | 23.6 | 16.4 | 27.6 |
| Power NI | 9.4 | 9.2 | 27.3 | 26.2 | 35.1 |
| PPB | 0.4 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 2.0 | 5.9 |
| Other | - | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.8 |
| Group Pro-Forma EBITDA | 41.9 | 32.9 | 101.7 | 92.7 | 130.8 |
| Adjustment for over/(under)-recovery | 5.8 | (3.1) | 4.2 | 11.2 | (4.3) |
| Group EBITDA | 47.7 | 29.8 | 105.9 | 103.9 | 126.5 |
| Depreciation/amortisation | | | | | |
| Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) | (5.5) | (4.8) | (15.3) | (14.7) | (19.4) |
| Energia renewable assets | (5.3) | (3.7) | (13.3) | (10.8) | (14.7) |
| Power NI | (0.4) | (0.2) | (0.8) | (1.0) | (1.2) |
| Other | (0.2) | (0.1) | (0.5) | (0.4) | (0.6) |
| Group depreciation and amortisation | (11.4) | (8.8) | (29.9) | (26.9) | (35.9) |
| Operating profit pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements | | | | | |
| Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) | 13.5 | 10.6 | 33.9 | 33.1 | 42.0 |
| Energia renewable assets | 7.8 | 3.9 | 10.3 | 5.6 | 12.9 |
| Power NI | 9.0 | 9.0 | 26.5 | 25.2 | 33.9 |
| PPB | 0.4 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 2.0 | 5.9 |
| Other | (0.2) | - | - | (0.1) | 0.2 |
| Group Pro-Forma operating profit | 30.5 | 24.1 | 71.8 | 65.8 | 94.9 |
| Adjustment for over/(under)-recovery | 5.8 | (3.1) | 4.2 | 11.2 | (4.3) |
| Operating profit pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements | 36.3 | 21.0 | 76.0 | 77.0 | 90.6 |
| Exceptional items and certain remeasurements | | | | | |
| Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) | (18.0) | 5.8 | 4.5 | 6.4 | (119.0) |
| Energia renewable assets | 1.6 | - | 1.6 | - | 0.3 |
| Power NI | (4.8) | - | 2.0 | - | 0.9 |
| Other | - | - | - | (0.1) | (0.1) |
| Group operating profit post-exceptional items and certain remeasurements | 15.1 | 26.8 | 84.1 | 83.3 | (27.3) |
| Finance cost | (9.0) | (7.8) | (25.0) | (58.4) | (70.1) |
| Finance income | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 1.1 |
| | (8.7) | (7.6) | (24.1) | (57.7) | (69.0) |
| Share of profit/(loss) in associates | - | (0.1) | (0.8) | (0.8) | (0.6) |
| Profit on sale of associate | 4.6 | - | 4.6 | - | - |
| Profit on ordinary activities before tax | 11.0 | 19.1 | 63.8 | 24.8 | (96.9) |

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3. REVENUE FROM CONTRACTS WITH CUSTOMERS

| | Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Nine months 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| Types of goods or services: | | | | | |
| Supply of electricity and gas | 315.6 | 321.1 | 886.1 | 756.0 | 1,105.7 |
| Electricity generation | 177.7 | 139.2 | 436.4 | 358.1 | 485.1 |
| Other | 0.1 | (0.3) | 0.8 | 0.8 | 1.2 |
| Inter-group elimination | (16.3) | (9.7) | (32.8) | (23.8) | (37.0) |
| Group | 477.1 | 450.3 | 1,290.5 | 1,091.1 | 1,555.0 |
| Adjustment for over/(under)-recovery | 5.8 | (3.1) | 4.2 | 11.2 | (4.3) |
| Total | 482.9 | 447.2 | 1,294.7 | 1,102.3 | 1,550.7 |
| Geographic information: | | | | | |
| UK | 215.1 | 202.6 | 569.6 | 494.7 | 684.0 |
| ROI | 267.8 | 244.6 | 725.1 | 607.6 | 866.7 |
| Total | 482.9 | 447.2 | 1,294.7 | 1,102.3 | 1,550.7 |

4. OPERATING COSTS

| | Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Operating costs are analysed as follows: | | | | | |
| Energy costs | 410.6 | 400.7 | 1,121.5 | 944.8 | 1,351.4 |
| Employee costs | 8.4 | 6.7 | 24.1 | 21.0 | 28.7 |
| Depreciation, amortisation and impairment | 11.4 | 8.8 | 29.9 | 26.9 | 35.9 |
| Other operating charges | 16.2 | 10.0 | 43.2 | 32.6 | 44.1 |
| Total pre exceptional items and certain remeasurements | 446.6 | 426.2 | 1,218.7 | 1,025.3 | 1,460.1 |
| <i>Exceptional costs and certain remeasurements:</i> | | | | | |
| Energy income/(costs) | 22.7 | (5.9) | (6.9) | (6.7) | (5.4) |
| Depreciation, amortisation and impairment | - | - | - | - | 124.2 |
| Other operating charges | (1.5) | 0.1 | (1.2) | 0.4 | (0.9) |
| Total exceptional costs and certain remeasurements | 21.2 | (5.8) | (8.1) | (6.3) | 117.9 |
| Total operating costs | 467.8 | 420.4 | 1,210.6 | 1,019.0 | 1,578.0 |

4.1 Depreciation, amortisation and impairment

| | Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|--|---|---|---|---|--|
| Depreciation | 8.9 | 7.5 | 25.1 | 22.5 | 30.0 |
| Amortisation of intangible assets | 2.5 | 1.3 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 5.9 |
| Associated release of contributions in respect of property plant & equipment | - | - | - | (0.1) | - |
| Total pre-exceptional items | 11.4 | 8.8 | 29.9 | 26.9 | 35.9 |
| Impairment of property, plant & equipment | - | - | - | - | 124.2 |
| Total depreciation, amortisation and impairment | 11.4 | 8.8 | 29.9 | 26.9 | 160.1 |

