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The offering memorandum is for distribution only to persons who (i) have professional experience in matters relating to investments falling within Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005 (as amended, the “Financial Promotion Order”), (ii) are persons falling within Article 49(2)(a) to (d) (“high net worth companies, unincorporated associations etc.”) of the Financial Promotion Order, (iii) are outside the United Kingdom, or (iv) are persons to whom an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000) in connection with the issue or sale of any Notes may otherwise lawfully be communicated or caused to be communicated (all such persons together being referred to as “relevant persons”). This document is directed only at relevant persons and must not be acted on or relied on by persons who are not relevant persons. Any investment or investment activity to which this document relates is available only to relevant persons and will be engaged in only with relevant persons.

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OFFERING MEMORANDUM

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IN THE UNITED STATES

# Ardagh Packaging Finance plc and Ardagh Holdings USA Inc.

**\$500,000,000 Senior Secured Floating Rate Notes due 2021****€440,000,000 4.125% Senior Secured Notes due 2023****\$1,000,000,000 4.625% Senior Secured Notes due 2023**

guaranteed on a senior basis by Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited and certain of its wholly owned subsidiaries

**€750,000,000 6.750% Senior Notes due 2024****\$1,650,000,000 7.250% Senior Notes due 2024**guaranteed on a senior basis by Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited  
and on a senior subordinated basis by certain of its wholly owned subsidiaries

The \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Senior Secured Floating Rate Notes due 2021 offered hereby (the "Floating Rate Secured Notes"), the €440,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 4.125% Senior Secured Notes due 2023 offered hereby (the "Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes" and, together with the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes, the "Fixed Rate Secured Notes" and, together with the Floating Rate Secured Notes, the "Secured Notes") will be issued by Ardagh Packaging Finance plc ("Ardagh Packaging Finance") and Ardagh Holdings USA Inc. ("Ardagh Holdings USA" and, together with Ardagh Packaging Finance, the "Secured Notes Co-Issuers") jointly and severally as co-issuers. The €750,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.750% Senior Notes due 2024 offered hereby (the "Euro Senior Notes") and the \$1,650,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 7.250% Senior Notes due 2024 offered hereby (the "Dollar Senior Notes" and, together with the Euro Senior Notes, the "Senior Notes" and, together with the Secured Notes, the "Notes") will be issued by Ardagh Packaging Finance and Ardagh Holdings USA (together, the "Senior Notes Co-Issuers" and, together with the Secured Notes Co-Issuers, the "Issuers") jointly and severally as co-issuers. The net proceeds from the issue of the Notes will be used to finance the acquisition (the "Acquisition") of certain assets and liabilities of Ball Corporation and Rexam PLC in Brazil, Europe and the United States (the "Target Business"), to pay related fees and expenses related to the Acquisition and to redeem all of our currently outstanding 2020 Senior Notes (as defined herein).

The Floating Rate Secured Notes will bear interest on the outstanding principal amount at a per annum rate equal to three month Dollar LIBOR plus 3.25% per year, reset quarterly. Interest will be paid on the Floating Rate Secured Notes quarterly in arrears on February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15 of each year, beginning on August 15, 2016. The Floating Rate Secured Notes will mature on May 15, 2021.

The Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes will bear interest at the rate of 4.125% per annum, and the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes will bear interest at the rate of 4.625% per annum. Interest will be paid on the Fixed Rate Secured Notes semi-annually in arrears on May 15 and November 15 of each year, beginning on November 15, 2016. Each series of the Fixed Rate Secured Notes will mature on May 15, 2023. The Euro Senior Notes will bear interest at the rate of 6.750% per annum, and the Dollar Senior Notes will bear interest at the rate of 7.250% per annum. Interest will be paid on the Senior Notes semi-annually in arrears on May 15 and November 15 of each year, beginning on November 15, 2016. Each series of the Senior Notes will mature on May 15, 2024.

The Issuers may redeem the Floating Rate Secured Notes in whole or in part on or after May 15, 2017 at the redemption prices specified herein. Prior to May 15, 2017, we may also redeem the Floating Rate Secured Notes by paying a "make whole" premium. The Issuers may redeem the Fixed Rate Secured Notes in whole or in part on or after May 15, 2019 at the redemption prices specified herein. Prior to May 15, 2019, we may also redeem the Fixed Rate Secured Notes by paying a "make whole" premium. In addition, prior to May 15, 2019, we may redeem up to 40% of the aggregate principal amount of each series of the Fixed Rate Secured Notes with the net proceeds from certain public equity offerings. The redemption prices are discussed under "Description of the Secured Notes—Optional Redemption." In the event of a Change of Control (as defined herein), we must make an offer to purchase the Secured Notes at a purchase price equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of purchase.

The Issuers may redeem the Senior Notes in whole or in part on or after May 15, 2019 at the redemption prices specified herein. Prior to May 15, 2019, we may also redeem the Senior Notes by paying a "make whole" premium. In addition, prior to May 15, 2019, we may redeem up to 40% of the aggregate principal amount of each series of the Senior Notes with the net proceeds from certain public equity offerings. The redemption prices are discussed under "Description of the Senior Notes—Optional Redemption." In the event of a Change of Control, we must make an offer to purchase the Senior Notes at a purchase price equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of purchase.

Pending the consummation of the Acquisition, the Initial Purchasers (as defined herein) will deposit an amount equal to the gross proceeds from the issuance of the Secured Notes, together with approximately \$850 million of the proceeds from the issuance of the Dollar Senior Notes, into one or more escrow accounts (each, an "Escrow Account") in the name of the Issuers but controlled by, and pledged on a first-ranking basis in favor of, the Trustee (as defined herein) on behalf of the holders of the Notes. The release of the funds from the Escrow Accounts to the Issuers (the date of such release, the "Completion Date") will be subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, including the closing of the Acquisition. The consummation of the Acquisition is subject to certain regulatory approvals and the satisfaction of certain other customary closing conditions. If the conditions precedent to the release of the funds from escrow have not been satisfied on or prior to October 31, 2016, the Secured Notes and the principal amount of the Dollar Senior Notes the proceeds of which have been deposited into an Escrow Account will be subject to a special mandatory redemption. The special mandatory redemption price will be equal to 100% of the aggregate issue price of the Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest and additional amounts, if any, to the date of redemption. See "Description of the Secured Notes—Special Mandatory Redemption," "Description of the Senior Notes—Special Mandatory Redemption" and "Risk Factors—Risks Relating to the Acquisition—The Acquisition may not be completed and you may not obtain the return that you expect on the Notes."

On the Issue Date, the Secured Notes will be guaranteed on a senior basis (the "Secured Notes Parent Guarantee") by Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited (the "Parent Guarantor"). Subject to the Agreed Security Principles (as defined herein), on the dates specified in the Secured Indenture (as defined herein), the Parent Guarantor shall be required to ensure that the Secured Notes are guaranteed on a senior basis (the "Secured Notes Subsidiary Guarantees" and, together with the Secured Notes Parent Guarantee, the "Secured Notes Guarantees") by all subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor (other than the Issuers) that guarantee the Existing Notes (as defined herein) and certain subsidiaries that are presently part of the Target Business (collectively, together, the "Secured Notes Subsidiary Guarantors" and, together with the Parent Guarantor, the "Secured Notes Guarantors").

On the Issue Date, the Senior Notes will be guaranteed on a senior basis (the "Senior Notes Parent Guarantee") by the Parent Guarantor. Subject to the Agreed Security Principles, on the dates specified in the Senior Indenture (as defined herein), the Parent Guarantor shall be required to ensure that the Senior Notes are guaranteed on a senior subordinated basis (the "Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantees" and, together with the Senior Notes Parent Guarantee, the "Senior Notes Guarantees" and, together with the Secured Notes Guarantees, the "Guarantees") by all subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor (other than the Issuers) that guarantee the Existing Notes and certain subsidiaries that are presently part of the Target Business (collectively, together, the "Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantors" and, together with the Parent Guarantor, the "Senior Notes Guarantors" and, together with the Secured Notes Guarantors, the "Guarantors").

The Secured Notes Subsidiary Guarantees, the Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantees and the grant of liens in favor of the Secured Notes are not conditions to the release of funds from the respective Escrow Accounts.

Currently, there is no public market for the Notes. Application will be made for listing particulars to be approved by the Irish Stock Exchange and for the Notes to be admitted to the Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange and admitted to trading on its Global Exchange Market. There is no assurance that the Notes will be listed and admitted to trading on the Global Exchange Market of the Irish Stock Exchange.

## Investing in the Notes involves risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 33.

The Notes and the Guarantees have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "U.S. Securities Act"), or any state securities laws. Accordingly, the Notes are being offered and sold only to qualified institutional buyers ("QIBs") in accordance with Rule 144A under the U.S. Securities Act ("Rule 144A") and outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in accordance with Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act ("Regulation S"). Prospective purchasers that are QIBs are hereby notified that the seller of the Notes may be relying on the exemption from the registration requirements under the U.S. Securities Act provided by Rule 144A.

The Notes will be issued in the form of global notes in registered form. See "Book-entry; Delivery and Form."

Price of the Floating Rate Secured Notes: 99.500%.  
Price of the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes: 100.000%.  
Price of the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes: 100.000%.  
Price of the Euro Senior Notes: 100.000%.  
Price of the Dollar Senior Notes: 100.000%.

The Initial Purchasers expect to deliver the Notes to purchasers on or about May 16, 2016 (the "Issue Date").

**Senior Secured Notes**  
**Sole Book-Running Manager**  
**Citigroup**

**Co-Managers**

**Barclays**  
**Goldman Sachs International**  
**Deutsche Bank Securities**

**Senior Notes**  
**Joint Book-Running Managers**  
**Citigroup**  
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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**You should rely only on the information contained in this offering memorandum (the “Offering Memorandum”). None of the Issuers, the Guarantors or Citigroup Global Markets Limited, Barclays Bank PLC, Goldman Sachs International and Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. (together, the “Initial Purchasers”) has authorized anyone to provide you with any information or represent anything about the Issuers or the Guarantors, their financial results or this offering that is not contained in this Offering Memorandum. If given or made, any such other information or representation should not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Issuers, the Guarantors or the Initial Purchasers. None of the Issuers, the Guarantors or the Initial Purchasers are making an offer of the Notes in any jurisdiction where this offering is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in this Offering Memorandum is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front cover of this Offering Memorandum.**

This Offering Memorandum is confidential and has been prepared by the Issuers solely for use in connection with the proposed offering of the Notes described in this Offering Memorandum. This Offering Memorandum is personal to each offeree and does not constitute an offer to any other person or to the public generally to subscribe for or otherwise acquire the Notes. You are authorized to use this Offering Memorandum solely for the purpose of considering the purchase of the Notes. Distribution of this Offering Memorandum to any person other than the prospective investor and any person retained to advise such prospective investor with respect to the purchase of the Notes is unauthorized, and any disclosure of any of the contents of this Offering Memorandum, without the Issuers’ prior written consent, is prohibited. Each prospective investor, by accepting delivery of this Offering Memorandum, agrees to the foregoing and to make no photocopies of this Offering Memorandum or any documents referred to in this Offering Memorandum.

None of the Initial Purchasers, the Trustee, the Paying Agent, the Registrar, the Escrow Agent or the Transfer Agent (each as defined herein) makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of the information contained in this Offering Memorandum. Nothing contained in this Offering Memorandum is, or shall be relied upon as, a promise or representation by the Initial Purchasers as to the past or future.

The Issuers and the Parent Guarantor accept responsibility for the information contained in this Offering Memorandum. To the best of the Issuers’ and the Parent Guarantor’s knowledge and belief, the information contained in this Offering Memorandum with regard to the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and their subsidiaries and the Notes is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information. However, the information set forth under the headings “Exchange Rates,” “Summary,” “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects” and “Our Business” includes extracts from information and data, including industry and market data, released by publicly available sources in Europe and elsewhere. While we accept responsibility for the accurate extraction and summarization of such information and data, we have not independently verified the accuracy of such information and data and we accept no further responsibility in respect thereof.

**We have not yet completed the Acquisition and therefore neither own nor control the Target Business. This Offering Memorandum includes certain information, including financial information, about the Target Business. Any such information is based on documents, information and representations provided to us and our advisers by the Seller and the management of the Target Business. While we have conducted due diligence on the Target Business and have no knowledge that would indicate that any statement contained herein, based upon such information provided by the Seller and the management of the Target Business is inaccurate, incomplete or untrue, we cannot independently verify the accuracy, completeness or truthfulness of all such information or that there has not been any failure by the Seller or the management of the Target Business to disclose events,**

**developments or circumstances that may have occurred, but which are unknown to us, which may affect the significance or accuracy of any such information.**

Unless the context indicates otherwise, when we refer to “Ardagh,” the “Group,” “we,” “us,” and “our,” for the purposes of this Offering Memorandum, we are referring to Ardagh Packaging Holdings and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis (including any of their predecessors) and, following the completion of the Acquisition, to the Group, including the Target Business. For more information on the Target Business, see “Summary—The Target Business,” “The Target Business,” “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Results of Operations of the Ball Carve-Out Business” and “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Results of Operations of the Rexam Carve-Out Business.”

The information set forth in relation to sections of this Offering Memorandum describing clearing arrangements, including the section entitled “Book-entry; Delivery and Form,” is subject to any change in or reinterpretation of the rules, regulations and procedures of DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking currently in effect. While the Issuers and the Parent Guarantor accept responsibility for accurately summarizing the information concerning DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking they accept no further responsibility in respect of such information. In addition, this Offering Memorandum contains summaries believed to be accurate with respect to certain documents, but reference is made to the actual documents for complete information. All such summaries are qualified in their entirety by such reference. Copies of documents referred to herein will be made available to prospective investors upon request to us or any Initial Purchaser.

By receiving this Offering Memorandum, you acknowledge that you have had an opportunity to request from the Issuers for review, and that you have received, all additional information you deem necessary to verify the accuracy and completeness of the information contained in this Offering Memorandum. You also acknowledge that you have not relied on the Initial Purchasers in connection with your investigation of the accuracy of this information or your decision whether to invest in the Notes. Neither the delivery of this Offering Memorandum at any time after the date of publication nor any subsequent commitment to purchase the Notes and the Guarantees shall, under any circumstances, create an implication that there has been no change in the information set out in this Offering Memorandum since the date of this Offering Memorandum.

The Issuers and the Initial Purchasers reserve the right to reject all or a part of any offer to purchase the Notes, for any reason. The Issuers and the Initial Purchasers also reserve the right to sell less than all of the Notes offered by this Offering Memorandum or to sell to any purchaser less than the amount of the Notes it has offered to purchase.

We are offering the Notes, and the Guarantors are issuing the Guarantees, in reliance on (i) an exemption from registration under the U.S. Securities Act for an offer and sale of securities that does not involve a public offering and (ii) a transaction pursuant to Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act that is not subject to the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act. If you purchase the Notes, you will be deemed to have made certain acknowledgments, representations and warranties as detailed under “Notice to Investors.” The Notes are subject to restrictions on transferability and resale and may not be transferred or resold except as permitted under the U.S. Securities Act and applicable securities laws of any other jurisdiction pursuant to registration or exemption therefrom. You may be required to bear the financial risk of an investment in the Notes for an indefinite period. Neither we nor the Initial Purchasers are making an offer to sell the Notes in any jurisdiction where the offer and sale of the Notes is prohibited. Neither we nor the Initial Purchasers are making any representation to you that the Notes are a legal investment for you.

None of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”), any state securities commission or any other regulatory authority has approved or disapproved of the Notes, nor have any of the foregoing authorities passed upon or endorsed the merits of this offering or the accuracy or



adequacy of this Offering Memorandum. Any representation to the contrary could be a criminal offense in certain countries.

The Notes are subject to restrictions on transferability and resale and may not be transferred or resold, except as permitted under the U.S. Securities Act and the applicable state securities laws, pursuant to registration or exemption therefrom. As a prospective investor, you should be aware that you may be required to bear the financial risks of this investment for an indefinite period of time. Please refer to the sections in this Offering Memorandum entitled “Plan of Distribution” and “Notice to Investors.”

The distribution of this Offering Memorandum and the offering and sale of the Notes in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. See “Notice to Investors,” “Notice to Investors in the European Economic Area” and “Notice to Investors in the United Kingdom.”

In making an investment decision, prospective investors must rely on their own examination of the Issuers, the Guarantors and the terms of this offering, including the merits and risks involved. In addition, none of the Issuers, the Guarantors or the Initial Purchasers or any of our or their respective representatives is making any representation to you regarding the legality of an investment in the Notes, and you should not construe anything in this Offering Memorandum as legal, business or tax advice. You should consult your own advisers as to legal, tax, business, financial and related aspects of an investment in the Notes. You must comply with all laws applicable in any jurisdiction in which you buy, offer or sell the Notes or possess or distribute this Offering Memorandum, and you must obtain all applicable consents and approvals; none of the Issuers, the Guarantors or the Initial Purchasers shall have any responsibility for any of the foregoing legal requirements. This Offering Memorandum does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation to purchase, any of the Notes, in any jurisdiction in which such offer or sale would be unlawful. No one has taken any action that would permit a public offering to occur in any jurisdiction.

The information set out in relation to sections of this Offering Memorandum describing clearing and settlement arrangements, including in the sections entitled “Description of the Secured Notes,” “Description of the Senior Notes” and “Book-Entry, Delivery and Form,” is subject to a change in or reinterpretation of the rules, regulations and procedures of Euroclear or Clearstream currently in effect. While we accept responsibility for accurately summarizing the information concerning Euroclear or Clearstream, we accept no further responsibility in respect of such information.

The Notes will be issued in the form of global notes. See “Book-entry; Delivery and Form.”

Trademarks, service marks or trade names appearing in this Offering Memorandum are property of their respective owners.

We intend to list the Notes on the Irish Stock Exchange and have the Notes admitted for trading on the Global Exchange Market thereof, and will submit this Offering Memorandum to the competent authority in connection with such listing application. In the course of any review by the competent authority, we may be requested to make changes to the financial and other information included in this Offering Memorandum. We may also be required to update the information in this Offering Memorandum to reflect changes in our business, prospects, financial condition or results of operations. We cannot guarantee that the application we will make to the Irish Stock Exchange for the Notes to be listed and admitted for trading on the Global Exchange Market thereof will be approved as of the Issue Date for the Notes or at any time thereafter, and settlement of the Notes is not conditioned on obtaining such admission to trading.

## NOTICE TO INVESTORS IN THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA

This Offering Memorandum has been prepared on the basis that any offer of the Notes in any member state of the European Economic Area will be made pursuant to an exemption under the Prospectus Directive (as defined below) from the requirement to publish a prospectus for offers of the Notes. The expression “Prospectus Directive” means Directive 2003/71/EC (and amendments thereto, including the 2010 PD Amending Directive), and includes any relevant implementing measure in the relevant member state, and the expression “2010 PD Amending Directive” means Directive 2010/73/EU.

In relation to each member state of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a “Relevant Member State”), each Initial Purchaser has represented and agreed that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State it has not made and will not make an offer of Notes which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this Offering Memorandum to the public in that Relevant Member State other than:

- (a) to any legal entity which is a “qualified investor” as defined in the Prospectus Directive;
- (b) to fewer than 150 natural or legal persons (other than “qualified investors” as defined in the Prospectus Directive), as permitted under the Prospectus Directive, subject to obtaining the prior consent of the Initial Purchasers nominated by the Issuers for any such offer; or
- (c) in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive,

*provided* that no such offer of Notes shall require the Issuers, Guarantors or the Initial Purchasers to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an “offer of Notes to the public” in relation to any Notes in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Notes to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Notes, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State.

### **Ireland**

This Offering Memorandum has been prepared on the basis that any offer of Notes will be made pursuant to the exemptions in Regulation 9(1)(a), (b) or (d) of the Irish Prospectus (Directive 2003/71/EC) Regulations 2005 (as amended) (the “Irish Prospectus Regulations”) from the requirement to publish a prospectus for offers of Notes. Accordingly, any person making or intending to make an offer in Ireland of the Notes which are subject of the offering contemplated in this Offering Memorandum may only do so in circumstances in which no obligation arises for the Issuers, the Guarantors or the Initial Purchasers to publish a prospectus pursuant to Regulation 12 of the Irish Prospectus Regulations or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Regulation 51 of the Irish Prospectus Regulations, in each case, in relation to such offer. None of the Issuers, the Guarantors or the Initial Purchasers have authorized, or do authorize, the making of any offer of Notes in circumstances in which an obligation arises for the Issuers, the Guarantors or the Initial Purchasers to publish or supplement a prospectus for such offer.

## NOTICE TO INVESTORS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

Each Initial Purchaser represents and warrants that:

- (a) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the



meaning of section 21 of the Financial Services Markets Act 2000 (the “FSMA”)) received by it in connection with the issuance or sale of the Notes in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuers or any Guarantor; and

- (b) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Notes in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

This Offering Memorandum is for distribution only to, and is only directed at, persons who (i) are investment professionals, as such term is defined in Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005 (as amended, the “Financial Promotion Order”), (ii) are persons falling within Article 49(2)(a) to (d) (“high net worth companies, unincorporated associations, etc.”) of the Financial Promotion Order, (iii) are outside the United Kingdom, or (iv) are persons to whom an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the FSMA) in connection with the issuance or sale of the Notes may otherwise lawfully be communicated or caused to be communicated (all such persons together being referred to as “relevant persons”). This Offering Memorandum is directed only at relevant persons and must not be acted on or relied on by persons who are not relevant persons. Any investment or investment activity to which this Offering Memorandum relates is available only to relevant persons and will be engaged in only with relevant persons. Recipients of this Offering Memorandum are not permitted to transmit it to any other person. The Notes are not being offered to the public in the United Kingdom.

#### **NOTICE REGARDING SERVICE OF PROCESS AND ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENTS**

MOST OF THE DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE ISSUERS AND THE GUARANTORS ARE NON-RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES. ALL OR A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF THE ASSETS OF SUCH NON RESIDENT PERSONS AND OF THE ISSUERS AND THE GUARANTORS ARE LOCATED OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES. AS A RESULT, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR INVESTORS TO EFFECT SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES UPON SUCH PERSONS OR ARDAGH PACKAGING FINANCE AND CERTAIN OF THE GUARANTORS, OR TO ENFORCE AGAINST THEM IN U.S. COURTS JUDGMENTS OBTAINED IN SUCH COURTS PREDICATED UPON THE CIVIL LIABILITY PROVISIONS OF THE FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES. ARDAGH PACKAGING FINANCE AND THE GUARANTORS HAVE BEEN ADVISED BY COUNSEL THAT THERE IS DOUBT AS TO THE ENFORCEABILITY IN IRELAND IN ORIGINAL ACTIONS, OR IN ACTIONS FOR ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENTS OF U.S. COURTS, OF LIABILITIES PREDICATED SOLELY UPON THE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES.

#### **STABILIZATION**

In connection with the offering of the Notes, Citigroup Global Markets Limited (or persons acting on behalf of Citigroup Global Markets Limited) may over allot Notes or effect transactions with a view to supporting the market price of the Notes at a level higher than that which might otherwise prevail. However, there is no assurance that Citigroup Global Markets Limited (or persons acting on behalf of Citigroup Global Markets Limited) will undertake any stabilization action. Any stabilization action may begin on or after the date on which adequate public disclosure of the terms of the offering of the Notes is made and, if begun, may be ended at any time, but it must end no later than 30 days after the date on which the Issuers received the proceeds of the issue, or no later than 60 days after the date of the allotment of the Notes, whichever is the earlier. Any stabilization action or over-allotment must be conducted by the stabilizing manager (or persons acting on its behalf) in accordance with all applicable laws and rules. For a description of these activities, see “Plan of Distribution.”

## NOTES ON DEFINED TERMS USED IN THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM

The following terms used in this Offering Memorandum have the meanings assigned to them below:

“2007 Rexam Acquisition” . . . . .	The acquisition by us of the glass container manufacturing division of Rexam PLC in June 2007.
“2010 Metal Packaging Acquisition” . . . . .	The acquisition by us of Ardagh Metal on December 7, 2010.
“2014 SGCI Acquisition” . . . . .	The acquisition by us of SGCI on April 11, 2014.
“Acquisition” . . . . .	The acquisition of the Target Business.
“Agreed Security Principles” . . . . .	Has the meaning ascribed to it in the Secured Indenture. See “Description of the Secured Notes.”
“Anchor Glass” . . . . .	Anchor Glass Container Corporation (formerly Ardagh Glass Inc.), a Delaware corporation.
“Ardagh Group S.A.” . . . . .	The ultimate holding company of the Group, a public limited liability company ( <i>société anonyme</i> ) incorporated and existing under the laws of Luxembourg, having its registered office at 56, rue Charles Martel, L-2134 Luxembourg, registered with the Luxembourg Register of Commerce and Companies under number B 53248.
“Ardagh Holdings USA” . . . . .	Ardagh Holdings USA Inc. (formerly Ardagh MP Holdings USA Inc.), a Delaware corporation, the co-issuer of the Existing Notes and the Notes offered hereby and a co-borrower under the Incremental Facility.
“Ardagh Metal” . . . . .	Ardagh Metal Netherlands B.V. (formerly Impress Coöperatieve U.A.) or its successor Ardagh Group Netherlands B.V., as the context requires.
“Ardagh Packaging Finance” . . . . .	Ardagh Packaging Finance plc, a public limited company incorporated under the laws of Ireland, the co-issuer of the Existing Notes and the Notes offered hereby.
“Ardagh Packaging Holdings” or “the Parent Guarantor” . . . . .	Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited, a private limited company incorporated under the laws of Ireland.
“Ball Carve-Out Business” . . . . .	The beverage can operations of Ball Corporation that we will acquire in the Acquisition.
“Bank of America Facility” . . . . .	The \$200,000,000 loan and security agreement entered into on April 11, 2014, which matures on April 11, 2018.
“Calculation Agent” . . . . .	Citibank N.A., London Branch.
“Change of Control” . . . . .	Has the meaning ascribed to it in the Indentures. See “Description of the Secured Notes—Purchase of Secured Notes upon a Change of Control” and “Description of the Senior Notes—Purchase of Senior Notes upon a Change of Control.”
“Clearstream Banking” . . . . .	Clearstream Banking, <i>société anonyme</i> .

“Collateral” . . . . .	For the benefit of the holders of the Notes, Ardagh intends, on or prior to the dates specified in the Secured Indenture, to grant liens in favor of the Security Agent for the benefit of the Trustee and the holders of the Secured Notes. The Collateral will be comprised of all of the assets of Ardagh at the time securing the Existing Secured Notes and certain other assets acquired in the Acquisition, subject to the Agreed Security Principles.
“Completion Date” . . . . .	The date on which the Acquisition is completed.
“Credit Agreement” . . . . .	The credit agreement in respect of the Incremental Facility dated as of December 17, 2013.
“Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes” . .	The \$1,000,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 4.625% Senior Secured Notes due 2023 offered hereby.
“Dollar Senior Notes” . . . . .	The \$1,650,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 7.250% Senior Notes due 2024 offered hereby.
“DTC” . . . . .	The Depository Trust Company.
“EBITDA” . . . . .	Operating profit before depreciation, amortization, non-exceptional impairment and exceptional operating items. EBITDA margin is calculated as EBITDA divided by Group revenue. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are presented in connection with Ardagh Packaging Holdings’ financial information because we believe that they are frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in evaluating companies in the packaging industry. However, other companies may calculate EBITDA and EBITDA margin in a different manner from ours. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are not measurements of financial performance under IFRS and should not be considered an alternative to cash flow from operating activities or as a measure of liquidity or an alternative to profit/(loss) as indicators of our operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with IFRS.
“Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement” . . . . .	The equity and asset purchase agreement in respect of the Acquisition dated April 22, 2016, together with all of its exhibits, schedules, annexes and other related documents. See “Summary—The Transactions.”
“EU” . . . . .	European Union.
“EU ETS” . . . . .	European Union Emissions Trading Scheme.
“euro,” “EUR” or “€” . . . . .	The euro, the lawful currency of the EU Member States participating in the European Monetary Union.
“Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes” . . .	The €440,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 4.125% Senior Secured Notes due 2023 offered hereby.
“Euro Senior Notes” . . . . .	The €750,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.750% Senior Notes due 2024 offered hereby.

“Euroclear” . . . . .	Euroclear Bank SA/NV.
“Existing Indentures” . . . . .	The indentures governing the Existing Notes.
“Existing Notes” . . . . .	The Existing Secured Notes and the Existing Senior Notes.
“Existing Secured Notes” . . . . .	The existing €1,155,000,000 4.250% aggregate principal amount of First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022 (the “Fixed Rate Secured Notes”) and the existing \$1,110,000,000 aggregate principal amount of First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2019 (the “Existing Floating Rate Secured Notes”) that were jointly issued by Ardagh Packaging Finance and Ardagh Holdings USA on July 3, 2014.
“Existing Senior Notes” . . . . .	Each of the following jointly issued by Ardagh Packaging Finance and Ardagh Holdings USA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the existing €275,000,000 9.250% Senior Notes due 2020 that were issued on October 8, 2010 (the “Original 2020 Euro Senior Notes”);</li> <li>• the existing U.S. \$450,000,000 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 that were issued on October 8, 2010 (the “Original 2020 USD Senior Notes” and, together with the Original 2020 Euro Senior Notes, the “Original 2020 Senior Notes”);</li> <li>• the existing additional €200,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 9.250% Senior Notes due 2020 that were issued on February 4, 2011 (the “February 2011 Senior Notes”);</li> <li>• the existing additional \$260,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 that were issued on January 26, 2012 (the “January 2012 Senior Notes”);</li> <li>• the existing additional \$210,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 that were issued on July 26, 2012 (the “July 2012 Senior Notes,” and together with the Original 2020 Senior Notes, the February 2011 Senior Notes and the January 2012 Senior Notes, the “2020 Senior Notes”);</li> <li>• the existing \$850,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 7.000% Senior Notes due 2020 that were issued on January 24, 2013, of which \$700,000,000 in aggregate principal amount was subsequently redeemed pursuant to a special mandatory redemption on January 17, 2014 (the “January 2013 Senior Notes”);</li> <li>• the existing \$415,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.250% Senior Notes due 2019 that were issued on February 5, 2014 (“2019 Senior Notes”);</li> <li>• the existing \$415,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.750% Senior Notes due 2021 that were issued on February 5, 2014 (“2021 Senior Notes,” and together with the “February 2014 Senior Notes”); and</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the existing \$440,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.000% Senior Notes due 2021 that were issued on July 3, 2014 (the “July 2014 Senior Notes”).</li> </ul>
“Fixed Rate Secured Notes” . . . . .	The Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes and the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes.
“Floating Rate Secured Notes” . . . . .	The \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Senior Secured Floating Rate Notes due 2021 offered hereby.
“FSMA” . . . . .	Financial Services Markets Act 2000.
“Glass Engineering” . . . . .	A business unit within Glass Packaging comprising the technology business of Heye International and Glass Packaging’s mold manufacturing and repair operations.
“Glass Packaging” . . . . .	The glass container manufacturing businesses of Ardagh as of the date of this Offering Memorandum including Glass Engineering.
“Guarantees” . . . . .	The Secured Notes Guarantees and the Senior Notes Guarantees.
“Guarantors” . . . . .	The Secured Notes Guarantors and the Senior Notes Guarantors.
“Heye International” . . . . .	Heye International GmbH, a company incorporated under the laws of Germany.
“HSBC Securitization Program” . . . . .	The trade receivables securitization program entered into by Ardagh Receivables Finance Designated Activity Company (“ARF”), which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Ardagh Packaging International Services Limited, on March 1, 2012 and amended from time to time, under which ARF may (provided that ARF then has at least the required borrowing base) borrow up to €150,000,000 from Regency Assets Limited, an issuer of asset-backed commercial paper that is sponsored by HSBC Bank plc, secured on certain trade receivables acquired by ARF from certain European operating subsidiaries of Ardagh Packaging Holdings. The lending commitment from Regency Assets Limited matures in June 2018, when all outstanding loans would need to be repaid if the facility is not extended on or before that date.
“IFRS” . . . . .	International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”) and adopted by the European Union, including interpretations of the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee.
“Incremental Facility” . . . . .	The incremental facility under the Credit Agreement under which Ardagh Holdings USA and Ardagh Packaging Finance S.A. have borrowed U.S. dollar term loans in an aggregate principal amount of \$700,000,000.
“Indentures” . . . . .	The Secured Indenture and the Senior Indenture.

“Initial Purchasers” . . . . .	Citigroup Global Markets Limited, Barclays Bank PLC, Goldman Sachs International and Deutsche Bank Securities Inc.
“Intercreditor Agreement” . . . . .	The intercreditor agreement entered into on December 7, 2010, as amended on February 28, 2011 and as amended and restated on December 17, 2013 and from time to time, among, <i>inter alia</i> , Ardagh Packaging Finance, Ardagh Packaging Holdings and Citibank, N.A., London Branch in its capacity as security agent thereunder and trustee for the Existing Secured Notes and the 2020 Senior Notes. See “Description of Other Indebtedness—Intercreditor Agreement.”
“Issuers” . . . . .	The Secured Notes Co-Issuers and the Senior Notes Co-Issuers.
“LIBOR” . . . . .	The London Interbank Offered Rate.
“Metal Packaging” . . . . .	The metal packaging business of Ardagh as of the date of this Offering Memorandum
“Notes” . . . . .	The Secured Notes and the Senior Notes.
“O-I” . . . . .	Owens-Illinois, Inc.
“pounds,” “sterling,” “GBP” or “£” . .	Pounds sterling, the lawful currency of the United Kingdom.
“Principal Paying Agent” . . . . .	Citibank, N.A., London Branch.
“QIB” . . . . .	Qualified institutional buyer, as defined in Rule 144A.
“REACH” . . . . .	Regulations passed by the European Union concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals.
“Regulation S” . . . . .	Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act.
“Restricted Subsidiary” . . . . .	See “Description of the Secured Notes—Certain Definitions—Restricted Subsidiary” and “Description of the Senior Notes—Certain Definitions—Restricted Subsidiary.”
“Rexam Carve-Out Business” . . . . .	The beverage can operations of Rexam PLC that we will acquire in the Acquisition.
“Rule 144A” . . . . .	Rule 144A under the U.S. Securities Act.
“SEC” . . . . .	United States Securities and Exchange Commission.
“Secured Notes” . . . . .	The Fixed Rate Secured Notes and the Floating Rate Secured Notes.
“Secured Notes Co-Issuers” . . . . .	Ardagh Packaging Finance and Ardagh Holdings USA, each in its capacity as co-issuer of the Secured Notes.
“Secured Indenture” . . . . .	The Indenture governing the Secured Notes offered hereby.
“Secured Notes Guarantees” . . . . .	The Secured Notes Parent Guarantee and the Secured Notes Subsidiary Guarantees.
“Secured Notes Guarantors” . . . . .	The Parent Guarantor and the Subsidiary Guarantors.



“Secured Notes Parent Guarantee” . .	The guarantee of the Secured Notes on a senior basis by the Parent Guarantor on the Issue Date.
“Secured Notes Subsidiary Guarantees” . . . . .	The guarantees of the Secured Notes on a senior basis by the Subsidiary Guarantors on the dates specified in the Secured Indenture.
“Security Documents” . . . . .	The security documents under which the Security Interests are or will be, as applicable, created.
“Security Interests” . . . . .	The Security Interests will be comprised of pledges and other security interests in the Collateral.
“Seller” . . . . .	Ball Corporation.
“Senior Notes” . . . . .	The Euro Senior Notes and the Dollar Senior Notes.
“Senior Notes Co-Issuers” . . . . .	Ardagh Packaging Finance and Ardagh Holdings USA, each in its capacity as co-issuer of the Senior Notes.
“Senior Indenture” . . . . .	The indenture governing the Senior Notes offered hereby.
“Senior Notes Guarantees” . . . . .	The Senior Notes Parent Guarantee and the Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantees.
“Senior Notes Guarantors” . . . . .	The Parent Guarantor and the Subsidiary Guarantors.
“Senior Notes Parent Guarantee” . . .	The guarantee of the Senior Notes on a senior basis by the Parent Guarantor on the Issue Date.
“Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantees”	The guarantees of the Senior Notes on a senior subordinated basis by the Subsidiary Guarantors on the dates specified in the Senior Indenture.
“SGCI” . . . . .	Saint-Gobain Containers, Inc., now Ardagh Glass Inc., a Delaware corporation.
“Subsidiary Guarantors” . . . . .	Subject to the Agreed Security Principles, no later than the later of (i) 90 days following the Issue Date and (ii) 30 days following the Completion Date, all subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor (other than the Issuers) that guarantee the Existing Notes and, on the dates specified in the Indentures (but not before completion of the Acquisition), certain subsidiaries that are presently part of the Target Business.
“Target Business” . . . . .	The Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us under the Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement.
“Transactions” . . . . .	The Acquisition, the issuance of the Notes offered hereby and the use of proceeds therefrom. See “Use of Proceeds.”
“Trustee” . . . . .	Citibank, N.A., London Branch, in its capacity as trustee for the Notes.

“Unicredit Working Capital and Performance Guarantee Credit Lines” . . . . .	Two open lines of credit granted to Heye International from UniCredit Bank AG (formerly known as Bayerische Hypo-und Vereinsbank AG). See “Description of Other Indebtedness—Unicredit Working Capital and Performance Guarantee Credit Lines.”
“United Kingdom” or “UK” . . . . .	The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
“United States” or “U.S.” . . . . .	The United States of America.
“U.S. dollars,” “USD,” “U.S.\$” or “\$” . . . . .	The lawful currency of the United States.
“U.S. GAAP” . . . . .	Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.
“U.S. GAAS” . . . . .	Generally accepted auditing standards in the United States.
“U.S. Paying Agent” . . . . .	Citibank, N.A., New York.
“U.S. Securities Act” . . . . .	U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
“Yeoman” . . . . .	Yeoman Capital S.A.

## **PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA**

### **Issuers**

Ardagh Packaging Finance, the co-issuer of the Notes, is a direct, wholly owned subsidiary of Ardagh Packaging Holdings, the Parent Guarantor. Ardagh Packaging Finance was incorporated and registered in the Republic of Ireland as a public limited company on September 17, 2010. Ardagh Packaging Finance is a finance company. It is the co-issuer of the Existing Notes and the Notes offered hereby.

Ardagh Holdings USA, the co-issuer of the Notes, is an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of the Parent Guarantor. Ardagh Holdings USA was incorporated in Delaware on February 20, 2009. It is the co-issuer of the Existing Notes and the Notes offered hereby.

### **Ardagh Packaging Holdings**

Ardagh Packaging Holdings was incorporated and registered in the Republic of Ireland as a limited liability company on August 5, 2005. Ardagh Packaging Holdings will be the Parent Guarantor of the Notes. In this Offering Memorandum, we present consolidated financial information for Ardagh Packaging Holdings.

### **Financial Information**

This Offering Memorandum includes:

- the audited non-statutory consolidated financial statements of Ardagh Packaging Holdings and its subsidiaries for the financial years ended and as of December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 prepared in accordance with IFRS;
- the unaudited consolidated interim financial information of Ardagh Packaging Holdings and its subsidiaries for the three months ended and as of March 31, 2016 prepared in accordance with IFRS;
- the unaudited consolidated financial information for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 for Ardagh Packaging Holdings, which has been derived by performing the mathematical exercise of aggregating the relevant results for the year ended December 31, 2015 and the three months ended March 31, 2016 and subtracting the results for the three months ended March 31, 2015. These results are for illustrative purposes only and have not been subject to audit or review;
- the audited combined financial statements of certain metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 and for each of the three financial years in the period ended December 31, 2015 prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP (the “Ball Combined Financial Statements”);
- the audited combined carve-out financial statements of certain beverage can operations of Rexam PLC for the financial years ended and as of December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the IASB (“IASB-IFRS”) (the “Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements”); and
- the unaudited pro forma combined financial information as of and for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 for Ardagh Packaging Holdings that gives effect to the Acquisition, the issuance of the Notes offered hereby and the use of proceeds therefrom (see “Use of Proceeds”) (the “Transactions”) as if they had occurred on April 1, 2015 and, for pro forma balance sheet information, on March 31, 2016 (the “Pro Forma Financial Information”).

The financial statements of Ardagh and the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements included in this Offering Memorandum have been prepared in accordance with IFRS and IASB-IFRS, respectively, in effect as of December 31, 2015, and the Ball Combined Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP in effect as of December 31, 2015. In making an investment decision, you must rely upon your own examination of Ardagh, the Target Business, the terms of the offering of the Notes and the financial information contained in this Offering Memorandum. You should consult your own professional advisers for an understanding of the differences between IFRS and U.S. GAAP and how those differences could affect the financial information contained in this Offering Memorandum.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS and U.S. GAAP requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgment or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated financial statements are disclosed in the financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements for Ardagh Packaging Holdings have been prepared based on a calendar year and are presented in euro rounded to the nearest million. The Ball Combined Financial Statements have been prepared based on a calendar year and are presented in U.S. dollars rounded to the nearest million. The Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements have been prepared based on a calendar year and are presented in pounds sterling rounded to the nearest million. Therefore, discrepancies in the tables between totals and the sums of the amounts listed may occur due to such rounding.

Unless stated otherwise, debt balances are presented before deducting deferred financing costs.

### **Ball Combined Financial Statements**

The Ball Combined Financial Statements included in this Offering Memorandum have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. The Ball Combined Financial Statements reflect the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of certain metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation in Brazil, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Poland, Serbia and the United Kingdom in conformity with U.S. GAAP. All significant intercompany transactions and accounts among the carve-out operations have been eliminated. The Ball Combined Financial Statements may not be indicative of the future performance of those operations and may not reflect what the combined results of operations, financial position and cash flows would have been had those operations operated as an independent company during all of the periods presented. For a complete description of the accounting principles followed in preparing the Ball Combined Financial Statements, please see Note 1 “Description of Business and Basis of Presentation” and Note 2 “Critical and Significant Accounting Policies” to the Ball Combined Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

The Ball Combined Financial Statements, and the financial information derived therefrom, included in this Offering Memorandum do not reflect what the results of operations, financial condition or cash flows of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition would have been during the periods presented and are not necessarily indicative of the future results of operations, future financial condition or future cash flows of the Ball Carve-Out Business. This is primarily owing to the fact that the metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation reflected in the Ball Combined Financial Statements include certain assets (namely, three plants in Europe and certain other ancillary assets) and certain liabilities (namely, certain pension liabilities) that will be retained by Ball Corporation and therefore do not comprise part of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition.

## **Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements**

The Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements included in this Offering Memorandum have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. The Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements reflect certain wholly owned beverage can operations of Rexam PLC that have not in the past formed a separate accounting group. These businesses do not constitute a separate legal group. The Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements have been prepared specifically for the purpose of facilitating the divestment of the Rexam Carve-Out Business and on a basis that combines the results and Rexam PLC assets and liabilities of each of the manufacturing plants, warehouses and operations constituting the Rexam Carve-Out Business by applying the principles underlying the consolidation procedures of IFRS 10 '*Consolidated Financial Statements*'. The Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements have been prepared on a carve-out basis in accordance with IASB-IFRS from the consolidated financial statements of Rexam PLC and include the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses that management of Rexam PLC has determined are attributable to the Rexam Carve-Out Business.

For a complete description of the accounting principles followed in preparing the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements, please see Note 1 "Nature of operations and basis of presentation" and Note 3 "Principal accounting policies" to the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. This basis of preparation sets out the method used in identifying the financial position, performance and cash flows in relation to each of the plants that has been included in Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements. These notes explain that the businesses included in the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements have not operated as a single entity. The Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements are, therefore, not necessarily indicative of results that would have occurred if the Rexam Carve-Out Business had operated as a single business during the periods presented or of future results of the Rexam Carve-Out Business.

## **Pro Forma Financial Information**

Under IFRS 3, Revised "Business Combinations," all business combinations should be accounted for by applying the purchase method of accounting. This involves measuring the cost of the business combination and allocating, at the acquisition date, the cost of the business combination to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date.

The proposed Acquisition has not been completed, and, as a result, we are not currently in a position to measure fair values and make related adjustments to recorded values of the assets and liabilities of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business. Following completion of the purchase accounting for the acquisition of the Target Business (including measurement of fair values), we will make any necessary adjustments to recorded values of the acquired and assumed assets and liabilities. We currently expect that the majority of the adjustments will result in adjustments to property, plant and equipment, the creation of intangible assets and goodwill and an increase in the fair value of inventory. The adjustments to intangible assets are likely to result in additional charges for amortization, which will have a negative effect on operating profit. Similarly, the adjustment to inventory will result in a corresponding one-off increase in cost of sales which will be recognized and reduce operating profit during the period in which the acquired inventory is sold. The unaudited pro forma financial information set forth below does not reflect any purchase accounting adjustments for the acquisition of the Target Business.

The following unaudited pro forma income statement information for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 gives effect to the Transactions as if they had occurred on April 1, 2015. The summary unaudited pro forma balance sheet information as of March 31, 2016 gives effect to the Transactions as

if they had occurred on that date. We are not presenting full pro forma balance sheet information in this Offering Memorandum. This unaudited pro forma financial information is based on available information and various assumptions that management believe to be reasonable, including the receipt of all consents and approvals required for completion of the Acquisition. Completion of the Acquisition as contemplated in this Offering Memorandum is subject to legally required staff consultation in certain jurisdictions. The actual results may differ significantly from those reflected in the unaudited pro forma financial information for a number of reasons, including, but not limited to, differences between the assumptions used to prepare the unaudited pro forma combined financial information and actual amounts. The unaudited pro forma financial information is provided for illustrative purposes only and does not purport to represent what the actual consolidated results of operations would have been had the Transactions occurred on the dates assumed, nor is it necessarily indicative of future consolidated results of operations or financial position.

The unaudited pro forma financial information reflects a number of adjustments made to the financial information of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business. The compilation of the unaudited pro forma financial information and the adjustments reflected therein are explained as follows:

- Adjustments have been made to the Ball Combined Financial Statements to eliminate the results of operations and assets and liabilities associated with certain assets (namely, three plants in Europe and certain other ancillary assets) and certain liabilities (namely, certain pension liabilities) that will be retained by Ball Corporation and therefore do not comprise part of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition. The income statement data has been adjusted generally (i) in the case of revenue on the basis of actual sales of the various plants and (ii) in the case of cost items on the basis of allocations, including, for example, on relative sales volumes. The balance sheet data has generally been allocated based on actual assets and liabilities, other than certain working capital items, which are on the basis of allocations.
- Adjustments have been made to convert the underlying U.S. GAAP financial information set forth in the Ball Combined Financial Statements to IFRS and in alignment with the IFRS accounting policies of Ardagh. These adjustments are based on management's analysis of the major GAAP and accounting policy differences between Ardagh and the Ball Combined Financial Statements. There can be no assurance that a full IFRS conversion of the financial information set forth in the Ball Combined Financial Statements to IFRS would not result in different numbers, and such differences may be material.
- The underlying financial information of both the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business has been adjusted to align the presentation of certain income statement items with the presentation of such financial information in the financial statements of Ardagh. However, the underlying financial information of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business has not been adjusted to fully align the classification of certain income statement items with their treatment in the financial information of Ardagh. Further, an exercise will need to be performed to align the accounting policies of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business with those of Ardagh under IFRS. Adjustments arising from this exercise could also be material.

The basis for the adjustments reflected in the unaudited pro forma financial information and the key assumptions made are explained in the notes to the information accompanying the tables.

The financial information of the Ball Carve-Out Business has been translated by Ardagh from U.S. dollars into euros, and the financial information of the Rexam Carve-Out Business has been translated from pounds sterling into euros. For all income statement items a twelve-month average rate for the year ended December 31, 2015 has been used, with the selected balance sheet data translated using the



closing rate as at December 31, 2015. Based on its review of the historical financial information and understanding of the differences between IFRS and U.S. GAAP, Ardagh is not aware of any further material adjustment that it would need to make to the Ball Carve-Out Business's historical financial information or the Rexam Carve-Out Business's historical financial information relating to foreign currency translation.

The summary pro forma financial information set forth below has not been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation S-X under the Exchange Act or U.S. GAAP. Neither the adjustments nor the resulting pro forma financial information have been audited or reviewed in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (United Kingdom and Ireland) or U.S. GAAS. The summary unaudited pro forma combined financial and other data set forth below should be read in conjunction with the historical consolidated financial statements and notes thereto of Ardagh and the Ball Combined Financial Statements and the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements, included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum and "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects."

### **Non-IFRS Financial Measures**

We present in this Offering Memorandum EBITDA and EBITDA margin and related ratios, which are supplemental measures of our performance and liquidity that are not required by, or presented in accordance with, IFRS and, in relation to the Ball Carve-Out Business, U.S. GAAP. In relation to Ardagh, we define "EBITDA" as operating profit before depreciation, amortization, non-exceptional impairment and exceptional operating items, and "EBITDA margin" as EBITDA divided by revenue. In relation to the Ball Carve-Out Business, we define "EBITDA" as earnings before interest and taxes before depreciation and amortization, and "EBITDA margin" as EBITDA divided by net sales. In relation to the Rexam Carve-Out Business, we define "EBITDA" as profit before tax before depreciation, amortization and exceptional items, and "EBITDA margin" as EBITDA divided by sales. In this Offering Memorandum, we present EBITDA, EBITDA margin and related ratios for Ardagh Packaging Holdings and its consolidated subsidiaries, the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business.

EBITDA, EBITDA margin and related ratios should not be considered in isolation and are not measures of our financial performance or liquidity under IFRS and should not be considered as an alternative to profit or loss for the period or any other performance measures derived in accordance with IFRS or as an alternative to cash flow from operating, investing or financing activities as a measure of our liquidity as derived in accordance with IFRS. These non-GAAP financial measures do not necessarily indicate whether cash flow will be sufficient or available for cash requirements and may not be indicative of our results of operations. In addition, such measures as we define them may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures used by other companies.

### **Industry and Market Data**

#### ***Glass Packaging***

Throughout this Offering Memorandum, we have used industry and market data obtained from independent industry publications, market research, internal surveys and other publicly available information. In particular, we have obtained information or other statements presented in this Offering Memorandum relating to market share and industry data relating to our business from providers of industry data, including the British Glass Manufacturers Confederation, Fachvereinigung Behälterglasindustrie e.V. (Germany), Forum Opakowan Szklanych (Poland) and the European Container Glass Federation ("FEVE").

Industry publications generally state that the information they contain has been obtained from sources believed to be reliable but that the accuracy and completeness of such information is not

guaranteed. We have not independently verified such data. Similarly, while we believe that our internal surveys are reliable, they have not been verified by independent sources and we cannot assure you of their accuracy.

Moreover, information and quantitative statements in this Offering Memorandum regarding our market position relative to our competitors are not based on published statistical data or information obtained from third parties. Rather, such information and statements reflect our best estimates based upon our internal records and surveys, statistics published by providers of industry data, information published by our competitors, and information obtained from trade and business organizations and associations and other sources within the industry in which we operate. We believe that such data are useful in helping investors understand the industry in which we operate and our position within the industry. However, we do not have access to the facts and assumptions underlying the numerical data and other information extracted from publicly available sources and have not independently verified any data provided by third parties or industry or general publications. In addition, while we believe our internal data and surveys to be reliable, such data and surveys have not been verified by any independent sources.

We refer to “Northern Europe” or the “Northern European market” to include collectively Germany, the United Kingdom, Poland, Benelux and the Nordic region. We refer to the “Nordic region” to include collectively Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden. We refer to “Benelux” or the “Benelux region” to include collectively Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

#### ***Metal Packaging***

Given the specialized nature of the metal packaging markets in which Metal Packaging operates, there does not exist a relevant and reliable third-party source of much of the relevant market information presented in this Offering Memorandum. Therefore, estimates provided by Metal Packaging regarding these markets as set forth in this Offering Memorandum, as well as estimated market shares of Metal Packaging or its competitors, are largely based on Metal Packaging’s knowledge of these markets, developed primarily from analysis of public information, third-party reports to the extent available, competitors’ public announcements and regulatory filings and information gathered in the course of acquisitions. The data relating to market sizes, market share and market position are based on the most recent data available. This information has not been confirmed by an independent organization, nor can there be assurance that third parties would arrive at the same results were they to employ different methods for gathering, analyzing and calculating such data. Breakdowns of market shares were established on the basis of Metal Packaging’s consolidated revenues and these data. Market positions and percentage shares are those that Metal Packaging believes it holds in terms of revenues. They are based on industry market sectors on which Metal Packaging’s group business is arranged.

Certain additional information regarding the global packaging industry, generally, and the metal can packaging sector, specifically, has been sourced from Smithers Pira.

Any third-party information described above and included in this Offering Memorandum has been accurately reproduced and as far as we are aware and are able to ascertain from the information published by such third parties, the reproduced information is accurate and no facts have been omitted which would render such information inaccurate or misleading. Market share data is subject to change, however, and such third-party information has been prepared for statistical and other informational purposes, which is limited by the availability and reliability of raw data, the voluntary nature of the data gathering process and other limitations and uncertainties inherent in any statistical survey of market share.

## FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Offering Memorandum (including the F-pages and Annexes hereto) includes statements that are, or may be deemed to be, “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the securities laws of certain jurisdictions, including statements under the headings “Summary,” “Risk Factors,” “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects” and “Our Business,” are statements of future expectations and other forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as “aim,” “anticipate,” “believe,” “continue,” “could,” “estimate,” “expect,” “forecast,” “guidance,” “intend,” “may,” “plan,” “potential,” “predict,” “projected,” “should,” “suggests,” “targets,” “will” or “would” or similar expressions or the negatives thereof, or other variations thereof, or comparable terminology, or by discussions of strategy, plans or intentions. These forward-looking statements include all matters that are not historical facts. They appear in a number of places throughout this Offering Memorandum and include statements regarding our intentions, beliefs or current expectations concerning, amongst other things, our results of operations, financial condition, liquidity, prospects, growth, strategies and the industry in which we operate.

We caution you that forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and that our actual results of operations, financial condition and liquidity, and the development of the industry in which we operate may differ materially from those made in or suggested by the forward-looking statements contained in this Offering Memorandum. In addition, even if our results of operations, financial condition and liquidity, and the development of the industry in which we operate are consistent with the forward-looking statements contained in this Offering Memorandum, those results or developments may not be indicative of results or developments in subsequent periods.

By their nature, forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors because they relate to events and depend on circumstances that may or may not occur in the future. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and our actual financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. The development of the industry in which we operate, may differ materially from (and be more negative than) those made in, or suggested by, the forward-looking statements contained in this Offering Memorandum.

These statements are based on management’s current views and assumptions and involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results, performance or events to differ materially from those anticipated by such statements. Factors that could cause such differences in actual results include:

- our substantial debt;
- failure to comply with financial covenants;
- our ability to generate cash;
- the timing and occurrence of events that are beyond the control of Ardagh and its affiliates;
- restrictions imposed by our Existing Indentures and credit facilities;
- our ability to integrate the Target Business and the operations of any other business to be acquired in the future and achieve expected operating efficiencies and cost savings;
- unknown liabilities of the Target Business;
- the effects of the global economic crisis;
- fluctuations in the demand for our products;
- general political, economic and competitive conditions in markets and countries where Ardagh has operations, including disruptions in the supply chain, supply and demand for glass or metal

packaging manufacturing capacity, competitive pricing pressures, inflation or deflation, and changes in tax rates and laws;

- dependence on certain major customers and suppliers;
- the performance by customers of their obligations under purchase agreements;
- consolidation among competitors and customers;
- the availability and cost of raw materials;
- foreign currency, interest rate, exchange rate and commodity price fluctuations;
- the availability and cost of energy;
- operating hazards and unanticipated interruptions at our manufacturing facilities;
- our inability to make capital investments;
- risks relating to our expansion strategy;
- unanticipated expenditures with respect to environmental, health and safety laws;
- our ability to comply with existing and future regulations relating to materials used in the packaging of goods and beverages;
- claims of injury and illness resulting from materials present or used at our production sites or from our use of these sites or from our products;
- consumer preferences for alternative forms of packaging;
- labor strikes or work stoppages;
- fluctuations in raw material and labor costs;
- failure of control measures and systems;
- insufficient insurance coverage;
- failure to retain senior management and qualified staff;
- control exerted by a significant shareholder; and
- factors that are not known by us or considered by us to be material at this time.

We undertake no obligations to update publicly or release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this Offering Memorandum or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, other than as required by law.

The foregoing factors and others described under “Risk Factors” should not be construed as exhaustive. There are other factors that may cause our actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements contained in this Offering Memorandum. Moreover, new risks emerge from time to time and it is not possible for us to predict all such risks. We cannot assess the impact of all risks on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements. Given these risks and uncertainties, you should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements as a prediction of actual results. We urge you to read the sections of this Offering Memorandum entitled “Risk Factors,” “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects,” “Our Business” and “The Target Business” for a more complete discussion of the factors that could affect our future performance and the industry in which we operate.

The forward-looking statements are based on plans, estimates and projections as they are currently available to our management, and we undertake no obligation, and do not expect, to publicly update or publicly revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to us or to persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements referred to above and contained elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

## EXCHANGE RATES

The Bloomberg Composite Rate is a “best market” calculation. At any point in time, the bid rate is equal to the highest bid rate of all contributing bank indications, while the ask rate is set to the lowest ask rate offered by these banks. The Bloomberg Composite Rate is a mid-value rate between the applied highest bid rate and the lowest ask rate.

The average rate for a year means the average of the closing Bloomberg Composite Rate on each business day during a year. The average rate for a month, or for any shorter period, means the average of the closing Bloomberg Composite Rate of each business day during that month, or during any shorter period, as the case may be.

Unless otherwise specified herein, all U.S. dollar amounts have been translated into euro using the March 31, 2016 exchange rate of \$1.1385 per €1.0000.

The table below sets forth the period end, average, high and low Bloomberg Composite Rate for U.S. dollars, expressed in U.S. dollars per euro, for the years indicated.

<u>Year ended December 31,</u>	<u>U.S. dollars per euro<sup>(1)</sup></u>			
	<u>Period Ending</u>	<u>Average<sup>(2)</sup></u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
2011 . . . . .	1.2960	1.3998	1.4874	1.2925
2012 . . . . .	1.3197	1.2911	1.3463	1.2053
2013 . . . . .	1.3789	1.3300	1.3804	1.2772
2014 . . . . .	1.2100	1.3209	1.3925	1.2100
2015 . . . . .	1.0866	1.1032	1.2010	1.0492

(1) Source: Bloomberg.

(2) The average of buying rates for U.S. dollars on the last business day of each month during the applicable period.

The table below sets forth the period end, high and low exchange rates for U.S. dollars, expressed in U.S. dollars per €1.00, for each of the six months prior to the date of this Offering Memorandum.

<u>Month</u>	<u>U.S. dollars per euro<sup>(1)</sup></u>		
	<u>Period Ending</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
October 2015 . . . . .	1.1018	1.1445	1.0967
November 2015 . . . . .	1.0560	1.1021	1.0560
December 2015 . . . . .	1.0866	1.1015	1.0585
January 2016 . . . . .	1.0843	1.0951	1.0746
February 2016 . . . . .	1.0875	1.1330	1.0875
March 2016 . . . . .	1.1381	1.1381	1.0853
April 2016 (through April 22, 2016) . . . . .	1.1223	1.1415	1.1223

(1) Source: Bloomberg.

The U.S. dollar per euro exchange rate on April 22, 2016 was \$1.1223 = €1.00.



The table below sets forth the period end, average, high and low Bloomberg Composite Rate for pound sterling, expressed in pound sterling per euro, for the years indicated.

<u>Year ended December 31,</u>	<u>Pound sterling per euro<sup>(1)</sup></u>			
	<u>Period Ending</u>	<u>Average<sup>(2)</sup></u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
2011 .....	0.8357	0.8690	0.9032	0.8304
2012 .....	0.8126	0.8107	0.8483	0.7775
2013 .....	0.8323	0.8494	0.8748	0.8114
2014 .....	0.7766	0.8023	0.8396	0.7766
2015 .....	0.7375	0.7237	0.7860	0.6947

(1) Source: Bloomberg.

(2) The average of buying rates for pound sterling on the last business day of each month during the applicable period.

The table below sets forth the period end, high and low exchange rates for pound sterling, expressed in pound sterling per €1.00, for each of the six months prior to the date of this Offering Memorandum.

<u>Month</u>	<u>Pound sterling per euro<sup>(1)</sup></u>		
	<u>Period Ending</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
October 2015 .....	0.7133	0.7470	0.7133
November 2015 .....	0.7024	0.7146	0.6994
December 2015 .....	0.7375	0.7403	0.7043
January 2016 .....	0.7624	0.7704	0.7329
February 2016 .....	0.7817	0.7916	0.7571
March 2016 .....	0.7907	0.7925	0.7716
April 2016 (through April 22, 2016) .....	0.7815	0.8086	0.7815

(1) Source: Bloomberg.

The pound sterling per euro exchange rate on April 22, 2016 was £0.7815 = €1.00.

Our inclusion of such translations is not meant to suggest that the U.S. dollar or pound sterling amounts actually represent such euro amounts or that such amounts could have been converted into euro at such rate or any other rate. For a discussion of the impact of the exchange rate fluctuations on our financial condition and results of operations, see “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects.” We did not use the rates listed above in the preparation of our financial statements or those of the Ball Carve-Out Business or the Rexam Carve-Out Business.

## SUMMARY

*The following summary highlights selected information from this Offering Memorandum and does not contain all the information that you should consider before investing in the Notes. This Offering Memorandum contains specific terms of the Notes, as well as information about Ardagh's business and detailed financial data. You should read this Offering Memorandum in its entirety, including the "Risk Factors" section, Ardagh's and the Target Business's non-statutory consolidated financial statements and the notes to those statements. In addition, certain statements include forward-looking information that involves risks and uncertainties. See "Forward-Looking Statements."*

*In respect of historical financial information in this Offering Memorandum, all references to "we," "us" or "our" are to Ardagh Packaging Holdings and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis (other than the Target Business). For more information on the Target Business, see "—The Target Business," "The Target Business," "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Results of Operations of the Ball Carve-Out Business," "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Results of Operations of the Rexam Carve-Out Business" and the financial data of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.*

*We have not yet completed the Acquisition and therefore neither own nor control the Target Business. This Offering Memorandum includes certain information, including financial information, about the Target Business. Any such information is based on documents, information and representations provided to us and our advisers by the Seller and the management of the Target Business. While we have conducted due diligence on the Target Business and have no knowledge that would indicate that any statement contained herein, based upon such information provided by the Seller and the management of the Target Business is inaccurate, incomplete or untrue, we cannot independently verify the accuracy, completeness or truthfulness of all such information or that there has not been any failure by the Seller or the management of the Target Business to disclose events, developments or circumstances that may have occurred, but which are unknown to us, which may affect the significance or accuracy of any such information.*

### **Our Company**

We are one of the world's leading suppliers of rigid packaging to the food & beverage and consumer products industries. We currently supply a broad range of glass and metal packaging products to a variety of end markets on a global basis. We produce value-added products for some of the best known brands in the world. We believe we hold #1 or #2 market positions in most of the markets we serve.

We supply packaging for food & beverage and consumer products including fruits & vegetables, soups & sauces, seafood, pet food, beer, wine & spirits, non-alcoholic beverages, personal care and household products. We also supply packaging for paints, coatings and other items. We sell our products to over 2,000 customers globally, including a diverse mix of leading international, blue-chip companies, and large national and regional companies, as well as small local businesses. We have maintained long-standing relationships with many of our key customers, some of whom have been customers for over 100 years.

We sell the majority of our products under contract. Approximately two-thirds of our sales are under multi-year contracts and the remainder are subject to one-year agreements. A significant proportion of our sales volumes are supplied under contracts which include input cost pass-through provisions.

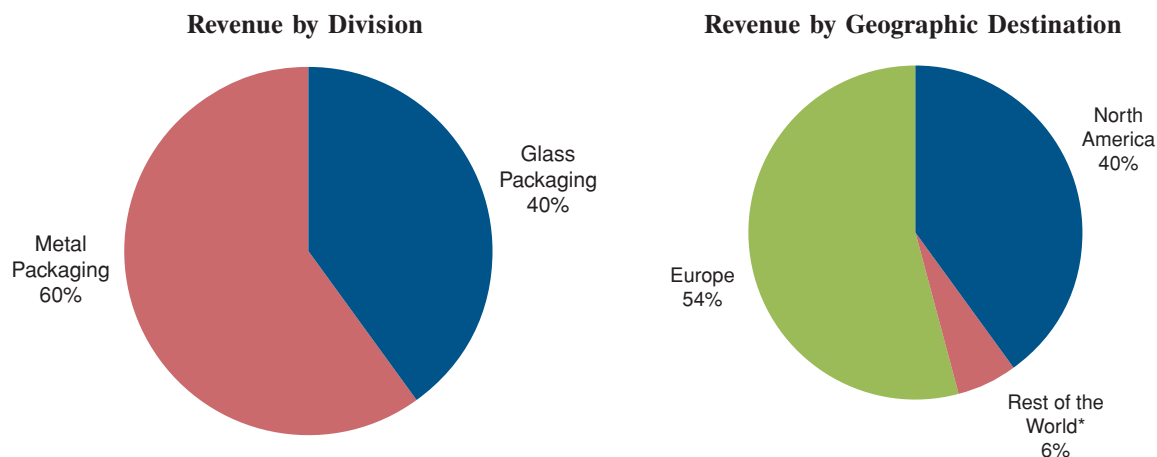
After giving effect to the Acquisition, we will operate 110 glass and metal manufacturing facilities located in 22 countries across five continents, with a significant presence in Europe and North America. On a pro forma basis, we will have 75 plants in Europe and 30 plants in North America, along with other facilities in South America, Africa and Asia. In addition, we currently operate four glass

engineering facilities and a research and development (“R&D”) center. This technology platform has enabled us to emerge as a leader in sustainability through lightweighting our products and the increased use of recycled content.

We operate strong franchises in glass and metal packaging. These franchises have market positions, manufacturing plant networks and customer relationships that are among the leaders in their sectors. We have a long history of growth through acquisition, with 22 successful acquisitions over the last 17 years in both Glass Packaging and Metal Packaging. We believe that our scale, service, technology and industry-leading manufacturing capabilities allow us to compete highly successfully in the markets in which we operate. By competing successfully, we are able to maintain and grow our margins and generate significant operating cash flow.

On a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the completed Acquisition, revenues and EBITDA for Ardagh Packaging Holdings for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 would have been €7,919 million and €1,300 million, respectively. We also estimate that, following the completion of the Acquisition, we will achieve cost synergies of approximately \$50 million (or €46 million) in procurement, operations and selling, general and administrative cost savings by the end of the second full year after the Completion Date. We estimate the one-off cost of achieving these synergies will be approximately \$20 million (or €18 million).

The following charts illustrate the breakdown of our revenues by division and geographic destination, each based on the results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2015 on a combined basis after giving effect to the Acquisition.



\* Africa, Asia, Australia and New Zealand, the Middle East and South America.

## Our Divisions

We presently operate two divisions: Glass Packaging and Metal Packaging.

### *Glass Packaging*

Glass Packaging designs, manufactures and sells glass containers to food & beverage end markets in Europe and North America. We manufacture both “proprietary” and “non-proprietary” glass containers. Our proprietary products are customized to the exact specifications of our customers and play an important role in their branding strategies. Our non-proprietary products deliver consistent performance and product differentiation through value-added decoration, including embossing, coating,

printing and pressure-sensitive labeling. Our product offering and ability to meet and exceed our customers' requirements help support higher profit margins in Glass Packaging.

Glass Packaging has manufacturing operations in Denmark, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Poland, Sweden, the United Kingdom and the United States. We operate 35 glass plants with 73 glass furnaces and have approximately 12,000 employees, with aggregate production in 2015 of approximately 5.9 million tonnes of glass containers. For the year ended December 31, 2015, we estimate that Glass Packaging was the market leader in Northern Europe and one of the market leaders in the United States of glass container production by volume.

Revenues and EBITDA of Glass Packaging for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 were €3,167 million and €638 million, respectively.

### ***Metal Packaging***

Metal Packaging is a leading supplier of innovative, value-added metal can packaging for the consumer products industry. We currently supply a broad range of products, including two-piece aluminum and tinplate and three-piece tinplate cans, and a wide range of can ends, including easy-open and peelable ends. After giving effect to the Acquisition, we will also produce aluminum and steel beverage cans as the third largest global player in the beverage can industry. Many of our products feature high-quality printed graphics, customized sizes and shapes or other innovative designs. These innovative products provide functionality and differentiation and enhance our customers' brands on the shelf. Combined with efficient manufacturing and high service levels, this overall value proposition enables us to achieve strong margins for our metal packaging products.

We supply metal can packaging to a wide range of consumer-driven end-use categories including food (processed food such as fruit, vegetables, soups, sauces, ready meals and pet food), seafood, aerosols (personal care and household products), nutrition & custom (including dairy and infant nutrition powders, as well as other customized packaging), and paints & coatings. We have dedicated manufacturing facilities and sales teams organized around serving these end-use categories. We enjoy leading positions in nearly all categories in which we compete.

As of March 31, 2016, Metal Packaging operated 53 production facilities in 14 European countries, as well as in the United States, Canada, Morocco, the Seychelles and South Korea and had approximately 7,000 employees. After giving effect to the Acquisition, we will have 75 production facilities including 12 additional facilities in Europe, eight additional facilities in the United States and two facilities in Brazil. We currently have leading market positions in selected value-added sectors for metal cans and ends such as processed food (including seafood), aerosols, paints and coatings and other specialty end-uses, including infant and nutritional powders and beer kegs for at-home use. After giving effect to the Acquisition, we will also have leading market positions in the beverage can sector.

On a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the Acquisition, revenues and EBITDA for Metal Packaging for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 would have been €4,752 million and €662 million, respectively.

### **Our Competitive Strengths**

We believe a number of competitive strengths differentiate us from our competitors, including:

- ***Leading market position in our principal markets.*** We believe we are one of the leading suppliers of glass and metal packaging in the world. We believe Glass Packaging is one of the leading suppliers of glass containers in Europe and the United States, with strong market positions in the food, beer, spirits, wine, non-alcoholic beverages and pharmaceutical sectors. In addition, we believe that Metal Packaging is a market leader in the consumer metal packaging industry and has achieved strong positions in selected value-added market segments for cans.

We derive the majority of our sales from market sectors in which we hold first, second or third market positions. We believe our global manufacturing operations, proximity to clients, high level of service and innovative product development further enhance our strong market positions.

- ***Diverse product, end market and geographic exposure.*** Our business portfolio is well balanced, with a variety of products, geographic destinations and end markets. We supply glass and metal packaging to a wide range of end markets, including fruit, vegetables, soups, sauces, seafood, pet food, beer, wine, spirits, non-alcoholic beverages, personal care, household products, pharmaceuticals, paints and industrial coatings. We believe this diversity provides strength and stability to our profit margins and cash flow. Furthermore, we believe our broad product offering, manufacturing capabilities and geographical reach provide us with flexibility to respond to dynamic market conditions and evolving customer requirements.
- ***Strong customer relationships.*** We have strong and long-standing relationships with our customers, which include leading multinational consumer products companies, large national and regional food & beverage companies, as well as numerous local companies around the world. Some of our longest-standing customers include AB InBev, Akzo Nobel, Bacardi, Bonduelle, Coca-Cola, ConAgra Foods, Constellation Brands, Diageo, Heineken, The Kraft Heinz Company, Nestlé, Pernod Ricard, Procter & Gamble, and Unilever. Many of these customer relationships are strengthened by long-term contracts with input cost pass-through provisions. In addition to these contracts, our customer relationships are further enhanced through dedicated manufacturing facilities, including near-site and on-site (“wall-to-wall”) plants with a number of our largest customers. We believe the value proposition we offer our customers in the form of product quality, reliability, innovation, customer service and geographic reach, will enable us to grow our business alongside our customers on a global basis.

Metal Packaging has also been recognized with numerous industry awards including 11 World Star Awards and 28 Cans of the Year Awards since 2005.

- ***Favorable market dynamics.*** Glass containers and metal packaging are large, stable and mature markets. Nearly all of our products are utilized in end markets that are less sensitive to economic cycles, such as food and beverages, which represented approximately 90% of our 2015 revenue on a pro forma basis after giving effect to the completed Acquisition. The glass and metal packaging industries both feature high barriers to entry, including significant capital requirements, extensive technology and manufacturing know-how and existing customer relationships.
- ***Margin and cash flow stability.*** Both Glass Packaging and Metal Packaging have significant margin stability and cash flow reliability. On a pro forma basis after giving effect to the Acquisition, over two-thirds of our sales would be made pursuant to multi-year contracts with the remainder pursuant to one-year agreements. Furthermore, a significant proportion of our sales volumes are supplied under contracts which include mechanisms which help to protect us from volatility in input costs. Specifically, such arrangements include (i) multi-year contracts that include input cost pass-through and/or margin maintenance provisions and (ii) one-year contracts that allow us to negotiate pricing levels for our products on an annual basis at the same time as we determine our input costs for the relevant year.
- ***Technical leadership and innovation.*** We have advanced technology and manufacturing capabilities, including a high standard of product and process development, and extensive knowledge of both the glass and metal packaging industries. Through our internal glass engineering and metal engineering units, we continually seek to improve the quality of our products and processes through focused investment in new technology and have achieved industry-leading accreditations. Through our design and R&D capabilities, range of machine configurations and high degree of flexibility, we are able to meet the diverse design needs of

customers and to face shifting industry requirements. In Glass Packaging, the focus has been on product development as well as process improvement, which has been the driving force in the technological advances made in, for example, container lightweighting. As well as reducing costs, this has had significant environmental benefits in reducing the use of raw materials and energy. Metal Packaging has significant expertise in the production of value-added metal packaging, made from either tinplate or aluminum, with features such as high-quality graphic designs, a wide range of shapes and sizes and convenience features, such as easy-open ends and Easy Peel® and Easip® peelable lids.

- ***Proven track record of successful acquisitions and integration.*** We have grown our company through a series of acquisitions over the past 17 years, including the 2007 Rexam Acquisition, the 2010 Metal Packaging Acquisition and, most recently, the 2014 SGCI Acquisition, each of which significantly increased our size at the time of the respective acquisition. We have been successful in integrating these acquired businesses and realizing targeted cost synergies, including in connection with the 2014 SGCI Acquisition, where we have substantially achieved the operating and administrative cost synergies of approximately \$60 million outlined at the time of the acquisition and expect to realize the full amount by the end of 2016. These acquisitions have resulted in growth in our existing markets and expansion into new markets and generated cost savings, synergies and revenue growth. Based on our past integration experience, we expect we will be able to integrate the Target Business swiftly. While our combined business has leading positions in many markets, we believe there are still significant opportunities for further growth by acquisition and we intend to take advantage of these opportunities.
- ***Experienced and highly focused management team with a proven track record.*** Our management team is highly experienced, with strong backgrounds in the glass and metal packaging industry. The members of our senior management team have demonstrated their ability to manage costs, adapt to changing market conditions and acquire and successfully integrate new businesses, as shown by the growth of both Glass Packaging and Metal Packaging over the past decade through a series of acquisitions. As of the date of this Offering Memorandum, our senior management (including directors of Ardagh Group S.A., other than Paul Coulson) collectively owned approximately 20% of the total share capital of Ardagh Group S.A.

### **Our Business Strategy**

Our principal objective is to increase our value through margin enhancement, cash flow generation, acquisitions and strategic investments. We pursue this objective through the following strategies:

- ***Maintain a disciplined earnings and cash flow oriented approach.*** We carefully assess the potential for earnings and cash flow stability and growth when we evaluate the performance of our operations, new investment opportunities and prospective acquisitions. In managing our businesses we consistently seek to improve our efficiency, control costs and preserve cash flows. We have consistently focused on decreasing total costs through a focus on operational efficiencies and investments in advanced technology. We will continue to take decisive actions to reduce costs, enhance cash flow and manage our manufacturing base, including through further investment in advanced technology.
- ***Enhance product mix and profitability.*** We have improved our product mix by replacing lower margin business with higher margin business as opportunities arise. We have also enhanced our profitability through long-term contracts with input cost pass-through provisions. We will continue to develop long-term partnerships with our global customers and selectively pursue opportunities with existing and new customers that will grow our business and enhance our overall profitability and cash flows.



- ***Apply leading technology and technical expertise.*** Our goal is to be the most profitable producer in the rigid packaging industry. We plan to achieve this with a low cost base, lean manufacturing, strong technological expertise and a highly motivated workforce. We intend to increase productivity through the deployment of leading technology (including our internal engineering capabilities), and continued development and transfer of expertise and best practices across our operations.
- ***Successfully integrate acquired businesses.*** We have successfully acquired and integrated a significant number of businesses. We have proven our ability to create value through integrating acquisitions with our existing operations. We intend to continue to integrate, optimize and realize cost savings and other synergies with the Acquisition.
- ***Carefully evaluate and pursue strategic opportunities.*** We have achieved our current market position by pursuing strategic and profitable opportunities. We will continue to consider acquiring businesses in line with our strategic objectives, which include the realization of attractive returns on investment and the generation of significant free cash flow. We may selectively explore business opportunities for establishing operations in new markets to meet the geographic and other needs of our current and potential customers.

