(Registered No 07599899)

## **ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 2012**

Board of Directors

S J MacRae

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## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2012.

#### Results and dividends

The loss for the year after taxation was \$5,100,305 when added to the retained deficit brought forward at 1 January 2012 \$21,924,658, gives a total retained deficit carried forward at 31 December 2012 of \$27,024,963

The company has not declared any dividends during the year (2011 \$Nil) The directors do not propose the payment of a dividend

## Principal activities and review of the business

The State Oil Company of Azerbaijan Republic ("SOCAR") and BP have executed Exploration, Development and Production Sharing Agreement ("EDPSA") for the Shafag-Asiman ("SA") offshore block in the Azerbaijan Sector of the Caspian Sea dated 7 October 2010 which became effective on 1 July 2011 A bonus in the amount of USD 20 million was paid by BP to SOCAR within 30 days of the effective date. The annual acreage fee is USD 2 thousand per square kilometre of the Contract Area of 1,059 square kilometres paid annually in arrears during exploration and additional exploration periods

The exploration period commenced on 1 July 2011 and is to continue for the 4 years with possible extensions if there are reservoir pressures greater than 1,000 atmospheres or if there is unavailability of rig(s) required to fulfil the minimum work obligations during the exploration period

BP Shafag-Asiman Limited was incorporated on 11 April 2011. As a contractor party the company has 50% of the participating interest under the SA EDPSA. The remaining 50% of the participating interest is held by a company owned and controlled by SOCAR - SOCAR Oil Affiliate (SOA).

According to the SA EDPSA, BP Shafag-Asiman Limited has an obligation to carry all petroleum costs attributable to the participating interest of SOA during the exploration period. SOA's share of the cost carried by BP Shafag-ASiman Limited will be reimbursed by SOA upon commencement of commercial production from a part of Petroleum allocated to SOA's participating interest share, otherwise costs will be borne by BP Shafag-Asiman Limited Costs borne on behalf of SOA are capitalised or expensed in accordance with the company's normal accounting policy

According to EDPSA, BP has committed to the following work obligation during the exploration period—shoot process and interpret a minimum of 1,059 square kilometres of three dimensional seismic in the contract area and carry out an upper section site survey in the contract area to select a safe and environmentally sound site for drilling, drill two exploration wells and conduct the necessary environmental protection study. If the first exploration well to be drilled does not encounter commercial hydrocarbons, then upon consultation with SOCAR, BP may elect not to drill the second exploration well.

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## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

## Principal activities and review of the business (continued)

During the exploration period BP as Operator contracted Caspian Geophysical to obtain three dimensional seismic data for the contract area. The process of seismic acquisition was completed on 4 January 2012. Data interpretation works started in 2013 and will continue through 2014. The estimated cost for the data processing and interpretation in 2013 is around USD 1 million.

BP commercial and legal teams are working to execute the Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) which will provide for governance details and structure as well as a precise definition of rights and responsibilities of parties set in the SA EDPSA. According to the SA EDPSA, BP or its affiliate shall act as the operating company during the exploration period and the additional exploration period and before the commencement of the development and production period BP Exploration (Shafag-Asiman) Limited ("BPXSA") has been incorporated with the purpose of being the operator under the SA EDPSA, and will be appointed as such upon execution of the JOA to which BPXSA will also be a party

No key financial and other performance indicators have been identified for this company

## Principal risks and uncertainties

The company aims to deliver sustainable value by identifying and responding successfully to risks Risk management is integrated into the process of planning and performance management at a group level. Monitoring and accountability for the management of these risks occur through quarterly performance reviews at a group level.

Please consider carefully the risks described below. The potential impact of the occurrence or reoccurrence of any of the risks described below could have a material adverse effect on the company's business, financial position, results of operations, competitive position, cash flows, prospects, liquidity, shareholder returns and/or implementation of its strategic agenda.