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5. EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS AND CERTAIN REMEASUREMENTS

| | Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Exceptional items in arriving at profit from continuing operations: | | | | | |
| Acquisition costs ¹ | (0.2) | (0.1) | (0.4) | (0.4) | - |
| Profit on disposal of associate ² | 4.6 | - | 4.6 | - | - |
| Release of contingent consideration ³ | 1.6 | - | 1.6 | - | - |
| Exceptional finance costs | - | - | - | (28.3) | (28.3) |
| Impairment of property, plant & equipment | - | - | - | - | (124.2) |
| | 6.0 | (0.1) | 5.8 | (28.7) | (152.5) |
| Certain remeasurements in arriving at profit | | | | | |
| Net (loss)/profit on derivatives at fair value through operating costs ⁴ | (22.6) | 5.9 | 6.9 | 6.7 | 6.3 |
| Net profit on derivatives at fair value through finance costs | - | - | - | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| | (22.6) | 5.9 | 6.9 | 12.6 | 12.2 |
| Exceptional items and certain remeasurements before taxation | (16.6) | 5.8 | 12.7 | (16.1) | (140.3) |
| Taxation on exceptional items and certain remeasurements | 1.6 | (0.7) | (0.8) | (0.8) | 14.6 |
| Exceptional items and certain remeasurements after taxation | (15.0) | 5.1 | 11.9 | (16.9) | (125.7) |

¹ Exceptional acquisition costs for Third Quarter 2019 of £0.2m (2018 - £0.1m) and for Nine Months 2019 of £0.4m (2018 - £0.4m) relate to costs associated with acquisitions whether successful or unsuccessful.

² Profit on disposal of associates for Third Quarter 2019 of £4.6m (2018 - £nil) and for Nine Months 2019 of £4.6m (2018 - £nil) relates to the net gain on disposal of the Group's minority interest in IIF Cyclone.

³ Release of contingent consideration for Third Quarter 2019 of £1.6m (2018 - £nil) and for Nine Months 2019 of £1.6m (2018 - £nil) relates to contingent consideration previously recognised for Cornavarrow, Slieveglass and Teiges.

⁴ Net loss on derivatives at fair value through operating costs for Third Quarter 2019 of £22.6m (2018 - £5.9m profit) and profit for Nine Months 2019 of £6.9m (2018 - £6.7m) primarily relates to fair value movements in commodity swap contracts and foreign exchange forward contracts relating to commodity purchases.

The tax charge in the profit and loss account relating to exceptional items and certain remeasurements is:

| | Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Fair valued derivatives through profit & loss | 1.6 | (0.7) | (0.8) | (0.8) | (0.9) |
| Impairment of property, plant & equipment | - | - | - | - | 15.5 |
| | 1.6 | (0.7) | (0.8) | (0.8) | (14.6) |

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6. FINANCE COSTS/INCOME

| | Results before exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Total Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Results before exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Total Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m |
|--|---|---|--|--|---|--|
| Finance costs | | | | | | |
| Interest on external bank loans and borrowings | (3.6) | - | (3.6) | (3.2) | - | (3.2) |
| Interest on senior secured notes | (5.9) | - | (5.9) | (5.8) | - | (5.8) |
| Total interest expense | (9.5) | - | (9.5) | (9.0) | - | (9.0) |
| Amortisation of financing charges | (0.3) | - | (0.3) | (0.4) | - | (0.4) |
| Unwinding of discount on decommissioning provision | (0.1) | - | (0.1) | - | - | - |
| Unwinding of discount on contingent liabilities | (0.4) | - | (0.4) | (0.4) | - | (0.4) |
| Other finance charges | (0.2) | - | (0.2) | (0.1) | - | (0.1) |
| Total other finance charges | (1.0) | - | (1.0) | (0.9) | - | (0.9) |
| Net exchange gain on net foreign currency borrowings | 1.5 | - | 1.5 | 1.2 | - | 1.2 |
| Less interest capitalised in qualifying asset | - | - | - | 0.9 | - | 0.9 |
| Total finance costs | (9.0) | - | (9.0) | (7.8) | - | (7.8) |
| Finance income | | | | | | |
| Interest income on loan to associates | 0.2 | - | 0.2 | 0.2 | - | 0.2 |
| Interest income on bank deposits | 0.1 | - | 0.1 | - | - | - |
| Total finance income | 0.3 | - | 0.3 | 0.2 | - | 0.2 |

The average capitalisation rate applied in determining the amount of borrowing costs to be capitalised in Third Quarter 2019 was nil as all wind farms are now operational (2018 – 5.1%).

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6. FINANCE COSTS/INCOME (continued)