### **The Target Business**

The Target Business, as the combination of certain facilities of Ball Corporation and Rexam PLC required by the regulatory authorities to be divested in connection with the contemplated acquisition by Ball Corporation of Rexam PLC, is the third largest global manufacturer in the beverage can industry, with #2 or #3 market positions in each of the regions in which it operates, including Europe, the United States and Brazil. The Target Business has strong market positions in Europe, including a #1 market position in Austria, Benelux, Germany, Switzerland and the United Kingdom, a #2 position in Poland and a #3 position in France, Italy and Spain, in each case, based on share of can production for the year ended December 31, 2015. The Target Business is the second largest supplier of specialty beverage cans in the United States based on share of specialty beverage can production for the year ended December 31, 2015.

The Target Business produces aluminum and steel beverage cans at 19 plants across the United States, Europe and Brazil supported by three end plants in Germany, the United Kingdom and the United States. The Target Business makes cans in different shapes and sizes with different finishes, decorations and ends, particularly in the specialty size segment, where we believe the Target Business has a competitive advantage. Approximately 66% of the cans manufactured by the Target Business in 2015 were standard sizes (33cl and 50cl in Europe and 12oz in the United States and Brazil), with the remaining 34% specialty sizes, including “sleek,” “slim” and 24oz cans.

The Target Business has an international footprint, and worldwide demand for beverage cans has grown significantly in recent years. The global consumption of beverage cans grew at a combined annual growth rate of approximately 3% between 2011 and 2015. The Target Business’s largest regions by revenue are Europe and the United States, which are also the leading regions for beverage can consumption globally. The Target Business also manufactures and sell cans in Brazil, which is a key developing market and another important growth opportunity, with production having increased from 18.5 billion cans in 2011 to 23.6 billion cans in 2015, representing a 6.4% compound annual growth rate.

Long-term customer relationships with large multinational blue-chip companies such as AB InBev, Coca-Cola, Heineken and PepsiCo, as well as with leading regional brands such as Arizona, Brasil Kirin, Britvic, Monster Energy and Petrópolis ensure a diverse geographic footprint in soft and alcoholic drinks. Specifically, in Europe this is further complemented by long-standing relationships with a wide base of smaller and medium-sized customers. For the year ended December 31, 2015,

approximately 50% and 80% of the Target Business's global revenue came from its top five and 20 customers, respectively, and approximately 95%, 40% and 85% of its local revenues came from its top five customers in Brazil, Europe and the United States, respectively. Substantially all of the Target Business's customer contracts (80% in 2015) are on multi-year terms providing for a set percentage of the customer's requirements. In addition, the Target Business mitigates raw material price risk by entering into hedging arrangements and long-term customer contracts with pass-through clauses.

By increasing our global footprint to 110 facilities worldwide, the Target Business represents a strategically important acquisition for us by adding 22 additional facilities comprising 12 facilities in Europe, eight facilities in the United States and two facilities in Brazil. The Acquisition also expands our packaging business into the beverage can sector, which is large and growing. Carbonated soft drinks and beers are among the largest categories globally in terms of beverage consumption, along with packaged water, milk and hot drinks. The fastest growth rates over the next three years are expected from smaller categories such as energy drinks, iced ready-to-drink tea and coffee and flavored alcoholic beverages, but also from the large and high growth packaged water category.

For the year ended December 31, 2015, the Target Business had approximately 4,500 employees, and produced approximately 34 billion cans at 22 manufacturing facilities worldwide. On a pro forma basis, for the year ended December 31, 2015, the Target Business generated revenues and EBITDA of €2.7 billion and €353 million, respectively.

### **The Transactions**

On April 22, 2016, we entered into the Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement with the Seller to acquire the equity interests and assets and certain business functions, and assume the liabilities, constituting the Target Business. Completion of the Acquisition is subject to certain conditions, including the approval of us as the purchaser of the Target Business by the U.S., European and Brazilian competition authorities and successful completion of the contemplated acquisition by Ball Corporation of Rexam PLC.

We currently expect that the total cash amount payable in connection with the Acquisition, on a pro forma basis as if the Transactions had occurred on December 31, 2015, will amount to approximately \$3.1 billion. For more information, see "Use of Proceeds." The Target Business is being acquired on a cash free, debt free basis, with the purchase price payable on the Completion Date being subject to customary adjustment to reflect actual net debt and working capital on the Completion Date. The acquisition of the Ball subsidiaries conducting the Target Business in France, the Netherlands and Spain may be delayed pending completion of the necessary works council consultation processes in France and the Netherlands.

A portion of the gross proceeds of the Offering hereby will be placed in the Escrow Accounts on the Issue Date in the name of the Issuers but controlled by, and pledged on a first-ranking basis in favor of, the Trustee, on behalf of the holders of the Secured Notes and the Dollar Senior Notes, as the case may be, and, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, will be released on the Completion Date. See "Risk Factors—Risks Relating to the Acquisition—The Acquisition may not be completed and you may not obtain the return that you expect on the Notes," "Description of the Secured Notes—Disbursement of Funds; Closing Date Holding Accounts" and "Description of the Senior Notes—Disbursement of Funds; Closing Date Holding Accounts."

The Acquisition constitutes a significant acquisition for the Ardagh Group: on a pro forma basis, the Target Business represented 34% of our pro forma revenue and 27% of our pro forma Adjusted EBITDA for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016.

## **Recent Developments**

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, we believe the performance of the Target Business's volumes for both standard and specialty beverage cans was broadly in line with trends for the year ended December 31, 2015 in each of the regions in which the Target Business operates, although we believe volumes were slightly lower in Europe due to a decline in exports.

On April 25, 2016, it was announced that Niall Wall would step down as Group Chief Executive Officer, with effect from September 2016. It was also announced that Ian Curley (54) would join as Group Chief Executive Officer designate in June and will succeed Niall Wall when he steps down in September. Mr. Curley was Group Chief Financial Officer of Smurfit Kappa Group plc from 2000 until March 2016, prior to which he served as Chief Financial Officer of Smurfit Europe. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Management Accountants (Ireland).

## **The Issuers**

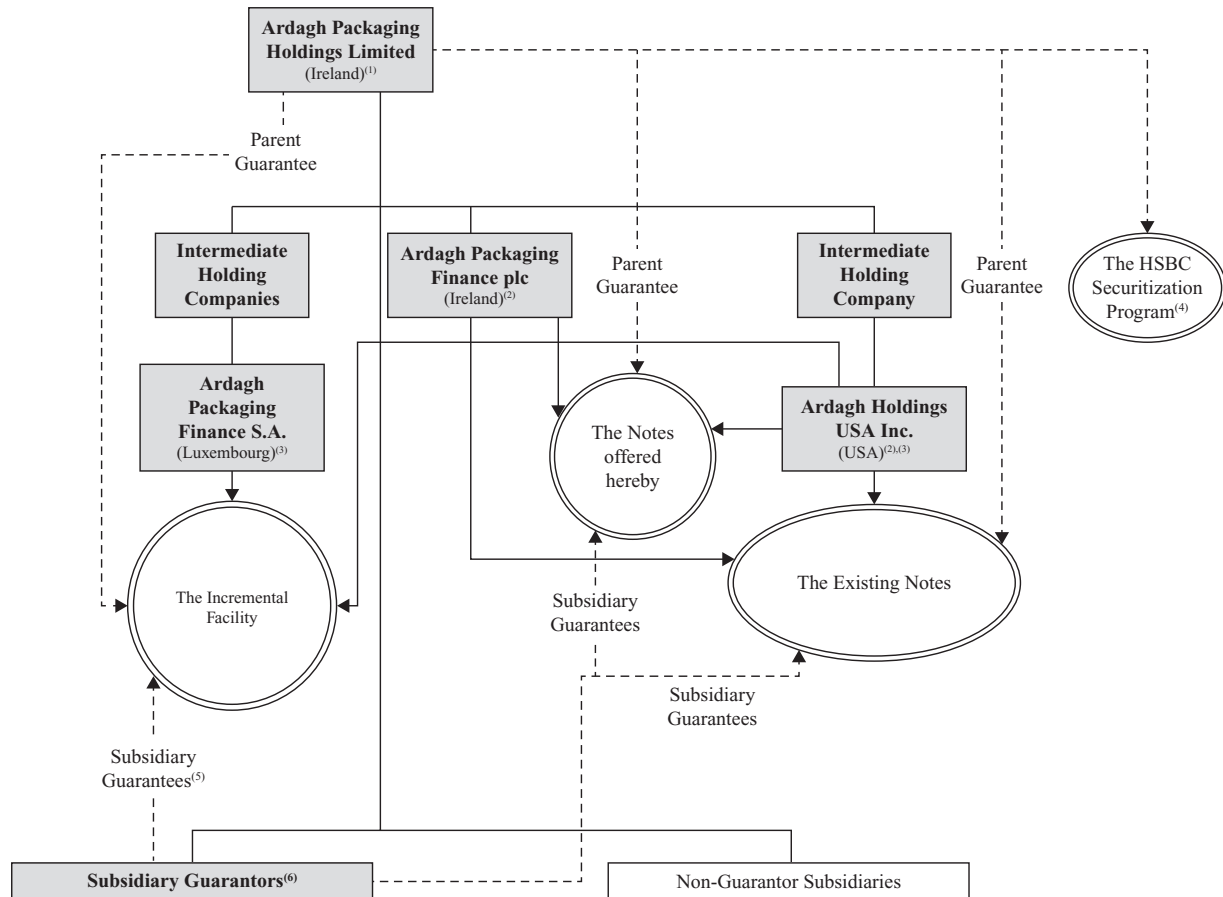
Ardagh Packaging Finance is incorporated in Ireland under registration number 489258. Its registered office is at 4 Richview Office Park, Clonskeagh, Dublin 14, D14 HC84, Ireland. Its telephone number is +353 1605 2400.

Ardagh Holdings USA is incorporated in Delaware under registration number 4657855. Its registered office is maintained at The Corporation Trust Company, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware, 19801, United States. Its telephone number is +1 412 429 5290.

*The statements included under the section “—Our Company” include, inter alia, projections and objectives in respect of our financial results and our estimated benefits from the Acquisition, as well as statements with respect to our strategic goals and objectives. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, we do not provide any assurance with respect to such statements. The preparation of statements included under the section “—Our Company” is based upon, inter alia, certain assumptions concerning future events and management actions and such events and actions may not actually be realized, as they depend substantially on variables which management cannot control and may involve situations that management cannot predict. As a result, the projections and objectives in the statements included under the section “—Our Company” are by definition uncertain and may differ materially from and be more negative than those projected or implied in the projections and objectives. You should not place undue reliance on the projections and objectives, which speak only as of the date that they were made. We do not undertake any obligation to update such forward-looking statements after the date hereof to reflect later events or circumstances or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. See “Forward-Looking Statements” and “Risk Factors.”*

## CORPORATE AND FINANCING STRUCTURE

The following diagram gives an overview of the corporate and financing structure of the Group and its subsidiaries following the Transactions. See “Use of Proceeds.” For a summary of the material financing arrangements identified in this diagram, see “Description of Other Indebtedness,” “Description of the Secured Notes” and “Description of the Senior Notes.”



The Secured Notes will be guaranteed on a senior basis by the Parent Guarantor and the Subsidiary Guarantors. The Senior Notes will be guaranteed on a senior basis by the Parent Guarantor and on a senior subordinated basis by the Subsidiary Guarantors.

- (1) Ardagh Finance Holdings S.A., an indirect parent company of Ardagh Packaging Holdings, has issued \$710,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 8.625% Senior PIK Notes due 2019 and €250,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 8.375% Senior PIK Notes due 2019.
- (2) Ardagh Packaging Finance and Ardagh Holdings USA are co-issuers of the Existing Notes and will be the co-issuers, jointly and severally, of the Notes offered hereby.
- (3) Ardagh Packaging Finance S.A. and Ardagh Holdings USA are co-borrowers under the Incremental Facility. Ardagh Packaging Finance S.A. has guaranteed the payment of all amounts under the Existing Notes and will guarantee the payment of all amounts under the Notes offered hereby.
- (4) For a summary of the working capital facilities available to Ardagh Packaging Holdings and its subsidiaries, see “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects” and “Description of Other Indebtedness.”
- (5) As of the Issue Date, certain of the Subsidiary Guarantors have provided guarantees of the Incremental Facility.

- (6) The Subsidiary Guarantors would have accounted for more than 80% of the aggregate total assets, total revenues and EBITDA of the Group as of and for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 on a pro forma basis after giving effect to the Transactions.

As of March 31, 2016, on a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the Transactions, Ardagh Packaging Holdings would have had on a consolidated basis total debt of €7,947 million and total retirement benefit obligations of €877 million. See “Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial and Other Data.”

## THE OFFERING

*The following summary contains basic information about the Secured Notes and the Senior Notes. It may not contain all the information that is important to you. For a more complete understanding of the Notes, please refer to the sections of this Offering Memorandum entitled “Description of the Secured Notes” and “Description of the Senior Notes” and particularly to those subsections to which we have referred you. Terms used in this summary and not otherwise defined have the meanings given to them in “Description of the Secured Notes” and “Description of the Senior Notes,” as applicable.*

### Terms of the Secured Notes

Secured Notes Co-Issuers . . . . .	Ardagh Packaging Finance and Ardagh Holdings USA.
Floating Rate Secured Notes Offered . . . . .	\$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Senior Secured Floating Rate Notes.
Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes Offered . . . . .	€440,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 4.125% Senior Secured Notes.
Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes Offered . . . . .	\$1,000,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 4.625% Senior Secured Notes.
Floating Rate Secured Notes Maturity . . . . .	May 15, 2021.
Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes Maturity . . . . .	May 15, 2023.
Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes Maturity . . . . .	May 15, 2023.
Interest:	
Floating Rate Secured Notes . . .	Three month Dollar LIBOR plus 3.25% per year, reset on the Determination Date (as defined under “Description of the Secured Notes”), payable quarterly in arrears on each February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15, commencing on August 15, 2016. Interest on the Floating Rate Secured Notes will accrue from the Issue Date.
Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes .	4.125% per annum for the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes, payable semi-annually in arrears on each May 15 and November 15, beginning on November 15, 2016. Interest on the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes will accrue from the Issue Date.
Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes	4.625% per annum for the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes, payable semi-annually in arrears on each May 15 and November 15, beginning on November 15, 2016. Interest on the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes will accrue from the Issue Date.
Secured Notes Guarantees . . . . .	On the Issue Date, the Secured Notes will be guaranteed on a senior basis by the Parent Guarantor. Subject to the Agreed Security Principles, on the dates specified in the Secured Indenture, the Parent Guarantor shall be required to ensure that the Secured Notes are guaranteed on a senior basis by the Subsidiary Guarantors.

	<p>The Subsidiary Guarantors would have accounted for more than 80% of the aggregate total assets, total revenues and EBITDA of the Group as of and for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 on a pro forma basis after giving effect to the Transactions.</p>
Collateral .....	<p>The Collateral will comprise all of the assets that secure the Secured Notes Co-Issuers' and the Secured Notes Guarantors' obligations under the Existing Secured Notes (the "Existing Collateral"), subject to the Agreed Security Principles. The Secured Indenture will require that, subject to the Agreed Security Principles, security over the Existing Collateral is in place and perfected no later than the later of (i) 90 days following the Issue Date and (ii) 30 days following the Completion Date. In addition, under the Agreed Security Principles, the Parent Guarantor will be required to pledge certain assets of the Target Business under appropriate security documents to grant a first priority lien over such assets to secure its Guarantee.</p>
Denomination .....	<p>The Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes will be issued in denominations of €100,000 and in integral multiples of €1,000 in excess thereof. The Floating Rate Secured Notes and the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes will be issued in denominations of \$200,000 and in integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.</p>
Ranking of the Secured Notes and Secured Notes Guarantees	<p>The Secured Notes will be general obligations of the Secured Notes Co-Issuers and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of the Secured Notes Co-Issuers that is not subordinated in right of payment to the Secured Notes;</li> <li>• rank senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of the Secured Notes Co-Issuers that is subordinated in right of payment to the Secured Notes;</li> <li>• are effectively senior to the Secured Notes Co-Issuers' existing and future unsecured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the Collateral securing the Secured Notes;</li> <li>• are structurally subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness of the Secured Notes Co-Issuers' non-guarantor subsidiaries.</li> </ul> <p>On the dates specified in the Secured Indenture, the Secured Notes Guarantee of the Secured Notes to be provided by each Secured Notes Guarantor will be the general obligation of such Secured Notes Guarantor and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of such Secured Notes Guarantor that is not subordinated in right of payment to its Secured Notes Guarantee of the Secured Notes;</li> <li>• rank senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of such Secured Notes Guarantor that is subordinated in right of payment to its Secured Notes Guarantee of the Secured Notes (including, in the case of each Secured Notes Guarantor, its guarantee of the Existing Senior Notes and the Senior Notes offered hereby);</li> </ul>



- be effectively senior to such Secured Notes Guarantor's existing and future unsecured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the Collateral securing such Secured Notes Guarantee; and
- be structurally subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness of any of such Secured Notes Guarantor's subsidiaries that do not guarantee the Secured Notes.

On March 1, 2012, we entered into the HSBC Securitization Program. As such, the Secured Notes are effectively subordinated to indebtedness under the HSBC Securitization Program to the extent of the value of the receivables transferred in connection therewith.

See "Description of the Secured Notes—Ranking of the Secured Notes and the Guarantees."

#### Guarantor Financial Information

At March 31, 2016, on a pro forma basis after giving effect to the Transactions on a consolidated basis, the Parent Guarantor would have had total debt (before deducting deferred financing costs) secured by the Collateral including the Secured Notes, of €4,491 million.

In addition, on a historical basis, at March 31, 2016, Ardagh's non-guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries would have had (i) no debt outstanding and (ii) aggregated trade payables and deferred taxes of €42 million.

#### Optional Redemption:

##### Floating Rate Secured Notes . . .

At any time prior to May 15, 2017, the Secured Notes Co-Issuers may redeem all or a portion of the Floating Rate Secured Notes at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, and any other amounts payable thereon, to the dates of redemption, plus the Floating Rate Secured Notes Applicable Redemption Premium, as defined under "Description of the Secured Notes—Optional Redemption—Optional Redemption of Floating Rate Secured Notes prior to May 15, 2017."

At any time on or after May 15, 2017, the Secured Notes Co-Issuers may also redeem all or a portion of the Floating Rate Secured Notes at the redemption prices listed under "Description of the Secured Notes—Optional Redemption—Optional Redemption of Floating Rate Secured Notes on or after May 15, 2017."

For a more detailed description, see "Description of the Secured Notes—Optional Redemption."

##### Fixed Rate Secured Notes . . . . .

At any time prior to May 15, 2019, the Secured Notes Co-Issuers may redeem all or a portion of the Fixed Rate Secured Notes at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, and any other amounts payable thereon, to the dates of redemption, plus the Fixed Rate Secured Notes Applicable Redemption Premium, as defined under "Description of the Secured Notes—Optional Redemption—Optional Redemption of Fixed Rate Secured Notes prior to May 15, 2019."

At any time on or after May 15, 2019, the Secured Notes Co-Issuers may also redeem all or a portion of the Fixed Rate Secured Notes at the redemption prices listed under “Description of the Secured Notes—Optional Redemption—Optional Redemption of Fixed Rate Secured Notes on or after May 15, 2019.”

At any time prior to May 15, 2019, the Secured Notes Co-Issuers may redeem up to 40% of the aggregate principal amount of the Fixed Rate Secured Notes with the net cash proceeds of certain equity offerings at the redemption price listed under “Description of the Secured Notes—Optional Redemption—Optional Redemption of Fixed Rate Secured Notes prior to May 15, 2019 upon Public Equity Offering.”

Floating Rate Secured Notes . . . . . At any time prior to May 15, 2017, the Secured Notes Co-Issuers may redeem all or a portion of the Floating Rate Secured Notes at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, and any other amounts payable thereon, to the dates of redemption, plus the Applicable Redemption Premium, as defined under “Description of the Secured Notes—Optional Redemption—Optional Redemption of Floating Rate Secured Notes prior to May 15, 2019.”

At any time on or after May 15, 2017, the Secured Notes Co-Issuers may also redeem all or a portion of the Floating Rate Secured Notes at the redemption prices listed under “Description of the Secured Notes—Optional Redemption—Optional Redemption of Floating Rate Secured Notes on or after May 15, 2019.”

For a more detailed description, see “Description of the Secured Notes—Optional Redemption.”

Security Agent . . . . . Citibank, N.A., London Branch

**Terms of the Senior Notes**

Senior Notes Co-Issuers . . . . . Ardagh Packaging Finance and Ardagh Holdings USA.

Euro Senior Notes Offered . . . . . €750,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.750% Senior Notes.

Dollar Senior Notes Offered . . . . . \$1,650,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 7.250% Senior Notes.

Euro Senior Notes Maturity . . . . . May 15, 2024.

Dollar Senior Notes Maturity . . . . . May 15, 2024.

**Interest:**

Euro Senior Notes . . . . . 6.750% per annum for the Euro Senior Notes, payable semi-annually in arrears on each May 15 and November 15, beginning on November 15, 2016. Interest on the Euro Senior Notes will accrue from the Issue Date.

Dollar Senior Notes . . . . . 7.250% per annum for the Dollar Senior Notes, payable semi-annually in arrears on each May 15 and November 15, beginning on November 15, 2016. Interest on the Dollar Senior Notes will accrue from the Issue Date.

Senior Notes Guarantees . . . . .	<p>On the Issue Date, the Senior Notes will be guaranteed on a senior basis by the Parent Guarantor. Subject to the Agreed Security Principles, on the dates specified in the Senior Indenture, the Parent Guarantor shall be required to ensure that the Senior Notes are guaranteed on a senior subordinated basis by the Subsidiary Guarantors.</p> <p>The Subsidiary Guarantors would have accounted for more than 80% of the aggregate total assets, total revenues and EBITDA of the Group as of and for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 on a pro forma basis after giving effect to the Transactions.</p>
Denomination . . . . .	<p>The Euro Senior Notes will be issued in denominations of €100,000 and in integral multiples of €1,000 in excess thereof. The Dollar Senior Notes will be issued in denominations of \$200,000 and in integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.</p>
Ranking of the Senior Notes and Senior Notes Guarantees . . . .	<p>The Senior Notes will be general obligations of the Senior Notes Co-Issuers and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future unsecured indebtedness of each Senior Notes Co-Issuer that is not subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Notes;</li> <li>• rank senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of each Senior Notes Co-Issuer that is subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Notes; and</li> <li>• be effectively subordinated to any secured indebtedness of each Senior Notes Co-Issuer to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt, including the Secured Notes.</li> </ul> <p>The Senior Notes Parent Guarantee of the Parent Guarantor will be the general unsecured obligation of the Parent Guarantor and will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of the Parent Guarantor that is not subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Notes Parent Guarantee of the Parent Guarantor;</li> <li>• rank senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of the Parent Guarantor that is subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Notes Parent Guarantee of the Parent Guarantor;</li> <li>• be effectively subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness of any of the Parent Guarantor's subsidiaries that do not guarantee the Senior Notes; and</li> <li>• not be subject to the restrictions on enforcement applicable to each Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantee of the Subsidiary Guarantors.</li> </ul> <p>On the dates specified in the Senior Indenture, each Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantee will be the general unsecured obligation of such Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantor and will:</p>

- be subordinated in right of payment to any existing or future senior indebtedness of such Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantor, including, without limitation, its obligations as borrower or guarantor under the Incremental Facility, the Existing Secured Notes and the Secured Notes offered hereby;
- rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of such Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantor that is not subordinated (and is not senior) in right of payment to its Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantee (including such Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantor's guarantee of the Existing Senior Notes);
- rank senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of such Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantor that is subordinated in right of payment to its Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantee;
- be effectively subordinated to any secured debt of such Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantor to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt;
- be effectively subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness of such Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantor's non-guarantor subsidiaries; and
- be subject to certain restrictions on enforcement, including a standstill period of up to 179 days following an event of default under designated senior debt. The obligations under such Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantor's Senior Notes Subsidiary Guarantee will not become due during this standstill period.

On March 1, 2012, we entered into the HSBC Securitization Program. As such, the Senior Notes are effectively subordinated to indebtedness under the HSBC Securitization Program to the extent of the value of the receivables transferred in connection therewith.

See "Description of the Senior Notes—Ranking of the Senior Notes and the Guarantees; Subordination."

#### Guarantor Financial Information

At March 31, 2016, on a pro forma basis after giving effect to the Transactions, the Subsidiary Guarantors would have had, on a consolidated basis:

- (a) total debt of €7,947 million;
- (b) total debt that is senior in right of payment to the Guarantees of €4,497 million; and
- (c) €3,450 million of debt that would rank equally with the Guarantees.

In addition, on a historical basis, at March 31, 2016, Ardagh's non-guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries would have had (i) no debt outstanding and (ii) aggregated trade payables and deferred taxes of €42 million.

Optional Redemption . . . . .	<p>At any time prior to May 15, 2019, the Senior Notes Co-Issuers may redeem all or a portion of the Senior Notes at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, and any other amounts payable thereon, to the dates of redemption, plus the Applicable Redemption Premium, as defined under “Description of the Senior Notes—Optional Redemption—Optional Redemption prior to May 15, 2019.”</p> <p>At any time on or after May 15, 2019, the Senior Notes Co-Issuers may also redeem all or a portion of the Senior Notes at the redemption prices listed under “Description of the Senior Notes—Optional Redemption—Optional Redemption on or after May 15, 2019.”</p> <p>At any time prior to May 15, 2019, the Senior Notes Co-Issuers may redeem up to 40% of the aggregate principal amount of the Senior Notes with the net cash proceeds of certain equity offerings at the redemption price listed under “Description of the Senior Notes—Optional Redemption—Optional Redemption prior to May 15, 2019 upon Public Equity Offering.”</p> <p>For a more detailed description, see “Description of the Senior Notes—Optional Redemption.”</p>
<b>Terms Common to the Secured Notes and the Senior Notes</b>	
Restrictive Covenants . . . . .	<p>The Indentures will contain covenants that restrict the ability of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• incur more debt;</li> <li>• pay dividends, repurchase stock and make distributions of certain other payments;</li> <li>• create liens;</li> <li>• enter into transactions with affiliates; and</li> <li>• transfer or sell assets.</li> </ul> <p>For a more detailed description of these covenants, see “Description of the Secured Notes—Certain Covenants” and “Description of the Senior Notes—Certain Covenants.” These covenants are subject to a number of important qualifications and exceptions.</p>
Change of Control . . . . .	<p>In the event of a Change of Control, the Issuers will be obligated to make an offer to purchase all outstanding Notes at a redemption price of 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase. See “Description of the Secured Notes—Purchase of Secured Notes upon a Change of Control” and “Description of the Senior Notes—Purchase of Senior Notes upon a Change of Control.”</p>
Transfer Restrictions . . . . .	<p>We have not registered the Notes or the related Guarantees under the U.S. Securities Act. You may only offer or sell Notes in a transaction exempt from or not subject to the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act. See “Notice to Investors.”</p>

Use of Proceeds . . . . .	We will use the proceeds from the issuance of the Notes to fund the consideration payable for the Acquisition, to pay fees and expenses related to the foregoing and to redeem all of our currently outstanding 2020 Senior Notes. See “Use of Proceeds.”
Escrow of Proceeds; Special Mandatory Redemption:	
Secured Notes . . . . .	<p>Pending the consummation of the Acquisition, the Initial Purchasers will deposit an amount equal to the gross proceeds from the issuance of the Secured Notes (such amount not to include amounts attributable to accrued interest) (collectively, the “Secured Notes Escrowed Funds”) into one or more Escrow Accounts in the name of the Issuers but controlled by the Trustee for the Secured Notes (the “Secured Trustee”) on behalf of the holders of the Secured Notes. The Secured Notes Escrowed Funds will be pledged on a first-ranking basis in favor of the Secured Trustee on behalf of the holders of the Secured Notes. The release of the Secured Notes Escrowed Funds from the Escrow Accounts to the Issuers on the Completion Date will be solely subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, including the consummation of the Acquisition. See “Description of the Secured Notes—Disbursement of Funds; Closing Date Holding Accounts.”</p> <p>If the Acquisition has not been completed on or prior to October 31, 2016, or upon delivery by the Issuers to the Trustee, the Security Agent and the Escrow Agent of a Special Mandatory Redemption Certificate, the Issuers will effect a Special Mandatory Redemption of all of the Secured Notes at a redemption price of 100% of the issue price of the Secured Notes in an amount equal to the Secured Notes Escrowed Funds plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon through to but not including the redemption date. The relevant holder of the closing date holding accounts will instruct the Escrow Agent to release the escrowed funds to the paying agent for the purposes of paying the redemption price. See “Description of the Secured Notes—Special Mandatory Redemption.”</p>
Senior Notes . . . . .	<p>Pending the consummation of the Acquisition, the Initial Purchasers will deposit an amount equal to approximately \$850 million of the Dollar Senior Notes (such amount not to include amounts attributable to accrued interest) (collectively, the “Senior Notes Escrowed Funds”) into one or more Escrow Accounts in the name of the Issuers but controlled by the Trustee for the Senior Notes (the “Senior Trustee”) on behalf of the holders of the Dollar Senior Notes. The Senior Notes Escrowed Funds will be pledged on a first-ranking basis in favor of the Senior Trustee on behalf of the holders of the Dollar Senior Notes. The release of the Senior Notes Escrowed Funds from the Escrow Accounts to the Issuers on the Completion Date will be solely subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, including the consummation of the Acquisition. See “Description of the Senior Notes—Disbursement of Funds; Closing Date Holding Accounts.”</p>

If the Acquisition has not been completed on or prior to October 31, 2016, or upon delivery by the Issuers to the Trustee, the Security Agent and the Escrow Agent of a Special Mandatory Redemption Certificate, the Issuers will effect a Special Mandatory Redemption of approximately \$850 million principal amount of the Dollar Senior Notes at a redemption price of 100% of the issue price of the Notes plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon through to but not including the redemption date. The relevant holder of the closing date holding accounts will instruct the Escrow Agent to release the escrowed funds to the paying agent for the purposes of paying the redemption price. The Special Mandatory Redemption of the Dollar Senior Notes with the Senior Notes Escrow Funds will be pro rata from each holder of Dollar Senior Notes to the total principal amount of Dollar Senior Notes outstanding. See “Description of the Senior Notes—Special Mandatory Redemption.”

Trustee and Security Agent . . . . .	Citibank, N.A., London Branch.
Principal Paying Agent and Transfer Agent . . . . .	Citibank, N.A., London Branch.
Registrar . . . . .	Citigroup Global Markets Deutschland AG.
Escrow Agent . . . . .	Citibank, N.A., London Branch.
Irish Stock Exchange Listing Agent . . . . .	Davy.
Listing . . . . .	Application will be made for listing particulars to be approved by the Irish Stock Exchange and for the Notes to be admitted to the Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange and admitted to trading on its Global Exchange Market.
Governing Law . . . . .	The Indentures and the Notes will be governed by the laws of the State of New York. In the case of the Secured Notes, the Security Documents will be governed by the laws of the jurisdictions in which the Collateral that is the subject of such Security Documents is, or is deemed to be, located.
Risk Factors . . . . .	Investing in the Notes involves risks. You should consider all the information in this Offering Memorandum carefully and, in particular, you should evaluate the specific risk factors set out under “Risk Factors” before making a decision on whether to invest in the Notes.



## **SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA OF ARDAGH PACKAGING HOLDINGS**

The following table sets forth summary consolidated financial data and other data of Ardagh Packaging Holdings for the periods ended and as of the dates indicated below. The historical financial data presented in the following table does not reflect changes as a result of the Transactions. For a detailed discussion of the presentation of financial data, see “Presentation of Financial and Other Data.”

We have derived the summary consolidated financial data for the financial years ended and as of December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 from the audited non-statutory consolidated financial statements of Ardagh Packaging Holdings included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

We have derived the summary unaudited consolidated financial data for the three months ended and as of March 31, 2016 and 2015 from the unaudited consolidated interim financial information of Ardagh Packaging Holdings included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

The unaudited consolidated financial information for the twelve months ended and as of March 31, 2016 set forth below was derived by adding the consolidated financial data of Ardagh for the year ended December 31, 2015 to the consolidated financial data of Ardagh for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and subtracting the consolidated financial data of Ardagh for the three months ended March 31, 2015. The unaudited consolidated financial information for the twelve months ended and as of March 31, 2016 has been prepared for illustrative purposes only and is not necessarily representative of our results of operations for any future period or our financial condition at any future date.

The financial statements contained herein were prepared in accordance with IFRS. The summary financial data and other data should be read in conjunction with “Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data of Ardagh Packaging Holdings,” “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects” and the financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. Historical results are not necessarily indicative of future expected results.

	Audited Consolidated			Unaudited Consolidated		
	Year ended and as of December 31,			Three months ended and as of March 31,		Twelve months ended and as of March 31,
	2015	2014	2013	2016	2015	2016
	(in € millions, except ratios and where indicated)					
<b>Income Statement Data</b>						
Revenue . . . . .	5,199	4,733	4,043	1,218	1,207	5,210
Cost of sales . . . . .	(4,285)	(3,970)	(3,441)	(1,006)	(1,002)	(4,289)
<b>Gross profit</b> . . . . .	914	763	602	212	205	921
Sales, general and administration expenses .	(274)	(246)	(235)	(66)	(65)	(275)
Intangible amortization . . . . .	(109)	(88)	(42)	(27)	(26)	(110)
Exceptional operating items <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	(81)	(349)	(163)	(5)	(9)	(77)
<b>Operating profit</b> . . . . .	450	80	162	114	105	459
Net finance expense . . . . .	(353)	(348)	(379)	(92)	(89)	(356)
Exceptional finance expense . . . . .	(13)	(126)	(94)	—	(10)	(3)
Share of profit of joint venture . . . . .	—	—	1	—	—	—
<b>Profit/(loss) before tax</b> . . . . .	84	(394)	(310)	22	6	100
Income tax (expense)/credit . . . . .	(43)	3	(4)	(17)	(16)	(44)
<b>Profit/(loss) for the period</b> . . . . .	41	(391)	(314)	5	(10)	56
<b>Balance Sheet Data</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	550	412	1,357	485	155	485
Working capital <sup>(3)</sup> . . . . .	550	609	612	667	778	667
Total assets . . . . .	6,335	6,095	5,931	6,225	6,424	6,225
Total borrowings <sup>(4)</sup> . . . . .	5,440	5,245	5,048	5,273	5,519	5,273
Total equity . . . . .	(1,360)	(1,308)	(678)	(1,350)	(1,515)	(1,350)
<b>Other Data</b>						
EBITDA <sup>(5)</sup> . . . . .	934	792	623	217	204	947
EBITDA margin <sup>(5)</sup> . . . . .	18.0%	16.7%	15.4%	17.8%	16.9%	18.2%
Depreciation and amortization <sup>(6)</sup> . . . . .	403	363	298	98	90	411
Net interest costs <sup>(7)</sup> . . . . .	324	330	331	83	80	327
Capital expenditure <sup>(8)</sup> . . . . .	304	314	285	64	99	269
Net borrowings <sup>(9)</sup> . . . . .	4,842	4,733	3,629	4,763	5,209	4,763
Ratio of net borrowings to EBITDA <sup>(5)(9)</sup> . . . .	5.2x	6.0x	5.8x	—	—	5.0x
Ratio of EBITDA to net interest costs <sup>(5)(7)</sup> . .	2.9x	2.4x	1.9x	2.6x	2.6x	2.9x

- (1) The following table is a bridge between exceptional operating items as presented in the table above and items as presented in the columnar presentation of the income statement in the consolidated financial statements of Ardagh included in this Offering Memorandum. For further details on the exceptional operating items for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, see Note 18 to the consolidated financial statements of Ardagh for each of the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014. For further details on the exceptional operating items for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, see Note 7 to the unaudited consolidated financial information of Ardagh as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2016.

	Audited Consolidated			Unaudited Consolidated		
	Year ended December 31,			Three months ended March 31,		Twelve months ended March 31, 2016
	2015	2014	2013	2016	2015	
	(in € millions)					
Cost of sales . . . . .	(37)	(122)	(115)	(3)	(7)	(33)
Sales, general and administrative expenses . . . . .	(44)	(35)	(37)	(2)	(2)	(44)
Intangible amortization . . . . .	—	(33)	(11)	—	—	—
Loss on disposal of businesses . . . . .	—	(159)	—	—	—	—
Exceptional operating items . . . . .	<u>(81)</u>	<u>(349)</u>	<u>(163)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	<u>(77)</u>

- (2) Cash and cash equivalents include restricted cash (including restricted cash held in escrow) as per the note disclosures to the financial information.
- (3) Working capital is made up of inventories, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables, and current provisions.
- (4) Total borrowings include all bank borrowings and loan notes, before deduction of any unamortized debt issuance costs or premium on debt issuance above par.
- (5) EBITDA is operating profit before depreciation, amortization, non-exceptional impairment and exceptional operating items. EBITDA margin is calculated as EBITDA divided by revenue. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are presented because we believe that they are frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in evaluating companies in the packaging industry. However, other companies may calculate EBITDA and EBITDA margin in a manner different from ours. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are not measurements of financial performance under IFRS and should not be considered an alternative to cash flow from operating activities or as a measure of liquidity or an alternative to profit/(loss) as indicators of operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with IFRS.

The reconciliation of operating profit to EBITDA is as follows:

	Audited Consolidated			Unaudited Consolidated		
	Year ended December 31,			Three months ended March 31,		Twelve months ended March 31, 2016
	2015	2014	2013	2016	2015	
	(in € millions)					
Operating profit . . . . .	450	80	162	114	105	459
Add back depreciation and amortization . . . . .	403	363	298	98	90	411
Add back exceptional operating items . . . . .	81	349	163	5	9	77
EBITDA . . . . .	<u>934</u>	<u>792</u>	<u>623</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>204</u>	<u>947</u>

- (6) Depreciation, amortization, and impairment of property, plant and equipment.
- (7) Net interest costs represent net finance expense excluding exceptional finance items, net interest cost on net pension plan liabilities, foreign exchange gains and losses, gains and losses on derivatives not designated as hedges, and other finance expenses.
- (8) Capital expenditure is the sum of purchase of property, plant and equipment and software and other intangibles, net of proceeds from the disposal of property, plant and equipment.
- (9) Net borrowings equal total borrowings, plus premium on debt issuance above par and the fair value of associated derivative financial instruments, less cash and cash equivalents and deferred debt issuance costs.

## **SUMMARY COMBINED FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA OF THE BALL CARVE-OUT BUSINESS**

The following table sets forth summary financial data and other data for certain metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation for the periods ended and as of the dates indicated below. The historical financial data presented in the following table do not reflect changes as a result of the Transactions. The summary financial data and other data should be read in conjunction with “Selected Combined Financial and Other Data of the Ball Carve-Out Business,” “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Results of Operations of the Ball Carve-Out Business” and the financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. Historical results are not necessarily indicative of future expected results.

We have derived the summary financial data as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 and for the three financial years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 from the audited Ball Combined Financial Statements, which are included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. The Ball Combined Financial Statements reflect the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of certain metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation in Brazil, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Poland, Serbia and the United Kingdom, prepared in conformity with U.S. GAAP. All significant intercompany transactions and accounts among the carve-out operations have been eliminated. The Ball Combined Financial Statements may not be indicative of the future performance of those operations and may not reflect what the combined results of operations, financial position and cash flows would have been had those operations operated as an independent company during all of the periods presented. For a complete description of the accounting principles followed in preparing the Ball Combined Financial Statements, please see Note 1 “Description of Business and Basis of Presentation” and Note 2 “Critical and Significant Accounting Policies” to the Ball Combined Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

The Ball Combined Financial Statements, and the financial information derived therefrom, included in this Offering Memorandum do not reflect what the results of operations, financial condition or cash flows of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition would have been during the periods presented and are not necessarily indicative of the future results of operations, future financial condition or future cash flows of the Ball Carve-Out Business. This is primarily owing to the fact that the metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation reflected in the Ball Combined Financial Statements include certain assets (namely, three plants in Europe and certain other ancillary assets) and certain liabilities (namely, certain pension liabilities) that will be retained by Ball Corporation and therefore do not comprise part of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition.

For a detailed discussion of the presentation of financial data, see “Presentation of Financial and Other Data.”

	Year ended and as of December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
	(in \$ millions except where indicated)		
<b>Combined Statement of Earnings Data</b>			
Net sales . . . . .	1,891	2,151	2,039
Cost and expenses			
Cost of sales (excluding depreciation and amortization) . . . . .	(1,484)	(1,692)	(1,623)
Depreciation and amortization . . . . .	(82)	(82)	(105)
Selling, general and administrative . . . . .	(149)	(162)	(125)
Business consolidation and other activities . . . . .	(10)	(9)	(11)
	<u>(1,725)</u>	<u>(1,945)</u>	<u>(1,864)</u>
Earnings before interest and taxes . . . . .	166	206	175
Interest expense . . . . .	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(6)</u>
Earnings before taxes . . . . .	<u>165</u>	<u>204</u>	<u>169</u>
<b>Combined Balance Sheet Data</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	32	17	
Working capital <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	77	111	
Total assets . . . . .	2,218	2,391	
Total borrowings <sup>(3)</sup> . . . . .	24	95	
Total net investment . . . . .	1,357	1,362	
<b>Other Data</b>			
EBITDA <sup>(4)</sup> . . . . .	248	288	280
EBITDA margin <sup>(4)</sup> . . . . .	13.1%	13.4%	13.7%
Capital expenditures . . . . .	132	123	140

(1) Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

(2) Working capital is made up of inventories, receivables, accounts payable and accrued employee costs.

(3) Total borrowings consist primarily of a \$93 million Term C loan, which was extinguished in February 2015, and amounts outstanding under short-term uncommitted credit facilities.

(4) EBITDA is earnings before interest and taxes before depreciation and amortization. EBITDA margin is calculated as EBITDA divided by net sales. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are presented because we believe that they are frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in evaluating companies in the packaging industry. However, other companies may calculate EBITDA and EBITDA margin in a manner different from ours. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are not measurements of financial performance under U.S. GAAP and should not be considered an alternative to cash flow from operating activities or as a measure of liquidity or an alternative to net earnings as indicators of operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

The reconciliation of earnings before interest and taxes to EBITDA is as follows:

	Year ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
	(in \$ millions)		
Earnings before interest and taxes	166	206	175
Add back:			
Depreciation and amortization	82	82	105
EBITDA	<u>248</u>	<u>288</u>	<u>280</u>

## **SUMMARY COMBINED FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA OF THE REXAM CARVE-OUT BUSINESS**

The following table sets forth summary financial data and other data for the Rexam Carve-Out Business for the periods ended and as of the dates indicated below. The historical financial data presented in the following table do not reflect changes as a result of the Transactions. The summary financial data and other data should be read in conjunction with “Selected Combined Financial and Other Data of the Rexam Carve-Out Business,” “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Results of Operations of the Rexam Carve-Out Business” and the financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. Historical results are not necessarily indicative of future expected results.

We have derived the summary financial data as of and for the financial years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 from the audited Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements, which are included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. The Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements reflect certain wholly owned beverage can operations of Rexam PLC that have not in the past formed a separate accounting group. These businesses do not constitute a separate legal group. The Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements have been prepared specifically for the purpose of facilitating the divestment of the Rexam Carve-Out Business and on a basis that combines the results and assets and liabilities of each of the manufacturing plants, warehouses and operations constituting the Rexam Carve-Out Business by applying the principles underlying the consolidation procedures of IFRS 10, “Consolidated Financial Statements.” The Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements have been prepared on a carve out basis in accordance with IASB-IFRS from the consolidated financial statements of Rexam PLC and include the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses that management of Rexam PLC has determined are attributable to the Rexam Carve-Out Business.

For a complete description of the accounting principles followed in preparing the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements, please see Note 1 “Nature of operations and basis of presentation” and Note 3 “Principal accounting policies” to the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. This basis of preparation sets out the method used in identifying the financial position, performance and cash flows in relation to each of the plants that has been included in the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements. These notes explain that the businesses included in the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements have not operated as a single entity. The Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements are, therefore, not necessarily indicative of results that would have occurred if the Rexam Carve-Out Business had operated as a single business during the periods presented or of future results of the Rexam Carve-Out Business.

For a detailed discussion of the presentation of financial data, see “Presentation of Financial and Other Data.”

	For the years ended and as of December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
	(in £ millions except where indicated)		
<b>Combined Income Statement</b>			
Sales . . . . .	900	895	985
Cost of sales . . . . .	(705)	(684)	(759)
<b>Gross profit</b> . . . . .	195	211	226
Selling and distribution costs . . . . .	(84)	(86)	(91)
Administrative expenses . . . . .	(31)	(35)	(36)
Research and development . . . . .	(2)	(3)	(3)
Exceptional items . . . . .	(11)	—	—
<b>Profit before tax</b> . . . . .	<u>67</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>96</u>
<b>Combined Balance Sheet Data</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	—	—	—
Working capital <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	(25)	(7)	1
Total assets . . . . .	625	605	609
Total borrowings . . . . .	—	—	—
Total net assets . . . . .	452	440	448
<b>Other Data</b>			
EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	108	114	125
EBITDA margin <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	12.0%	12.7%	12.7%
Depreciation and amortization . . . . .	30	27	29
Capital expenditure . . . . .	30	15	33

- (1) Working capital is made up of inventories, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables and current provisions.
- (2) EBITDA is profit before tax before depreciation, amortization and exceptional items. EBITDA margin is calculated as EBITDA divided by sales. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are presented because we believe that they are frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in evaluating companies in the beverage can industry. However, other companies may calculate EBITDA and EBITDA margin in a manner different from ours. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are not measurements of financial performance under IFRS and should not be considered an alternative to cash flows from operating activities or as a measure of liquidity or an alternative to profit for the year as indicators of operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with IFRS.

The reconciliation of profit before tax to EBITDA is as follows:

	For the years ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
	(in £ millions)		
Profit before tax .....	67	87	96
Add back:			
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment .....	29	27	28
Amortization of intangible assets .....	1	—	1
Exceptional items .....	11	—	—
<b>EBITDA</b> .....	<u>108</u>	<u>114</u>	<u>125</u>



## **SUMMARY UNAUDITED PRO FORMA COMBINED FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA**

Under IFRS 3, Revised “Business Combinations,” all business combinations should be accounted for by applying the purchase method of accounting. This involves measuring the cost of the business combination and allocating, at the acquisition date, the cost of the business combination to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date.

The proposed Acquisition has not been completed, and, as a result, we are not currently in a position to measure fair values and make related adjustments to recorded values of the assets and liabilities of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business. Following completion of the purchase accounting for the acquisition of the Target Business (including measurement of fair values), we will make any necessary adjustments to recorded values of the acquired and assumed assets and liabilities. We currently expect that the majority of the adjustments will result in adjustments to property, plant and equipment, the creation of intangible assets and goodwill and an increase in the fair value of inventory. The adjustments to intangible assets are likely to result in additional charges for amortization, which will have a negative effect on operating profit. Similarly, the adjustment to inventory will result in a corresponding one-off increase in cost of sales which will be recognized and reduce operating profit during the period in which the acquired inventory is sold. The unaudited pro forma financial information set forth below does not reflect any purchase accounting adjustments for the acquisition of the Target Business.

The following unaudited pro forma income statement information for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 gives effect to the Transactions as if they had occurred on April 1, 2015. The summary unaudited pro forma balance sheet information as of March 31, 2016 gives effect to the Transactions as if they had occurred on that date. We are not presenting full pro forma balance sheet information in this Offering Memorandum. This unaudited pro forma financial information is based on available information and various assumptions that management believe to be reasonable, including the receipt of all consents and approvals required for completion of the Acquisition. Completion of the Acquisition as contemplated in this Offering Memorandum is subject to legally required staff consultation in certain jurisdictions. The actual results may differ significantly from those reflected in the unaudited pro forma financial information for a number of reasons, including, but not limited to, differences between the assumptions used to prepare the unaudited pro forma combined financial information and actual amounts. The unaudited pro forma financial information is provided for illustrative purposes only and does not purport to represent what the actual consolidated results of operations would have been had the Transactions occurred on the dates assumed, nor is it necessarily indicative of future consolidated results of operations or financial position.

The unaudited pro forma financial information reflects a number of adjustments made to the financial information of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business. The compilation of the unaudited pro forma financial information and the adjustments reflected therein are explained as follows:

- Adjustments have been made to the Ball Combined Financial Statements to eliminate the results of operations and assets and liabilities associated with certain assets (namely, three plants in Europe and certain other ancillary assets) and certain liabilities (namely, certain pension liabilities) that will be retained by Ball Corporation and therefore do not comprise part of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition. The income statement data has been adjusted generally (i) in the case of revenue on the basis of actual sales of the various plants and (ii) in the case of cost items on the basis of allocations, including, for example, on relative sales volumes. The balance sheet data has generally been allocated based on actual assets and liabilities, other than certain working capital items, which are on the basis of allocations.

- Adjustments have been made to convert the underlying U.S. GAAP financial information set forth in the Ball Combined Financial Statements to IFRS and in alignment with the IFRS accounting policies of Ardagh. These adjustments are based on management's analysis of the major GAAP and accounting policy differences between Ardagh and the Ball Combined Financial Statements. There can be no assurance that a full IFRS conversion of the financial information set forth in the Ball Combined Financial Statements to IFRS would not result in different numbers, and such differences may be material.
- The underlying financial information of both the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business has been adjusted to align the presentation of certain income statement items with the presentation of such financial information in the financial statements of Ardagh. However, the underlying financial information of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business has not been adjusted to fully align the classification of certain income statement items with their treatment in the financial information of Ardagh. Further, an exercise will need to be performed to align the accounting policies of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business with those of Ardagh under IFRS. Adjustments arising from this exercise could also be material.

The basis for the adjustments reflected in the unaudited pro forma financial information and the key assumptions made are explained in the notes to the information accompanying the tables.

The financial information of the Ball Carve-Out Business has been translated by Ardagh from U.S. dollars into euros, and the financial information of the Rexam Carve-Out Business has been translated from pounds sterling into euros. For all income statement items a twelve-month average rate for the year ended December 31, 2015 has been used, with the selected balance sheet data translated using the closing rate as at December 31, 2015. Based on its review of the historical financial information and understanding of the differences between IFRS and U.S. GAAP, Ardagh is not aware of any further material adjustment that it would need to make to the Ball Carve-Out Business's historical financial information or the Rexam Carve-Out Business's historical financial information relating to foreign currency translation.

The summary pro forma financial information set forth below has not been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation S-X under the Exchange Act or U.S. GAAP. Neither the adjustments nor the resulting pro forma financial information have been audited or reviewed in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (United Kingdom and Ireland) or U.S. GAAS. The summary unaudited pro forma combined financial and other data set forth below should be read in conjunction with the historical consolidated financial statements and notes thereto of Ardagh and the Ball Combined Financial Statements and the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements, included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum and "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects."

	For the twelve months ended March 31, 2016	For the year ended December 31, 2015		For the twelve months ended March 31, 2016		
	Ardagh	Ball Carve-Out Business <sup>(1)</sup>	Rexam Carve-Out Business <sup>(2)</sup>	Acquisition Adjustments <sup>(3)</sup>	Financing Adjustments	Pro Forma Financial Data
				(in € millions)		
<b>Income Statement Data</b>						
Revenue . . . . .	5,210	1,455	1,236	18	—	7,919
Cost of sales . . . . .	(4,289)	(1,211)	(1,052)	(13)	—	(6,565)
<b>Gross profit . . . . .</b>	<b>921</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,354</b>
Sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .	(275)	(121)	(77)	16	—	(457)
Intangible amortization . . . . .	(110)	—	—	—	—	(110)
Exceptional operating items . . . . .	(77)	(5)	(15)	(35) <sup>(4)</sup>	—	(132)
<b>Operating profit . . . . .</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>(14)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>655</b>
Net finance expense . . . . .	(356)	(6)	—	4	(119) <sup>(5)</sup>	(477)
Exceptional finance expense . . . . .	(3)	—	—	—	(76) <sup>(6)</sup>	(79)
<b>Profit before tax . . . . .</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>(10)</b>	<b>(195)</b>	<b>99</b>
		As of December 31, 2015		As of March 31, 2016		
	As of March 31, 2016	Ball Carve-Out Business <sup>(7)</sup>	Rexam Carve-Out Business <sup>(8)</sup>	Acquisition Adjustments <sup>(9)</sup>	Financing Adjustments <sup>(10)</sup>	Pro Forma Financial Data
	Ardagh			(in € millions)		
<b>Balance Sheet Data . . . .</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	485	7	—	(7)	(112)	373
Working capital <sup>(11)</sup> . . . . .	667	43	(34)	136	—	812
Total assets . . . . .	6,225	1,655	852	867	—	9,599
Total borrowings <sup>(12)</sup> . . . . .	5,273	22	—	(22)	2,674	7,947
Total equity/net investment . . . . .	(1,350)	960	616	(1,611)	(76)	(1,461)
						For the twelve months ended and as of March 31, 2016
						Pro Forma Financial Data
						(in € millions, except ratios and where indicated)
<b>Other Data</b>						
EBITDA <sup>(13)</sup> . . . . .						1,300
EBITDA margin <sup>(13)</sup> . . . . .						16.4%
Depreciation and amortization . . . . .						513
Net finance expense . . . . .						477
Capital expenditure . . . . .						429
Net borrowings <sup>(14)</sup> . . . . .						7,515
Ratio of net borrowings to EBITDA . . . . .						5.8x
Ratio of EBITDA to net finance expense . . . . .						2.7x

- (1) The following adjustments have been made to the financial data of the Ball Carve-Out Business:

	For the year ended and as of December 31, 2015			
	Ball Combined Financials U.S. GAAP <sup>(a)</sup>	IFRS Conversion Adjustments <sup>(b)</sup>	Ball Carve-Out Business IFRS	Ball Carve-Out Business IFRS <sup>(c)</sup>
	(in \$ millions)		(in € millions)	
<b>Income Statement Data</b>				
Revenue . . . . .	1,622	—	1,622	1,455
Cost of sales . . . . .	(1,351)	—	(1,351)	(1,211)
<b>Gross profit</b> . . . . .	271	—	271	244
Sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .	(145)	10	(135)	(121)
Intangible amortization . . . . .	—	—	—	—
Add back exceptional items . . . . .	—	(5)	(5)	(5)
<b>Operating profit</b> . . . . .	126	5	131	118
Finance expense . . . . .	(1)	(6)	(7)	(6)
<b>Profit before tax</b> . . . . .	125	(1)	124	112

- (a) The following table presents the adjustments made to the financial data in the Ball Combined Financial Statements to eliminate the results of operations associated with certain assets and liabilities that do not comprise part of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us, as well as the reclassification of certain items to conform to the format in which Ardagh presents its financial information.

	For the year ended December 31, 2015					
	Ball Combined U.S. GAAP	Business Retained <sup>(i)</sup>	Ball Carve-Out Business U.S. GAAP	Reclassifications <sup>(ii)</sup>	Ball Combined Financials U.S. GAAP	
	(in \$ millions)					
<b>Ball Combined Statement of Earnings Data</b>						<b>Ardagh Income Statement Data</b>
Net sales . . . . .	1,891	(269)	1,622	—	1,622	Revenue
Cost of sales (excluding depreciation and amortization) . . . . .	(1,484)	195	(1,289)	(62)	(1,351)	Cost of sales
Depreciation and amortization . . . . .	(82)	14	(68)	68	271	Gross profit
Selling, general and administrative . . . . .	(149)	20	(129)	(16)	(145)	Intangible amortization
Business consolidation and other activities . . . . .	(10)	—	(10)	10	—	Sales, general and administration expenses
Earnings before interest and taxes . . . . .	166	(40)	126	—	126	Exceptional operating items
Interest expense . . . . .	(1)	—	(1)	—	(1)	Operating profit
Earnings before taxes . . . . .	165	(40)	125	—	125	Net finance expense
						Profit before tax

- (i) Represents the impact of removing the historical results of certain businesses that manufacture and sell metal packaging in the beverage can industry in the European market that will be retained by Ball Corporation and will not form part of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition. The income statement data has been adjusted generally (i) in the case of revenue on the basis of actual sales of the various plants and (ii) in the case of cost items on the basis of allocations, including, for example, on relative sales volumes. The balance sheet data has generally been allocated based on actual assets and liabilities, other than certain working capital items, which are on the basis of allocations.
- (ii) Reclassifies certain items to conform to the format in which Ardagh presents its financial information. The items impacted are exceptional items and finance expense in respect of pensions, with no impact on the acquired balance sheet.
- (b) Adjustments made to convert the underlying U.S. GAAP financial information to IFRS primarily related to exceptional items and net pension expense, with no impact on the acquired balance sheet.
- (c) The IFRS income statement of the Ball Carve-Out Business has been translated at an exchange rate of \$1.00 = €0.897, Ardagh's twelve-month average exchange rate for the year ended December 31, 2015.

- (2) The following adjustments have been made to the financial data of the Rexam Carve-Out Business:

For the year ended December 31, 2015					
	Rexam Combined Financials	Reclassifications <sup>(a)</sup> (in £ millions)	Rexam Carve-Out Business	Rexam Carve-Out Business <sup>(b)</sup> (in € millions)	
<b>Rexam Combined Income Statement Data</b>					<b>Ardagh Income Statement Data</b>
Sales . . . . .	900	—	900	1,236	Revenue
Cost of sales . . . . .	(705)	(61)	(766)	(1,052)	Cost of sales
Gross profit . . . . .	195	(61)	134	184	Gross profit
Selling and distribution costs . . .	(84)	61			
Administrative expenses . . . . .	(31)	—			
Research and development . . . .	(2)	—			
			(56)	(77)	Sales, general and administration expenses
				—	Intangible amortization
Exceptional items . . . . .	(11)	—	(11)	(15)	Exceptional operating items
			67	92	Operating profit
			—	—	Net finance expense
Profit before tax . . . . .	67	—	67	92	Profit before tax

(a) Reclassifies freight costs to conform to the format in which Ardagh presents its financial information.

(b) The income statement of the Rexam Carve-Out Business has been translated at an exchange rate of £1.00 = €1.374, Ardagh's twelve-month average exchange rate for the year ended December 31, 2015.

- (3) Adjustment is an estimated amount primarily related to the movement of certain lines between the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition and the business to be retained by Ball Corporation. The change in finance expense represents pension liabilities being retained by Ball Corporation.
- (4) Reflects the estimated exceptional transaction fees and expenses in relation to the Transactions.
- (5) Represents the additional finance expense associated with the Notes offered hereby together with the amortization of deferred financing costs associated with the Notes offered hereby and the net reduction in interest expense arising from the refinancing of the 2020 Senior Notes.
- (6) Represents the costs associated with the extinguishment of the 2020 Senior Notes, comprising the write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs and redemption premiums.
- (7) The following adjustments have been made to the balance sheet data of the Ball Carve-Out Business. The balance sheet data of the Ball Carve-Out Business have been translated at an exchange rate of \$1.00 = €0.919, the exchange rate used in preparing Ardagh's balance sheet on December 31, 2015.

As of December 31, 2015				
	Ball Combined Financials	Business Retained <sup>(a)</sup>	Ball Carve-Out Business	Ball Carve-Out Business
	U.S. GAAP (in \$ millions)		(in € millions)	
<b>Balance Sheet Data</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	32	(24)	8	7
Working capital . . . . .	77	(30)	47	43
Total assets . . . . .	2,218	(417)	1,801	1,655
Total borrowings . . . . .	24	—	24	22
Total equity/net investment . . . . .	1,357	(312)	1,045	960

(a) Represents the impact of removing the historical results of certain businesses that manufacture and sell metal packaging in the beverage industry in the European market that will be retained by Ball Corporation and will not

form part of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition. The balance sheet data has been allocated based on actual assets and liabilities, other than certain working capital items, which are on the basis of allocations.

- (8) The balance sheet data of the Rexam Carve-Out Business have been translated at an exchange rate of £1.00 = €1.362, the exchange rate used in preparing Ardagh's balance sheet on December 31, 2015, as shown below:

	As of December 31, 2015	
	Rexam Carve-Out Business	
	(in £ millions)	(in € millions)
<b>Balance Sheet Data</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	—	—
Working capital . . . . .	(25)	(34)
Total assets . . . . .	625	852
Total borrowings . . . . .	—	—
Total equity . . . . .	452	616

- (9) Reflects adjustments for assets and liabilities not being acquired, being (i) cash (€7 million), certain trade and other receivables (€87 million) and certain trade and other payables (€190 million) and (ii) the elimination of historical goodwill and the allocation to goodwill of the excess of the purchase price over the book value of acquired assets and liabilities. No adjustment has been made in respect of the fair value of acquired assets and liabilities as required by IFRS.
- (10) Reflects the increase in total borrowings following the issuance of the Notes offered hereby together with cash paid to fund the Acquisition. See "Capitalization."
- (11) Working capital is made up of inventories, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables, and current provisions. Excludes the impact on working capital of the unwinding of certain working capital facilities that may occur in the short term after the completion of the Acquisition.
- (12) Total borrowings include all bank borrowings and loan notes, before deduction of any unamortized debt issuance costs or premium on debt issuance above par. Reflects the increase in total borrowings following the offering of the Notes. See "Use of Proceeds" and "Capitalization."
- (13) EBITDA is operating profit before depreciation, amortization, non-exceptional impairment and exceptional operating items. EBITDA margin is calculated as EBITDA divided by revenue. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are presented because we believe that they are frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in evaluating companies in the packaging industry. However, other companies may calculate EBITDA and EBITDA margin in a manner different from ours. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are not measurements of financial performance under IFRS and should not be considered an alternative to cash flow from operating activities or as a measure of liquidity or an alternative to profit/(loss) as indicators of operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with IFRS.

The reconciliation of pro forma operating profit to pro forma EBITDA is as follows:

	(in € millions)
Operating profit . . . . .	655
Add back depreciation and amortization . . . . .	513
Add back exceptional operating items* . . . . .	132
EBITDA . . . . .	<u>1,300</u>

\* Exceptional operating items comprise primarily restructuring costs, asset impairment charges, termination benefits and acquisition costs.

- (14) Net borrowings equal total borrowings and premium on debt issuance above par, less cash and deferred debt issuance costs plus or minus the fair value of associated derivative financial instruments. Reflects the increase in net borrowings following the offering of the Notes. See "Use of Proceeds" and "Capitalization."

## RISK FACTORS

*An investment in the Notes involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the following risks, together with other information provided to you in this Offering Memorandum, in deciding whether to invest in the Notes. The occurrence of any of the events discussed below could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition or results of operations. If these events occur, the trading prices of the Notes could decline, and we may not be able to pay all or part of the interest or principal on the Notes, and you may lose all or part of your investment. Additional risks not currently known to us or that we now deem immaterial may also harm us and affect your investment.*

*This Offering Memorandum contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results may differ significantly from the results discussed in the forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause such differences include those discussed below and elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. See “Forward-Looking Statements.”*

### **Risks Relating to Our Debt, the Notes and the Guarantees**

***Our substantial debt could adversely affect our financial health and prevent us from fulfilling our obligations under the Notes.***

We have a substantial amount of debt and significant debt service obligations. As of March 31, 2016, we had total borrowings of €5,273 million. On a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the Transactions, we would have had (i) total debt of €7,947 million, of which €2,674 million would have been debt incurred in this offering and (ii) €5,273 million of debt which will mature prior to the maturity of the Notes. As of March 31, 2016, we had additional availability under our main credit facilities of up to €287 million, and all of these borrowings would effectively rank senior to the Notes. See “Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial and Other Data.”

Our substantial debt could have important negative consequences for us and for you as a holder of the Notes. For example, our substantial debt could:

- require us to dedicate a large portion of our cash flow from operations to service debt and fund repayments on our debt, thereby reducing the availability of our cash flow to fund working capital, capital expenditures and other general corporate purposes;
- increase our vulnerability to adverse general economic or industry conditions;
- limit our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business or the industry in which we operate;
- limit our ability to raise additional debt or equity capital in the future;
- restrict us from making strategic acquisitions or exploiting business opportunities;
- make it difficult for us to satisfy our obligations with respect to the Notes and our other debt; and
- place us at a competitive disadvantage compared to our competitors that have less debt.

In addition, a portion of our debt bears interest at variable rates that are linked to changing market interest rates. Although we may hedge a portion of our exposure to variable interest rates by entering into interest rate swaps, we cannot assure you that we will do so in the future. As a result, an increase in market interest rates would increase our interest expense and our debt service obligations, which would exacerbate the risks associated with our leveraged capital structure.



***Certain of our credit facilities contain financial covenants which we could fail to meet.***

Certain of our existing credit facilities require, and our future credit facilities may require, the Parent Guarantor and certain of its subsidiaries to satisfy specified financial tests and maintain specified financial ratios and covenants regarding a minimum level of EBITDA to net interest expense, a minimum level of EBITDA to total debt, and a maximum amount of capital expenditures, all as defined in such credit facilities. See “Description of Other Indebtedness.”

The ability of the Parent Guarantor and its subsidiaries to comply with these ratios and to meet these tests may be affected by events beyond their control and there can be no assurances that they will continue to meet these tests. The failure of the Parent Guarantor and its subsidiaries to comply with these obligations could lead to a default under these credit facilities unless we can obtain waivers or consents in respect of any breaches of these obligations under these credit facilities. We cannot assure you that these waivers or consents will be granted. A breach of any of these covenants or the inability to comply with the required financial ratios could result in a default under these credit facilities. In the event of any default under these credit facilities, the lenders under these facilities will not be required to lend any additional amounts to us or our operating subsidiaries and could elect to declare all outstanding borrowings, together with accrued interest, fees and other amounts due thereunder, to be immediately due and payable. In the event of a default, the relevant lenders (and, potentially, the trustee under any of the Existing Notes or the Notes) could also require us to apply all available cash to repay the borrowings or prevent us from making debt service payments on the Existing Notes and the Notes, any of which would be an event of default under these Notes. If the debt under our credit facilities, the Existing Notes or the Notes were to be accelerated, there can be no assurances that our assets would be sufficient to repay such debt in full.

***If the conditions in the escrow agreement are not satisfied, the Issuers will be required to redeem certain of the Notes, which means that you may not obtain the return you expect on such Notes; the conditions to release of the proceeds from the Escrow Accounts are limited.***

Upon the issuance of the Notes, an amount equal to approximately €2,503 million equivalent of the proceeds received from the sale of the Secured Notes and the Dollar Senior Notes, which will be used to finance the Acquisition as described in “Use of Proceeds,” will be held in escrow pending the satisfaction of certain conditions precedent, including the closing of the Acquisition. As such amount will not include any interest on the applicable Notes from the Issue Date until the earlier of (i) the completion of the Acquisition and (ii) October 31, 2016, the Issuers’ obligations to pay interest on such Notes will be unsecured obligations during this period and will rank behind their secured obligations to the extent such amount is insufficient to pay the interest on the relevant Notes. If the conditions precedent to the Acquisition have not been satisfied before October 31, 2016 or in the event of certain other events that trigger escrow termination, the applicable Notes will be subject to a special mandatory redemption as described in “Description of the Secured Notes—Special Mandatory Redemption” and “Description of the Senior Notes—Special Mandatory Redemption.” If this were to happen, you might not obtain the return you expect to receive on the Notes.

Your decision to invest in the Notes is made at the time of purchase. Only limited changes in our business or financial condition, or the terms of the Acquisition, between the closing of this offering and the earlier of (i) the closing of the Acquisition and (ii) October 31, 2016, will cause the Issuers to effect a Special Mandatory Redemption and thereby return the issue price of such Secured Notes and relevant portion of the Dollar Senior Notes, on a pro rata basis, to you. In addition, the release of funds from the Escrow Accounts is not conditioned on guarantees by the Subsidiary Guarantors of the Notes or the grant of liens in the Collateral in favor of the Notes. The funds may be released even if certain defaults exist under the Indenture, subject to certain restrictions. Upon delivery to the Escrow Agent, the Security Agent and the Trustee of an officer’s certificate stating that the conditions to the escrow are satisfied, the Escrowed Proceeds will be released to the Issuers and utilized as described in

“Use of Proceeds.” See “Description of the Secured Notes—Disbursement of Funds; Closing Date Holding Accounts” and “Description of the Senior Notes—Disbursement of Funds; Closing Date Holding Accounts.”

***We and our subsidiaries may be able to incur substantially more debt.***

Subject to the restrictions in our credit facilities, the Indentures, the Existing Indentures and other outstanding debt, we may be able to incur substantial additional debt in the future, which could also be secured.

As of March 31, 2016, our main credit facilities permitted additional borrowings of up to €287 million all of which could be secured and would effectively rank senior to the Senior Notes Guarantees, and, to the extent they are secured by assets other than the Collateral, would effectively rank senior to the Secured Notes in respect of the value of these assets. See “Description of Other Indebtedness” and “Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial and Other Data.” Although the terms of these credit facilities, the Indentures and the Existing Indentures and other outstanding debt contain restrictions on the incurrence of additional debt, these restrictions are subject to a number of significant qualifications and exceptions, and debt incurred in compliance with these restrictions could be substantial. To the extent new debt is added to our currently anticipated debt levels, the substantial leverage related risks described above would increase. See also “—Risks Relating to Our Business—Our expansion strategy may adversely affect our business.”

***Our ability to generate cash depends on many factors beyond our control, and we may not be able to generate cash required to service our debt.***

Our ability to make scheduled payments on the Notes and to meet our other debt service obligations or refinance our debt depends on our future operating and financial performance and ability to generate cash. This will be affected by our ability to successfully implement our business strategy, as well as general economic, financial, competitive, regulatory, technical and other factors beyond our control. If we cannot generate sufficient cash to meet our debt service obligations or fund our other business needs, we may, among other things, need to refinance all or a portion of our debt, including the Notes, obtain additional financing, delay planned acquisitions or capital expenditures or sell assets. There can be no assurances that we will be able to generate sufficient cash through any of the foregoing. If we are not able to refinance any of our debt, obtain additional financing or sell assets on commercially reasonable terms or at all, we may not be able to satisfy our obligations with respect to our debt, including the Notes. See “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Liquidity and Capital Resources of Ardagh.”

We expect to be able to repay or refinance the principal amounts outstanding under our outstanding notes (including the Notes) upon maturity of each such series of notes between 2019 and 2024. We may, however, be unable to repay or refinance such principal amounts on terms satisfactory to us or at all.

***Restrictions imposed by the Indentures, the Existing Indentures, the HSBC Securitization Program and certain of our other credit facilities limit our ability to take certain actions.***

The Indentures, the Existing Indentures, the HSBC Securitization Program and certain of our other credit facilities limit our flexibility in operating our business. For example, these agreements restrict or limit the ability of the Parent Guarantor and certain of its subsidiaries to, among other things:

- borrow money;
- pay dividends or make other distributions;

- create certain liens;
- make certain asset dispositions;
- make certain loans or investments;
- issue or sell share capital of our subsidiaries;
- guarantee indebtedness;
- enter into transactions with affiliates; or
- merge, consolidate or sell, lease or transfer all or substantially all of our assets.

There can be no assurances that the operating and financial restrictions and covenants in the Indentures, the Existing Indentures, the HSBC Securitization Program and certain of our other credit facilities will not adversely affect our ability to finance our future operations or capital needs or engage in other business activities that may be in our interest. Any future indebtedness may include similar or other restrictive terms. In addition, the management believes that the future expansion of our packaging business is likely to require participation in the consolidation of the packaging industry by the further acquisition of existing businesses. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to participate in such consolidation or that the operating and financial restrictions and covenants in the Indenture, the Existing Indentures, the HSBC Securitization Program and certain of our other credit facilities will permit us to do so.

In addition to limiting our flexibility in operating our business, a breach of the covenants in the Indenture could cause a default under the terms of our other financing agreements, including the HSBC Securitization Program, causing all the debt under those agreements to be accelerated. If this were to occur, we can make no assurances that we would have sufficient assets to repay our debt.

***We may be unable to repurchase the Notes as required upon a Change of Control.***

If we experience a Change of Control, we would be required to make an offer to repurchase all outstanding Notes at 101% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of repurchase. However, we may be unable to do so because we might not have enough available funds, particularly since a Change of Control could in certain circumstances cause part or all of our other debt to become due and payable. See “Description of the Secured Notes—Purchase of Secured Notes upon a Change of Control” and “Description of the Senior Notes—Purchase of Senior Notes upon a Change of Control.”

***The insolvency laws of Ireland and other local insolvency laws may not be as favorable to you as U.S. bankruptcy laws or those of another jurisdiction with which you are familiar.***

Ardagh Packaging Finance, the co-issuer of the Notes, and the Parent Guarantor are incorporated in Ireland, and Ardagh Holdings USA, the co-issuer of the Notes, is incorporated in the State of Delaware (United States). No later than 90 days following the Issue Date, the Notes will be guaranteed by the Subsidiary Guarantors that at the time guarantee the Existing Notes. Most of the Subsidiary Guarantors of the Notes are incorporated under the laws of one of Canada, Denmark, England and Wales, France, Germany, Guernsey, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain, the State of Delaware (United States) and Sweden. The insolvency laws of foreign jurisdictions may not be as favorable to your interests as the laws of the United States or other jurisdictions with which you are familiar. In the event that any one or more of the Issuers, the Guarantors or any other of Ardagh Packaging Holdings’ subsidiaries experienced financial difficulty, it is not possible to predict with certainty in which jurisdiction or jurisdictions insolvency or similar proceedings would be commenced, or the outcome of such proceedings.

*The Issuers' ability to pay principal and interest on the Notes may be affected by our organizational structure. The Issuers are dependent upon payments from other members of our corporate group to fund payments to you on the Notes, and such other members might not be able to make such payments in some circumstances.*

The Issuers do not themselves conduct any business operations and do not have any assets or sources of income of their own, other than the intercompany notes made to on-lend the net proceeds from the offering of the Notes as described below. As a result, the Issuers' ability to make payments on the Notes is dependent directly upon interest or other payments they receive from other members of our corporate group. Initially, the proceeds of the Notes will be loaned to other members of our corporate group pursuant to intercompany notes. These intercompany notes may be subordinated to senior debt of the relevant intercompany borrowers. The Indentures will not require the maintenance of these intercompany notes. Accordingly, you should only rely on the Guarantees of the Notes, and not these intercompany notes, to provide credit support in respect of payments of principal or interest on the Notes. The ability of other members of our corporate group to make payments to the Issuers will depend upon their cash flows and earnings which, in turn, will be affected by all of the factors discussed in these "Risk Factors."

Furthermore, some of our credit facilities contain certain restrictions on the borrowers thereunder from making certain distributions or payments of capital or income to their members. As a result, the amounts that the Issuers expect to receive from other members of our corporate group may not be forthcoming or sufficient to enable the Issuers to service their obligations on the Notes.

The Parent Guarantor and the Subsidiary Guarantors will guarantee the Notes. The Parent Guarantor is a holding company with no assets or sources of income of its own and thus is dependent on dividends and other distributions from its subsidiaries. The Subsidiary Guarantors are either intermediate holding companies or operating subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor.

*Enforcing your rights as a holder of the Notes or under the Guarantees or the Security Interests across multiple jurisdictions may prove difficult.*

The Notes will be issued by the Issuers, one of which is incorporated under the laws of Ireland and the other of which is incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware (United States), and will be guaranteed by the Parent Guarantor, which is incorporated under the laws of Ireland. No later than 90 days following the Issue Date that at the time guarantee the Existing Notes, the Notes will be guaranteed by the Subsidiary Guarantors. Most of the Subsidiary Guarantors of the Notes are incorporated under the laws of one of Canada, Denmark, England and Wales, France, Germany, Guernsey, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain, the State of Delaware (United States) and Sweden. In the event of a bankruptcy, insolvency or similar event, proceedings could be initiated in any of these countries. Such multi-jurisdictional proceedings are likely to be complex and costly for creditors and otherwise may result in greater uncertainty and delay regarding the enforcement of your rights. Your rights under the Notes and the Guarantees will be subject to the insolvency and administrative laws of several jurisdictions and there can be no assurance that you will be able to effectively enforce your rights in such complex, multiple bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceedings.

In addition, the bankruptcy, insolvency, administrative and other laws of the Issuers' and the Guarantors' jurisdictions of organization may be materially different from, or in conflict with, each other and those of the United States, including in the areas of rights of creditors, priority of governmental and other creditors, the ability to obtain post-petition interest and the duration of the proceeding. The application of these laws, or any conflict among them, could call into question whether any particular jurisdiction's law should apply, adversely affect your ability to enforce your rights under the Notes and the Guarantees in these jurisdictions or limit any amounts that you may receive.

The laws of certain of the jurisdictions in which the Subsidiary Guarantors are organized limit the ability of these subsidiaries to guarantee debt of a sister company. See “—Corporate benefit, capital maintenance laws and other limitations on the Guarantees and the Security Interests may adversely affect the validity and enforceability of the Guarantees of the Notes and the Security Interests.”

***Investors in the Notes may have limited recourse against the independent auditors.***

See “Independent Accountants” for a description of the reports of the independent auditors of Ardagh Packaging Holdings and the Rexam Carve-Out Business. The independent auditors’ reports state that they were made solely to the directors, as a body, of Ardagh Packaging Holdings and the Rexam Carve-Out Business, respectively; and none of the independent auditors accepts or assumes responsibility to anyone other than the directors, as a body, of Ardagh Packaging Holdings or the Rexam Carve-Out Business, as applicable, for its audit work, for its reports or for the conclusions or opinions it has formed. The independent auditors’ reports on the non-statutory consolidated financial statements of Ardagh Packaging Holdings, for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 were unqualified and are included in this Offering Memorandum. PricewaterhouseCoopers Dublin was the auditor of Ardagh Packaging Holdings for these accounting periods. The independent auditors’ reports on the non-statutory combined financial statements of the Rexam Carve-Out Business, for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 were unqualified and are included in this Offering Memorandum. PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP was the auditor of the Rexam Carve-Out Business for these accounting periods.