Company level risks have been categorised against the following areas, strategic and commercial, compliance and control, and safety and operational. In addition, we have also set out a further category of risk for your attention – those resulting from the 2010 Gulf of Mexico oil spill (the Incident)

## Gulf of Mexico oil spill

The Gulf of Mexico oil spill has had and could continue to have a material adverse impact on BP as a group, and consequently may also have an adverse impact on BP Shafag-Asiman Limited

Whilst the BP group recognised significant charges in the income statement since the Incident occurred in 2010, there is significant uncertainty regarding the extent and timing of the remaining costs and liabilities relating to the Incident, the potential changes in applicable regulations and the operating environment that may result from the Incident, the impact of the Incident on the reputation of the group and the resulting possible impact on the group's licence to operate including its ability to access new opportunities. The amount of claims that become payable by the BP group, the amount of fines ultimately levied on the BP group (including any potential determination of the BP group's negligence or gross negligence), the outcome of litigation, the terms of any further settlements including the amount and timing of any payments thereunder, and any costs arising from any longer-term environmental consequences of the Incident, will also impact upon the ultimate cost for the BP group

Although the provisions recognised represent the current best estimates of expenditures required to settle certain present obligations that can be reasonably estimated at the end of the reporting period, there are future expenditures for which it is not possible to measure the obligations reliably and the total amounts payable by the BP group in relation to all obligations relating to the Incident are subject to significant uncertainty

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

#### Principal risks and uncertainties (continued)

## Gulf of Mexico oil spill (continued)

These uncertainties are likely to continue for a significant period, increase the risks to which the group is exposed and may cause costs to increase. Thus, the Incident has had, and could continue to have, a material adverse impact on the group's business, competitive position, financial performance, cash flows, prospects, liquidity, shareholder returns and/or implementation of its strategic agenda, particularly in the US. The risks associated with the Incident could also heighten the impact of the other risks to which the group is exposed as further described below. Further information on the Incident, is included within the BP group Annual Report and Form 20-F for the year ended 31 December 2012.

## Strategic and commercial risks

#### Access and renewal

Successful execution of the company's strategy depends on implementing activities to renew and reposition its portfolio. The challenges to renewal of the company's upstream portfolio are growing due to increasing competition for access to opportunities globally and heightened political and economic risks in certain countries where significant hydrocarbon bases are located. Lack of material positions in new markets could impact the company's future hydrocarbon production.

Moreover, the Gulf of Mexico oil spill has damaged the BP group's reputation, which may have a long-term impact on the group's ability to access new opportunities, both in the US and elsewhere. Adverse public, political and industry sentiment towards the BP group, and towards oil and gas drilling activities generally, could damage or impair the company's existing commercial relationships with counterparties, partners and host governments and could impair access to new investment opportunities, exploration properties, operatorships or other essential commercial arrangements with potential partners and host governments, particularly in the US. In addition, responding to the Incident has placed, and will continue to place, a significant burden on cash flow over the next several years, which could also impede the BP group's ability to invest in new opportunities and deliver long-term growth, which in turn may impact the company. More stringent regulation of the oil and gas industry generally, and of the BP group's activities specifically, arising from the Incident, could increase this risk.

## Climate change and carbon pricing

Compliance with changes in laws, regulations and obligations relating to climate change could result in substantial capital expenditure, taxes, reduced profitability from changes in operating costs, and revenue generation and strategic growth opportunities being impacted. The company's commitment to the transition to a lower-carbon economy may create expectations for its activities, and the level of participation in alternative energies carries reputational, economic and technology risks

#### Socio-political

The diverse nature of the company's operations around the world exposes it to a wide range of political developments and consequent changes to the operating environment, regulatory environment and law

The company has operations, and are seeking new opportunities, in countries where political, economic and social transition is taking place. Some countries have experienced or may experience in the future political instability, changes to the regulatory environment, expropriation or nationalisation of property, civil strife, strikes, acts of war and insurrections. Any of these conditions occurring could disrupt or terminate the company's operations, causing its development activities to be curtailed or terminated in these areas or its production to decline, could limit the company's ability to pursue new opportunities could affect the recoverability of its assets and could cause it to incur additional costs.

#### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

## Principal risks and uncertainties (continued)

Strategic and commercial risks (continued)

#### Competition

The company's strategy depends upon continuous innovation in a highly competitive market

The oil, gas and petrochemicals industries are highly competitive. There is strong competition, both within the oil and gas industry and with other industries, in supplying the fuel needs of commerce, industry and the home. Competition puts pressure on the terms of access to new opportunities, licence costs and product prices, affects oil products marketing and requires continuous management focus on reducing unit costs and improving efficiency, while ensuring safety and operational risk is not compromised. The implementation of the BP group strategy requires continued technological advances and innovation including advances in exploration, production, refining, petrochemicals manufacturing technology and advances in technology related to energy usage. The company's performance could be impeded if competitors developed or acquired intellectual property rights to technology that it required or if its innovation lagged the industry, or by its failure to adequately protect the company's brands and trademarks. The company's competitive position could be adversely affected if competitors offer superior terms for access rights or licences, if it fails to control its operating costs or manage its margins, or if it fails to sustain, develop and operate efficiently a high quality portfolio of assets

## Joint ventures and other contractual arrangements

Many of the company's major projects and operations are conducted through joint ventures or associates and through contracting and sub-contracting arrangements. These arrangements often involve complex risk allocation, decision-making process and indemnification arrangements. In certain cases, the company may have less control of such activities than it would have if the company had full operational control.

The company's partners may have economic or business interests or objectives that are inconsistent with, or opposed to, those of the company's and may exercise veto rights to block certain key decisions or actions that the company believes are in its or the joint venture's or associate's best interest, or approve such matters without the company's consent

Additionally, the company's joint venture partners or associates or contractual counterparties are primarily responsible for the adequacy of the human or technical competencies and capabilities which they bring to bear on the joint project and in the event these are found to be lacking the company's joint venture partners or associates may not be able to meet their financial or other obligations to their counterparties or to the relevant project, potentially threatening the viability of such projects.

Furthermore should accidents or incidents occur in operations in which the company participates, whether as operator or otherwise, and where it is held that the company's sub-contractors or joint venture partners are legally liable to share any aspects of the cost of responding to such incidents, the financial capacity of these third parties may prove inadequate to fully indemnify the company against the costs it incurs on behalf of the joint venture or contractual arrangement. Should a key sub-contractor, such as a lessor of drilling rigs, be no longer able to make these assets available to the company, this could result in serious disruption to its operations. Where the company does not have operational control of a venture, the company may nonetheless still be pursued by regulators or claimants in the event of an incident

#### Digital infrastructure

The reliability and security of the company's digital infrastructure are critical to maintaining the availability of its business applications including the reliable operation of technology in its various business operations and the collection and processing of financial and operational data as well as the confidentiality of certain third-party information

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

#### Principal risks and uncertainties (continued)

## Strategic and commercial risks (continued)

## Digital infrastructure (continued)

A breach of the company's digital security, either due to intentional actions or due to negligence, could cause serious damage to business operations and, in some circumstances, could result in the loss of data or sensitive information, injury to people, damage to assets, harm to the environment, reputational damage, breaches of regulations litigation, legal liabilities and reparation costs

#### Business continuity and disaster recovery

Contingency plans are required to continue or recover operations following a disruption or incident. Inability to restore or replace critical capacity to an agreed level within an agreed timeframe would prolong the impact of any disruption and could severely affect business and operations

## Crisis management

Crisis management plans and capability are essential to deal with emergencies at every level of the company's operations. If the company does not respond, or is perceived not to respond, in an appropriate manner to either an external or internal crisis, its business and operations could be severely disrupted.

## Compliance and control risks

#### Regulatory

Due to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill it is likely that there will be more stringent regulation of the BP group's oil and gas activities in the US and elsewhere, particularly relating to environmental, health and safety controls and oversight of drilling operations, as well as access to new drilling areas

Regulatory or legislative action may impact the industry as a whole and could be directed specifically towards the BP group New regulations and legislation, the terms of the BP group's settlements with US government authorities and future settlements or litigation outcomes related to the Incident, and/or evolving practices could increase the cost of compliance and may require changes to the company's drilling operations, exploration, development and decommissioning plans, and could impact the company's ability to capitalise on its assets and limit its access to new exploration properties or operatorships. In addition, increases in taxes, royalties and other amounts payable to governments or governmental agencies or restrictions on availability of tax relief, could also be imposed as a response to the Incident

In addition, the oil industry in general is subject to regulation and intervention by governments throughout the world in such matters as the award of exploration and production interests, the imposition of specific drilling obligations, environmental, health and safety controls, controls over the development and decommissioning of a field (including restrictions on production) and, possibly, nationalisation, expropriation, cancellation or non-renewal of contract rights

Failure to respond to changes in trading regulations could result in regulatory action and damage to the company's reputation. The oil industry is also subject to the payment of royalties and taxation, which tend to be high compared with those payable in respect of other commercial activities, and operates in certain tax jurisdictions that have a degree of uncertainty relating to the interpretation of, and changes to, tax law. As a result of new laws and regulations or other factors, the company could be required to curtail or cease certain operations, or could incur additional costs.