| Finance Costs | Results before exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Total Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Results before exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Total Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Results before exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m | Exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m | Total 2018 Audited £m |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|--|--|---|--------------------------------|
| | Finance costs | | | | | | | | |
| Interest on external bank loans and borrowings | (10.3) | - | (10.3) | (9.6) | - | (9.6) | (12.8) | - | (12.8) |
| Interest on senior secured notes | (17.4) | - | (17.4) | (24.9) | - | (24.9) | (30.7) | - | (30.7) |
| Total interest expense | (27.7) | - | (27.7) | (34.5) | - | (34.5) | (43.5) | - | (43.5) |
| Amortisation of financing charges | (1.3) | - | (1.3) | (1.5) | (4.8) | (6.3) | (2.1) | (4.8) | (6.9) |
| Unwinding of discount on decommissioning provision | (0.2) | - | (0.2) | (0.2) | - | (0.2) | (0.2) | - | (0.2) |
| Unwinding of discount on contingent liabilities | (1.3) | - | (1.3) | (1.2) | - | (1.2) | (1.4) | - | (1.4) |
| Other finance charges | (0.2) | - | (0.2) | (0.2) | (23.5) | (23.7) | (0.2) | (23.5) | (23.7) |
| Total other finance charges | (3.0) | - | (3.0) | (3.1) | (28.3) | (31.4) | (3.9) | (28.3) | (32.2) |
| Net exchange gain on net foreign currency borrowings | 4.4 | - | 4.4 | 0.5 | - | 0.5 | (1.8) | - | (1.8) |
| Net gain on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss | - | - | - | - | 5.9 | 5.9 | - | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| Less interest capitalised in qualifying asset | 1.3 | - | 1.3 | 1.1 | - | 1.1 | 1.5 | - | 1.5 |
| Total finance costs | (25.0) | - | (25.0) | (36.0) | (22.4) | (58.4) | (47.7) | (22.4) | (70.1) |
| Finance income | | | | | | | | | |
| Interest income on loans to associates | 0.7 | - | 0.7 | 0.7 | - | 0.7 | 1.0 | - | 1.0 |
| Interest income on bank deposits | 0.2 | - | 0.2 | - | - | - | 0.1 | - | 0.1 |
| Total finance income | 0.9 | - | 0.9 | 0.7 | - | 0.7 | 1.1 | - | 1.1 |

The average capitalisation rate applied in determining the amount of borrowing costs to be capitalised in Nine Months 2019 was 3.3% (2018 – 4.8%).

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7. INCOME TAX

The major components of the tax charge for the periods ended 31 December 2018, 31 December 2017 and 31 March 2018 are:

| | Results before exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Total Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Results before exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Total Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|--|
| Current tax: | | | | | | |
| Current tax (charge)/credit | (1.8) | 1.6 | (0.2) | (0.7) | (0.7) | (1.4) |
| Total current tax (charge)/credit | (1.8) | 1.6 | (0.2) | (0.7) | (0.7) | (1.4) |
| Deferred tax: | | | | | | |
| Adjustments in respect of current year | (1.5) | - | (1.5) | (3.8) | - | (3.8) |
| Total deferred tax | (1.5) | - | (1.5) | (3.8) | - | (3.8) |
| Total taxation charge | (3.3) | 1.6 | (1.7) | (4.5) | (0.7) | (5.2) |

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7. INCOME TAX (continued)

| | Results before exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Total Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Results before exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Total Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Results before exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m | Exceptional items and certain remeasure- ments Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m | Total Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|--|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| Current tax: | | | | | | | | | |
| Current tax credit/(charge) | 0.2 | (0.8) | (0.6) | (1.3) | (0.8) | (2.1) | 0.1 | (0.9) | (0.8) |
| Total current tax credit/(charge) | 0.2 | (0.8) | (0.6) | (1.3) | (0.8) | (2.1) | 0.1 | (0.9) | (0.8) |
| Deferred tax: | | | | | | | | | |
| Adjustments in respect of current year | (5.7) | - | (5.7) | (3.9) | - | (3.9) | (3.7) | 15.5 | 11.8 |
| Adjustments in respect of prior years | - | - | - | - | - | - | (0.4) | - | (0.4) |
| Total deferred tax | (5.7) | - | (5.7) | (3.9) | - | (3.9) | (4.1) | 15.5 | 11.4 |
| Total taxation charge | (5.5) | (0.8) | (6.3) | (5.2) | (0.8) | (6.0) | (4.0) | 14.6 | 10.6 |

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8. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Capital additions to property, plant and equipment

| | Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) | 0.2 | 2.0 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 0.6 |
| Energia renewable assets | 7.8 | 9.8 | 46.5 | 48.4 | 60.7 |
| Other | - | - | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.6 |
| Total | 8.0 | 11.8 | 50.5 | 52.4 | 61.9 |

Capital additions to intangible assets

| | Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| Energia Group (excluding renewable assets) | 20.9 | 15.8 | 42.5 | 39.0 | 57.4 |
| Power NI | 21.8 | 14.2 | 57.3 | 42.1 | 60.1 |
| Other | 0.7 | 0.2 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 1.1 |
| Total | 43.4 | 30.2 | 101.5 | 81.4 | 118.6 |

9. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS

| | 31 December 2018 Unaudited £m | 31 December 2017 Unaudited £m | 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|--|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| <i>Loans and receivables:</i> | | | |
| Security deposits | 17.4 | 2.1 | 4.1 |
| Short term managed funds | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| Total loans and receivables | 18.7 | 3.4 | 5.4 |
| <i>Financial instruments held to maturity:</i> | | | |
| Viridian Growth Fund | - | 0.1 | - |
| Total other financial assets | 18.7 | 3.5 | 5.4 |
| Total non-current | - | 0.1 | - |
| Total current | 18.7 | 3.4 | 5.4 |

10. BUSINESS COMBINATIONS AND DISPOSALS

Acquisitions in 2019

In May 2018, the Group acquired 100% of the shares of CEHL (Dublin) Bioenergy Limited together with its subsidiary Huntstown Bioenergy Limited (Huntstown AD), an anaerobic digestion company in North Dublin. The total consideration for the acquisition was £0.5m cash and £2.3m discounted contingent consideration (£2.6m undiscounted). The acquisition contributes towards the Group's aim of growing its renewable generation business in Ireland.

In February 2019, the Group acquired 100% of the shares of Coolberrin Wind Limited (Coolberrin), an unlisted wind farm company in County Cavan. The total consideration for the acquisition was £0.3m discounted contingent consideration (£0.5m undiscounted).