Investors in the Notes should understand that in making these statements, the respective independent auditor confirmed that it does not accept or assume any responsibility to parties (such as the purchasers of the Notes) other than to the directors, as a body, of Ardagh, with respect to their reports and to the independent auditor’s audit work, conclusions and opinions. The SEC would not permit such limiting language to be included in a registration statement or a prospectus used in connection with an offering of securities registered under the U.S. Securities Act or in a report filed under the Exchange Act. If a U.S. court (or any other court) were to give effect to such limiting language, the recourse that investors in the Notes may have against the independent auditor based on its report or the consolidated financial statements to which it relates could be limited.

***An active trading market may not develop for the Notes.***

The Notes are new securities for which there is currently no existing market. Although application will be made for listing particulars to be approved by the Irish Stock Exchange and for the Notes to be admitted to the Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange and admitted to trading on its Global Exchange Market, we cannot assure you that the Secured Notes or the Senior Notes will become or will remain listed. We cannot assure you as to the liquidity of any market that may develop for the Notes, the ability of holders of the Notes to sell them or the price at which the holders of the Notes may be able to sell them. The liquidity of any market for the Notes will depend on the number of holders of the Notes, prevailing interest rates, the market for similar securities and other factors, including general economic conditions and our own financial condition, performance and prospects, as well as recommendations by securities analysts. Historically, the market for non-investment grade debt, such as the Notes, has been subject to disruptions that have caused substantial price volatility. There can be no assurances that if a market for the Notes were to develop, such a market would not be subject to similar disruptions. We have been informed by the Initial Purchasers that they intend to make a market for the Notes after the offering is completed. However, the Initial Purchasers are not obligated to do so and may cease their market-making activity at any time without notice. In addition, such market-making activity will be subject to limitations imposed by the U.S. Securities Act and other applicable laws and regulations. As a result, we cannot assure you that an active trading market for the Notes will develop or, if one does develop, that it will be maintained.



***The Notes are subject to restrictions on transfer.***

The Notes have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act or any U.S. state securities laws. You may not offer the Notes in the United States except pursuant to an exemption from, or a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act and applicable state securities laws, or pursuant to an effective registration statement. We have not undertaken to register the Notes or to effect any exchange offer for the Notes in the future. Furthermore, we have not registered the Notes under any other country's securities laws. It is your obligation to ensure that your offers and sales of the Notes within the United States and other countries comply with applicable securities laws. See "Notice to Investors."

***Certain considerations relating to book-entry interests.***

Unless and until Notes in definitive registered form, or definitive registered notes, are issued in exchange for book-entry interests, owners of book-entry interests will not be considered owners or holders of Notes. The common depository (or its nominee) for the accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream Banking will be the registered holder of the Euro Regulation S Global Notes and the Euro Rule 144A Global Notes, and DTC, or its nominee, will be the registered holder of the Dollar Regulation S Global Notes and the Dollar Rule 144A Global Notes (as such terms are defined in "Book-entry; Delivery and Form"). After payment to the common depository or DTC's custodian, as the case may be, we, the Trustee and the Paying Agent will have no responsibility or liability for the payment of interest, principal or other amounts to the owners of book-entry interests. Accordingly, if you own a book-entry interest, you must rely on the procedures of DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking, as applicable, and if you are not a participant in DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking, on the procedures of the participant through which you own your interest, to exercise any rights and obligations of a holder under the Indentures. See "Book-entry; Delivery and Form."

Unlike the holders of the Notes themselves, owners of book-entry interests will not have the direct right to act upon our solicitations for consents, requests for waivers or other actions from holders of the Notes. Instead, if you own a book-entry interest, you will be permitted to act only to the extent you have received appropriate proxies to do so from DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking or, if applicable, a participant. There can be no assurance that procedures implemented for the granting of such proxies will be sufficient to enable you to vote on any request actions on a timely basis.

Similarly, upon the occurrence of an event of default under the Secured Indenture and/or the Senior Indenture, unless and until definitive registered notes are issued in respect of all book-entry interests, if you own a book-entry interest, you will be restricted to acting through DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking. We, the Trustee and the Paying Agent cannot assure you that the procedures to be implemented through DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking will be adequate to ensure the timely exercise of rights under the Notes. See "Book-entry; Delivery and Form."

***You may be unable to serve process on us or our directors and officers in the United States and enforce U.S. judgments based on the Notes.***

Ardagh Packaging Finance, the co-issuer of the Notes, and the Parent Guarantor of the Notes are incorporated under the laws of Ireland. No later than 90 days following the Issue Date, the Notes will be guaranteed by the Subsidiary Guarantors that at the time guarantee the Existing Notes. Most of the Subsidiary Guarantors of the Notes are incorporated under the laws of one of Canada, Denmark, England and Wales, France, Germany, Guernsey, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain, the State of Delaware (United States) and Sweden. Furthermore, most of the directors and executive officers of the Issuers and such Guarantors live outside the United States. Substantially all of the assets of Ardagh Packaging Finance and the Guarantors (other than the Subsidiary Guarantors in Delaware (United States)), and substantially all of the assets of their directors

and executive officers, are located outside the United States. As a result, it may not be possible for you to serve process on such persons in the United States or to enforce judgments obtained in U.S. courts against them based on the civil liability provisions of the securities laws of the United States. In addition, Irish, Luxembourg, French, German, English, Danish, Spanish, Swedish, Dutch, Polish, Guernsey and Italian counsel have informed us that it is questionable whether an Irish, Luxembourg, French, German, English, Danish, Spanish, Swedish, Dutch, Polish, Guernsey, or Italian court would accept jurisdiction and impose civil liability if proceedings were commenced in Denmark, France, Germany, Guernsey, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain, Sweden, or the United Kingdom predicated solely upon U.S. federal securities laws. See “Service of Process and Enforcement of Judgments.”

***Corporate benefit, capital maintenance laws and other limitations on the Guarantees and the Security Interests may adversely affect the validity and enforceability of the Guarantees of the Notes and the Security Interests.***

The laws of certain of the jurisdictions in which the Subsidiary Guarantors are organized limit the ability of these subsidiaries to guarantee debt of a related company or grant security on account of a related company's debts. These limitations arise under various provisions or principles of corporate law which include rules governing capital maintenance, under which, among others, the risks associated with a guarantee or grant of security on account of a parent company's debt need to be reasonable and economically and operationally justified from the guarantor's or grantor's perspective, as well as thin capitalization, unfair consideration, financial assistance, corporate purpose or similar law affecting the rights of creditors generally, and fraudulent transfer principles. If these limitations were not observed, the Guarantees and the grant of Security Interests by these Subsidiary Guarantors could be subject to legal challenge. In some jurisdictions, the Guarantees will contain language limiting the amount of debt guaranteed or secured so that applicable local law restrictions will not be violated. Certain of the Security Documents will contain similar limitations. Accordingly, if you were to enforce the Guarantees by a Subsidiary Guarantor in one of these jurisdictions or seek to enforce a Security Interest in Collateral granted by a Subsidiary Guarantor in one of these jurisdictions, your claims are likely to be limited. In some cases, where the amount that can be guaranteed or secured is limited by reference to the net assets and legal capital of the Subsidiary Guarantor or by reference to the outstanding debt owed by the relevant Subsidiary Guarantor to the Issuers under intercompany loans that amount might have reached zero or close to zero at the time of any insolvency or enforcement. Furthermore, although we believe that the Guarantees by these Subsidiary Guarantors and the Security Interests granted by these Subsidiary Guarantors will be validly given in accordance with local law restrictions, there can be no assurance that a third-party creditor would not challenge these Guarantees and the Security Interests and prevail in court.

Upon any payment or distribution to creditors of a Subsidiary Guarantor in respect of an insolvency event, the holders of senior debt of such Subsidiary Guarantor will be entitled to be paid in full from the assets of such Subsidiary Guarantor before any payment may be made pursuant to such Subsidiary Guarantor's Senior Notes Guarantee. Until the senior debt of a Subsidiary Guarantor is paid in full, any distribution to which holders of the Notes would be entitled but for the subordination provisions shall instead be made to holders of senior debt of such Subsidiary Guarantor as their interests may appear. As a result, in the event of insolvency of a Subsidiary Guarantor, holders of senior debt of such Subsidiary Guarantor may recover more, ratably, than the holders of Notes, in respect of the Subsidiary Guarantor's Senior Notes Guarantee in respect thereof.

In addition, the subordination provisions relating to the Senior Notes Guarantees will provide:

- customary turnover provisions by the Trustee for the holders of the Senior Notes and the holders of the Senior Notes for the benefit of the holders of senior debt of such Subsidiary Guarantor;



- that if a payment default on any senior debt of a Subsidiary Guarantor has occurred and is continuing, such Subsidiary Guarantor may not make any payment in respect of its Senior Notes Guarantee until such default is cured or waived;
- that if any other default occurs and is continuing on any designated senior indebtedness that permits the holders thereof to accelerate its maturity and the Trustee receives a notice of such default, such Subsidiary Guarantor may not make any payment in respect of the Senior Notes, or pursuant to its Senior Notes Guarantee, until the earlier of the default is cured or waived or 179 days after the date on which the applicable payment blockage notice is received; and
- that the holders of the Senior Notes and the Trustee are prohibited, without the prior consent of the applicable senior agent, from taking any enforcement action in relation to such Senior Notes Guarantee, except in certain circumstances.

The indentures governing the Existing Notes provide that except under very limited circumstances, only the trustee or the security agent, as applicable, will have standing to bring an enforcement action in respect of the notes, the guarantees and the security interests. Moreover, the intercreditor agreement, and the indentures restrict the rights of holders of the notes to initiate insolvency proceedings or take other legal actions against the Subsidiary Guarantors. As a result of these restrictions, holders of the notes will have limited remedies and recourse under the guarantees and the security interests in the event of a default by the issuers or a subsidiary guarantor.

The Indentures will provide that except under very limited circumstances, only the Trustee or the Security Agent, as applicable, will have standing to bring an enforcement action in respect of the Notes, the Guarantees and the Security Interests. Moreover, the Intercreditor Agreement, and the Existing Indentures restrict the rights of holders of the Notes to initiate insolvency proceedings or take other legal actions against the Subsidiary Guarantors and by accepting any Note you will be deemed to have agreed to these restrictions. As a result of these restrictions, holders of the Notes will have limited remedies and recourse under the Guarantees and the Security Interests in the event of a default by the Issuers or a Subsidiary Guarantor.

***The Notes will be structurally subordinated to the liabilities of non-guarantor subsidiaries.***

Some, but not all, of our subsidiaries will guarantee the Notes. Generally, holders of indebtedness of, and trade creditors of, non-guarantor subsidiaries, including lenders under bank financing agreements, are entitled to payments of their claims from the assets of such subsidiaries before these assets are made available for distribution to any Guarantor, as direct or indirect shareholders.

Accordingly, in the event that any of the non-guarantor subsidiaries becomes insolvent, liquidates or otherwise reorganizes:

- the creditors of the Guarantors (including the holders of the Notes) will have no right to proceed against such subsidiary's assets; and
- creditors of such non-guarantor subsidiary, including trade creditors, will generally be entitled to payment in full from the sale or other disposal of the assets of such subsidiary before any Guarantor, as direct or indirect shareholder, will be entitled to receive any distributions from such subsidiary.

As of March 31, 2016, on a historical basis, Ardagh's non-guarantor subsidiaries would have had no debt outstanding and €42 million of trade payables and deferred taxes, all of which would have ranked structurally senior to the Notes and the Guarantees. See "Capitalization."

*Insolvency laws and other limitations on the Guarantees and the Security Interests, including fraudulent conveyance statutes, may adversely affect their validity and enforceability.*

Our obligations under the Notes will be guaranteed by the Guarantors. No later than 90 days following the Issue Date, the Notes will be guaranteed by the Subsidiary Guarantors that at the time guarantee the Existing Notes. Most of the Subsidiary Guarantors of the Notes are incorporated under the laws of one of Canada, Denmark, England and Wales, France, Germany, Guernsey, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain, the State of Delaware (United States) and Sweden.

Although laws differ among these jurisdictions, in general, applicable fraudulent transfer and conveyance and equitable principles, insolvency laws and, in the case of the Guarantees and the Security Interests, limitations on the enforceability of judgments obtained in courts in such jurisdictions could limit the enforceability of the Guarantee against a Guarantor and the enforceability of the Security Interests. The court or an insolvency administrator may also in certain circumstances avoid the Security Interest or the Guarantee where the company is close to or in the vicinity of insolvency. The following discussion of fraudulent transfer, conveyance and insolvency law, although an overview, describes generally applicable terms and principles, which are defined under the relevant jurisdiction's fraudulent transfer and insolvency statutes.

In an insolvency proceeding, it is possible that creditors of the Guarantors or the appointed insolvency administrator may challenge the Guarantees and the Security Interests, and intercompany obligations generally, as fraudulent transfers or conveyances or on other grounds. If so, such laws may permit a court, if it makes certain findings, to:

- avoid or invalidate all or a portion of a Guarantor's obligations under its Guarantee or the Security Interests;
- direct that holders of the Notes return any amounts paid under a Guarantee or any security to the relevant Guarantor or to a fund for the benefit of the Guarantor's creditors; and
- take other action that is detrimental to you.

If we cannot satisfy our obligations under the Notes and any Guarantee or Security Interest is found to be a fraudulent transfer or conveyance or is otherwise set aside, we cannot assure you that we can ever repay in full any amounts outstanding under the Notes. In addition, the liability of each Guarantor under its Guarantee or the Security Interests will be limited to the amount that will result in such Guarantee or Security Interests not constituting a fraudulent conveyance or improper corporate distribution or otherwise being set aside. The amount recoverable from the Guarantors under the Security Documents will also be limited. However, there can be no assurance as to what standard a court would apply in making a determination of the maximum liability of each. Also, there is a possibility that the Guarantees or Security Interests may be set aside, in which case the entire liability may be extinguished.

In order to initiate any of these actions under fraudulent transfer or other applicable principles, courts would need to find that, at the time the Guarantees were issued or the Security Interests created, the relevant Guarantor:

- issued such Guarantee or created such Security Interest with the intent of hindering, delaying or defrauding current or future creditors or with a desire to prefer some creditors over others, or created such security after its insolvency;
- issued such Guarantee or created such Security Interest in a situation where a prudent businessman as a shareholder of such Guarantor would have contributed equity to such Guarantor; or

- received less than reasonably equivalent value for incurring the debt represented by the Guarantee or Security Interest on the basis that the Guarantee or Security Interest were incurred for our benefit, and only indirectly the Guarantor's benefit, or some other basis and (i) was insolvent or rendered insolvent by reason of the issuance of the Guarantee or the creation of the Security Interest, or subsequently became insolvent for other reasons; (ii) was engaged, or was about to engage, in a business transaction for which the Guarantor's assets were unreasonably small; or (iii) intended to incur, or believed it would incur, debts beyond its ability to make required payments as and when they would become due.

Different jurisdictions evaluate insolvency on various criteria, but a Guarantor generally may, in different jurisdictions, be considered insolvent at the time it issued a Guarantee or created any Security Interest if:

- its liabilities exceed the fair market value of its assets;
- it cannot pay its debts as and when they become due; and/or
- the present salable value of its assets is less than the amount required to pay its total existing debts and liabilities, including contingent and prospective liabilities, as they mature or become absolute.

Although we believe that we are solvent, and will be so after giving effect to the offering of the Notes, there can be no assurance which standard a court would apply in determining whether a Guarantor was "insolvent" as of the date the Guarantees were issued or the Security Interests were created or that, regardless of the method of valuation, a court would not determine that a Guarantor was insolvent on that date, or that a court would not determine, regardless of whether or not a Guarantor was insolvent on the date its Guarantee was issued or Security Interests were created, that payments to holders of the Notes constituted fraudulent transfers on other grounds.

***We do not present separate financial statements for each Subsidiary Guarantor.***

We have not presented in this Offering Memorandum separate financial statements for each Subsidiary Guarantor, and we are not required to do so in the future under the Secured Indenture or the Senior Indenture.

***You will not have the benefit of the guarantees from any of the Subsidiary Guarantors on the Issue Date.***

The Guarantees, other than the Secured Notes Parent Guarantee and Senior Notes Parent Guarantee by the Parent Guarantor, will not be in effect until 90 days following the Issue Date with respect to the Subsidiary Guarantees by the Subsidiary Guarantors that at the time guarantee the Existing Notes.

**Risks Relating to the Secured Notes**

***The value of the Collateral securing the Secured Notes and the Secured Notes Guarantees may not be sufficient to satisfy our obligations under the Secured Notes and the Collateral securing the Secured Notes may be reduced or diluted under certain circumstances.***

The Secured Notes and the Secured Notes Guarantees are secured by first priority security interests on the Collateral as described in this Offering Memorandum, which Collateral also secures on a first priority basis our and our subsidiaries' obligations under the Incremental Facility, the Existing Secured Notes and certain hedging obligations. The Collateral may also secure additional debt to the extent permitted by the terms of the Secured Indenture. Your rights to the Collateral would be diluted by any increase in the debt secured by the Collateral or a reduction of the Collateral securing the Secured Notes. For example, under certain circumstances, we will be able to sell or otherwise dispose

of real estate assets that are part of the Collateral without securing the Secured Notes with assets acquired with the proceeds from such sales or dispositions. In addition, when we entered into the HSBC Securitization Program in March 2012, some or all of the receivables which previously formed part of the Collateral were released from the liens securing the Incremental Facility and the Existing Secured Notes and no longer form part of the Collateral. See “Description of Other Indebtedness—HSBC Securitization Program.”

The value of the Collateral and the amount to be received upon a sale of such Collateral will depend upon many factors including, among others, the ability to sell the Collateral in an orderly sale, the condition of the economies in which our operations are located, the availability of buyers and other factors. The book value of the Collateral should not be relied on as a measure of realizable value for such assets. Portions of the Collateral may be illiquid and may have no readily ascertainable market value. The Collateral is located in a number of countries, and the multi-jurisdictional nature of any foreclosure on the Collateral may limit the realizable value of the Collateral. To the extent that holders of other secured debt or third parties enjoy liens (including statutory liens), whether or not permitted by the Secured Indenture, such holders or third parties may have rights and remedies with respect to the Collateral securing the Secured Notes and the Secured Notes Guarantees which, if exercised, could reduce the proceeds available to satisfy the obligations under the Secured Notes and the Secured Notes Guarantees.

***The Security Interests over the Collateral have been, or will be, granted to the Security Agent rather than directly to the holders of the Secured Notes. The ability of the Security Agent to enforce the Collateral may be restricted by local law.***

In France, Germany, the Netherlands and Poland the security over the Collateral that constitutes, or will constitute, security for the obligations of the Secured Notes Co-Issuers under the Secured Notes and the Secured Indenture is not granted directly to the noteholders but only in favor of the Security Agent, as beneficiary of parallel debt obligations (“Parallel Debt”). This Parallel Debt was created to satisfy a requirement under the respective laws of France, Germany, the Netherlands and Poland that the Security Agent, as grantee of certain types of collateral, be a creditor of the relevant Subsidiary Guarantor. The Parallel Debt is in the same amount and payable at the same time as the obligations of the Secured Notes Co-Issuers under the Secured Indenture and the Secured Notes (the “Principal Obligations”). Any payment in respect of the Principal Obligations shall discharge the corresponding Parallel Debt and any payment in respect of the Parallel Debt shall discharge the corresponding Principal Obligations. The Security Agent has, pursuant to the Parallel Debt, a claim against the Secured Notes Co-Issuers for the full principal amount of the Secured Notes. The holders of the Notes are not entitled to enforce such security except through the Security Agent. Holders of the Secured Notes bear some risks associated with a possible insolvency or bankruptcy of the Security Agent. The Parallel Debt obligations referred to above are contained in the Secured Indenture, which is governed by New York law. There is no assurance that such a structure will be effective before French, German, Polish or Dutch courts as there is no judicial or other guidance as to its efficacy, and therefore the ability of the Security Agent to enforce the Collateral may be restricted.

The Security Documents submitted to Italian law provide that the rights with respect to the Collateral must be exercised by the Security Agent on behalf of the holders of the Secured Notes. Under Italian law, a security interest created pursuant to a pledge may not be validly enforceable for the benefit of the beneficiaries who are not a party to the relevant pledge agreement creating the security interest. Therefore, for the purpose of the Security Interests to be created under Italian law, the Trustee for the Secured Notes and the Security Agent will enter into an agreement with Ardagh Packaging Finance and Ardagh Packaging Holdings under which the Security Agent will become the holder of the secured claim for the benefit of the Trustee and the holders of the Secured Notes. However, if a challenge to the validity or enforceability of the security interest created by such Security

Documents were successful, holders of the Secured Notes might be unable to recover any amounts under such Security Documents.

***You will not have a security interest in any of the Collateral on the Issue Date and you will not have the benefit of the guarantees from any of the Subsidiary Guarantors on the Issue Date.***

You will not have a security interest in any of the Collateral in place on the Issue Date and the Guarantees, other than the Secured Notes Parent Guarantee and Senior Notes Parent Guarantee by the Parent Guarantor, will also not be in effect until 90 days following the Issue Date with respect to the Subsidiary Guarantees by the Subsidiary Guarantors that at the time guarantee the Existing Notes. Until such time as the Collateral is in place, the Issuers' obligations to pay interest on the Notes will be unsecured obligations during this period and will rank behind their secured obligations to the extent such amount is insufficient to pay the interest on the Secured Notes.

Subject to the Agreed Security Principles, we will be required under the Secured Indenture to provide security over all of the assets of Ardagh at the time securing the Existing Secured Notes no later than the later of (i) 90 days following the Issue Date and (ii) 30 days following the Completion Date. See "Description of the Secured Notes" and "Description of Other Indebtedness—Intercreditor Agreement." Failure to comply with these obligations would constitute a default under the Secured Indenture.

Any issues that we are not able to resolve in connection with the delivery of Collateral may negatively impact the value of the Collateral. To the extent a lien in certain Collateral is perfected following the Issue Date, it might be avoidable in bankruptcy or create new hardening periods. See "—The granting of the Security Interests in connection with the issuance of the Secured Notes may create hardening periods for such Security Interests in accordance with the law applicable in certain jurisdictions."

***Under local law, claims of the holders of Secured Notes may not have a first priority ranking pari passu with the Existing Secured Notes and we are relying on the Intercreditor Agreement to achieve a first priority lien in the Collateral.***

Under local law, the liens securing the Secured Notes may be subject to legal doctrines that effectively rank them behind the liens in favor of earlier incurred obligations, including the liens in favor of the Existing Secured Notes. Therefore, in each case, the first priority status of the Secured Notes depends on the enforceability of the Intercreditor Agreement. As a result, if the Intercreditor Agreement is found to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, or if an administrator refuses to give effect to it, the Secured Notes may rank behind any other outstanding secured indebtedness. See "Description of Other Indebtedness—Intercreditor Agreement."

***The granting of the Security Interests in connection with the issuance of the Secured Notes may create hardening periods for such Security Interests in accordance with the law applicable in certain jurisdictions.***

The granting of new Security Interests in connection with the issuance of the Secured Notes may create hardening periods for such Security Interests in certain jurisdictions. The applicable hardening period for these new Security Interests will run as from the moment each new Security Interest has been granted, perfected or recreated. At each time, if the Security Interest granted, perfected or recreated were to be enforced before the end of the respective hardening period applicable in such jurisdiction, it may be declared void and/or it may not be possible to enforce it.

***The Existing Floating Rate Secured Notes bear, and the Floating Rate Secured Notes will bear, interest at a floating rate that could rise significantly, increasing our interest cost and debt and reducing our cash flow.***

The Existing Floating Rate Secured Notes bear, and the Floating Rate Secured Notes will bear, interest at floating rates of interest per annum equal to LIBOR, adjusted quarterly, plus a spread. LIBOR could rise significantly in the future. Although we may enter into and maintain certain hedging arrangements designed to fix a portion of these rates, there can be no assurance that hedging will continue to be available on commercially reasonable terms. Hedging itself carries certain risks, including that we may need to pay a significant amount (including costs) to terminate any hedging arrangements. To the extent interest rates were to rise significantly our interest expense associated with the Existing Floating Rate Secured Notes, the Floating Rate Secured Notes and the carrying cost of our debt load would correspondingly increase, thus reducing cash flow.

The manner of calculating LIBOR has been in the past, and may be in the future, subject to regulatory review. There can be no assurance that LIBOR will continue to be calculated as it has historically, if at all.

### **Risks Relating to the Senior Notes**

***The Senior Notes and the Senior Notes Guarantees will be unsecured and the claims of secured creditors will have priority.***

The Senior Notes and the Senior Notes Guarantees will be unsecured obligations of the Senior Notes Co-Issuers and the Senior Notes Guarantors, respectively. Debt under the Existing Secured Notes and several of our facilities are, and the Secured Notes will be, secured by liens on the property and assets of material operating subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor, as well as shares held by the Parent Guarantor in its material operating subsidiaries. In addition, subject to the restrictions in our senior secured credit facilities, in the indentures governing our Existing Notes and in other outstanding debt, we may be able to incur substantial additional secured debt. The secured creditors of the Senior Notes Co-Issuers and the Senior Notes Guarantors will have priority over the assets securing their debt to the extent of the value of such assets. In the event that any of such secured debt becomes due or a secured lender proceeds against the assets that secure the debt, the assets would be available to satisfy obligations under the secured debt before any payment would be made on the Senior Notes or under any of the Senior Notes Guarantees. Any assets remaining after repayment of our secured debt may not be sufficient to repay all amounts owing under the Senior Notes. As of March 31, 2016, on a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the Transactions, the Parent Guarantor and the Subsidiary Guarantors would have had €4,496 million of secured debt outstanding. See “Capitalization.”

***The right of holders of Senior Notes to receive payment under the Senior Notes Guarantors’ Senior Notes Guarantees is contractually subordinated to senior debt.***

The Senior Notes Guarantors will guarantee the Senior Notes. The obligations of each Senior Notes Guarantor (other than the Parent Guarantor) under the Senior Notes Guarantees will be contractually subordinated in right of payment to the prior payment in full in cash of all obligations in respect of senior debt of such Senior Notes Guarantor (other than the Parent Guarantor). This senior debt includes, in respect of a Senior Notes Guarantor that is a guarantor of the Existing Secured Notes and the Secured Notes offered hereby and certain credit facilities, such Senior Notes Guarantor’s obligations thereunder and under its hedging arrangements. As of March 31, 2016, on a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the Transactions, all of the Senior Notes Guarantors (other than the Parent Guarantor) would have had outstanding €3,280 million of senior debt, which would rank senior in right of payment to the Senior Notes Guarantees. See “Capitalization.” Although the Senior Indenture will contain restrictions on the ability of the Senior Notes Guarantors to incur additional debt, any



additional debt incurred may be substantial and senior to the Senior Notes Guarantees. For a complete summary of the terms of, and subordination provisions relating to, the Senior Notes and the Senior Notes Guarantees, see “Description of the Senior Notes—Ranking of the Senior Notes and the Guarantees; Subordination.”

### **Risks Relating to the Acquisition**

*The Acquisition may not be completed and you may not obtain the return that you expect on the Notes.*

Upon the issue of the Notes, the Initial Purchasers will deposit an amount equal to the gross proceeds from the issuance of the Secured Notes, together with approximately \$850 million of the proceeds from the issuance of the Dollar Senior Notes, into one or more Escrow Accounts to be held in escrow pending the satisfaction of certain conditions precedent, including the completion of the Acquisition, the approval of certain competition authorities and the successful completion of the acquisition by Ball Corporation of Rexam PLC. If the Acquisition has not been consummated by October 31, 2016 or, upon the occurrence of certain events, the Secured Notes and the principal amount of the Dollar Senior Notes the proceeds of which have been deposited into an Escrow Account will be subject to a special mandatory redemption. If the Issuers are required to redeem such Notes through a special mandatory redemption, the Issuers will be required to fund the Escrow Accounts to cover any interest that has accrued on such Notes from the Issue Date up to the date of redemption. If this occurs, you may not be able to reinvest the proceeds from the redemption in an investment that yields comparable returns. If, however, the Issuers have insufficient funds at the time of any special mandatory redemption to satisfy its obligations under the respective escrow deed, including due to changes in currency exchange rates, you may not receive the full amount of interest accrued and payable under the Notes to be redeemed. Additionally, under the respective escrow deed, the Escrow Agent will not be required to release the escrowed property unless the Issuers have deposited sufficient funds to pay the special mandatory redemption price. See “Description of the Secured Notes—Special Mandatory Redemption” and “Description of the Senior Notes—Special Mandatory Redemption.”

In addition, the cash and property held in the Escrow Accounts may be invested in certain permitted investments, including in commercial paper, long-term and short-term debt obligations, and money market funds, provided that such investment is rated: (i) in the case of long-term debt obligations, at least (a) “AAA” by Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services (“S&P”), (b) “Aaa” by Moody’s Investors Service Inc. (“Moody’s”) or (c) “AAA” by Fitch Ratings Limited (“Fitch”); (ii) in the case of commercial paper and short-term debt obligations, at least (a) “A-1+” by S&P, (b) “P-1” by Moody’s or (c) “F1+” by Fitch; or (iii) in the case of any money market funds, rated at least (a) “AAA” or “AAAm-G” by S&P or (b) “Aaa/MR1+” by Moody’s. However, despite the rating requirement, there are certain risks that may occur as a result of these permitted investments which may lead to a diminished or total loss of returns on such investments, none of which are under the Issuers’ control. These include risks relating to indices, interest rates and other market risks as they apply to the particular investments. In addition, the counterparty which provided the investment may face financial difficulties, and if they are not able to redeem the investment in full, this may lead to a shortfall in such Escrow Accounts. Further, if the Escrow Agent or any of the securities depositaries it transacts with face operational or financial difficulties, the same risks may occur. Further, depending on the investment, the Escrow Agent may not be able to liquidate the investment promptly if it becomes illiquid or has a specific maturity. This may lead to delays in obtaining a cash return on the amounts in such escrow account, which would be required to return cash to holders of the Notes, or may lead to losses if the risks above apply to such investments.

There can be no assurance that the investment policy relating to the permitted investments or other risks mentioned above will not cause a shortfall in cash to enable the Issuers to fund the special mandatory redemption in the manner as described in “Description of the Secured Notes—Special Mandatory Redemption” and “Description of the Senior Notes—Special Mandatory Redemption.”



***We may not be able to integrate the Target Business effectively.***

Even though we have acquired businesses in the past, there is no certainty that the Target Business will now be effectively integrated. If we cannot successfully integrate the Target Business within a reasonable time frame, we may not be able to realize the potential benefits anticipated from the Acquisition. Our failure to successfully integrate the Target Business or operate it the way we currently intend and the diversion of management attention and other resources from our existing operations could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Furthermore, even if we are able to integrate successfully the operations of the Target Business, we may not be able to realize the cost savings, synergies and revenue enhancements that we anticipate from the Acquisition, either in the amount or within the time frame that we currently anticipate, and the costs of achieving these benefits may be higher than, and the timing may differ from, what we expect. Our ability to realize anticipated cost savings and synergies may be affected by a number of factors, including the following:

- the use of more cash or other financial resources on integration and implementation activities than we expect, including restructuring and other exit costs; and
- increases in other expenses related to the Acquisition, which may offset the cost savings and other synergies from the Acquisition.

***The Ball Combined Financial Statements and the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements do not reflect exactly the assets and liabilities of the Target Business to be acquired by us and are not necessarily indicative of the future results of operations, financial condition or cash flows of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business, respectively.***

The businesses included in the Ball Combined Financial Statements and the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements do not exactly reflect the assets and liabilities of the Target Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition. In particular, the metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation reflected in the Ball Combined Financial Statements include certain assets (namely, three plants in Europe and certain other ancillary assets) and certain liabilities (namely, certain pension liabilities) that will be retained by Ball Corporation and therefore do not comprise part of the Ball Carve-Out Business that we will acquire.

The Ball Combined Financial Statements and the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements included in this Offering Memorandum have been prepared specifically for the purpose of facilitating the divestment of the Target Business. The businesses, operations, assets and liabilities comprising each of the Ball Combined Financial Statements and the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements have not in the past operated as a single entity, and, therefore, those combined financial statements are not necessarily indicative of the results that would have occurred if the businesses included in the combined financial statements had operated as a single business during the periods presented or of future results of those businesses.

For a complete description of the accounting principles followed in preparing the Ball Combined Financial Statements, please see Note 1 “Description of Business and Basis of Presentation” and Note 2 “Critical and Significant Account Policies” to the Ball Combined Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum, and for a complete description of the accounting principles followed in preparing the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements, please see Note 1 “Nature of operations and basis of presentation” and Note 3 “Principal accounting policies” to the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

***The pro forma financial information included in this Offering Memorandum may not necessarily reflect what the results of operations, financial condition and cash flows of the Target Business would have been if operated on a combined basis with Ardagh.***

The respective business operations of Ardagh, the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business have been operated separately prior to the Acquisition. We have no prior history as a combined entity and our operations have not previously been managed on a combined basis. Therefore, the historical financial statements and pro forma financial data presented in this Offering Memorandum may not reflect what our results of operations, financial position and cash flows would have been had we operated on a combined basis and may not be indicative of what our results of operations, financial position and cash flows will be in the future.

The proposed Acquisition has not been completed and, as a result, Ardagh is currently not in a position to measure fair values and make related adjustments to recorded values of the assets and liabilities of the Target Business, as required by applicable IFRS purchase accounting rules. However, we will make these adjustments, which will be reflected in our financial statements following the Acquisition. This Offering Memorandum contains certain pro forma financial information that shows certain income statement and balance sheet items, including revenues and EBITDA, of Ardagh when added to the corresponding items, respectively, of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business, without any adjustments for the effect of the Acquisition, including the effects of IFRS purchase accounting. The pro forma financial information included in this Offering Memorandum has not been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation S-X of the SEC or U.S. GAAP. Neither the adjustments nor the resulting pro forma financial information have been audited in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (United Kingdom and Ireland) or U.S. GAAS. This pro forma data should therefore not be relied on to reflect what our results of operations and financial condition would have looked like had the Acquisition already occurred. See “Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Financial and Other Data.”

***The Target Business may have liabilities that are not known to us.***

As a result of the Acquisition, we have assumed certain of the Target Business’s liabilities, including certain pension liabilities. There may be liabilities that we underestimated, failed to discover or were unable to discover in the course of performing due diligence investigations into the Target Business. Any such liabilities, individually or in the aggregate, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. As we integrate the Target Business, we may learn additional information about the Target Business that adversely affects us, such as unknown or contingent liabilities and issues relating to compliance with applicable laws.

***We do not currently control the Target Business and will not control the Target Business until completion of the Acquisition.***

We will not control the Target Business until the completion of the Acquisition. We may not operate the Target Business following the Completion Date in the same way that the Target Business has operated in the past. The historical and forward-looking information relating to the Target Business in this Offering Memorandum has been provided to the Issuers by the Seller, and the Issuer has relied on such information in its preparation of the Offering Memorandum.

***We face additional costs associated with our post-retirement and post-employment obligations to employees of the Target Business which could have an adverse effect on our financial condition.***

As part of the Acquisition, we will assume liability for retiree pension obligations with respect to certain active and retired employees of the Target Business. As of March 31, 2016 (on a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the Transactions), our accumulated post-retirement benefit obligation was

approximately €116 million related to those obligations assumed, and was approximately €877 million in total. The additional costs associated with these and other benefits to employees of the Target Business could have an adverse effect on our financial condition. In addition, in certain jurisdictions, these obligations may rank senior to the Guarantees of the Notes in a bankruptcy of the relevant Guarantor as a matter of law.

We operate a number of pension and other post-retirement benefit schemes funded by a range of assets which may include property, derivatives, equities and/or bonds. The value of these assets is heavily dependent on the performance of markets which are subject to volatility. The liability structure of the obligations to provide such benefits is also subject to market volatility in relation to its accounting valuation and management. Additional significant funding of our pension and other post-retirement benefit obligations may be required if market underperformance is severe.

***The consent of certain customers of and suppliers to the Target Business is required to transfer their agreements relating to the Target Business to us.***

The consent of certain counterparties to the agreements between the Target Business and certain of its material customers and suppliers is required to transfer those agreements to us. If these consents are not obtained, the business conducted by the Target Business with these customers and suppliers may be curtailed, which could have an adverse effect on our revenues following the Acquisition. The Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement provides that if any of these consents are not obtained before the Completion Date, the Seller and Ardagh will cooperate with each other to put in place arrangements that will give us the benefits and burdens of the agreements for which consents have not been obtained before the Completion Date, but there can be no assurance that these arrangements will provide us with the same level of benefits under these agreements as we would receive if these contracts had actually been assigned to us.

***We and the Target Business may be subject to litigation, arbitration and other proceedings that could have an adverse effect on us.***

We and the Target Business are currently involved in various litigation matters, and we anticipate that we will be involved in litigation matters from time to time in the future. The risks inherent in our business expose us to litigation, including personal injury, environmental litigation, contractual litigation with customers and suppliers, intellectual property litigation, tax or securities litigation, and product liability lawsuits. We cannot predict with certainty the outcome or effect of any claim or other litigation matter, or a combination of these. If we are involved in any future litigation, or if our positions concerning current disputes are found to be incorrect, this may have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations and available cash, because of potential negative outcomes, the costs associated with asserting our claims or defending such lawsuits, and the diversion of management's attention to these matters.

## **Risks Relating to Our Business**

***Our primary direct customers sell to consumers of food & beverages, pharmaceuticals, personal care and household products. If economic conditions affect consumer demand, our customers may be affected and so reduce the demand for our products.***

The global financial crisis adversely impacted consumer confidence and led to declines in income and asset values in many areas. This resulted, and may continue to result, in reduced spending on our customers' products and, thereby, reduced or postponed demand for our products.

The global financial crisis and its aftermath also led to more limited availability of credit, which may have a negative impact on the financial condition, particularly on the purchasing ability, of some of our customers and distributors and may also result in requests for extended payment terms, and result

in credit losses, insolvencies and diminished sales channels available to us. Our suppliers may have difficulties obtaining necessary credit, which could jeopardize their ability to provide timely deliveries of raw materials and other essentials to us. The current credit environment may also lead to suppliers requesting credit support or otherwise reducing credit, which may have a negative effect on our cash flows and working capital.

The volatility in exchange rates may also increase the costs of our products that we may not be able to pass on to our customers; impair the purchasing power of our customers in different markets; result in significant competitive benefit to certain of our competitors who incur a material part of their costs in other currencies than we do; hamper our pricing; and increase our hedging costs and limit our ability to hedge our exchange rate exposure.

Changes in global economic conditions may reduce our ability to forecast developments in our industry and plan our operations and costs, accordingly resulting in operational inefficiencies. Negative developments in our business, results of operations and financial condition due to changes in global economic conditions or other factors could cause the ratings agencies to lower the credit ratings, or ratings outlook, of our short- and long-term debt and, consequently, impair our ability to raise new financing or refinance our current borrowings and increase our costs of issuing any new debt instruments.

Furthermore, the economic outlook could be adversely affected by the risk that one or more eurozone countries could come under increasing pressure to leave the European Monetary Union, or the euro as the single currency of the eurozone could cease to exist. Any of these developments, or the perception that any of these developments are likely to occur, could have a material adverse effect on the economic development of the affected countries and could lead to severe economic recession or depression, and a general anticipation that such risks will materialize in the future could jeopardize the stability of financial markets or the overall financial and monetary system. This, in turn, would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position, liquidity and results of operations.

In addition, some segments of the Group's markets are more cyclical than others. Our sales in the paints and coatings markets depend mainly on the building and construction industries and the do-it-yourself home decorating market. Demand in these markets is cyclical, as to a lesser extent is demand for products such as aerosols. Variations in the demand for packaging products in these market segments could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

***We face intense competition from other glass container and metal packaging producers, as well as from manufacturers of alternative forms of packaging.***

#### *Glass Packaging*

Glass Packaging is subject to intense competition from other glass container producers, as well as from producers of other forms of rigid and non-rigid packaging, against whom we compete on the basis of price, product characteristics, quality, customer service, reliability of delivery and marketing and the attractiveness from time to time of the form of packaging to consumers of particular types of packaging. Advantages or disadvantages in any of these competitive factors may be sufficient to cause customers to consider changing suppliers or to use an alternative form of packaging. In some instances, we also face the threat of vertical integration by our customers into the manufacture of their own packaging materials.

Our principal glass container competitors in Europe are O-I and Verallia, while our principal glass container competitors in North America are O-I and Anchor Glass, along with Fevisa, a glass container producer based in Mexico that exports products to the U.S. market. Additionally, we face competition from firms that carry out specific export operations at low prices when their domestic markets are at

overcapacity or when foreign exchange rates or economic conditions (particularly transport costs) allow this. Despite the generally regional nature of the glass packaging markets, these export operations could have a material negative impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Other glass container competitors in Europe are Vidrala, Vetropack, Wiegand Glas and BA Vidro Group.

In addition to competing with other large, well-established manufacturers in the glass container industry, we also compete with manufacturers of other forms of rigid packaging, principally plastic containers and aluminum cans, on the basis of quality, price, and service and consumer preference. We also compete with manufacturers of non-rigid packaging alternatives, including flexible pouches and aseptic cartons, particularly in serving the packaging needs of non-alcoholic beverage customers, including juice customers and food customers. We believe that the use of glass containers for alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages is subject to consumer taste. In addition, the association of glass containers with premium items in certain product categories exposes glass containers to economic variations. Therefore, if economic conditions are poor, we believe that consumers may be less likely to prefer glass containers over other forms of packaging. We cannot ensure that our products will continue to be preferred by our customers' end-users and that consumer preference will not shift from glass containers to non-glass containers. A material shift in consumer preference away from glass containers, or competitive pressures from our various competitors, could result in a decline in sales volume or pricing pressure that would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Furthermore, new threats from container and production innovations in all forms of packaging could disadvantage our existing business. If we are unable to respond to competitive technological advances, our future performance could be materially adversely affected.

Some customers may decide to develop their own glass packaging production activity to serve their packaging needs and to reduce their purchases of glass containers. In North America, for example, Gallo and AB InBev (Longhorn Glass) in the United States and Constellation Brands in Mexico, self-manufacture some of their glass containers. The potential vertical integration of our customers could introduce a new production capacity in the market, which may create an imbalance between the supply and demand for glass packaging. The growth of vertically integrated operations could have a material negative impact on our future performance.

### *Metal Packaging*

The metal packaging sectors in which Metal Packaging operates are mature, experiencing limited growth in demand in recent years, and competitive. The most competitive part of the metal packaging market is the sale of undifferentiated, standardized cans and containers. Prices for these products are primarily driven by raw materials costs and seasonal overcapacity, and price competition is sometimes fierce. Competition in the market for customized, differentiated packaging is based on price and, increasingly, on innovation, design, quality and service. Our principal competitors include Crown Holdings in Europe and Ball Corporation, Crown Holdings and Silgan Holdings in North America. To the extent that any one or more of our competitors become more successful with respect to any key competitive factor, our ability to attract and retain customers could be materially and adversely affected, which could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Metal Packaging is subject to substantial competition from producers of packaging made from plastic, carton and composites, particularly from producers of plastic containers and flexible packaging. Changes in consumer preferences in terms of food processing (e.g., fresh or frozen food content and dry versus wet pet food) or in terms of packaging materials, style and product presentation can significantly influence sales. An increase in Metal Packaging's costs of production or a decrease in the costs of, or a further increase in consumer demand for, alternative packaging could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.



### *Target Business*

The Target Business will face the same intense competition from other manufacturers of beverage cans, including Ball Corporation, Crown Holdings and Can-Pack in Europe; Ball Corporation, Crown Holdings and Metal Container Corporation in the United States; and Ball Corporation, Crown Holdings and CIA Metalic Nordeste in Brazil.

***An increase in glass or metal container manufacturing capacity without a corresponding increase in demand for glass or metal containers could cause prices to decline, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.***

The profitability of glass or metal packaging companies is heavily influenced by the supply of, and demand for, glass containers or metal cans, respectively.

We cannot assure you that the glass or metal container manufacturing capacity in any of our markets will not increase further in the future, nor can we assure you that demand for glass or metal containers will meet or exceed supply. If glass or metal container manufacturing capacity increases and there is no corresponding increase in demand, the prices we receive for our products could materially decline, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

***Because our customers are concentrated, our business could be adversely affected if we were unable to maintain relationships with our largest customers.***

For the year ended December 31, 2015, Glass Packaging's ten largest customers accounted for approximately 43% of Glass Packaging's glass container revenues and Metal Packaging's ten largest customers accounted for approximately 38% of its consolidated revenues. In addition, the Target Business's top 20 customers accounted for approximately 80% of its global revenue in 2015.

We believe our relationships with these customers are good, but there can be no assurances that we will be able to maintain these relationships. For Metal Packaging, we manage our relationship with the majority of our customers by entering into one-year agreements, with approximately 60% of revenues for the year ended December 31, 2015 under multi-year supply agreements of varying terms between two and ten years. For Glass Packaging, we also typically sell most of our glass containers directly to customers under one- to five-year arrangements and the Target Business sells most of its products under three- to five-year arrangements. Although these arrangements have provided, and we expect they will continue to provide, the basis for long-term partnerships with our customers, there can be no assurance that our customers will not cease purchasing our products. If our customers unexpectedly reduce the amount of glass containers and/or metal cans they purchase from us, or cease purchasing our glass containers and/or metal cans altogether, our revenues could decrease and our inventory levels could increase, both of which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, while we believe that the arrangements that we have with our customers will be renewed, there can be no assurance that such arrangements will be renewed upon their expiration or that the terms of any renewal will be as favorable to us as the terms of the current arrangements. There is also the risk that our customers may shift their filling operations to locations in which we do not operate. The loss of one or more of these customers, a significant reduction in sales to these customers or a significant change in the commercial terms of our relationship with these customers could have a material adverse effect on our business.

***The continuing consolidation of our customer base may intensify pricing pressures or result in the loss of customers, either of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.***

Some of our largest customers have acquired companies with similar or complementary product lines. For example, in 2015, AB InBev announced plans to acquire SABMiller, and Kraft Foods Group merged with H.J. Heinz Holding Corporation. Such consolidation has increased the concentration of our net sales with our largest customers and may continue in the future. In many cases, such consolidation may be accompanied by pressure from customers for lower prices. Increased pricing pressures from our customers may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, this consolidation may lead manufacturers to rely on a reduced number of suppliers. If, following the consolidation of one of our customers with another company, a competitor was to be the main supplier to the consolidated companies, this could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

***Our and the Target Business's profitability could be affected by varied seasonal demands.***

Demand for Glass Packaging and Metal Packaging products is seasonal. Demand for our Glass Packaging products is typically strongest during the summer months and in the period prior to the holidays in December because of the seasonal nature of the consumption of beer and other beverages. Unseasonably cool weather during the summer months can reduce demand for certain beverages packaged in our glass containers, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, we generally schedule shutdowns of our furnaces for rebuilding and repairs of machinery in the first quarter in Europe and around year-end and the first quarter in North America. If demand for glass containers should unexpectedly rise during such a shutdown, we would not have the ability to fulfill such demand and may lose potential revenues. These shutdowns and seasonal sales patterns could adversely affect profitability during the first quarter.

Metal Packaging's sales are typically greater in the second and third quarters of the year, with generally lower sales in the first and fourth quarters. Weather conditions can reduce crop yields and adversely affect customer demand for fruit and vegetable cans. Metal Packaging's worldwide seafood canning activities are also affected by variations in local fish catches. The variable nature of the food and seafood packaging businesses and Metal Packaging's vulnerability to natural conditions could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The Target Business manufactures beverage cans for the beer, carbonated soft drinks and other beverage segments. Unseasonably cool weather during the summer months can reduce demand for certain beverages packaged in its beverage cans, which could have an adverse effect on its business, financial condition and results of operations.

***Our profitability could be affected by the availability and cost of raw materials.***

The raw materials that we use have historically been available in adequate supply from multiple sources. For certain raw materials, however, there may be temporary shortages due to weather, transportation, production delays or other factors. In such an event, no assurance can be given that we would be able to secure our raw materials from sources other than our current suppliers on terms as favorable as our current terms, or at all. Any such shortages, as well as material increases in the cost of any of the principal raw materials that we use, including the cost to transport materials to our production facilities, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Furthermore, the relative price of oil and its products may impact Metal Packaging, affecting transport, lacquer and ink costs.

The primary raw materials that we use for Metal Packaging are steel (both in tinplate and tin-free forms) and aluminum ingot. Furthermore, the relative price of oil and its byproducts may materially



impact our business, affecting our transport, lacquer and ink costs. Steel is generally obtained under one-year contracts with prices that are usually fixed in advance. When such contracts are renewed in the future, our steel costs under such contracts will be subject to prevailing global steel and/or tinplate prices at the time of renewal, which may be different from historical prices.

Unlike steel, where there is no functioning hedging market, aluminum ingot is traded daily as a commodity (priced in U.S. dollars) on the London Metal Exchange, which has historically been subject to significant price volatility. Because aluminum is priced in U.S. dollars, fluctuations in the U.S. dollar/euro rate also affect the euro cost of aluminum ingot.

Furthermore, the Target Business only produces steel and aluminum beverage cans, with a significantly larger emphasis on aluminum beverage cans. Upon completion of the Acquisition, our exposure to both the availability of aluminum and volatility of aluminum prices will increase. While raw materials are generally available from independent suppliers, raw materials are subject to fluctuations in price and availability attributable to a number of factors, including general economic conditions, commodity price fluctuations (particularly aluminum on the London Metal Exchange), the demand by other industries for the same raw materials and the availability of complementary and substitute materials. Adverse economic or financial changes could impact our suppliers, thereby causing supply shortages or increasing costs for our business.

We may not be able to pass on all or substantially all raw material price increases, now or in the future. In addition, we may not be able to hedge successfully against raw material cost increases. Furthermore, steel and aluminum prices are subject to considerable volatility in price and demand. While in the past sufficient quantities of steel and aluminum have been generally available for purchase, these quantities may not be available in the future, and, even if available, we may not be able to continue to purchase them at current prices. Further increases in the cost of these raw materials could adversely affect our operating margins and cash flows.

Glass Packaging also consumes significant amounts of raw materials to manufacture glass, particularly glass sand, limestone and soda ash (natural or synthetic), as well as cullet (recycled glass) in variable percentages depending on the products manufactured. The soda ash market has experienced an imbalance between supply and demand over the last few years that contributed to a significant increase in its price. Increases in the price of raw materials could also result from a concentration of their suppliers, a phenomenon noted in the soda ash market and that could intensify in the future and develop for other raw materials that we use. The price of cullet varies widely from one region to another due to regulatory and financial disparities concerning the collection and recycling of used glass, as well as the distance of cullet procurement centers from production sites. Thus, changes in the regulations related to glass collection and recycling can have a significant impact on the availability of raw materials and on their cost price. Any significant increase in the price of the raw materials we use to manufacture glass could have a material negative impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The supplier industries from which Metal Packaging receives its raw materials are relatively concentrated, and this concentration can impact raw material costs. Over the last ten years, the number of major tinplate and aluminum suppliers has decreased. Further consolidation could occur both among tinplate and aluminum suppliers, and such consolidation could hinder our ability to obtain adequate supplies of these raw materials and could lead to higher prices for tinplate and aluminum.

The failure to obtain adequate supplies of raw materials or future price increases could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

*Currency, interest rate fluctuations and commodity prices may have a material impact on our business.*

Our reporting currency is the euro. Insofar as possible, we intend to actively manage this exposure through the deployment of assets and liabilities throughout the Group and, when necessary and economically justified, enter into currency hedging arrangements, to manage our exposure to foreign currency fluctuations by hedging against rate changes with respect to the euro. However, we may not be successful in limiting such exposure, which could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

A substantial portion of the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses of Glass Packaging is denominated in pounds, U.S. dollars, Swedish krona, Danish krone and Polish zloty. Fluctuations in the value of these currencies with respect to the euro have had, and may continue to have, a significant impact on our financial condition and results of operations as reported in euro. For the year ended December 31, 2015, on a historical basis, 61% of our revenues were denominated in currencies other than the euro. The percentage of our revenue denominated in pound sterling will increase further as a result of the Acquisition.

In addition to currency translation risk, we are subject to currency transaction risk. Our policy is, where practical, to match net investments in foreign currencies with borrowings in the same currency. The debt and interest payments relating to our Swedish, Danish and Polish operations are all denominated in euro. Fluctuations in the value of these currencies with respect to the euro may have a significant impact on our financial condition and results of operations as reported in euro.

Metal Packaging has production facilities in 19 different countries worldwide. It also sells products to, and obtains raw materials from, companies located in these and different regions and countries globally. As a consequence, a significant portion of consolidated revenue, costs, assets and liabilities of Metal Packaging are denominated in currencies other than the euro, particularly the pound and the U.S. dollar. The exchange rates between the currencies which we are exposed to, such as the euro, the pound, the U.S. dollar and, after the Acquisition, the Brazilian real, have fluctuated significantly in the past and may continue to do so in the future.

Metal Packaging incurs currency transaction risks primarily on aluminum purchases (or the hedging of those purchases), as aluminum ingot prices are denominated in U.S. dollars, and on revenue denominated in currencies other than the euro fulfilled from euro-participant territories (or the hedging of those sales).

Changes in exchange rates can affect the Group's ability to purchase raw materials and sell products at profitable prices, reduce the value of the Group's assets and revenues, and increase liabilities and costs.

We are also exposed to interest rate risk. Fluctuations in interest rates may affect our interest expense on existing debt and the cost of new financing. We occasionally use swaps to manage this risk, but sustained increases in interest rates could nevertheless materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, we are exposed to movements in the price of natural gas. We try to ensure that natural gas prices are fixed for future periods but do not always do so because the future prices can be far in excess of the spot price. We do not use commodity futures contracts to limit the fluctuations in prices paid and the potential volatility in earnings and cash flows from future market price movements.

For a further discussion of these matters and the measures we have taken to seek to protect our business against these risks, see "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk."

***It is difficult to compare our results of operations from period to period.***

It is difficult to make period-to-period comparisons of our results of operations. Ardagh Packaging Holdings has been created as a result of a series of acquisitions and other corporate transactions over a number of years. These acquisitions have had and, in the case of the Acquisition, are expected to continue to have a positive effect on our results of operations in subsequent periods following their completion and integration. Furthermore, our sales and, therefore, our net operating income are variable within the fiscal year due to the seasonality described above. Thus, for all of these reasons a period-to-period comparison of our results of operations may not be meaningful.

***Interrupted energy supplies and higher energy costs may have a material adverse effect on our business.***

We use natural gas, electrical power, oil, oxygen and, in limited circumstances, liquefied petroleum gas to manufacture our products. These energy sources are vital to our operations and we rely on a continuous power supply to conduct our business. Energy prices are subject to considerable volatility. We are not able to predict to what extent energy prices will vary in the future. If energy costs increase further in the future, we could experience a significant increase in operating costs, which could, if we are not able to recover these costs increases from our customers through selling price increases, have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or resulting operations.

***Our manufacturing facilities are subject to operating hazards.***

Our manufacturing processes involve heating glass to extremely high temperatures as well as operating heavy machinery and equipment, which entail a number of risks and hazards, including industrial accidents, leaks and ruptures, explosions, fires, mechanical failures and environmental hazards, such as spills, storage tank leaks, discharges or releases of hot glass or toxic or hazardous substances and gases, all with potential requirements for environmental remediation and civil, criminal and administrative sanctions and liabilities. These hazards may cause unplanned business interruptions, unscheduled downtime, transportation interruptions, personal injury and loss of life, severe damage to or the destruction of property and equipment, environmental contamination and other environmental damage, civil, criminal and administrative sanctions and liabilities, and third-party claims, any of which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

***We are involved in a continuous manufacturing process with a high degree of fixed costs. Any interruption in the operations of our manufacturing facilities may adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.***

All of the Group's manufacturing activities take place at facilities we own or that are leased by the Group. We conduct regular maintenance on all of our operating equipment. However, due to the extreme operating conditions inherent in some of our manufacturing processes, we cannot assure you that we will not incur unplanned business interruptions due to furnace breakdowns or similar manufacturing problems or that such interruptions will not have an adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations. There can be no assurance that alternative production capacity would be available in the future if a major disruption were to occur or, if it were available, that it could be obtained on favorable terms. A disruption in such circumstances could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

To the extent that we experience any furnace breakdowns or similar manufacturing problems, we will be required to make capital expenditures even though we may not have available resources at such time and we may not be able to meet customer demand, which would result in a loss of revenues. As a result, our liquidity may be impaired as a result of such expenditures and loss of revenues.

A mechanical failure or disruption affecting any major operating line may result in a disruption to our ability to supply customers, and standby capacity may not be available. The potential impact of any

disruption would depend on the nature and extent of the damage caused to such facility. Further, the Group's facilities in geographically vulnerable areas such as California and Italy may be disrupted by the occurrence of natural phenomena, such as earthquakes, tsunamis and hurricanes.

***Our business requires relatively high levels of capital investments, which we may be unable to fund.***

Our business requires relatively high levels of capital investments, including maintenance and expansionary expenditures. We may not be able to make such capital expenditures if we do not generate sufficient cash flow from operations, have funds available for future borrowing under our existing credit facilities to cover these capital expenditure requirements or if we were restricted from incurring additional debt to cover such expenditures or as a result of a combination of these factors. If we are unable to meet our capital expenditure plans, we may not be able to maintain our manufacturing capacity, which may negatively impact our competitive position and ultimately, our revenues and profitability. If we are unable to meet our maintenance capital expenditure plans, our manufacturing capacity may decrease, which may have a material adverse effect on our profitability.

***Our expansion strategy may adversely affect our business.***

We aim over the longer term to continue to capitalize on strategic opportunities to expand our glass packaging and metal packaging activities. We believe that such future expansion is likely to require the further acquisition of existing businesses. Because we believe that such businesses may be acquired with modest equity and relatively high levels of financial leverage given the cash-generating capabilities of both our business streams, our leverage may increase in the future in connection with any acquisitions. This could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, any future expansion is subject to various risks and uncertainties, including the inability to integrate effectively the operations, personnel or products of acquired companies and the potential disruption of existing businesses and diversion of management's attention from our existing businesses. Furthermore, we cannot assure you that any future expansions will achieve positive results.

***We are subject to various environmental and other legal requirements and may be subject to new requirements of this kind in the future that could impose substantial costs upon us.***

Our operations and properties are subject to extensive international, EU, U.S., national, provincial, regional and local laws, ordinances, regulations and other legal requirements relating to environmental protection. Such laws and regulations which may affect our operations include requirements regarding remediation of contaminated soil, groundwater and buildings, water supply and use, natural resources, water discharges, air emissions, waste management, noise pollution, asbestos and other deleterious materials, the generation, storage, handling, transportation and disposal of regulated materials, product safety, and workplace health and safety.

The scope of such laws and regulations varies across the different jurisdictions in which we operate. Our operations and properties in the Member States of the European Union must comply with the legal requirements of the relevant Member State, as well as EU and international legal requirements. Similarly, our operations and properties in the United States must comply with federal, state and local requirements. These requirements may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We have incurred, and expect to continue to incur, costs to comply with such legal requirements, and these costs are likely increase in the future. Environmental laws and regulations and their enforcement are and continue to become increasingly stringent. We require a variety of permits to conduct our operations, including operating permits such as those required under various U.S. laws, including the federal Clean Air Act, and the EU Industrial Emissions Directive, or IED, water and trade effluent discharge permits, water abstraction permits and waste permits. We are in the process of

applying for, or renewing, permits at a number of our sites. Failure to obtain and maintain the relevant permits, as well as noncompliance with such permits, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. If we were to violate or fail to comply with these laws and regulations or our permits, we could be subject to criminal, civil and administrative sanctions and liabilities, including substantial fines and orders, or a partial or total shutdown of our operations. For example, we are currently in negotiations to settle alleged violations of hazardous waste regulations governing the reuse of electrostatic precipitator dust at our Madera plant in the United States. We expect to pay a substantial fine and incur increased dust disposal costs, as well as costs for the investigation or remediation of contamination, as part of any such settlement.

Moreover, our business is energy intensive, which results in the emission of products of combustion and the high temperature oxidation of atmospheric nitrogen (i.e., sulfur dioxide, carbon dioxide and nitrogen oxides). We are also subject to laws and regulations which restrict air emissions. In order to comply with air emission restrictions, significant capital investments may be necessary at some sites.

For example, in order to comply with US environmental regulations and the demands of the US Environmental Protection Agency (the “EPA”), SGCI, which we acquired in 2014 and is now part of the Group, agreed to make sizable investments to replace or install new electrostatic precipitators and other equipment in order to control the air emissions at certain sites located in the United States. In 2010, after many years of negotiations between SGCI, the US Department of Justice and the EPA, SGCI and the EPA signed a global consent decree in order to bring the business into compliance with required practices concerning nitrogen oxide, sulfur oxide and dust emissions. To comply with this agreement, which was approved by the courts on 7 May, 2010, we have made and will continue to make investments estimated at up to an aggregate of \$112 million over a ten-year period, excluding operating costs of the systems installed. In addition, we paid a penalty amounting to \$2.5 million excluding interest pursuant to this consent decree.

The EPA and other regulators have more broadly targeted the glass container, flat glass, mineral wool and fiber sectors as part of an enforcement initiative involving high fuel combustion sources. As a result of such enforcement efforts, the EPA has required, among other things, some companies to implement enhanced emission controls meeting Best Available Control Technology (BACT) standards. We have received notices of violation from the EPA for alleged violations under the Clean Air Act’s Prevention of Significant Deterioration, New Source Performance Standards and Title V provisions stemming from past furnace-related projects at our other glass manufacturing facilities unrelated to our acquisition of SGCI, including furnace-related projects conducted by third parties who owned the facilities before us. The EPA has sent information requests to certain of our glass facilities concerning furnace-related projects, which could culminate in notices of violation or other enforcement. Inquiries and enforcement by other regulators can also result in the need for further capital upgrades to our furnaces at substantial cost.

In Germany, technical guidelines, TA Luft, set forth emission thresholds which could potentially result in stricter limits in the future and require additional investment in our operations in Germany in order to meet them. Our business is also affected by the EU Emissions Trading Scheme (the “EU ETS”), which limits emissions of greenhouse gases. See “Our Business—Environmental, Health and Safety and Product Safety Regulation.” This scheme, any future changes to it and any additional measures required to control the emission of greenhouse gases that may apply to our operations could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. California has implemented a similar program, which results in the need for us to incur potentially significant compliance costs, including for the purchase of offsets against our greenhouse gas emissions. Recently the EPA has also begun to regulate certain greenhouse gas emissions under the Clean Air Act, although this regulation has been challenged in court.



Similarly, the implementation of the IED, which replaced the EU Directive on Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control, has led to a strengthening of the use of “best available techniques” (“BATs”), to control or reduce the environmental impact of our operations.

Changes to the laws and regulations governing the materials that are used in our manufacturing operations may impact the price of such materials or result in such materials no longer being available, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. The European Union passed regulations concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (“REACH”), which place onerous obligations on the manufacturers and importers of substances, preparations and articles containing substances, and which may have a material adverse effect on our business. Furthermore, substances we use may have to be removed from the market (under REACH’s authorization and restriction provisions) or need to be substituted for alternative chemicals which may also adversely impact upon our operations.

Sites at which we operate often have a long history of industrial activities and may be, or have been in the past, engaged in activities involving the use of materials and processes that could give rise to contamination and result in potential liability to investigate or remediate, as well as claims for alleged damage to persons, property or natural resources. Liability may be imposed on us as owners, occupiers or operators of contaminated facilities. These legal requirements may apply to contamination at sites that we currently or formerly owned, occupied or operated, or that were formerly, owned, occupied or operated by companies we acquired or at sites where we have sent waste offsite for treatment or disposal. Regarding companies acquired by us, including the Target Business, we cannot assure you that our due diligence investigations identified or accurately quantified all material environmental matters related to the acquired facilities. Pursuant to the agreement to acquire the Target Business, except for a very limited indemnification obligation by the seller of the Target Business, we are responsible for and must indemnify the seller against all environmental issues of the Target Business. Furthermore, from time to time our group of companies closes manufacturing or other industrial sites. The closure of a site may accelerate the need to investigate and remediate any contamination at the site.

Soil and groundwater contamination has been identified at a number of our current and former sites and other sites have been identified as sites that have potential for contamination. At certain sites, remediation work has already been, or is currently being, undertaken, in consultation with regulatory authorities where necessary. Should our operations cause environmental damage in the future or currently unknown conditions be discovered, we may be required to undertake additional remedial measures or face related claims or enforcement proceedings. The costs associated with remediation works or related proceedings can be substantial and could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, we may be required to remediate contaminated third-party sites where we have sent wastes for disposal. Some of our sites have disposed of their waste containing hazardous materials at third-party sites, and liability for remediation of these third-party sites may be established without regard to whether the party disposing the waste was at fault or the disposal activity was legal at the time it was conducted. For example, “Superfund” sites in the United States are the highest priority contaminated sites designated by the federal government to require remediation, and costs of their remediation tend to be very high. We and a number of other companies have been named as potentially responsible parties to clean up the Lower Duwamish Waterway Superfund Site in Washington, because our Seattle plant is adjacent to the waterway and is alleged to have contributed to its contamination. Whether we or the Target Business will have any liability for investigation and remediation costs at this or any other Superfund site or for costs relating to claims for natural resource damages, and what portion of the costs we or the Target Business must bear, has not been determined.

***Changes in product requirements and their enforcement may have a material impact on our operations.***

Changes in laws and regulations relating to deposits on, and the recycling of, glass or metal containers could adversely affect our business if implemented on a large scale in the major markets in which we operate. Changes in laws and regulations laying down restrictions on, and conditions for use of, food contact materials or on the use of materials and agents in the production of our products could likewise adversely affect our business. Changes to health and food safety regulations could increase costs and also might have a material adverse effect on revenues if, as a result, the public attitude toward end-products, for which we provide packaging, were substantially affected.

Additionally, the effectiveness of new standards such as the ones related to recycling or deposits on different packaging materials could result in excess costs or logistical constraints for some of our customers who could choose to reduce their consumption and even terminate the use of glass packaging for their products. We could thus be forced to reduce, suspend or even stop the production of certain types of products. The regulatory changes could also affect our prices, margins, investments and activities, particularly if these changes resulted in significant or structural changes in the market for food packaging that might affect the market shares for glass, the volumes produced or production costs.

Environmental concerns could lead US or EU bodies to implement other regulations that are likely to be restrictive for us and have a material negative impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In the European Union, each bottle cannot, in principle, contain more than 100 parts per million (“ppm”) of heavy metals pursuant to Directive 94/62/CE on Packaging and Packaging Waste. As an exception, bottles manufactured from recycled glass may contain more than 100 ppm of heavy metals. However, this exception is not acceptable for bottles decorated with enamels containing heavy metals even at miniscule levels. Given the difficulty that compliance with the 100 ppm per bottle limit may represent, some bottles produced by us from recycled glass may no longer be eligible for the subsequent addition of decoration containing heavy metals in order not to lose the benefit of the above-mentioned exception.

Similarly, in the United States, some state regulations set the concentration of certain heavy metals in packaging at 100 ppm and provide for an exception to this rule in the event of additions of recycled packaging. Because this exemption has expired in certain states, the bottles manufactured from recycled glass that have a heavy metals concentration higher than 100 ppm could be noncompliant, which could have a negative impact on our earnings, financial situation, assets or image.

Other changes, such as restrictions on bisphenol A in coatings for some of our products, which have been proposed or adopted in the European Union under the REACH legislation and some of its Member States, have required us to develop substitute materials for our production.

***We could incur significant costs in relation to claims of injury and illness resulting from materials present or used at our production sites or from our use of these sites or from our products.***

As is the case in a number of other industrial processes that deal with high temperatures, asbestos was once present in the glass-making industry, primarily in safety equipment, until measures were taken to substitute this material for other materials made possible through technological advances. Since the 1990s, items made of asbestos have gradually been removed at our sites in Western Europe and the United States. Because of the age of some of our sites, however, asbestos-cement may have been used in construction and may still be present at these sites. When these buildings are modernized or repaired, the cost of upgrades is higher because of the restrictions associated with removing asbestos-containing materials.

We are exposed to claims alleging injury or illness associated with asbestos and related compensation over and above the support that may be offered through various existing social security systems in countries where we operate.



Claims associated with our glass-making activity exist and may arise for reasons associated with the work environment unrelated to the presence of asbestos. For example, claims have arisen associated with the acoustic environment generated by forming machines, the use of glass sand in making glass and products likely to contain heavy metals or solvents for decoration. We may also face the risk of work-related health claims owing to materials present or used at our production sites such as silicosis, and, under certain conditions, Legionnaires' disease. The U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration has finalized a requirement, to be implemented over the next two years, that decreases by 50% the permissible exposure limit to crystalline silica and requires engineering controls or personal protective equipment to safeguard employees from such exposure. The European Union is also considering setting stricter exposure limit values for crystalline silica in work processes under the Carcinogens and Mutagens Directive. Silica is a significant component of the raw material for glass containers and is also contained in refractories, or bricks, used in glass container manufacturing operations.

We are also exposed to claims alleging musculoskeletal disorders caused by performing certain repetitive operations or motions. We could also face claims alleging illness or injury from use of the products that we manufacture or sell. If these claims succeed, they could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial situation, assets and earnings.

***We have potential indemnification obligations relating to divestments.***

We have disposed of a number of businesses. Pursuant to these agreements, we may be required to provide indemnifications to the acquirers for damages resulting from a breach of any representation, warranty or covenants contained therein. The indemnification obligations under these agreements are subject to certain monetary and other limitations. To the extent that we are required to make any significant payments under these indemnification provisions, these payments could adversely impact our business, financial condition and results of operations.

***We or the Target Business could incur significant costs due to the location of some of our industrial sites in urban areas.***

Obtaining, renewing or maintaining permits and authorizations issued by administrative authorities necessary to operate our or the Target Business's production plants could be made more difficult due to the increasing urbanization of the sites where some of our manufacturing plants are located. Some of our old sites are located in urban areas such as Seattle. Urbanization could lead to more stringent operating conditions (by imposing traffic restrictions for example), conditions for obtaining or renewing the necessary authorizations, the refusal to grant or renew these authorizations, or expropriations of these sites in order to allow urban planning projects to proceed.

The occurrence of such events could result in us or the Target Business incurring significant costs. There can be no assurance that the occurrence of such events would entitle us or the Target Business to partial or full compensation.

***Changes in consumer lifestyle, nutritional preferences, health-related concerns and consumer taxation could adversely affect our business.***

Certain end-products represent a significant proportion of our packaging market. In the past, the occurrence of diseases such as bovine spongiform encephalopathy and swine fever have sometimes led to reduced demand for associated canned products, such as sauces, soups and ready meals, and publicity about the supposed carcinogenic effect of coatings used on some cans may have affected sales of canned products. Additionally, France has introduced taxes on drinks with added sugar and artificial sweeteners that companies produce or import and the United Kingdom is planning on introducing a similar tax in 2018. France has also imposed taxes on energy drinks using certain amounts of taurine

and caffeine. As a result of such taxes, demand decreased temporarily in France, and the imposition of such taxes in the future may decrease the demand for certain soft drinks and beverages that our customers produce, which may cause our customers to respond by decreasing their purchases of our metal and glass packaging products. Consumer tax legislation and future attempts to tax sugar or energy drinks by other jurisdictions could decrease the demand for our products and adversely affect our profitability. Any decline in the popularity of these product types as a result of lifestyle, nutrition, health considerations or consumer taxation could have a significant impact on our customers and could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

***Organized strikes or work stoppages by unionized employees may have a material adverse effect on our business.***

Many of our operating companies are party to collective bargaining agreements with trade unions. These agreements cover the majority of our employees. All of the Target Business's hourly employees are party to collective bargaining agreements. Upon the expiration of any collective bargaining agreement, our operating companies' inability to negotiate acceptable contracts with trade unions could result in strikes by the affected workers and increased operating costs as a result of higher wages or benefits paid to union members. If the unionized workers were to engage in a strike or other work stoppage, we could experience a significant disruption of operations and/or higher ongoing labor costs, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

***Failure of control measures and systems resulting in faulty or contaminated product could have a material adverse effect on our business.***

We have strict control measures and systems in place to ensure that the maximum safety and quality of our products is maintained. The consequences of a product not meeting these rigorous standards, due to, among other things, accidental or malicious raw materials contamination or due to supply chain contamination caused by human error or equipment fault, could be severe. Such consequences might include adverse effects on consumer health, litigation exposures, loss of market share, financial costs and loss of revenues.

In addition, if our products fail to meet our usual rigorous standards, we may be required to incur substantial costs in taking appropriate corrective action (up to and including recalling products from consumers) and to reimburse customers and/or end-consumers for losses that they suffer as a result of this failure. Customers and end-consumers may seek to recover these losses through litigation and, under applicable legal rules, may succeed in any such claim despite there being no negligence or other fault on our part. Placing an unsafe product on the market, failing to notify the regulatory authorities of a safety issue, failing to take appropriate corrective action and failing to meet other regulatory requirements relating to product safety could lead to regulatory investigation, enforcement action and/or prosecution. Any product quality or safety issue may also result in adverse publicity, which may damage our reputation. This could in turn have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Although we have not had material claims for damages for defective products in the past, and have not conducted any substantial product recalls or other material corrective action, these events may occur in the future.

In certain contracts, we provide warranties in respect of the proper functioning of our products and the conformity of a product to the specific use defined by the customer.

In addition, if the product contained in packaging manufactured by us is faulty or contaminated, it is possible that the manufacturer of the product in question may allege that the packaging provided by Ardagh is the cause of the fault or contamination, even if the packaging complies with contractual specifications. Furthermore, in certain countries, certain players of the distribution chain market refill bottles even though they may not be designed for this purpose.

In case of the failure of packaging produced by us to open properly or to preserve the integrity of its contents, we could face liability to our customers and to third parties for bodily injury or other tangible or intangible damages suffered as a result. Such liability, if it were to be established in relation to a sufficient volume of claims or to claims for sufficiently large amounts, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

***Our existing insurance coverage may be insufficient and future coverage may be difficult or expensive to obtain.***

Although we believe that our insurance policies provide adequate coverage for the risks inherent in our business, these insurance policies typically exclude certain risks and are subject to certain thresholds and limits. We cannot assure you that our property, plant and equipment and inventories will not suffer damages due to unforeseen events or that the proceeds available from our insurance policies will be sufficient to protect us from all possible loss or damage resulting from such events. As a result, our insurance coverage may prove to be inadequate for events that may cause significant disruption to our operations, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We may suffer indirect losses, such as the disruption of our business or third-party claims of damages, as a result of an insured risk event. While we carry business interruption insurance and general liability insurance, they are subject to certain limitations, thresholds and limits, and may not fully cover all indirect losses.

We renew our insurance policies on an annual basis. The cost of coverage may increase to an extent that we may choose to reduce our policy limits or agree to certain exclusions from our coverage. Among other factors, adverse political developments, security concerns and natural disasters in any country in which we operate may materially adversely affect available insurance coverage and result in increased premiums for available coverage and additional exclusions from coverage.

***The Group's food packaging sales could be affected adversely by changes in EU agricultural subsidy rules.***

Certain subsidies are provided to agricultural producers under EU rules governing the production of various fruit, vegetable and dairy products. The availability of these subsidies may affect levels of production for certain agricultural products. Any reduction in existing subsidy levels could lead to a reduction in harvest or canning operations and therefore could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

***Our business may suffer if we do not retain our senior management and qualified staff.***

We depend on our senior management. Although we do not anticipate that we will have to replace any of our senior management team in the near future, the loss of services of any of the members of our senior management could adversely affect our business until a suitable replacement can be found. There may be a limited number of persons with the requisite skills to serve in these positions and we cannot assure you that we would be able to locate or employ such qualified personnel on terms acceptable to us or at all.

***One of Ardagh's existing shareholders can exert considerable control over Ardagh.***

The interests of some controlling shareholders may not be entirely consistent with our interests or those of other shareholders or our debt holders. It is possible that the controlling shareholders may take actions in relation to our business that are not entirely in our best interests or the best interests of the other shareholders of Ardagh Group S.A., our ultimate parent company, or our debt holders. Paul Coulson is Chairman of the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A. A company owned by him owns

approximately 21% of the issued share capital of Ardagh Group S.A. and, through its investment in the Yeoman group of companies, he has an interest in an additional approximately 39% of the issued shares of Ardagh Group S.A.

Ardagh's directors and senior management (including directors of Ardagh Group S.A., other than Paul Coulson) collectively own approximately 20% of the total share capital of Ardagh Group S.A., of which approximately 9.5% was owned by a company owned by Niall Wall, Group Chief Executive Officer. Directors of Ardagh Group S.A. and members of Ardagh's senior management team other than Paul Coulson and Niall Wall own approximately 10.4% of the issued share capital of Ardagh Group S.A. In addition, members of the senior management team of Ardagh, through their involvement in a number of intermediate investment vehicles controlled by Ardagh Group S.A., have invested to participate in up to 5% of any growth in value, after their investment, of the shares in ARD Finance S.A. (a direct subsidiary of Ardagh Group S.A. and the holder, indirectly, of 100% of the share capital of Ardagh Packaging Holdings). Ardagh Group S.A. retains ultimate voting control of the shares in ARD Finance S.A.