#### Ethical misconduct and non-compliance

The code of conduct, which applies to all employees, defines the company's commitment to integrity, compliance with all applicable legal requirements, high ethical standards and the behaviours and actions the company expects of its businesses and people wherever it operates

#### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

#### Principal risks and uncertainties (continued)

## Compliance and control risks (continued)

## Ethical misconduct and non-compliance (continued)

The values are intended to guide the way the company and its employees behave and do business Incidents of ethical misconduct or non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations, including non-compliance with anti-bribery, anti-corruption and other applicable laws could be damaging to the company's reputation and shareholder value. Multiple events of non-compliance could call into question the integrity of the company's operations.

## Liabilities and provisions

The BP group's potential liabilities resulting from pending and future claims, lawsuits, settlements and enforcement actions relating to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill, together with the potential cost and burdens of implementing remedies sought in the various proceedings, cannot be fully estimated at this time but they have had, and are expected to continue to have, a material adverse impact on the group's business and consequently may also impact the company's business. Further information is included within the BP group Annual Report and Form 20-F for the year ended 31 December 2012.

#### Reporting

External reporting of financial and non-financial data is reliant on the integrity of systems and people Failure to report data accurately and in compliance with external standards could result in regulatory action, legal hability and damage to the company's reputation.

## Changes in external factors

The company remains exposed to changes in the external environment, such as new laws and regulations (whether imposed by international treaty or by national or local governments in the jurisdictions in which the company operates), changes in tax or royalty regimes, price controls, government actions to cancel or renegotiate contracts, market volatility or other factors. Such factors could reduce the company's profitability from operations in certain jurisdictions, limit its opportunities for new access, require it to divest or write-down certain assets or affect the adequacy of its provisions for pensions, tax, environmental and legal liabilities. Potential changes to pension or financial market regulation could also impact funding requirements of the company

## Safety and operational risks

## Process safety, personal safety and environmental risks

The nature of the company's operations exposes it to a wide range of significant health, safety, security and environmental iisks. The scope of these risks is influenced by the geographic range, operational diversity and technical complexity of the company's activities. In addition, in many of the company's major projects and operations, risk allocation and management is shared with third parties, such as contractors, sub-contractors, joint venture partners and associates. See 'Joint ventures and other contractual arrangements'

There are risks of technical integrity failure as well as risk of natural disasters and other adverse conditions in many of the areas in which the company operates which could lead to loss of containment of hydrocarbons and other hazardous material, as well as the risk of fires, explosions or other incidents

#### Security

Security threats require continuous oversight and control. Acts of terrorism, piracy, sabotage, cyberattacks and similar activities directed against the company's operations and offices, pipelines, transportation or computer systems could cause harm to people and could severely disrupt business and operations. The company's business activities could also be severely disrupted by, amongst other things, conflict, civil strife or political unrest in areas where the company operates

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

## Going concern

The directors consider that, despite the uncertainties deriving from the current economic environment and the loss reported for the year, the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future

#### **Directors**

The present directors are listed on page 1

B M Puffer served as a director throughout the financial year Changes since 1 January 2012 are as follows

	<u>Appointed</u>	<u>Resigned</u>
R J O Javanshir	-	15 November 2012
G Y Birrel	15 November 2012	-
J H Bartlett	-	27 February 2012
S J MacRae	27 February 2012	

## Directors' indemnity

The company indemnifies the directors in its Articles of Association to the extent allowed under section 232 of the Companies Act 2006

## Policy and practice on payment of creditors

It is the company's policy to follow the CBI's prompt payment code of practice for all suppliers to the company with payments made in accordance with the relevant contractual payment terms. A copy of the code of practice may be obtained from the CBI

The number of days' purchases represented by trade creditors at the year-end was ml