Assets acquired and liabilities assumed

The fair values of the identifiable assets and liabilities of Huntstown AD acquired in Nine Months 2019 and the identifiable assets and liabilities of Coolberrin acquired post 31 December 2018 were:

| | Fair value recognised on acquisitions in Nine Months 2019 £m | Fair value recognised on acquisitions post balance sheet £m |
|---|---|---|
| <i>Assets</i> | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 0.7 | 0.6 |
| Intangible assets | 0.1 | - |
| Other receivables | 0.2 | - |
| | 1.0 | 0.6 |
| <i>Liabilities</i> | | |
| Other payables | (0.8) | - |
| Trade creditors and accruals | - | (0.4) |
| Shareholder loans | - | (0.4) |
| Total identifiable net assets/(liabilities) at fair value | 0.2 | (0.8) |
| Intangible assets (development assets) arising on acquisition | 2.6 | 0.5 |
| Purchase consideration transferred | 2.8 | 0.3 |
| <i>Purchase consideration made up of:</i> | | |
| Cash | 0.5 | - |
| Contingent consideration | 2.3 | 0.3 |
| | 2.8 | 0.3 |
| Analysis of cash flows on acquisition: | | |
| Cash | 0.5 | - |
| Discharge of liabilities | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| Acquisition costs | 0.1 | - |
| Net cash flows on acquisition | 1.1 | 0.4 |

Transaction costs of £0.2m were expensed in Nine Months 2019.

Huntstown AD and Coolberrin are not operational and are currently under development.

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10. BUSINESS COMBINATIONS AND DISPOSALS (continued)

Contingent consideration

On the acquisition of Huntstown AD, contingent consideration of £2.3m was recognised and reflects the maximum amount payable, with the minimum amount payable being £nil. Contingent consideration is expected to be paid in 2019/20 when construction and commissioning of the plant is achieved

During the Third Quarter 2019, a payment of £19.1m (2018 - £nil) was made reflecting payment of contingent consideration of £15.4m for Cornavarrow, Slieveglass and Teiges and payment of £3.7m for pre-acquisition services of Cornavarrow and Teiges following commissioning of the new wind farms.

Disposals in 2019

During the Third Quarter 2019 The Group disposed of its 20% interest in IIF Cyclone Holdco Limited (IIF Cyclone) and recognised a gain on disposal of £4.6m.

11. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

| | 31 December 2018 Unaudited £m | 31 December 2017 Unaudited £m | 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|--|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| Trade receivables (including unbilled consumption) | 181.6 | 159.9 | 164.9 |
| Prepayments and accrued income | 25.2 | 24.9 | 22.7 |
| Other receivables | 11.0 | 10.1 | 3.6 |
| | <u>217.8</u> | <u>194.9</u> | <u>191.2</u> |

12. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

| | 31 December 2018 Unaudited £m | 31 December 2017 Unaudited £m | 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|--------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| Cash at bank and on hand | 74.9 | 61.2 | 38.1 |
| Short-term bank deposits | 98.1 | 83.2 | 88.2 |
| | <u>173.0</u> | <u>144.2</u> | <u>126.3</u> |

13. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

| | 31 December 2018 Unaudited £m | 31 December 2017 Unaudited £m | 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|------------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| Trade creditors | 80.2 | 91.8 | 78.5 |
| Other creditors | 40.7 | 32.2 | 44.5 |
| Amounts owed to associate | 0.8 | 2.3 | 2.4 |
| Payments received on account | 27.0 | 27.1 | 23.5 |
| Tax and social security | 15.5 | 12.8 | 11.7 |
| Accruals | 194.1 | 152.0 | 163.2 |
| | <u>358.3</u> | <u>318.2</u> | <u>323.8</u> |

14. FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

| | 31 December 2018 Unaudited £m | 31 December 2017 Unaudited £m | 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|--|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| Current financial liabilities: | | | |
| Senior secured notes interest payable | 6.8 | 6.2 | 1.0 |
| Other interest payable | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.7 |
| Project financed bank facilities (NI) | 8.2 | 8.7 | 6.2 |
| Project financed bank facilities (RoI) | 11.2 | 10.5 | 10.5 |
| Project financed interest accruals | 2.9 | 2.6 | 0.4 |
| Contingent consideration | 5.0 | 2.5 | 18.5 |
| Other payables | - | - | 3.5 |
| Total current financial liabilities | 35.1 | 31.2 | 40.8 |
| Non-current financial liabilities: | | | |
| Senior secured notes €350m (2025) | 309.2 | 305.0 | 301.6 |
| Senior secured notes £225m (2024) | 221.5 | 220.9 | 221.1 |
| Project financed bank facilities (NI) | 186.2 | 146.7 | 146.3 |
| Project financed bank facilities (RoI) | 92.8 | 99.9 | 95.2 |
| Contingent consideration | - | 16.5 | - |
| Other payables | - | 3.4 | - |
| Total non-current financial liabilities | 809.7 | 792.4 | 764.2 |
| Total current and non-current financial liabilities | 844.8 | 823.6 | 805.0 |

The Senior secured notes (2024) are denominated in Sterling £225.0m (Sterling notes) and the Senior secured notes (2025) are denominated in Euro €350.0m (Euro notes). Interest, which is payable semi-annually, is charged at a fixed rate coupon of 4.75% for the Sterling notes and 4.0% for the Euro notes. The Sterling notes are repayable in one instalment on 15 September 2024 and the Euro notes are repayable in one instalment on 15 September 2025.

Both Senior secured notes (2024 and 2025) include an option for the period to 15 September 2020 to redeem annually up to 10% of the original principal at a redemption price of 103%.

At 31 December 2018, the Group had letters of credit issued out of the Senior revolving credit facility of £139.7m resulting in undrawn committed facilities of £85.3m (30 September 2018 – £101.4m, 31 March 2018 - £109.2m). There were no cash drawings under the Senior revolving credit facility at 31 December 2018 (30 September 2018 - £nil, 31 March 2018 - £nil). Interest is charged under the Senior revolving credit facility at floating interest rates based on Libor and Euribor.

Project financed bank facilities

The project financed bank loan facilities are repayable in semi-annual instalments to 2034 and are secured on a non-recourse basis over the assets and shares of the specific project finance companies. Interest on the project finance bank loan facilities has been predominantly fixed through interest rate swaps resulting in an effective rate of interest of 3.77% (2018 – 3.90%) on project financed bank facilities NI and 2.79% (2018 – 2.79%) in the project financed bank facilities RoI.