Paul Coulson, Wolfgang Baertz, Brendan Dowling and Herman Troskie also serve as directors in the Yeoman group of companies. As a result of their ownership and positions, Yeoman and Messrs. Coulson, Baertz, Dowling and Troskie are each able to significantly influence, through Yeoman, all matters requiring shareholder approval, including the election of directors and approval of significant corporate transactions. See "Board of Directors and Senior Management" and "Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions."

We have established several committees, including an audit committee and a remuneration committee, in order to ensure that the control exercised by our major shareholders is exercised through appropriate corporate governance structures.

## USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that the gross proceeds of the offering of the Notes will be the equivalent of \$4,505 million or €3,957 million. Pending the consummation of the Acquisition, the Initial Purchasers will deposit an amount equal to the gross proceeds from the issuance of the Secured Notes together with approximately \$850 million of the proceeds from the Dollar Senior Notes into one or more Escrow Accounts in the name of the Issuers but controlled by the Trustee on behalf of the holders of the Notes. We will use the remaining net proceeds to redeem all of our currently outstanding 2020 Senior Notes.

Upon satisfaction of the conditions to the release of the proceeds deposited in escrow, the escrowed proceeds will be released and will be used to finance the Acquisition and to pay related fees and expenses. See “Description of the Secured Notes—Special Mandatory Redemption” and “Description of the Senior Notes—Special Mandatory Redemption.”

The following table sets out the expected sources and uses of the funds necessary to consummate the Transactions as if they had occurred on December 31, 2015. Actual amounts will vary from estimated amounts depending on several factors, including changes in working capital at the Target Business and differences from our estimates of fees and expenses.

Sources	(in \$ millions)	(in € millions) <sup>(1)</sup>	Uses	(in \$ millions)	(in € millions) <sup>(1)</sup>
Secured Notes offered hereby . . . . .	2,001	1,758	Acquisition <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	3,005	2,639
Senior Notes offered hereby . . . . .	2,504	2,199	Redeem the 2020 Senior Notes <sup>(3)</sup> . . . . .	1,461	1,283
Cash on balance sheet . .	129	112	Redemption premiums <sup>(4)</sup>	67	59
			Estimated fees and expenses . . . . .	101	88
<b>Total sources . . . . .</b>	<b>4,634</b>	<b>4,069</b>	<b>Total uses . . . . .</b>	<b>4,634</b>	<b>4,069</b>

(1) Dollar-denominated amounts have been translated at an exchange rate of €1.00 = \$1.1385, the exchange rate used in preparing Ardagh’s balance sheet on March 31, 2016.

(2) Represents estimated cash consideration payable for the Acquisition, which is subject to change.

(3) Represents the outstanding aggregate principal amount of the 2020 Senior Notes, which will be redeemed in accordance with their terms.

(4) Excludes accrued and unpaid interest.

## CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth our unaudited historical total cash and cash equivalents and capitalization as of March 31, 2016 on a historical basis and as adjusted to give effect to the Acquisition, the issuance of the Notes offered hereby and the use of proceeds therefrom.

The information set forth below should be read in conjunction with the “Use of Proceeds,” “Unaudited Pro Forma Consolidated Financial and Other Data,” the consolidated financial information of Ardagh Packaging Holdings and the financial information of the Target Business, in each case together with the notes thereto, included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

	As of March 31, 2016		
	Historical	Adjustments	As Adjusted
	(in € millions) <sup>(1)</sup>		
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	485	(112)	373
<b>Debt</b>			
Existing Secured Notes . . . . .	2,130	—	2,130
Secured Notes offered hereby . . . . .	—	1,758	1,758
Existing Term Loan Facilities . . . . .	603	—	603
Other available facilities <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	—	—	—
Finance lease obligations . . . . .	6	—	6
<b>Total senior secured debt</b> . . . . .	<b>2,739</b>	<b>1,758</b>	<b>4,497</b>
Existing Senior Notes . . . . .	2,531	(1,283)	1,248
Senior Notes offered hereby . . . . .	—	2,199	2,199
Other borrowings . . . . .	3	—	3
<b>Total debt</b> . . . . .	<b>5,273</b>	<b>2,674</b>	<b>7,947</b>
<b>Total shareholders' funds</b> . . . . .	<b>(1,350)</b>	<b>(111)</b>	<b>(1,461)</b>
<b>Total capitalization</b> . . . . .	<b>3,923</b>	<b>2,563</b>	<b>6,486</b>

(1) Dollar-denominated borrowings have been translated at an exchange rate of €1.00 = \$1.1385, the exchange rate used in preparing Ardagh's balance sheet on March 31, 2016.

(2) Includes the Bank of America Facility, the HSBC Securitization Program and the Unicredit Working Capital and Performance Guarantee Credit Lines.

For further details relating to the debt instruments described above, see “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Liquidity and Capital Resources of Ardagh—Other Financing Arrangements” and “Description of Other Indebtedness.”



## **SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA OF ARDAGH PACKAGING HOLDINGS**

The following table sets forth selected consolidated financial data and other data of Ardagh Packaging Holdings for the periods ended and as of the dates indicated below. The historical financial data presented in the following table do not reflect changes as a result of the Transactions. For a detailed discussion of the presentation of financial data, see “Presentation of Financial and Other Data.”

We have derived the selected consolidated financial data for the financial years ended and as of December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 from the audited non-statutory consolidated financial statements of Ardagh Packaging Holdings included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

We have derived the selected unaudited consolidated financial data for the three months ended and as of March 31, 2016 and 2015 from the unaudited consolidated interim financial information of Ardagh Packaging Holdings included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

The unaudited consolidated financial information for the twelve months ended and as of March 31, 2016 set forth below was derived by adding the consolidated financial data of Ardagh for the year ended December 31, 2015 to the consolidated financial data of Ardagh for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and subtracting the consolidated financial data of Ardagh for the three months ended March 31, 2015. The unaudited consolidated financial information for the twelve months ended and as of March 31, 2016 has been prepared for illustrative purposes only and is not necessarily representative of our results of operations for any future period or our financial condition at any future date.

The financial statements contained herein were prepared in accordance with IFRS. The selected financial data and other data should be read in conjunction with “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects” and the financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. Historical results are not necessarily indicative of future expected results.

	Audited Consolidated			Unaudited Consolidated		
	Year ended and as of December 31,			Three months ended and as of March 31,		Twelve months ended and as of March 31,
	2015	2014	2013	2016	2015	2016
	(in € millions, except ratios and where indicated)					
<b>Income Statement Data</b>						
Revenue . . . . .	5,199	4,733	4,043	1,218	1,207	5,210
Cost of sales . . . . .	(4,285)	(3,970)	(3,441)	(1,006)	(1,002)	(4,289)
<b>Gross profit</b> . . . . .	914	763	602	212	205	921
Sales, general and administration expenses .	(274)	(246)	(235)	(66)	(65)	(275)
Intangible amortization . . . . .	(109)	(88)	(42)	(27)	(26)	(110)
Exceptional operating items <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	(81)	(349)	(163)	(5)	(9)	(77)
<b>Operating profit</b> . . . . .	450	80	162	114	105	459
Net finance expense . . . . .	(353)	(348)	(379)	(92)	(89)	(356)
Exceptional finance expense . . . . .	(13)	(126)	(94)	—	(10)	(3)
Share of profit of joint venture . . . . .	—	—	1	—	—	—
<b>Profit/(loss) before tax</b> . . . . .	84	(394)	(310)	22	6	100
Income tax (expense)/credit . . . . .	(43)	3	(4)	(17)	(16)	(44)
<b>Profit/(loss) for the period</b> . . . . .	41	(391)	(314)	5	(10)	56
<b>Balance Sheet Data</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	550	412	1,357	485	155	485
Working capital <sup>(3)</sup> . . . . .	550	609	612	667	778	667
Total assets . . . . .	6,335	6,095	5,931	6,225	6,424	6,225
Total borrowings <sup>(4)</sup> . . . . .	5,440	5,245	5,048	5,273	5,519	5,273
Total equity . . . . .	(1,360)	(1,308)	(678)	(1,350)	(1,515)	(1,350)
<b>Other Data</b>						
EBITDA <sup>(5)</sup> . . . . .	934	792	623	217	204	947
EBITDA margin <sup>(5)</sup> . . . . .	18.0%	16.7%	15.4%	17.8%	16.9%	18.2%
Depreciation and amortization <sup>(6)</sup> . . . . .	403	363	298	98	90	411
Net interest costs <sup>(7)</sup> . . . . .	324	330	331	83	80	327
Capital expenditure <sup>(8)</sup> . . . . .	304	314	285	64	99	269
Net borrowings <sup>(9)</sup> . . . . .	4,842	4,733	3,629	4,763	5,209	4,763
Ratio of net borrowings to EBITDA <sup>(5)(9)</sup> . . .	5.2x	6.0x	5.8x	—	—	5.0x
Ratio of EBITDA to net interest costs <sup>(5)(7)</sup> . .	2.9x	2.4x	1.9x	2.6x	2.6x	2.9x

- (1) The following table is a bridge between exceptional operating items as presented in the table above and items as presented in the columnar presentation of the income statement in the consolidated financial statements of Ardagh included in this Offering Memorandum. For further details on the exceptional operating items for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, see Note 18 to the consolidated financial statements of Ardagh for each of the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014. For further details on the exceptional operating items for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, see Note 7 to the unaudited consolidated financial information of Ardagh as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2016.

	Audited Consolidated			Unaudited Consolidated		
	Year ended December 31,			Three months ended March 31,		Twelve months ended March 31, 2016
	2015	2014	2013	2016	2015	
	(in € millions)					
Cost of sales . . . . .	(37)	(122)	(115)	(3)	(7)	(33)
Sales, general and administrative expenses . . . . .	(44)	(35)	(37)	(2)	(2)	(44)
Intangible amortization . . . . .	—	(33)	(11)	—	—	—
Loss on disposal of businesses . . . . .	—	(159)	—	—	—	—
Exceptional operating items . . . . .	<u>(81)</u>	<u>(349)</u>	<u>(163)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	<u>(77)</u>

- (2) Cash and cash equivalents include restricted cash (including restricted cash held in escrow) as per the note disclosures to the financial information.
- (3) Working capital is made up of inventories, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables, and current provisions.
- (4) Total borrowings include all bank borrowings and loan notes, before deduction of any unamortized debt issuance costs or premium on debt issuance above par.
- (5) EBITDA is operating profit before depreciation, amortization, non-exceptional impairment and exceptional operating items. EBITDA margin is calculated as EBITDA divided by revenue. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are presented because we believe that they are frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in evaluating companies in the packaging industry. However, other companies may calculate EBITDA and EBITDA margin in a manner different from ours. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are not measurements of financial performance under IFRS and should not be considered an alternative to cash flow from operating activities or as a measure of liquidity or an alternative to profit/(loss) as indicators of operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with IFRS.

The reconciliation of operating profit to EBITDA is as follows:

	Audited Consolidated			Unaudited Consolidated		
	Year ended December 31,			Three months ended March 31,		Twelve months ended March 31, 2016
	2015	2014	2013	2016	2015	
	(in € millions)					
Operating profit . . . . .	450	80	162	114	105	459
Add back depreciation and amortization . . . . .	403	363	298	98	90	411
Add back exceptional operating items . . . . .	81	349	163	5	9	77
EBITDA . . . . .	<u>934</u>	<u>792</u>	<u>623</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>204</u>	<u>947</u>

- (6) Depreciation, amortization, and impairment of property, plant and equipment.
- (7) Net interest costs represent net finance expense excluding exceptional finance items, net interest cost on net pension plan liabilities, foreign exchange gains and losses, gains and losses on derivatives not designated as hedges, and other finance expenses.
- (8) Capital expenditure is the sum of purchase of property, plant and equipment and software and other intangibles, net of proceeds from the disposal of property, plant and equipment.
- (9) Net borrowings equal total borrowings, plus premium on debt issuance above par and the fair value of associated derivative financial instruments, less cash and cash equivalents and deferred debt issuance costs.

## **SELECTED COMBINED FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA OF THE BALL CARVE-OUT BUSINESS**

The following table sets forth selected financial data and other data for certain metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation for the periods ended and as of the dates indicated below. The historical financial data presented in the following table do not reflect changes as a result of the Transactions. The selected financial data and other data should be read in conjunction with “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Results of Operations of the Ball Carve-Out Business” and the financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. Historical results are not necessarily indicative of future expected results.

We have derived the selected financial data as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 and for the three financial years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 from the audited Ball Combined Financial Statements, which are included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. The Ball Combined Financial Statements reflect the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of certain metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation in Brazil, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Poland, Serbia and the United Kingdom, prepared in conformity with U.S. GAAP. All significant intercompany transactions and accounts among the carve-out operations have been eliminated. The Ball Combined Financial Statements may not be indicative of the future performance of those operations and may not reflect what the combined results of operations, financial position and cash flows would have been had those operations operated as an independent company during all of the periods presented. For a complete description of the accounting principles followed in preparing the Ball Combined Financial Statements, please see Note 1 “Description of Business and Basis of Presentation” and Note 2 “Critical and Significant Account Policies” to the Ball Combined Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.

The Ball Combined Financial Statements, and the financial information derived therefrom, included in this Offering Memorandum do not reflect what the results of operations, financial condition or cash flows of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition would have been during the periods presented and are not necessarily indicative of the future results of operations, future financial condition or future cash flows of the Ball Carve-Out Business. This is primarily owing to the fact that the metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation reflected in the Ball Combined Financial Statements include certain assets (namely, three plants in Europe and certain other ancillary assets) and certain liabilities (namely, certain pension liabilities) that will be retained by Ball Corporation and therefore do not comprise part of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition.

For a detailed discussion of the presentation of financial data, see “Presentation of Financial and Other Data.”

	Year ended and as of December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
	(in \$ millions except where indicated)		
<b>Combined Statement of Earnings Data</b>			
Net sales . . . . .	1,891	2,151	2,039
Cost and expenses			
Cost of sales (excluding depreciation and amortization) . . . . .	(1,484)	(1,692)	(1,623)
Depreciation and amortization . . . . .	(82)	(82)	(105)
Selling, general and administrative . . . . .	(149)	(162)	(125)
Business consolidation and other activities . . . . .	(10)	(9)	(11)
	<u>(1,725)</u>	<u>(1,945)</u>	<u>(1,864)</u>
Earnings before interest and taxes . . . . .	166	206	175
Interest expense . . . . .	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(6)</u>
Earnings before taxes . . . . .	<u>165</u>	<u>204</u>	<u>169</u>
<b>Combined Balance Sheet Data</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	32	17	
Working capital <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	77	111	
Total assets . . . . .	2,218	2,391	
Total borrowings <sup>(3)</sup> . . . . .	24	95	
Total net investment . . . . .	1,357	1,362	
<b>Other Data</b>			
EBITDA <sup>(4)</sup> . . . . .	248	288	280
EBITDA margin <sup>(4)</sup> . . . . .	13.1%	13.4%	13.7%
Capital expenditures . . . . .	132	123	140

(1) Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

(2) Working capital is made up of inventories, receivables, accounts payable and accrued employee costs.

(3) Total borrowings consist primarily of a \$93 million Term C loan, which was extinguished in February 2015, and amounts outstanding under short-term uncommitted credit facilities.

(4) EBITDA is earnings before interest and taxes before depreciation and amortization. EBITDA margin is calculated as EBITDA divided by net sales. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are presented because we believe that they are frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in evaluating companies in the packaging industry. However, other companies may calculate EBITDA and EBITDA margin in a manner different from ours. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are not measurements of financial performance under U.S. GAAP and should not be considered an alternative to cash flow from operating activities or as a measure of liquidity or an alternative to net earnings as indicators of operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

The reconciliation of earnings before interest and taxes to EBITDA is as follows:

	Year ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
	(in \$ millions)		
Earnings before interest and taxes	166	206	175
Add back:			
Depreciation and amortization	82	82	105
EBITDA	<u>248</u>	<u>288</u>	<u>280</u>

## **SELECTED COMBINED FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA OF THE REXAM CARVE-OUT BUSINESS**

The following table sets forth selected financial data and other data for the Rexam Carve-Out Business for the periods ended and as of the dates indicated below. The historical financial data presented in the following table do not reflect changes as a result of the issuance of the Notes. The selected financial data and other data should be read in conjunction with “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Results of Operations of the Ball Carve-Out Business” and the financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. Historical results are not necessarily indicative of future expected results.

We have derived the selected financial data as of and for the financial years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 from the audited Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements, which are included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. The Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements reflect certain wholly owned beverage can operations of Rexam PLC that have not in the past formed a separate accounting group. These businesses do not constitute a separate legal group. The Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements have been prepared specifically for the purpose of facilitating the divestment of the Rexam Carve-Out Business and on a basis that combines the results and assets and liabilities of each of the manufacturing plants, warehouses and operations constituting the Rexam Carve-Out Business by applying the principles underlying the consolidation procedures of IFRS 10, “Consolidated Financial Statements”. The Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements have been prepared on a carve out basis in accordance with IASB-IFRS from the consolidated financial statements of Rexam PLC and include the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses that management of Rexam PLC has determined are attributable to the Rexam Carve-Out Business.

For a complete description of the accounting principles followed in preparing the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements, please see Note 1 “Nature of operations and basis of presentation” and Note 3 “Principal accounting policies” to the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum. This basis of preparation sets out the method used in identifying the financial position, performance and cash flows in relation to each of the plants that has been included in the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements. These notes explain that the businesses included in the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements have not operated as a single entity. The Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements are, therefore, not necessarily indicative of results that would have occurred if the Rexam Carve-Out Business had operated as a single business during the periods presented or of future results of the Rexam Carve-Out Business.

For a detailed discussion of the presentation of financial data, see “Presentation of Financial and Other Data.”



	For the years ended and as of December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
	(in £ millions except where indicated)		
<b>Combined Income Statement</b>			
Sales . . . . .	900	895	985
Cost of sales . . . . .	(705)	(684)	(759)
<b>Gross profit</b> . . . . .	195	211	226
Selling and distribution costs . . . . .	(84)	(86)	(91)
Administrative expenses . . . . .	(31)	(35)	(36)
Research and development . . . . .	(2)	(3)	(3)
Exceptional items . . . . .	(11)	—	—
<b>Profit before tax</b> . . . . .	67	87	96
<b>Combined Balance Sheet Data</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	—	—	—
Working capital <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	(25)	(7)	1
Total assets . . . . .	625	605	609
Total borrowings . . . . .	—	—	—
Total net assets . . . . .	452	440	448
<b>Other Data</b>			
EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	108	114	125
EBITDA margin <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	12.0%	12.7%	12.7%
Depreciation and amortization . . . . .	30	27	29
Capital expenditure . . . . .	30	15	33

- (1) Working capital is made up of inventories, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables and current provisions.
- (2) EBITDA is profit before tax before depreciation, amortization and exceptional items. EBITDA margin is calculated as EBITDA divided by sales. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are presented because we believe that they are frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in evaluating companies in the beverage can industry. However, other companies may calculate EBITDA and EBITDA margin in a manner different from ours. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are not measurements of financial performance under IFRS and should not be considered an alternative to cash flows from operating activities or as a measure of liquidity or an alternative to profit for the year as indicators of operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with IFRS.

The reconciliation of profit before tax to EBITDA is as follows:

	For the years ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
	(in £ millions)		
Profit before tax	67	87	96
Add back:			
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	29	27	28
Amortization of intangible assets	1	—	1
Exceptional items	11	—	—
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>125</b>

## UNAUDITED PRO FORMA COMBINED FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA

Under IFRS 3, Revised “Business Combinations,” all business combinations should be accounted for by applying the purchase method of accounting. This involves measuring the cost of the business combination and allocating, at the acquisition date, the cost of the business combination to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date.

The proposed Acquisition has not been completed, and, as a result, we are not currently in a position to measure fair values and make related adjustments to recorded values of the assets and liabilities of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business. Following completion of the purchase accounting for the acquisition of the Target Business (including measurement of fair values), we will make any necessary adjustments to recorded values of the acquired and assumed assets and liabilities. We currently expect that the majority of the adjustments will result in adjustments to property, plant and equipment, the creation of intangible assets and goodwill and an increase in the fair value of inventory. The adjustments to intangible assets are likely to result in additional charges for amortization, which will have a negative effect on operating profit. Similarly, the adjustment to inventory will result in a corresponding one-off increase in cost of sales which will be recognized and reduce operating profit during the period in which the acquired inventory is sold. The unaudited pro forma financial information set forth below does not reflect any purchase accounting adjustments for the acquisition of the Target Business.

The following unaudited pro forma income statement information for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 gives effect to the Transactions as if they had occurred on April 1, 2015. The summary unaudited pro forma balance sheet information as of March 31, 2016 gives effect to the Transactions as if they had occurred on that date. We are not presenting full pro forma balance sheet information in this Offering Memorandum. This unaudited pro forma financial information is based on available information and various assumptions that management believe to be reasonable, including the receipt of all consents and approvals required for completion of the Acquisition. Completion of the Acquisition as contemplated in this Offering Memorandum is subject to legally required staff consultation in certain jurisdictions. The actual results may differ significantly from those reflected in the unaudited pro forma financial information for a number of reasons, including, but not limited to, differences between the assumptions used to prepare the unaudited pro forma combined financial information and actual amounts. The unaudited pro forma financial information is provided for illustrative purposes only and does not purport to represent what the actual consolidated results of operations would have been had the Transactions occurred on the dates assumed, nor is it necessarily indicative of future consolidated results of operations or financial position.

The unaudited pro forma financial information reflects a number of adjustments made to the financial information of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business. The compilation of the unaudited pro forma financial information and the adjustments reflected therein are explained as follows:

- Adjustments have been made to the Ball Combined Financial Statements to eliminate the results of operations and assets and liabilities associated with certain assets (namely, three plants in Europe and certain other ancillary assets) and certain liabilities (namely, certain pension liabilities) that will be retained by Ball Corporation and therefore do not comprise part of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition. The income statement data has been adjusted generally (i) in the case of revenue on the basis of actual sales of the various plants and (ii) in the case of cost items on the basis of allocations, including, for example, on relative sales volumes. The balance sheet data has generally been allocated based on actual assets and liabilities, other than certain working capital items, which are on the basis of allocations.

- Adjustments have been made to convert the underlying U.S. GAAP financial information set forth in the Ball Combined Financial Statements to IFRS and in alignment with the IFRS accounting policies of Ardagh. These adjustments are based on management's analysis of the major GAAP and accounting policy differences between Ardagh and the Ball Combined Financial Statements. There can be no assurance that a full IFRS conversion of the financial information set forth in the Ball Combined Financial Statements to IFRS would not result in different numbers, and such differences may be material.
- The underlying financial information of both the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business has been adjusted to align the presentation of certain income statement items with the presentation of such financial information in the financial statements of Ardagh. However, the underlying financial information of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business has not been adjusted to fully align the classification of certain income statement items with their treatment in the financial information of Ardagh. Further, an exercise will need to be performed to align the accounting policies of the Ball Carve-Out Business and the Rexam Carve-Out Business with those of Ardagh under IFRS. Adjustments arising from this exercise could also be material.

The basis for the adjustments reflected in the unaudited pro forma financial information and the key assumptions made are explained in the notes to the information accompanying the tables.

The financial information of the Ball Carve-Out Business has been translated by Ardagh from U.S. dollars into euros, and the financial information of the Rexam Carve-Out Business has been translated from pounds sterling into euros. For all income statement items a twelve-month average rate for the year ended December 31, 2015 has been used, with the selected balance sheet data translated using the closing rate as at December 31, 2015. Based on its review of the historical financial information and understanding of the differences between IFRS and U.S. GAAP, Ardagh is not aware of any further material adjustment that it would need to make to the Ball Carve-Out Business's historical financial information or the Rexam Carve-Out Business's historical financial information relating to foreign currency translation.

The summary pro forma financial information set forth below has not been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation S-X under the Exchange Act or U.S. GAAP. Neither the adjustments nor the resulting pro forma financial information have been audited or reviewed in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (United Kingdom and Ireland) or U.S. GAAS. The summary unaudited pro forma combined financial and other data set forth below should be read in conjunction with the historical consolidated financial statements and notes thereto of Ardagh and the Ball Combined Financial Statements and the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements, included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum and "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects."

	For the twelve months ended March 31, 2016	For the year ended December 31, 2015		For the twelve months ended March 31, 2016		
	Ardagh	Ball Carve-Out Business <sup>(1)</sup>	Rexam Carve-Out Business <sup>(2)</sup>	Acquisition Adjustments <sup>(3)</sup>	Financing Adjustments	Pro Forma Financial Data
				(in € millions)		
<b>Income Statement Data</b>						
Revenue . . . . .	5,210	1,455	1,236	18	—	7,919
Cost of sales . . . . .	(4,289)	(1,211)	(1,052)	(13)	—	(6,565)
<b>Gross profit . . . . .</b>	<b>921</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,354</b>
Sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .	(275)	(121)	(77)	16	—	(457)
Intangible amortization . . . . .	(110)	—	—	—	—	(110)
Exceptional operating items . . . . .	(77)	(5)	(15)	(35) <sup>(4)</sup>	—	(132)
<b>Operating profit . . . . .</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>(14)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>655</b>
Net finance expense . . . . .	(356)	(6)	—	4	(119) <sup>(5)</sup>	(477)
Exceptional finance expense . . . . .	(3)	—	—	—	(76) <sup>(6)</sup>	(79)
<b>Profit before tax . . . . .</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>(10)</b>	<b>(195)</b>	<b>99</b>
	As of March 31, 2016	As of December 31, 2015		As of March 31, 2016		
	Ardagh	Ball Carve-Out Business <sup>(7)</sup>	Rexam Carve-Out Business <sup>(8)</sup>	Acquisition Adjustments <sup>(9)</sup>	Financing Adjustments <sup>(10)</sup>	Pro Forma Financial Data
				(in € millions)		
<b>Balance Sheet Data . . . .</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	485	7	—	(7)	(112)	373
Working capital <sup>(11)</sup> . . . . .	667	43	(34)	136	—	812
Total assets . . . . .	6,225	1,655	852	867	—	9,599
Total borrowings <sup>(12)</sup> . . . . .	5,273	22	—	(22)	2,674	7,947
Total equity/net investment . . . . .	(1,350)	960	616	(1,611)	(76)	(1,461)
						For the twelve months ended and as of March 31, 2016
						Pro Forma Financial Data
						(in € millions, except ratios and where indicated)
<b>Other Data</b>						
EBITDA <sup>(13)</sup> . . . . .						1,300
EBITDA margin <sup>(13)</sup> . . . . .						16.4%
Depreciation and amortization . . . . .						513
Net finance expense . . . . .						477
Capital expenditure . . . . .						429
Net borrowings <sup>(14)</sup> . . . . .						7,515
Ratio of net borrowings to EBITDA . . . . .						5.8x
Ratio of EBITDA to net finance expense . . . . .						2.7x

- (1) The following adjustments have been made to the financial data of the Ball Carve-Out Business:

	For the year ended and as of December 31, 2015			
	Ball Combined Financials U.S. GAAP <sup>(a)</sup>	IFRS Conversion Adjustments <sup>(b)</sup>	Ball Carve-Out Business IFRS	Ball Carve-Out Business IFRS <sup>(c)</sup>
	(in \$ millions)		(in € millions)	
<b>Income Statement Data</b>				
Revenue . . . . .	1,622	—	1,622	1,455
Cost of sales . . . . .	(1,351)	—	(1,351)	(1,211)
<b>Gross profit . . . . .</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>244</b>
Sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .	(145)	10	(135)	(121)
Intangible amortization . . . . .	—	—	—	—
Add back exceptional items . . . . .	—	(5)	(5)	(5)
<b>Operating profit . . . . .</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>118</b>
Finance expense . . . . .	(1)	(6)	(7)	(6)
<b>Profit before tax . . . . .</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>112</b>

- (a) The following table presents the adjustments made to the financial data in the Ball Combined Financial Statements to eliminate the results of operations associated with certain assets and liabilities that do not comprise part of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us, as well as the reclassification of certain items to conform to the format in which Ardagh presents its financial information.

For the year ended December 31, 2015					
	Ball Combined U.S. GAAP	Business Retained <sup>(i)</sup>	Ball Carve-Out Business U.S. GAAP	Reclassifications <sup>(ii)</sup>	Ball Combined Financials U.S. GAAP
	(in \$ millions)				
<b>Ball Combined Statement of Earnings Data</b>			<b>Ardagh Income Statement Data</b>		
Net sales . . . . .	1,891	(269)	1,622	—	1,622
Cost of sales (excluding depreciation and amortization) . . . . .	(1,484)	195	(1,289)	(62)	(1,351)
Depreciation and amortization . . . . .	(82)	14	(68)	68	—
Selling, general and administrative . . . . .	(149)	20	(129)	(16)	(145)
Business consolidation and other activities . . . . .	(10)	—	(10)	10	—
Earnings before interest and taxes . . . . .	166	(40)	126	—	126
Interest expense . . . . .	(1)	—	(1)	—	(1)
Earnings before taxes . . . . .	165	(40)	125	—	125

- (i) Represents the impact of removing the historical results of certain businesses that manufacture and sell metal packaging in the beverage can industry in the European market that will be retained by Ball Corporation and will not form part of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition. The income statement data has been adjusted generally (i) in the case of revenue on the basis of actual sales of the various plants and (ii) in the case of cost items on the basis of allocations, including, for example, on relative sales volumes. The balance sheet data has generally been allocated based on actual assets and liabilities, other than certain working capital items, which are on the basis of allocations.
- (ii) Reclassifies certain items to conform to the format in which Ardagh presents its financial information. The items impacted are exceptional items and finance expense in respect of pensions, with no impact on the acquired balance sheet.
- (b) Adjustments made to convert the underlying U.S. GAAP financial information to IFRS primarily related to exceptional items and net pension expense, with no impact on the acquired balance sheet.
- (c) The IFRS income statement of the Ball Carve-Out Business has been translated at an exchange rate of \$1.00 = €0.897, Ardagh's twelve-month average exchange rate for the year ended December 31, 2015.

- (2) The following adjustments have been made to the financial data of the Rexam Carve-Out Business:

For the year ended December 31, 2015					
Rexam Combined Income Statement Data	Rexam Combined Financials	Reclassifications <sup>(a)</sup>	Rexam Carve-Out Business	Rexam Carve-Out Business <sup>(b)</sup>	Ardagh Income Statement Data
		(in £ millions)		(in € millions)	
Sales . . . . .	900	—	900	1,236	Revenue
Cost of sales . . . . .	(705)	(61)	(766)	(1,052)	Cost of sales
Gross profit . . . . .	195	(61)	134	184	Gross profit
Selling and distribution costs . . .	(84)	61			
Administrative expenses . . . . .	(31)	—			
Research and development . . . .	(2)	—			
			(56)	(77)	Sales, general and administration expenses
				—	Intangible amortization
Exceptional items . . . . .	(11)	—	(11)	(15)	Exceptional operating items
			67	92	Operating profit
			—	—	Net finance expense
Profit before tax . . . . .	67	—	67	92	Profit before tax

(a) Reclassifies freight costs to conform to the format in which Ardagh presents its financial information.

(b) The income statement of the Rexam Carve-Out Business has been translated at an exchange rate of £1.00 = €1.374, Ardagh's twelve-month average exchange rate for the year ended December 31, 2015.

- (3) Adjustment is an estimated amount primarily related to the movement of certain lines between the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition and the business to be retained by Ball Corporation. The change in finance expense represents pension liabilities being retained by Ball Corporation.
- (4) Reflects the estimated exceptional transaction fees and expenses in relation to the Transactions.
- (5) Represents the additional finance expense associated with the Notes offered hereby together with the amortization of deferred financing costs associated with the Notes offered hereby and the net reduction in interest expense arising from the refinancing of the 2020 Senior Notes.
- (6) Represents the costs associated with the extinguishment of the 2020 Senior Notes, comprising the write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs and redemption premiums.
- (7) The following adjustments have been made to the balance sheet data of the Ball Carve-Out Business. The balance sheet data of the Ball Carve-Out Business have been translated at an exchange rate of \$1.00 = €0.919, the exchange rate used in preparing Ardagh's balance sheet on December 31, 2015.

As of December 31, 2015				
Balance Sheet Data	Ball Combined Financials	Business Retained <sup>(a)</sup>	Ball Carve-Out Business	Ball Carve-Out Business
		U.S. GAAP		
		(in \$ millions)		(in € millions)
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	32	(24)	8	7
Working capital . . . . .	77	(30)	47	43
Total assets . . . . .	2,218	(417)	1,801	1,655
Total borrowings . . . . .	24	—	24	22
Total equity/net investment . . . . .	1,357	(312)	1,045	960

(a) Represents the impact of removing the historical results of certain businesses that manufacture and sell metal packaging in the beverage industry in the European market that will be retained by Ball Corporation and will not form part of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition. The balance sheet data has been



allocated based on actual assets and liabilities, other than certain working capital items, which are on the basis of allocations.

- (8) The balance sheet data of the Rexam Carve-Out Business have been translated at an exchange rate of £1.00 = €1.362, the exchange rate used in preparing Ardagh's balance sheet on December 31, 2015, as shown below:

	As of December 31, 2015	
	Rexam Carve-Out Business	
	(in £ millions)	(in € millions)
<b>Balance Sheet Data</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	—	—
Working capital . . . . .	(25)	(34)
Total assets . . . . .	625	852
Total borrowings . . . . .	—	—
Total equity . . . . .	452	616

- (9) Reflects adjustments for assets and liabilities not being acquired, being (i) cash (€7 million), certain trade and other receivables (€87 million) and certain trade and other payables (€190 million) and (ii) the elimination of historical goodwill and the allocation to goodwill of the excess of the purchase price over the book value of acquired assets and liabilities. No adjustment has been made in respect of the fair value of acquired assets and liabilities as required by IFRS.
- (10) Reflects the increase in total borrowings following the issuance of the Notes offered hereby together with cash paid to fund the Acquisition. See "Capitalization."
- (11) Working capital is made up of inventories, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables, and current provisions. Excludes the impact on working capital of the unwinding of certain working capital facilities that may occur in the short term after the completion of the Acquisition.
- (12) Total borrowings include all bank borrowings and loan notes, before deduction of any unamortized debt issuance costs or premium on debt issuance above par. Reflects the increase in total borrowings following the offering of the Notes. See "Use of Proceeds" and "Capitalization."
- (13) EBITDA is operating profit before depreciation, amortization, non-exceptional impairment and exceptional operating items. EBITDA margin is calculated as EBITDA divided by revenue. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are presented because we believe that they are frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in evaluating companies in the packaging industry. However, other companies may calculate EBITDA and EBITDA margin in a manner different from ours. EBITDA and EBITDA margin are not measurements of financial performance under IFRS and should not be considered an alternative to cash flow from operating activities or as a measure of liquidity or an alternative to profit/(loss) as indicators of operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with IFRS.

The reconciliation of pro forma operating profit to pro forma EBITDA is as follows:

	(in € millions)
Operating profit . . . . .	655
Add back depreciation and amortization . . . . .	513
Add back exceptional operating items* . . . . .	132
EBITDA . . . . .	<u>1,300</u>

\* Exceptional operating items comprise primarily restructuring costs, asset impairment charges, termination benefits and acquisition costs.

- (14) Net borrowings equal total borrowings and premium on debt issuance above par, less cash and deferred debt issuance costs plus or minus the fair value of associated derivative financial instruments. Reflects the increase in net borrowings following the offering of the Notes. See "Use of Proceeds" and "Capitalization."

## OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW AND PROSPECTS

*The following discussion should be read together with, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the audited non-statutory consolidated financial statements of Ardagh Packaging Holdings for the three-year period from 2013 to 2015, its unaudited consolidated interim financial information for the three months ended March 31, 2015 and 2016, the Ball Combined Financial Statements and the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements, in each case, including the related notes thereto, included in this Offering Memorandum, beginning on page F-3. The following discussion should also be read in conjunction with “Presentation of Financial and Other Data,” “Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data of Ardagh Packaging Holdings,” “Selected Combined Financial and Other Data of the Ball Carve-Out Business,” “Selected Combined Financial and Other Data of the Rexam Carve-Out Business” and “Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Financial and Other Data.” Except for the historical information contained herein, the discussions in this section contain forward-looking statements that reflect Ardagh’s plans, estimates and beliefs and involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results could differ materially from those discussed in these forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to these differences include, but are not limited to, those discussed below and elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum, particularly in “Risk Factors” and “Forward-Looking Statements.”*

*We have not yet completed the Acquisition and therefore neither own nor control the Target Business. This Offering Memorandum includes certain information, including financial information, about the Target Business. Any such information is based on documents, information and representations provided to us and our advisers by the Seller and the management of the Target Business. While we have conducted due diligence on the Target Business and have no knowledge that would indicate that any statement contained herein, based upon such information provided by the Seller and the management of the Target Business is inaccurate, incomplete or untrue, we cannot independently verify the accuracy, completeness or truthfulness of all such information or that there has not been any failure by the Seller or the management of the Target Business to disclose events, developments or circumstances that may have occurred, but which are unknown to us, which may affect the significance or accuracy of any such information.*

*Unless the context indicates otherwise, when we refer to “Ardagh” or the “Group,” we do not take into account the effects of the Acquisition. In respect of historical financial information in this Offering Memorandum, all references to “we,” “us” or “our” are to Ardagh Packaging Holdings and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis and do not take into account the effects of the Acquisition, unless the context indicates otherwise. For more information on the Acquisition and the Target Business, see “Summary—The Target Business,” “The Target Business,” “—Results of Operations of the Ball Carve-Out Business,” “—Results of Operations of the Rexam Carve-Out Business” and the Ball Combined Financial Statements and the Rexam Combined Carve-Out Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Offering Memorandum.*

*Some of the measures used in this Offering Memorandum are not measurements of financial performance under IFRS and should not be considered an alternative to cash flow from operating activities as a measure of liquidity or an alternative to operating profit/(loss) or profit/(loss) for the period as indicators of our operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with IFRS.*

### **Our Company**

We are one of the world’s leading suppliers of rigid packaging to the food & beverage and consumer products industries. We currently supply a broad range of glass and metal packaging products to a variety of end markets on a global basis. We produce value-added products for some of the best known brands in the world. We believe we hold #1 or #2 market positions in most of the markets we serve.

We supply packaging for food & beverage and consumer products including fruits & vegetables, soups & sauces, seafood, pet food, beer, wine & spirits, non-alcoholic beverages, personal care and household products. We also supply packaging for paints, coatings and other items. We sell our products to over 2,000 customers globally, including a diverse mix of leading international, blue-chip companies, and large national and regional companies, as well as small local businesses. We have maintained long-standing relationships with many of our key customers, some of whom have been customers for over 100 years.

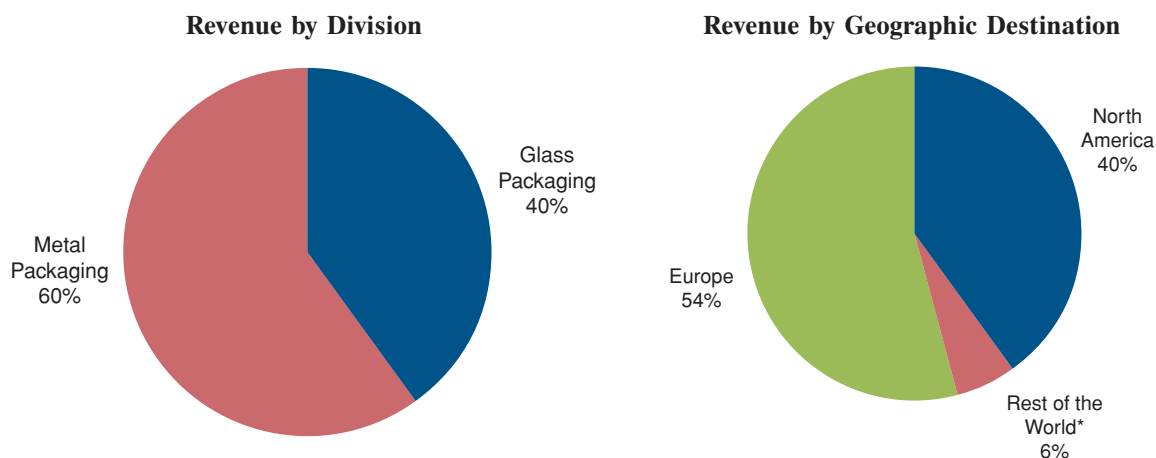
We sell the majority of our products under contract. Approximately two-thirds of our sales are under multi-year contracts and the remainder are subject to one-year agreements. A significant proportion of our sales volumes are supplied under contracts which include input cost pass-through provisions.

After giving effect to the Acquisition, we will operate 110 glass and metal manufacturing facilities located in 22 countries across five continents, with a significant presence in Europe and North America. On a pro forma basis, we will have 75 plants in Europe and 30 plants in North America, along with other facilities in South America, Africa and Asia. In addition, we currently operate four glass engineering facilities and a research and development (“R&D”) center. This technology platform has enabled us to emerge as a leader in sustainability through lightweighting our products and the increased use of recycled content.

We operate strong franchises in glass and metal packaging. These franchises have market positions, manufacturing plant networks and customer relationships that are among the leaders in their sectors. We have a long history of growth through acquisition, with 22 successful acquisitions over the last 17 years in both Glass Packaging and Metal Packaging. We believe that our scale, service, technology and industry-leading manufacturing capabilities allow us to compete highly successfully in the markets in which we operate. By competing successfully, we are able to maintain and grow our margins and generate significant operating cash flow.

On a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the completed Acquisition, revenues and EBITDA for Ardagh Packaging Holdings for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 would have been €7,919 million and €1,300 million, respectively. We also estimate that, following the completion of the Acquisition, we will achieve cost synergies of approximately \$50 million (or €46 million) in procurement, operations and selling, general and administrative cost savings over the next three years, with most of this being achieved by the end of the second full year after the Completion Date. We estimate the one-off cost of achieving these synergies will be approximately \$20 million (or €18 million).

The following charts illustrate the breakdown of our revenues by division and geographic destination, each based on the results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2015 on a combined basis after giving effect to the Acquisition.



\* Africa, Asia, Australia and New Zealand, the Middle East and South America.

### Business Drivers

The main factors affecting our results of operations for both Glass Packaging and Metal Packaging are: (i) global economic trends and end-consumer demand for our products; (ii) prices of energy and raw materials used in our business, primarily tinplate, aluminum, cullet, sand, soda ash and limestone, and our ability to pass-through these and other cost increases to our customers, through contractual pass-through mechanisms under multi-year contracts, or through renegotiation in the case of short-term contracts; (iii) investment in operating cost reductions; (iv) acquisitions; and (v) foreign exchange rate fluctuations and currency translation risks arising from various currency exposures, primarily with respect to the pound, the U.S. dollar, Swedish krona, Polish zloty, Danish krone and after the Acquisition, the Brazilian real.

In addition, certain other factors affect revenues and operating profit for Glass Packaging and Metal Packaging.

#### *Glass Packaging*

Glass Packaging generates its revenues principally from selling our glass containers and our Glass Engineering products and services. Glass container revenues are primarily dependent on sales volumes and sales prices. Glass Engineering provides technology, engineering and mold manufacturing activities.

Sales volumes are affected by a number of factors, including factors impacting customer demand, seasonality and the capacity of Glass Packaging's plants. Demand for glass containers may be influenced by trends in the consumption of beverages, industry trends in packaging, including marketing decisions, and the impact of environmental regulations. The beverage industry is seasonal in nature, with stronger demand during the summer and during periods of warm weather, as well as the period leading up to holidays in December. Accordingly, Glass Packaging's shipment volume of glass containers is typically lower in the first quarter. Glass Packaging builds inventory in the first quarter in anticipation of these seasonal demands. In addition, Glass Packaging generally schedules shutdowns of its plants for rebuilding and repairs of machinery in the first quarter. These strategic shutdowns and seasonal sales patterns adversely affect profitability in Glass Packaging's glass manufacturing operations during the first quarter of the year. Plant shutdowns may also affect the comparability of results from

period to period. Glass Packaging's working capital requirements are typically greatest at the end of the first quarter of the year.

Glass Packaging's EBITDA is based on revenues derived from selling our glass containers and Glass Engineering products and services and is affected by a number of factors, primarily cost of sales. The elements of Glass Packaging's cost of sales for its glass container manufacturing business include (i) variable costs, such as natural gas and electricity, raw materials (including the cost of cullet (crushed recycled glass)), packaging materials, decoration and freight and other distribution costs, and (ii) fixed costs, such as labor and other plant-related costs including depreciation, maintenance, sales, marketing and administrative costs. Glass Packaging's variable costs have typically constituted approximately 40% and fixed costs approximately 60% of the total cost of sales for our glass container manufacturing business.

### ***Metal Packaging***

Metal Packaging generates its revenue principally from selling metal containers in the food, seafood, aerosols, nutrition & custom, and paints & coatings categories. Revenues are primarily dependent on sales volumes and sales prices.

Sales volumes are influenced by a number of factors, including factors driving customer demand, seasonality and the capacity of our Metal Packaging plants. Demand for our metal containers may be influenced by vegetable and fruit harvests, seafood catches, trends in the consumption of food, trends in the use of consumer products, industry trends in packaging, including marketing decisions, and the impact of environmental regulations. The size and quality of harvests and catches vary from year to year, depending in large part upon the weather in the regions in which we operate. The food can industry is seasonal in nature, with strongest demand during the end of the summer, coinciding with the harvests. Accordingly, Metal Packaging's shipment volume of containers is typically highest in the second and third quarters and lowest in the first and fourth quarters. In addition, we generally build inventories in the first and second quarters in anticipation of the seasonal demands. Metal Packaging generates the majority of its earnings from operations during the third and fourth quarters.

Metal Packaging's EBITDA is based on revenues derived from selling our metal containers and is affected by a number of factors, primarily cost of sales. The elements of Metal Packaging's cost of sales include (i) variable costs, such as electricity, raw materials (including the cost of tinplate and aluminum), packaging materials, decoration and freight and other distribution costs, and (ii) fixed costs, such as labor and other plant-related costs including depreciation, maintenance, sales, marketing and administrative costs. Metal Packaging's variable costs have typically constituted approximately 80% and fixed costs approximately 20% of the total cost of sales for our metal containers manufacturing business.

### **Recent Acquisitions and Disposals**

Ardagh's acquisition strategy has been to participate in the consolidation of the packaging industry through the careful evaluation, selection and pursuit of strategic opportunities throughout Europe.

#### ***2014 SGCI Acquisition***

On April 11, 2014 the Group completed the purchase of 100% of the equity of SGCI from Compagnie de Saint-Gobain for a consideration of €1.1 billion.

### ***Disposal of Former Anchor Glass Plants***

On June 30, 2014 the Group completed the sale of six former Anchor Glass plants and certain related assets for a consideration of €319 million, on which the Group recognized a loss on disposal of €124 million.

### ***Other disposals***

During the year ended December 31, 2014 the Group disposed of a small business in the Metal Packaging division and also of its Metal Packaging operations in Australia and New Zealand for a total consideration of €78 million, on which the Group recognized a combined loss of €35 million.

## **Critical Accounting Policies**

Ardagh prepares its financial statements in accordance with IFRS. A summary of Ardagh's significant accounting policies is contained in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements of Ardagh for the year ended December 31, 2015 beginning on page F-24. In applying many accounting principles, Ardagh needs to make assumptions, estimates and judgments which are often subjective and may be affected by changing circumstances or changes in its analysis. Material changes in these assumptions, estimates and judgments have the potential to materially alter its results of operations. We have identified below those accounting policies that we believe could potentially produce materially different results if Ardagh were to change its underlying assumptions, estimates and judgments.

### ***Revenue Recognition***

#### ***Goods sold and services rendered***

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognized in the income statement when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, primarily upon the dispatch of the goods. Revenue from services rendered is recognized in the income statement in proportion to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date. Allowances for customer rebates are provided for in the same period as the related revenues are recorded. Revenue is included net of cash discounts and value-added tax. Pallet deposits are not recognized in revenue.

### ***Employee benefits***

#### ***Employee benefit obligations***

The Group has defined benefit, multi-employer defined benefit, defined contribution and other long-term employee related plans.

#### ***(i) Defined benefit pension plans***

Typically, defined benefit plans define an amount of pension benefit that an employee will receive on retirement, usually dependent on one or more factors such as age, years of service and compensation.

The schemes are either funded through payments trustee-administered funds, determined by periodic actuarial calculations or, in the case of unfunded plans, the liabilities are carried in the statement of financial position and benefits are paid by the Group as they fall due.

The liability recognized in the statement of financial position in respect of defined benefit pension plans is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the reporting date less the fair value of plan assets. The defined benefit obligation is calculated annually by independent actuaries using the projected unit credit method. The present value of the defined benefit obligation is determined by discounting the estimated future cash outflows using interest rates of high-quality corporate bonds that



are denominated in the currency in which the benefits will be paid, and that have terms to maturity approximating the terms of the related pension liability.

Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are charged or credited to equity in other comprehensive income in the period in which they arise.

Past service costs are recognized immediately in income.

*(ii) Multi-employer pension plans*

Multi-employer craft or industry-based pension schemes (“multi-employer schemes”) have arrangements similar to those of defined benefit schemes. In each case it is not possible to identify the Group’s share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the multi-employer schemes and therefore in accordance with IAS 19 (as revised), the Group has taken the exemption for multi-employer pension schemes to account for them as defined contribution schemes recognizing the contributions payable in each period in the Consolidated Income Statement.

*(iii) Other end-of-service employee benefits*

In a number of countries, the Group pays lump sums to employees leaving service. These arrangements are accounted in the same manner as defined benefit pension plans.

*(iv) Other long-term employee benefits*

The Group’s obligation in respect of other long-term employee benefits plans represents the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for service in the current and prior periods and are included in the category of employee benefit obligations on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. These plans include jubilee plans and specific short-term partial retirement plans in Germany under which eligible employees receive compensation for up to three years after ceasing employment. The obligation is computed on the basis of the projected unit credit method and is discounted to present value using a discount rate equating to the market yield at the reporting date on high-quality corporate bonds of a currency and term consistent with the currency and estimated term of the obligations. Actuarial gains and losses are recognized in full in the Group’s income statement in the period in which they arise.

*(v) Defined contribution plans*

A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Group pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. The Group has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid. The contributions are recognized as employee benefit expense when they are due. Prepaid contributions are recognized as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in the future payments is available.

***Goodwill***

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of our share of the net identifiable assets of the acquired subsidiary on the date of acquisition.

Goodwill is stated at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill is allocated to those cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the business combination in which the goodwill arose for the purpose of assessing impairment. Goodwill is tested annually for impairment. In respect of joint ventures, the carrying amount of goodwill is included in the carrying amount of the investment in the joint venture.

### ***Intangible Assets (Other than Goodwill)***

Intangible assets acquired as part of a business combination are capitalized separately from goodwill if the intangible asset meets the definition of an asset and the fair value can be reliably measured on initial recognition.

Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortization and any accumulated impairment losses. The carrying values of intangible assets with finite useful lives are reviewed for indicators of impairment at each reporting date and are subject to impairment testing when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying values may not be recoverable.

The amortization of intangible assets is calculated to write off the book value of finite lived intangible assets over their useful lives on a straight-line basis on the assumption of zero residual value. In general, finite lived intangible assets are amortized over periods ranging from three to twelve years, depending on the nature of the intangible asset as detailed below. The useful lives and method of amortization of intangible assets are reassessed at each reporting date.

#### ***(i) Computer software***

Computer software development costs recognized as assets are amortized over their estimated useful lives, which does not exceed seven years. Costs associated with maintaining computer software programs are recognized as an expense as incurred.

#### ***(ii) Customer relationships***

Customer relationships acquired in a business combination are recognized at fair value at the acquisition date. The customer relations have a finite useful life and are carried at cost less accumulated amortization. Amortization is calculated using the straight-line method over the expected life of the customer relationship of up to 15 years.

#### ***(iii) Technology intangible***

Technology-based intangibles acquired in a business combination are recognized at the fair value at the acquisition date and recognize our ability to add value through accumulated technological expertise surrounding product and process development. Amortization is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of 15 years.

#### ***(iv) R&D costs***

Research costs are expensed as incurred. An intangible asset arising from development expenditure on an individual project is recognized when we can demonstrate (i) the technical feasibility of completing the intangible asset such that it will be available for use internally; (ii) how the asset will generate future economic benefits; (iii) the availability of resources to complete the development and (iv) the ability to measure reliably the expenditure during such development. Development costs have a finite life and are amortized over the estimated future useful life of the project. Amortization periods have been estimated at between three and ten years. These estimates are reviewed on an annual basis to establish whether they need to be revised.

#### ***(v) Other intangible assets***

An intangible asset is recognized to the extent that it is probable that the expected future economic benefits attributable to the asset will flow to us and that its cost can be measured reliably. The asset is deemed to be identifiable when it is separable (i.e., capable of being divided from the entity and sold, transferred, licensed, rented or exchanged, either individually or together with a related

contract, asset or liability) or when it arises from contractual or other legal rights, regardless of whether those rights are transferable or separable from us or from other rights and obligations.

### ***Exceptional Items***

Our income statement and segmental analysis separately identify results before specific items. Specific items are those that in our judgment need to be disclosed by virtue of their size, nature or incidence.

We believe that this presentation provides additional analysis as it highlights exceptional items. Such items include where significant, restructuring, redundancy and other costs relating to permanent capacity realignment or footprint reorganization, directly attributable acquisition costs, profit or loss on disposal or termination of operations, start-up costs incurred in relation to new furnace or plant builds, major litigation costs and settlements, profit or loss on disposal of assets and impairment of assets. In this regard the determination of 'significant' as included in our definition uses qualitative and quantitative factors. We use judgment in assessing the particular items, which by virtue of their scale and nature, are disclosed in our income statement and related notes as exceptional items. We consider columnar presentation to be appropriate in our income statement as it improves the clarity of the presentation and is consistent with the way that financial performance is measured by management and presented to the board of directors and the chief operating decision-maker. Exceptional restructuring costs are classified as restructuring provisions and all other exceptional costs when outstanding at the balance sheet date are classified as exceptional items payable.

### ***Impairment***

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortization and are tested annually for impairment or whenever indicators suggest that an impairment may have occurred. Assets that are subject to amortization are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognized for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash-generating units). Non-financial assets other than goodwill that suffered an impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date.

#### ***(i) Calculation of recoverable amount***

The recoverable amount of other assets is the greater of their fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For an asset that does not generate largely independent cash inflows, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

#### ***(ii) Reversals of impairment***

Reversals of impairments arise when indicators exist that suggest an impairment loss recognized in a prior period no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortization, if no impairment loss had been recognized. An impairment loss in respect of goodwill cannot be reversed.

### ***Income Tax***

Income tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognized in the income statement except to the extent that it relates to items recognized in other comprehensive income.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantially enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulation is subject to interpretation. It establishes provisions where appropriate on the basis of amounts expected to be paid to the tax authorities.

Deferred income tax is recognized, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements. However, deferred tax liabilities are not recognized if they arise from the initial recognition of goodwill; deferred income tax is not accounted for if it arises from initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction other than a business combination that at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss. Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date and are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realized or the deferred income tax liability is settled.

Deferred income tax assets are recognized only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilized. Deferred income tax is provided on temporary differences arising on investments in our subsidiaries and associates, except for deferred income tax liability where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference is controlled by us and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred income taxes assets and liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities where there is an intention to settle the balances on a net basis.

### ***Derivative Financial Instruments***

Derivatives are initially recognized at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured at their fair value. The method of recognizing the resulting gain or loss depends on whether the derivative is designated as a hedging instrument, and if so, the nature of the item being hedged. We designate certain derivatives as cash flow hedges as they are hedges of highly probable future cash flows attributable to a recognized liability.

We document, at the inception of the transaction, the relationship between hedging instruments and hedged items, as well as its risk management objective and strategy for undertaking various hedge transactions. We also document our assessment, both at hedge inception and on an ongoing basis, of whether the derivatives that are used in hedging transactions are highly effective in offsetting changes in cash flows of hedged items.

We use forward foreign exchange contracts or foreign exchange swaps to manage foreign currency risk for the purposes of cash flow hedging. We use interest rate hedging instruments (swaps, caps and collars) as cash flow hedges to reduce our exposure to adverse fluctuations in interest rates. Interest rate differentials under these arrangements are recognized in the income statement in the period in which the differential arises. We also use aluminum futures as cash flow hedges, to manage the risk of price volatility for a portion of our forecast aluminum purchases.

*(i) Cash flow hedges*

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges are recognized in other comprehensive income. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognized immediately in the income statement.

Amounts accumulated in other comprehensive income are recycled to the income statement in the periods when the hedged item will affect profit or loss. The gain or loss relating to the effective portion of interest rate swaps hedging variable rate borrowings is recognized in the income statement within finance expense.

When a hedging instrument expires or is sold, or when a hedge no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting, any cumulative gain or loss existing in other comprehensive income at that time remains in other comprehensive income and is recognized when the forecast transaction is ultimately recognized in the income statement. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss that was reported in other comprehensive income is immediately transferred to the income statement.

At points in time we may elect to de-designate a portion of the hedging instrument in a hedging relationship. Once a hedging relationship is de-designated, the portion of the hedge which was de-designated cannot be re-designated over its remaining life.

*(ii) Fair value hedges*

Derivative financial instruments are classified as fair value hedges when they hedge our exposure to changes in the fair value of a recognized asset or liability. Changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as fair value hedges are recorded in our Income Statement, together with any changes in the fair value of the hedged item that is attributable to the hedged risk.

Derivative financial instruments qualifying for fair value hedge accounting are principally interest rate swaps and cross-currency swaps.

*(iii) Securitized assets*

We have entered into a series of securitization transactions involving certain of our trade receivables. The securitized assets continue to be recognized on our consolidated statement of financial position until all of the rights to the cash flows from those assets have expired or have been fully transferred outside of the Group, or until substantially all of the related risks, rewards and control of the related assets have been transferred to a third-party.

## Results of Operations of Ardagh

### Overview

#### Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 and 2015

	Three Months ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
	(in € millions)	
Revenue		
Glass Packaging North America . . . . .	422	398
Glass Packaging Europe . . . . .	321	337
Metal Packaging . . . . .	475	472
Total Revenue . . . . .	<u>1,218</u>	<u>1,207</u>
EBITDA		
Glass Packaging North America . . . . .	85	77
Glass Packaging Europe . . . . .	63	63
Metal Packaging . . . . .	69	64
Total EBITDA . . . . .	<u>217</u>	<u>204</u>

### Revenue

**Glass Packaging North America Revenue** increased by €24 million, or 6% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2015. Organic growth in the underlying business increased revenue by €1 million in the period which is mainly attributable to volume/mix improvements, while currency translation effects increased revenue by €23 million, or 6%.

**Glass Packaging Europe Revenue** decreased by €16 million, or 5% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2015 of which €14 million was attributable to a decrease in organic revenue and €2 million as a result of currency translation effects. The decrease in the underlying business is largely as a result of negative volume/mix variance and to a lesser extent negative selling price variance.

**Metal Packaging Revenue** increased by €3 million, or 1% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2015. The improvement in revenue in the underlying business is largely as a result of positive volume/mix which has been partially offset by a negative selling price variance.

### EBITDA

**Glass Packaging North America EBITDA** increased by €8 million, or 10% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2015. Organic growth increased EBITDA by €4 million in the period which is mainly attributable to a positive inflation gap, overhead cost savings and is partially offset by an adverse volume/mix effect. Currency translation effects increased EBITDA by €4 million in the period.

**Glass Packaging Europe EBITDA** remained constant at €63 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016, compared to the three months ended March 31, 2015. The adverse sales effect led to a negative movement in volume/mix which has been offset in the underlying business by a positive inflation gap and overhead cost savings.

**Metal Packaging EBITDA** increased by €5 million, or 8% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2015. The increase in EBITDA in the underlying business is wholly attributable to organic growth and includes overhead cost savings, a positive volume/mix effect and a negative inflation gap.

*Depreciation and amortization*

Depreciation and amortization charges increased by €8 million from €90 million for the period ended March 31, 2015 to €98 million for the year ended March 31, 2016. This increase was primarily driven by increased capital expenditure in our Glass Packaging North America division in 2015.

*Exceptional items*

Exceptional items of €5 million were incurred for the period ended March 31, 2016. These included €2 million related to plant start-up costs, €2 million of transaction related costs and €1 million of restructuring costs.

*Net finance expenses*

Net finance expense before exceptional items of Ardagh Packaging Holdings for the period ended March 31, 2016 was €92 million compared to €89 million for the period ended March 31, 2015, an increase of €3 million. The components of this difference were:

	<u>€m</u>
<b>Net Finance Expense before exceptional finance items, three months ended March 31, 2015 . . . .</b>	89
Net change in debt interest . . . . .	—
Net change in interest on other financing arrangements . . . . .	—
Non-cash foreign exchange translation . . . . .	3
Non-cash movement in pension financing costs . . . . .	—
<b>Net Finance Expense before exceptional finance items, three months ended March 31, 2016 . . . .</b>	<u><u>92</u></u>

*Income tax expense*

The income tax charge for the period ended March 31, 2016, was €17 million, which represents an increase of €1 million when compared to the €16 million tax charge in the period ended March 31, 2015. The increase is primarily due to the increase in profitability when compared to the period ended March 31, 2015.

*Profit/(Loss) for the year*

We recorded a profit for the period ended March 31, 2016 of €5 million, compared with a loss of €10 million for the period ended March 31, 2015, as a result of the items explained above.



*Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014*

	Year ended December 31,	
	2015	2014
	(in € millions)	
Revenue		
Glass Packaging North America . . . . .	1,707	1,353
Glass Packaging Europe . . . . .	1,452	1,406
Metal Packaging . . . . .	2,040	1,974
Total Revenue . . . . .	<u>5,199</u>	<u>4,733</u>
EBITDA		
Glass Packaging North America . . . . .	346	265
Glass Packaging Europe . . . . .	284	277
Metal Packaging . . . . .	304	250
Total EBITDA . . . . .	<u>934</u>	<u>792</u>

*Revenue*

**Glass Packaging North America Revenue** increased by €354 million, or 26% to €1,707 million in the year ended December 31, 2015 from €1,353 million in the year ended December 31, 2014. The increase in revenues is partly attributable to the €109 million net impact of the 2014 SGCI Acquisition in April 2014 and the disposal of six former Anchor Glass plants in June 2014. Currency translation effects resulted in a positive variance of €289 million which was partly offset by a fall in the underlying organic business of €44 million.

**Glass Packaging Europe Revenue** increased by €46 million, or 3% to €1,452 million in the year ended December 31, 2015 from €1,406 million in the year ended December 31, 2014. The increase in revenue in the underlying business is largely as a result of organic growth of €5 million and positive currency translation effect of €41 million.

**Metal Packaging Revenue** increased by €66 million, or 3% to €2,040 million in the year ended December 31, 2015 from €1,974 million in the year ended December 31, 2014. The improvement in revenue can be attributed to €187 million of organic growth in the underlying business, €37 million of positive currency translation effect and a decrease of €158 million due to business disposals.

*EBITDA*

**Glass Packaging North America EBITDA** increased by €81 million, or 31% to €346 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. Organic growth increased EBITDA by €23 million in the year and a positive currency translation effect increased EBITDA by €53 million. The net EBITDA effect of acquisitions and disposals was a €5 million improvement in the underlying business in the year.

**Glass Packaging Europe EBITDA** increased by €7 million, or 3% to €284 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. Currency translation effects increased EBITDA by €8 million which was partly offset by a €1million decline in the underlying business.

**Metal Packaging EBITDA** increased by €54 million, or 22% to €304 million for the year ended 31 December 2015. Organic growth and positive currency translation effects increased the EBITDA by €65 million and €4 million respectively, which were partly offset by a €15 million decrease due to business disposals in the year.

### *Depreciation and amortization*

Depreciation and amortization charges increased by €40 million from €363 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 to €403 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. The increase was primarily driven by the full year effect of the 2014 SGCI Acquisition.

### *Exceptional items*

Exceptional items of €94 million were incurred for the year ended December 31, 2015. These included €41 million of transaction related costs, €27 million related to plant start-up costs, €14 million of restructuring costs, €13 million of finance expenses, a €2 million credit partially reversing a prior year impairment of working capital and €1 million of other costs.

Further details on these costs are included in Note 18 to the consolidated financial statements of Ardagh for the year ended December 31, 2015.

### *Net finance expenses*

Net finance expense before exceptional items of Ardagh Packaging Holdings for the year ended December 31, 2015 was €353 million compared to €348 million in 2014, an increase of €5 million. The components of this difference were:

	<u>€m</u>
<b>Net Finance Expense before exceptional items 2014</b> . . . . .	348
Net change in debt interest . . . . .	(8)
Net change in interest on other financing arrangements . . . . .	1
Non-cash foreign exchange translation . . . . .	9
Non-cash movement in pension financing costs . . . . .	3
<b>Net Finance Expense before exceptional items 2015</b> . . . . .	<u>353</u>

### *Income tax expense*

The income tax charge for the year ended December 31, 2015, was €43 million, which represents an increase of €46 million when compared to the €3 million tax credit in the year ended December 31, 2014. The increase in the income tax charge is primarily attributable to the inclusion of full year results for the 2014 SGCI Acquisition in Glass Packaging North America, in addition to the increase in Group profitability when compared to the year ended December 31, 2014.

### *Loss for the year*

We recorded a profit for the year ended December 31, 2015 of €41 million, compared with a loss of €391 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, as a result of the items explained above.

*Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013*

	Year ended December 31,	
	2014	2013
	(in € millions)	
Revenue		
Glass Packaging North America . . . . .	1,353	663
Glass Packaging Europe . . . . .	1,406	1,389
Metal Packaging . . . . .	1,974	1,991
Total Revenue . . . . .	<u>4,733</u>	<u>4,043</u>
EBITDA		
Glass Packaging North America . . . . .	265	137
Glass Packaging Europe . . . . .	277	273
Metal Packaging . . . . .	250	213
Total EBITDA . . . . .	<u>792</u>	<u>623</u>

*Revenue*

**Glass Packaging North America Revenue** increased by €690 million, or 104% to €1,353 million in the year ended December 31, 2014 from €663 million in the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase in revenue is mainly attributable to the €654 million net impact of the 2014 SGCI Acquisition in and the disposal of six former Anchor Glass plants in June 2014. Currency translation effects resulted in a negative variance of €13 million which was offset by an increase in the underlying organic business of €49 million.

**Glass Packaging Europe Revenue** increased by €17 million, or 1% to €1,406 million in the year ended December 31, 2014 from €1,389 million in the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase in revenue in the underlying business is driven by organic growth of €13 million and a positive currency translation effect of €17 million, which are partly offset by a fall in revenue of €13 million in the engineering business.

**Metal Packaging Revenue** decreased by €17 million, or 1% to €1,974 million in the year ended December 31, 2014 from €1,991 million in the year ended December 31, 2013. The fall in revenue can be attributed to a decrease of €39 million due to business disposals and €5 million of negative currency translation effect, which is offset by €27 million of organic growth in the underlying business.

*EBITDA*

**Glass Packaging North America EBITDA** increased by €128 million, or 93% to €265 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The increase in EBITDA is mainly attributable to the €120 million net impact of the 2014 SGCI Acquisition in April 2014 and the disposal of six former Anchor Glass plants in June 2014. Organic growth increased EBITDA by €14 million in the year which is partly offset by negative currency translation effects of €2 million and an EBITDA decrease of €4 million in our engineering business.

**Glass Packaging Europe EBITDA** increased by €4 million, or 1% to €277 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. Positive organic growth in the underlying business and currency translation effects increased EBITDA by €6 million and €3 million respectively, which was partly offset by a €5 million decline in the engineering business in the year.

**Metal Packaging EBITDA** increased by €37 million, or 17% to €250 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The increase in EBITDA in the underlying business is mainly attributable to

organic growth of €35 million, a positive effect from business disposals of €3 million and negative currency translation effect of €1 million.

#### *Depreciation and amortization*

Depreciation, amortization and non-exceptional impairment charges increased by €65 million from €298 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to €363 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The increase was primarily driven by the 2014 SGCI Acquisition.

#### *Exceptional items*

Exceptional items of €475 million were incurred for the year ended December 31, 2014. These included a €159 million loss on disposal of businesses, €126 million of finance expenses, €94 million of asset impairments, €39 million of restructuring costs, €22 million of transaction related costs, €19 million related to plant start-up costs, €15 million of a non-cash inventory adjustment and €1 million of other costs.

Further details on these costs are included in Note 18 to the consolidated financial statements of Ardagh for the year ended December 31, 2014.

#### *Net finance expenses*

Net finance expense before exceptional items of Ardagh Packaging Holdings for the year ended December 31, 2014 was €348 million compared to €379 million in 2013, a decrease of €31 million. The components of this difference were:

	<u>€m</u>
<b>Net Finance Expense before exceptional items 2013</b> . . . . .	379
Net change in debt interest . . . . .	—
Net change in interest on other financing arrangements . . . . .	(1)
Non-cash foreign exchange translation . . . . .	(34)
Non-cash movement in pension financing costs . . . . .	4
<b>Net Finance Expense before exceptional items 2014</b> . . . . .	<u>348</u>

#### *Income tax expense*

The income tax credit for the year ended December 31, 2014, was €3 million, which represents a decrease of €7 million when compared to the €4 million tax charge in the year ended December 31, 2013. The decrease in the income tax charge is primarily attributable to movements in profits/losses, in addition to a decrease in the non-recognition of deferred tax assets on losses in certain jurisdictions.

#### *Loss for the year*

We recorded a loss for the year ended December 31, 2014 of €391 million, compared with a loss of €314 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The loss increased by €77 million as a result of the items explained above.

### **Results of Operations of the Ball Carve-Out Business**

*The Ball Combined Financial Statements, and the financial information derived therefrom, discussed below do not reflect what the results of operations, financial condition or cash flows of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition would have been during the periods presented and are not necessarily indicative of the future results of operations, future financial condition or future cash flows of the*

*Ball Carve-Out Business. This is primarily owing to the fact that the metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation reflected in the Ball Combined Financial Statements include certain assets (namely, three plants in Europe and certain other ancillary assets) and certain liabilities (namely, certain pension liabilities) that will be retained by Ball Corporation and therefore do not comprise part of the Ball Carve-Out Business to be acquired by us in the Acquisition. See “Presentation of Financial and Other Data.”*

## **Overview**

### **Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014**

The following table sets forth certain income statement results for the Ball Carve-Out Business for the years ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	Year ended December 31,	
	2015	2014
	(in \$ millions)	
<b>Combined Statement of Earnings Data</b>		
Net sales . . . . .	1,891	2,151
Cost and expenses		
Cost of sales (excluding depreciation and amortization) . . . . .	(1,484)	(1,692)
Depreciation and amortization . . . . .	(82)	(82)
Selling, general and administrative . . . . .	(149)	(162)
Business consolidation and other activities . . . . .	(10)	(9)
	(1,725)	(1,945)
<b>Earnings before interest and taxes . . . . .</b>	166	206
Interest expense . . . . .	(1)	(2)
Earnings before taxes . . . . .	165	204
Tax provision . . . . .	(37)	(44)
Net earnings . . . . .	128	160
Less net (earnings) loss attributable to noncontrolling interests . . . . .	1	(2)
Net earnings attributable to certain metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation . . . . .	129	158

### *Net sales*

Net sales decreased by \$260 million, or 12.1%, from \$2,151 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 to \$1,891 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. This decrease was due primarily to unfavorable currency exchange effects in Europe of \$359 million, partially offset by favorable product mix and higher sales volumes of \$100 million.

### *Costs and expenses*

Costs and expenses decreased by \$220 million, or 11.3%, from \$1,945 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 to \$1,725 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. This decrease was primarily driven by a \$208 million decrease in cost of sales (excluding depreciation and amortization) related principally to foreign currency exchange effects, and a \$13 million decrease in selling, general and administrative expenses, which was primarily related to lower incentive compensation.

### *Earnings before interest and taxes*

Earnings before interest and taxes decreased by \$40 million, or 19.4%, from \$206 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 to \$166 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. This decrease was due primarily to our European operations experiencing unfavorable currency exchange effects of \$56 million and unfavorable manufacturing performance due to new line start-ups of \$23 million, partially offset by favorable sales mix and higher sales volumes of \$58 million.

### *Interest expense*

Interest expense decreased by \$1 million from \$2 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 to \$1 million for the year ended December 31, 2015.

### *Tax provision*

Tax provision decreased by \$7 million, or 15.9%, from \$44 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 to \$37 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. The 2015 full year effective income tax rate was 22.4% compared to the 2014 full year effective income tax rate of 21.4%. The higher tax rate in 2015 compared to 2014 was primarily due to a higher foreign tax rate differential in 2014.

### *Net earnings*

Net earnings decreased by \$32 million, or 20.0%, from \$160 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 to \$128 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. This decrease reflects the lower earnings before interest and taxes, partially offset by lower interest expense and tax provision.

Net earnings attributable to certain metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation decreased by \$29 million, or 18.4%, from \$158 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 to \$129 million for the year ended December 31, 2015.

### *Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013*

	<b>Year ended December 31,</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
	<b>(in \$ millions)</b>	
<b>Combined Statement of Earnings Data</b>		
Net sales . . . . .	2,151	2,039
Cost and expenses		
Cost of sales (excluding depreciation and amortization) . . . . .	(1,692)	(1,623)
Depreciation and amortization . . . . .	(82)	(105)
Selling, general and administrative . . . . .	(162)	(125)
Business consolidation and other activities . . . . .	(9)	(11)
	<u>(1,945)</u>	<u>(1,864)</u>
<b>Earnings before interest and taxes . . . . .</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>175</b>
Interest expense . . . . .	(2)	(6)
Earnings before taxes . . . . .	204	169
Tax provision . . . . .	(44)	(41)
Net earnings . . . . .	160	128
Less net (earnings) loss attributable to noncontrolling interests . . . . .	(2)	(2)
Net earnings attributable to certain metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation . . . . .	<u>158</u>	<u>126</u>

#### *Net sales*

Net sales increased by \$112 million, or 5.5%, from \$2,039 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to \$2,151 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. This increase was due primarily to higher sales volumes and favorable product mix of \$100 million and favorable currency exchange effects of \$12 million.

#### *Costs and expenses*

Costs and expenses increased by \$81 million, or 4.3%, from \$1,864 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to \$1,945 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. This increase was principally attributable to a \$69 million increase in cost of sales (excluding depreciation and amortization), reflecting a significant increase in aluminum premia, and a \$37 million increase in selling, general and administrative expenses, partially offset by a \$23 million decrease in depreciation and amortization.

#### *Earnings before interest and taxes*

Earnings before interest and taxes increased by \$31 million, or 17.7%, from \$175 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to \$206 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. This increase was due primarily to higher sales volumes and favorable product mix of \$62 million in our European operations and reduced depreciation costs of \$23 million, partially offset by higher incentive compensation and employee costs of \$19 million and unfavorable manufacturing performance of \$26 million.

#### *Interest expense*

Interest expense decreased by \$4 million from \$6 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to \$2 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. This decrease was principally attributable to significantly lower average debt levels. Total debt outstanding was \$95 million and \$271 million at December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

#### *Tax provision*

Tax provision increased by \$3 million, or 7.3%, from \$41 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to \$44 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The 2014 full year effective income tax rate was 21.4% compared to the 2013 full year effective income tax rate of 24.1%. The lower tax rate in 2014 was primarily the result of a higher foreign tax rate differential.

#### *Net earnings*

Net earnings increased by \$32 million, or 25.0%, from \$128 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to \$160 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. This increase reflects the higher earnings before interest and taxes and lower interest expense, partially offset by higher tax provision.

Net earnings attributable to certain metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation increased by \$32 million, or 25.4%, from \$126 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to \$158 million for the year ended December 31, 2014.

### **Results of Operations of the Rexam Carve-Out Business**

*The businesses included in the Rexam Combined Carve Out Financial Statements have not operated as a single entity. The Rexam Combined Carve Out Financial Statements are, therefore, not necessarily indicative of results that would have occurred if the Rexam Carve-Out Business had operated as a single*



business during the periods presented or of future results of the Rexam Carve-Out Business. See “Presentation of Financial and Other Data.”

## Overview

### Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

	Year ended and as of December 31,	
	2015	2014
	(in £ millions)	
<b>Combined Income Statement</b>		
Sales . . . . .	900	895
Cost of sales . . . . .	(705)	(684)
<b>Gross profit</b> . . . . .	195	211
Selling and distribution costs . . . . .	(84)	(86)
Administrative expenses . . . . .	(31)	(35)
Research and development . . . . .	(2)	(3)
Exceptional items . . . . .	(11)	—
<b>Profit before tax</b> . . . . .	67	87
Tax . . . . .	(24)	(30)
<b>Profit for the year</b> . . . . .	43	57

## Sales

Sales increased by £5 million, or 0.6%, from £895 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 to £900 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. The impact of currency was significant, accounting for a £43 million increase in sales, or 4.8%. In constant currency terms, sales fell by £38 million, or 4.2%. In the United States, volumes from standard cans fell due to the decline in the carbonated soft drinks market, plus certain pricing pressures in particular relating to one specialty can size, including a reduction in prices for ends, offset to some degree by higher specialty beverage can volumes. In addition, in Europe the Spanish line conversion meant that the plant was not fully operational for the latter part of 2015, leading to lower volumes.

