(Registered No 00496887)

## **ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 2012**

**Board of Directors** 

J Bertelsen R M Stott

# REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

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

#### Results and dividends

The profit for the year after taxation was \$70,000 which, when added to the retained profit brought forward at 1 January 2012 of \$1,498,000, gives a total retained profit carried forward at 31 December 2012 of \$1,568,000.

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 company was formerly engaged in the production and selling of chemicals and related products. The company did not trade during the year and it is not anticipated that it will trade in the future. The company's only activity now is to pay legal fees relating to ongoing litigation.

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.

We urge you to 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 area. compliance and control 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)

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## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

## Principal risks and uncertainties (continued)

# 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 Chemicals Trading 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. 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.

# Compliance and control risks

## 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 liability and damage to the company's reputation

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

## **Future developments**

The directors aim to maintain the management policies which have resulted in the company's stability in recent years. They believe that the company is in a good position to take advantage of any opportunities which may arise in the future.

It is the intention of the directors that the business of the company will continue for the foreseeable future

#### **Directors**

The present directors are listed on page 1

There have been no director appointments or resignations since 1 January 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** 

23 MAY

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 CHEMICALS TRADING LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of BP Chemicals Trading 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 directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities set out on page 5, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). 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 profit 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' remineration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit

William Testa (Sensor Statutory Auditor)

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

London

29 May

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# **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

## Accounting standards

The financial statements of BP Chemicals Trading Limited were approved for issue by the Board of Directors on 17 MAY 2013

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

# 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 habilities 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.

#### 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.

## Other creditors

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

# **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### **Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the company has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, and it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. Where the company expects some or all of a provision to be reimbursed, the reimbursement is recognised as a separate asset, but only when the reimbursement is virtually certain. The expense relating to any provision is presented in the profit and loss account net of any reimbursement. If the effect of the time value of money is material, provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate.

A contingent liability is disclosed where the existence of an obligation will only be confirmed by future events or where the amount of the obligation cannot be measured with reasonable reliability. Contingent assets are not recognised, but are disclosed where an inflow of economic benefits is probable

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

		2012	2011
	Note	\$000	\$000
Administration expenses		70	(3)
Other operating income	3	<u> </u>	4
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	1	70	1
Taxation	4		
Profit for the year		70	1

The profit of \$70,000 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 profit for the year

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# **BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2012**

	Note	<del>2012</del> \$000	2011 \$000
Current assets Debtors	6	1,769	1,692
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	(14)	(7)
Net current assets		1.755	1,685
NET ASSETS		1,755	1,685
Represented by Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	8	187	187
Profit and loss account	9	1,568	1,498
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS – EQUITY INTERESTS	9	1,755	1,685

Op/fehalf of the Board

R M Stott Director

23 MAY

2013

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

# 1. Profit on ordinary activities before taxation

This is stated after charging / (crediting)

	2012	2011
	\$000	\$000
Currency exchange gains	(84)	-
Legal and professional fees		1_

# 2. Auditor's remuneration

	2012	2011_
	\$000	\$000
Fees for the audit of the company	6_	7

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 Chemicals Trading Limited's ultimate parent, BP plc, are required to disclose non-audit fees on a consolidated basis

# 3. Other operating income

	2012	2011
	\$000	\$000
Miscellaneous income		4

## 4. 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

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	2012	2011
	\$000	\$000
Profit before taxation	70	1
Current taxation	•	-
Effective current tax rate	0%	0%

# **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

# 4. Taxation (continued)

	2012	2011
	<del></del>	%
UK statutory corporation tax rate	24	26
Increase / (decrease) resulting from		
Transfer pricing adjustment	4	260
Free group relief	(28)	(232)
Loss available for relief in future periods	-	(54)
Effective current tax rate		-

# 5. Directors and employees

# (a) Remuneration of directors

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

# (b) Employee costs

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

# 6. Debtors

	Amounts owed by group undertakings	2012 Within 1 year \$000 1,769	2011 Within 1 year \$000 1.692
7.	Creditors		
	Amounts owed to group undertakings Other creditors	2012 Within 1 year \$000 7 7 14	2011 Within 1 year \$000 7 -
8.	Called up share capital		
	Allotted, called up and fully paid.  100,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each for a total nominal value of £100,000	2012 \$000	2011 \$000 187

## **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

## 9. Capital and reserves

	Called up share capıtal	Profit and loss account	Total
	\$000	\$000	\$000
At 1 January 2012	187	1,498	1,685
Profit for the year	-	70	70
At 31 December 2012	187	1,568	1,755

#### 10. Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

	2012_	2011
	\$000	\$000
Profit for the year	70_	1
Net increase in shareholders' funds	70	1
Shareholders' funds at 1 January	1,685	1,684
Shareholders' funds at 31 December	1,755	1,685

#### 11. Guarantees and other financial commitments

The company currently has a claim against it for a sum of Rs 76,000,000 (approximately US\$1 5million) together with interest at the rate of 24% from the date of filing of the suit (3 December 1998) until the date of payment. The claim (Suit No 4849 of 1998) by Hazel Mercantile (a company operating in India) was brought pursuant to the alleged wrongful termination of a CIF sale contract. At this stage the jurisdiction of this Suit has not been confirmed. Should the Bombay High Court confirm that it has no jurisdiction to deal with this Suit, the company shall have no liability under the above Suit. In the event the Bombay High Court rules against the company the Court may decree, at most, the entire claim amount subject to the same being proven by the claimant in Court. If the Court decides against the company it is likely that it may award interest of between 12% and 18% or the contractual rate of interest.

Due to the significant uncertainty with regard to when the matter will be settled and the fact that the amount of the claim cannot be reliably estimated, no provision has been made in the accounts

## 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

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

# 14. Immediate and ultimate controlling parent undertaking

The immediate parent undertaking is BP Chemicals Investments Limited, 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