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14. FINANCIAL LIABILITIES (continued)

Contingent consideration

On acquisition of Dargan, contingent consideration of £2.5m was recognised reflecting the maximum amount payable, with the minimum amount payable being £nil. Contingent consideration relates to the accreditation for NIROCs, together with the execution of a lease option and the grant of planning and are anticipated to be paid in 2018/19. On acquisition of Huntstown AD contingent consideration of £2.3m was recognised and reflects the maximum amount payable, with the minimum amount payable being £nil. Contingent consideration is expected to be paid in 2019/20 when construction and commissioning of the plant is achieved.

During the Quarter, £15.4m was paid in relation to the contingent consideration of Cornavarrow, Slieveglass and Teiges, with the remaining balance of £1.6m being released to the income statement.

Other payables

Other payables of £3.7m were paid during the Third Quarter in relation to the pre-acquisition services of Cornavarrow and Teiges.

15. FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

Derivative financial assets

| | 31 December 2018 Unaudited £m | 31 December 2017 Unaudited £m | 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|---|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| <i>Derivatives at fair value through other comprehensive income</i> | | | |
| Cash flow hedges: | | | |
| Foreign exchange forward contracts | 0.4 | 0.3 | 1.4 |
| Commodity swap contracts | 9.4 | 4.2 | 3.1 |
| Interest rate swap contracts | 1.5 | 2.0 | 2.5 |
| Total derivatives at fair value through other comprehensive income | 11.3 | 6.5 | 7.0 |
| <i>Derivatives at fair value through profit and loss</i> | | | |
| Derivatives not designated as hedges: | | | |
| Foreign exchange forward contracts | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 |
| Commodity swap contracts | 14.9 | 9.3 | 9.2 |
| Total derivatives at fair value through profit and loss | 15.4 | 9.7 | 9.3 |
| Total derivative financial assets | 26.7 | 16.2 | 16.3 |
| Total non-current | 5.4 | 6.7 | 5.3 |
| Total current | 21.3 | 9.5 | 11.0 |

15. FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES (continued)

Derivative financial liabilities

| | 31 December 2018 Unaudited £m | 31 December 2017 Unaudited £m | 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|---|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| <i>Derivatives at fair value through other comprehensive income</i> | | | |
| Cash flow hedges: | | | |
| Foreign exchange forward contracts | (1.2) | (2.9) | (1.5) |
| Commodity swap contracts | (7.1) | (0.4) | (0.7) |
| Interest rate swap contracts | (11.5) | (13.3) | (9.6) |
| Total derivatives at fair value through other comprehensive income | (19.8) | (16.6) | (11.8) |
| <i>Derivatives at fair value through profit and loss</i> | | | |
| Derivatives not designated as hedges: | | | |
| Foreign exchange forward contracts | (0.5) | (0.7) | (0.4) |
| Commodity swap contracts | (1.4) | (2.2) | (2.7) |
| Total derivatives at fair value through profit and loss | (1.9) | (2.9) | (3.1) |
| Total derivative financial liabilities | (21.7) | (19.5) | (14.9) |
| Total non-current | (10.8) | (11.7) | (8.3) |
| Total current | (10.9) | (7.8) | (6.6) |

FAIR VALUES

As indicated in note 3(d) in the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2018, the Group uses the hierarchy as set out in IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures for determining the fair value of derivatives by valuation technique. A summary of the fair values of the financial assets and liabilities of the Group together with the carrying values shown in the balance sheet and their fair value hierarchy is as follows:

| | 31 December 2018 | | 31 December 2017 | | 31 March 2018 | |
|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| | Carrying value £m | Fair value £m | Carrying value £m | Fair value £m | Carrying value £m | Fair value £m |
| Level 1 | | | | | | |
| Non-current assets | | | | | | |
| Senior secured notes (2024 and 2025) | (530.7) | (497.3) | (525.9) | (533.7) | (522.7) | (500.6) |
| Level 2 | | | | | | |
| Non-current assets | | | | | | |
| Viridian Growth Fund | - | - | 0.1 | 0.1 | - | - |
| Non-current liabilities | | | | | | |
| Project financed bank facilities (NI) | (186.2) | (186.2) | (146.7) | (146.7) | (146.3) | (146.3) |
| Project financed bank facilities (ROI) | (92.8) | (92.8) | (99.9) | (99.9) | (95.2) | (95.2) |
| Level 3 | | | | | | |
| Non-current liabilities | | | | | | |
| Financial liabilities (contingent consideration) | - | - | (16.5) | (16.5) | - | - |
| Other payables | - | - | (3.4) | (3.4) | - | - |
| Current liabilities | | | | | | |
| Financial liabilities (contingent consideration) | (5.0) | (5.0) | - | - | (18.5) | (18.5) |
| Other payables | - | - | - | - | (3.5) | (3.5) |

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15. FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES (continued)

The carrying value of cash, trade receivables, trade payables and other current assets and liabilities is equivalent to fair value due to the short term maturities of these items. Contingent consideration is estimated as the present value of future cash flows disclosed at the market rate of interest at the reporting date. Derivatives are measured at fair value. There have been no transfers between hierarchy.

The fair value of the Group's project financed bank facilities (RoI), project financed bank facilities (NI) and Senior revolving credit facility are determined by using discounted cash flows based on the Group's borrowing rate. The fair value of the Group's Senior secured notes are based on the quoted market price. The fair value of interest rate swaps, foreign exchange forward contracts, foreign exchange cross currency swaps and commodity contracts has been valued by calculating the present value of future cash flows, estimated using forward rates from third party market price quotations.

The fair value of the Group's project financed bank facilities (RoI) and project financed bank facilities (NI) are a close approximation to their carrying value given that they bear interest at floating rates based on Libor/Euribor.