## Cost of sales

Cost of sales increased by £21 million, or 3.1%, from £684 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 to £705 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. Currency translation effects accounted for an increase in cost of sales of £35 million, or 5.1%. In constant currency terms, cost of sales fell by £14 million, or 2.0%.

## Gross profit

Gross profit decreased by £16 million, or 7.6%, from £211 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 to £195 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. The impact of currency translation effects accounted for a £8 million increase in gross profit, or 3.8%. In constant currency terms, gross profit fell by £24 million, or 11.4%. This decrease reflects pricing pressures, some mix changes, the decline in the carbonated soft drinks market in the United States and the Spanish line conversion.

### *Profit before tax*

Profit before tax decreased by £20 million, or 23.0%, from £87 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 to £67 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. Excluding the impact of exceptional costs incurred in 2015 of £11 million, profit before tax fell by £9 million, or 10.3%. The impact of currency translation effects accounted for a £3 million increase in profit before tax excluding exceptional costs, or 3.4%. In constant currency terms the reduction was £12 million, or 13.8%. This decrease reflects the lower gross profit discussed above, partially offset by lower selling and distribution costs and administrative expenses. Exceptional costs in the year ended December 31, 2015 comprised a £7 million expense for the conversion of the Valdemorillo plant from steel to aluminum and £4 million in employee related incentive costs incurred in connection with the proposed acquisition of Rexam by Ball.

### *Tax*

Tax decreased by £6 million, or 20.0%, from £30 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 to £24 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. The effective tax rate for the year ended December 31, 2015 was 36.0%, compared to 34.5% for the year ended December 31, 2014, primarily reflecting differences in lower domestic tax rates on non-U.S. earnings.

### *Profit for the year*

Profit for the year decreased by £14 million, or 24.6%, from £57 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 to £43 million for the year ended December 31, 2015.

### *Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013*

	Year ended and as of December 31,	
	2014	2013
	(in £ millions)	
<b>Combined Income Statement</b>		
Sales . . . . .	895	985
Cost of sales . . . . .	(684)	(759)
<b>Gross profit</b> . . . . .	211	226
Selling and distribution costs . . . . .	(86)	(91)
Administrative expenses . . . . .	(35)	(36)
Research and development . . . . .	(3)	(3)
<b>Profit before tax</b> . . . . .	87	96
Tax . . . . .	(30)	(32)
<b>Profit for the year</b> . . . . .	<u>57</u>	<u>64</u>

### *Sales*

Sales decreased by £90 million, or 9.1%, from £985 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to £895 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The impact of currency translation effects was significant, accounting for £52 million of the decrease, or 5.3%. In constant currency terms, sales fell by £38 million, or 3.9%. Drivers for this decrease included lower volumes for some U.S. customers, as well as price reductions in the United States and Europe. Volumes increased overall.

#### *Cost of sales*

Cost of sales decreased by £75 million, or 9.9%, from £759 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to £684 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. Currency translation effects accounted for £41 million of this decrease, or 5.4%. In constant currency terms, cost of sales fell by £34 million, or 4.5%.

#### *Gross profit*

Gross profit decreased by £15 million, or 6.6%, from £226 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to £211 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The impact of currency translation effects accounted for a £11 million decrease in gross profit, or 4.9%. In constant currency terms, gross profit fell by £4 million, or 1.8%. This small decrease reflects some pricing pressures, largely offset by improved efficiencies.

#### *Profit before tax*

Profit before tax decreased by £9 million, or 9.4%, from £96 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to £87 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The impact of currency accounted for a £5 million of the decrease, or 5.2%. In constant currency terms the reduction was £4 million, or 4.2%. This decrease reflects the lower gross profit discussed above. Selling and distribution costs and administrative expenses were broadly unchanged compared to the prior year. There were no exceptional items in the year ended December 31, 2014 or in the year ended December 31, 2013.

#### *Tax*

Tax decreased by £2 million, or 6.3%, from £32 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to £30 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The effective tax rate for the year ended December 31, 2014 was 34.5%, compared to 33.3% for the year ended December 31, 2013, reflecting the benefit of a Spanish property, plant and equipment tax revaluation in 2013.

#### *Profit for the year*

Profit for the year decreased by £7 million, or 10.9%, from £64 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to £57 million for the year ended December 31, 2014.

### **Liquidity and Capital Resources of Ardagh**

#### ***Cash Requirements Related to Operations***

Ardagh's principal sources of cash are cash generated from operations and external financings, including borrowings and revolving credit facilities.

Ardagh's principal funding arrangements include borrowings available under the HSBC Securitization Program, the Bank of America Facility and the Unicredit Working Capital and Performance Guarantee Credit Lines. These and other sources of external financing are described further under "Description of Other Indebtedness."

On March 1, 2012, we established the HSBC Securitization Program for up to €150 million under the terms of a secured receivables facility agreement. For a brief summary of the terms of the HSBC Securitization Program, see "Description of Other Indebtedness—HSBC Securitization Program."

Both our glass and metal packaging divisions' sales and cash flows are subject to seasonal fluctuations. Demand for our glass products is typically strongest during the summer months and in the period prior to December because of the seasonal nature of beverage consumption and demand for our

metal products is largely related to agricultural harvest periods. The investment in working capital for glass packaging typically peaks in the first quarter. The investment in working capital for Metal Packaging generally builds over the first three quarters of the year, in line with the seasonal pattern, and then unwinds in the fourth quarter, with the calendar year-end being the low point.

We manage the seasonality of our working capital by supplementing operating cash flows with drawings under our revolving credit facilities.

The following table outlines our principal financing arrangements as of March 31, 2016.

Facility	Currency	Maximum Amount Drawable	Final Maturity Date	Facility Type	Amount Drawn as of March 31, 2016		Undrawn Amount
		Local Currency (millions)			Local Currency (millions)	€ (millions)	€ (millions)
4.250% First Priority Senior Secured Notes . . . . .	EUR	1,155	15 Jan 22	Bullet	1,155	1,155	—
First Priority Senior Secured Floating Rate Notes . .	USD	1,110	15 Dec 19	Bullet	1,110	975	—
6.000% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	440	30 Jun 21	Bullet	440	386	—
9.250% Senior Notes . . . . .	EUR	475	15 Oct 20	Bullet	475	475	—
9.125% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	920	15 Oct 20	Bullet	920	808	—
7.000% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	150	15 Nov 20	Bullet	150	132	—
6.250% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	415	31 Jan 19	Bullet	415	365	—
6.750% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	415	31 Jan 21	Bullet	415	365	—
Term Loan B Facility . . . . .	USD	688	17 Dec 19	Amortizing	688	603	—
HSBC Securitization Program . . . . .	EUR	129	14 Jun 18	Revolving	—	—	149
Bank of America Facility . . . . .	USD	155	11 Apr 18	Revolving	—	—	137
Unicredit Working Capital and Performance							
Guarantee Credit Lines . . . . .	EUR	1	Rolling	Revolving	—	—	1
Finance Lease Obligations . . . . .	GBP/EUR			Amortizing	6	6	—
Other borrowings . . . . .	EUR	3		Amortizing	3	3	—
<b>Total borrowings / undrawn facilities . . . . .</b>						<b>5,273</b>	<b>287</b>
Deferred debt issue costs and bond premiums . . . .						(43)	—
<b>Net borrowings / undrawn facilities . . . . .</b>						<b>5,230</b>	<b>287</b>
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash . . . . .						(485)	485
Derivative financial instruments used to hedge foreign currency and interest rate risk . . . . .						18	—
<b>Net debt / available liquidity . . . . .</b>						<b>4,763</b>	<b>772</b>

As of March 31, 2016, we had undrawn credit lines of up to €287 million at our disposal, together with cash equivalents and restricted cash of €485 million, giving rise to available liquidity of €772 million.

The following table outlines the minimum debt repayments Ardagh is obligated to make for the twelve months ending March 31, 2017. This table assumes that the minimum net principal repayment

will be made, as provided for under each credit facility. It further assumes that the revolving credit lines will be renewed or replaced with similar facilities as they mature.

Facility	Currency	Local Currency (millions)	Final Maturity Date	Facility Type	Minimum net repayment for the twelve months ending March 31, 2017 (in € millions)
Term Loan B Facility . . . . .	USD	7	17 Dec 19	Amortizing	6
HSBC Securitization Program . . . . .	EUR	—	14 Jun 18	Revolving	—
Bank of America Facility . . . . .	USD	—	11 Apr 18	Revolving	—
Unicredit Working Capital and Performance Guarantee Credit Lines . . .	EUR	—	Rolling	Revolving	—
Finance Lease Obligations . . . . .	GBP/EUR			Amortizing	1
Other borrowings . . . . .	EUR			Amortizing	—
Minimum net repayment . . . . .					<u>7</u>

### *Other Financing Arrangements*

#### *Cash generated from operations*

The following table sets forth certain information reflecting Ardagh's ability to make principal and interest payments in respect of its existing debt.

	Year ended December 31,			Three months ended March 31,		Twelve months ended March 31,
	2015	2014	2013	2016	2015	2016
	(in € millions)					
EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	934	792	623	217	204	947
Decrease/(increase) in working capital <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	90	6	(48)	(122)	(84)	52
Taxation paid <sup>(3)</sup> . . . . .	(59)	(18)	(29)	(6)	(3)	(62)
Cash generated from operations . . . . .	965	780	546	89	117	937
Capital expenditure <sup>(4)</sup> . . . . .	(304)	(314)	(285)	(64)	(99)	(269)
Cash generated from operations after capital expenditures . . . . .	<u>661</u>	<u>466</u>	<u>261</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>668</u>

(1) EBITDA is operating profit before depreciation, amortization, non-exceptional impairment and exceptional operating items. EBITDA is presented because we believe that they are frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in evaluating companies in the packaging industry. However, other companies may calculate EBITDA in a manner different from ours. EBITDA is not a measurement of financial performance under IFRS and should not be considered as an alternative to cash flow from operating activities or as a measure of liquidity or an alternative to profit/(loss) as indicators of operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with IFRS.

(2) Working capital is made up of inventories, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables and current provisions.

(3) Excludes exceptional income tax paid of €17 million during the year ended December 31, 2014. No exceptional tax was paid in the year ended December 31, 2015.

(4) Capital expenditures are net of proceeds from the disposal of property, plant and equipment.

### *Working Capital*

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, working capital during the period increased by €117 million. This increase comprised increases in inventory of €44 million, increases in receivables of €62 million, a decrease in payables of €6 million and a decrease in provisions of €5 million. Working capital cash outflow for the three months ended March 31, 2016 was €122 million.

For the year ended December 31, 2015, working capital during the period decreased by €59 million. The decrease comprised increases in inventory of €55 million, increases in receivables of €41 million and an increase of payables and provisions of €73 million. Working capital cash inflow for the year ended December 31, 2015 was €90 million.

For the year ended December 31, 2014, working capital during the period decreased by €3 million. The decrease comprised increases in inventory of €90 million, increases in receivables of €35 million and an increase of payables and provisions of €128 million. Working capital cash inflow for the year ended December 31, 2014 was €6 million.

For the year ended December 31, 2013, working capital during the period decreased by €37 million. The decrease comprised decreases in inventory of €14 million, decreases in receivables of €30 million and a decrease of payables and provisions of €7 million. Working capital cash outflow for the year ended December 31, 2013 was €48 million.

### *Tax Paid*

Income tax paid during the three months ended March 31, 2016 was €6 million, which represents an increase of €3 million when compared to the three months ended March 31, 2015. This increase is primarily attributable to the increase in profitability when compared to the three months ended March 31, 2015.

Income tax paid during the year ended December 31, 2015 was €59 million, which represents an increase of €41 million when compared to the year ended December 31, 2014. The increase is primarily attributable to the inclusion of the full year results for the 2014 SGC Acquisition in Glass Packaging North America, in addition to tax payments which are calculated on the basis of a mixture of profitability in prior periods and estimated tax assessments, and refunds received during the year ended December 31, 2014.

Income tax paid during the year ended December 31, 2014 was €18 million (excluding exceptional income tax paid of €17 million), which represents a decrease of €11 million when compared to the year ended December 31, 2013. The decrease is primarily attributable to refunds received during the year ended 31 December 2014, in addition to tax payments which are calculated on the basis of a mixture of profitability in prior periods and estimated tax assessments.

### *Capital Expenditures*

Capital expenditures for the three months ended March 31, 2016 were €64 million compared to €99 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. In Glass Packaging North America, capital expenditures were €27 million in the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared to capital expenditures of €39 million in the same period of 2015. In Glass Packaging Europe, capital expenditures were €21 million in the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared to capital expenditures of €40 million in the same period of 2015. In Metal Packaging, capital expenditures were €16 million in the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared to capital expenditures of €20 million in the same period of 2015.

Capital expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2015 were €304 million compared to €314 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. In Metal Packaging, capital expenditures in the

year ended December 31, 2015 was €61 million compared to capital expenditures of €150 million in the same period in 2014. In Glass Packaging North America, capital expenditures were €134 million in the year to December 31, 2015 compared to capital expenditures of €78 million in the same period in 2014. In Glass Packaging Europe, capital expenditures were €109 million in the year to December 31, 2015 compared to capital expenditures of €86 million in the same period in 2014.

Capital expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2014 were €314 million compared to €285 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. In Metal Packaging, capital expenditures in the year ended December 31, 2014 were €150 million compared to capital expenditures of €103 million in the same period in 2013. In Glass Packaging North America, capital expenditures were €78 million in the year to December 31, 2014 compared to capital expenditures of €44 million in the same period in 2013. In Glass Packaging Europe, capital expenditures were €86 million in the year to December 31, 2014 compared to capital expenditures of €138 million in the same period in 2013.

### **Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk**

The statements about market risk below relate to our historical financial information included in this Offering Memorandum.

#### ***Interest Rate Risk***

Our policy, in the management of interest rate risk, is to strike the right balance between fixed and floating rate financial instruments. The balance struck by our management is dependent on prevailing interest rate markets at any point in time.

Our interest rate risk arises from long-term borrowings. Borrowings issued at variable rates expose us to variability in cash flows. During 2015 and 2014, our borrowings at variable rates were denominated in euro and U.S. dollars.

We manage our variability in cash flows by using floating-to-fixed interest rate swaps, when deemed appropriate. Such interest rate swaps have the economic effect of converting borrowings from floating rates to fixed rates. When we raise long-term borrowings at floating rates we may swap them into fixed rates that are lower than those available if we borrowed at fixed rates directly. Under the interest rate swaps, we agree with other parties to exchange, at specified intervals, the difference between fixed contract rates and floating-rate interest amounts calculated by reference to the agreed notional principal amounts.

At December 31, 2015, our borrowings were 69.5% (2014: 71.7%), fixed with a weighted average interest rate of 5.8% (2014: 5.9%).

Holding all other variables constant, including levels of indebtedness, at December 31, 2015 a one percentage point increase in variable interest rates would increase interest payable by approximately €12 million (2014: €12 million).

#### ***Currency Exchange Risk***

The Group operates in 20 countries, across four continents. The Group's main currency exposure in the year to 31 December 2015 was in relation to US dollar, British pounds, Swedish krona, Polish zloty and Danish krone. After completion of the Acquisition, we will also have currency exposure in relation to the Brazilian real. Foreign exchange risk arises from future commercial transactions, recognized assets and liabilities, and net investments in foreign operations.

The Group has a limited level of transactional currency exposure arising from sales or purchases by operating units in currencies other than their functional currencies.



The Group has certain investments in foreign operations, whose net assets are exposed to foreign currency translation risk.

Fluctuations in the value of these currencies with respect to the euro may have a significant impact on our financial condition and results of operations as reported in euro. We believe that a strengthening of the euro exchange rate by 1% against all other foreign currencies from the December 31, 2015 rate would increase shareholders' equity by approximately €11 million (2014: €7 million).

### ***Commodity Price Risk***

We are exposed to changes in prices of our main raw materials, primarily energy, steel and aluminum, and we expect our exposure to aluminum to increase significantly as a result of the Acquisition. Production costs in our Glass Packaging division are sensitive to the price of energy. Our main energy exposure is to the cost of gas and electricity. These energy costs have experienced significant volatility in recent years with a corresponding effect on our production costs. In terms of gas, which represents 70% of our energy costs, there is a continuous de-coupling between the cost of gas and oil, whereby now only significant changes in the price of oil have an impact on the price of gas. The volatility in gas pricing is driven by shale gas development (United States only), lack of liquified natural gas ("LNG") in Europe as it is diverted to Asia and storage levels. Volatility in the price of electricity is caused by the German Renewable Energy policy, the phasing out of nuclear generating capacity, fluctuations in the price of gas and the influence of carbon dioxide costs on electricity prices. As a result of the volatility of gas and electricity prices, we have either included energy pass-through clauses in our sales contracts or developed an active hedging strategy to fix a significant proportion of our energy costs through contractual arrangements directly with our suppliers, where there is no energy clause in the sales contract.

Our policy is to purchase natural gas and electricity by entering into forward price-fixing arrangements with suppliers for the bulk of our anticipated requirements for the year ahead. Such contracts are used exclusively to obtain delivery of our anticipated energy supplies. We do not net settle, nor do we sell within a short period of time after taking delivery. As a result these contracts are treated as executory contracts under IAS 39 "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement." We typically build up these contractual positions in tranches of approximately 10% of the anticipated volumes. Any natural gas and electricity which is not purchased under forward price-fixing arrangements is purchased under index tracking contracts or at spot prices. We have 73% of our energy risk for 2016 covered, 60% for 2017 and 52% for 2018.

### **Credit Risk**

Credit risk is managed on a Group basis. Credit risk arises from cash and cash equivalents and deposits with banks and financial institutions, as well as credit exposures to our customers, including outstanding receivables. Our policy is to place excess liquidity on deposit, only with recognized and reputable financial institutions. For banks and financial institutions only independently rated parties with a minimum rating of "A" are accepted, where possible. The credit ratings of banks and financial institutions are monitored to ensure compliance with our credit policy.

Our policy is to extend credit to customers of good credit standing. Credit risk is managed on an ongoing basis by a designated team of employees. Our policy for the management of credit risk in relation to trade receivables involves periodically assessing the financial reliability of customers, taking into account their financial position, past experience and other factors. Provisions are made where deemed necessary and the utilization of credit limits is regularly monitored.

Management does not expect any significant counterparty to fail to meet its obligations. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each asset.

For the year ended December 31, 2015, our ten largest customers accounted for approximately 32% of total revenues (2014: 29%). There is no recent history of default with these customers.

### **Liquidity Risk**

We are exposed to liquidity risk which arises primarily from the maturing of short-term and long-term debt obligations and derivative transactions. Our policy is to ensure that sufficient resources are available either from cash balances, cash flows or undrawn committed bank facilities to ensure all obligations can be met as they fall due.

To achieve this objective, we:

- have committed borrowing facilities that we can access to meet liquidity needs;
- maintain cash balances and liquid investments with highly-rated counterparties;
- limit the maturity of cash balances;
- borrow the bulk of our debt needs under long-term fixed rate debt securities; and
- have internal control processes and contingency plans for managing liquidity risk.

Cash flow forecasting is performed by our operating entities and is aggregated by Group treasury. Group treasury monitors rolling forecasts of our liquidity requirements to ensure we have sufficient cash to meet operational needs while maintaining sufficient headroom on our undrawn committed borrowing facilities at all times so that we do not breach borrowing limits or covenants on any of our borrowing facilities. Such forecasting takes into consideration our debt financing plans, covenant compliance and compliance with internal balance sheet ratio targets.

Surplus cash held by the operating entities over and above the balance required for working capital management is transferred to Group treasury. Group treasury invests surplus cash in interest-bearing current accounts and time deposits with appropriate maturities to provide sufficient headroom as determined by the above-mentioned forecasts. At December 31, 2015, we had placed €nil million (2014: €51 million) on deposit.

## OUR BUSINESS

*In respect of historical financial information in this Offering Memorandum, all references to “we,” “us” or “our” are to Ardagh Packaging Holdings and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis (other than the Target Business). For more information on the Target Business, see “Summary—The Target Business,” “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Results of Operations of the Ball Carve-Out Business” and “Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Results of Operations of the Rexam Carve-Out Business.”*

*The statements included under the section “—Our Company” include, inter alia, projections and objectives in respect of our financial results and our estimated benefits from the Acquisition, as well as statements with respect to our strategic goals and objectives. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, we do not provide any assurance with respect to such statements. The preparation of statements included under the section “—Our Company” is based upon, inter alia, certain assumptions concerning future events and management actions and such events and action may not actually be realized, as they depend substantially on variables which management cannot control, and may involve situations that management cannot predict. As a result the projections and objectives in the statements included under the section “—Our Company” are by definition uncertain and may differ materially from and be more negative than those projected or implied in the projections and objectives. You should not place undue reliance on the projections and objectives, which speak only as of the date that they were made. We do not undertake any obligation to update such forward-looking statements after the date hereof to reflect later events or circumstances or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. See “Forward-Looking Statements” and “Risk Factors.”*

### **Our Company**

We are one of the world’s leading suppliers of rigid packaging to the food & beverage and consumer products industries. We currently supply a broad range of glass and metal packaging products to a variety of end markets on a global basis. We produce value-added products for some of the best known brands in the world. We believe we hold #1 or #2 market positions in most of the markets we serve.

We supply packaging for food & beverage and consumer products including fruits & vegetables, soups & sauces, seafood, pet food, beer, wine & spirits, non-alcoholic beverages, personal care and household products. We also supply packaging for paints, coatings and other items. We sell our products to over 2,000 customers globally, including a diverse mix of leading international, blue-chip companies, and large national and regional companies, as well as small local businesses. We have maintained long-standing relationships with many of our key customers, some of whom have been customers for over 100 years.

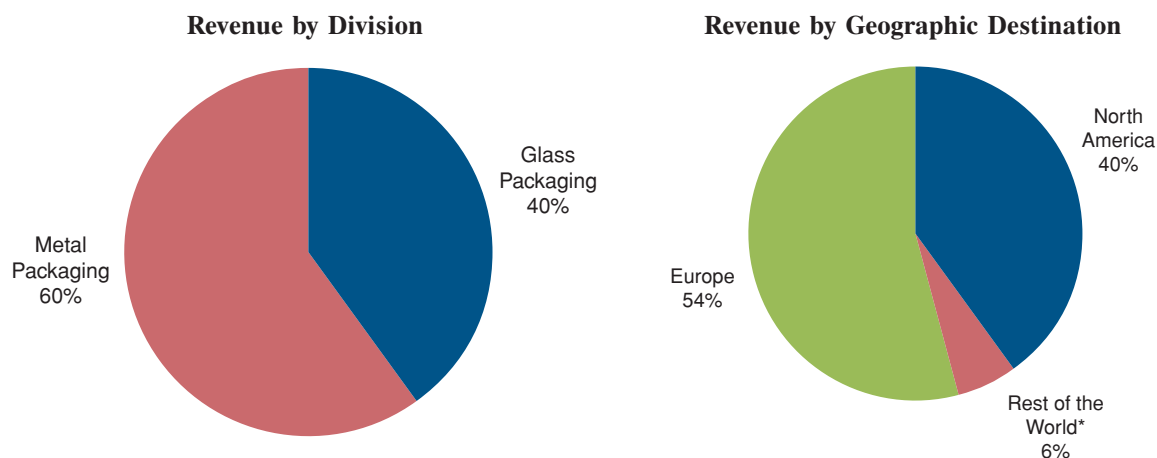
We sell the majority of our products under contract. Approximately two-thirds of our sales are under multi-year contracts and the remainder are subject to one-year agreements. A significant proportion of our sales volumes are supplied under contracts which include input cost pass-through provisions.

After giving effect to the Acquisition, we will operate 110 glass and metal manufacturing facilities located in 22 countries across five continents, with a significant presence in Europe and North America. On a pro forma basis, we will have 75 plants in Europe and 30 plants in North America, along with other facilities in South America, Africa and Asia. In addition, we currently operate four glass engineering facilities and a research and development (“R&D”) center. This technology platform has enabled us to emerge as a leader in sustainability through lightweighting our products and the increased use of recycled content.

We operate strong franchises in glass and metal packaging. These franchises have market positions, manufacturing plant networks and customer relationships that are among the leaders in their sectors. We have a long history of growth through acquisition, with 22 successful acquisitions over the last 17 years in both Glass Packaging and Metal Packaging. We believe that our scale, service, technology and industry-leading manufacturing capabilities allow us to compete highly successfully in the markets in which we operate. By competing successfully, we are able to maintain and grow our margins and generate significant operating cash flow.

On a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the completed Acquisition, revenues and EBITDA for Ardagh Packaging Holdings for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 would have been €7,919 million and €1,300 million, respectively. We also estimate that, following the completion of the Acquisition, we will achieve cost synergies of approximately \$50 million (or €46 million) in procurement, operations and selling, general and administrative cost savings over the next three years, with most of this being achieved by the end of the second full year after the Completion Date. We estimate the one-off cost of achieving these synergies will be approximately \$20 million (or €18 million).

The following charts illustrate the breakdown of our revenues by division and geographic destination, each based on the results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2015 on a combined basis after giving effect to the Acquisition.



\* Africa, Asia, Australia and New Zealand, the Middle East and South America.

## Our Divisions

We presently operate two divisions: Glass Packaging and Metal Packaging.

### *Glass Packaging*

Glass Packaging designs, manufactures and sells glass containers to food & beverage end markets in Europe and North America. We manufacture both “proprietary” and “non-proprietary” glass containers. Our proprietary products are customized to the exact specifications of our customers and play an important role in their branding strategies. Our non-proprietary products deliver consistent performance and product differentiation through value-added decoration, including embossing, coating, printing and pressure-sensitive labeling. Our product offering and ability to meet and exceed our customers’ requirements help support higher profit margins in Glass Packaging.

Glass Packaging has manufacturing operations in Denmark, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Poland, Sweden, the United Kingdom and the United States. We operate 35 glass plants with 73 glass furnaces and have approximately 12,000 employees, with aggregate production in 2015 of approximately 5.9 million tonnes of glass containers. For the year ended December 31, 2015, we estimate that Glass Packaging was the market leader in Northern Europe and one of the market leaders in the United States of glass container production by volume.

Revenues and EBITDA of Glass Packaging for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 were €3,167 million and €638 million, respectively.

### ***Metal Packaging***

Metal Packaging is a leading supplier of innovative, value-added metal can packaging for the consumer products industry. We currently supply a broad range of products, including two-piece aluminum and tinplate and three-piece tinplate cans, and a wide range of can ends, including easy-open and peelable ends. After giving effect to the Acquisition, we will also produce aluminum and steel beverage cans as the third largest global player in the beverage can industry. Many of our products feature high-quality printed graphics, customized sizes and shapes or other innovative designs. These innovative products provide functionality and differentiation and enhance our customers' brands on the shelf. Combined with efficient manufacturing and high service levels, this overall value proposition enables us to achieve strong margins for our metal packaging products.

We supply metal can packaging to a wide range of consumer-driven end-use categories including food (processed food such as fruit, vegetables, soups, sauces, ready meals and pet food), seafood, aerosols (personal care and household products), nutrition & custom (including dairy and infant nutrition powders, as well as other customized packaging), and paints & coatings. We have dedicated manufacturing facilities and sales teams organized around serving these end-use categories. We enjoy leading positions in nearly all categories in which we compete.

As of March 31, 2016, Metal Packaging operated 53 production facilities in 14 European countries, as well as in the United States, Canada, Morocco, the Seychelles and South Korea and had approximately 7,000 employees. After giving effect to the Acquisition, we will have 75 production facilities including 12 additional facilities in Europe, eight additional facilities in the United States and two facilities in Brazil. We currently have leading market positions in selected value-added sectors for metal cans and ends such as processed food (including seafood), aerosols, paints and coatings and other specialty end-uses, including infant and nutritional powders and beer kegs for at-home use. After giving effect to the Acquisition, we will also have leading market positions in the beverage can sector.

On a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the Acquisition, revenues and EBITDA for Metal Packaging for the twelve months ended March 31, 2016 would have been €4,752 million and €662 million, respectively.

### **Our Competitive Strengths**

We believe a number of competitive strengths differentiate us from our competitors, including:

- ***Leading market position in our principal markets.*** We believe we are one of the leading suppliers of glass and metal packaging in the world. We believe Glass Packaging is one of the leading suppliers of glass containers in Europe and the United States, with strong market positions in the food, beer, spirits, wine, non-alcoholic beverages and pharmaceutical sectors. In addition, we believe that Metal Packaging is a market leader in the consumer metal packaging industry and has achieved strong positions in selected value-added market segments for cans.

We derive the majority of our sales from market sectors in which we hold first, second or third market positions. We believe our global manufacturing operations, proximity to clients, high level of service and innovative product development further enhance our strong market positions.

- ***Diverse product, end market and geographic exposure.*** Our business portfolio is well balanced, with a variety of products, geographic destinations and end markets. We supply glass and metal packaging to a wide range of end markets, including fruit, vegetables, soups, sauces, seafood, pet food, beer, wine, spirits, non-alcoholic beverages, personal care, household products, pharmaceuticals, paints and industrial coatings. We believe this diversity provides strength and stability to our profit margins and cash flow. Furthermore, we believe our broad product offering, manufacturing capabilities and geographical reach provide us with flexibility to respond to dynamic market conditions and evolving customer requirements.
- ***Strong customer relationships.*** We have strong and long-standing relationships with our customers, which include leading multinational consumer products companies, large national and regional food & beverage companies, as well as numerous local companies around the world. Some of our longest-standing customers include AB InBev, Akzo Nobel, Bacardi, Bonduelle, Coca-Cola, ConAgra Foods, Constellation Brands, Diageo, Heineken, The Kraft Heinz Company, Nestlé, Pernod Ricard, Procter & Gamble, and Unilever. Many of these customer relationships are strengthened by long-term contracts with input cost pass-through provisions. In addition to these contracts, our customer relationships are further enhanced through dedicated manufacturing facilities, including near-site and on-site (“wall-to-wall”) plants with a number of our largest customers. We believe the value proposition we offer our customers in the form of product quality, reliability, innovation, customer service and geographic reach, will enable us to grow our business alongside our customers on a global basis.

Metal Packaging has also been recognized with numerous industry awards including 11 World Star Awards and 28 Cans of the Year Awards since 2005.

- ***Favorable market dynamics.*** Glass containers and metal packaging are large, stable and mature markets. Nearly all of our products are utilized in end markets that are less sensitive to economic cycles, such as food and beverages, which represented approximately 90% of our 2015 revenue on a pro forma basis after giving effect to the completed Acquisition. The glass and metal packaging industries both feature high barriers to entry, including significant capital requirements, extensive technology and manufacturing know-how and existing customer relationships.
- ***Margin and cash flow stability.*** Both Glass Packaging and Metal Packaging have significant margin stability and cash flow reliability. On a pro forma basis after giving effect to the Acquisition, over two-thirds of our sales would be made pursuant to multi-year contracts with the remainder pursuant to one-year agreements. Furthermore, a significant proportion of our sales volumes are supplied under contracts which include mechanisms which help to protect us from volatility in input costs. Specifically, such arrangements include (i) multi-year contracts that include input cost pass-through and/or margin maintenance provisions and (ii) one-year contracts that allow us to negotiate pricing levels for our products on an annual basis at the same time as we determine our input costs for the relevant year.
- ***Technical leadership and innovation.*** We have advanced technology and manufacturing capabilities, including a high standard of product and process development, and extensive knowledge of both the glass and metal packaging industries. Through our internal glass engineering and metal engineering units, we continually seek to improve the quality of our products and processes through focused investment in new technology and have achieved industry-leading accreditations. Through our design and R&D capabilities, range of machine configurations and high degree of flexibility, we are able to meet the diverse design needs of



customers and to face shifting industry requirements. In Glass Packaging, the focus has been on product development as well as process improvement, which has been the driving force in the technological advances made in, for example, container lightweighting. As well as reducing costs, this has had significant environmental benefits in reducing the use of raw materials and energy. Metal Packaging has significant expertise in the production of value-added metal packaging, made from either tinplate or aluminum, with features such as high-quality graphic designs, a wide range of shapes and sizes and convenience features, such as easy-open ends and Easy Peel® and Easip® peelable lids.

- ***Proven track record of successful acquisitions and integration.*** We have grown our company through a series of acquisitions over the past 17 years, including the 2007 Rexam Acquisition, the 2010 Metal Packaging Acquisition and, most recently, the 2014 SGCI Acquisition, each of which significantly increased our size at the time of the respective acquisition. We have been successful in integrating these acquired businesses and realizing targeted cost synergies, including in connection with the 2014 SGCI Acquisition, where we have substantially achieved the operating and administrative cost synergies of approximately \$60 million outlined at the time of the acquisition and expect to realize the full amount by the end of 2016. These acquisitions have resulted in growth in our existing markets and expansion into new markets and generated cost savings, synergies and revenue growth. Based on our past integration experience, we expect we will be able to integrate the Target Business swiftly. While our combined business has leading positions in many markets, we believe there are still significant opportunities for further growth by acquisition and we intend to take advantage of these opportunities.
- ***Experienced and highly focused management team with a proven track record.*** Our management team is highly experienced, with strong backgrounds in the glass and metal packaging industry. The members of our senior management team have demonstrated their ability to manage costs, adapt to changing market conditions and acquire and successfully integrate new businesses, as shown by the growth of both Glass Packaging and Metal Packaging over the past decade through a series of acquisitions. As of the date of this Offering Memorandum, our senior management (including directors of Ardagh Group S.A., other than Paul Coulson) collectively owned approximately 20% of the total share capital of Ardagh Group S.A.

## **Our Business Strategy**

Our principal objective is to increase our value through margin enhancement, cash flow generation, acquisitions and strategic investments. We pursue this objective through the following strategies:

- ***Maintain a disciplined earnings and cash flow oriented approach.*** We carefully assess the potential for earnings and cash flow stability and growth when we evaluate the performance of our operations, new investment opportunities and prospective acquisitions. In managing our businesses we consistently seek to improve our efficiency, control costs and preserve cash flows. We have consistently focused on decreasing total costs through a focus on operational efficiencies and investments in advanced technology. We will continue to take decisive actions to reduce costs, enhance cash flow and manage our manufacturing base, including through further investment in advanced technology.
- ***Enhance product mix and profitability.*** We have improved our product mix by replacing lower margin business with higher margin business as opportunities arise. We have also enhanced our profitability through long-term contracts with input cost pass-through provisions. We will continue to develop long-term partnerships with our global customers and selectively pursue opportunities with existing and new customers that will grow our business and enhance our overall profitability and cash flows.



- ***Apply leading technology and technical expertise.*** Our goal is to be the most profitable producer in the rigid packaging industry. We plan to achieve this with a low cost base, lean manufacturing, strong technological expertise and a highly motivated workforce. We intend to increase productivity through the deployment of leading technology (including our internal engineering capabilities), and continued development and transfer of expertise and best practices across our operations.
- ***Successfully integrate acquired businesses.*** We have successfully acquired and integrated a significant number of businesses. We have proven our ability to create value through integrating acquisitions with our existing operations. We intend to continue to integrate, optimize and realize cost savings and other synergies with the Acquisition.
- ***Carefully evaluate and pursue strategic opportunities.*** We have achieved our current market position by pursuing strategic and profitable opportunities. We will continue to consider acquiring businesses in line with our strategic objectives, which include the realization of attractive returns on investment and the generation of significant free cash flow. We may selectively explore business opportunities for establishing operations in new markets to meet the geographic and other needs of our current and potential customers.

## **Glass Packaging**

We believe we are the #1 supplier of glass containers in Northern Europe by market share and the #3 supplier in Europe overall by market share, as well as the #2 supplier in the U.S. market by market share. Glass sales represented 61% of our total 2015 sales. In 2015, we manufactured approximately 5.9 million tonnes of glass. The majority of production was for the food & beverage end markets.

### *Products and Services*

Our products consist of proprietary glass containers (i.e., containers that are designed and manufactured specifically to a customer's specification, usually related to their brand and marketing strategy) and non-proprietary glass containers (those that could be considered standard or 'off the shelf'). Many of the containers produced are then decorated at one of our specialist facilities.

In addition, Glass Engineering brings together our main technology business, Heye International, and our mold manufacturing and repair operations. Through Heye International we design and supply glass packaging machinery and spare parts for existing glass packaging machinery. We also provide technical assistance to third-party users of our equipment and licensees of our technology. For the 2015 fiscal year, these activities represented approximately 2% of Glass Packaging's revenues.

### *Manufacturing and Production*

As of March 31, 2016, we operated 35 glass plants with 73 glass furnaces and had approximately 12,000 employees. We have manufacturing operations in Denmark, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Poland, Sweden, the United Kingdom and the United States. We believe that our facilities are well maintained and that we generally have sufficient capacity to satisfy current and expected demand. We own all of our manufacturing facilities, some of which are subject to finance leases or similar financial arrangements. Certain of our warehousing facilities are located in premises leased from third parties.

In addition, we have four glass engineering facilities and operate one of the largest ranges of in-house decoration facilities in the European glass container industry.

The following table summarizes our Glass Packaging production facilities as of March 31, 2016.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Number of Production Facilities</u>
Germany . . . . .	8
Netherlands . . . . .	2
Poland . . . . .	3
United Kingdom . . . . .	4
Other European countries <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	3
United States . . . . .	15

(1) Denmark, Italy and Sweden.

### *Industry Overview*

Glass packaging manufacturers supply containers for the food & beverage end markets as well as pharmaceuticals, toiletries and healthcare industries. We believe that glass containers will continue to maintain a leading position in the high-end beverage and food segments due primarily to consumer preferences and the quality perception that glass offers, despite the broader impact of the substitution of plastic and other alternative packaging materials. In addition to aesthetics, glass containers also provide stronger oxygen and carbon dioxide barriers for longer shelf life, better functional qualities and have relative cost advantages in small containers. Industry surveys commissioned by us have shown that consumers associate glass packaging with quality products and view glass as a hygienic, natural and taste-neutral packaging material that is not associated with hazardous chemicals. In addition, we believe that manufacturers of food & beverages appreciate Glass Packaging's capacity for greater product differentiation compared with other packaging materials.

Notwithstanding these advantages of glass containers, advances in alternative forms of packaging remain a competitive threat. To remain competitive, glass container manufacturers must also continue to innovate and provide customer value in a highly competitive marketplace. The glass packaging industry has produced advances in lightweighting technology in recent years, delivering supply chain benefits as well as decreasing the use of raw materials and reducing the use of energy, while improving the sustainable credentials of the material.

Entering and operating in the glass packaging industry requires significant levels of investment and fixed costs (approximately 60% of total costs are fixed). Displacing existing operators' established customer relationships and investing in manufacturing know-how are not easily transferable from other industries. Despite these challenges for a new entrant, some new firms have entered into glass container manufacturing. In addition, vertical integration by large customers into glass container manufacturing remains a persistent threat.

### *Customers*

In certain product groups (beer, wine, spirits and non-alcoholic beverages), sales are concentrated among a few key customers with whom we have strong, long-term relationships. Our top ten customers in Glass Packaging accounted for 43% of total revenues in 2015. Some of our largest and longest-standing customers include AB InBev, Bacardi, Carlsberg, Coca-Cola, Constellation Brands, Diageo, Heineken, The Kraft Heinz Company, Mizkan, PepsiCo, Pernod Ricard and J.M. Smucker.

Approximately two-thirds of our glass sales are made pursuant to long-term supply arrangements, a majority of which allow us to recover input cost inflation on some or all of our cost base. Our remaining sales are made through short-term arrangements which have provided, and we expect will continue to provide, the basis for long-term partnership with our customers. These customer

arrangements are typically renegotiated annually (in terms of price and expected volume) and typically we have been able to recover input cost inflation on a majority of our cost base.

#### *Competitors*

Glass Packaging is subject to intense competition from other glass container producers—including O-I, Verallia, Fevisa, Vidrala, Vetropack, Wiegand Glas, BA Vidro and Anchor Glass—as well as from producers of other forms of rigid and non-rigid packaging, against whom we compete on the basis of price, product characteristics, quality, customer service, reliability of delivery, consumer preference, and marketing. Advantages or disadvantages in any of these competitive factors may be sufficient to cause customers to consider changing suppliers or to use an alternative form of packaging. In some instances, we also face the threat of vertical integration by our customers into the manufacture of their own packaging materials.

#### *Energy, Raw Materials and Suppliers*

We use natural gas, electricity, oil and oxygen to fuel our furnaces. We have developed substantial backup systems, which protect our operations in the case of an interruption of our primary energy sources. We tend to have several energy suppliers in each country, with contractual pricing arrangements typically linked to the relevant market index. We seek to mitigate the inherent risk in energy price fluctuations through a combination of contractual customer pass-through agreements, fixed price procurement contracts, index tracking procurement contracts and hedging.

We have developed an active hedging strategy. In Europe, we typically hedge in small tranches of volumes. Our policy is to hedge approximately 80% of our energy requirements before the beginning of the following year. In North America, contracts are predominantly multi-year and provide for the pass-through of movements in energy costs. We expect energy costs over the next several years to vary broadly in line with the price of crude oil.

The primary raw materials used in our glass container operations are cullet (crushed recycled glass), sand, soda ash and limestone. We have several country suppliers of cullet and a number of pan-European suppliers of soda ash. We use as much recycled glass as possible in our production process as this enables the other raw materials to melt at lower temperatures, thereby lowering our energy costs and carbon emissions and prolonging furnace life.

#### *Distribution*

We use various freight and haulage contractors to make deliveries to customer sites or warehousing facilities. In some cases, customers make their own delivery arrangements and therefore may purchase from us on an ex-works basis. Warehousing facilities are situated at our manufacturing facilities; however, in some regions, we use networks of externally rented warehouses at strategic third-party locations, close to major customers' filling operations.

#### *Intellectual Property*

Heye International has an extensive portfolio of patents covering the design of equipment for the manufacture of glass containers. It also has substantial proprietary knowledge of the technology and processes involved in operating a glass container manufacturing facility. It has entered into a large number of agreements to provide technical assistance and technology support to glass container manufacturers for which it receives annual fees.

### *Research and Development*

We support a significant research and development effort, particularly at Heye International, which we believe is important to our ability to compete effectively. We are a member of glass research associations and other organizations that are engaged in R&D activities aimed at improving the manufacturing processes and the quality and design of products while continuing to meet our environmental responsibilities.

### **Metal Packaging**

We are one of the leading suppliers of consumer metal packaging in the world and are the #2 supplier of food and specialty cans in the European market. We believe we hold the #1 or #2 market positions in certain metal packaging markets including global seafood, European food, seafood, nutrition, paints and coatings and aerosols and North American seafood. Metal Packaging sales represented 39% of our total sales in 2015.

The global packaging industry is a large, consumer-driven industry with stable growth characteristics. Within the \$800 billion global packaging industry, the metal can packaging market represents a \$70 billion market that is comprised of beverage cans (58%), food cans (28%) and specialty cans (14%), according to Smithers Pira\*, a leading independent market research firm with extensive specialized experience in the packaging, paper and print industries. Within the metal can packaging market, we primarily compete in the food and specialty can sectors, which account for approximately \$30 billion of the overall metal can packaging market according to Smithers Pira. The \$20 billion food can sector is a relatively stable market which includes cans for a variety of food, pet food and seafood applications. The food can sector is expected to remain stable on a unit volume basis in our target regions of Europe and North America according to Smithers Pira\*. The \$10 billion specialty can sector is characterized by a number of different products and applications including specialty, aerosol, and other cans. The specialty can sector is expected to grow in our target region of Europe by 1.8% per annum on a volume basis through 2019 according to Smithers Pira.

### *Products and Services*

We manufacture steel and aluminum two- and three-piece cans and ends. In addition to producing large volumes of standard cans, we have significant expertise in the production of high value-added metal packaging, with features such as quality graphic designs, a wide range of shapes and sizes, and special convenience features, such as easy-open ends and Easy Peel® and Easip® peelable lids.

We have established market positions in selected value-added segments for metal cans and ends. These include processed food (including seafood), aerosols, paints and coatings and other specialist end-uses, such as infant and nutritional powders and beer kegs for at-home use. We develop and manufacture a wide range of products to meet the specific needs of our customers, utilizing different sizes, shapes, closure systems, print characteristics, coatings and other features. We design products to help our customers differentiate their brands.

### *Manufacturing and Production*

As of March 31, 2016, we operated 53 production facilities in 19 countries and had approximately 7,000 employees. Our plants are currently located in 14 European countries, as well as in Canada, Morocco, the Seychelles, South Korea and the United States.

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\* Source: Smithers Pira—*The Future of Metal Cans to 2019* (Nov. 2014).

The following table summarizes our Metal Packaging production facilities as of March 31, 2016.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Number of Production Facilities</u>
Germany . . . . .	6
France . . . . .	8
Italy . . . . .	8
Netherlands . . . . .	5
United States . . . . .	6
Other European countries <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	16
Rest of the world <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	4

(1) The Czech Republic, Denmark, Hungary, Latvia, Poland, Romania, Russia, Spain, Ukraine and the United Kingdom.

(2) Canada, South Korea, Morocco and the Seychelles.

### *Industry Overview*

We operate in the consumer metal packaging industry, which can be broadly divided into (i) the processed food and specialties segments and (ii) the beverage segment. We are currently focused on the processed food and specialties market, which include cans for heat-processed food and seafood, aerosol cans, cans for paints and coatings, and cans for specialist markets, such as infant formula and nutritional powders, beer kegs for at-home use and other products.

After the Acquisition, we will enter the beverage can sector, which we estimate to be approximately \$40 billion worldwide. We further estimate that approximately 320 billion beverage cans were consumed globally in 2015, of which nearly 90% were aluminum cans and 10% steel cans. Because the consumer metal packaging industry primarily supplies packaging for food, drinks and other basic needs, it is considered to be a relatively stable market sector that is less sensitive to economic cycles than many other industries. We believe the purchasing decisions of European retail consumers are significantly influenced by packaging. In response to increasing competition, consumer product manufacturers and marketers are increasingly using packaging as a means to position their products in the market and differentiate them on retailers' shelves. The development and production of premium, specialized packaging products with a combination of value-added features requires a higher level of design capabilities, metallurgical know-how and quality control than for more standardized products.

### *Customers*

We operate worldwide, selling metal packaging for a wide range of consumer products to national and international customers. We supply leading manufacturers in each of the markets we serve, including AkzoNobel, J.M. Smucker, Bumble Bee Seafoods, ConAgra Foods, Danone, Heineken, The Kraft Heinz Company, L'Oréal, Mars, Mead Johnson, Nestlé, Procter & Gamble, Reckitt Benckiser, Thai Union and Unilever, among others.

In 2015, the top ten metal packaging customers represented approximately 38% of sales. Approximately 60% of our sales were backed by multi-year supply agreements, ranging from two- to ten-year terms. These contracts generally provide for the recovery of metal price increases and, in most cases, all or most of variable cost inflation. In addition, within multi-year relationships both parties can work to streamline the product, service and supply process, leading to significant cost reductions and improvements in product and service. Wherever possible, we seek to enter into multi-year supply agreements with our customers. In other cases, sales are made under commercial supply agreements, typically of one year's duration, with prices based on expected purchase volumes.

### *Competitors*

Our principal competitors include Crown Holdings in Europe and Ball Corporation, Crown Holdings and Silgan Holdings in North America.

### *Energy, Raw Materials and Suppliers*

The principal raw materials used in Metal Packaging are steel (in both tin-plated and tin-free forms), aluminum, coatings and lining compounds. In 2015, approximately 68% of total raw materials costs related to tin-plated steel and tin-free steel and approximately 23% of our total raw materials costs related to aluminum. Our major steel suppliers include ArcelorMittal, Rasselstein, U.S. Steel, Tata Steel, Dongbu Steel and Baosteel.

We continuously seek to minimize the effective price of raw materials and reduce exposure to price movements in a number of ways, including the following:

- benefiting from the scale of our global metal purchasing requirements, to achieve better raw materials pricing than smaller competitors;
- entering into variable priced pass-through contracts with customers in which selling prices are indexed to the price of the underlying raw materials;
- continuing the process of reducing steel and aluminum thickness (“light weighting” or “downgauging”);
- continuing the process of reducing spoilage and waste in manufacturing;
- rationalizing the number of both specifications and suppliers; and
- hedging the price of aluminum ingot and the related euro/U.S. dollar exposure.

We typically purchase steel under one-year contracts, with prices that are usually fixed in advance. Agreements are generally renegotiated late in the year for effect from the beginning of the following calendar year. Despite significant reductions in steel production capacity in Europe over the past few years, we believe that adequate quantities of the relevant grades of packaging steel will continue to be available from various producers and that we are not overly dependent upon any single supplier.

### *Intellectual Property*

Metal Packaging currently holds and maintains over 50 different patent families, each filed in several countries and covering a range of different products in each jurisdiction.

### *Research and Development*

The majority of Metal Packaging’s research and development activities are concentrated at its Crosnières Research Centre in France. These R&D efforts focus on serving the existing and potential requirements of major customers and are focused on cost reductions, particularly metal content reduction, new product innovations, and technology and support services.

New product innovations include shaping and printing effects which differentiate Metal Packaging’s customers’ brands, and new designs for easy-open ring-pull ends, Easy Peel® and Easip® lids, which add convenience to the final consumer.



## Operating Subsidiaries

The following table provides information relating to our principal operating subsidiaries, all of which are 100% wholly owned, as of the date of this Offering Memorandum:

Company	Country of incorporation	Activity
Ardagh Metal Packaging Czech Republic s.r.o. . . . .	Czech Republic	Metal Packaging
Ardagh Glass Holmegaard A/S . . . . .	Denmark	Glass Packaging
Ardagh Aluminium Packaging France SAS . . . . .	France	Metal Packaging
Ardagh MP West France SAS . . . . .	France	Metal Packaging
Ardagh Metal Packaging France SAS . . . . .	France	Metal Packaging
Ardagh Glass GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Glass Packaging
Heye International GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Glass Engineering
Ardagh Metal Packaging Germany GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Metal Packaging
Ardagh Germany MP GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Metal Packaging
Ardagh Glass Sales Limited . . . . .	Ireland	Glass Packaging
Ardagh Group Italy S.r.l. . . . .	Italy	Glass and Metal Packaging
Ardagh Aluminium Packaging Netherlands B.V. . . . .	Netherlands	Metal Packaging
Ardagh Glass Dongen B.V. . . . .	Netherlands	Glass Packaging
Ardagh Glass Moerdijk B.V. . . . .	Netherlands	Glass Packaging
Ardagh Metal Packaging Netherlands B.V. . . . .	Netherlands	Metal Packaging
Ardagh Glass S.A. . . . .	Poland	Glass Packaging
Ardagh Metal Packaging Poland Sp.Z.o.o. . . . .	Poland	Metal Packaging
Ardagh Glass Limmared AB . . . . .	Sweden	Glass Packaging
Ardagh Glass Limited . . . . .	United Kingdom	Glass Packaging
Ardagh Metal Packaging UK Limited . . . . .	United Kingdom	Metal Packaging
Ardagh Metal Packaging USA Inc. . . . .	United States	Metal Packaging
Ardagh Glass Inc. . . . .	United States	Glass Packaging

## Employees

As of March 31, 2016, we had approximately 19,000 employees globally.

As of March 31, 2016, Glass Packaging had approximately 12,000 employees, of which approximately 720 employees were in Glass Engineering, approximately 5,500 employees were located in the United States, approximately 2,190 employees were located in Germany, approximately 570 employees were located in the Netherlands and approximately 1,440 employees were located in the United Kingdom.

As of March 31, 2016, Metal Packaging had approximately 7,000 employees globally, of which approximately 1,100 were located in the Netherlands, approximately 1,200 were located in France, approximately 1,300 were located in Germany, approximately 750 were located in Italy and approximately 530 were located in the United States.

We strive to maintain a safe working environment for all of our employees, with safety in the workplace being a key objective, measured through individual accident reports, detailed follow-up programs and key performance indicator reporting. We believe that our safety record is among the best in the industry.

The majority of our employees are members of labor unions. We generally negotiate national contracts with our unions, with variations agreed at the local plant level. Most such labor contracts have a duration of one to two years. Our management believes that, overall, our current relations with our employees are good.

Our subsidiaries located in the European Union have special negotiating committees which have established a European Works Council (“EWC”) in compliance with EU directives. The EWC acts as a communications conduit and consultative body between our EU subsidiaries and our employees.



The EWC meets at least twice a year, and senior management attends these general meetings. The EWC also has the right to be notified of any special circumstances that would have a major impact on the interests of employees. EWC delegates are elected for four-year terms on the basis of legal principles or practices in the relevant countries, while the allocation of EWC delegates between countries is governed by EU directives.

### **Environmental, Health and Safety and Product Safety Regulation**

Our activities are regulated under a wide range of international, EU national, provincial, regional and local laws, ordinances and regulations and other legal requirements concerning the environment, health and safety and product safety in each jurisdiction in which we operate.

The principal environmental issues facing us include the impact on air quality through gas and particle emissions from our glass furnaces, including the generation of greenhouse gases, the environmental impact of the disposal of water used in our production processes, and the potential contamination and subsequent remediation of land, surface water and groundwater arising from our operations.

Our and the Target Business's substantial industrial operations in the EU are subject to, among additional requirements, the requirements of the Industrial Emissions Directive (the "IED"), which replaced the Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control Directive and other directives. The IED requires that operators of industrial installations, including glass manufacturing installations, take into account the whole environmental performance of the installation, covering emissions to air, water and land, the generation of waste, the use of raw materials, energy efficiency, noise, the prevention of accidents, and the restoration of the site upon closure. Installations are required to hold a permit, which sets emission limit values that are based on best available techniques ("BAT"), set forth in BAT reference documents.

The requirements imposed on us under our permits subject to the IED are likely to change over time, and such changes may require modifications to existing plant and equipment, upgrade works or, in extreme cases, the cessation of operations. More stringent BAT requirements are being imposed on our operations through the IED.

The European Union introduced the EU ETS from January 1, 2005 to control the emission of greenhouse gases. The EU ETS is now in its third phase, which runs until 2020. The scheme works on a cap and trade basis. The European Commission sets emission caps for greenhouse gases for all installations covered by the scheme, which are then implemented by Member States. Installations that emit less than their greenhouse gas emission cap can sell emission allowances on the open market and installations that exceed their emission cap are required to buy emission allowances and are penalized if they are unable to surrender the required amount of allowances at the end of each trading year. Many of our production facilities are regulated under the EU ETS. Most emission allowances in the third phase are auctioned to regulated installations, including ours, rather than issued to them by regulatory authorities free of cost. California has enacted a similar greenhouse gas reduction scheme that works on a cap and trade basis and that applies to our manufacturing operations in the state, requiring us to purchase offsets against our greenhouse gas emissions.

Furthermore, the EU Directive on environmental liability with regard to the prevention and remedying of environmental damage aims to make those who cause damage to the environment (specifically damage to habitats and species protected by EU law, damage to water resources and land contamination which presents a threat to human health) financially responsible for its remediation. It requires operators of industrial premises (including those which hold a permit governed by the IED) to take preventive measures to avoid environmental damage, inform the regulators when such damage has or may occur and to remediate contamination.

Our operations are also subject to stringent and complex U.S. federal, state and local laws and regulations relating to environmental protection, including the discharge of materials into the environment, health and safety and product safety including, but not limited to: the U.S. federal Clean Air Act, the U.S. federal Water Pollution Control Act of 1972, the U.S. federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (“CERCLA”). Among the activities subject to environmental regulation are the disposal of checker slag (furnace residue usually removed during furnace rebuilds), the disposal of furnace bricks containing chromium, the disposal of waste, the discharge of water used to clean machines and cooling water, dust emissions produced by the batch mixing process, maintenance of underground and above ground storage tanks and air emissions produced by furnaces. In addition, we are required to obtain and maintain environmental permits in connection with our operations. These laws and regulations may, among other things (i) require obtaining permits to conduct industrial operations; (ii) restrict the types and quantities and concentration of various substances that can be released into the environment; (iii) require remedial measures to mitigate pollution from former and ongoing operations; (iv) result in the suspension or revocation of necessary permits, licenses and authorizations; and (v) require that additional pollution controls be installed.

The U.S. federal Clean Air Act establishes air quality standards and sets emissions limits principally for carbon monoxide, lead, nitrogen oxides, particulate matter, ozone and sulfur dioxide and regulates the emission of certain designated hazardous air pollutants. It authorizes the EPA to regulate hazardous air pollutants emitted from large industrial sources and phases out the production of substances that deplete stratospheric ozone. Recently the EPA has also begun to regulate certain greenhouse gas emissions under the Clean Air Act.

The Clean Air Act requires emissions sources to obtain permits and periodically certify compliance. It allows regulatory agencies to file lawsuits against, and seek criminal sanctions and monetary penalties from alleged violators, and also allows for private actions.

Certain environmental laws, such as CERCLA, or Superfund, and analogous state laws, provide for strict, and under certain circumstances, joint and several liability for the investigation and remediation of releases or the disposal of regulated materials into the environment including soil and groundwater, as well as for damages to natural resources. CERCLA and analogous state laws impose liability, without regard to fault or legality of conduct, on classes of persons considered to be responsible for the release, including the current and past owner or operator of the site where the release occurred, and anyone who disposed or arranged for the disposal of hazardous substances released at the site. CERCLA also authorizes the EPA and, in some instances, third parties to act in response to threats to the public health or the environment and to seek to recover the costs they incur from the responsible classes of persons. It is not uncommon for neighboring landowners and other third parties to file claims for personal injury and property damage allegedly caused by hazardous substances or other pollutants released into the environment.

In the United States and Canada, a number of government authorities have adopted or are considering legal requirements that would mandate certain rates of recycling, the use of recycled materials, or limitations on or preferences for certain types of packaging. In North America, sales of beverage cans are affected by governmental regulation of packaging, including deposit return laws. As of December 31, 2015, there were ten U.S. states with bottle deposit laws in effect, requiring consumer deposits of between 2 and 15 cents (USD), depending on the size of the container. In Canada, there are ten provinces and two territories with consumer deposits between 5 and 40 cents (Canadian), depending on the size of the container.

A number of U.S. states and Canadian provinces have recently considered or are now considering laws and regulations to encourage curbside, deposit return, and on-premises recycling. Although there is no clear trend in the direction of these state and provincial laws and regulations, we believe that U.S.

states and Canadian provinces, as well as municipalities within those jurisdictions, will continue to adopt recycling laws which will affect supplies of post-consumer recycled glass. As a large user of postconsumer recycled glass for bottle-to-bottle production, we have an interest in laws and regulations impacting supplies of such material in its markets.

### **Legal Proceedings**

We become involved from time to time in various claims and lawsuits arising in the ordinary course of business, such as employee claims, disputes with our suppliers, environmental liability claims and intellectual property disputes.

In 2015, the German competition authority (the Federal Cartel Office) initiated an investigation of the practices of metal packaging manufacturers in Germany, including us. The investigation is ongoing, and there is at this stage no certainty as to the extent of any charge which may arise. Accordingly, no provision has been recognized.

While the result of these disputes or claims cannot be predicted with certainty, we do not believe that the resolution of any such disputes or litigation, individually or in the aggregate, could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial position.

## THE TARGET BUSINESS

### Overview

The Target Business, as the combination of certain facilities of Ball Corporation and Rexam PLC required by the regulatory authorities to be divested in connection with the contemplated acquisition by Ball Corporation of Rexam PLC, is the third largest global manufacturer in the beverage can industry, with #2 or #3 market positions in each of the regions in which it operates, including Europe, the United States and Brazil. The Target Business has strong market positions in Europe, including a #1 market position in Austria, Benelux, Germany, Switzerland and the United Kingdom, a #2 position in Poland and a #3 position in France, Italy and Spain, in each case, based on share of can production for the year ended December 31, 2015. The Target Business is the second largest supplier of specialty beverage cans in the United States based on share of specialty beverage can production for the year ended December 31, 2015.

The Target Business produces aluminum and steel beverage cans at 19 plants across the United States, Europe and Brazil supported by three end plants in Germany, the United Kingdom and the United States. The Target Business makes cans in different shapes and sizes with different finishes, decorations and ends, particularly in the specialty size segment, where we believe the Target Business has a competitive advantage. Approximately 66% of the cans manufactured by the Target Business in 2015 were standard sizes (33cl and 50cl in Europe and 12oz in the United States and Brazil), with the remaining 34% specialty sizes, including “sleek,” “slim” and 24oz cans.

The Target Business has an international footprint, and worldwide demand for beverage cans has grown significantly in recent years. The global consumption of beverage cans grew at a combined annual growth rate of approximately 3% between 2011 and 2015. The Target Business’s largest regions by revenue are Europe and the United States, which are also the leading regions for beverage can consumption globally. The Target Business also manufactures and sell cans in Brazil, which is a key developing market and another important growth opportunity, with production having increased from 18.5 billion cans in 2011 to 23.6 billion cans in 2015, representing a 6.4% compound annual growth rate.

By increasing our global footprint to 110 facilities worldwide, the Target Business represents a strategically important acquisition for us by adding 22 additional further facilities comprising 12 facilities in Europe, eight facilities in the United States and two facilities in Brazil. The Acquisition also expands our packaging business into the beverage can sector, which is large and growing. Carbonated soft drinks (“CSD”) and beers are among the largest categories globally in terms of beverage consumption, along with packaged water, milk and hot drinks. The fastest growth rates over the next three years are expected from smaller categories such as energy drinks, iced ready-to-drink (“RTD”) tea and coffee and flavored alcoholic beverages (“FABs”), but also from the large and high growth packaged water category.

For the year ended December 31, 2015, the Target Business had approximately 4,500 employees and produced approximately 34 billion cans at 22 manufacturing facilities worldwide. On a pro forma basis, for the year ended December 31, 2015, the Target Business generated revenues and EBITDA of €2.7 billion and €353 million, respectively.

### *Products*

The Target Business manufactures a broad range of can sizes for products such as CSD, beer, energy drinks and other beverage categories. The success and ability of the Target Business to create value relies on high utilization of its can-making lines and its ability to convert sheet metal into finished beverage cans and ends as sustainably as possible at the lowest delivered cost. Standard sizes include 33cl and 50cl in Europe, and 12oz in the United States, and custom sizes include the 8oz Rexam

SLEEK™, 10.5oz Rexam SLEEK™ and 12oz Rexam SLEEK™. In addition, the Target Business benefits from offering its customers a range of value-added products such as customized inks, graphics and specialized ends.

### *Manufacturing and Production*

As of December 31, 2015, the Target Business operated 22 plants and had approximately 4,500 employees. The Target Business has manufacturing operations in Austria, Brazil, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain, the United Kingdom and the United States. We believe that the Target Business's facilities are well-maintained and that it generally has sufficient capacity to satisfy current and expected demand. The Target Business owns all of its manufacturing facilities, some of which are subject to finance leases or similar financial arrangements.

The following table summarizes the Target Business's current can and end manufacturing plants.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Number of Manufacturing Plants</u>
Austria . . . . .	1
Brazil . . . . .	2
France . . . . .	1
Germany <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	4
Netherlands . . . . .	1
Poland . . . . .	1
Spain . . . . .	1
United Kingdom <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	3
United States <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	8

(1) Includes end plant.

### *Industry Overview*

On a global basis, the beverage can sector comprises about 90% aluminum cans and 10% steel cans. There is a continued move from steel to aluminum, and steel cans are now only used in some parts of Europe, Africa, Asia and Brazil. Moreover, nearly all beverage cans used in North America and Europe are two-piece cans but some three-piece steel beverage cans are still used in China and South East Asia.

We estimate that just under 320 billion beverage cans were consumed globally in 2015. Beer and CSD account for the vast majority of consumption, but an increasing number of consumers are drinking other beverage categories such as energy drinks, cider, iced RTD tea and coffee, FABs, flavored and sparkling water, juices and milk from a can.

Industry trends vary significantly region to region with different market dynamics. The world's highest beverage can consumption is in North America, which continues to show a slow controlled decline in the CSD market. This is partially offset by the growth in cans for beer, energy, iced RTD tea and specialty categories. Brand owners seek pack differentiation and shelf appeal in the more mature markets of North America, Europe and Japan, and we expect an increase in niche markets for specialty beverage cans (such as sleek, big cans and sizes other than standard 12oz cans).

### *Customers*

Long-term customer relationships with large multinational blue-chip companies such as AB InBev, Coca-Cola, Heineken and PepsiCo, as well as with leading regional brands such as Arizona, Brasil Kirin, Britvic, Monster Energy and Petrópolis ensure a diverse geographic footprint in soft and

alcoholic drinks. Specifically, in Europe this is further complemented by long-standing relationships with a wide base of smaller and medium-sized customers. For the year ended December 31, 2015, approximately 50% and 80% of the Target Business's global revenue came from its top five and 20 customers, respectively, and approximately 95%, 40% and 85% of its local revenues came from its top five customers in Brazil, Europe and the United States, respectively. Substantially all of the Target Business's customer contracts (80% in 2015) are on multi-year terms providing for a set percentage of the customer's requirements. In addition, the Target Business mitigates raw material price risk by entering into hedging arrangements and long-term customer contracts with pass-through clauses.

#### *Competitors*

The Target Business's primary competitors in the beverage can sector include Ball Corporation, Crown Holdings and Can-Pack in Europe; Ball Corporation, Crown Holdings and Metal Container Corporation in the United States; and Ball Corporation, Crown Holdings and CIA Metalic Nordeste in Brazil.

#### *Energy, Raw Materials and Suppliers*

The Target Business is a key strategic partner for most of its major suppliers, which include aluminum, energy, chemical, machinery and freight companies. The Target Business sources its metal from well-established global aluminum and steel suppliers such as Novelis, Rasselstein, Hydro, Tri-Arrows and Constellium and works closely with them to co-develop innovative processes and products to help reduce its material usage and take advantage of the latest advances in can-making technology.

#### **Employees**

For the year ended December 31, 2015, the Target Business had approximately 4,500 employees with approximately 150 employees located in Austria, approximately 550 employees located in Brazil, approximately 190 employees located in France, approximately 1,100 employees located in Germany, approximately 280 employees located in the Netherlands, approximately 220 employees located in Poland, approximately 160 employees located in Spain, approximately 620 employees located in the United Kingdom and approximately 1,210 employees located in the United States.

The Target Business's management believes that, overall, its current relations with its employees are good.

#### **Environmental, Health and Safety and Product Safety Regulation**

See "Risk Factors—Risks Relating to Our Business—We are subject to various environmental and other legal requirements and may be subject to new requirements of this kind in the future that could impose substantial costs upon us" and "Our Business—Environmental, Health and Safety and Product Safety Regulation."

#### **Legal Proceedings**

In the ordinary course of business, the Target Business has been and is involved in disputes and litigation. These disputes involve, among others, product liability claims, third-party products and general liability claims, premises liability claims, workers' compensation claims, employment claims and environmental liability claims.

While the result of these disputes or litigation cannot be predicted with certainty, the Target Business does not believe that the resolution of any such disputes or litigation, individually or in the aggregate, could have a material adverse effect on their business, results of operations or financial position.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

### Issuers

Ardagh Packaging Finance, the co-issuer of the Notes, is a public limited company, incorporated under the laws of Ireland on September 17, 2010 and registered in Ireland. The following table sets forth certain information with respect to members of the board of directors of Ardagh Packaging Finance as of the date hereof.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Position</u>
Niall Wall . . . . .	53	Director
David Matthews . . . . .	52	Director
Patrick King . . . . .	58	Director
Michael Leonard . . . . .	41	Director
John Sheehan . . . . .	50	Director
Orna Giblin . . . . .	33	Director

Two of Ardagh Packaging Finance's existing directors (Niall Wall and David Matthews) are also members of the board of directors of Ardagh Group S.A., our ultimate parent company.

The business address of the directors of Ardagh Packaging Finance is 4 Richview Office Park, Clonskeagh, Dublin 14, D14 HC84, Ireland.

Ardagh Holdings USA, the co-issuer of the Notes, was incorporated under the laws of Delaware on February 20, 2009. The following table sets forth certain information with respect to members of the board of directors of Ardagh Holdings USA as of the date hereof.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Position</u>
Niall Wall . . . . .	53	Director
John Riordan . . . . .	57	Director
David Wall . . . . .	46	Director
John Boyas . . . . .	63	Director
Nick Hewitt . . . . .	42	Director

Three of Ardagh Holdings USA's existing directors (Niall Wall, John Riordan and David Wall) are also members of the board of directors of Ardagh Group S.A., our ultimate parent company.

The registered address of Ardagh Holdings USA is The Corporation Trust Company, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware, 19801, United States.

### Ardagh Group S.A.

Ardagh Group S.A. is the ultimate parent company of the Issuers.



### ***Board of Directors***

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to members of the board of directors of Ardagh Group S.A. as of the date hereof. In this section, “Group” refers to Ardagh Group S.A. and its predecessors.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Position</u>
Paul Coulson . . . . .	63	Chairman
Niall Wall . . . . .	53	Group Chief Executive Officer
David Matthews . . . . .	52	Group Chief Financial Officer
John Riordan . . . . .	57	President, Glass North America
David Wall . . . . .	46	Chief Executive Officer Metal
Brendan Dowling . . . . .	69	Director Executive Committee
Houghton Fry . . . . .	70	Director Executive Committee
Wolfgang Baertz . . . . .	75	Non-Executive Director
Edward Kilty . . . . .	67	Non-Executive Director
Herman Troskie . . . . .	45	Non-Executive Director

*Paul Coulson* graduated from Trinity College Dublin with a business degree in 1973. He spent five years with Price Waterhouse in London and Dublin and qualified as a Chartered Accountant in 1978. He then established his own accounting firm before setting up Yeoman International in 1980 and developing it into a significant leasing and structured finance business. In 1998 he became Chairman of the Group and initiated the transformation of Ardagh from a small, single-plant operation into a leading global packaging company. Over the last 30 years he has been involved in the creation and development of a number of businesses apart from Yeoman and Ardagh. These include Fanad Fisheries, a leading Irish salmon farming company, and Sterile Technologies. Prior to its sale to Stericycle, Inc. in 2006, Sterile Technologies had been developed into the leading medical waste management company in the United Kingdom and Ireland.

*Niall Wall* was appointed Chief Executive Officer of the Group in April 2007. Mr. Wall is also the current Vice-President of FEVE, the European Glass Association. Prior to joining Ardagh, he was Chief Executive of Sterile Technologies. Prior to its sale to Stericycle, Inc. in 2006, Sterile Technologies had been developed into the leading medical waste management company in the United Kingdom and Ireland. Mr. Wall is also a member of the Institute of Directors.

*David Matthews* was appointed Chief Financial Officer in March 2014. He was appointed to the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A. at its Annual General Meeting on May 22, 2014. Prior to joining Ardagh, Mr. Matthews held various senior finance positions at DS Smith plc and Bunzl plc. Mr. Matthews qualified as a Chartered Accountant in 1989 with Price Waterhouse in London and holds an Engineering degree from the University of Southampton.

*John Riordan* was appointed President of Ardagh Glass North America in March 2014 having previously been Chief Finance Officer of the Group since 1999. He holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from University College Cork and is a Fellow of The Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland. He qualified as a Chartered Accountant in 1985, having completed a training contract with Price Waterhouse. He held a number of financial management roles in the engineering, pharmaceutical and medical devices industries before joining Ardagh.

*David Wall* was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Metal Packaging in April 2011. Mr. Wall joined Ardagh in November 2008 as CEO of the Engineering division. Since then he has also held the role of Group Head of Integration. Mr. Wall qualified as a chartered accountant with Price Waterhouse and also holds an MBS from UCD Smurfit Business School, Dublin, Ireland and a BA in Economics from University College Dublin. Mr. Wall is a board member of EMPAC, the European Metal Packaging Association.

*Brendan Dowling* has been a director of the Group since 1998. He holds graduate degrees in economics from University College Dublin and Yale University. He was Economic Advisor to the Minister for Foreign Affairs in Dublin before joining Davy Stockbrokers in 1979 as Chief Economist and later partner. He is a former member of the Committee of the Irish Stock Exchange and the Industrial Development Authority of Ireland. Prior to joining Yeoman International Group in 1995, he was Executive Chairman of Protos Stockbrokers in Helsinki, Finland.

*Houghton Fry* qualified as a solicitor in 1967 with William Fry, Solicitors in Dublin, Ireland having obtained an LLB law degree from Trinity College, Dublin University, Ireland. He became a Partner in the firm in 1970 and, in 1986, Chairman and Senior Partner. He specialized in international corporate and financial law and had extensive transaction experience in many different jurisdictions. He retired from legal practice in 2004 and has been an executive director of the Group since that time.

*Wolfgang Baertz* was President of the Executive Committee of Dresdner Bank Luxembourg from 1997 until his retirement in 2003, having been Managing Director from 1982 to 1997. Mr. Baertz has completed over two years of formal banking training at Commerzbank AG Düsseldorf and three years in the practical trainee scheme in London, Paris and Barcelona. He has been a director of the Group since December 2002.

*Edward Kilty* joined the Group as management accountant in December 1972, having previously worked with United Glass (now O-I, UK). He went on to serve in various senior management positions including Finance Director and Finance and Operations Director before his appointment as Chief Executive of the Group in 1992. He retired from his executive role in March 2007 but remained as a non-executive Director. He is past President of FEVE and the British Glass Manufacturers' Confederation.

*Herman Troskie* is the Managing Partner of M Partners S.à.r.l., a Luxembourg law firm forming part of the Maitland network of law firms. He has extensive experience in international corporate structuring, with a particular focus on European cross-border investment and financing structures. His practice also includes advising on the listing of companies and investment funds on different European stock exchanges. Mr. Troskie is a director of companies with the Yeoman group of companies, and other private and public companies. He qualified as a South African Attorney in 1997 and as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales in 2001. Mr. Troskie is also a member of the Luxembourg Bar.

#### ***Number and Election of Directors***

The number of directors of Ardagh Group S.A. is not subject to any maximum. The holders of the shares have the right to elect the board of directors. The existing directors have the right to appoint persons to fill vacancies.

#### ***Change in Board Membership***

*Gerald Moloney* (58) will be proposed for membership of the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A. at its next Annual General Meeting in May 2016. Mr. Moloney has for many years been on the boards of Yeoman International Group Limited and Yeoman Capital S.A.. He holds a law degree from University College Cork and qualified as a solicitor in 1981. He worked for a period in European law in Brussels and has many years' experience working in the areas of commercial law and commercial litigation. He is managing partner of the commercial and litigation law firm, G.J. Moloney, with offices in Dublin and Cork, Ireland.

## Senior Management of the Group

*Reiner Brand* (57) joined the Group in 2007 as the Sales Director Glass for Europe. Prior to joining the Group, he held a number of positions in sales and marketing with Rexam PLC and PLM AB from 1995 until 2007. He is a member of the board of the German Glass industry. Before he joined the packaging industry in 1995, he held a number of marketing and sales positions in the consumer goods industry, with Eckes Granini GmbH from 1991 until 1995 and as product manager at Bahlsen KG starting in 1984. He holds a diploma in economics from the University of Hannover.

*Johan Gorter* (56) joined the Group in 2007. Prior to joining the Group, he joined PLM in 1998 as a Plant Director for the Dongen glass plant. He was then appointed Managing Director Benelux in 2001 at (Rexam), Divisional Operations Director in 2005 (Rexam) and Group Director Continuous Improvement in 2007 (Ardagh). His previous background was in aluminum production process and assembly, where he held several management positions with three companies and his last position before joining the glass industry was as General Manager in the Czech Republic. Mr. Gorter holds a Masters in Industrial Engineering from the University of Eindhoven.

*John Hampson* (46) joined Ardagh as Group IT Director in 2009. Prior to joining the Group, Mr. Hampson held a number of senior IT management positions in the financial services sector in Ireland, including roles as Chief Technical Architect in a major Irish bank and as Chief Technical Officer of Altamedius, a mobile payments start-up company. Previously, Mr. Hampson worked in a variety of senior application development roles for organizations such as Motorola, IBM, and Amdahl. Mr. Hampson holds a Bachelor of Engineering (Hons) degree in Electronic Systems from the University of Ulster.

*Alex Jonker* (58) was appointed Managing Director Operations Metal—Europe in 2011. Prior to this he was Managing Director Processed Food for Impress. Mr. Jonker has been with the company for 26 years. Starting in 1985 at Thomassen & Drijver, he was plant manager of the Deventer production site from 1998 to 2009, and before that of the plants in Hoogeveen (from 1994 until 1998), Doesburg and Oss. Mr. Jonker holds a degree in mechanical engineering from the Institute of Technology in Arnhem.

*Woep Möller* (59) was appointed Managing Director of the Personal and Home Care Division of Metal Packaging in 1997 and of the enlarged Specialties business in October 2000. In October 2003 he also assumed responsibility for the former Decorative and Protective Finishes Division. He was appointed Group Commercial Director in 2011. Mr. Möller started his career with Arthur Young and joined the packaging industry in 1983, working for the predecessor companies of Impress. Mr. Möller studied Finance and Economics at the IHBO “De Moere” in Enschede/NL and specialized in Marketing at the NIMA (A, B, C) Institute in Amsterdam.

*Alex Robertson* (55) joined Ardagh in 1989 and has held roles in sales, customer services, production and business development. He served as Sales Director Glass UK prior to taking up his role as Chief Commercial Officer Glass Americas. Mr. Robertson has a BA (Hons) degree in economic and social history (York University) and a certificate in management.