#### Auditor

In the absence of a notice proposing that the appointment be terminated, Ernst & Young LLP will be deemed to be re-appointed as the company's auditor for the next year

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

## Directors' statement as to the disclosure of information to the auditor

The directors who were members of the board at the time of approving the directors' report are listed on page 1. Having made enquiries of fellow directors and of the company's auditor, each of these directors confirms that

- To the best of each director's knowledge and belief, there is no information relevant to the preparation of their report of which the company's auditor is unaware, and
- Each director has taken all the steps a director might reasonably be expected to have taken to be aware of relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information

By Order of the Board

For and on behalf of

Sunbury Secretaries Limited

Company Secretary

20 September

2013

Registered Office

Chertsey Road Sunbury on Thames Middlesex TW16 7BP

United Kingdom

## STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE ACCOUNTS

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

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom accounting standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and the profit or loss for that period. In preparing these accounts, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable United Kingdom accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The directors confirm that they have complied with these requirements and, having a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the accounts

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BP SHAFAG-ASIMAN LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of BP Shafag-Asiman Limited for the year ended 31 December 2012 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses, the Balance Sheet, the accounting policies and the related notes 1 to 14 The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

#### Respective responsibilities of dilectors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities set out on page 9, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). These standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report and Accounts to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

#### Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2012 and of its loss for the
  year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice,
   and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

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

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

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit

Gary Donald (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of Einst & Young LLP, Statutory Auditor

London

25 Septenber 2013

## **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

## Accounting standards

The financial statements of BP Shafag-Asiman Limited were approved for issue by the Board of Directors on 13 September 2013

These accounts are prepared on a going concern basis and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and applicable UK accounting standards

In addition to the requirements of accounting standards, the accounting for exploration and production activities is governed by the Statement of Recommended Practice ('SORP') 'Accounting for Oil and Gas Exploration, Development, Production and Decommissioning Activities' issued by the UK Oil Industry Accounting Committee on 7 June 2001

## Accounting convention

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention

#### Statement of cash flows

The group accounts of the ultimate parent undertaking contain a consolidated cash flow statement. The company has taken advantage of the exemption granted by the Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 (Revised), whereby it is not required to publish its own cash flow statement.

## Foreign currency transactions

Foreign currency transactions are initially recorded in dollars by applying the exchange rate ruling on the date of transaction. Foreign currency monetary assets and liabilities are translated into dollars at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Exchange differences are included in the profit and loss account.

## Intangible assets

Intangible assets include expenditure on the exploration for and evaluation of oil and natural gas resources, computer software, patents, licences, trademarks and product development costs. Product development costs are capitalised as intangible assets when a project has obtained sanction and the future recoverability of such costs can reasonably be regarded as assured.

Intangible assets are not depreciated. The indefinite life of intangible assets is reviewed on an annual basis and, if necessary, changes in useful lives are accounted for prospectively

The carrying value of intangible assets is reviewed for impairment if events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. To the extent that the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount, that is, the higher of net realisable value and value in use, the asset is written down to its recoverable amount. The value in use is determined from estimated discounted future net cash flows.

## Oil and natural gas exploration and development expenditure

Oil and natural gas exploration and development expenditure is accounted for using the successful efforts method of accounting

## **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

## Licence and property acquisition costs

Exploration licence and property leasehold acquisition costs are initially capitalised within intangible fixed assets. Upon determination of economically recoverable reserves ('proved reserves' or 'commercial reserves'), the costs are aggregated with exploration expenditure and held on a field-by-field basis as proved properties awaiting approval within intangible assets. When development is sanctioned, the relevant expenditure is transferred to tangible production assets.

Each property is reviewed on an annual basis to confirm that drilling activity is planned and the property is not impaired. If no fiture activity is planned, the remaining balance of the licence and property acquisition costs is written off

## **Exploration expenditure**

Geological and geophysical exploration costs are charged against income as incurred. Costs directly associated with an exploration well are capitalised as an intangible asset until the drilling of the well is complete and the results have been evaluated. These costs include employee remuneration, materials and fuel used, rig costs and payments made to contractors. If hydrocarbons are not found, the exploration expenditure is written off as a dry hole. If hydrocarbons are found and, subject to further appraisal activity, which may include the drilling of further wells, are likely to be capable of commercial development, the costs continue to be carried as an asset. All such carried costs are subject to regular technical, commercial and management review to confirm the continued intent to develop or otherwise extract value from the discovery. When this is no longer the case, the costs are written off. When proved reserves of oil and natural gas are determined and development is sanctioned, the relevant expenditure is transferred to tangible production assets.