The fair value of contingent consideration is considered by the Director to fall within the level 3 fair value hierarchy and is measured using the present value of the pay-out associated with the accreditation for NIROCs and earnouts set out in the relevant purchase agreement. The carrying value of £5.0m is estimated to approximate to its fair value determined by using discounted cash flows based on the Company's borrowing rate.

16. NOTES TO GROUP CASH FLOW STATEMENT

| | Third Quarter 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Third Quarter 2018 Unaudited £m | Nine Months 2019 Unaudited £m | Restated Nine Months 2018 Unaudited £m | Restated Year ended 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Operating activities | | | | | |
| Profit/(loss) before tax from continuing operations | 11.0 | 19.1 | 63.8 | 24.8 | (96.9) |
| <i>Adjustments to reconcile profit before tax to net cash flows:</i> | | | | | |
| Depreciation and impairment of property, plant and equipment | 8.9 | 7.5 | 25.1 | 22.5 | 154.2 |
| Amortisation and impairment of intangible assets | 2.5 | 1.3 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 5.9 |
| Amortisation of contributions in respect of property, plant and equipment | - | - | - | (0.1) | - |
| Derivatives at fair value through income statement | 22.6 | (5.9) | (6.9) | (12.6) | (12.2) |
| Net finance costs | 8.7 | 7.6 | 24.1 | 35.3 | 46.6 |
| Exceptional finance costs | - | - | - | 28.3 | 28.3 |
| Share of loss in associates | - | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.6 |
| Acquisition costs | - | - | - | - | (0.3) |
| Profit on disposal of associates | (4.6) | - | (4.6) | - | - |
| Write off of contingent consideration | (1.6) | - | (1.6) | - | - |
| Defined benefit charge less contributions paid | (0.6) | - | (0.6) | - | (1.1) |
| Share based payment | - | - | 0.5 | - | - |
| Cash generated from operations before working capital movements | 46.9 | 29.7 | 105.4 | 103.5 | 125.1 |

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17. ANALYSIS OF NET DEBT

| | Cash and cash equivalents £m | Short term managed funds £m | Debt due within one year £m | Debt due after more than one year £m | Total £m |
|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|----------------|
| At 1 April 2017 | 120.2 | 1.4 | (17.6) | (701.2) | (597.2) |
| Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 20.0 | (0.1) | - | - | 19.9 |
| Proceeds from issue of borrowings | - | - | - | (596.2) | (596.2) |
| Repayment of borrowings | - | - | 5.0 | 533.1 | 538.1 |
| Issue costs on new long term loans | - | - | - | 12.1 | 12.1 |
| Increase in interest accruals | - | - | (5.5) | - | (5.5) |
| Amortisation | - | - | (0.5) | (5.8) | (6.3) |
| Reclassifications | - | - | (7.4) | 7.4 | - |
| Translation difference | 4.0 | - | (2.7) | (21.9) | (20.6) |
| At 31 December 2017 | 144.2 | 1.3 | (28.7) | (772.5) | (655.7) |
| At 1 April 2017 | 120.2 | 1.4 | (17.6) | (701.2) | (597.2) |
| Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 2.5 | (0.1) | - | - | 2.4 |
| Proceeds from issue of borrowings | - | - | - | (598.7) | (598.7) |
| Repayment of borrowings | - | - | 14.0 | 533.1 | 547.1 |
| Issue costs on new long term loans | - | - | - | 11.8 | 11.8 |
| Decrease in interest accruals | - | - | 1.9 | - | 1.9 |
| Amortisation | - | - | (0.6) | (6.3) | (6.9) |
| Reclassifications | - | - | (16.2) | 16.2 | - |
| Translation difference | 3.6 | - | (0.3) | (19.1) | (15.8) |
| At 31 March 2018 | 126.3 | 1.3 | (18.8) | (764.2) | (655.4) |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents | 45.9 | - | - | - | 45.9 |
| Proceeds from issue of borrowings | - | - | (6.1) | (44.4) | (50.5) |
| Repayment of borrowings | - | - | 12.4 | - | 12.4 |
| Issue costs on new long term loans | - | - | - | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Increase in interest accruals | - | - | (8.6) | - | (8.6) |
| Amortisation | - | - | (0.6) | (0.7) | (1.3) |
| Reclassifications | - | - | (8.1) | 8.1 | - |
| Translation difference | 0.8 | - | (0.3) | (9.5) | (9.0) |
| At 31 December 2018 | 173.0 | 1.3 | (30.1) | (809.7) | (665.5) |

18. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

At 31 December 2018 the Group had contracted future capital expenditure in respect of tangible fixed assets of £21.4m (31 December 2017 - £32.4m).

19. DISTRIBUTIONS MADE AND PROPOSED

Dividends of £nil (2017 - £nil) were paid to the parent undertaking in Third Quarter 2019 and £nil in Nine months 2019 (2018 - £60.0m).

In January 2019, dividends of £30.0m were paid to the parent undertaking.

20. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The nature and type of related party transactions for the Third Quarter 2019 and Nine Months 2019 do not differ significantly from those in the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2018.

21. SEASONALITY OF OPERATIONS

Certain activities of the Group are affected by weather and temperature conditions and seasonal market price fluctuations. As a result of this, the amounts reported for the interim period may not be indicative of the amounts that will be reported for the full year due to seasonal fluctuations in customer demand for gas and electricity, the impact of weather on demand, renewable generation output and commodity prices, market changes in commodity prices and changes in retail tariffs. In retail supply, notable seasonal effects include the impact on customer demand of fluctuating temperatures in the Nine Months of the financial year. In wholesale generation, there is the impact of lower customer demand on commodity prices, the weather impact on renewable generation and other seasonal effects. The impact of temperature on customer demand for gas is more volatile than the equivalent demand for electricity.