*John Sadlier* (48) joined the Group as Procurement Director in 2007 from Microsoft Ireland Ltd, where he worked in a Global Procurement function. Prior to Microsoft, Mr. Sadlier worked for Dell Computers from 1999 to 2006, where he held numerous Senior Manager roles in the Procurement and Product Development Groups, based at the company headquarters in Austin, Texas. Prior to Dell Computer, Mr. Sadlier worked as Sales Manager for an Irish subsidiary of the Munekata company, a leading Japanese manufacturer of moulds and precision plastic enclosures for the consumer electronics industry. Prior to Munekata, Mr. Sadlier spent two years living and working in Japan for the Ricoh corporation, a Japanese manufacturer of Office Automation equipment, as a graduate engineer.

Mr. Sadlier graduated from University College Dublin with both a Bachelor's and Master's in Mechanical Engineering.

*John Vissers* (56) joined the Group as Regional Operations Director for the Netherlands in 2007. Prior to joining the Group he held a number of senior management positions in the Netherlands for Rexam Glass and PLM Glass, including Regional Operations Director and Finance Director. Mr. Vissers has a qualification for higher financial management and has completed advanced management programs, across several international universities, during his career with Rexam and PLM. Mr. Vissers has been a member of the board of FEVE, the European Container Glass Federation, since 2009.

## **Board Committees**

The board of directors of Ardagh Group S.A. has established an Executive Committee, an Audit Committee and a Remuneration Committee to carry out certain functions as described below.

### ***Executive Committee***

The Executive Committee oversees the management of the business and affairs of the subsidiaries of Ardagh Group S.A. The Executive Committee is comprised of Messrs. Coulson, Niall Wall, Matthews, David Wall, Dowling and Fry.

### ***Audit Committee***

The Audit Committee reviews the accounting principles, policies and practices adopted in the preparation of interim and annual financial statements, discusses with our auditors the results and scope of the audit and reviews the scope and performance of internal control functions. The Audit Committee is comprised of Messrs. Coulson, Dowling and Kilty.

### ***Remuneration Committee***

The Remuneration Committee determines the basic salaries, bonus payment parameters and other terms and conditions of executive directors and advises on the remuneration of senior management. The Remuneration Committee is comprised of Messrs. Coulson, Baertz and Troskie. As with all employees, the objective is to ensure that individuals are rewarded relative to their responsibility, experience and value to the Group. In framing its remuneration policy, the Remuneration Committee is mindful of the need to ensure that, in a competitive environment, we attract, retain and motivate executives who can perform to the highest level of expectation.

## **Internal Control and Risk Management**

The Directors of Ardagh Group S.A. are responsible for the Group's systems of internal control and for reviewing their effectiveness. The risk management process and systems of internal control are designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve Group strategic objectives. These systems can only provide reasonable not absolute assurance against misstatement or loss. Risk assessment and evaluation take place as an integral part of the annual planning and budgeting process, the results of which are reviewed by senior management and the board of directors. There is also an ongoing program of operational reviews and audits and a coordinated self-assessment of financial controls. The results of these reviews are reported to the Audit Committee, which undertakes, on behalf of the board of directors of the Group, an annual assessment of the effectiveness of internal control and risk management.

## **Compensation of Directors and Senior Management**

The aggregate annual compensation for the year ended December 31, 2015, payable to all our directors and senior management, was €13 million (2014: €13 million).

## **MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

### **Major Shareholders**

#### *The Issuers*

As of the date of this Offering Memorandum, the issued share capital of Ardagh Packaging Finance, the co-issuer of the Notes, consisted of 38,100 ordinary shares of €1 par value each. This issuer's sole shareholder is Ardagh Packaging Holdings.

As of the date of this Offering Memorandum, the issued share capital of Ardagh Holdings USA, the co-issuer of the Notes, consisted of 1,100 ordinary shares of \$0.01 par value each. This co-issuer's sole shareholder is Ardagh Holdings (UK) Limited, an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of Ardagh Packaging Holdings.

#### *Ardagh Packaging Holdings*

Ardagh Packaging Holdings is an indirect subsidiary of Ardagh Group S.A.

As of the date hereof, Ardagh's directors and senior management (including directors of Ardagh Group S.A., other than Paul Coulson) collectively owned directly approximately 20% of the total share capital of Ardagh Group S.A. In addition, a company owned by Paul Coulson, the Chairman of the board of directors of Ardagh Group S.A., owned approximately 21% of the issued share capital of Ardagh Group S.A. and, through its investment in the Yeoman group of companies, had an interest in a further approximate 39% of the issued share capital of Ardagh Group S.A. A further approximately 9.5% of such shares was owned by a company owned by Niall Wall, our Chief Executive Officer. Directors of Ardagh Group S.A. and members of Ardagh's senior management team other than Paul Coulson and Niall Wall owned approximately 10.4% of the issued share capital of Ardagh Group S.A. In addition, members of the senior management team of Ardagh, through their involvement in a number of intermediate investment vehicles controlled by Ardagh Group S.A., have invested to participate in up to 5% of any growth in value, after their investment, of the shares in ARD Finance S.A. (a direct subsidiary of Ardagh Group S.A. and the holder, indirectly, of 100% of the share capital of Ardagh Packaging Holdings). Ardagh Group S.A. retains ultimate voting control of the shares in ARD Finance S.A.

### **Related Party Transactions**

#### *Common Directorships*

Four of the Ardagh Group S.A. directors, Messrs. Coulson, Dowling, Baertz and Troskie, also serve as directors in the Yeoman group of companies. Two of Ardagh Packaging Finance's existing directors (Niall Wall and David Matthews) are members of the board of directors of Ardagh Group S.A., our ultimate parent company, and three of the directors of Ardagh Packaging Holdings (Paul Coulson, Niall Wall and David Matthews) also serve as members of the board of directors of Ardagh Group S.A.

## DESCRIPTION OF OTHER INDEBTEDNESS

*The following is a summary of the material terms of our principal financing arrangements. The following summaries do not purport to describe all of the applicable terms and conditions of such arrangements and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the actual agreements. We recommend that you refer to the actual agreements for further details, copies of which are available upon request.*

### **Incremental Facility**

#### ***Overview***

On February 4, 2014, Ardagh Holdings USA and Ardagh Packaging Finance S.A. (the “Borrowers”) entered into the Incremental Facility, which was drawn on April 11, 2014 for the purpose of financing a portion of the 2014 SGCI Acquisition and fees and expenses related thereto. \$700 million in aggregate principal amount was drawn under the Incremental Facility at a rate of 3.00% per annum plus LIBOR.

The Incremental Facility is governed by a credit agreement, dated December 17, 2013 (the “Credit Agreement”), between Ardagh Holdings USA, as U.S. borrower, Ardagh Packaging Finance S.A., as co-borrower, Ardagh Packaging Holdings, as parent guarantor, certain subsidiary guarantors, certain lenders from time to time party thereto, Citibank, N.A., as administrative agent, and Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as security agent.

#### ***Guarantees***

The Incremental Facility is currently guaranteed by certain wholly owned subsidiaries of Ardagh Packaging Holdings.

#### ***Guarantor Coverage Test***

The Credit Agreement requires that the Restricted Subsidiaries (as defined therein), together with Ardagh Packaging Holdings, comprise not less than 80% of consolidated total assets and Consolidated Adjusted Net Income (as defined in the Credit Agreement) of Ardagh Packaging Holdings and its Restricted Subsidiaries (the “80% Test”). The 80% Test is to be tested once per year based on the annual consolidated audited financial statements of Ardagh Packaging Holdings. For purposes of the 80% test, the assets and EBITDA contributed from the following Restricted Subsidiaries are disregarded: (i) Restricted Subsidiaries who are not required to become guarantors as a result of agreed security principles; (ii) Restricted Subsidiaries who would not be required to become guarantors for reasons relating to (A) violation of applicable law, (B) personal liability for the officers, directors or shareholders or (C) significant cost or expense; (iii) Restricted Subsidiaries whose guarantee of the Incremental Facility would require consent from lenders under other financings of such Restricted Subsidiaries; and (iv) Restricted Subsidiaries whose guarantee would be prohibited by debt incurred in contemplation, or for the purpose, of acquiring such Restricted Subsidiaries; *provided*, that in each case of clauses (iii) and (iv) such non-guarantor Subsidiaries do not provide any guarantee or other credit support in respect of any indebtedness of the Borrowers or any guarantor.

#### ***Security***

The Incremental Facility is currently secured by collateral provided by Ardagh to secure the Existing Secured Notes.

#### ***Final Maturity and Amortization***

The Incremental Facility will mature on December 17, 2019 and, since June 30, 2014, has been subject to amortization in equal quarterly installments of 0.25%, with the balance due at maturity.



Individual lenders may agree to extend the maturity date of their outstanding term loans upon the request of the Borrowers and without the consent of any other lender pursuant to customary procedures.

#### ***Mandatory Prepayment***

Solely to the extent that none of Ardagh Packaging Holdings and its Restricted Subsidiaries would have to incur any indebtedness to fund such prepayment, the Incremental Facility must be prepaid (subject to the right of lenders to reject such prepayment) with 50% of Excess Cash Flow (as defined in the Credit Agreement and which is net of permitted investments and dividends (to the extent financed with internally generated cash flow), permitted acquisitions and capital expenditures (including permitted acquisitions and capital expenditures budgeted for the immediately following fiscal year)), with step-downs to (i) 25% if the Specified Consolidated Secured Net Leverage Ratio (as defined in the Credit Agreement) is less than or equal to 3.00 to 1.0 but greater than 2.00 to 1.0 and (ii) 0% if the Specified Consolidated Secured Net Leverage Ratio is less than or equal to 2.00 to 1.0. The calculation of the Excess Cash Flow is subject to deductions for, among other things, payments in respect of the voluntary prepayment, redemption, repurchase or other acquisition for value of the borrowings under the Credit Agreement and other *pari passu* indebtedness (together with the permanent reduction of commitments in respect of any revolving indebtedness so repaid).

The Incremental Facility must also be prepaid (subject to the right of lenders to reject such prepayment) with 100% of the net cash proceeds of issuances of debt obligations of Ardagh Packaging Holdings and its Restricted Subsidiaries (except the net cash proceeds of any permitted debt (other than certain refinancing debt)). The Borrowers or Ardagh Packaging Holdings shall offer to prepay the loans of any lender with the net cash proceeds received by Ardagh Packaging Holdings or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries from any Asset Sale (as defined in the Credit Agreement) and subject to certain exceptions (including the pro rata prepayment of other *pari passu* debt); and upon a Change of Control (as defined in the Credit Agreement).

#### ***Voluntary Prepayment***

The borrowings under the Incremental Facility may be prepaid without premium or penalty.

#### ***Interest Rates and Fees***

Annual interest on borrowings under the Incremental Facility accrue at a rate of, at the option of the Borrowers, (x) adjusted LIBOR (subject to a floor of 1.00%) plus 3.00% or (y) the alternate base rate (subject to a floor of 2.00%) plus 2.00%.

#### ***Covenants***

The Incremental Facility is subject to customary affirmative covenants, incurrence-based negative covenants that are substantially similar to the indentures governing our Existing Secured Notes and no financial maintenance covenants.

#### ***Events of Default***

The Credit Agreement contains provisions governing certain events of default, including, a failure to make payment of the amounts due, defaults under other agreements evidencing indebtedness over a certain threshold, failure to comply with covenants or other obligations, material misrepresentations, certain ERISA events and certain bankruptcy events. The occurrence of an event of default could result in the acceleration of payment obligations under the Credit Agreement.



## **Existing Secured Notes**

In July 2014, the Existing Secured Notes were issued in an offering not subject to the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act.

The Existing Secured Notes are governed by an indenture entered into by, *inter alios*, Ardagh Packaging Finance, as co-issuer, Ardagh Holdings USA, as co-issuer, Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as trustee for the holders, Ardagh Packaging Holdings, as parent guarantor, and certain of Ardagh Packaging Holdings' wholly owned subsidiaries, as subsidiary guarantors.

The Existing Secured Notes are the joint and several general obligations of the Issuers and rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of each Issuer that is not subordinated in right of payment to the Notes; rank senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of each Issuer that is subordinated in right of payment to the Notes; and are effectively subordinated to any indebtedness of Ardagh Packaging Holdings' subsidiaries that do not provide guarantees. At any time prior to June 30, 2017, the Issuers may redeem any or all of the Existing Secured Notes at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, and any other amounts payable thereon, to the dates of redemption, plus a redemption premium. On or after June 30, 2017, the Issuers may also redeem all or part of the Existing Secured Notes initially at 102.125% with the premium declining after that date.

If an event treated as a change of control occurs, then the Issuers or Ardagh Packaging Holdings must make an offer to repurchase of the Existing Secured Notes at a purchase price in cash in an amount equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase.

The Existing Secured Notes are also subject to certain customary covenants and events of default.

The Existing Secured Notes are guaranteed on a senior basis by Ardagh Packaging Holdings and on a senior subordinated basis by certain wholly owned subsidiaries of Ardagh Packaging Holdings. The guarantee of the Existing Secured Notes by each guarantor ranks equally in right of payment with any and all existing and future indebtedness of such guarantor that is not subordinated in right of payment to such guarantee; ranks effectively equally with all of such subsidiary guarantor's existing and future indebtedness that is secured by a first priority lien on the collateral, including its obligations under the Existing Secured Notes; ranks senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of such guarantor that is subordinated in right of payment to such guarantee; and is effectively senior to any and all of such subsidiary guarantor's existing and future unsecured indebtedness to the extent of the assets securing such subsidiary guarantor's guarantee is effectively subordinated to any *pari passu* secured debt of the guarantor to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt.

## **Existing Senior Notes**

### ***January 2013 Senior Notes***

In January 2013, the January 2013 Senior Notes were issued in an offering not subject to the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act.

The January 2013 Senior Notes are governed by an indenture entered into by, *inter alios*, Ardagh Packaging Finance, as co-issuer, Ardagh Holdings USA, as co-issuer, Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as trustee for the holders, Ardagh Packaging Holdings, as parent guarantor, and certain of Ardagh Packaging Holdings' wholly owned subsidiaries, as subsidiary guarantors. On January 17, 2014, \$700 million in aggregate principal amount of the January 2013 Senior Notes were redeemed pursuant to a special mandatory redemption. As of the Issue Date, there was \$150,000,000 of the January 2013 Senior Notes outstanding.

The January 2013 Senior Notes are the joint and several general obligations of the Issuers and rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future unsecured indebtedness of each Issuer that is not subordinated in right of payment to the Notes; rank senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of each Issuer that is subordinated in right of payment to the Notes; and are effectively subordinated to any secured indebtedness of each Issuer to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt including the Existing Secured Notes. At any time prior to November 15, 2016, the Issuers may redeem any or all of the January 2013 Senior Notes at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, and any other amounts payable thereon, to the dates of redemption, plus a redemption premium. On or after November 15, 2016, the Issuers may also redeem all or part of the January 2013 Senior Notes initially at 103.500% with the premium declining after that date.

If an event treated as a change of control occurs, then the Issuers or Ardagh Packaging Holdings must make an offer to repurchase of the January 2013 Senior Notes at a purchase price in cash in an amount equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase.

The January 2013 Senior Notes are also subject to certain customary covenants and events of default.

The January 2013 Senior Notes are guaranteed on a senior basis by Ardagh Packaging Holdings and on a senior subordinated basis by certain wholly owned subsidiaries of Ardagh Packaging Holdings (including SGCI and its wholly owned subsidiary). The guarantee of the January 2013 Senior Notes by each guarantor ranks equally in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of such guarantor that is not subordinated (and is not senior) in right of payment to such guarantee; ranks senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of such guarantor that is subordinated in right of payment to such guarantee; is effectively subordinated to any *pari passu* secured debt of the guarantor to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt; and is effectively subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness of such guarantor's non-guarantor subsidiaries.

#### ***February 2014 Senior Notes***

In February 2014, the February 2014 Senior Notes, consisting of the 2019 Senior Notes and the 2021 Senior Notes, were issued in an offering not subject to the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act.

The February 2014 Senior Notes are governed by an indenture entered into by, *inter alios*, Ardagh Packaging Finance and Ardagh Holdings USA, as co-issuers, Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as trustee for the holders, Ardagh Packaging Holding, as parent guarantor, and certain of Ardagh Packaging Holding's wholly owned subsidiaries, as subsidiary guarantors.

The February 2014 Senior Notes are the joint and several general obligations of the Issuers and rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future unsecured indebtedness of each Issuer that is not subordinated in right of payment of the February 2014 Senior Notes; rank senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of each Issuer that is subordinated in right of payment to the February 2014 Senior Notes; and are effectively subordinated to any secured indebtedness of each Issuer to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt including the Existing Secured Notes and the Incremental Facility.

At any time prior to January 31, 2016, the Issuers may redeem the 2019 Senior Notes at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, and any other amounts payable thereon, to the dates of redemption, plus a redemption premium. At any time on or after January 31, 2016, the Issuers may also redeem all or part of the 2019 Senior Notes at 103.125% with the premium

declining after that date. At any time prior to January 31, 2017, the Issuers may redeem the 2021 Notes at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, and any other amounts payable thereon, to the dates of redemption, plus a redemption premium. At any time on or after January 31, 2017, the Issuers may redeem all or part of the 2021 Notes at 103.375% with a premium declining after that date.

In an event treated as a change of control, the Issuers or Ardagh Packaging Holdings must make an offer to purchase all outstanding February 2014 Senior Notes at a redemption price of 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase.

The February 2014 Senior Notes are also subject to certain customary covenants and events of default.

The February 2014 Senior Notes are guaranteed on a senior basis by Ardagh Packaging Holdings and on a senior subordinated basis by certain wholly owned subsidiaries of Ardagh Packaging Holdings (including SGCI and its wholly owned subsidiary). The guarantee of the February 2014 Senior Notes by each guarantor ranks equally in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of such guarantor that is not subordinated (and is not senior) in right of payment to such guarantee; ranks senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of such guarantor that is subordinated in right of payment to such guarantee; is effectively subordinated to any *pari passu* secured debt of the guarantor to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt; and is effectively subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness of such guarantor's non-guarantor subsidiaries.

#### **July 2014 Senior Notes**

In July 2014, the July 2014 Senior Notes were issued in an offering not subject to the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act.

The July 2014 Senior Notes are governed by an indenture entered into by, *inter alios*, Ardagh Packaging Finance, as co-issuer, Ardagh Holdings USA, as co-issuer, Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as trustee for the holders, Ardagh Packaging Holdings, as parent guarantor, and certain of Ardagh Packaging Holdings' wholly owned subsidiaries, as subsidiary guarantors.

The July 2014 Senior Notes are the joint and several general obligations of the Issuers and rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future unsecured indebtedness of each Issuer that is not subordinated in right of payment to the Notes; rank senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of each Issuer that is subordinated in right of payment to the Notes; and are effectively subordinated to any secured indebtedness of each Issuer to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt including the Existing Secured Notes. At any time prior to June 30, 2017, the Issuers may redeem any or all of the July 2014 Senior Notes at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, and any other amounts payable thereon, to the dates of redemption, plus a redemption premium. On or after June 30, 2017, the Issuers may also redeem all or part of the July 2014 Senior Notes initially at 103.000% with the premium declining after that date.

If an event treated as a change of control occurs, then the Issuers or Ardagh Packaging Holdings must make an offer to repurchase of the July 2014 Senior Notes at a purchase price in cash in an amount equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase.

The July 2014 Senior Notes are also subject to certain customary covenants and events of default.

The July 2014 Senior Notes are guaranteed on a senior basis by Ardagh Packaging Holdings and on a senior subordinated basis by certain wholly owned subsidiaries of Ardagh Packaging Holdings. The

guarantee of the July 2014 Senior Notes by each guarantor ranks equally in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of such guarantor that is not subordinated (and is not senior) in right of payment to such guarantee; ranks senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of such guarantor that is subordinated in right of payment to such guarantee; is subordinated in right of payment to any and all of such subsidiary guarantor's existing and future senior debt.

### **2020 Senior Notes**

In October 2010, Ardagh Packaging Finance issued the Original 2020 Senior Notes in an offering that was not subject to the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act. In February 2011, Ardagh Packaging Finance issued the February 2011 Senior Notes in an offering that was not subject to the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act. In January 2012, Ardagh Packaging Finance issued the January 2012 Senior Notes in an offering that was not subject to the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act. In July 2012, Ardagh Packaging Finance issued the July 2012 Senior Notes in an offering that was not subject to the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act.

The 2020 Senior Notes are governed by an indenture entered into by, *inter alios*, Ardagh Packaging Finance, as co-issuer, Ardagh Holdings USA, as co-issuer, Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as trustee for the holders, Ardagh Packaging Holdings, as parent guarantor, and certain of Ardagh Packaging Holdings' wholly owned subsidiaries, as subsidiary guarantors. The 2020 Senior Notes are Ardagh Packaging Finance's and Ardagh Holdings USA's joint and several senior obligations and will rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of Ardagh Packaging Finance and Ardagh Holdings USA that is not subordinated in right of payment to the 2020 Senior Notes and will be senior in right of payment to all existing and future indebtedness of Ardagh Packaging Finance and Ardagh Holdings USA that is subordinated in right of payment to the 2020 Senior Notes.

At any time on or prior to October 15, 2015, the Issuers may redeem any or all of the 2020 Senior Notes at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, plus a redemption premium. On or after October 15, 2015, the Issuers may redeem any or all of the 2020 Senior Notes initially at 104.625% (in the case of the Original 2020 Euro Senior Notes) or at 104.563% (in the case of the Original 2020 USD Senior Notes) of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, with the premium declining after that date.

If an event treated as a change of control occurs, then the Issuers or Ardagh Packaging Holdings must make an offer to repurchase the 2020 Senior Notes at a purchase price in cash in an amount equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase.

The 2020 Senior Notes are guaranteed on a senior basis by the Issuers and on a senior subordinated basis by certain wholly owned subsidiaries of Ardagh Packaging Holdings. The guarantee of the 2020 Senior Notes by Ardagh Packaging Holdings ranks equally in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of the Issuers that is not subordinated in right of payment to such guarantee and is senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of the Issuers that is subordinated in right of payment to such guarantee. Each guarantee by a subsidiary guarantor in connection with the 2020 Senior Notes ranks junior in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of such subsidiary guarantor that is senior indebtedness, and ranks equally with all existing and future indebtedness of such subsidiary guarantor that is not subordinated in right of payment to its subsidiary guarantee. The 2020 Senior Notes and the guarantees thereof are also effectively subordinated to all of the Issuers' and Ardagh Packaging Holdings' existing and future secured debt to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt and to all existing and future debt of all Ardagh Packaging Holdings' subsidiaries that do not guarantee the 2020 Senior Notes.

The 2020 Senior Notes are also subject to certain customary covenants and events of default.

### **Intercreditor Agreement**

Ardagh Packaging Holdings and certain of its subsidiaries entered into an intercreditor agreement (the “Intercreditor Agreement”) with, among others, the security agents and Citibank, N.A., London Branch, in its capacity as trustee for the Existing Notes.

The Intercreditor Agreement establishes the ranking among certain of the Group’s senior debt obligations, including the Unicredit Working Capital and Performance Guarantee Credit Lines, the Incremental Facility, the Existing Secured Notes and certain hedging obligations. In addition, the Intercreditor Agreement provides for the subordination, in right of payment and enforcement, of all intercompany debt to all of the aforementioned senior debt and to the Existing Senior Notes and the Notes offered hereby and the respective guarantees thereof. With respect to the ranking of the guarantees, the Intercreditor Agreement provides that the senior guarantees by the guarantors of the Existing Secured Notes and the Secured Notes offered hereby will rank *pari passu* with each other and each guarantor’s obligations under other senior debt and certain hedging obligations and will rank senior to each Subsidiary Guarantor’s senior subordinated guarantees of the Existing Senior Notes and the Senior Notes offered hereby. However, any claim by the holders of the Existing Secured Notes, hedging counterparties, the holders of the Existing Senior Notes and the holders of the Notes offered hereby have in respect of the Guarantee from Heye International GmbH will be subordinated to any claim UniCredit Bank AG (formerly known as Bayerische Hypo-und Vereinsbank AG) has under the Unicredit Working Capital and Performance Guarantee Credit Lines.

### **HSBC Securitization Program**

On March 1, 2012, Ardagh Receivables Finance Designated Activity Company (“ARF”) entered into a trade receivables securitization program providing for secured loans of an amount of up to €150 million from Regency Assets Limited, an issuer of asset-backed commercial paper that is sponsored by HSBC Bank plc.

The HSBC Securitization Program is designed to be used as the primary committed revolving credit facility for the Ardagh Group. The actual amount of permitted borrowings outstanding at any particular time depends on ARF maintaining the required borrowing base of eligible receivables to support such borrowings. The HSBC Securitization Program has been amended from time to time and currently matures in June 2018. The aggregate available commitment of the facility under the HSBC Securitization Program is for an amount up to €150 million.

Under the HSBC Securitization Program, all trade receivables originated by certain operating subsidiaries of Ardagh Packaging Holdings who have acceded to the HSBC Securitization Program as sellers are sold by those sellers to ARF unless ARF and HSBC have agreed that receivables owed by certain debtors are excluded (for example, if those receivables are to be sold into a supply chain finance program relating to that debtor). To the extent not financed by borrowings under the HSBC Securitization Program, ARF finances the purchase of receivables from the operating subsidiaries by using subordinated loans from Ardagh Packaging Holdings. ARF has granted security under the HSBC Securitization Program over all of its receivables and collection accounts.

The HSBC Securitization Program contains incurrence-type covenants that are substantially similar to the covenants contained in our Existing Indentures. In addition, it contains certain other covenants that are customary for programs of this nature.

**UniCredit Working Capital and Performance Guarantee Credit Lines**

Heye International supports its business activities with two open lines of credit from UniCredit Bank AG (formerly known as Bayerische Hypo und Vereinsbank AG). Heye International is entitled to draw up to €1 million on one of the lines of credit for the purposes of financing its short-term working capital requirements. The second credit line is available for up to €15 million of guarantee payments relating to Heye International's project business.

These facilities are secured by a pledge of all Heye International's present and future property, plant and equipment and intangible assets, an assignment over all present and future claims resulting from delivery of goods and services to domestic and foreign customers and an assignment over all existing and future trade receivables.

**Bank of America Facility**

On April 11, 2014, Ardagh Glass Inc. entered into a \$200 million asset-based revolving loan and security agreement with Bank of America, N.A. The \$200 million four-year facility, including a \$80 million letter of credit sub limit, was put in place to support the working capital needs of our North American glass business after the 2014 SGCI Acquisition. It may be increased by \$50 million with a proportional increase in the letter of credit sub-facility if certain conditions are met. The Bank of America Facility is secured by a first priority lien over inventory and accounts receivable of Ardagh Glass Inc. Although it contains affirmative and negative covenants and restrictions on transactions and related events of default, it does not contain any maintenance covenants other than a minimum collateral requirement.



## DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURED NOTES

The definitions of certain terms used in this description are set forth under the subheading “—Certain Definitions.” In this “Description of the Secured Notes,” the phrase “Ardagh Holdings USA” refers only to Ardagh Holdings USA Inc., a Delaware corporation, the term “Ardagh Packaging Finance” refers only to Ardagh Packaging Finance plc, the term “Issuers” refers only to Ardagh Holdings USA and Ardagh Packaging Finance collectively, and the term “Parent Guarantor” refers only to Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited and not to any of its Subsidiaries, except for the purpose of financial data determined on a consolidated or combined basis, as the case may be. In addition, the term “Subsidiary Guarantors” refers to any Restricted Subsidiary that incurs a Guarantee and the term “Guarantors” refers to the Parent Guarantor and the Subsidiary Guarantors collectively. Each of the Issuers and each Subsidiary Guarantor will be a direct or indirect Restricted Subsidiary. The phrase “Secured Notes” refers also to “book-entry interests” in the Secured Notes, as defined herein.

The Issuers will issue and the Guarantors will guarantee \$500 million aggregate principal amount of senior secured floating rate notes due 2021 denominated in U.S. dollars (the “Floating Rate Secured Notes”), €440 million aggregate principal amount of senior secured notes due 2023 denominated in euros (the “Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes”) and \$1,000 million aggregate principal amount of senior secured notes due 2023 denominated in U.S. dollars (the “Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes” and, together with the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes, the “Fixed Rate Secured Notes” and, together with the Floating Rate Secured Notes, the “Secured Notes”) under an indenture (the “Secured Indenture”) among, *inter alios*, the Issuers, the Guarantors, Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as trustee (in such capacity, the “Trustee”), and Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as security agent (in such capacity, the “Security Agent”), and certain other agents thereto. The Floating Rate Secured Notes, the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes and the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes each constitute a separate series of Secured Notes. Except as set forth herein, the terms of the Secured Notes include those set forth in the Secured Indenture. The Secured Indenture is not required to be nor will it be qualified under, or be subject to, the Trust Indenture Act, including Section 316(b) of such Act.

The Secured Indenture, the Secured Notes and the Guarantees are subject to the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement and any Additional Intercreditor Agreements (as defined below) entered into in the future. The terms of the Intercreditor Agreement or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement are important to understanding the terms and ranking of the Liens on the Collateral securing the Secured Notes and the Guarantees. Please see the section entitled “Description of Other Indebtedness—Intercreditor Agreement” for a summary of the material terms of the Intercreditor Agreement.

The following description is a summary of the material terms of the Secured Indenture. It does not, however, restate the Secured Indenture in its entirety, and where reference is made to particular provisions of the Secured Indenture, such provisions, including the definitions of certain terms, are qualified in their entirety by reference to all of the provisions of the Secured Indenture and the Secured Notes. You should read the Secured Indenture because it contains additional information and because it and not this description defines your rights as a holder of the Secured Notes. A copy of the form of the Secured Indenture may be obtained by requesting it from the Issuers at the address indicated under “Listing and General Information.”

The Issuers will make an application for the Secured Notes to be listed on the Global Exchange Market of the Irish Stock Exchange. The Issuers can provide no assurance that this application will be accepted. See “—Payments on the Secured Notes; Paying Agent.”

### Brief Description of the Secured Notes

The Secured Notes will:

- (a) be each Issuer’s general obligations;



- (b) mature on May 15, 2021 in the case of the Floating Rate Secured Notes and May 15, 2023 in the case of the Fixed Rate Secured Notes;
- (c) initially be guaranteed on a senior basis by the Parent Guarantor;
- (d) subject to the Agreed Security Principles, be guaranteed on a senior basis by the Subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor (other than the Issuers) that guarantee the Existing Ardagh Bonds within the periods and to the extent required by “—Security—Post-Closing Matters” below; and
- (e) subject to the Agreed Security Principles, be secured on a first priority basis by the Collateral currently securing the Existing Secured Notes within the periods and to the extent required by “—Security—Post-Closing Matters” below.

## Security

The Secured Notes will initially be secured by first priority liens on the funds deposited in the Closing Date Holding Accounts, as described below under “—Disbursement of Funds; Closing Date Holding Accounts.” The funds deposited in the Closing Date Holding Accounts will not be pledged to secure the obligations under the Existing Ardagh Bonds. Upon the release of the funds deposited in the Closing Date Holding Accounts in connection with the Acquisition, the first priority liens over these funds will be released.

On or prior to the dates specified in the Secured Indenture and subject to the Agreed Security Principles, the obligations of the Issuers under the Secured Notes and the obligations of the Guarantors under their respective Guarantees will be secured by Liens on all of the assets that secure the Issuers’ and the Guarantors’ obligations under the Existing Secured Notes (the “Existing Collateral”). The Existing Collateral consists of, *inter alia*, (i) pledges of the Parent Guarantor’s and the Restricted Subsidiaries’ shares in the share capital or other similar equity interests of all of our Subsidiary Guarantors that are currently part of Ardagh in Canada, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Guernsey, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Poland, Spain, Sweden, the United States and The Netherlands and our Subsidiary in Norway, (ii) floating charges over substantially all of our assets, including receivables and inventory in England, the United States and (with the exclusion of receivables) Ireland, (iii) fixed land charges over certain of our real estate assets and interests in land in England and The Netherlands, standard Scottish security over certain of our real estate assets in Scotland and mortgages over certain of our real estate assets in the United States and (iv) pledges and equivalent security interests over certain of our receivables and inventory in Germany, Guernsey, Poland and The Netherlands. In addition to the Existing Collateral, the Collateral will also comprise pledges of certain other assets of the Subsidiary Guarantors that are presently assets of the Acquired Business. Other than as described in the prior paragraph, the Liens securing the Secured Notes will be effectively *pari passu* with the first priority Liens securing obligations outstanding under the Term Loan Facilities Credit Agreement under the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement that will provide that any proceeds received from enforcement of the Security Documents will be shared equally and ratably between the holders of the Secured Notes and the lenders under the Term Loan Facilities Credit Agreement. The assets and property of the Parent Guarantor and its subsidiaries that are from time to time subject to, or required to be subject to, a Lien pursuant to the Security Documents are referred to as the “Collateral.” The security and other agreements, including amendments, supplements and waivers thereto, in respect of the Collateral are referred to as the “Security Documents.”

In connection with the HSBC Securitization Program (or any replacement, extension, modifications thereof or supplements thereto from time to time), from time to time some or all of the receivables currently forming part of the Collateral will be released from the Liens securing the Secured Notes and

will no longer form part of the Collateral. See “Description of Other Indebtedness—HSBC Securitization Program.”

Subject to certain conditions, including compliance with the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Liens,” the Parent Guarantor is permitted to pledge or cause its Subsidiaries to pledge the Collateral in connection with future incurrence of Debt, including issuances of Additional Secured Notes (as defined below), permitted under the Secured Indenture on a *pari passu* basis with the then outstanding Secured Notes. The Collateral can also be released from the Liens of the Security Documents under certain circumstances. See “—Release of the Security” below.

Under the Security Documents, the Collateral will be pledged by the Parent Guarantor and certain of its Restricted Subsidiaries to secure the payment when due of the Issuers’ and the Guarantors’, as applicable, payment obligations under the Secured Notes, the Guarantees and the Secured Indenture. The Security Documents will be entered into by, *inter alios*, the Security Agent, who acts as security agent for the Trustee and the holders of Secured Notes.

Each holder of Secured Notes, by accepting a Secured Note, shall be deemed (i) to have authorized the Trustee and the Security Agent to enter into the Security Documents, the Intercreditor Agreement and any Additional Intercreditor Agreements as described under “—Additional Intercreditor Agreements” below, in each case in compliance with the Secured Indenture and (ii) to be bound thereby. Each holder of Secured Notes, by accepting a Secured Note, appoints the Trustee or the Security Agent, as the case may be, as its agent under the Security Documents, the Intercreditor Agreement and any Additional Intercreditor Agreement and authorizes it to act as such.

The Security Documents will provide that the rights of the holders of the Secured Notes with respect to the Collateral must be exercised by the Security Agent. Since the holders of the Secured Notes are not a party to the Security Documents, holders may not, individually or collectively, take any direct action to enforce any rights in their favor under the Security Documents. The holders may only act through the Trustee or the Security Agent, as applicable. The Security Agent will agree to any release of the security interest created by the Security Documents that is in accordance with the Secured Indenture without requiring any consent of the holders. The Trustee will have the ability to direct the Security Agent to commence enforcement action under the Security Documents. For additional information concerning enforcement of Liens relating to Collateral, see “Description of Other Indebtedness—Intercreditor Agreement.”

Subject to the terms of the Security Documents, the Issuers and the Guarantors, as the case may be, will be entitled to exercise any and all voting rights and to receive and retain any and all cash dividends, stock dividends, liquidating dividends, non-cash dividends, shares of stock resulting from stock splits or reclassifications, rights issue, warrants, options and other distributions (whether similar or dissimilar to the foregoing) in respect of the shares that are part of the Collateral.

The value of the Collateral securing the Secured Notes and the Guarantees may not be sufficient to satisfy the Issuers’ and the Guarantors’ obligations under the Secured Notes and the Guarantees, and the Collateral securing the Secured Notes may be reduced or diluted under certain circumstances, including the issuance of Additional Secured Notes and the disposition of assets comprising the Collateral, subject to the terms of the Secured Indenture. Please see “Risk Factors—Risks Relating to the Secured Notes.”

No appraisals of the Collateral have been prepared by or on behalf of the Issuers or the Guarantors in connection with this offering of the Secured Notes. There can be no assurance that the proceeds of any sale of the Collateral, in whole or in part, pursuant to the Secured Indenture and the Security Documents following an Event of Default, would be sufficient to satisfy amounts due on the Secured Notes or the Guarantees. By its nature, some or all of the Collateral may be illiquid and may have no readily ascertainable market value. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the Collateral would be sold in a timely manner or at all.

The Security Documents, respectively, will be governed by applicable local laws and provide that the rights with respect to the Secured Notes and the Secured Indenture must be exercised by the Security Agent and in respect of the entire outstanding amount of the Secured Notes. The term “Security Interests” refers to the Liens in the Collateral.

### **Post-Closing Matters**

Subject to the Agreed Security Principles, the Parent Guarantor shall be required to ensure that (A) all subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor (other than the Issuers) that guarantee the Existing Ardagh Bonds become Subsidiary Guarantors no later than 90 days following the Issue Date and (B) all Security Interests in any Existing Collateral are in place and perfected no later than the later of (i) 90 days following the Issue Date and (ii) 30 days following the Completion Date. In addition, pursuant to the Secured Indenture and subject to the Agreed Security Principles, the Parent Guarantor will be required to pledge certain assets of the Acquired Business under appropriate Security Documents to grant a first priority Lien over such assets to secure its Guarantee and, in connection therewith, cause the Acquired Business to deliver such agreements and instruments that may be required by the Security Documents and such certifications and opinions of counsel as requested by the Trustee or the Security Agent, as applicable. These ancillary agreements and instruments are anticipated to include title insurance, surveys, agreements, and instruments that may be required by the Security Documents and such certificates and opinions of counsel as reasonably requested by the Trustee or the Security Agent, as applicable. Based on our diligence activities in connection with the Acquisition, we currently anticipate that we will pledge material assets in Germany, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and the United States. In addition, subject to the Agreed Security Principles, the Parent Guarantor will be required to ensure that entities owning, in whole or in part, the Acquired Business (except in Spain, France and Brazil) become Subsidiary Guarantors.

### ***Release of the Security***

All of the Liens granted under the Security Documents will be automatically and unconditionally released upon Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance as described under “—Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance” or if all obligations under the Secured Indenture are discharged in accordance with the terms of the Secured Indenture, in each case in accordance with the terms and conditions in the Secured Indenture, the Intercreditor Agreement or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement.

In addition, the Liens granted by a Subsidiary Guarantor (and the Liens, if any, over the Capital Stock of such Subsidiary Guarantor) will be automatically and unconditionally released:

- (a) upon any sale or disposition of (i) Capital Stock of a Subsidiary Guarantor following which such Subsidiary Guarantor is no longer a Restricted Subsidiary or (ii) all or substantially all of the properties and assets of a Subsidiary Guarantor to a Person that is not (either before or after giving effect to such transaction) the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary that does not violate the covenant described in “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets”;
- (b) in the event that all of the Capital Stock of such Subsidiary Guarantor is sold or otherwise disposed of pursuant to an enforcement of the security over the Capital Stock of such Subsidiary Guarantor under the applicable Security Document(s) in accordance with the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement;
- (c) upon the designation of such Subsidiary Guarantor as an Unrestricted Subsidiary;
- (d) in the circumstances set forth in the third paragraph of “—Certain Covenants—Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets”; and
- (e) as described under the caption “—Amendments and Waivers.”

In addition, Liens on property or assets constituting Collateral may also be released to the extent necessary or advisable to enable the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary to consummate the sale, transfer or other disposition of such property or assets provided that such sale, transfer or other disposition does not violate the covenant described in “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets.”

In addition, the Liens granted by the Parent Guarantor and/or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries under the Security Documents in respect of assets constituting inventories and accounts receivable (and other assets customarily relating to inventories and accounts receivable such as insurance proceeds, books and records and other assets) may be released, without the consent of the Trustee, the holders of the Secured Notes or the Security Agent, to secure Debt to be incurred under clause (b) of paragraph (2) of “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”; *provided* that if the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries owning such assets grants a Silent Second Lien over such assets in favor of any other Debt, they shall also grant a Silent Second Lien in favor of the Security Agent (on its own behalf and on behalf of the Trustee for the holders of the Secured Notes; *provided, further*, that upon the release of such Silent Second Liens securing such other Debt, the Liens in favor of the Security Agent (on its own behalf and on behalf of the Trustee for the holders of the Secured Notes) shall be automatically released.

### **The Guarantees**

The Guarantors will jointly and severally guarantee the due and punctual payment of all amounts payable under the Secured Notes, including principal, premium, if any, and interest payable under the Secured Notes.

The obligations of a Subsidiary of the Parent Guarantor to issue a Guarantee of the Secured Notes, if required by the Secured Indenture, will be subject to the Agreed Security Principles. The obligations of each Subsidiary Guarantor under its Guarantee will be limited to an amount not to exceed the maximum amount that can be guaranteed by such Subsidiary Guarantor without resulting in its obligations under its Guarantee being voidable or unenforceable under applicable laws relating to fraudulent transfer, or under similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally or the maximum amount otherwise permitted by law. In particular, each Guarantee will be limited as required to comply with corporate benefit, maintenance of capital and other laws applicable in the jurisdiction of the relevant Subsidiary Guarantor. By virtue of these limitations, a Subsidiary Guarantor’s obligations under its Guarantee could be significantly less than amounts payable in respect of the Secured Notes, or a Subsidiary Guarantor may have effectively no obligations under its Guarantee. See “Risk Factors—Risks Relating to our Debt, the Notes and the Guarantees—Corporate benefit, capital maintenance laws and other limitations on the Guarantees and the Security Interests may adversely affect the validity and enforceability of the Guarantees of the Notes and the Security Interests.”

Each Guarantor that makes a payment or distribution under its Guarantee will be entitled to contribution from any other Guarantor.

### ***Release of the Guarantees***

All of the Guarantees will be automatically and unconditionally released (and thereupon shall terminate and be discharged and be of no further force and effect) upon Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance as described under “—Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance” or if all obligations under the Secured Indenture are discharged in accordance with the terms of the Secured Indenture, in each case in accordance with the terms and conditions in the Secured Indenture, the Intercreditor Agreement and any Additional Intercreditor Agreement.

In addition, a Subsidiary Guarantor's Guarantee (and the Guarantee, if any, of any Subsidiary of such Subsidiary Guarantor) will be automatically and unconditionally released (and thereupon shall terminate and be discharged and be of no further force and effect):

- (a) upon any sale or disposition of (i) Capital Stock of a Subsidiary Guarantor following which such Subsidiary Guarantor is no longer a Restricted Subsidiary or (ii) all or substantially all of the properties and assets of a Subsidiary Guarantor to a Person that is not (either before or after giving effect to such transaction) the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary that does not violate the covenant described in “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets”;
- (b) in the event that all of the Capital Stock of such Subsidiary Guarantor is sold or otherwise disposed of pursuant to an enforcement of the security over the Capital Stock of such Subsidiary Guarantor under the applicable Security Document(s) in accordance with the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement and any Additional Intercreditor Agreement;
- (c) upon the designation of such Subsidiary Guarantor as an Unrestricted Subsidiary;
- (d) in the circumstances set forth in the third paragraph of “—Certain Covenants—Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets”; and
- (e) as described under the caption “—Amendments and Waivers.”

#### **Release of Ardagh Holdings USA's Obligations**

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Secured Indenture, upon the sale or disposition directly or indirectly of the Capital Stock of Ardagh Holdings USA pursuant to an enforcement by the Security Agent in accordance with the Intercreditor Agreement (and/or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement) and the Secured Indenture (a “Holdings USA Disposition”), the obligations of Ardagh Holdings USA under the Secured Notes and the Secured Indenture will be automatically and unconditionally released (and thereupon shall terminate and be discharged and be of no further effect); *provided* that each other guarantee by Ardagh Holdings USA in respect of any Credit Facility and any other capital markets debt of the Parent Guarantor or any of its subsidiaries has been released (or is released simultaneously upon such Holdings USA Disposition). Upon a Holdings USA Disposition, Ardagh Packaging Finance shall be the sole Issuer under the Secured Notes and the Secured Indenture, and the Secured Notes and the Secured Indenture will remain in full force and effect and any reference in the Secured Indenture, the Secured Notes and the Intercreditor Agreement (and/or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement) to the “Issuers” or Ardagh Holdings USA shall be deemed to be references only to the “Issuer” or Ardagh Packaging Finance, *mutatis mutandis*.

The Parent Guarantor will publish a notice of a Holdings USA Disposition described in the immediately preceding paragraph in accordance with the provisions of the Secured Indenture described under “—Notices” and, so long as the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange so require, notify such exchange of a Holdings USA Disposition.

#### **Ranking of the Secured Notes and the Guarantees**

##### ***The Secured Notes***

The Secured Notes will:

- (a) be each Issuer's general obligations;
- (b) rank senior in right of payment to any and all of each Issuer's existing and future indebtedness that is subordinated in right of payment to the Secured Notes;

- (c) rank equally in right of payment with all of each Issuer's existing and future indebtedness that is not subordinated in right of payment to the Secured Notes;
- (d) be structurally subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness of the Parent Guarantor's subsidiaries that do not provide Guarantees; and
- (e) be effectively subordinated to all of each Issuer's existing and future indebtedness under the HSBC Securitization Program to the extent of the value of receivables and inventory securing such indebtedness.

#### ***The Parent Guarantor's Guarantee***

The Parent Guarantor's Guarantee will:

- (a) be the Parent Guarantor's general obligation;
- (b) rank senior in right of payment to any and all of the Parent Guarantor's existing and future indebtedness that is subordinated in right of payment to its Guarantee;
- (c) rank effectively equally with all of the Parent Guarantor's existing and future indebtedness that is secured by a first priority Lien on the Collateral, including its obligations under the Existing Secured Notes and the Term Loan Facilities Agreement;
- (d) rank equally in right of payment with any and all of the Parent Guarantor's existing and future indebtedness that is not subordinated in right of payment to its Guarantee;
- (e) be effectively subordinated to the Parent Guarantor's existing and future indebtedness under the HSBC Securitization Program to the extent of the value of receivables and inventory securing such indebtedness; and
- (f) be effectively senior to all existing and future unsecured indebtedness of the Parent Guarantor to the extent of the assets securing the Guarantee by the Parent Guarantor.

#### ***The Subsidiary Guarantors' Guarantees***

Each Subsidiary Guarantor's Guarantee will:

- (a) be such Guarantor's general obligation;
- (b) rank senior in right of payment to any and all of such Subsidiary Guarantor's existing and future indebtedness that is subordinated in right of payment to its Guarantee;
- (c) rank effectively equally with all of such Guarantor's existing and future indebtedness that is secured by a first priority Lien on the Collateral, including its obligations under the Existing Secured Notes and the Term Loan Facilities Agreement;
- (d) rank equally in right of payment to any and all of such Subsidiary Guarantor's existing and future indebtedness that is not subordinated in right of payment to its Guarantee; and
- (e) be effectively senior to any and all of such Subsidiary Guarantor's existing and future unsecured indebtedness to the extent of the assets securing such Subsidiary Guarantor's Guarantee.

As a result of the foregoing, it is expected that the Secured Notes will rank equally in right of payment and will be effectively secured on a *pari passu* basis with the Existing Secured Notes.

At March 31, 2016, on a pro forma basis after giving effect to the Acquisition and the issuance of the Secured Notes and the use of proceeds therefrom on a consolidated basis, the Parent Guarantor would have had total debt (before deducting deferred financing costs) secured by the Collateral, including the Secured Notes, of €4,491 million.



In addition, on a historical basis, at March 31, 2016, Ardagh's non-guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries would have had (i) no debt outstanding and (ii) aggregated trade payables and deferred taxes of €42 million.

Not all of the Parent Guarantor's Subsidiaries will guarantee the Secured Notes. In the event of a bankruptcy, liquidation or reorganization of any of these non-guarantor Subsidiaries, the non-guarantor Subsidiaries will likely be required to repay financial and trade creditors before distributing any assets to the Issuers or a Guarantor.

Ardagh Packaging Finance is a finance subsidiary without operations and Ardagh Holdings USA is a holding company with no independent operations. Therefore, each Issuer depends on the cash flow of the Parent Guarantor's operating Subsidiaries to meet its obligations, including its obligations under the Secured Notes. The Secured Notes are structurally subordinated to all Debt and other liabilities and commitments (including trade payables and lease obligations) of the Parent Guarantor's Subsidiaries that do not guarantee the Secured Notes.

As of the Issue Date, all of the Parent Guarantor's Subsidiaries will be "Restricted Subsidiaries." However, under the circumstances described below under the caption "—Certain Covenants—Designation of Unrestricted and Restricted Subsidiaries," the Parent Guarantor will be permitted to designate certain of its Subsidiaries as "Unrestricted Subsidiaries." Unrestricted Subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor will not be subject to any of the restrictive covenants in the Secured Indenture.

Although the Secured Indenture will contain limitations on the amount of additional Debt that the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries may incur, the amount of such additional Debt could be substantial.

#### **Limitations Under Guarantees and Security Interests**

The obligations of each Subsidiary Guarantor under its Guarantee and the Security Interests it has granted to secure the Secured Notes, if any, will be limited to an amount not to exceed the maximum amount that can be guaranteed by such Subsidiary Guarantor without resulting in its obligations under its Guarantee and its Security Interests, if any, being voidable or unenforceable under applicable laws relating to fraudulent transfer or under similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally, or the maximum amount otherwise permitted by law. In particular, each Guarantee and each Security Interest will be limited as required to comply with corporate benefit, maintenance of capital and other laws applicable in the jurisdiction of the relevant Subsidiary Guarantor. By virtue of these limitations, a Subsidiary Guarantor's obligations under its Guarantee and its Security Interests, if any, could be significantly less than amounts payable in respect of the Secured Notes, or a Subsidiary Guarantor may have effectively no obligations under its Guarantee or its Security Interests. See "Risk Factors—Risks Relating to Our Debt, the Notes and the Guarantees—Corporate benefit, capital maintenance laws and other limitations on the Guarantees and the Security Interests may adversely affect the validity and enforceability of the Guarantees of the Notes and the Security Interests."

#### **Principal, Maturity and Interest**

##### ***Fixed Rate Secured Notes***

The Fixed Rate Secured Notes will mature on May 15, 2023, and 100% of the principal amount of the Fixed Rate Secured Notes shall be payable on the applicable maturity date thereof, unless redeemed prior thereto as described herein. The Issuers will issue an aggregate principal amount of €440 million Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes and \$1,000 million of Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes in this offering. Subject to the covenant described under "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt" and "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Liens," the Issuers are permitted to issue additional Fixed Rate Secured Notes as part of a further issue under the Secured Indenture ("Additional Fixed Rate Secured Notes") from time to time; *provided* that, if any Additional Fixed Rate Secured Notes are not fungible



with any series of original Fixed Rate Secured Notes for U.S. income tax purposes, such Additional Fixed Rate Secured Notes will have a separate CUSIP number and/or a separate ISIN, as the case may be. The Fixed Rate Secured Notes and any Additional Fixed Rate Secured Notes subsequently issued under the Secured Indenture will be treated as a single class for all purposes of the Secured Indenture, including waivers, amendments, redemptions and offers to purchase, except for certain waivers and amendments. Unless the context otherwise requires, references to the “Fixed Rate Secured Notes” for all purposes of the Secured Indenture and in this “Description of the Secured Notes” include references to any Additional Fixed Rate Secured Notes that are actually issued.

Interest on the Euro Fixed Rate Secured Notes will accrue at a rate of 4.125% per annum and interest on the Dollar Secured Notes will accrue at the rate of 4.625% per annum. Interest on the Fixed Rate Secured Notes will be payable semi-annually in arrears from the Issue Date. Interest will be payable on each Fixed Rate Secured Note on May 15 and November 15 of each year, commencing on November 15, 2016. The Issuers will pay interest on each Fixed Rate Secured Note to holders of record of each Fixed Rate Secured Note in respect of the principal amount thereof outstanding as of the immediately preceding May 1 or November 1, as the case may be. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months and will be paid on overdue principal and other overdue amounts at the same rate.

#### *Floating Rate Secured Notes*

The Floating Rate Secured Notes will mature on May 15, 2021, and 100% of the principal amount of the Floating Rate Secured Notes shall be payable on the applicable maturity date thereof, unless redeemed prior thereto as described herein. The Issuers will issue an aggregate principal amount of \$500 million Floating Rate Secured Notes in this offering. Subject to the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt” and “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Liens,” the Issuers are permitted to issue additional Floating Rate Secured Notes as part of a further issue under the Secured Indenture (“Additional Floating Rate Secured Notes” and, together with the Additional Fixed Rate Secured Notes, the “Additional Secured Notes”) from time to time; *provided* that, if any Additional Floating Rate Secured Notes are not fungible with any series of original Floating Rate Secured Notes for U.S. income tax purposes, such Additional Floating Rate Secured Notes will have a separate CUSIP number. The Floating Rate Secured Notes and any Additional Floating Rate Secured Notes subsequently issued under the Secured Indenture will be treated as a single class for all purposes of the Secured Indenture, including waivers, amendments, redemptions and offers to purchase, except for certain waivers and amendments. Unless the context otherwise requires, references to the “Floating Rate Secured Notes” for all purposes of the Secured Indenture and in this “Description of the Secured Notes” include references to any Additional Floating Rate Secured Notes that are actually issued.

Interest on the Floating Rate Secured Notes will accrue at a floating rate equal to the 3-month Dollar LIBO Rate (as defined below) for deposits in U.S. dollars determined for the relevant interest period plus 3.25% from the Issue Date. Interest on the Floating Rate Secured Notes will be payable, in cash, quarterly in arrears on February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15 of each year, subject to adjustment in accordance with the Business Day Convention (as defined below), commencing on August 15, 2016 and at maturity (each an “Interest Payment Date”), to holders of record on the immediately preceding February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1. Interest on the Floating Rate Secured Notes will accrue from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or, if no interest has been paid, from the date of original issuance. Each interest payment period shall end on (but not include) the relevant Interest Payment Date. Interest on the Floating Rate Secured Notes will be computed on the basis of the actual number of days in the interest period divided by 360.

For purposes of the calculation of principal, maturity and interest on the Floating Rate Secured Notes, “Business Day Convention” means the following: If any LIBO Rate Reset Date or Interest Payment Date (other than the maturity date) would otherwise be a day that is not a Business Day, that

LIBO Rate Reset Date or Interest Payment Date will be postponed to the next succeeding Business Day; *provided, however*, that if that date would fall in the next succeeding calendar month, such date will be the immediately preceding Business Day. If any such LIBO Rate Reset Date or Interest Payment Date (other than the maturity date) is postponed or brought forward as described above, the interest amount will be adjusted accordingly. If the maturity date falls on a day that is not a Business Day, payment of principal and interest on the Floating Rate Secured Notes will be made on the next Business Day, and no interest will accrue for the period from and after the maturity date. Postponement as described above will not result in a default.

As long as any Floating Rate Secured Notes are outstanding, the Issuers will maintain a calculation agent (the “Calculation Agent”) for calculating the interest rates on the Floating Rate Secured Notes. The Issuers have initially appointed Citibank N.A., London Branch to serve as the Calculation Agent.

The Calculation Agent will reset the rate of interest on the Floating Rate Secured Notes on each Interest Payment Date and with respect to the first interest period, the Issue Date (each also a “LIBO Rate Reset Date”). The interest rate set for the Floating Rate Secured Notes on a particular LIBO Rate Reset Date will remain in effect during the interest period commencing on that LIBO Rate Reset Date. Each interest period will be the period from and including a LIBO Rate Reset Date to but excluding the next LIBO Rate Reset Date or until the maturity date of the Floating Rate Secured Notes, as the case may be.

The “3-month Dollar LIBO Rate” means the rate determined in accordance with the following provisions:

- On the LIBOR Interest Determination Date, the Calculation Agent will determine the 3-month Dollar LIBO Rate, which will be the rate for deposits in U.S. dollars having a three-month maturity which appears on the Reuters Screen LIBOR01 as of 11:00 a.m., London time, on the Interest Determination Date; or if such rate does not appear on the Reuters Screen LIBOR01 on any LIBOR Interest Determination Date, then the corresponding rate appearing on the Bloomberg L.P. page “BBAM” as of 11:00 a.m., London time, on the relevant LIBOR Interest Determination Date; or
- If no rate appears on the Reuters Screen LIBOR01 or the Bloomberg L.P. page “BBAM” on the LIBOR Interest Determination Date the rate will be determined on the basis of the rates at which deposits in U.S. Dollars are offered by four major banks in the London interbank market (the “Reference Banks”) at approximately 11:00 a.m., London time, on that LIBOR Interest Determination Date to prime banks in the London interbank market for the period of three months commencing on the applicable LIBO Rate Reset Date and in a principal amount that is representative for a single transaction in U.S. Dollars in that market at that time. The Calculation Agent, after consultation with the Issuers, will request the principal London office of each of the Reference Banks to provide a quotation for its rate. If at least two such quotations are provided, then the 3-month Dollar LIBO Rate for that LIBOR Interest Determination Date will be the arithmetic mean of the quotations (rounded, if necessary, to the nearest one hundredth (0.01) of a percent). If fewer than two quotations are provided as requested, the rate for that LIBOR Interest Determination Date will be the arithmetic mean (rounded, if necessary, to the nearest one-hundredth (0.01) of a percent) of the rates quoted by major banks in New York City, selected by the Calculation Agent, after consultation with the Issuers, at approximately 11:00 a.m., New York time on that LIBOR Interest Determination Date for loans in U.S. dollars to leading European banks having a three-month maturity commencing on the applicable LIBO Rate Reset Date and in a principal amount that is representative for a single transaction in U.S. dollars in that market at that time.

If the rate cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provision, the “3-month Dollar LIBO Rate” shall mean the 3-month Dollar LIBO Rate determined on the immediately preceding LIBOR Interest Determination Date.

“Reuters Page LIBOR01” means the display designated as “Page LIBOR01” on Reuters Money 3000 Service or any successor service (or such other page as may replace Page LIBOR01 on that service) or such other service displaying the London Inter-Bank offered rates of major banks, as may replace Reuters Money 3000 Service.

“LIBOR Interest Determination Date” means the second London Banking Day preceding each LIBO Rate Reset Date.

“London Banking Day” means any day on which commercial banks are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in London. The interest rate determined on a LIBOR Interest Determination Date will become effective on and as of the next LIBO Rate Reset Date.

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The initial LIBOR Interest Determination Date will be May 16, 2016 for the interest period commencing on May 16, 2016.

The interest rate payable on the Floating Rate Secured Notes will not be higher than the maximum rate permitted by New York state law as that law may be modified by U.S. law of general application provided, however, that the Calculation Agent shall not be responsible for verifying such maximum rate of interest.

The Calculation Agent will, as soon as practicable after 11:00 a.m., London time, on each LIBOR Interest Determination Date, in relation to each interest period, calculate the amount of interest (the “Interest Amount”) payable in respect of each Note for such interest period. The Interest Amount will be calculated by applying the rate of interest for such interest period to the principal amount of such Note, multiplying the product by the actual number of days in such interest period divided by 360. The Calculation Agent will cause the rate of interest and Interest Amount for each interest period determined by it, together with the relevant Interest Payment Date, to be notified to the Issuers and the Paying Agent. The Calculation Agent will also notify to each listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system (if any) by which the Floating Rate Secured Notes have been admitted to listing, trading and/or quotation as soon as practicable after such determination but in any event not later than the first day of the relevant interest period, the rate of interest, the amount of interest payable in respect of each U.S.\$1,000 principal amount of Floating Rate Secured Notes and the Interest Payment Date Notice thereof shall also promptly be given to the holders of the Floating Rate Secured Notes. The Calculation Agent will be entitled to recalculate any Interest Amount (on the basis of the foregoing provisions) without notice in the event of an extension or shortening of the relevant interest period. The Trustee, Registrar, paying agents and transfer agents shall not be responsible for nor incur any liability in relation to any computation of interest made, or intended to be made, by the Calculation Agent.

All notifications, opinions, determinations, certificates, calculations, quotations and decisions given, expressed, made or obtained for the purposes of this condition by the Calculation Agent will (in the absence of willful default, fraud or manifest error) be binding on the Issuers, the paying agents and the holders of the Floating Rate Secured Notes and (subject to aforesaid) no liability to any such person will attach to the Calculation Agent in connection with the exercise or non-exercise by it of its powers, duties and discretions for such purposes.

All percentages resulting from any of the above calculations will be rounded, if necessary, to the nearest one hundred-thousandth of a percentage point, with five one-millionths of a percentage point

being rounded upwards (e.g., 9.876545% (or .09876545) being rounded to 9.87655% (or .0987655)) and all dollar amounts resulting from such calculations will be rounded to the nearest cent (with one-half cent being rounded upwards).

### **Disbursement of Funds; Closing Date Holding Accounts**

If the Acquisition has not been completed on or prior to the Issue Date, an amount equal to the gross proceeds from the sale of the Secured Notes in this offering (such amount not to include amounts attributable to accrued interest) (the “Escrowed Funds”), matching the currencies of the Secured Notes, will be deposited into one or more deposit accounts in the name of Ardagh Packaging Finance and/or Ardagh Holdings USA at Citibank, N.A., London Branch or other reputable financial institution (the “Closing Date Holding Accounts”). Prior to the Issue Date, the Issuers will notify the Escrow Agent in whose name or names the Closing Date Holding Accounts will be held (the “Relevant Holder”). Pursuant to a closing date holding account charge (the “Closing Date Holding Accounts Charge”) dated as of the Issue Date among the Issuers, the Trustee and Citibank, N.A., London Branch as security trustee (the “Security Trustee”), the Relevant Holder will grant a first priority security interest in the Escrowed Funds to the Security Trustee for the benefit of the Trustee and the holders of the Secured Notes. Citibank, N.A., London Branch or other reputable financial institution will act as escrow agent (the “Escrow Agent”) with respect to the Escrowed Funds pursuant to an escrow agreement (the “Escrow Agreement”) dated as of the Issue Date among the Issuers, the Escrow Agent, the Trustee and the Security Trustee on behalf of the Trustee and the holders of the Secured Notes.

The Escrow Agreement will provide that the Escrowed Funds will be released to either Ardagh Holdings USA or Ardagh Packaging Finance, such decision to be made at the discretion of the Relevant Holder upon certification by the Issuers to the Trustee, the Security Trustee and the Escrow Agent, in accordance with the terms of the Escrow Agreement (the “Offer Conditions Certificate”) that:

- (i) all terms and conditions of the Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement have been satisfied or waived;
- (ii) the Escrowed Funds will be applied, directly or through intercompany transfers, for their permitted uses in accordance with the terms of the Escrow Agreement and, following such application, the Acquisition will be completed; and
- (iii) no Event of Default specified in clause 1(a), 1(b) or 1(i) under the caption “—Events of Default” has occurred and is continuing under the Secured Indenture.

If the Acquisition has not been completed on or prior to October 31, 2016 or the Issuers certify to the Trustee, the Security Trustee and the Escrow Agent that the Acquisition will not take place or that the Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement has been terminated (the “Special Mandatory Redemption Certificate”), the Issuers will redeem the Secured Notes (a “Special Mandatory Redemption”) in accordance with the provisions of the Secured Indenture providing for the mandatory redemption as described below under “—Special Mandatory Redemption,” and either Issuer will instruct the Escrow Agent, to release the Escrowed Funds to the paying agent for the redemption in accordance with the Escrow Agreement. See “—Special Mandatory Redemption.”

### **Form of Notes**

The Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes will be issued on the Issue Date only in fully registered form without coupons and only in minimum denominations of €100,000 and in integral multiples of €1,000 in excess thereof. The Floating Rate Secured Notes and the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes will be issued on the Issue Date only in fully registered form without coupons and only in minimum denominations of \$200,000 and in integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

The Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes will be initially in the form of one or more global notes (the “Euro Global Notes”), the Floating Rate Secured Notes will be initially in the form of one or more global notes (the “Floating Rate Global Notes”) and the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes will be initially in the form of one or more global notes (the “Dollar Global Notes” and, together with the Euro Global Notes and the Floating Rate Global Notes, the “Global Notes”). The Floating Rate Global Notes and the Dollar Global Notes will be deposited with a custodian for DTC. The Euro Global Notes will be deposited with a common depository for Euroclear and Clearstream Banking or a nominee of such common depository. Ownership of interests in the Global Notes, referred to as “book-entry interests,” will be limited to persons that have accounts with DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking or their respective participants. Book-entry interests will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained in book-entry form by DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking and their participants. The terms of the Secured Indenture will provide for the issuance of definitive registered Notes in certain circumstances. See “Book-Entry; Delivery and Form.”

### **Transfer and Exchange**

The Global Notes may be transferred in accordance with the Secured Indenture. All transfers of book-entry interests between participants in DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking will be effected by DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking pursuant to customary procedures and subject to applicable rules and procedures established by DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking and their respective participants. See “Book-Entry; Delivery and Form.”

The Secured Notes will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer and certification requirements, as described under “Notice to Investors.”

### **Payments on the Secured Notes; Paying Agent**

The Issuers will make all payments, including principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Dollar Secured Notes, through an agent in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York that it will maintain for these purposes. Initially that agent will be Citibank, N.A., New York. The Issuers will make all payments, including principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Euro Secured Notes, through an agent in the City of London that it will maintain for these purposes. Initially that agent will be the corporate trust office of Citibank, N.A., London Branch. The Issuers may change the paying agents without prior notice to the holders of the Secured Notes. In addition, the Issuers or any of their Subsidiaries may act as paying agent in connection with the Secured Notes other than for the purposes of effecting a redemption described under “—Optional Redemption” or an offer to purchase the Secured Notes described under “—Purchase of Secured Notes upon a Change of Control” or “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets.” The Issuers will make all payments in same-day funds. The Issuers undertake that they will maintain a paying agent in an EU Member State that is not obliged to withhold or deduct tax pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any other Directive implementing the conclusions of the ECOFIN Council meeting of November 26-27, 2000 on the taxation of savings income or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, any such Directive. That paying agent will be Citibank, N.A., London Branch in London.

No service charge will be made for any registration of a transfer, exchange or redemption of the Secured Notes, but the Issuers may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any transfer tax or similar governmental charge payable in connection with any such registration of transfer or exchange (but not for a redemption).



## **Additional Amounts**

All payments that the Issuers make under or with respect to the Secured Notes or that the Guarantors make under or with respect to the Guarantees will be made free and clear of and without withholding or deduction for or on account of any present or future tax, duty, levy, impost, assessment or other governmental charge (including, without limitation, penalties, interest and other similar liabilities related thereto) of whatever nature (collectively, “Taxes”) imposed or levied on such payments by or on behalf of any jurisdiction (other than the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia) in which any Issuer or Guarantor is organized, resident or doing business for tax purposes or from or through which any of the foregoing (or its agents, including the Paying Agent) makes any payment on the Secured Notes or by or within any department, political subdivision or governmental authority of or in any of the foregoing having power to tax (each, a “Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction”), unless such Issuer or Guarantor or other applicable withholding agent, as the case may be, is required to withhold or deduct Taxes by law or by the interpretation or administration of law. If an Issuer, Guarantor or other applicable withholding agent is required to withhold or deduct any amount for or on account of Taxes imposed or levied on behalf of a Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction from any payment made under or with respect to the Secured Notes or any Guarantee, such Issuer or Guarantor, as the case may be, will pay additional amounts (“Additional Amounts”) as may be necessary to ensure that the net amount received by each beneficial owner of the Secured Notes after such withholding or deduction (including any withholding or deduction in respect of any Additional Amounts) will not be less than the amount the beneficial owner would have received if such Taxes had not been withheld or deducted.

None of the Issuers or Guarantors will, however, pay Additional Amounts in respect or on account of:

- (a) any Taxes, to the extent such Taxes are imposed or levied by a Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction by reason of the holder’s or beneficial owner’s present or former connection with such Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction (other than the mere receipt, ownership, holding or disposition of Secured Notes, or by reason of the receipt of any payments in respect of any Secured Notes or any Guarantee, or the exercise or enforcement of rights under any Secured Notes or any Guarantee);
- (b) any Taxes to the extent such Taxes are imposed or withheld by reason of the failure of the holder or beneficial owner of Secured Notes, following the Issuers’ written request addressed to the holder or beneficial owner, to comply with any certification, identification, information or other reporting requirements (to the extent such holder or beneficial owner is legally eligible to do so), whether required by statute, treaty, regulation or administrative practice of a Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction, as a precondition to exemption from, or reduction in the rate of deduction or withholding of, such Taxes imposed by the Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction (including, without limitation, a certification that the holder or beneficial owner is not resident in the Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction);
- (c) any estate, inheritance, gift, sales, transfer, personal property or similar Taxes;
- (d) any Tax which is payable otherwise than by deduction or withholding from payments made under or with respect to the Secured Notes or any Guarantee;
- (e) any Tax imposed on or with respect to any payment by any of the Issuers or Guarantors to the holder if such holder is a fiduciary or partnership or person other than the sole beneficial owner of such payment to the extent that such Taxes would not have been imposed on such payment had such beneficial owner been the holder of such Secured Note;

- (f) any Tax that is imposed on or with respect to a payment made to a holder or beneficial owner who would have been able to avoid such withholding or deduction by presenting the relevant Secured Notes to another paying agent in a member state of the European Union;
- (g) any Taxes, to the extent such Taxes were imposed as a result of the presentation of a Secured Note for payment (where presentation is required) more than 30 days after the relevant payment is first made available to the holder (except to the extent that the holder would have been entitled to Additional Amounts had the Secured Note been presented on the last day of such 30-day period);
- (h) any withholding or deduction in respect of any Taxes where such withholding or deduction is imposed on a payment to an individual and is required to be made pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any other Directive implementing the conclusions of the ECOFIN Council meetings of November 26 and 27, 2000 on the taxation of savings income or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, any such Directive;
- (i) any U.S. federal withholding Taxes or equivalent thereof imposed pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as of the Issue Date (or any amended or successor version that is substantively comparable and not materially more onerous to comply with), any current or future regulations promulgated thereunder or other official administrative interpretations thereof and any agreements entered into pursuant to current Section 1471(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as of the Issue Date (or any amended or successor version described above), and including (for the avoidance of doubt) any intergovernmental agreements (and any law, regulation, rule or practice implementing any such intergovernmental agreement) in respect of the foregoing; or
- (j) any combination of the foregoing.

The Issuers and the Guarantors, if the applicable withholding agent, will (i) make such withholding or deduction as is required by applicable law and (ii) remit the full amount deducted or withheld to the relevant authority in accordance with applicable law.

At least 30 calendar days prior to each date on which any payment under or with respect to the Secured Notes or any Guarantee is due and payable, if the Issuers or a Guarantor will be obligated to pay Additional Amounts with respect to such payment (unless such obligation to pay Additional Amounts arises after the 30th day prior to the date on which payment under or with respect to the Secured Notes or any Guarantee is due and payable, in which case it will be promptly thereafter), the Issuers will deliver to the Trustee, with a copy to the Paying Agent, an Officer's Certificate stating that such Additional Amounts will be payable and the amounts so payable and will set forth such other information necessary to enable the Paying Agent to pay such Additional Amounts to holders on the payment date. The Trustee shall be entitled to rely solely on such Officer's Certificate as conclusive proof that such payments are necessary. The Issuers will promptly publish a notice in accordance with the provisions set forth in "—Notices" stating that such Additional Amounts will be payable and describing the obligation to pay such amounts.

In addition, the Issuers and the Guarantors will pay any present or future stamp, issuance, registration, court, documentary, excise or property taxes or other similar taxes, charges and duties, including without limitation, interest, penalties and other similar liabilities with respect thereto, imposed by any Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction in respect of (i) the execution, issue, delivery or registration of the Secured Notes or any Guarantee or any other document or instrument referred to thereunder, or (ii) the receipt of any payments under or with respect to, or enforcement of, the Secured Notes or any Guarantee.



Upon written request, any of the Issuers or a Guarantor will furnish to the Trustee or a holder within a reasonable time certified copies of tax receipts evidencing any payment by such Issuer or Guarantor (as the case may be) of any Taxes imposed or levied by a Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction, in accordance with the procedures described in “—Notices” hereafter, in such form as provided in the normal course by the taxing authority imposing such Taxes. If, notwithstanding the efforts of such Issuer or Guarantor to obtain such receipts, the same are not obtainable, such Issuer or Guarantor will provide the Trustee or such holder with other evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee or holder of such payments by such Issuer or Guarantor. If requested by the Trustee, the Issuers and (to the extent necessary) any Guarantors will provide to the Trustee such information as may be reasonably available to such Issuer and the Guarantors (and not otherwise in the possession of the Trustee) to enable determination of the amount of any withholding taxes attributable to any particular holder(s).

Whenever the Secured Indenture or this “Description of the Secured Notes” refers to, in any context, the payment of principal, premium, if any, interest or any other amount payable under or with respect to any Note (including payments thereof made pursuant to a Guarantee), such reference includes the payment of Additional Amounts, if applicable.

The preceding provisions will survive any termination, defeasance or discharge of the Secured Indenture and shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to any jurisdiction (other than the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia) in which any successor person to any of the Issuers or Guarantors is organized, resident or doing business for tax purposes or any jurisdiction from or through which any such person (or its agents, including the Paying Agent) makes any payment on the Secured Note (or any Guarantee) and any department, political subdivision or governmental authority of or in any of the foregoing having the power to tax.

### **Currency Indemnity**

Euros with respect to the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes, and U.S. dollars, with respect to the Floating Rate Secured Notes and the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes, are the required currencies (each, a “Required Currency”) of account and payment for all sums payable under the Secured Notes, the Guarantees and the Secured Indenture. Any amount received or recovered in respect of the Secured Notes or the Guarantees in a currency other than the applicable Required Currency (whether as a result of, or of the enforcement of, a judgment or order of a court of any jurisdiction, in the winding-up or dissolution of each Issuer, any Subsidiary or otherwise) by the Trustee or a holder of the Secured Notes in respect of any sum expressed to be due to such holder from the Issuers or the Guarantors will constitute a discharge of their obligation only to the extent of the amount of the applicable Required Currency which the recipient is able to purchase with the amount so received or recovered in such other currency on the date of that receipt or recovery (or, if it is not possible to purchase the applicable Required Currency on that date, on the first date on which it is possible to do so). If the amount of the applicable Required Currency to be recovered is less than the amount of the applicable Required Currency expressed to be due to the recipient under any Secured Note, the Issuers or the Guarantors will indemnify the recipient against the cost of making any further purchase of the applicable Required Currency in an amount equal to such difference. For the purposes of this paragraph, it will be sufficient for the holder to certify that it would have suffered a loss had the actual purchase of the applicable Required Currency been made with the amount so received in that other currency on the date of receipt or recovery (or, if a purchase of the applicable Required Currency on that date had not been possible, on the first date on which it would have been possible). These indemnities, to the extent permitted by law:

- (a) constitute a separate and independent obligation from the Issuers’ and the Guarantors’ other obligations;
- (b) give rise to a separate and independent cause of action;

- (c) apply irrespective of any waiver granted by any holder of a Secured Note; and
- (d) will continue in full force and effect despite any other judgment, order, claim or proof for a liquidated amount in respect of any sum due under any Secured Note or any other judgment or order.

## **Optional Redemption**

### ***Optional Redemption of Fixed Rate Secured Notes prior to May 15, 2019 upon Public Equity Offering***

At any time prior to May 15, 2019, upon not less than 10 nor more than 60 days' notice, the Issuers may on any one or more occasions redeem up to 40% of the aggregate principal amount of the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes at a redemption price of 104.125%, and up to 40% of the aggregate principal amount of the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes at a redemption price of 104.625% of their principal amount, in each case plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date (subject to the rights of holders of Fixed Rate Secured Notes on the relevant record date to receive interest on the relevant interest payment date), with the net cash proceeds from one or more Public Equity Offerings. The Issuers may only do this, however, if:

- (a) at least 60% of the aggregate principal amount of the applicable series of Fixed Rate Secured Notes that were initially issued would remain outstanding immediately after the proposed redemption; and
- (b) the redemption occurs within 90 days after the closing of such Public Equity Offering.

Any redemption and notice may, in the Issuers' discretion, be subject to the satisfaction of one or more conditions precedent.

### ***Optional Redemption of Fixed Rate Secured Notes prior to May 15, 2019***

At any time prior to May 15, 2019, upon not less than 10 nor more than 60 days' notice, the Issuers may also redeem all or part of the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes and/or the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes, as the case may be, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Fixed Rate Secured Notes being redeemed plus the Fixed Rate Secured Notes Applicable Redemption Premium and accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date.

"Fixed Rate Secured Notes Applicable Redemption Premium" means:

- (a) with respect to the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Note on any redemption date, the greater of:
  - (1) 1.0% of the principal amount of the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes; and
  - (2) the excess of:
    - (i) the present value at such redemption date of (x) the redemption price of such Euro Secured Fixed Rate Note at May 15, 2019 (such redemption price being set forth in the table appearing below under the caption "—Optional Redemption of Fixed Rate Secured Notes on or after May 15, 2019"), plus (y) all required interest payments that would otherwise be due to be paid on such Euro Secured Fixed Rate Note during the period between the redemption date and May 15, 2019 (excluding accrued but unpaid interest), computed using a discount rate equal to the Bund Rate as of such redemption date plus 50 basis points; over
    - (ii) the outstanding principal amount of such Euro Secured Fixed Rate Note.