## Impairment of intangible and tangible fixed assets

The company assesses assets or groups of assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of an asset may not be recoverable. Individual assets are grouped for impairment assessment purposes at the lowest level at which there are identifiable cash flows that are largely independent of the cash flows of other groups of assets. If any such indication of impairment exists or when annual impairment testing for an asset group is required, the company makes an estimate of its recoverable amount. An asset group's recoverable amount is the higher of its net realisable value and its value in use. Where the carrying amount of an asset group exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset group is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are adjusted for the risks specific to the asset group and are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money.

An assessment is made at each reporting date as to whether there is any indication that previously recognised impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount is estimated. A previously recognised impairment loss is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognised. If that is the case, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to its recoverable amount. That increased amount cannot exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation, had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. Such reversal is recognised in profit or loss. After such a reversal, the depreciation charge is adjusted in future years to allocate the asset's revised carrying amount, less any residual value, on a systematic basis over its remaining useful life.

#### **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### Investments

Fixed asset investments in subsidiaries are held at cost. The company assesses investments for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of an investment may not be recoverable. If any such indication of impairment exists, the company makes an estimate of its recoverable amount. Where the carrying amount of an investment exceeds its recoverable amount, the investment is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount.

#### Other debtors

Other debtors are carried at the original invoice amount, less allowances made for doubtful receivables. Provision is made when there is objective evidence that the company will be unable to recover balances in full. Balances are written off when the probability of recovery is assessed as being remote.

#### Trade and other creditors

Trade and other creditors are carried at payment or settlement amounts. If the effect of the time value of money is material, trade and other creditors are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate

#### Use of estimates

The preparation of accounts in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the accounts and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual outcomes could differ from those estimates

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

		2012	2011
Exploration expenses Administration	Note	\$ (5,040,000) (60,305)	\$ (21,875,403) (49,255)
Loss before taxation	1	(5 100,305)	(21,924.658)
Taxation	3	<u> </u>	
Loss for the year		(5,100,305)	(21,924.658)

The loss of \$5,100,305 for the year ended 31 December 2012 has derived in its entirety from continuing operations

## STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

There are no recognised gains or losses attributable to the shareholders of the company other than the loss for the year

# BP SHAFAG-ASIMAN LIMITED (Registered No 07599899)

## **BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2012**

		2012	2011
	Note	\$	\$
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	5	20,000,000	20,000,000
Investments	6	1_	1
Current assets	_		
Debtors	7	1,160,376	100
Ci editors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(18,185,240)	(41,924,659)
Net current liabilities		(17,024,864)	(41,924,559)
NET ASSETS / (LIABILITIES)		2.975,137	(21,924,558)
Represented by			
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	9	30,000,100	100
Profit and loss account	10	(27,024,963)	(21,924,658)
1 1011t and 1033 account	10	(21,024,903)	(21,724,030)
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS / (DEFICIT) -		2,975,137	(21,924,558)
EQUITY INTERESTS		_, <b>_ , ,</b>	(==,: = , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
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On behalf of the Board

B M Puffer
Director
20 September 20

## **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

#### 1. Loss before and taxation

This is stated after charging

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Currency exchange losses and (gams)	3,889	(5,692)

## 2. Auditor's remuneration

	2012	2011
	<u> </u>	\$
Fees for the audit of the company	15,769	18,410

Fees paid to the company's auditor, Ernst & Young LLP, and its associates for services other than the statutory audit of the company are not disclosed in these accounts since the consolidated accounts of BP Shafag-Asiman Limited's ultimate parent, BP plc, are required to disclose non-audit fees on a consolidated basis

## 3. Taxation

The Company is a member of a group for the purposes of relief within Part 5, Corporation Tax Act 2010 No UK corporation tax has been provided because another group company, BP International Limited, has undertaken to procure the claim or surrender of group relief to the extent it is required and to provide for any current or deferred UK tax that arises without charge