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22. NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS, INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS ADOPTED BY THE GROUP

Analysis of IFRS adjustments to the Group Balance Sheet at 31 March 2017

| ASSETS | 31 March 2017 Audited £m | IFRS adjustments £m | Restated 31 March 2017 Audited £m |
|--|---|------------------------------------|--|
| Non-current assets: | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 497.9 | - | 497.9 |
| Intangible assets | 552.6 | 4.5 | 557.1 |
| Investment in associates | 6.2 | - | 6.2 |
| Derivative financial instruments | 20.0 | - | 20.0 |
| Other non-current financial assets | 0.1 | - | 0.1 |
| Deferred tax assets | 27.3 | - | 27.3 |
| | <u>1,104.1</u> | <u>4.5</u> | <u>1,108.6</u> |
| Current assets: | | | |
| Inventories | 4.8 | - | 4.8 |
| Trade and other receivables | 150.1 | - | 150.1 |
| Derivative financial instruments | 10.1 | - | 10.1 |
| Other current financial assets | 3.8 | - | 3.8 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 120.2 | - | 120.2 |
| | <u>289.0</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>289.0</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS | <u>1,393.1</u> | <u>4.5</u> | <u>1,397.6</u> |
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | |
| Trade and other payables | (262.2) | - | (262.2) |
| Income tax payable | (1.7) | - | (1.7) |
| Financial liabilities | (17.6) | - | (17.6) |
| Derivative financial instruments | (9.6) | - | (9.6) |
| | <u>(291.1)</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>(291.1)</u> |
| Non-current liabilities: | | | |
| Financial liabilities | (717.7) | - | (717.7) |
| Derivative financial instruments | (11.4) | - | (11.4) |
| Net employee defined benefit liabilities | - | - | - |
| Deferred tax liabilities | (16.8) | - | (16.8) |
| Provisions | (11.4) | - | (11.4) |
| | <u>(757.3)</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>(757.3)</u> |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | <u>(1,048.4)</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>(1,048.4)</u> |
| NET ASSETS | <u>344.7</u> | <u>4.5</u> | <u>349.2</u> |
| Equity | | | |
| Share capital | - | - | - |
| Share premium | 660.6 | - | 660.6 |
| Retained earnings | (401.7) | 4.2 | (397.5) |
| Capital contribution reserve | 161.5 | - | 161.5 |
| Hedge reserve | (13.9) | - | (13.9) |
| Foreign currency translation reserve | (61.8) | 0.3 | (61.5) |
| TOTAL EQUITY | <u>344.7</u> | <u>4.5</u> | <u>349.2</u> |

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22. NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS, INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS ADOPTED BY THE GROUP (continued)

Analysis of IFRS adjustments to the Group Balance Sheet at 31 December 2017

| ASSETS | December 2017 Unaudited £m | IFRS adjustments £m | Restated 31 December 2017 Unaudited £m |
|--|---|------------------------------------|---|
| Non-current assets: | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 538.8 | - | 538.8 |
| Intangible assets | 560.9 | 5.0 | 565.9 |
| Investment in associates | 6.2 | - | 6.2 |
| Derivative financial instruments | 6.7 | - | 6.7 |
| Other non-current financial assets | 0.1 | - | 0.1 |
| Deferred tax assets | 25.6 | - | 25.6 |
| | <u>1,138.3</u> | <u>5.0</u> | <u>1,143.3</u> |
| Current assets: | | | |
| Inventories | 5.0 | - | 5.0 |
| Trade and other receivables | 194.9 | - | 194.9 |
| Derivative financial instruments | 9.5 | - | 9.5 |
| Other current financial assets | 3.4 | - | 3.4 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 144.2 | - | 144.2 |
| | <u>357.0</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>357.0</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS | <u><u>1,495.3</u></u> | <u><u>5.0</u></u> | <u><u>1,500.3</u></u> |
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | |
| Trade and other payables | (318.2) | - | (318.2) |
| Income tax payable | (3.6) | - | (3.6) |
| Financial liabilities | (31.2) | - | (31.2) |
| Derivative financial instruments | (7.8) | - | (7.8) |
| Deferred income | - | - | - |
| | <u>(360.8)</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>(360.8)</u> |
| Non-current liabilities: | | | |
| Financial liabilities | (792.4) | - | (792.4) |
| Derivative financial instruments | (11.7) | - | (11.7) |
| Net employee defined benefit liabilities | (0.1) | - | (0.1) |
| Deferred tax liabilities | (19.0) | - | (19.0) |
| Provisions | (12.7) | - | (12.7) |
| | <u>(835.9)</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>(835.9)</u> |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | <u><u>(1,196.7)</u></u> | <u><u>-</u></u> | <u><u>(1,196.7)</u></u> |
| NET ASSETS | <u><u>298.6</u></u> | <u><u>5.0</u></u> | <u><u>303.6</u></u> |
| Equity | | | |
| Share capital | - | - | - |
| Share premium | 660.6 | - | 660.6 |
| Retained earnings | (383.1) | 4.5 | (378.6) |
| Capital contribution reserve | 101.5 | - | 101.5 |
| Hedge reserve | (9.6) | - | (9.6) |
| Foreign currency translation reserve | (70.8) | 0.5 | (70.3) |
| TOTAL EQUITY | <u><u>298.6</u></u> | <u><u>5.0</u></u> | <u><u>303.6</u></u> |

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22. NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS, INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS ADOPTED BY THE GROUP (continued)