- (b) with respect to the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes on any redemption date, the greater of:
- (1) 1.0% of the principal amount of the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes; and
  - (2) the excess of:
    - (i) the present value at such redemption date of (x) the redemption price of the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Note at May 15, 2019 (such redemption price being set forth in the table appearing below under the caption “—Optional Redemption of Fixed Rate Secured Notes on or after May 15, 2019”), plus (y) all required interest payments due on such Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Note during the period between the redemption date and May 15, 2019 (excluding accrued but unpaid interest), computed using a discount rate equal to the Treasury Rate as of such redemption date plus 50 basis points; over
    - (ii) the outstanding principal amount of such Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Note.

For the avoidance of doubt, calculation of the Fixed Rate Secured Notes Applicable Redemption Premium shall not be a duty or obligation of the Trustee or any paying agent.

Any redemption and notice may, in the Issuers’ discretion, be subject to the satisfaction of one or more conditions precedent.

***Optional Redemption of Fixed Rate Secured Notes on or after May 15, 2019***

At any time on or after May 15, 2019 and prior to maturity, upon not less than 10 nor more than 60 days’ notice, the Issuers may redeem all or part of the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes and/or the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes. These redemptions will be in amounts of €1,000 or integral multiples thereof with respect to the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes and \$1,000 or integral multiples thereof with respect to the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes at the following redemption prices (expressed as percentages of their principal amount at maturity), plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date, if redeemed during the 12-month period commencing on May 15 of the years set forth below. This redemption is subject to the right of holders of record on the relevant regular record date that is prior to the redemption date to receive interest due on an interest payment date.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Redemption Price Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes</u>	<u>Redemption Price Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes</u>
2019 .....	102.063%	102.313%
2020 .....	101.031%	101.156%
2021 and thereafter .....	100.000%	100.000%

Any redemption and notice may, in the Issuers’ discretion, be subject to the satisfaction of one or more conditions precedent.

***Optional Redemption of Floating Rate Secured Notes prior to May 15, 2017***

At any time prior to May 15, 2017, upon not less than 10 nor more than 60 days’ notice, the Issuers may also redeem all or part of the Floating Rate Secured Notes at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Floating Rate Secured Notes being redeemed plus the Floating Rate Secured Notes Applicable Redemption Premium and accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date.

“Floating Rate Secured Notes Applicable Redemption Premium” means the greater of:

- (1) 1.0% of the principal amount of the Floating Rate Secured Notes; and
- (2) the excess of:
  - (i) the present value at such redemption date of (x) the redemption price of such Floating Rate Secured Note at May 15, 2017 (such redemption price being set forth in the table appearing below under the caption “—Optional Redemption of Floating Rate Secured Notes on or after May 15, 2017”), plus (y) all required interest payments that would otherwise be due to be paid on such Floating Rate Secured Note during the period between the redemption date and May 15, 2017 (excluding accrued but unpaid interest), computed using a discount rate equal to the Treasury Rate as of such redemption date plus 50 basis points; over
  - (ii) the outstanding principal amount of such Floating Rate Secured Note.

For the avoidance of doubt, calculation of the Floating Rate Secured Notes Applicable Redemption Premium shall not be a duty or obligation of the Trustee or any paying agent.

Any redemption and notice may, in the Issuers’ discretion, be subject to the satisfaction of one or more conditions precedent.

***Optional Redemption of Floating Rate Secured Notes on or after May 15, 2017***

At any time on or after May 15, 2017 and prior to maturity, upon not less than 10 nor more than 60 days’ notice, the Issuers may redeem all or part of the Floating Rate Secured Notes. These redemptions will be in amounts of \$1,000 or integral multiples thereof at the following redemption prices (expressed as percentages of their principal amount at maturity), plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date, if redeemed during the 12-month period commencing on May 15 of the years set forth below. This redemption is subject to the right of holders of record on the relevant regular record date that is prior to the redemption date to receive interest due on an interest payment date.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Redemption Price Floating Rate Secured Notes</u>
2017.....	102.000%
2018.....	101.000%
2019 and thereafter.....	100.000%

Any redemption and notice may, in the Issuers’ discretion, be subject to the satisfaction of one or more conditions precedent.

***Redemption Upon Changes in Withholding Taxes***

If, as a result of:

- (a) any amendment to, or change in, the laws (or regulations or rulings promulgated thereunder) of any Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction which is announced and becomes effective after the Issue Date (or, where such Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction became a Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction at a later date, after such later date); or

- (b) any change which is announced and becomes effective after the Issue Date (or, where such Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction became a Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction at a later date, after such later date) in the official application or official interpretation of such laws, regulations or rulings (including by virtue of a holding, judgment or order by a court competent jurisdiction) of any Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction (each of the foregoing clauses (a) and (b), a “Change in Tax Law”),

the Issuers would be obligated to pay, on the next date for any payment and as a result of that amendment or change, Additional Amounts as described above under “—Additional Amounts” with respect to the Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction, which the Issuers cannot avoid by the use of reasonable measures available to it, then the Issuers may redeem all, but not less than all, of the Secured Notes, at any time thereafter, upon not less than 10 nor more than 60 days’ notice (which notice shall be irrevocable and given in accordance with the procedures described under “—Notices”), at a redemption price of 100% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date. Prior to the giving of any notice of redemption described in this paragraph, the Issuers will deliver to the Trustee:

- (a) an Officer’s Certificate stating that the obligation to pay such Additional Amounts cannot be avoided by the Issuers’ taking reasonable measures available to it; and
- (b) a written opinion of independent tax counsel to the Issuers of recognized standing qualified under the laws of the Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction and reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee to the effect that the Issuers have or will become obligated to pay such Additional Amounts as a result of a Change in Tax Law.

The Trustee will accept such Officer’s Certificate and opinion as sufficient evidence of the satisfaction of the conditions precedent described above, without further inquiry, in which event it will be conclusive and binding on holders of the Secured Notes.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, no such notice of redemption will be given (a) earlier than 90 days prior to the earliest date on which the Issuers would be obliged to make such payment of Additional Amounts if a payment in respect of the Secured Notes, were then due and (b) unless at the time such notice is given, the obligation to pay Additional Amounts remains in effect.

Any redemption and notice may, in the Issuer’s discretion, be subject to the satisfaction of one or more conditions precedent.

### **Notice of Optional Redemption**

The Issuers will publish a notice of any optional redemption of the Secured Notes described above in accordance with the provisions of the Secured Indenture described under “—Notices.” These notice provisions include a requirement to publish any such notice in a newspaper having general circulation in Ireland (which is expected to be *The Irish Times*) or, to the extent and in the manner permitted by the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange, posted on the official website of the Irish Stock Exchange ([www.ise.ie](http://www.ise.ie)) if and so long as the Secured Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of such exchange so require. The Issuers will inform the Irish Stock Exchange of the principal amount of the Floating Rate Secured Notes, Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes or Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes that have not been redeemed in connection with any optional redemption. If fewer than all the Floating Rate Secured Notes, Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes or Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes are to be redeemed at any time, the Trustee or the Registrar will select the Floating Rate Secured Notes, Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes or Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes by a method that complies with the requirements, as certified to the Trustee by the Issuers, of the principal securities exchange, if any, on which the Floating Rate Secured Notes, Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes or Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes are listed at such time, and in compliance with the requirements of the relevant clearing

system or, if the Floating Rate Secured Notes, Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes or Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes are not listed on a securities exchange, or such securities exchange prescribe no method of selection and the Secured Notes are not held through a clearing system or the clearing system prescribes no method of selection, by lot; *provided, however*, that no such partial redemption shall reduce the portion of the principal amount of a Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Note or Floating Rate Secured Note not redeemed to less than \$200,000 or reduce the portion of the principal amount of a Euro Secured Fixed Rate Note not redeemed to less than €100,000. Neither the Trustee nor the Registrar shall be liable for any selections made in accordance with this paragraph.

Any redemption and notice may, in the Issuers' discretion, be subject to the satisfaction of one or more conditions precedent.

### **Special Mandatory Redemption**

If the Acquisition has not been completed on or prior to October 31, 2016, or upon delivery by the Issuers to the Trustee, the Security Trustee and the Escrow Agent of a Special Mandatory Redemption Certificate, the Issuers will effect a Special Mandatory Redemption at 100% of the issue price of the Secured Notes plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon through to but not including the redemption date. The Relevant Holder will instruct the Escrow Agent to release the Escrowed Funds to the paying agent for the purposes of paying the redemption price.

Notice of any Special Mandatory Redemption (any such notice a "Special Redemption Notice") will be mailed by first class mail to each Holder at its registered address on the first Business Day following the date the Issuers become required to effect a Special Mandatory Redemption and will be given in accordance with applicable rules of the Irish Stock Exchange. The redemption date will be three Business Days after the mailing of the Special Redemption Notice.

### **Sinking Fund; Offers to Purchase; Open Market Purchases**

The Issuers are not required to make any mandatory redemption or sinking fund payments with respect to the Secured Notes. However, under certain circumstances, the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor may be required to offer to purchase the Secured Notes as described under "—Purchase of Secured Notes upon a Change of Control" and "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets." The Parent Guarantor and any Restricted Subsidiaries, including the Issuers, may at any time and from time to time purchase Secured Notes in the open market or otherwise.

### **Purchase of Secured Notes upon a Change of Control**

If a Change of Control occurs at any time, then the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must make an offer (a "Change of Control Offer") to each holder of Secured Notes to purchase such holder's Secured Notes, at a purchase price (the "Change of Control Purchase Price") in cash in an amount equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase (the "Change of Control Purchase Date") (subject to the rights of holders of record on relevant regular record dates that are prior to the Change of Control Purchase Date to receive interest due on an interest payment date). Purchases made under a Change of Control Offer will also be subject to other procedures set forth in the Secured Indenture.

Within 30 days following any Change of Control, the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor will:

- (a) cause a notice of the Change of Control Offer to be (i) delivered to holders of the Secured Notes electronically or mailed by first-class mail, postage prepaid; and (ii) if at the time of such notice the Secured Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange so require, published in *The Irish Times* (or another leading newspaper of general circulation in Ireland or, to the extent and in the manner permitted by the rules of



the Irish Stock Exchange, posted on the official website of the Irish Stock Exchange ([www.ise.ie](http://www.ise.ie))); and

- (b) send notice of the Change of Control Offer by first class mail, with a copy to the Trustee, to each holder of Secured Notes to the address of such holder appearing in the security register, which notice will state:
  - (i) that a Change of Control has occurred, and the date it occurred;
  - (ii) the circumstances and relevant facts regarding such Change of Control (including, but not limited to, applicable information with respect to pro forma historical income, cash flow and capitalization after giving effect to the Change of Control);
  - (iii) the Change of Control Purchase Price and the Change of Control Purchase Date, which will be a business day no earlier than 10 days nor later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed, or such later date as is necessary to comply with requirements under the Exchange Act and any applicable securities laws or regulations;
  - (iv) that any Secured Note accepted for payment pursuant to the Change of Control Offer will cease to accrue interest after the Change of Control Purchase Date unless the Change of Control Purchase Price is not paid;
  - (v) that any Secured Note (or part thereof) not tendered will continue to accrue interest; and
  - (vi) any other procedures that a holder of Secured Notes must follow to accept a Change of Control Offer or to withdraw such acceptance (which procedures may also be performed at the office of the paying agent in Ireland as long as the Secured Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange).

The Trustee will promptly authenticate and deliver a new Secured Note or Secured Notes equal in principal amount to any unpurchased portion of Secured Notes surrendered, if any, to the holder of Secured Notes in global form or to each holder of certificated Secured Notes; *provided* that each such new Secured Note or Secured Notes will be in a total principal amount of at least €100,000 and in minimum denominations of €1,000 or integral multiples thereof in the case of the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes and at least \$200,000 and in minimum denominations of \$1,000 or integral multiples thereof in the case of the Floating Rate Secured Notes and the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes. The Issuers or the Parent Guarantor will publicly announce the results of a Change of Control Offer on or as soon as practicable after the Change of Control Purchase Date.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, a Change of Control Offer may be made in advance of a Change of Control, conditioned upon the consummation of such Change of Control, if a definitive agreement is in place for the Change of Control at the time the Change of Control Offer is made.

The ability of the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor to repurchase Secured Notes pursuant to a Change of Control Offer may be limited by a number of factors. The occurrence of certain of the events that would constitute a Change of Control could constitute a default under certain of our Credit Facilities or could constitute a change of control under the Existing Ardagh Bonds, the New Unsecured Notes or the Senior PIK Notes. In addition, certain events that may constitute a change of control under certain of our Credit Facilities, the Existing Ardagh Bonds, the New Unsecured Notes or the Senior PIK Notes may not constitute a Change of Control under the Secured Indenture. The Parent Guarantor's future indebtedness and the future indebtedness of its Subsidiaries may also require such indebtedness to be repurchased upon a Change of Control. Moreover, the exercise by the holders of the Secured Notes of their right to require a repurchase of the Secured Notes upon a Change of



Control could cause a default under such indebtedness, even if the Change of Control itself does not, due to the possible financial effect on the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor of such repurchase.

If a Change of Control Offer is made, neither the Issuers nor the Parent Guarantor can provide any assurance that they will have available funds sufficient to pay the Change of Control Purchase Price for all the Secured Notes that might be delivered by holders of the Secured Notes seeking to accept the Change of Control Offer. If the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor fails to make or consummate a Change of Control Offer or pay the Change of Control Purchase Price when due, such failure would result in an Event of Default and would give the Trustee and the holders of the Secured Notes the rights described under “—Events of Default.”

Even if sufficient funds were otherwise available, the terms of the other indebtedness of the Parent Guarantor and its Subsidiaries may prohibit the distribution of such funds or the prepayment of the Secured Notes prior to their scheduled maturity. If the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor were not able to prepay any indebtedness containing any such restrictions or obtain requisite consents, the Issuers and the Parent Guarantor would be unable to fulfill their repurchase obligations to holders of Secured Notes who exercise their right to redeem their Secured Notes following a Change of Control, which would cause a Default under the Secured Indenture. A Default under the Secured Indenture, unless waived by holders, would result in a cross-default under certain of the financing arrangements described under “Description of Other Indebtedness.”

Neither the Issuers nor the Parent Guarantor will be required to make a Change of Control Offer if a third party makes the Change of Control Offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements set forth in the Secured Indenture applicable to a Change of Control Offer made by the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor and purchases all Secured Notes validly tendered and not withdrawn under such Change of Control Offer. The Change of Control provisions described above will be applicable whether or not any other provisions of the Secured Indenture are applicable. Except as described above with respect to a Change of Control, the provisions of the Secured Indenture will not give holders the right to require the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor to repurchase the Secured Notes in the event of certain highly leveraged transactions, or certain other transactions, including a reorganization, restructuring, merger or similar transaction and, in certain circumstances, an acquisition by the Parent Guarantor’s management or its Affiliates, that may adversely affect holders of the Secured Notes, if such transaction is not a transaction defined as a Change of Control. Any such transaction, however, would have to comply with the applicable provisions of the Secured Indenture, including the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt.” The existence of a holder of the Secured Notes’ right to require the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor to repurchase such holder’s Secured Notes upon a Change of Control may deter a third party from acquiring the Parent Guarantor or its Subsidiaries in a transaction which constitutes a Change of Control.

The Issuers and the Parent Guarantor will comply with the applicable tender offer rules, including Rule 14e-1 under the Exchange Act, and any other applicable securities laws and regulations (including those of Ireland) in connection with a Change of Control Offer. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with provisions of the Secured Indenture, the Issuers and the Parent Guarantor will comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and will not be deemed to have breached their obligations under the Secured Indenture by virtue of such conflict.

“Change of Control” means the occurrence of any of the following events:

- (a) the consummation of any transaction (including a merger or consolidation) the result of which is that (i) any person or group, other than one or more Permitted Holders, is or as a result of such transaction becomes, the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 35% of the total voting power of the Voting Stock of the Parent Guarantor and (ii) the Permitted Holders, individually or in the aggregate, do not beneficially own, directly or indirectly, a

larger percentage of the total voting power of such Voting Stock than such other person or group;

- (b) the sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger, consolidation or transfer of the Parent Guarantor's Voting Stock) of all or substantially all of the assets (other than Capital Stock, Debt or other securities of any Unrestricted Subsidiary) of the Parent Guarantor, the Issuers and the Restricted Subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, (i) if following such sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition, the transferee entity is not listed on a stock exchange or automated quoting system and any person or group, other than one or more Permitted Holders, is or as a result of such sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of a larger percentage of the total voting power of the Voting Stock of the transferee entity than the Permitted Holders, individually or in the aggregate or (ii) if the transferee entity is and is expected to continue to be listed on a stock exchange or automated quotation system following such sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (x) any person or group other than one or more Permitted Holders, is or as a result of such transaction becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 35% of the total voting power of the Voting Stock of the transferee entity and (y) the Permitted Holders, individually or in the aggregate, do not beneficially own, directly or indirectly, a larger percentage of the total voting power of such Voting Stock than such other person or groups;
- (c) during any consecutive two-year period following the Issue Date, individuals who at the beginning of such period constituted the Parent Guarantor's board of directors (together with any new members whose election to such board, or whose nomination for election by the Parent Guarantor's shareholders, was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the members of the Parent Guarantor's board of directors then still in office who were either members at the beginning of such period or whose election or nomination for election was previously so approved) cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the members of the Parent Guarantor's board of directors then in office;
- (d) the Parent Guarantor or either Issuer is liquidated or dissolved or adopts a plan of liquidation or dissolution other than in a transaction which complies with the provisions described under "—Certain Covenants—Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets"; or
- (e) the Parent Guarantor or any Surviving Entity ceases to beneficially own, directly or indirectly, 100% of the Voting Stock of either Issuer, other than director's qualifying shares and other shares required to be issued by law.

For the purposes of this definition, (i) "person" and "group" have the meanings they have in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act; (ii) "beneficial owner" is used as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act, except that a person shall be deemed to have "beneficial ownership" of all securities that such Person has the right to acquire, whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time; and (iii) a Person or group will be deemed to beneficially own all Voting Stock of an entity held by a parent entity, if such Person or group is or becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 35% of the total voting power of the Voting Stock of such parent entity and the Permitted Holders, individually or in the aggregate, do not beneficially own, directly or indirectly, a larger percentage of the total voting power of such Voting Stock than such Person or group.

#### **Certain Covenants**

The Secured Indenture will contain, among others, the following covenants.

### ***Limitation on Debt***

- (1) The Parent Guarantor will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, create, issue, incur, assume, guarantee or in any manner become directly or indirectly liable with respect to or otherwise become responsible for, contingently or otherwise, the payment of (individually and collectively, to “incur” or, as appropriate, an “incurrence”), any Debt (including any Acquired Debt); *provided* that the Parent Guarantor, each Issuer and any Restricted Subsidiary will be permitted to incur Debt (including Acquired Debt) if in each case (a) after giving effect to the incurrence of such Debt and the application of the proceeds thereof, on a pro forma basis, no Default or Event of Default would occur or be continuing and (b) at the time of such incurrence and after giving effect to the incurrence of such Debt and the application of the proceeds thereof, on a pro forma basis, the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio for the four full fiscal quarters for which financial statements are available immediately preceding the incurrence of such Debt, taken as one period, would be greater than 2.0 to 1.0.
- (2) This covenant will not, however, prohibit the following (collectively, “Permitted Debt”):
  - (a) the Secured Notes and the New Unsecured Notes issued on the Issue Date;
  - (b) the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt under Credit Facilities in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed the greater of (i) €350,000,000 and (ii) an amount equal to (I) 85% of Total Receivables *plus* 60% of Total Inventories *less* (II) €250,000,000;
  - (c) any Existing Debt of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary (other than Debt described in clauses (a) and (b) of this paragraph) and any Debt of the Acquired Business existing on the date of completion of the Acquisition;
  - (d) the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of intercompany Debt between the Parent Guarantor and any Restricted Subsidiary or between or among Restricted Subsidiaries; *provided* that:
    - (i) if an Issuer or a Guarantor is the obligor on any such Debt, unless required by a Credit Facility and only to the extent legally permitted, such Debt must be unsecured (except in respect of the intercompany current liabilities incurred in the ordinary course of business in connection with cash management, cash pooling, tax and accounting operations of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries); and
    - (ii) (x) any disposition, pledge or transfer of any such Debt to a Person (other than a disposition, pledge or transfer to the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary) and (y) any transaction pursuant to which any Restricted Subsidiary that has Debt owing by the Parent Guarantor or another Restricted Subsidiary ceases to be a Restricted Subsidiary, will, in each case, be deemed to be an incurrence of such Debt not permitted by this clause (d);
  - (e) guarantees of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary to the extent that the guaranteed Debt was permitted to be incurred by another provision of this covenant that are made in accordance with the provisions of “—Limitation on Guarantees of Debt by Restricted Subsidiaries”;
  - (f) the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt represented by Capitalized Lease Obligations, mortgage financings, purchase money obligations or other Debt incurred or assumed in connection with the acquisition or development of real

or personal, movable or immovable, property or assets, in each case, incurred for the purpose of financing or refinancing all or any part of the purchase price, lease expense or cost of construction or improvement of property plant, equipment or other assets used in the Parent Guarantor's or any Restricted Subsidiary's business (including any reasonable related fees or expenses incurred in connection with such acquisition or development); *provided* that the principal amount of such Debt so incurred when aggregated with other Debt previously incurred in reliance on this clause (f) and still outstanding will not in the aggregate exceed the greater of €150,000,000 and 2.0% of Total Assets; and *provided, further*, that the total principal amount of any Debt incurred in connection with an acquisition or development permitted under this clause (f) did not in each case at the time of incurrence exceed (i) the Fair Market Value of the acquired or constructed asset or improvement so financed or (ii) in the case of an uncompleted constructed asset, the amount of the asset to be constructed, as determined on the date the contract for construction of such asset was entered into by the Parent Guarantor or the relevant Restricted Subsidiary (including, in each case, any reasonable related fees and expenses incurred in connection with such acquisition, construction or development);

- (g) the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt arising from agreements providing for guarantees, indemnities or obligations in respect of purchase price adjustments in connection with the acquisition or disposition of assets, including, without limitation, shares of Capital Stock (other than guarantees or similar credit support given by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt incurred by any Person acquiring all or any portion of such assets for the purpose of financing such acquisition); *provided* that the maximum aggregate liability in respect of all such Debt permitted pursuant to this clause (g) will at no time exceed the net proceeds, including non-cash proceeds (the Fair Market Value of such non-cash proceeds being measured at the time received and without giving effect to any subsequent changes in value) actually received from the sale of such assets;
- (h) the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt under Commodity Hedging Agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business and not for speculative purposes;
- (i) the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt under Currency Agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business and not for speculative purposes;
- (j) the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt under Interest Rate Agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business and not for speculative purposes;
- (k) the incurrence of Debt by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt in respect of workers' compensation and claims arising under similar legislation, or pursuant to self-insurance obligations and not in connection with the borrowing of money or the obtaining of advances or credit;
- (l) the incurrence of Debt by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary arising from (i) the honoring by a bank or other financial institution of a check, draft or similar instrument inadvertently (except in the case of daylight overdrafts) drawn against insufficient funds in the ordinary course of business; *provided* that such Debt is extinguished within five business days of incurrence, (ii) bankers' acceptances, performance, surety, judgment, completion, payment, appeal or similar bonds, instruments or obligations, (iii) completion guarantees, advance payment, customs, VAT or other tax guarantees or similar instruments provided or letters of credit obtained by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business and (iv) the financing of insurance premiums in the ordinary course of business;

- (m) any Debt of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary incurred pursuant to any Permitted Receivables Financing;
- (n) the incurrence by a Person of Permitted Refinancing Debt in exchange for or the net proceeds of which are used to refund, replace or refinance Debt incurred by it pursuant to, or described in, paragraphs (1), 2(a) and 2(c), this paragraph 2(n) and paragraphs 2(r), 2(s) and 2(t) of this covenant, as the case may be;
- (o) guarantees by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary of Debt incurred by Permitted Joint Ventures in an aggregate principal amount at any one time outstanding not to exceed an amount equal to €75,000,000;
- (p) cash management obligations and Debt in respect of netting services, pooling arrangements or similar arrangements in connection with cash management in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;
- (q) (i) take-or-pay obligations in the ordinary course of business, (ii) customer deposits and advance payments in the ordinary course of business received from customers for goods or services purchased in the ordinary course of business and (iii) manufacturer, vendor financing, customer and supply arrangements in the ordinary course of business;
- (r) the incurrence of Debt by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary (other than and in addition to Debt permitted under clauses (a) through (q) above and (s) and (t) below) in an aggregate principal amount at any one time outstanding not to exceed, together with any Permitted Refinancing Debt in respect thereof, the greater of €265,000,000 and 3.5% of Total Assets;
- (s) Debt of any Person (i) Incurred and outstanding on the date on which such Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary of the Parent Guarantor or another Restricted Subsidiary of the Parent Guarantor or is merged, consolidated, amalgamated or otherwise combined with (including pursuant to any acquisition of assets and assumption of related liabilities) the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary or (ii) Incurred to provide all or any portion of the funds utilized to consummate the transaction or series of related transactions pursuant to which such Person became a Restricted Subsidiary or was otherwise acquired by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary; *provided, however*, with respect to each of clause (s)(i) and (s)(ii), that at the time of such acquisition or other transaction (1) the Parent Guarantor would have been able to Incur €1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to the first paragraph of this covenant after giving effect to the Incurrence of such Indebtedness pursuant to this clause (s) or (2) the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries would not be less than it was immediately prior to giving pro forma effect to such acquisition or other transaction; and
- (t) Contribution Debt.

Accrual of interest or dividends, the accretion of accreted value, the accretion or amortization of original issue discount and the payment of interest or dividends in the form of additional Debt of the same class will not be deemed to be an incurrence of Debt for purposes of this covenant.

- (3) For purposes of determining compliance with any restriction on the incurrence of Debt in euros where Debt is denominated in a different currency, the amount of such Debt will be the Euro Equivalent determined on the date of such determination; *provided* that if any such Debt denominated in a different currency is subject to a Currency Agreement (with respect to euros) covering principal amounts payable on such Debt, the amount of such Debt expressed

in euros will be adjusted to take into account the effect of such agreement. The principal amount of any Permitted Refinancing Debt incurred in the same currency as the Debt being refinanced will be the Euro Equivalent of the Debt refinanced determined on the date such Debt being refinanced was initially incurred. Notwithstanding any other provision of this covenant, for purposes of determining compliance with this “Limitation on Debt” covenant, increases in Debt solely due to fluctuations in the exchange rates of currencies will not be deemed to exceed the maximum amount that an Issuer, the Parent Guarantor or a Subsidiary Guarantor may incur under this “Limitation on Debt” covenant.

- (4) For purposes of determining any particular amount of Debt under this “Limitation on Debt” covenant:
  - (a) obligations with respect to letters of credit, guarantees or Liens, in each case supporting Debt otherwise included in the determination of such particular amount will not be included;
  - (b) any Liens granted pursuant to the equal and ratable provisions described under “—Limitation on Liens” will not be treated as Debt;
  - (c) accrual of interest, accrual of dividends, the accretion of accreted value, the obligation to pay commitment fees and the payment of interest in the form of additional preferred stock or Debt will not be treated as Debt; and
  - (d) the reclassification of preferred stock as Debt due to a change in accounting principles will not be treated as Debt.
- (5) In the event that an item of Debt meets the criteria of more than one of the types of Debt described in this “Limitation on Debt” covenant, the Parent Guarantor, in its sole discretion, will classify items of Debt and will only be required to include the amount and type of such Debt in one of such clauses and the Parent Guarantor will be entitled to divide and classify an item of Debt in more than one of the types of Debt described in this “Limitation on Debt” covenant, and may change the classification of an item of Debt (or any portion thereof) to any other type of Debt described in this “Limitation on Debt” covenant at any time.
- (6) The amount of any Debt outstanding as of any date will be:
  - (a) in the case of any Debt issued with original issue discount, the amount of the liability in respect thereof determined in accordance with IFRS;
  - (b) the principal amount of the Debt, in the case of any other Debt; and
  - (c) in respect of Debt of another Person secured by a Lien on the assets of the specified Person, the lesser of:
    - (i) the Fair Market Value of such assets at the date of determination; and
    - (ii) the amount of the Debt of the other Person.

#### ***Limitation on Restricted Payments***

- (1) The Parent Guarantor will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, take any of the following actions (each of which is a “Restricted Payment” and which are collectively referred to as “Restricted Payments”):
  - (a) declare or pay any dividend on or make any distribution (whether made in cash, securities or other property) with respect to any of the Parent Guarantor’s or any Restricted Subsidiary’s Capital Stock (including, without limitation, any payment in connection with any merger or consolidation involving the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary)



(other than (i) to the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary or (ii) to all holders of Capital Stock of such Restricted Subsidiary on a pro rata basis or on a basis that results in the receipt by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary of dividends or distributions of greater value than the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary would receive on a pro rata basis; *provided* that any amount so paid or distributed to holders of Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary other than the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary shall be included in the calculation of the aggregate amount of all Restricted Payments declared or made after the Issue Date for the purposes of paragraph (2) of this “Limitation on Restricted Payments” covenant), except for dividends or distributions payable solely in shares of the Parent Guarantor’s Qualified Capital Stock or in options, warrants or other rights to acquire such shares of Qualified Capital Stock, or make any payment of cash interest on Deeply Subordinated Funding;

- (b) purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire or retire for value (including, without limitation, in connection with any merger or consolidation), directly or indirectly, any shares of the Parent Guarantor’s Capital Stock held by persons other than the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary (other than Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary or any entity that becomes a Restricted Subsidiary as a result thereof) or any options, warrants or other rights to acquire such shares of Capital Stock;
- (c) make any principal payment on, or repurchase, redeem, defease or otherwise acquire or retire for value, prior to any scheduled principal payment, sinking fund payment or maturity, any Subordinated Debt or any Deeply Subordinated Funding; or
- (d) make any Investment (other than any Permitted Investment) in any Person.

If any Restricted Payment described above is not made in cash, the amount of the proposed Restricted Payment will be the Fair Market Value of the asset to be transferred as of the date of transfer.

- (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) above, the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary may make a Restricted Payment if, at the time of and after giving pro forma effect to such proposed Restricted Payment:
  - (a) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing;
  - (b) the Parent Guarantor could incur at least €1.00 of additional Debt (other than Permitted Debt) pursuant to the covenant described under “—Limitation on Debt”; and
  - (c) the aggregate amount of all Restricted Payments declared or made after the Issue Date does not exceed the sum of:
    - (i) 50% of aggregate Consolidated Adjusted Net Income on a cumulative basis during the period beginning on July 1, 2014 and ending on the last day of the Parent Guarantor’s last fiscal quarter ending prior to the date of such proposed Restricted Payment (or, if such aggregate cumulative Consolidated Adjusted Net Income shall be a negative number, minus 100% of such negative amount); plus
    - (ii) the aggregate Net Cash Proceeds, and the Fair Market Value of property or assets or marketable securities, received by the Parent Guarantor after the Issue Date as a contribution to its common equity capital or from the issuance or sale (other than to any Subsidiary) of shares of the Parent Guarantor’s Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding (including upon the exercise of options, warrants or rights) or warrants, options or rights to purchase shares of the Parent Guarantor’s Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding (except, in each case to the extent such proceeds are used to purchase, redeem or otherwise retire Capital Stock



or Subordinated Debt or Deeply Subordinated Funding as set forth in clause (b) or (c) of paragraph (3) below or constitute an Excluded Contribution or the proceeds of any Contribution Debt) (excluding the Net Cash Proceeds from the issuance of the Parent Guarantor's Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding financed, directly or indirectly, using funds borrowed from the Parent Guarantor or any Subsidiary until and to the extent such borrowing is repaid and Excluded Contributions); plus

- (iii) (x) the amount by which the Parent Guarantor's Debt or Debt of any Restricted Subsidiary is reduced after the Issue Date upon the conversion or exchange (other than by the Parent Guarantor or its Subsidiary) of such Debt into the Parent Guarantor's Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding, and (y) the aggregate Net Cash Proceeds, and the Fair Market Value of property or assets or marketable securities, received after the Issue Date by the Parent Guarantor from the issuance or sale (other than to any Subsidiary) of Redeemable Capital Stock that has been converted into or exchanged for the Parent Guarantor's Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding, to the extent such Redeemable Capital Stock was originally sold for cash or Cash Equivalents, together with, in the case of both clauses (x) and (y), the aggregate Net Cash Proceeds received by the Parent Guarantor at the time of such conversion or exchange (excluding the Net Cash Proceeds from the issuance of the Parent Guarantor's Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding financed, directly or indirectly, using funds borrowed from the Parent Guarantor or any Subsidiary until and to the extent such borrowing is repaid); plus
- (iv) (x) in the case of the disposition or repayment of any Investment constituting a Restricted Payment made after the Issue Date, an amount (to the extent not included in Consolidated Adjusted Net Income) equal to the cash proceeds of such disposition or repayment or the Fair Market Value of property received by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary thereof, in either case, less the cost of the disposition of such Investment and net of taxes, and (y) in the case of the designation of an Unrestricted Subsidiary as a Restricted Subsidiary (as long as the designation of such Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary was deemed a Restricted Payment), the Fair Market Value of the Parent Guarantor's interest in such Subsidiary; *provided* that such amount will not in any case exceed the amount of the Restricted Payment deemed made at the time that the Subsidiary was designated as an Unrestricted Subsidiary; plus

(v) €70,000,000.

- (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2) above, the Parent Guarantor and any Restricted Subsidiary may take the following actions so long as (with respect to clause (h), (k), (l) and (q) below) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing:
  - (a) the payment of any dividend within 180 days after the date of its declaration if at such date of its declaration such payment would have been permitted by this "Limitation on Restricted Payments" covenant;
  - (b) the repurchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement for value of any shares of the Parent Guarantor's Capital Stock or options, warrants or other rights to acquire such Capital Stock in exchange for (including any such exchange pursuant to the exercise of a conversion right or privilege in connection with which cash is paid in lieu of the issuance of fractional shares or scrip), or out of the Net Cash Proceeds of a substantially concurrent issuance and sale (other than to a Subsidiary) of, shares of the Parent

Guarantor's Qualified Capital Stock, options, warrants or other rights to acquire such Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding (other than any Excluded Contribution or the proceeds of any Contribution Debt);

- (c) the repurchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value or payment of principal of any Subordinated Debt or Deeply Subordinated Funding in exchange for, or out of the Net Cash Proceeds of a substantially concurrent issuance and sale (other than to a Subsidiary) of, shares of the Parent Guarantor's Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding (other than any Excluded Contribution or the proceeds of any Contribution Debt);
- (d) the purchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value of Subordinated Debt (other than Redeemable Capital Stock) in exchange for, or out of the Net Cash Proceeds of a substantially concurrent incurrence (other than to a Subsidiary) of, Permitted Refinancing Debt;
- (e) the repurchase of Capital Stock deemed to occur upon the exercise of stock options with respect to which payment of the cash exercise price has been forgiven if the cumulative aggregate value of such deemed repurchases does not exceed the cumulative aggregate amount of the exercise price of such options received;
- (f) payments or distributions to dissenting shareholders pursuant to applicable law in connection with or in contemplation of a merger, consolidation or transfer of assets that complies with the provisions of the Secured Indenture relating to mergers, consolidations or transfers of substantially all of the Parent Guarantor's assets;
- (g) cash payments in lieu of issuing fractional shares pursuant to the exchange or conversion of any exchangeable or convertible securities;
- (h) cash payments, advances, loans or expense reimbursements made to any parent company of the Parent Guarantor to permit any such company to pay (i) general operating expenses, customary directors' fees, accounting, legal, corporate reporting and administrative expenses incurred in the ordinary course of business in an amount not to exceed €20,000,000 in the aggregate in any fiscal year and (ii) any taxes, duties or similar governmental fees of any such parent company to the extent such tax obligations are directly attributable to its ownership of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries;
- (i) any payments (including pursuant to a tax sharing agreement or similar arrangement) between the Parent Guarantor and any other Person or a Restricted Subsidiary and any other Person with which the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries files a consolidated tax return or with which the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries is part of a group for tax purposes (including a fiscal unity) or any tax advantageous group contribution made pursuant to applicable legislation; *provided, however*, that any such payments do not exceed the amounts of such tax that would have been payable by the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries on a stand-alone basis and the related tax liabilities of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries are relieved thereby;
- (j) the repurchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement, and any loans, advances, dividends or distributions by the Parent Guarantor to any direct or indirect parent company to repurchase, redeem or otherwise acquire or retire, for value of any Capital Stock of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary or any direct or indirect parent company held by any current or former officer, director, employee or consultant of the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries; *provided* that the aggregate

price paid for all such repurchased, redeemed, acquired or retired Capital Stock may not exceed €7,500,000 plus an amount equal to €7,500,000 multiplied by the number of years that have elapsed since the Issue Date; and *provided, further*, that such amount in any calendar year may be increased by an amount not to exceed (A) the cash proceeds from the sale of Capital Stock of the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary during such calendar year, in each case to members of management, directors or consultants of the Parent Guarantor, any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or any of its direct or indirect parent companies and (B) the cash proceeds of key man life insurance policies of the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary received by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary after the Issue Date less any amount previously applied to the making of Restricted Payments pursuant to this clause (j), in each case, to the extent the cash proceeds have not otherwise been applied to the making of Restricted Payments pursuant to clause (c)(ii) of paragraph (2) above or clause (c) of this paragraph (3);

- (k) the declaration and payment by the Parent Guarantor of, or loans, advances, dividends or distributions to any parent company of the Parent Guarantor to pay, dividends on the common stock or common equity interests of the Parent Guarantor or any parent company following a Public Equity Offering, in an amount not to exceed in any fiscal year, 50% of aggregate Consolidated Adjusted Net Income on a cumulative basis during such fiscal year (the “Relevant Fiscal Year”); *provided* that such dividends shall be declared and paid no later than 180 days after the end of the Relevant Fiscal Year;
- (l) any Restricted Payment to fund, directly or indirectly, the repayment, replacement, refinancing, in whole or in part, of the Senior PIK Notes; *provided* that (i) the Consolidated Leverage Ratio of the Parent Guarantor on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any such Restricted Payment made pursuant to this section (l) but not including any Restricted Payment made in connection with such repayment, replacement or refinancing using Restricted Payment baskets other than (l) does not exceed 5.25 to 1.0; and (ii) the Qualified Capital Stock of the Parent Guarantor or a holding company or a controlled affiliate thereof is listed on an international securities exchange;
- (m) Restricted Payments in an amount equal to the amount of Excluded Contributions made;
- (n) the payment, purchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value of any Subordinated Debt of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries pursuant to provisions similar to those described under “—Change of Control” and “—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets”; *provided* that, prior to such payment, purchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value, the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor has made a Change of Control Offer or Asset Sale Offer, as the case may be, with respect to the Secured Notes as a result of such Change of Control or Asset Sale, as the case may be, and has repurchased all such Secured Notes validly tendered and not withdrawn in connection with such Change of Control Offer or Asset Sale Offer, as the case may be;
- (o) the declaration and payment of dividends to holders of any class or series of Redeemable Capital Stock Incurred in accordance with the terms of the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”;
- (p) dividends or other distributions of Capital Stock of Unrestricted Subsidiaries; and
- (q) any other Restricted Payment; *provided* that the total aggregate amount of Restricted Payments made under this clause (q) does not exceed the greater of €125,000,000 and 1.5% of Total Assets.

The actions described in clauses (a), (f), (k), (l) and (q) of this paragraph (3) are Restricted Payments that will be permitted to be made in accordance with this paragraph (3) but that reduce the amount that would otherwise be available for Restricted Payments under clause (c) of paragraph (2) above.

For purposes of determining compliance with this covenant, in the event that a Restricted Payment meets the criteria of more than one of the categories described in clauses (a) through (q) above, or is permitted pursuant to the first paragraph of this covenant, the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries will be entitled to classify such Restricted Payment (or portion thereof) on the date of its payment or later reclassify such Restricted Payment (or portion thereof) in any manner that complies with this covenant. The amount of all Restricted Payments (other than cash) will be the Fair Market Value on the date of the Restricted Payment of the asset(s) or securities proposed to be transferred or issued by the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, pursuant to the Restricted Payment.

#### ***Limitation on Transactions with Affiliates***

The Parent Guarantor will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, enter into or suffer to exist any transaction or series of related transactions (including, without limitation, the sale, purchase, exchange or lease of assets or property or the rendering of any service), with, or for the benefit of, any Affiliate of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary's Affiliate involving aggregate consideration in excess of €25,000,000 unless:

- (a) such transaction or series of transactions is on terms that, taken as a whole, are not materially less favorable to the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, than those that could have been obtained in a comparable arm's-length transaction with third parties that are not Affiliates; and
- (b) with respect to any transaction or series of related transactions involving aggregate payments or the transfer of assets or provision of services, in each case having a value greater than €50,000,000, the Parent Guarantor will deliver a resolution of its board of directors (set out in an Officer's Certificate to the Trustee) resolving that such transaction complies with clause (a) above and that the fairness of such transaction has been approved by a majority of the Disinterested Directors (or in the event there is only one Disinterested Director, by such Disinterested Director) of the Parent Guarantor's board of directors.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the restrictions set forth in this description will not apply to:

- (i) customary directors' fees, indemnification and similar arrangements (including the payment of directors' and officers' insurance premiums), consulting fees, employee salaries, bonuses, employment agreements and arrangements, compensation or employee benefit arrangements, including stock options or legal fees;
- (ii) any Restricted Payment not prohibited by the covenant described under "—Limitation on Restricted Payments" or the making of an Investment that is a Permitted Investment;
- (iii) agreements and arrangements existing on the Issue Date and any amendment, modification or supplement thereto; *provided* that any such amendment, modification or supplement to the terms thereof is not more disadvantageous to the holders of the Secured Notes and to the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries, as applicable, in any material respect than the original agreement or arrangement as in effect on the Issue Date;
- (iv) any payments or other transactions pursuant to a tax sharing agreement between the Parent Guarantor and any other Person or a Restricted Subsidiary and any other Person with which the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries file a consolidated tax return or

with which the Issuers are part of a consolidated group for tax purposes or any tax advantageous group contribution made pursuant to applicable legislation; *provided, however*, that any such payments do not exceed the amounts of such tax that would have been payable by the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries on a stand-alone basis and the related tax liabilities of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries are relieved thereby;

- (v) transactions in the ordinary course of business with a Person (other than an Unrestricted Subsidiary) that is an Affiliate of the Parent Guarantor solely because the Parent Guarantor owns, directly or through a Restricted Subsidiary, Capital Stock in, or controls, such Person;
- (vi) the issuance of securities pursuant to, or for the purpose of the funding of, employment arrangements, stock options, and stock ownership plans, as long as the terms thereof are or have been previously approved by the Parent Guarantor's board of directors;
- (vii) the granting and performance of registration rights for the Parent Guarantor's securities;
- (viii) (A) issuances or sales of Qualified Capital Stock of the Parent Guarantor or Deeply Subordinated Funding and (B) any amendment, waiver or other transaction with respect to any Deeply Subordinated Funding in compliance with the other provisions of the Secured Indenture;
- (ix) pledges by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Capital Stock of an Unrestricted Subsidiary or a Permitted Joint Venture securing Debt owing by such Unrestricted Subsidiary or a Permitted Joint Venture;
- (x) transactions with a joint venture made in the ordinary course of business;
- (xi) transactions between or among the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries or between or among Restricted Subsidiaries;
- (xii) transactions with customers, clients, suppliers, or purchasers or sellers of goods or services or providers of employees or other labor, in each case in the ordinary course of business and otherwise in compliance with the terms of the Secured Indenture that are fair to the Parent Guarantor or the Restricted Subsidiaries, in the reasonable determination of the members of the Board of Directors of the Parent Guarantor or the senior management thereof, or are on terms at least as favorable as might reasonably have been obtained at such time from an unaffiliated Person;
- (xiii) any transaction effected as part of a Permitted Receivables Financing;
- (xiv) pledges of Equity Interests of Unrestricted Subsidiaries; and
- (xv) any employment agreement, consultancy agreement or employee benefit arrangement with any employee, consultant, officer or director of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary, including under any stock option, stock appreciation rights, stock incentive or similar plans, entered into in the ordinary course of business.

#### ***Limitation on Liens***

The Parent Guarantor will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Lien of any kind or assign or otherwise convey any right to receive any income, profits or proceeds on or with respect to any of the Parent Guarantor's or any Restricted Subsidiary's property or assets constituting Collateral, whether owned at or acquired after the Issue Date, or any income, profits or proceeds therefrom other than Permitted Collateral Liens.

The Parent Guarantor will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Lien of any kind (except for Permitted Liens) or assign or otherwise convey any right to receive any income, profits or proceeds on or with respect to any of the Parent Guarantor's or any Restricted Subsidiary's property or assets, including any shares of stock or any Debt of any Restricted Subsidiary but excluding any Capital Stock, Debt or other securities of any Unrestricted Subsidiary, whether owned at or acquired after the Issue Date, or any income, profits or proceeds therefrom unless:

- (a) in the case of any Lien securing Subordinated Debt, the Issuers' obligations in respect of the Secured Notes (or a Guarantee in the case of Liens securing Subordinated Debt of a Guarantor) are directly secured by a Lien on such property, assets or proceeds that is senior in priority to the Lien securing the Subordinated Debt until such time as the Subordinated Debt is no longer secured by a Lien; and
- (b) in the case of any other Lien, the Issuers' obligations in respect of the Secured Notes (or a Guarantee in the case of Liens securing Debt of a Guarantor), and all other amounts due under the Secured Indenture are equally and ratably secured with the obligation or liability secured by such Lien.

***Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets***

- (1) The Parent Guarantor will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, consummate any Asset Sale unless:
  - (a) the consideration the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary receives for such Asset Sale is not less than the Fair Market Value of the assets sold (as determined in good faith by the Parent Guarantor's board of directors);
  - (b) at least 75% of the consideration the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary receives in respect of such Asset Sale consists of (i) cash (including any Net Cash Proceeds received from the conversion within 90 days of such Asset Sale of securities, notes or other obligations received in consideration of such Asset Sale); (ii) Cash Equivalents; (iii) the assumption by the purchaser of (x) the Parent Guarantor's Debt or Debt of any Restricted Subsidiary (other than Subordinated Debt) as a result of which neither the Parent Guarantor nor any of the Restricted Subsidiaries remains obligated in respect of such Debt or (y) Debt of a Restricted Subsidiary that is no longer a Restricted Subsidiary as a result of such Asset Sale, if the Parent Guarantor and each other Restricted Subsidiary is released from any guarantee of such Debt as a result of such Asset Sale; (iv) Replacement Assets; (v) any Designated Non-cash Consideration received by the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary in such Asset Sale having an aggregate Fair Market Value, taken together with all other Designated Non-cash Consideration received pursuant to this clause (b), not to exceed the greater of €100,000,000 and 1.25% of Total Assets at the time of the receipt of such Designated Non-cash Consideration, with the Fair Market Value of each item of Designated Non-cash Consideration being measured at the time received and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value or (vi) a combination of the consideration specified in clauses (i) to (v); and
  - (c) the Parent Guarantor delivers an Officer's Certificate to the Trustee certifying that such Asset Sale complies with the provisions described in the foregoing clauses (a) and (b).
- (2) If the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary consummates an Asset Sale, the Net Cash Proceeds from such Asset Sale, within 360 days after the consummation of such Asset Sale, may be used by the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary to (i) permanently



repay or prepay any then outstanding (A) Debt of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary (and to effect a corresponding commitment reduction if such Debt is revolving credit borrowings) owing to a Person other than the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary to the extent secured by a Lien, (B) Debt of a Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Guarantor owing to a Person other than the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary or (C) any other Pari Passu Debt other than the Existing Unsecured Notes, the New Unsecured Notes or any other unsecured Debt that is guaranteed on a subordinated basis, (ii) invest in any Replacement Assets, (iii) acquire all or substantially all the assets of, or any Capital Stock of, another Similar Business, if, after giving effect to any such acquisition of Capital Stock, the Similar Business is or becomes a Restricted Subsidiary, or (iv) any combination of the foregoing; *provided* that in the case of clause (ii), if the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, has entered into a binding commitment in definitive form within such 360-day period to so apply such Net Cash Proceeds with the good faith expectation that such Net Cash Proceeds will be applied to satisfy such commitment within 180 days of such commitment (an “Acceptable Commitment”), such binding commitment shall be treated as a permitted application of such Net Cash Proceeds; *provided further* that if any Acceptable Commitment is later cancelled or terminated for any reason before such Net Cash Proceeds are applied and after such initial 360-day period, then such Net Cash Proceeds shall constitute Excess Proceeds (as defined below). The amount of such Net Cash Proceeds not so used as set forth in this paragraph (2) constitutes “Excess Proceeds.” The Parent Guarantor may reduce revolving credit borrowings or otherwise invest such Net Cash Proceeds in any manner that is not prohibited by the terms of the Secured Indenture.

- (3) The Parent Guarantor or the Issuers may also at any time, and the Parent Guarantor or the Issuers will within 20 Business Days after the aggregate amount of Excess Proceeds exceeds €50,000,000, make an offer to purchase (an “Excess Proceeds Offer”) from all holders of the Secured Notes and from the holders of any Pari passu Debt (which, in the case of Excess Proceeds which constitute proceeds from the sale or other disposition of Collateral, were secured by a Lien on such Collateral), to the extent required by the terms thereof, on a pro rata basis, in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Secured Indenture or the agreements governing any such Pari passu Debt, the maximum principal amount (expressed as an integral multiple of \$1,000 with respect to the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes or Floating Rate Secured Notes and as an integral multiple of €1,000 for the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes) of the Secured Notes and any such Pari passu Debt that may be purchased with the amount of the Excess Proceeds. The offer price as to each Secured Note and any such Pari passu Debt will be payable in cash in an amount equal to (solely in the case of the Secured Notes) 100% of the principal amount of such Secured Note and (solely in the case of Pari passu Debt) no greater than 100% of the principal amount (or accreted value, as applicable) of such Pari passu Debt, plus in each case accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase.

To the extent that the aggregate principal amount of Secured Notes and any such Pari passu Debt tendered pursuant to an Excess Proceeds Offer is less than the aggregate amount of Excess Proceeds, the Parent Guarantor may use the amount of such Excess Proceeds not used to purchase the Secured Notes and Pari passu Debt for general corporate purposes that are not otherwise prohibited by the Secured Indenture. If the aggregate principal amount of the Secured Notes and any such Pari passu Debt validly tendered and not withdrawn by holders thereof exceeds the aggregate amount of Excess Proceeds, the Secured Notes and any such Pari passu Debt to be purchased will be selected by the Trustee on a pro rata basis (based upon the principal amount of the Secured Notes and the principal amount or accreted value of such Pari passu Debt tendered by each holder). Upon completion of each such Excess Proceeds Offer, the amount of Excess Proceeds will be reset to zero.

- (4) If the Parent Guarantor or the Issuers are obligated to make an Excess Proceeds Offer, the Parent Guarantor or the Issuers will purchase the Secured Notes and Pari passu Debt, at the option of the holders thereof, in whole or in part (as an integral multiple of \$1,000 with respect to the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes and the Floating Rate Secured Notes and as an integral multiple of €1,000 for the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes), on a date that is not earlier than 30 days and not later than 60 days from the date the notice of the Excess Proceeds Offer is given to such holders, or such later date as may be required under the Exchange Act; *provided* that Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes of \$200,000 and Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes of €100,000 will be purchased in full.

If the Parent Guarantor or the Issuers are required to make an Excess Proceeds Offer, the Parent Guarantor and the Issuers will comply with the applicable tender offer rules, including Rule 14e-1 under the Exchange Act, and any other applicable securities laws and regulations, including any securities laws of Ireland and the requirements of any applicable securities exchange on which Secured Notes or the Existing Ardagh Bonds are then listed. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with the provisions of this covenant, we will comply with such securities laws and regulations and will not be deemed to have breached our obligations described in this covenant by virtue thereof.

***Limitation on Guarantees of Debt by Restricted Subsidiaries***

- (1) The Parent Guarantor will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary that is not an Issuer or a Guarantor, directly or indirectly, to guarantee, assume or in any other manner become liable for the payment of any Pari passu Debt or Subordinated Debt of either Issuer (other than the Secured Notes), the Parent Guarantor or any Subsidiary Guarantor, unless:
- (a) such Restricted Subsidiary simultaneously executes and delivers a supplemental indenture to the Secured Indenture providing for a Guarantee of payment of the Secured Notes by such Restricted Subsidiary on the same terms as the guarantee of such Debt; and
  - (b) with respect to any guarantee of Subordinated Debt by such Restricted Subsidiary, any such guarantee shall be subordinated to such Restricted Subsidiary's Guarantee with respect to the Secured Notes at least to the same extent as such Subordinated Debt is subordinated to the Secured Notes.

This paragraph (1) will not be applicable to any guarantees of any Restricted Subsidiary:

- (i) existing on the Issue Date, guaranteeing Debt under Credit Facilities permitted to be incurred pursuant to paragraphs (2)(b) and 2(m) of the covenant described under “—Limitation on Debt” or guaranteeing Debt in an aggregate principal amount that is less than €75,000,000;
- (ii) that existed at the time such Person became a Restricted Subsidiary if the guarantee was not incurred in connection with, or in contemplation of, such Person becoming a Restricted Subsidiary; or
- (iii) given to a bank or trust company having combined capital and surplus and undivided profits of not less than €500 million, whose debt has a rating, at the time such guarantee was given, of at least BBB+ or the equivalent thereof by S&P and at least Baa1 or the equivalent thereof by Moody's, in connection with the operation of cash management programs established for the Parent Guarantor's benefit or that of any Restricted Subsidiary.

- (2) Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Guarantee of the Secured Notes created pursuant to the provisions described in paragraph (1) above may provide by its terms that it will be automatically and unconditionally released and discharged upon:
- (a) any sale, exchange or transfer, to any Person who is not the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary of all of the Capital Stock owned by the Parent Guarantor and its other Restricted Subsidiaries in, or all or substantially all the assets of, such Restricted Subsidiary (which sale, exchange or transfer is not prohibited by the Secured Indenture); or
  - (b) (with respect to any Guarantee created after the Issue Date) the release by the holders of the applicable Issuer's, the Parent Guarantor's or the Subsidiary Guarantor's Debt described in paragraph (1) above, of their guarantee by such Restricted Subsidiary (including any deemed release upon payment in full of all obligations under such Debt other than as a result of payment under such guarantee), at a time when:
    - (i) no other Debt of either Issuer, the Parent Guarantor or any Subsidiary Guarantor has been guaranteed by such Restricted Subsidiary; or
    - (ii) the holders of all such other Debt that is guaranteed by such Restricted Subsidiary also release their guarantee by such Restricted Subsidiary (including any deemed release upon payment in full of all obligations under such Debt other than as a result of payment under such guarantee); or
  - (c) the release of the Guarantees on the terms and conditions and in the circumstances described in "—Ranking of the Secured Notes and the Guarantees" and in "—The Guarantees—Release of the Guarantees."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parent Guarantor shall not be obligated to cause any such Restricted Subsidiary to guarantee the Secured Notes to the extent that such Guarantee would reasonably be expected to give rise to or result in (A) any violation of applicable law, rule, regulation or order that cannot be avoided or otherwise prevented through measures reasonably available to the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary, (B) personal liability for the officers, directors or shareholders of such Restricted Subsidiary or (C) any significant cost, expense, liability or obligation (including with respect to any Taxes but excluding any reasonable guarantee or similar fee payable to the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary) other than any governmental or regulatory filings required as a result of, or any measures pursuant to clause (A) undertaken in connection with, such Guarantee, which cannot be avoided through measures reasonably available to the Parent Guarantor or the Restricted Subsidiary; *provided, however*, that any Restricted Subsidiary who directly or indirectly, guarantees, assumes or in any other manner become liable for the payment of any obligations under the Existing Ardagh Bonds shall also be required to Guarantee payment of the Secured Notes on the same terms as the guarantee of such obligations.

Each such additional Guarantee will be limited as necessary to recognize certain defenses generally available to guarantors (including those that relate to fraudulent conveyance or transfer, voidable preference, financial assistance, corporate purpose and corporate benefit, thin capitalization, distributable reserves, capital maintenance or similar laws, regulations or defenses affecting the rights of creditors generally) or other considerations under applicable law.

***Limitation on Dividends and Other Payment Restrictions Affecting Restricted Subsidiaries***

- (1) The Parent Guarantor will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, create or otherwise cause or suffer to exist or become effective any consensual encumbrance or restriction of any kind on the ability of any Restricted Subsidiary to:
  - (a) pay dividends, in cash or otherwise, or make any other distributions on or in respect of its Capital Stock or any other interest or participation in, or measured by, its profits;
  - (b) pay any Debt owed to the Parent Guarantor or any other Restricted Subsidiary;
  - (c) make loans or advances to the Parent Guarantor or any other Restricted Subsidiary; or
  - (d) transfer any of its properties or assets to the Parent Guarantor or any other Restricted Subsidiary.
- (2) The provisions of the covenant described in paragraph (1) above will not apply to:
  - (a) encumbrances and restrictions imposed by the Secured Notes, the Existing Ardagh Bonds, the New Unsecured Notes, the Secured Indenture, any Credit Facility, the indentures governing the Existing Ardagh Bonds and the New Unsecured Notes, the Intercreditor Agreement (or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement), the Senior PIK Notes and the security documents related thereto or by other indentures or agreements governing other Debt we incur ranking equally with the Secured Notes; *provided* that the encumbrances or restrictions imposed by such other indentures or agreements are not materially more restrictive, taken as a whole, than the encumbrances or restrictions imposed by the Secured Indenture;
  - (b) any customary encumbrances or restrictions created under any agreements with respect to Debt of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary permitted to be incurred subsequent to the Issue Date pursuant to the provisions of the covenant described under “—Limitation on Debt,” including encumbrances or restrictions imposed by Debt permitted to be incurred under Credit Facilities or any guarantees thereof in accordance with such covenant; *provided* that such agreements do not prohibit the payment of interest with respect to the Secured Notes or the Guarantees absent a default or event of default under such agreement;
  - (c) encumbrances or restrictions contained in any agreement in effect on the Issue Date (other than an agreement described in another clause of this paragraph (2));
  - (d) with respect to restrictions or encumbrances referred to in clause (1)(d) above, encumbrances and restrictions that restrict in a customary manner the subletting, assignment or transfer of any properties or assets that are subject to a lease, license, conveyance or other similar agreement to which the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary is a party;
  - (e) encumbrances or restrictions contained in any agreement or other instrument of a Person (including its Subsidiaries) acquired by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in effect at the time of such acquisition (but not created in contemplation thereof), which encumbrance or restriction is not applicable to any Person, or the properties or assets of any Person, other than the Person, or the property or assets of the Person, so acquired (including its Subsidiaries);
  - (f) encumbrances or restrictions contained in contracts for sales of Capital Stock or assets permitted by the covenant described under “—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets” with respect to the assets or Capital Stock to be sold pursuant to such contract or in customary merger or acquisition agreements (or any option to enter into such contract)

for the purchase or acquisition of Capital Stock or assets or any of the Parent Guarantor's Subsidiaries by another Person;

- (g) with respect to restrictions or encumbrances referred to in clause (1)(d) above, any customary encumbrances or restrictions pertaining to any asset or property subject to a Lien to the extent set forth in the security document or any related document governing such Lien;
- (h) encumbrances or restrictions imposed by applicable law or regulation or by governmental licenses, concessions, franchises or permits;
- (i) encumbrances or restrictions on cash or other deposits or net worth imposed by customers under contracts entered into the ordinary course of business;
- (j) customary limitations on the distribution or disposition of assets or property in joint venture agreements entered into the ordinary course of business and in good faith by any Restricted Subsidiary; *provided* that such encumbrance or restriction is applicable only to such Restricted Subsidiary and its Subsidiaries;
- (k) in the case of clause (1)(d) above, customary encumbrances or restrictions in connection with purchase money obligations, mortgage financings and Capitalized Lease Obligations for property acquired in the ordinary course of business;
- (l) any encumbrance or restriction arising by reason of customary non-assignment provisions in agreements;
- (m) encumbrances or restrictions with respect to any Permitted Receivables Financing; *provided* that such encumbrances or restrictions are customarily required by the institutional sponsor or arranger of such Permitted Receivables Financing in similar types of documents relating to the purchase of similar receivables in connection with the financing thereof;
- (n) encumbrances or restrictions with respect to a Restricted Subsidiary imposed pursuant to a Permitted Joint Venture;
- (o) encumbrances or restrictions incurred in accordance with the covenant described under "—Limitation on Liens"; or
- (p) any encumbrances or restrictions existing under any agreement that extends, renews, amends, modifies, restates, supplements, refunds, refinances or replaces the agreements containing the encumbrances or restrictions in the foregoing clauses (2)(a) through (o); *provided* that the terms and conditions of any such encumbrances or restrictions are not materially less favorable, taken as a whole, to the holders of the Secured Notes than those under or pursuant to the agreement so extended, renewed, amended, modified, restated, supplemented, refunded, refinanced or replaced.

#### ***Additional Intercreditor Agreements***

The Secured Indenture will provide that, at the request and direction of the Parent Guarantor and without the consent of the holders of the Secured Notes, in connection with the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or its Restricted Subsidiaries of any Permitted Debt, the Parent Guarantor, the relevant Restricted Subsidiaries, the Trustee and the Security Agent shall enter into with the holders of such Debt (or their duly authorized representatives) an intercreditor agreement (an "Additional Intercreditor Agreement") or a restatement, amendment or other modification of the existing Intercreditor Agreement, in each case on substantially the same terms as the Intercreditor Agreement (or terms not materially less favorable to the holders of the Secured Notes), including containing

substantially the same terms with respect to release of Guarantees and priority and release of the Security Interests; *provided* that such Additional Intercreditor Agreement will not impose any personal obligations on the Trustee or Security Agent or, in the opinion of the Trustee or Security Agent, as applicable, adversely affect the rights, duties, liabilities or immunities of the Trustee or Security Agent under the Secured Indenture or the Intercreditor Agreement.

The Secured Indenture also will provide that, at the request and direction of the Parent Guarantor and without the consent of the holders of the Secured Notes, the Trustee and the Security Agent shall from time to time enter into one or more amendments to any Intercreditor Agreement to: (1) cure any ambiguity, omission, defect or inconsistency of any such agreement, (2) increase the amount or types of Debt covered by any such agreement that may be incurred by an Issuer or a Guarantor that is subject to any such agreement (including with respect to any Intercreditor Agreement or Additional Intercreditor Agreement, the addition of provisions relating to new Debt ranking junior in right of payment to the Secured Notes), (3) add Restricted Subsidiaries to the Intercreditor Agreement or an Additional Intercreditor Agreement, (4) further secure the Secured Notes (including Additional Secured Notes), (5) make provision for equal and ratable pledges of the Collateral to secure Additional Secured Notes, (6) implement any Permitted Collateral Liens, (7) amend the Intercreditor Agreement or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement in accordance with the terms thereof or (8) make any other change to any such agreement that does not adversely affect the holders of Secured Notes in any material respect. The Parent Guarantor shall not otherwise direct the Trustee or the Security Agent to enter into any amendment to any Intercreditor Agreement without the consent of the holders of the majority in aggregate principal amount of the Secured Notes then outstanding, except as otherwise permitted below under “Amendments and Waivers”, and the Parent Guarantor may only direct the Trustee and the Security Agent to enter into any amendment to the extent such amendment does not impose any personal obligations on the Trustee or Security Agent or, in the opinion of the Trustee or Security Agent, adversely affect their respective rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under the Secured Indenture or the Intercreditor Agreement or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement.

The Secured Indenture shall also provide that, in relation to any Intercreditor Agreement or Additional Intercreditor Agreement, the Trustee (and Security Agent, if applicable) shall consent on behalf of the holders of the Secured Notes to the payment, repayment, purchase, repurchase, defeasance, acquisition, retirement or redemption of any obligations subordinated to the Secured Notes thereby; *provided, however*, that such transaction would comply with the covenant described under “—Limitation on Restricted Payments.”

The Secured Indenture also will provide that each holder of the Secured Notes, by accepting a Secured Note, shall be deemed to have agreed to and accepted the terms and conditions of the Intercreditor Agreement or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement (whether then entered into or entered into in the future pursuant to the provisions described herein) and to have directed the Trustee or Security Agent, as applicable, to enter into any such Additional Intercreditor Agreement. A copy of the Intercreditor Agreement or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement shall be made available for inspection during normal business hours on any Business Day upon prior written request at the offices of the Listing Agent.

#### ***Designation of Unrestricted and Restricted Subsidiaries***

The Parent Guarantor’s board of directors may designate any Subsidiary (including newly acquired or newly established Subsidiaries) to be an “Unrestricted Subsidiary” only if no Default has occurred and is continuing at the time of or after giving effect to such designation.

In the event of any such designation, the Parent Guarantor will be deemed to have made an Investment constituting a Restricted Payment pursuant to the covenant described under “—Limitation on Restricted Payments” for all purposes of the Secured Indenture in an amount equal to the greater



of (i) the net book value of the Parent Guarantor's interest in such Subsidiary calculated in accordance with IFRS or (ii) the Fair Market Value of the Parent Guarantor's interest in such Subsidiary.

The Parent Guarantor's board of directors may designate any Unrestricted Subsidiary as a Restricted Subsidiary if (i) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing at the time of or will occur and be continuing after giving effect to such designation and (ii) (x) the Parent Guarantor could incur at least €1.00 of additional Debt under the first paragraph of the covenant described under "—Certain Covenants—Limitation of Indebtedness" or (y) the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio would not be less than it was immediately prior to giving effect to such designation, in each case, on a pro forma basis taking into account such designation.

Any such designation as an Unrestricted Subsidiary or Restricted Subsidiary by the Parent Guarantor's board of directors will be evidenced to the Trustee by filing a resolution of the Parent Guarantor's board of directors with the Trustee giving effect to such designation and an Officer's Certificate certifying that such designation complies with the foregoing conditions and giving the effective date of such designation. Any such filing with the Trustee must occur within 45 days after the end of the Parent Guarantor's fiscal quarter in which such designation is made (or, in the case of a designation made during the last fiscal quarter of the Parent Guarantor's fiscal year, within 90 days after the end of such fiscal year).

#### ***Reports to Holders***

So long as any Secured Notes are outstanding, the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor will furnish to the Trustee:

- (1) within 120 days after the end of each of the Parent Guarantor's fiscal year's annual reports containing the following information: (a) audited consolidated balance sheets of the Parent Guarantor as of the end of the two most recent fiscal years and audited consolidated income statements and statements of cash flow of the Parent Guarantor for the two most recent fiscal years, including footnotes to such financial statements and the report of the Parent Guarantor's independent auditors on the financial statements; (b) an operating and financial review of the audited financial statements, including a discussion of the results of operations, financial condition and liquidity and capital resources, and a discussion of material commitments and contingencies and critical accounting policies; (c) a description of the business and management of the Parent Guarantor; and (d) material recent developments to the extent not previously reported;
- (2) within 60 days following the end of each of the first three fiscal quarters in each fiscal year of the Parent Guarantor's quarterly reports containing the following information: (a) an unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheet as of the end of such quarter and unaudited condensed statements of income and cash flow for the quarterly and year-to-date periods ending on the unaudited condensed balance sheet date, and the comparable prior year periods for the Parent Guarantor, together with condensed footnote disclosure; (b) operating and financial review of the unaudited financial statements, including a discussion of the consolidated financial condition and results of operations of the Parent Guarantor and any material change between the current quarterly period and the corresponding period of the prior year; and (c) material recent developments to the extent not previously reported; and
- (3) promptly after the occurrence of any material acquisition, disposition or restructuring of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or any change of the entire board of directors, chairman of the board of directors, chief executive officer or chief financial officer at the Parent Guarantor or change in auditors of the Parent Guarantor, a press release containing a description of such event.

In addition, the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor shall furnish to the holders of the Secured Notes and to prospective investors, upon the requests of such holders, any information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act so long as the Secured Notes are not freely transferable under the Exchange Act by Persons who are not “affiliates” under the Securities Act.

The Issuers or the Parent Guarantor will also make available copies of all reports furnished to the Trustee (a) on the website of the Ardagh group of companies; and (b) through the newswire service of Bloomberg, or, if Bloomberg does not then operate, any similar agency.

***Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets***

The Parent Guarantor will not, in a single transaction or through a series of transactions, consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or sell, assign, convey, transfer, lease or otherwise dispose of, or take any action pursuant to any resolution passed by the Parent Guarantor’s board of directors or shareholders with respect to a demerger or division pursuant to which the Parent Guarantor would dispose of, all or substantially all of the Parent Guarantor’s properties and assets (other than Capital Stock, Debt or other securities of any Unrestricted Subsidiary) to any other Person or Persons and the Parent Guarantor will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to enter into any such transaction or series of transactions if such transaction or series of transactions, in the aggregate, would result in the sale, assignment, conveyance, transfer, lease or other disposition of all or substantially all of the properties and assets (other than Capital Stock, Debt or other securities of any Unrestricted Subsidiary) of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis to any other Person or Persons. The previous sentence will not apply if:

- (a) at the time of, and immediately after giving effect to, any such transaction or series of transactions, either (i) the Parent Guarantor will be the continuing corporation or (ii) the Person (if other than the Parent Guarantor) formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger or to which such sale, assignment, conveyance, transfer, lease or disposition of all or substantially all the properties and assets of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis has been made (the “Surviving Entity”) (x) will be a corporation duly incorporated and validly existing under the laws of any member state of the European Union or the European Economic Area, the United States of America, any state thereof, the District of Columbia, Canada, Switzerland, Australia or Bermuda and (y) will expressly assume, by a supplemental indenture in form satisfactory to the Trustee, the Parent Guarantor’s obligations under the Secured Notes and the Secured Indenture and will assume the Parent Guarantor’s obligations under the Security Documents, and the Secured Notes, the Secured Indenture and the Security Documents will remain in full force and effect as so supplemented;
- (b) immediately after giving effect to such transaction or series of transactions on a pro forma basis (and treating any obligation of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary incurred in connection with or as a result of such transaction or series of transactions as having been incurred by the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary at the time of such transaction), no Default or Event of Default will have occurred and be continuing;
- (c) immediately before and immediately after giving effect to such transaction or series of transactions on a pro forma basis (on the assumption that the transaction or series of transactions occurred on the first day of the four-quarter fiscal period immediately prior to the consummation of such transaction or series of transactions with the appropriate adjustments with respect to the transaction or series of transactions being included in such pro forma calculation), the Parent Guarantor (or the Surviving Entity if the Parent Guarantor is not the continuing obligor under the Secured Indenture) could incur at least €1.00 of

additional Debt under the provisions of the covenant described under “—Limitation on Debt”;

- (d) any Subsidiary Guarantor, unless it is the other party to the transactions described above, will have by supplemental indenture confirmed that its Guarantee will apply to such Person’s obligations under the Secured Indenture and the Secured Notes;
- (e) the Liens on Collateral shall remain in full force and effect securing the Secured Notes and the Guarantees, as applicable; and
- (f) the Parent Guarantor or the Surviving Entity will have delivered to the Trustee, in form and substance satisfactory to the Trustee, an Officer’s Certificate (attaching the computations to demonstrate compliance with clause (c) above) and an opinion of independent counsel, each stating that such consolidation, merger, sale, assignment, conveyance, transfer, lease or other disposition, and if a supplemental indenture is required in connection with such transaction, such supplemental indenture, comply with the requirements of the Secured Indenture and that the Secured Indenture and the Secured Notes constitute legal, valid and binding obligations of the continuing person, enforceable in accordance with their terms.

The Surviving Entity will succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, the Parent Guarantor under the Secured Indenture, but, in the case of a lease of all or substantially all of the Parent Guarantor’s assets, the Parent Guarantor will not be released from the obligation to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest, on the Secured Notes.

Nothing in the Secured Indenture will prevent (i) any Restricted Subsidiary from consolidating with, merging into or transferring all or substantially all of its properties and assets to the Parent Guarantor or any other Restricted Subsidiary or (ii) any Subsidiary Guarantor from consolidating with, merging into or transferring all or substantially all of its properties and assets to the Parent Guarantor, either Issuer or another Subsidiary Guarantor (and upon any such transfer, the Guarantee of the transferring Subsidiary Guarantor shall automatically be released; *provided* that if such Restricted Subsidiary is a party to any of the Security Documents, arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee are made to maintain the Lien on Collateral granted under such Security Documents).

Although there is a limited body of case law interpreting the phrase “all or substantially all,” there is no precise established definition of the phrase under applicable law. Accordingly, in certain circumstances there may be a degree of uncertainty as to whether a particular transaction would involve “all or substantially all” of the property or assets of a Person.

The Parent Guarantor will publish a notice of any consolidation, merger or sale of assets described above in accordance with the provisions of the Secured Indenture described under “—Notices” and, so long as the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange so require, notify such exchange of any such consolidation, merger or sale.

#### **Suspension of Covenants on Achievement of Investment Grade Status**

If on any date following the Issue Date, the Secured Notes have achieved Investment Grade Status and no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing (a “Suspension Event”), then, beginning on that day and continuing until the Reversion Date, the provisions of the Secured Indenture summarized under the following captions will not apply to such Secured Notes: “—Limitation on Debt,” “—Limitation on Restricted Payments,” “—Limitation on Restrictions on Distributions from Restricted Subsidiaries,” “—Limitation on Transactions with Affiliates,” “—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets,” “—Limitation on Guarantees of Debt by Restricted Subsidiaries,” “—Limitation on Dividends and Other Payment Restrictions Affecting Restricted Subsidiaries,” and the provisions of clause (c) of the first paragraph of the covenant described under “—Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets,” and, in each case, any related default provision of the Secured Indenture will cease to be

effective and will not be applicable to the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries. Such covenants and any related default provisions will again apply according to their terms from the first day on which a Suspension Event ceases to be in effect. Such covenants will not, however, be of any effect with regard to actions of the Parent Guarantor properly taken during the continuance of the Suspension Event, and the “—Limitation on Restricted Payments” covenant will be interpreted as if it has been in effect since the date of the Indenture except that no default will be deemed to have occurred solely by reason of a Restricted Payment made while that covenant was suspended. On the Reversion Date, all Debt Incurred during the continuance of the Suspension Event will be classified, at the Parent Guarantor’s option, as having been Incurred pursuant to the first paragraph of the covenant described under “—Limitation on Debt” or one of the clauses set forth in the second paragraph of such covenant (to the extent such Debt would be permitted to be Incurred thereunder as of the Reversion Date and after giving effect to Debt Incurred prior to the Suspension Event and outstanding on the Reversion Date). To the extent such Debt would not be so permitted to be incurred under the first two paragraphs of the covenant described under “—Limitation on Debt,” such Debt will be deemed to have been outstanding on the Issue Date, so that it is classified as permitted under clause (2)(c) of the second paragraph of the covenant described under “—Limitation on Debt.”

#### **Events of Default**

- (1) Each of the following will be an “Event of Default” under the Secured Indenture:
  - (a) default for 30 days in the payment when due of any interest or any Additional Amounts on any Secured Note;
  - (b) default in the payment of the principal of or premium, if any, on any Secured Note at its Maturity (upon acceleration, optional or mandatory redemption, if any, required repurchase or otherwise);
  - (c) failure to comply with the provisions of the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets”;
  - (d) failure to comply with any covenant or agreement of the Parent Guarantor or of any Restricted Subsidiary that is contained in the Secured Indenture or any Guarantees (other than specified in clause (a), (b) or (c) above) and such failure continues for a period of 60 days or more, in each case after the written notice specified in clause (2) below;
  - (e) default under the terms of any instrument evidencing or securing the Debt of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary having an outstanding principal amount in excess of €75,000,000, in each case, individually or in the aggregate, if that default: (x) results in the acceleration of the payment of such Debt or (y) is caused by the failure to pay such Debt at final maturity thereof after giving effect to the expiration of any applicable grace periods and other than by regularly scheduled required prepayment, and such failure to make any payment has not been waived or the maturity of such Debt has not been extended, and in either case the total amount of such Debt unpaid or accelerated exceeds €75,000,000 or its equivalent at the time;
  - (f) any Guarantee ceases to be, or shall be asserted in writing by any Guarantor, or any Person acting on behalf of any Guarantor, not to be in full force and effect or enforceable in accordance with its terms (other than as provided for in the Secured Indenture, any Guarantee, the Intercreditor Agreement or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement);
  - (g) the Security Interests purported to be created under any Security Document will, at any time, cease to be in full force and effect and constitute a valid and perfected Lien with the priority required by the applicable Security Document, the Intercreditor Agreement

and/or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement with respect to Collateral having a Fair Market value in excess of €75,000,000 for any reason other than the satisfaction in full of all obligations under the Secured Indenture and discharge of the Secured Indenture or in accordance with the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement and/or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement, or any Security Interest purported to be created thereunder is declared invalid or unenforceable or the Parent Guarantor or any Subsidiary Guarantor granting Collateral the subject of any such Security Interest asserts, in any pleading in any court of competent jurisdiction, that any such Security Interest is invalid or unenforceable and (but only in the event that such failure to be in full force and effect or such assertion is capable of being cured without imposing any new hardening period, in equity or at law, that such Security Interest was not otherwise subject immediately prior to such failure or assertion) such failure to be in full force and effect or such assertion has continued uncured for a period of 15 days;

- (h) one or more final judgments, orders or decrees (not subject to appeal and not covered by insurance) shall be rendered against the Parent Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary, either individually or in an aggregate amount, in excess of €75,000,000 or its equivalent at the time, and either a creditor shall have commenced an enforcement proceeding upon such judgment, order or decree or there shall have been a period of 60 consecutive days or more during which a stay of enforcement of such judgment, order or decree was not (by reason of pending appeal or otherwise) in effect; and
  - (i) the occurrence of certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or reorganization with respect to the Parent Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary.
- (2) If an Event of Default (other than as specified in clause (1)(i) above) occurs and is continuing, the Trustee or the holders of not less than 30% in aggregate principal amount of the Secured Notes then outstanding by written notice to the Issuers and the Parent Guarantor (and to the Trustee if such notice is given by the holders) may, and the Trustee, upon the written request of such holders, shall, declare the principal of, premium, if any, and any Additional Amounts and accrued interest on all of the outstanding Secured Notes immediately due and payable, and upon any such declaration all such amounts payable in respect of the Secured Notes will become immediately due and payable.
  - (3) If an Event of Default specified in clause (1)(i) above occurs and is continuing, then the principal of, premium, if any, and Additional Amounts and accrued and unpaid interest on all of the outstanding Secured Notes shall become and be immediately due and payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any holder of Secured Notes.
  - (4) At any time after a declaration of acceleration under the Secured Indenture, but before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Secured Notes, by written notice to the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and the Trustee, may rescind such declaration and its consequences if:
    - (a) the Parent Guarantor or either Issuer have paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:
      - (i) all overdue interest and Additional Amounts on all Secured Notes then outstanding;
      - (ii) all unpaid principal of and premium, if any, on any outstanding Secured Notes that has become due otherwise than by such declaration of acceleration and interest thereon at the rate borne by the Secured Notes;

- (iii) to the extent that payment of such interest is lawful, interest upon overdue interest and overdue principal at the rate borne by the Secured Notes; and
- (iv) all sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under the Secured Indenture and the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel;
- (b) the rescission would not conflict with any judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction; and
- (c) all Events of Default, other than the non-payment of amounts of principal of, premium, if any, and any Additional Amounts and interest on the Secured Notes that has become due solely by such declaration of acceleration, have been cured or waived.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent default or impair any right consequent thereon.