The following table provides a reconciliation of the UK statutory corporation tax rate to the effective current tax rate on profit before taxation

	2012	2011
T and hafara towaters	\$ (5.100.205)	(21.024.659)
Loss before taxation	(5,100,305)	(21,924,658)
Current taxation	•	-
Effective current tax rate	0%	0%
	2012	2011
	<del></del>	%
UK statutory corporation tax rate	24	26
Decrease resulting from		
Tax losses unused	(24)	(26)
Rollover relief on profit on disposal of property		
Effective current tax rate		

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

## 4. Directors and employees

(a) Remuneration of directors

None of the directors received any fees or remuneration for services as directors of the company during the financial year (2011 \$/£Nil).

(b) Employee costs

The company had no employees during the year (2011 Nil)

## 5. Intangible assets

Cost	Exploration expenditure \$
At 1 January 2012 and 31 December 2012	20,000,000
Net book value	
At 31 December 2011 and 31 December 2012	20,000,000

The intangible asset represents license acquisition costs paid by contractor parties to SOCAR.

## 6. Investments

Cost At 1 January 2012 and 31 December 2012	Subsidiary shares  \$ 1
Net book amount At 31 December 2012 and 31 December 2012	1

The subsidiary of the company at 31 December 2012 and the percentage of equity capital held are set out below. The principal country of operation is generally indicated by the company's country of incorporation or by its name.

Subsidiary undertakings	Class of share held	%	Principal place of business	Principal activity
BP Exploration (Shafag-Asiman) Limited	Ordinary	100	England and Wales	Operators of the Shafag- Asiman EDPSA

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

## 7. Debtors

		2012	2011
		Within	Within
		1 year	1 year
		\$	\$
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	1,097,128	100
	Prepayments	41,927	-
	Other debtors	21,321	-
		1,160,376	100
8.	Creditors	1,100,010	
٠.	Citanois		
		2012	2011
		Within	Within
		1 year	1 year
		\$	\$
	Trade creditors	628,782	111,618
	Other creditors	186 939	-
	Amounts owed to group undertakings	16,149,787	32,134,314
	Accruais	1,219,732	9 678,727
		18,185 240	41,924,659
9.	Called up share capital		
		2212	2011
		2012	2011
	Allastad action and faller and	2	\$
	Allotted, called up and fully paid 100 ordinary shares of \$1 each for a total nominal value of \$100	100	100
	30,000,000 ordinary shares of \$1 each for a total nominal value of	100	100
	\$30,000,000 ordinary shares of \$1 each for a total horizont value of \$30,000,000	30,000,000	_
	<b>4</b> 20,000,000	30,000,100	100
		50,500,100	

On 4 September 2012, 30,000,000 ordinary shares of \$1 each for a total nominal value of \$30,000,000 were allotted to the immediate parent company at par value

## **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

## 10. Capital and reserves

	Called up share	Profit and loss	
	capital	account	Total
	\$	\$	<u> </u>
At 1 January 2012	100	(21,924,658)	(21,924,558)
Issue of ordinary share capital	30,000,000	•	30.000,000
Loss for the year	-	(5,100,305)	(5,100,305)
At 31 December 2012	30,000.100	(27,024,963)	2 975,137

## 11. Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

	2012	2011
	<u> </u>	\$
Loss for the year	(5,100,305)	(21,924,658)
Issue of ordinary share capital	30 000 000	100
Net increase in shareholders' funds	24,899,695	(21,924,558)
Shareholders' deficit at 1 January	(21,924,558)	•
Shareholders' funds / (deficit) at 31 December	2,975,137	(21,924,558)

## 12. Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption contained within Financial Reporting Standard No 8 "Related Party Disclosures", and has not disclosed transactions entered into with group companies. There were no other related party transactions in the year.

## 13. Pensions

The company does not directly employ any staff and therefore does not directly bear any pension charge

## 14. Immediate and ultimate controlling parent under taking

The immediate parent undertaking is BP Exploration Operating Company Ltd a company registered in England and Wales. The ultimate controlling parent undertaking is BP p l c, a company registered in England and Wales, which is the parent undertaking of the smallest and largest group to consolidate these financial statements. Copies of the consolidated financial statements of BP p l c can be obtained from 1 St James's Square, London, SW1Y 4PD