Analysis of IFRS adjustments to the Group Balance Sheet at 31 March 2018

| ASSETS | 31 March 2018 Audited £m | IFRS adjustments £m | Restated 31 March 2018 Audited £m |
|--|---|------------------------------------|--|
| Non-current assets: | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 415.1 | - | 415.1 |
| Intangible assets | 573.1 | 5.1 | 578.2 |
| Investment in associates | 6.7 | - | 6.7 |
| Derivative financial instruments | 5.3 | - | 5.3 |
| Other non-current financial assets | - | - | - |
| Deferred tax assets | 27.3 | - | 27.3 |
| | <u>1,027.5</u> | <u>5.1</u> | <u>1,032.6</u> |
| Current assets: | | | |
| Inventories | 4.9 | - | 4.9 |
| Trade and other receivables | 191.2 | - | 191.2 |
| Derivative financial instruments | 11.0 | - | 11.0 |
| Other current financial assets | 5.4 | - | 5.4 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 126.3 | - | 126.3 |
| | <u>338.8</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>338.8</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS | <u><u>1,366.3</u></u> | <u><u>5.1</u></u> | <u><u>1,371.4</u></u> |
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | |
| Trade and other payables | (323.8) | - | (323.8) |
| Income tax payable | (2.3) | - | (2.3) |
| Financial liabilities | (40.8) | - | (40.8) |
| Derivative financial instruments | (6.6) | - | (6.6) |
| Deferred income | - | - | - |
| | <u>(373.5)</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>(373.5)</u> |
| Non-current liabilities: | | | |
| Financial liabilities | (764.2) | - | (764.2) |
| Derivative financial instruments | (8.3) | - | (8.3) |
| Net employee defined benefit liabilities | - | - | - |
| Deferred tax liabilities | (5.9) | - | (5.9) |
| Provisions | (13.1) | - | (13.1) |
| | <u>(791.5)</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>(791.5)</u> |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | <u><u>(1,165.0)</u></u> | <u><u>-</u></u> | <u><u>(1,165.0)</u></u> |
| NET ASSETS | <u><u>201.3</u></u> | <u><u>5.1</u></u> | <u><u>206.4</u></u> |
| Equity | | | |
| Share capital | - | - | - |
| Share premium | 660.6 | - | 660.6 |
| Retained earnings | (489.4) | 4.7 | (484.7) |
| Capital contribution reserve | 101.5 | - | 101.5 |
| Hedge reserve | (4.8) | - | (4.8) |
| Foreign currency translation reserve | (66.6) | 0.4 | (66.2) |
| TOTAL EQUITY | <u><u>201.3</u></u> | <u><u>5.1</u></u> | <u><u>206.4</u></u> |

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22. NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS, INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS ADOPTED BY THE GROUP (continued)

Group reconciliation of Income Statement for the 9 months ended 31 December 2017

| | Nine months 2018 Unaudited £m | IFRS adjustments £m | Restated Total Nine months 2018 Unaudited £m |
|--|--|---------------------------|---|
| Continuing operations | | | |
| Revenue | 1,109.3 | (7.0) | 1,102.3 |
| Operating costs | (1,026.3) | 7.3 | (1,019.0) |
| Operating profit | 83.0 | 0.3 | 83.3 |
| Finance costs | (58.4) | - | (58.4) |
| Finance income | 0.7 | - | 0.7 |
| Net finance cost | (57.7) | - | (57.7) |
| Share of loss in associates | (0.8) | - | (0.8) |
| Profit before tax | 24.5 | 0.3 | 24.8 |
| Taxation | (6.0) | - | (6.0) |
| Profit for the period | 18.5 | 0.3 | 18.8 |
| Items that will be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss: | | | |
| Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations | (9.0) | 0.2 | (8.8) |
| Net loss on cash flow hedges | (0.1) | - | (0.1) |
| Transferred loss from equity to income statement on cash flow hedges | 4.2 | - | 4.2 |
| Share of associates net gain on cash flow hedges | 0.2 | - | 0.2 |
| Income tax effect | - | - | - |
| | 4.3 | - | 4.3 |
| | (4.7) | 0.2 | (4.5) |
| Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss: | | | |
| Remeasurement loss on defined benefit scheme | 0.1 | - | 0.1 |
| Income tax effect | - | - | - |
| | 0.1 | - | 0.1 |
| Other comprehensive expense for the period, net of taxation | (4.6) | 0.2 | (4.4) |
| Total comprehensive income for the period | 13.9 | 0.5 | 14.4 |

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22. NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS, INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS ADOPTED BY THE GROUP (continued)

Group reconciliation of Income Statement for the year ended 31 March 2018

| | Total 2018 Audited £m | IFRS adjustments £m | Restated Total 2018 Audited £m |
|--|--------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Continuing operations | | | |
| Revenue | 1,561.2 | (10.5) | 1,550.7 |
| Operating costs | (1,589.0) | 11.0 | (1,578.0) |
| Operating loss | (27.8) | 0.5 | (27.3) |
| Finance costs | (70.1) | - | (70.1) |
| Finance income | 1.1 | - | 1.1 |
| Net finance cost | (69.0) | - | (69.0) |
| Share of loss in associates | (0.6) | - | (0.6) |
| Loss before tax | (97.4) | 0.5 | (96.9) |
| Taxation | 10.6 | - | 10.6 |
| Loss for the period | (86.8) | 0.5 | (86.3) |
| Items that will be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss: | | | |
| Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations | (4.8) | 0.1 | (4.7) |
| Net gain on cash flow hedges | 5.3 | - | 5.3 |
| Transferred loss from equity to income statement on cash flow hedges | 4.0 | - | 4.0 |
| Share of associates net gain on cash flow hedges | 0.4 | - | 0.4 |
| Income tax effect | (0.6) | - | (0.6) |
| | 9.1 | - | 9.1 |
| | 4.3 | 0.1 | 4.4 |
| Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss: | | | |
| Remeasurement loss on defined benefit scheme | (1.1) | - | (1.1) |
| Income tax effect | 0.2 | - | 0.2 |
| | (0.9) | - | (0.9) |
| Other comprehensive income for the period, net of taxation | 3.4 | 0.1 | 3.5 |
| Total comprehensive expense for the period | (83.4) | 0.6 | (82.8) |