- (5) The holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Secured Notes may, on behalf of the holders of all the Secured Notes, waive any past defaults under the Secured Indenture, except a default:
  - (a) in the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and Additional Amounts or interest on any Secured Note; or
  - (b) in respect of a covenant or provision which under the Secured Indenture cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the holders of 90% of the outstanding Notes.
- (6) No holder of any of the Secured Notes has any right to institute any proceedings with respect to the Secured Indenture or any remedy thereunder, unless the holders of at least 30% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Secured Notes have made a written request to, and offered indemnity and/or security (including by way of pre-funding) reasonably satisfactory to, the Trustee to institute such proceeding as trustee under the Secured Notes and the Secured Indenture, the Trustee has failed to institute such proceeding within 30 days after receipt of such notice and indemnity or security and the Trustee within such 30-day period has not received directions inconsistent with such written request by holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Secured Notes. Such limitations do not, however, apply to a suit instituted by a holder of a Secured Note for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and Additional Amounts or interest on such Secured Note on or after the respective due dates expressed in such Secured Note.
- (7) If a Default or an Event of Default occurs and is continuing and is known to a responsible officer of the Trustee, the Trustee will mail to each holder of the Secured Notes notice of the Default or Event of Default within 15 Business Days after its occurrence. Except in the case of a Default or an Event of Default in payment of principal of, premium, if any, and Additional Amounts or interest on any Secured Notes, the Trustee may withhold the notice to the holders of such Secured Notes if a committee of its trust officers in good faith determines that withholding the notice is in the interests of the holders of the Secured Notes. Subject to the provisions of the Secured Indenture relating to the duties of the Trustee, if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers under the Secured Indenture at the request or direction of any of the holders unless such holders have offered to the Trustee, and the Trustee has received, indemnity and/or security (including by way of pre-funding) satisfactory to the Trustee in its sole discretion against any loss, liability or expense.
- (8) The Issuers and the Parent Guarantor are required to furnish to the Trustee annual statements as to the performance of the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted



Subsidiaries under the Secured Indenture and as to any default in such performance. The Issuers and the Parent Guarantor are also required to notify the Trustee within 15 Business Days of the occurrence of any Default stating what action, if any, they are taking with respect to that Default.

- (9) In the event of a declaration of acceleration of the Secured Notes because an Event of Default as described in clause (e) of paragraph (1) above has occurred and is continuing, the declaration of acceleration of the Secured Notes shall be automatically annulled if the event of default or payment default triggering such Event of Default pursuant to such clause (e) shall be remedied or cured, or waived by the holders of the Debt that gave rise to such Event of Default, or such Debt shall have been discharged in full, within 20 days after the Event of Default arose and if (1) the annulment of the acceleration (if applicable) of the Secured Notes would not conflict with any judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction and (2) all existing Events of Default, except nonpayment of principal, premium or interest, including Additional Amounts, if any, on the Secured Notes that became due solely because of the acceleration of the Secured Notes, have been cured or waived.

#### **Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance**

The Secured Indenture will provide that the Issuers and the Parent Guarantor may, at their option and at any time prior to the Stated Maturity of the Secured Notes, elect to have the obligations of the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and the Subsidiary Guarantors discharged with respect to the outstanding Secured Notes (“Legal Defeasance”). Legal Defeasance means that the Issuers will be deemed to have paid and discharged the entire Debt represented by the outstanding Secured Notes except as to:

- (a) the rights of holders of outstanding Secured Notes to receive payments in respect of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Secured Notes when such payments are due;
- (b) the Issuers’ obligations to issue temporary Secured Notes, register, transfer or exchange any Secured Notes, replace mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Secured Notes, maintain an office or agency for payments in respect of the Secured Notes and segregate and hold such payments in trust;
- (c) the rights, powers, trusts, duties and immunities of the Trustee and the obligations of the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and the Subsidiary Guarantors in connection therewith; and
- (d) the Legal Defeasance provisions of the Secured Indenture.

In addition, the Issuers and the Parent Guarantor may, at their option and at any time, elect to have the obligations of the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and the Subsidiary Guarantors released with respect to certain covenants set forth in the Secured Indenture (“Covenant Defeasance”), and thereafter any omission to comply with such covenants will not constitute a Default or an Event of Default with respect to the Secured Notes. In the event Covenant Defeasance occurs, certain events described under “—Events of Default” will no longer constitute an Event of Default with respect to the Secured Notes. These events do not include events relating to non-payment, bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership and reorganization. The Issuers and the Parent Guarantor may exercise their Legal Defeasance option regardless of whether they previously exercised Covenant Defeasance.

In order to exercise either Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance:

- (a) the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must irrevocably deposit or cause to be deposited in trust with the Trustee, for the benefit of the holders of the Secured Notes, cash in U.S. dollars, non-callable U.S. Government Securities, or a combination of cash in U.S. dollars and U.S. Government Securities (in the case of the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes and the Floating

Rate Secured Notes) and cash in euro, European Government Obligations, or a combination of cash in euro and European Government Obligations (in the case of the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes), in such amounts as will be sufficient, in the opinion of an internationally recognized firm of independent public accountants, to pay and discharge the principal of, premium, if any, and interest, on the outstanding Secured Notes on the Stated Maturity or on the applicable redemption date, as the case may be, and the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must (i) specify whether the Secured Notes are being defeased to maturity or to a particular redemption date; and (ii) if applicable, have delivered to the Trustee an irrevocable notice to redeem all of the outstanding Secured Notes of such principal, premium, if any, or interest;

- (b) in the case of Legal Defeasance, the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must have delivered to the Trustee an opinion of counsel reasonably acceptable to the Trustee stating that (x) the Issuers have received from, or there has been published by, the U.S. Internal Revenue Service a ruling, or (y) since the Issue Date, there has been a change in applicable U.S. federal income tax law, in either case to the effect that, and based thereon such opinion shall confirm that, the beneficial owners of the outstanding Secured Notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such Legal Defeasance and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such Legal Defeasance had not occurred;
- (c) in the case of Covenant Defeasance, the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must have delivered to the Trustee an opinion of counsel reasonably acceptable to the Trustee to the effect that the beneficial owners of the outstanding Secured Notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such Covenant Defeasance and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such Covenant Defeasance had not occurred;
- (d) no Default or Event of Default will have occurred and be continuing (i) on the date of such deposit (other than a Default or Event of Default resulting from the borrowing of funds to be applied to such deposit) or (ii) insofar as bankruptcy or insolvency events described in clause (1)(i) of “—Events of Default” above is concerned, at any time during the period ending on the 123rd day after the date of such deposit;
- (e) such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance shall not cause the Trustee for the Secured Notes to have a conflicting interest as defined in the Secured Indenture;
- (f) such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under (other than a Default or Event of Default resulting from the borrowing of funds to be applied to such deposit), the Secured Indenture or any material agreement or instrument to which the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary is a party or by which the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary is bound;
- (g) such defeasance or Covenant Defeasance shall not result in the trust arising from such deposit constituting an investment company within the meaning of the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940 unless such trust shall be registered under such Act or exempt from registration thereunder;
- (h) the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must have delivered to the Trustee an opinion of independent counsel in the country of each Issuer’s or the Parent Guarantor’s incorporation to the effect that after the 123<sup>rd</sup> day following the deposit, the trust funds will not be subject to the effect of any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar laws affecting creditors’ rights generally and an opinion of independent counsel reasonably acceptable to the Trustee that the Trustee shall have a perfected security interest in such trust funds for the ratable benefit of the holders of the Secured Notes;

- (i) the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must have delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate stating that the deposit was not made by the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor with the intent of preferring the holders of the Secured Notes over the other creditors of the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor with the intent of defeating, hindering, delaying or defrauding creditors of the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor or others, or removing assets beyond the reach of the relevant creditors or increasing debts of the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor to the detriment of the relevant creditors;
- (j) no event or condition shall exist that would prevent the Issuers from making payments of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Secured Notes on the date of such deposit or at any time ending on the 123<sup>rd</sup> day after the date of such deposit; and
- (k) the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must have delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate and an opinion of counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent provided for relating to the Legal Defeasance or the Covenant Defeasance, as the case may be, have been complied with.

If the funds deposited with the Trustee to effect Covenant Defeasance are insufficient to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Secured Notes when due because of any acceleration occurring after an Event of Default, then the Issuers and the Guarantors will remain liable for such payments.

### **Satisfaction and Discharge**

The Secured Indenture will be discharged and will cease to be of further effect as to all Secured Notes issued thereunder, or as to the Floating Rate Secured Notes, the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes or the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes, as applicable (except as to surviving rights of registration of transfer or exchange of such Secured Notes as expressly provided for in the Secured Indenture), when:

- (a) the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor has irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee as funds in trust for such purpose an amount in cash in U.S. dollars, U.S. Government Securities, or a combination of cash in U.S. dollars and U.S. Government Securities (in the case of the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes and the Floating Rate Secured Notes) and cash in euro, European Government Obligations, or a combination of cash in euro and European Government obligations (in the case of the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes), sufficient to pay and discharge the entire Debt on such Secured Notes that have not, prior to such time, been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal of, premium, if any, and any Additional Amounts and accrued and unpaid interest on such Secured Notes to the date of such deposit (in the case of Secured Notes which have become due and payable) or to the Stated Maturity or redemption date, as the case may be and the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor has delivered irrevocable instructions to the Trustee under the Secured Indenture to apply the deposited money toward the payment of such Secured Notes at Maturity or on the redemption date, as the case may be and either:
  - (i) all Secured Notes, or as to the Floating Rate Secured Notes, the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes or the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes, as applicable, that have been authenticated and delivered (other than destroyed, lost or stolen Secured Notes that have been replaced or paid and Secured Notes for whose payment money has been deposited in trust or segregated and held in trust by the Issuers and thereafter repaid to the Issuers or discharged from such trust as provided for in the Secured Indenture) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or
  - (ii) all Notes, or as to the Floating Rate Secured Notes, the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes or the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes, as applicable, that have not been delivered to

the Trustee for cancellation (x) have become due and payable (by reason of the mailing of a notice of redemption or otherwise), (y) will become due and payable at Stated Maturity within one year or (z) are to be called for redemption within one year under arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Trustee in the Issuers' name, and at the Issuers' expense;

- (b) the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor has paid or caused to be paid all other amounts payable by the Issuers under the Secured Indenture; and
- (c) the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor has delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate and an opinion of counsel, each stating that:
  - (i) all conditions precedent provided in the Secured Indenture relating to the satisfaction and discharge of all Secured Notes, or as to the Floating Rate Secured Notes, the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes or the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes, as applicable, under the Secured Indenture have been satisfied; and
  - (ii) such satisfaction and discharge will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, the Secured Indenture or any other agreement or instrument governed by the laws of the State of New York to which either Issuer or any Subsidiary is a party or by which either Issuer or any Subsidiary is bound.

#### **Amendments and Waivers**

The Secured Indenture will contain provisions permitting the Issuers, the Guarantors and the Trustee to enter into a supplemental indenture without the consent of the holders of the Secured Notes for certain limited purposes, including, among other things, curing ambiguities, defects or inconsistencies, or making any change that does not adversely affect the rights of any holder of the Secured Notes in any material respect. With the consent of the holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Secured Notes then outstanding, the Issuers, the Guarantors and the Trustee are permitted to amend or supplement the Secured Indenture; *provided* that, if any amendment, waiver or other modification will only affect one series of the Secured Notes, only the consent of the holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Secured Notes of such series shall be required. However, no such modification or amendment may, without the consent of the holders of 90% of the outstanding Secured Notes (*provided, however*, that if any amendment, waiver or other modification will only affect one series of the Secured Notes, only the consent of the holders of at least 90% of the aggregate principal amount of such series shall be required (and not the consent of at least 90% of the aggregate principal amount of all Secured Notes then outstanding)), with respect to any such Secured Notes held by a non-consenting holder:

- (a) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of, or any installment of or Additional Amounts or interest on, any Secured Note;
- (b) reduce the principal amount of any Secured Note (or Additional Amounts or premium, if any) or the rate of or change the time for payment of interest on any Secured Note;
- (c) change the coin or currency in which the principal of any Secured Note or any premium or any Additional Amounts or the interest thereon is payable;
- (d) impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any payment on or after the Stated Maturity thereof (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the redemption date);
- (e) reduce the principal amount of Secured Notes whose holders must consent to any amendment, supplement or waiver of provisions of the Secured Indenture;

- (f) modify any of the provisions relating to supplemental indentures requiring the consent of holders of the Secured Notes or relating to the waiver of past defaults or relating to the waiver of certain covenants, except to increase the percentage of outstanding Secured Notes required for such actions or to provide that certain other provisions of the Secured Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the holder of each Secured Note affected thereby;
- (g) make any change to the Intercreditor Agreement (or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement) or any provisions of the Secured Indenture affecting the ranking of the Secured Notes or the Guarantees, in each case in a manner that adversely affects the rights of the holders of the Secured Notes or directly or indirectly release the Liens on the Collateral except as permitted by the Secured Indenture, the Intercreditor Agreement (or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement) and the Security Documents; or
- (h) make any change in the provisions of the Secured Indenture described under “—Additional Amounts” that adversely affects the rights of any holder of the Secured Notes or amend the terms of the Secured Notes or the Secured Indenture in a way that would result in a loss of an exemption from any of the Taxes described thereunder or an exemption from any obligation to withhold or deduct Taxes so described thereunder unless the Issuers or the Guarantors agree to pay Additional Amounts (if any) in respect thereof in the supplemental indenture.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, without the consent of any holder of the Secured Notes, the Issuers, the Guarantors and the Trustee may modify, amend or supplement the Secured Indenture:

- (i) to evidence the succession of another Person to the Parent Guarantor and the assumption by any such successor of the provisions in the Secured Indenture and in the Secured Notes in accordance with “—Certain Covenants—Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets”;
- (ii) to add to the Issuers’ covenants and those of any Guarantor or any other obligor upon the Secured Notes for the benefit of the holders of the Secured Notes or to surrender any right or power conferred upon the Issuers or any Guarantor or any other obligor upon the Secured Notes, as applicable, in the Secured Indenture, in the Secured Notes or in any Guarantees;
- (iii) to cure any ambiguity, or to correct or supplement any provision in the Secured Indenture, the Secured Notes or any Guarantees that may be defective or inconsistent with any other provision in the Secured Indenture, the Secured Notes or any Guarantees or make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under the Secured Indenture, the Secured Notes or any Guarantees; *provided* that, in each case, such provisions shall not adversely affect the interests of the holders of the Secured Notes;
- (iv) to conform the text of the Secured Indenture, the Guarantees, the Security Documents or the Secured Notes to any provision of this “Description of the Secured Notes” to the extent that such provision in this “Description of the Secured Notes” was intended to be a verbatim recitation of a provision of the Secured Indenture, the Guarantees, the Security Documents or the Secured Notes;
- (v) to release any Guarantor in accordance with and if permitted by the terms of and limitations set forth in the Secured Indenture and to add a Subsidiary Guarantor or other guarantor under the Secured Indenture (which will require execution of the relevant supplemental indenture only by the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and such additional Subsidiary Guarantor(s) or other guarantor(s));
- (vi) to evidence and provide the acceptance of the appointment of a successor Trustee or Security Agent under the Secured Indenture or any Security Document;

- (vii) to mortgage, pledge, hypothecate or grant a security interest in favor of the Trustee for the benefit of the holders of the Secured Notes as additional security for the payment and performance of the Issuers' and any Guarantor's obligations under the Secured Indenture, in any property, or assets, including any of which are required to be mortgaged, pledged or hypothecated, or in which a security interest is required to be granted to the Trustee pursuant to the Secured Indenture or otherwise; or
- (viii) to provide for the issuance of Additional Secured Notes in accordance with and if permitted by the terms of and limitations set forth in the Secured Indenture.

In formulating its opinion on such matters, the Trustee shall be entitled to require and rely on such evidence as it deems appropriate, including an opinion of counsel and an Officer's Certificate.

The consent of the holders of the Secured Notes will not be necessary under the Secured Indenture to approve the particular form of any proposed amendment, waiver or consent. It is sufficient if such consent approves the substance of the proposed amendment, waiver or consent. A consent to any amendment or waiver under the Secured Indenture by any holder of the Secured Notes given in connection with a tender of such holder's Secured Notes will not be rendered invalid by such tender.

The Issuers will inform the Irish Stock Exchange of any material amendment to the Secured Indenture or any supplement thereto. The Issuers will also publish a notice of any such material amendment in accordance with the provisions of the Secured Indenture described immediately below under "—Notices."

#### **Notices**

Notices regarding the Secured Notes will be:

- (a) (i) delivered to holders of the Secured Notes electronically or mailed by first-class mail, postage prepaid, and (ii) if and so long as the Secured Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules and regulations of the Irish Stock Exchange so require, published in a newspaper having a general circulation in Ireland (which is expected to be *The Irish Times* or, to the extent and in the manner permitted by the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange, posted on the official website of the Irish Stock Exchange ([www.ise.ie](http://www.ise.ie))); and
- (b) in the case of certificated Secured Notes, mailed to holders of such Secured Notes by first class mail at their respective addresses as they appear on the registration books of the registrar.

Notices given by first class mail will be deemed given five calendar days after mailing and notices given by publication will be deemed given on the first date on which publication is made.

#### **The Trustee**

The Secured Indenture will provide that, except during the continuance of an Event of Default of which a responsible officer of the Trustee had written notice, the Trustee will perform only such duties as are set forth specifically in the Secured Indenture. The permissive rights of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any action enumerated in the Secured Indenture will not be construed as an obligation or duty.

The Secured Indenture will contain provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee and for its relief from responsibility, including provisions relieving it from taking action unless indemnified and/or secured (including by way of prefunding) to its satisfaction.



### **No Personal Liability of Directors, Officers, Employees and Shareholders**

No director, officer, employee, incorporator, member or shareholder of the Parent Guarantor, either Issuer or any Subsidiary Guarantor will have any liability for any obligations of the Parent Guarantor, either Issuer or any Subsidiary Guarantor under the Secured Notes, any Guarantee or the Secured Indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of, or by reason of such obligations or their creation. Each holder by accepting a Secured Note waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for issuance of the Secured Notes. Such waiver and release may not be effective to waive liabilities under the U.S. federal securities laws.

### **Governing Law**

The Secured Indenture, the Secured Notes and the Guarantees will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, and will provide for the submission of the parties to the jurisdiction of the courts in the State of New York.

### **Certain Definitions**

“2010 Senior Notes” means the existing €275,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 9.250% Senior Notes due 2020 and \$450,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 issued by the Issuers.

“2020 Senior Notes” means the 2010 Senior Notes, the February 2011 Senior Notes, the July 2012 Senior Notes and the January 2013 Senior Notes.

“Acquired Business” means the properties, businesses, assets and liabilities acquired pursuant to the Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement and in connection therewith, including under any annexes, schedules and related documents.

“Acquired Debt” means Debt of a Person:

- (a) existing at the time such Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary or is merged into or consolidated with the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary; or
- (b) assumed in connection with the acquisition of assets from any such Person,

in each case *provided* that such Debt was not incurred in connection with, or in contemplation of, such Person becoming a Restricted Subsidiary or such acquisition, as the case may be.

Acquired Debt will be deemed to be incurred on the date the acquired Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary or the date of the related acquisition of assets from any such Person.

“Acquisition” means the acquisition of the Acquired Business pursuant to the Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement.

“Affiliate” means, with respect to any specified Person:

- (a) any other Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person;
- (b) any other Person that owns, directly or indirectly, 5% or more of such specified Person’s Capital Stock or any officer or director of any such specified Person or other Person or, with respect to any natural Person, any Person having a relationship with such Person by blood, marriage or adoption not more remote than first cousin; or
- (c) any other Person 5% or more of the Voting Stock of which is beneficially owned or held, directly or indirectly, by such specified Person.

For the purposes of this definition, “control,” when used with respect to any specified Person, means the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms “controlling,” “controlled” have meanings correlative to the foregoing.

“Agreed Security Principles” means the Agreed Security Principles as set forth in the Secured Indenture (or a schedule thereto).

“Asset Sale” means any sale, issuance, conveyance, transfer, lease or other disposition (including, without limitation, by way of merger, consolidation or sale and leaseback transaction) (collectively, a “transfer”), directly or indirectly, in one or a series of related transactions, of:

- (a) any Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary (other than directors’ qualifying shares or shares required by applicable law to be held by a Person other than the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary);
- (b) all or substantially all of the properties and assets of any division or line of business of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary; or
- (c) any other of the Parent Guarantor’s or any Restricted Subsidiary’s properties or assets.

Notwithstanding the preceding, none of the following items will be deemed to be an Asset Sale:

- (i) any transfer or disposition of assets that is governed by the provisions of the Secured Indenture described under “—Certain Covenants—Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets” and “—Purchase of Secured Notes upon a Change of Control”;
- (ii) any transfer or disposition of assets by the Parent Guarantor to the Issuers or any Restricted Subsidiary, or by any Restricted Subsidiary to the Parent Guarantor, the Issuers or any Restricted Subsidiary in accordance with the terms of the Secured Indenture;
- (iii) any transfer or disposition of obsolete or permanently retired equipment or facilities that are no longer useful in the conduct of the Parent Guarantor’s and any Restricted Subsidiary’s business and that are disposed of in the ordinary course of business;
- (iv) any disposition of accounts receivable and related assets in a Permitted Receivables Financing;
- (v) the disposition of receivables in connection with the compromise, settlement or collection thereof in the ordinary course of business or in bankruptcy or similar proceedings and exclusive of factoring or similar arrangements;
- (vi) the foreclosure, condemnation or any similar action with respect to any property or other assets;
- (vii) any unwinding or termination of hedging obligations not for speculative purposes;
- (viii) any single transaction or series of related transactions that involves assets or Capital Stock having a Fair Market Value of less than €25,000,000;
- (ix) for the purposes of the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets” only, the making of a Permitted Investment or a disposition permitted under the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Restricted Payments”;
- (x) the sale, lease or other disposition of equipment, inventory, property or other assets in the ordinary course of business;

- (xi) the lease, assignment or sublease of any real or personal property in the ordinary course of business;
- (xii) an issuance of Capital Stock by a Restricted Subsidiary to the Parent Guarantor or to another Restricted Subsidiary;
- (xiii) a Permitted Investment or a Restricted Payment (or a transaction that would constitute a Restricted Payment but for the exclusions from the definition thereof) that is not prohibited by the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Restricted Payments”;
- (xiv) any disposition of Capital Stock, Debt or other securities of any Unrestricted Subsidiary or a Permitted Joint Venture;
- (xv) sales of assets received by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary upon the foreclosure on a Lien granted in favor of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (xvi) sales or grants of licenses to use the patents, trade secrets, know-how and other intellectual property of the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to the extent that such license does not prohibit the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries from using the technologies licensed (other than pursuant to exclusivity or non-competition arrangements negotiated on an arm’s-length basis) or require the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to pay any fees for any such use;
- (xvii) any surrender or waiver of contract rights or settlement, release, recovery on or surrender of contract, tort or other claims in the ordinary course of business; or
- (xviii) sales, issuances, conveyances, transfers, leases or other dispositions to the extent constituting Permitted Liens.

“Average Life” means, as of the date of determination with respect to any Debt, the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (a) the sum of the products of:
  - (i) the numbers of years from the date of determination to the date or dates of each successive scheduled principal payment of such Debt; multiplied by
  - (ii) the amount of each such principal payment; by
- (b) the sum of all such principal payments.

“Bund Rate” means, with respect to any redemption date, the rate per annum equal to the equivalent yield to maturity as of such redemption date of the Comparable German Bund issue, assuming a price for the Comparable German Bund issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable German Bund Price for such redemption date, where:

- (a) “Comparable German Bund Issues” means the German Bundesanleihe security selected by any Reference German Bund Dealer as having a fixed maturity most nearly equal to the period from such redemption date to May 15, 2019, and that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of euro denominated corporate debt securities in a principal amount approximately equal to the then outstanding principal amount of the Secured Notes and of a maturity most nearly equal to May 15, 2019; *provided* that if the period from such redemption date to May 15, 2019 is less than one year, a fixed maturity of one year shall be used;
- (b) “Comparable German Bund Price” means, with respect to any redemption date, the average of the Reference German Bund Dealer Quotations for such redemption date, after excluding

the highest and lowest such Reference German Bund Dealer Quotations, or if an Issuer obtains fewer than four such Reference German Bund Dealer Quotations, the average of all such quotations;

- (c) “Reference German Bund Dealer” means any dealer of German Bundesanleihe securities appointed by an Issuer (and notified to the Trustee); and
- (d) “Reference German Bund Dealer Quotations” means, with respect to each Reference German Bund Dealer and any redemption date, the average as determined by an Issuer of the bid and offered prices for the Comparable German Bund issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to an Issuer by such Reference German Bund Dealer at 3:30 p.m. Frankfurt, Germany time on the third business day preceding such redemption date.

“Business Day” means a day of the year on which banks are not required or authorized by law to close in Dublin, New York City or London and, in relation to a transaction involving euro, any TARGET day.

“Capital Stock” means, with respect to any Person, any and all shares, interests, partnership interests (whether general or limited), participations, rights in or other equivalents (however designated) of such Person’s equity, any other interest or participation that confers the right to receive a share of the profits and losses, or distributions of assets of, such Person and any rights (other than debt securities convertible into or exchangeable for Capital Stock), warrants or options exchangeable for or convertible into such Capital Stock, whether now outstanding or issued after the Issue Date.

“Capitalized Lease Obligation” means, with respect to any Person, any obligation of such Person under a lease of (or other agreement conveying the right to use) any property (whether real, personal or mixed), which obligation is required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease obligation under IFRS, and, for purposes of the Secured Indenture, the amount of such obligation at any date will be the capitalized amount thereof at such date, determined in accordance with IFRS and the Stated Maturity thereof will be the date of the last payment of rent or any other amount due under such lease prior to the first date such lease may be terminated without penalty.

“Cash Equivalents” means any of the following:

- (a) any evidence of Debt with a maturity of 180 days or less from the date of acquisition issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by a member state of the European Union or European Economic Area, the United States of America, any state thereof or the District of Columbia, Canada, Switzerland, Australia or any agency or instrumentality thereof (each, an “Approved Jurisdiction”);
- (b) time deposit accounts, certificates of deposit, money market deposits or bankers’ acceptances with a maturity of 180 days or less from the date of acquisition issued by a bank or trust company having combined capital and surplus and undivided profits of not less than €500 million, whose debt has a rating, at the time any investment is made therein, of at least BBB+ or the equivalent thereof by S&P and at least Baa1 or the equivalent thereof by Moody’s;
- (c) commercial paper with a maturity of 180 days or less from the date of acquisition issued by a corporation that is not either Issuer’s or any Restricted Subsidiary’s Affiliate and is at the time of acquisition, rated at least A-1 or the equivalent thereof by S&P or at least P-1 or the equivalent thereof by Moody’s;
- (d) repurchase obligations with a term of not more than seven days for underlying securities of the type described in clause (a) or (b) above entered into with a financial institution meeting the qualifications described in clause (b) above;

- (e) investments in money market mutual funds at least 95% of the assets of which constitute Cash Equivalents of the kind described in clauses (a) through (d) above; or
- (f) any investments classified as cash equivalents under IFRS.

“Change of Control” has the meaning given to such term under “—Purchase of Secured Notes upon a Change of Control.”

“Commission” means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

“Commodity Hedging Agreements” means any type of commodity hedging agreement designed to protect against or manage exposure to fluctuations in commodity prices and entered into in good faith in the ordinary course of business for such purposes.

“Completion Date” means the date on which the Acquisition is completed.

“Consolidated Adjusted Net Income” means, for any period, the Parent Guarantor’s and the Restricted Subsidiaries’ consolidated net income (or loss) for such period as determined in accordance with IFRS, adjusted by excluding (to the extent included in such consolidated net income or loss), without duplication:

- (a) any net after-tax extraordinary gains or losses;
- (b) any net after-tax gains or losses attributable to sales of assets of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary that are not sold in the ordinary course of business;
- (c) the portion of net income or loss of any Person (other than the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary), including Unrestricted Subsidiaries, in which the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary has an equity ownership interest, except that the Parent Guarantor’s or a Restricted Subsidiary’s equity in the net income of such Person for such period shall be included in such Consolidated Adjusted Net Income to the extent of the aggregate amount of dividends or other distributions actually paid to the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in cash dividends or other distributions during such period;
- (d) the net income or loss of any Restricted Subsidiary to the extent that the declaration or payment of dividends or similar distributions by such Restricted Subsidiary is not at the date of determination permitted, directly or indirectly, by operation of the terms of its charter or any agreement, instrument, judgment, decree, order, statute, rule or governmental regulation applicable to such Restricted Subsidiary or its shareholders (other than restrictions contained in the Credit Facilities and related agreements permitted by clause 2(b) of “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”);
- (e) any extraordinary, exceptional, unusual or nonrecurring loss, expense or charge (including severance, relocation, plant closure, operational improvement or restructuring costs or reserves or provisions therefor) relating to, or directly or indirectly resulting from, or incurred in connection with, any Asset Sale, Investment, acquisition, reorganization, restructuring or operational improvement initiative, or offering or refinancing of debt or equity securities;
- (f) the non-cash accounting effects of any acquisition, purchase, merger, reorganization or other similar transaction, including any increase in amortization or depreciation resulting from adjustments to tangible or intangible assets, the consequence of any revaluation of inventory or other non-cash charges or effects (including losses on derivatives);
- (g) the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principles after the Issue Date;
- (h) any charge or expense recorded for non-cash or capitalized interest on Deeply Subordinated Funding;

- (i) net after tax gains or losses attributable to (i) the termination of pension plans, (ii) the acquisition of securities or the extinguishment of debt or (iii) currency exchange transactions that are not in the ordinary course of business;
- (j) net income or loss attributable to discontinued operations; and
- (k) any restoration to net income of any contingency reserve, except to the extent it was provided for in a prior period.

“Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio” of the Parent Guarantor means, for any period, the ratio of:

- (a) the sum of Consolidated Adjusted Net Income, plus in each case to the extent deducted in computing Consolidated Adjusted Net Income for such period:
  - (i) Consolidated Net Interest Expense;
  - (ii) Consolidated Tax Expense; and
  - (iii) Consolidated Non-cash Charges, less all non-cash items increasing Consolidated Adjusted Net Income for such period and less all cash payments during such period relating to non-cash charges that were added back to Consolidated Adjusted Net Income in determining the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio in any prior period;
- (b) to the sum of:
  - (i) Consolidated Net Interest Expense; and
  - (ii) cash and non-cash dividends due (whether or not declared) on the Parent Guarantor’s and any Restricted Subsidiary’s Preferred Stock (to any Person other than the Parent Guarantor and any Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary), in each case for such period;

*provided* that in calculating the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio or any element thereof for any period, pro forma effect will be given to any realized or expected synergies, cost efficiencies and cost savings relating to, or directly or indirectly resulting from, or associated with, any Asset Sale, Investment, acquisition, reorganization, restructuring or operational improvement initiative that has occurred during the period included in the calculation or any prior period or would reasonably be expected to occur in connection with an acquisition or other transaction in relation to which “pro forma” effect is given as if such synergies, cost efficiencies or cost savings had been effective throughout the period included in the calculation;

*provided, further*, without limiting the application of the previous proviso, that:

- (w) if the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary has incurred any Debt since the beginning of such period that remains outstanding or if the transaction giving rise to the need to calculate the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio is an incurrence of Debt or both, Consolidated Adjusted Net Income and Consolidated Net Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after giving effect on a pro forma basis to such Debt as if such Debt had been incurred on the first day of such period and the discharge of any other Debt repaid, repurchased, defeased or otherwise discharged with the proceeds of such new Debt as if such discharge had occurred on the first day of such period;
- (x) if, since the beginning of such period, the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary shall have made any Asset Sale, Consolidated Adjusted Net Income for such period shall be reduced by an amount equal to the Consolidated Adjusted Net Income (if positive) directly attributable to the assets which are the subject of such Asset Sale for such period, or increased by an amount equal to the Consolidated Adjusted Net Income (if negative) directly attributable thereto, for such period and the Consolidated Net Interest Expense for such



period shall be reduced by an amount equal to the Consolidated Net Interest Expense directly attributable to any Debt of the Parent Guarantor or of any Restricted Subsidiary repaid, repurchased, defeased or otherwise discharged with respect to the Parent Guarantor and the continuing Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with such Asset Sale for such period (or, if the Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary is sold, the Consolidated Net Interest Expense for such period directly attributable to the Debt of such Restricted Subsidiary to the extent the Parent Guarantor and the continuing Restricted Subsidiaries are no longer liable for such Debt after such sale);

- (y) if, since the beginning of such period, the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary (by merger or otherwise) shall have made an Investment in any Restricted Subsidiary (or any Person which becomes a Restricted Subsidiary) or an acquisition of assets, including any acquisition of an asset occurring in connection with a transaction causing a calculation to be made hereunder, which constitutes all or substantially all of an operating unit of a business, Consolidated Adjusted Net Income and Consolidated Net Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after giving pro forma effect thereto (including the incurrence of any Debt) as if such Investment or acquisition occurred on the first day of such period; and
- (z) if, since the beginning of such period, any Person (that subsequently became a Restricted Subsidiary or was merged with or into the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary since the beginning of such period) shall have made any Asset Sale or any Investment or acquisition of assets that would have required an adjustment pursuant to clause (x) or (y) above if made by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary during such period, Consolidated Adjusted Net Income and Consolidated Net Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after giving pro forma effect thereto as if such Asset Sale or Investment or acquisition occurred on the first day of such period.

If any Debt bears a floating rate of interest and is being given pro forma effect, the interest expense on such Debt shall be calculated as if the rate in effect on the date of determination had been the applicable rate for the entire period (taking into account any Interest Rate Agreement applicable to such Debt for a period equal to the remaining term of such Interest Rate Agreement).

“Consolidated Leverage Ratio” of the Parent Guarantor means, as of the date of determination, the ratio of (a) (i) the sum of consolidated Debt of the Parent Guarantor (other than working capital) less (ii) cash and Cash Equivalents on the most recent consolidated balance sheet of the Parent Guarantor which has been delivered in accordance with the provisions of the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Reports to Holders” to (b) the aggregate consolidated EBITDA of the Parent Guarantor for the period of the most recent four consecutive quarters for which financial statements are available under the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Reports to Holders,” in each case with such pro forma adjustments to consolidated Debt and consolidated EBITDA as are appropriate and consistent with the pro forma provisions set forth in the definition of “Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio.”

“Consolidated Net Interest Expense” means, for any period, without duplication and in each case determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with IFRS, the sum of:

- (a) the Parent Guarantor’s and the Restricted Subsidiaries’ total interest expense for such period, including, without limitation:
  - (i) amortization of debt discount;
  - (ii) the net costs of Commodity Hedging Agreements, Interest Rate Agreements and Currency Agreements (including amortization of fees and discounts);

- (iii) commissions, discounts and other fees and charges owed with respect to letters of credit and bankers' acceptance financing and similar transactions; and
- (iv) the interest portion of any deferred payment obligation and amortization of debt issuance costs; *plus*
- (b) the interest component of the Parent Guarantor's and the Restricted Subsidiaries' Capitalized Lease Obligations accrued and/or scheduled to be paid or accrued during such period other than the interest component of Capitalized Lease Obligations between or among the Parent Guarantor and any Restricted Subsidiary or between or among Restricted Subsidiaries; *plus*
- (c) the Parent Guarantor's and the Restricted Subsidiaries non-cash interest expenses and interest that was capitalized during such period; *plus*
- (d) the interest expense on Debt of another Person to the extent such Debt is guaranteed by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary or secured by a Lien on the Parent Guarantor's or any Restricted Subsidiary's assets, but only to the extent that such interest is actually paid by the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary; *minus*
- (e) the interest income of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries during such period.

Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, Consolidated Net Interest Expense shall not include any of the following:

- (a) interest accrued, capitalized or paid in respect of Deeply Subordinated Funding;
- (b) gains, losses, expenses or charges associated with refinancing of debt;
- (c) gains, losses, expenses or charges associated with the total or partial extinguishment of debt;
- (d) gains, losses, expenses or charges resulting from "mark to market" provisions or fair value charges applied to or resulting from derivatives; or
- (e) any non-cash pension expense.

"Consolidated Non-cash Charges" means, for any period, the aggregate depreciation, amortization and other non-cash expenses of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries for such period, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with IFRS (excluding any such non-cash charge that requires an accrual of or reserve for cash charges for any future period).

"Consolidated Secured Debt Leverage Ratio" of the Parent Guarantor means, as of the date of determination, the ratio of (a) (i) the sum of consolidated Debt of the Parent Guarantor secured by Liens ranking equal to (by law or contract) the Liens on the Collateral securing the Secured Notes on all or any portion of the Collateral (other than Debt incurred pursuant to clause (b) and clause (m) of paragraph (2) of the covenant described under "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt") less (ii) cash and Cash Equivalents on the most recent consolidated balance sheet of the Parent Guarantor which has been delivered in accordance with the provisions of the covenant described under "—Certain Covenants—Reports to Holders" to (b) the aggregate consolidated EBITDA of the Parent Guarantor for the period of the most recent four consecutive quarters for which financial statements are available under the covenant described under "—Certain Covenants—Reports to Holders," in each case with such pro forma adjustments to consolidated Debt and consolidated EBITDA as are appropriate and consistent with the pro forma provisions set forth in the definition of "Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio."

"Consolidated Tax Expense" means, for any period with respect to any Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction, the provision for all national, local and foreign federal, state or other income taxes of the

Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries for such period as determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with IFRS.

“continuing” means, with respect to any Default or Event of Default, that such Default or Event of Default has not been cured or waived.

“Contribution Debt” means Debt of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in an aggregate principal amount not greater than the aggregate amount of cash contributions (other than Excluded Contributions and any such cash contributions that have been used to make a Restricted Payment or a Permitted Investment) made to the equity (other than through the issuance of Redeemable Capital Stock) of the Parent Guarantor or in the form of Deeply Subordinated Funding, in each case, after the Issue Date, *provided* that (without prejudice to the rights of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries, including the right to divide and/or classify and/or reclassify as described in “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”) such Contribution Debt is so designated as Contribution Debt pursuant to an Officer’s Certificate on the Incurrence date thereof.

“Credit Facility” or “Credit Facilities” means one or more debt facilities, indentures or other arrangements with banks, insurance companies, other financial institutions or investors providing for revolving credit loans, term loans, notes, receivables financings, letters of credit or other forms of guarantees and assurances, or other Debt, including overdrafts, in each case, as amended, restated, modified, renewed, refunded, replaced, restructured, repaid or refinanced (and whether in whole or in part and whether or not with the original administrative agent or lenders or another administrative agent or agents or other bank or institutions and whether provided under one or more other credit or other agreements, indentures, financing agreements or otherwise) and, for the avoidance of doubt, includes any agreement extending the maturity of, refinancing or restructuring all or any portion of the indebtedness under such agreements or any successor agreements.

“Currency Agreements” means, in respect of a Person, any spot or forward foreign exchange agreements and currency swap, currency option or other similar financial agreements or arrangements designed to protect such Person against or manage exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates.

“Debt” means, with respect to any Person, without duplication:

- (a) all liabilities of such Person for borrowed money (including overdrafts) or for the deferred purchase price of property or services, excluding any trade payables and other accrued current liabilities incurred in the ordinary course of business;
- (b) all obligations of such Person evidenced by bonds, notes, debentures or other similar instruments;
- (c) all obligations, contingent or otherwise, of such Person in connection with any letters of credit, bankers’ acceptances, receivables facilities or other similar facilities;
- (d) all indebtedness of such Person created or arising under any conditional sale or other title retention agreement with respect to property acquired by such Person (even if the rights and remedies of the seller or lender under such agreement in the event of default are limited to repossession or sale of such property), but excluding trade payables arising in the ordinary course of business;
- (e) all Capitalized Lease Obligations of such Person;
- (f) all obligations of such Person under or in respect of Commodity Hedging Agreements, Interest Rate Agreements and Currency Agreements; and

- (g) all Redeemable Capital Stock of such Person valued at the greater of its voluntary maximum fixed repurchase price and involuntary maximum fixed repurchase price plus accrued and unpaid dividends;

if and to the extent any of the preceding items would appear as debt on a balance sheet (excluding the footnotes thereto) of the specified Person prepared in accordance with IFRS, *provided* that the term “Debt” shall not include (i) non-interest bearing installment obligations and accrued liabilities incurred in the ordinary course of business that are not more than 90 days past due; (ii) Debt in respect of the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt in respect of standby letters of credit, performance bonds or surety bonds provided by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business to the extent such letters of credit or bonds are not drawn upon or, if and to the extent drawn upon are honored in accordance with their terms and if, to be reimbursed, are reimbursed no later than the fifth business day following receipt by such Person of a demand for reimbursement following payment on the letter of credit or bond; (iii) anything accounted for as an operating lease in accordance with IFRS as at the Issue Date; (iv) any pension obligations of the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary; (v) Debt incurred by the Parent Guarantor or one of the Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with a transaction where (x) such Debt is borrowed from a bank or trust company having a combined capital and surplus and undivided profits of not less than €500 million, whose debt has a rating immediately prior to the time such transaction is entered into, of at least A or the equivalent thereof by S&P and A2 or the equivalent thereof by Moody’s and (y) a substantially concurrent Investment is made by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary in the form of cash deposited with the lender of such Debt, or a Subsidiary or Affiliate thereof, in amount equal to such Debt; and (vi) Deeply Subordinated Funding. In addition, “Debt” of the specified Person shall include all Debt of another Person secured by a Lien on any asset of the specified Person (whether or not such Debt is assumed by the specified Person) and, to the extent not otherwise included, the guarantee by the specified Person of Debt of another Person, and Preferred Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary.

For purposes of this definition, the “maximum fixed repurchase price” of any Redeemable Capital Stock that does not have a fixed redemption, repayment or repurchase price will be calculated in accordance with the terms of such Redeemable Capital Stock as if such Redeemable Capital Stock were purchased on any date on which Debt will be required to be determined pursuant to the Secured Indenture, and if such price is based upon, or measured by, the fair market value of such Redeemable Capital Stock, such fair market value will be determined in good faith by the board of directors of the issuer of such Redeemable Capital Stock; *provided* that if such Redeemable Capital Stock is not then permitted to be redeemed, repaid or repurchased, the redemption, repayment or repurchase price shall be the book value of such Redeemable Capital Stock as reflected in the most recent financial statements of such Person.

“Deeply Subordinated Funding” means any funds provided to the Parent Guarantor pursuant to an agreement, note, security or other instrument, other than Capital Stock, that (i) is subordinated in right of payment to all Debt of the Parent Guarantor, (ii)(A) does not mature or require any amortization, redemption or other repayment of principal, (B) does not require payment of any cash interest or any similar cash amounts, and (C) contains no change of control or similar provisions and does not accelerate and has no right to declare a default or event of default or take any enforcement action or otherwise require any cash payment (other than as a result of insolvency proceedings of the Parent Guarantor), in each case prior to the 90th day following the repayment in full of the Secured Notes and all other amounts due under the Secured Indenture, (iii) does not provide for or require any security interest or encumbrance over any asset of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary and (iv) does not contain any covenants (financial or otherwise) other than a covenant to pay such Deeply Subordinated Funding.

“Default” means any event that is, or after notice or passage of time or both would be, an Event of Default.

“Designated Non-cash Consideration” means the Fair Market Value of non-cash consideration received by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary in connection with an Asset Sale that is so designated as Designated Non-cash Consideration pursuant to an Officer’s Certificate, setting forth the basis of such valuation, executed by the principal financial officer of the Parent Guarantor, less the amount of Cash Equivalents received in connection with a subsequent sale, redemption, repurchase of, or collection or payment on, such Designated Non-cash Consideration.

“Disinterested Director” means, with respect to any transaction or series of related transactions, a member of the Parent Guarantor’s board of directors who does not have any material direct or indirect financial interest in or with respect to such transaction or series of related transactions or is not an Affiliate, or an officer, director or employee of any Person (other than the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary) who has any direct or indirect financial interest in or with respect to such transaction or series of related transactions; *provided* that no member of the Parent Guarantor’s board of directors shall be deemed to have any such direct or indirect financial interest solely as a result of such member’s ownership of Capital Stock of Ardagh Packaging Group S.A. or any successor or holding company thereof or such member’s serving on the board of directors of Ardagh Packaging Group S.A. or any successor or holding company thereof.

“Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement” means the definitive equity and asset purchase agreement in relation to the Acquisition as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time, together with all exhibits, schedules, annexes and other documents related thereto.

“euro” or “€” means the lawful currency of the member states of the European Union who have agreed to share a common currency in accordance with the provisions of the Maastricht Treaty dealing with European monetary union.

“Euro Equivalent” means, with respect to any monetary amount in a currency other than euro, at any time for the determination thereof, the amount of euro obtained by converting such foreign currency involved in such computation into euro at the spot rate for the purchase of euro with the applicable foreign currency as published under “Currency Rates” in the section of the *Financial Times* entitled “Currencies, Bonds & Interest Rates” on the date that is two Business Days prior to such determination.

“European Government Obligations” means direct obligations (or certificates representing an ownership interest in such obligations) of a member state of the European Union (including any agency or instrumentality thereof) for the payment of which the full faith and credit of such government is pledged.

“Exchange Act” means the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or any successor statute, and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Commission thereunder.

“Excluded Contribution” means Net Cash Proceeds or property or assets received by the Parent Guarantor as capital contributions (other than Contribution Debt and any contributions used to make a Restricted Payment or a Permitted Investment) to the equity (other than through the issuance of Redeemable Capital Stock) of the Parent Guarantor or in the form of Deeply Subordinated Funding, in each case, after the Issue Date or from the issuance or sale (other than to a Restricted Subsidiary or an employee stock ownership plan or trust established by the Parent Guarantor or any Subsidiary of the Parent Guarantor for the benefit of its employees to the extent funded by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary) of Capital Stock (other than Redeemable Capital Stock) of the Parent Guarantor, in each case, to the extent designated as an Excluded Contribution pursuant to an Officer’s Certificate of the Parent Guarantor.

“Existing Ardagh Bonds” means (i) the Existing Secured Notes and (ii) the Existing Unsecured Notes.

“Existing Debt” means all Debt of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries outstanding on the Issue Date after giving effect to the issue of the Secured Notes and the New Unsecured Notes and the use of proceeds therefrom.

“Existing Secured Notes” means the July 2014 Secured Notes.

“Existing Unsecured Notes” means the 2020 Senior Notes, the January 2012 Senior Notes, the January 2013 Senior Notes, the February 2014 Senior Notes and the July 2014 Senior Notes.

“Fair Market Value” means, with respect to any asset or property, the sale value that would be obtained in an arm’s-length free market transaction between an informed and willing seller under no compulsion to sell and an informed and willing buyer under no compulsion to buy, as determined in good faith by the Parent Guarantor’s board of directors.

“February 2011 Senior Notes” means the existing €200,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 9.250% Senior Notes due 2020 issued by the Issuers on February 4, 2011.

“February 2014 Senior Notes” means the existing \$415,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.250% Senior Notes due 2019 and \$415,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.750% Senior Notes due 2021 that were issued by Ardagh Packaging Finance plc and Ardagh Holdings USA Inc. on February 5, 2014.

“Guarantee” means any guarantee of the Issuers’ obligations under the Secured Indenture and the Secured Notes by the Parent Guarantor, any Restricted Subsidiary or any other Person in accordance with the provisions of the Secured Indenture, including the Guarantees by the Guarantors dated as of the Issue Date. When used as a verb, “Guarantee” shall have a corresponding meaning.

“guarantees” means, as applied to any obligation,

- (a) a guarantee (other than by endorsement of negotiable instruments for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business), direct or indirect, in any manner, of any part or all of such obligation; and
- (b) an agreement, direct or indirect, contingent or otherwise, the practical effect of which is to assure in any way the payment or performance (or payment of damages in the event of non-performance) of all or any part of such obligation, including, without limiting the foregoing, by the pledge of assets and the payment of amounts drawn down under letters of credit.

“IFRS” means International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union, as in effect from time to time.

“Incremental Facility” means the incremental facility under the Term Loan Facilities Credit Agreement.

“Interest Rate Agreements” means, in respect of a Person, any interest rate protection agreements and other types of interest rate hedging agreements (including, without limitation, interest rate swaps, caps, floors, collars and similar agreements) designed to protect such Person against or manage exposure to fluctuations in interest rates.

“Intercreditor Agreement” means the Intercreditor Agreement dated as of December 7, 2010, as amended, restated, modified or replaced from time to time, by and among the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor, the Subsidiary Guarantors party thereto, Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as Trustee for certain of the Existing Secured Notes and Existing Unsecured Notes, The Bank of New York Mellon,



as trustee for certain of the Existing Unsecured Notes, Law Debenture Trust Company of New York, as trustee for certain of the Existing Secured Notes, Citibank, N.A., as the Senior Agent, and others.

“Investment” means, with respect to any Person, any direct or indirect advance, loan or other extension of credit (including guarantees) or capital contribution to (by means of any transfer of cash or other property to others or any payment for property or services for the account or use of others), or any purchase, acquisition or ownership by such Person of any Capital Stock, bonds, notes, debentures or other securities or evidences of Debt issued or owned by, any other Person and all other items that would be classified as investments on a balance sheet prepared in accordance with IFRS. In addition, the portion (proportionate to the Parent Guarantor’s equity interest in such Restricted Subsidiary) of the fair market value of the net assets of any Restricted Subsidiary at the time that such Restricted Subsidiary is designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary will be deemed to be an “Investment” that the Parent Guarantor made in such Unrestricted Subsidiary at such time. The portion (proportionate to the Parent Guarantor’s equity interest in such Restricted Subsidiary) of the fair market value of the net assets of any Unrestricted Subsidiary at the time that such Unrestricted Subsidiary is designated a Restricted Subsidiary will be considered a reduction in outstanding Investments.

“Investments” excludes extensions of trade credit on commercially reasonable terms in accordance with normal trade practices.

“Investment Grade Status” shall occur when the Secured Notes receive both of the following:

- (1) a rating of “BBB-” or higher from S&P; and
- (2) a rating of “Baa3” or higher from Moody’s;

or the equivalent of such rating by either such rating organization or, if no rating of Moody’s or S&P then exists, the equivalent of such rating by any other Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization.

“Issue Date” means May 16, 2016.

“January 2012 Senior Notes” means the existing \$260,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 issued by the Issuers on January 26, 2012.

“January 2013 Senior Notes” means the principal outstanding amount of \$150,000,000 of the original \$850,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 7.000% Senior Notes due 2020 issued by the Issuers on January 24, 2013.

“July 2012 Senior Notes” means the existing \$210,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 issued by the Issuers on July 26, 2012.

“July 2014 Secured Notes” means the existing €1,155,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 4.250% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022 and \$1,110,000,000 aggregate principal amount of First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2019.

“July 2014 Senior Notes” means the existing \$440,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.000% Senior Notes due 2021.

“Lien” means any mortgage or deed of trust, charge, pledge, lien (statutory or otherwise), privilege, security interest, hypothecation, assignment for security, standard security, assignation in security claim, or preference or priority or other encumbrance upon or with respect to any property of any kind, real or personal, movable or immovable, now owned or hereafter acquired. A Person will be deemed to own subject to a Lien any property which such Person has acquired or holds subject to the interest of a vendor or lessor under any conditional sale agreement, capital lease or other title retention agreement.

“Material Subsidiary” means any Restricted Subsidiary that represents 5% or more of the Total Assets or consolidated EBITDA of the Parent Guarantor, measured, in the case of Total Assets, as of the last day of the most recent fiscal quarter for which financial statements are available, and in the case of consolidated EBITDA, for the four fiscal quarters ended most recently for which financial statements are available.

“Maturity” means, with respect to any indebtedness, the date on which any principal of such indebtedness becomes due and payable as therein or herein provided, whether at the Stated Maturity with respect to such principal or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption or purchase or otherwise.

“Moody’s” means Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. and its successors.

“Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization” means a nationally recognized statistical rating organization within the meaning of Rule 15c3-1(c)(2)(vi)(F) under the Exchange Act.

“Net Cash Proceeds” means:

- (a) with respect to any Asset Sale, the proceeds thereof in the form of cash or Cash Equivalents including (x) payments in respect of deferred payment obligations when received in the form of, or stock or other assets when disposed for, cash or Cash Equivalents (except to the extent that such obligations are financed or sold with recourse to the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary) and (y) any cash or Cash Equivalents received upon the sale or other disposition of any Designated Non-cash Consideration received in any Asset Sale, net of:
  - (i) brokerage commissions and other fees and expenses (including, without limitation, fees and expenses of legal counsel, accountants, investment banks and other consultants) related to such Asset Sale;
  - (ii) provisions for all taxes paid or payable, or required to be accrued as a liability under IFRS as a result of such Asset Sale;
  - (iii) all distributions and other payments required to be made to any Person (other than the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary) owning a beneficial interest in the assets subject to the Asset Sale; and
  - (iv) appropriate amounts required to be provided by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, as a reserve in accordance with IFRS against any liabilities associated with such Asset Sale and retained by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, after such Asset Sale, including, without limitation, pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities, liabilities related to environmental matters and liabilities under any indemnification obligations associated with such Asset Sale, all as reflected in an Officer’s Certificate delivered to the Trustee; and
- (b) with respect to any capital contributions, issuance or sale of Capital Stock or options, warrants or rights to purchase Capital Stock, or debt securities or Capital Stock that have been converted into or exchanged for Capital Stock as referred to under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Restricted Payments,” the proceeds of such issuance or sale in the form of cash or Cash Equivalents, payments in respect of deferred payment obligations when received in the form of, or stock or other assets when disposed of for, cash or Cash Equivalents (except to the extent that such obligations are financed or sold with recourse to the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary), net of attorney’s fees, accountant’s fees and brokerage, consultation, underwriting and other fees and expenses actually incurred in connection with such issuance or sale and net of taxes paid or payable as a result thereof.

“New Unsecured Notes” means the senior unsecured notes issued by the Issuers concurrently with the Secured Notes on the Issue Date.

“Officer’s Certificate” means a certificate signed by an officer of the Parent Guarantor, of either Issuer, a Guarantor or a Surviving Entity, as the case may be, and delivered to the Trustee.

“Pari passu Debt” means (a) any Debt of the applicable Issuer that ranks equally in right of payment with the Secured Notes or (b) with respect to any Guarantee, any Debt that ranks equally in right of payment to such Guarantee.

“Permitted Collateral Lien” means the following types of Liens:

- (a) Liens securing the Secured Notes issued on the Issue Date, the Existing Secured Notes and, in each case, any Permitted Refinancing Debt incurred to refinance such notes;
- (b) Liens on the Collateral to secure Debt permitted under the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”; *provided* that the assets and properties securing such Debt will also secure the Secured Notes on a first ranking basis; and *provided further* that, following the incurrence of such Debt secured by such Liens on the Collateral and giving effect to the application of the proceeds thereof, on a pro forma basis, the Consolidated Secured Debt Leverage Ratio for the four full fiscal quarters for which financial statements are available immediately preceding the incurrence of such Debt, taken as one period, would be less than 3.50 to 1.0;
- (c) Liens on the Collateral to secure Debt permitted under clause (b), (d), (e) (to the extent such guarantee is in respect of Debt otherwise permitted to be secured and is specified in this definition of “Permitted Collateral Liens”), (f), (h), (i), (j), (o), (r), (s) (*provided, however* that at the time of incurrence of such Debt secured by such Liens on the Collateral and giving effect to the application of the proceeds thereof, on a pro forma basis, (1) the Consolidated Secured Debt Leverage Ratio for the four fiscal quarters for which financial statements are available immediately preceding the incurrence of such Debt, taken as one period, would be less than 3.50 to 1.0 or (2) the Consolidated Secured Debt Leverage Ratio of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries would not be greater than it was immediately prior to giving effect to such acquisition or other transaction); and (t) of paragraph (2) of the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”;
- (d) Liens on Collateral to secure Debt permitted under clause (m) of paragraph (2) of the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”; *provided* that such Liens do not extend to assets other than the accounts receivable (and related assets) that are the subject of the related Permitted Receivables Financing;
- (e) Liens of the type described in clauses (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), (l), (m), (n), (o), (q), (r) and (v) of the definition of “Permitted Liens”; and
- (f) any extension, renewal or replacement, in whole or in part, of any Lien described in the foregoing clauses (a) through (e); *provided* that any such extension, renewal or replacement will be of the same priority and be no more restrictive in any material respect than the Lien so extended, renewed or replaced and will not extend in any material respect to any additional property or assets.

“Permitted Debt” has the meaning given to such term under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt.”

“Permitted Holders” means (a) Yeoman Capital S.A., (b) any of Paul Coulson, Brendan Dowling, Houghton Fry, Edward Kilty, John Riordan or Niall Wall, and any trust created for the benefit of one

or more of the foregoing or their respective natural person Affiliates, or the estate, executor, administrator, committee or beneficiaries of any thereof, and (c) any of their respective Affiliates.

“Permitted Investments” means any of the following:

- (a) Investments in cash or Cash Equivalents;
- (b) intercompany Debt to the extent permitted under clause (d) of the definition of “Permitted Debt”;
- (c) Investments in (i) the form of loans borrowed by or advances to, or debt securities issued by, the Parent Guarantor, (ii) a Restricted Subsidiary or (iii) another Person if as a result of such Investment such other Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary or such other Person is merged or consolidated with or into, or transfers or conveys all or substantially all of its assets to, the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary;
- (d) Investments made by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary as a result of or retained in connection with an Asset Sale that does not violate the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets”;
- (e) expenses or advances to cover payroll, travel, entertainment, moving, other relocation and similar matters;
- (f) Investments in the Secured Notes, the New Unsecured Notes and the Existing Ardagh Bonds;
- (g) Investments existing at the Issue Date and any Investment consisting of an extension, modification or renewal of any Investment existing on, or made pursuant to a binding commitment existing on, the Issue Date; *provided* that the amount of any such Investment may be increased (i) as required by the terms of such Investment existing on the Issue Date or (b) as otherwise permitted under the Secured Indenture;
- (h) Investments in Commodity Hedging Agreements, Interest Rate Agreements and Currency Agreements permitted under clauses (h), (i) and (j) of “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”;
- (i) Investments made in the ordinary course of business, the Fair Market Value of which in the aggregate does not exceed €10,000,000 in any transaction or series of related transactions;
- (j) loans and advances (or guarantees to third-party loans) to directors, officers or employees of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary made in the ordinary course of business and consistent with the Parent Guarantor’s past practices or past practices of the Restricted Subsidiaries, as the case may be, in an amount outstanding not to exceed at any one time €20,000,000;
- (k) Investments in a Person to the extent that the consideration therefor consists of the issue and sale (other than to any Subsidiary) of shares of the Parent Guarantor’s Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding or the net proceeds thereof (other than any Excluded Contribution or the proceeds of any Contribution Debt); *provided* that the net proceeds of such sale have been excluded from, and shall not have been included in, the calculation of the amount determined under clause (2)(c)(ii) of “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Restricted Payments”;
- (l) pledges or deposits with respect to leases or utilities provided to third parties in the ordinary course of business;
- (m) Investments of the Parent Guarantor or the Restricted Subsidiaries described under item (v) to the proviso to the definition of “Debt”;

- (n) Investments, the amount of which, measured by reference to the Fair Market Value of each such Investment on the date it was made, not to exceed the sum of (x) the greater of €160,000,000 and 2.0% of Total Assets in the aggregate outstanding at any one time and (y) the sum of (i) the aggregate net after-tax amount returned in cash or through interest payments, principal payments, dividends or other distributions or payments on account of such Investment and (ii) the net after-tax cash proceeds received by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary from the disposition of all or any portion of such Investments (other than to a Subsidiary); *provided, however*, that such net after-tax amounts have not been included in Consolidated Adjusted Net Income for the purpose of calculating clause (c)(i) of “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Restricted Payments”;
- (o) Investments resulting from the acquisition of a Person that at the time of such acquisition held instruments constituting Investments that were not acquired in contemplation of the acquisition of such Person;
- (p) Investments by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in connection with a Permitted Receivables Financing;
- (q) loans or advances to (i) directors, officers or employees of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary to pay for the purchase of Capital Stock of the Parent Guarantor or any direct or indirect parent company thereof pursuant to management equity plans or similar management or employee benefit arrangement or (ii) stock option plans, trust and similar asset pools to pay for the purchase of Capital Stock of the Parent Guarantor or any direct or indirect parent company thereof not to exceed €20,000,000 in the aggregate outstanding at any one time;
- (r) (i) stock, obligations or securities received in satisfaction of judgments, foreclosure of liens or settlement of debts or arbitration awards, and (ii) any Investments received in compromise of obligations of such persons incurred in the ordinary course of trade creditors or customers that were incurred in the ordinary course of business, including pursuant to any plan of reorganization or similar arrangement upon the bankruptcy or insolvency of any trade creditor or customer;
- (s) any Investments received in compromise or resolution of litigation, arbitration or other disputes;
- (t) any guarantee of Debt permitted to be incurred by the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”, performance guarantees and contingent obligations incurred in the ordinary course of business and creation of Liens on the assets of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in compliance with the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Liens”;
- (u) any transaction to the extent it constitutes an Investment that is permitted by and made in accordance with the provisions of the second paragraph of the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Transactions with Affiliates” (except transactions described in clauses (ii), (v) and (x));
- (v) advances, loans, rebates and extensions of credit (including the creation of receivables) to suppliers, customers and vendors, and advance payment made and deferred consideration and performance guarantees, in each case in the ordinary course of business; and
- (w) any Investment in any Subsidiary or any joint venture in connection with intercompany cash management arrangements or related activities arising in the ordinary course of business.

“Permitted Joint Venture” means any joint venture or similar combinations or other transaction pursuant to which the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary enters into, acquires or subscribes

for any shares, stock, securities or other interest in or transfers any assets to any joint venture; *provided, however*, that the primary business of such joint venture is a Similar Business.

“Permitted Liens” means the following types of Liens:

- (a) Liens existing as of the Issue Date and, with respect to the Acquired Business, Liens existing as of the date of completion of the Acquisition;
- (b) Liens on any property or assets of the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary to secure Debt permitted to be incurred pursuant to clause (b) of paragraph (2) of “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”;
- (c) Liens on assets given, disposed of, or otherwise transferred in connection with a Permitted Receivables Financing permitted to be incurred pursuant to clause (m) of paragraph (2) of “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”;
- (d) Liens on any property or assets of a Restricted Subsidiary granted in favor of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (e) Liens on any of the Parent Guarantor’s or any Restricted Subsidiary’s property or assets securing the Secured Notes or any Guarantees;
- (f) any interest or title of a lessor under any Capitalized Lease Obligation and Liens to secure Debt (including Capitalized Lease Obligations) permitted under the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt” covering only the assets acquired with such Debt;
- (g) Liens arising out of conditional sale, title retention, consignment or similar arrangements for the sale of goods entered into by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business;
- (h) statutory Liens of landlords and carriers, warehousemen, mechanics, suppliers, material men, repairmen, employees, pension plan administrators or other like Liens arising in the ordinary course of business and with respect to amounts not yet delinquent or being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings or Liens arising solely by virtue of any statutory or common law provisions relating to attorney’s liens or bankers’ liens, rights of set-off or similar rights and remedies as to deposit accounts or other funds maintained with a creditor depositary institution;
- (i) Liens for taxes, assessments, government charges or claims that are not yet delinquent or that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings for which a reserve or other appropriate provision, if any, as shall be required in conformity with IFRS shall have been made;
- (j) Liens incurred or deposits made to secure the performance of tenders, bids or trade or government contracts, or to secure leases, statutory or regulatory obligations, surety or appeal bonds, performance bonds or other obligations of a like nature incurred in the ordinary course of business (other than obligations for the payment of money);
- (k) zoning restrictions, easements, licenses, reservations, title defects, rights of others for rights-of-way, utilities, sewers, electrical lines, telephone lines, telegraph wires, restrictions, encroachments and other similar charges, encumbrances or title defects and incurred in the ordinary course of business that do not in the aggregate materially interfere with in any material respect the ordinary conduct of the business of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries on the properties subject thereto, taken as a whole;
- (l) Liens arising by reason of any judgment, decree or order of any court so long as such Lien is adequately bonded and any appropriate legal proceedings that may have been duly initiated



for the review of such judgment, decree or order shall not have been finally terminated or the period within which such proceedings may be initiated shall not have expired;

- (m) Liens on property existing at the time such property is acquired or on property of, or on shares of Capital Stock or Debt of, any Person existing at the time such Person is acquired by, merged with or into or consolidated with, the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary; *provided* that such Liens (i) do not extend to or cover any property or assets of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary other than (A) the property or assets acquired or (B) the property or assets of the Person acquired, merged with or into or consolidated with the Parent Guarantor or Restricted Subsidiary and (ii) were created prior to, and not in connection with or in contemplation of such acquisition, merger or consolidation;
- (n) Liens securing the Parent Guarantor's or any Restricted Subsidiary's obligations under Commodity Hedging Agreements, Interest Rate Agreements or Currency Agreements permitted under clauses (h), (i) and (j) of paragraph (2) under "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt" or any collateral for the Debt to which such Commodity Hedging Agreements, Interest Rate Agreements or Currency Agreements relate;
- (o) Liens incurred or deposits made in the ordinary course of business in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other types of social security or other insurance (including unemployment insurance) or deposits to secure public or statutory obligations of such Person or deposits of cash or government bonds to secure performance, bid, surety or appeal bonds and completion bonds and guarantees to which such Person is a party, or deposits as security for contested taxes or import duties or for the payment of rent, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business;
- (p) Liens incurred in connection with a cash management program established in the ordinary course of business;
- (q) Liens encumbering deposits made to secure obligations arising from statutory, regulatory, contractual, or warranty requirements of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary, including rights of offset and set-off;
- (r) any extension, renewal or replacement, in whole or in part, of any Permitted Lien; *provided* that any such extension, renewal or replacement shall not extend in any material respect to any additional property or assets;
- (s) Liens securing Debt incurred to refinance Permitted Refinancing Debt permitted to be incurred under the Secured Indenture; *provided* that any such Lien shall not extend to or cover materially any assets not securing the Debt so refinanced plus improvements and accessions to such property and assets and proceeds and distributions thereof;
- (t) purchase money Liens to finance property or assets of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary acquired in the ordinary course of business; *provided* that (i) the related purchase money Debt shall not exceed the cost of such property or assets and shall not be secured by any property or assets of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary other than the property and assets so acquired;
- (u) Permitted Collateral Liens;
- (v) Liens in favor of customs and revenue authorities arising as a matter of law to secure payment of customs duties in connection with the importation of goods;
- (w) Liens over the Capital Stock of an Unrestricted Subsidiary or Permitted Joint Venture that secure Debt of such Unrestricted Subsidiary or Permitted Joint Venture; and

- (x) Liens incurred in the ordinary course of business of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary with respect to an amount that does not exceed the greater of €115,000,000 and 1.5% of Total Assets at any one time outstanding and any replacements, extensions, modifications or renewals thereof;
- (y) Liens on specific items of inventory or other goods (and the proceeds thereof) of any Person securing such Person's obligations in respect of bankers' acceptances issued or created in the ordinary course of business for the account of such Person to facilitate the purchase, shipment or storage of such inventory or other goods;
- (z) leases, licenses, subleases and sublicenses of assets in the ordinary course of business;
  - (aa) Liens on property or assets under construction (and related rights) in favor of a contractor or developer or arising from progress or partial payments by a third-party relating to such property or assets;
  - (bb) Liens on equipment of the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary granted in the ordinary course of business;
  - (cc) customary Liens on and in respect of deposits required in connection with the purchase of property, equipment and inventory, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business; and
  - (dd) (i) Liens on Escrowed Proceeds for the benefit of the related holders of debt securities or other Debt (or the underwriters or arrangers thereof) or (ii) Liens on cash set aside at the time of the incurrence of any Debt or government securities purchased with such cash, in either case, to the extent such cash or government securities prefund the payment of interest on such Debt and are held in escrow accounts or similar arrangements to be applied for such purpose.

"Permitted Receivables Financing" means any financing pursuant to which the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary may sell, convey or otherwise transfer to any other Person or grant a security interest in, any accounts receivable (and related assets) in an aggregate principal amount equivalent to the Fair Market Value of such accounts receivable (and related assets) of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary; *provided* that (a) the covenants, events of default and other provisions applicable to such financing shall be customary for such transactions and shall be on market terms (as determined in good faith by the Parent Guarantor's board of directors) at the time such financing is entered into, (b) the interest rate applicable to such financing shall be a market interest rate (as determined in good faith by the Parent Guarantor's board of directors) at the time such financing is entered into, and (c) such financing shall be non-recourse to the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary except to a limited extent customary for such transactions.

"Permitted Refinancing Debt" means any renewals, extensions, substitutions, refinancings or replacements (each, for purposes of this definition and paragraph (2)(n) of "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt," a "refinancing") of any Debt of the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary or pursuant to this definition, including any successive refinancings, so long as:

- (a) such Debt is in an aggregate principal amount (or if incurred with original issue discount, an aggregate issue price) not in excess of the sum of (i) the aggregate principal amount (or if incurred with original issue discount, the aggregate accreted value) then outstanding of the Debt being refinanced and (ii) an amount necessary to pay any fees and expenses, including premiums and defeasance costs, related to such refinancing;
- (b) the Average Life of such Debt is equal to or greater than the Average Life of the Debt being refinanced;

- (c) the Stated Maturity of such Debt is no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Debt being refinanced;
- (d) the new Debt is not senior in right of payment to the Debt that is being refinanced; and
- (e) such Debt is unsecured or is secured by a Silent Second Lien if the Debt being refinanced is unsecured.

“Person” means any individual, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

“Preferred Stock” means, with respect to any Person, Capital Stock of any class or classes (however designated) of such Person which is preferred as to the payment of dividends or distributions, or as to the distribution of assets upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation or dissolution of such Person, over the Capital Stock of any other class of such Person whether now outstanding, or issued after the Issue Date, and including, without limitation, all classes and series of preferred or preference stock of such Person.

“pro forma” means, with respect to any calculation made or required to be made pursuant to the terms of the Secured Indenture, a calculation made in good faith by a responsible financial or accounting officer of the Parent Guarantor; *provided* that any such calculation shall (x) give effect to any realized or expected synergies, cost efficiencies and cost savings relating to, or directly or indirectly resulting from, or associated with, any Asset Sale, Investment, acquisition, reorganization, restructuring or operational improvement initiative that has occurred during the period included in the calculation or any prior period or would reasonably be expected to occur in connection with an acquisition or other transaction in relation to which “pro forma” effect is given, as if such synergies, cost efficiencies or cost savings had been effective throughout the period included in the calculation and (y) eliminate any extraordinary, exceptional, unusual or nonrecurring loss, expense or charge (including severance, relocation, plant closure, operational improvement or restructuring costs or reserves therefor) relating to, or directly or indirectly resulting from, or incurred in connection with, any Asset Sale, Investment, acquisition, reorganization, restructuring or operational improvement initiative, or offering of debt or equity securities.

“Property” means, with respect to any Person, any interest of such Person in any kind of property or asset, whether real, personal or mixed, or tangible or intangible, including Capital Stock, and other securities of, any other Person. For purposes of any calculation required pursuant to the Secured Indenture, the value of any Property shall be its Fair Market Value.

“Public Equity Offering” means an offer and sale of Qualified Capital Stock that are listed on an international securities exchange or publicly offered (which shall include an offering pursuant to Rule 144A and/or Regulation S under the Securities Act to professional market investors or similar persons).

“Qualified Capital Stock” of any Person means any and all Capital Stock of such Person other than Redeemable Capital Stock.

“Redeemable Capital Stock” means any class or series of Capital Stock that, either by its terms, by the terms of any security into which it is convertible or exchangeable, or by contract or otherwise, is, or upon the happening of an event or passage of time would be, required to be redeemed prior to the final Stated Maturity of the Secured Notes or is redeemable at the option of the holder thereof at any time prior to such final Stated Maturity (other than upon a change of control of the Parent Guarantor in circumstances in which the holders of the Secured Notes would have similar rights), or is convertible into or exchangeable for debt securities at any time prior to such final Stated Maturity; *provided* that any Capital Stock that would constitute Qualified Capital Stock but for provisions thereof giving

holders thereof the right to require such Person to repurchase or redeem such Capital Stock upon the occurrence of any “asset sale” or “change of control” occurring prior to the Stated Maturity of the Secured Notes will not constitute Redeemable Capital Stock if the “asset sale” or “change of control” provisions applicable to such Capital Stock are no more favorable to the holders of such Capital Stock than the provisions contained in the covenants described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets” and “—Purchase of Secured Notes upon a Change of Control” and such Capital Stock specifically provides that such Person will not repurchase or redeem any such stock pursuant to such provision prior to the Parent Guarantor’s or the Issuers’ repurchase of such Secured Notes as are required to be repurchased pursuant to the covenants described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets” and “—Purchase of Secured Notes upon a Change of Control.”

“Replacement Assets” means properties and assets that replace the properties and assets that were the subject of an Asset Sale or properties and assets that are, or will be, used in the Parent Guarantor’s business or in that of the Restricted Subsidiaries or in a Similar Business or any and all businesses that in the good faith judgment of the board of directors of the Parent Guarantor are reasonably related, and, in each case, any capital expenditure relating thereto.

“Restricted Investment” means any Investment other than a Permitted Investment.

“Restricted Subsidiary” means any Subsidiary of the Parent Guarantor other than an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

“Reversion Date” means, after the Secured Notes have achieved Investment Grade Status, the date, if any, that such Secured Notes shall cease to have such Investment Grade Status.

“S&P” means Standard and Poor’s Ratings Service, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. and its successors.

“Securities Act” means the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or any successor statute, and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Commission thereunder.

“Security Agent” means Citibank, N.A., London Branch, and its successors, as security agent under the Intercreditor Agreement and any additional security agent or sub-agent.

“Security Trustee” means Citibank, N.A., London Branch, in its capacity as security trustee under the Security Trust Deed.

“Senior PIK Notes” means the existing €250,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 8.375% Senior PIK Notes due 2019 and \$710,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 8.625% Senior PIK Notes due 2019 issued by Ardagh Finance Holdings S.A.

“Silent Second Liens” means Liens granted in favor of Debt (the “second priority Debt”) on property or assets of the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries that:

- (a) are by law or under the terms of an intercreditor agreement reasonably acceptable to the Trustee second in priority to first priority Liens on such property or assets; and
- (a) are subject to arrangements in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee which provide (x) that any payments on enforcement of the Liens in such property or assets (other than payments to the security agent, trustee, administrative agent or other representative of the holders of the second priority Debt) to the holders of the second priority Debt (or their representatives) will only be made once the Debt secured by the first priority Liens on such property or assets have been satisfied in full and (y) that the holders of the second priority Debt (and their representatives) will have no ability to cause the enforcement of, or direct the relevant security agent in the enforcement of, the Liens in such property or assets until the Debt secured by the first priority Liens on such property or assets have been satisfied in full.

“Similar Business” means any business, service or other activity engaged in by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor on the Issue Date or following the completion of the Acquisition and any business, service or other activities that are reasonably similar, ancillary, complementary or related to, or a reasonable extension, development or expansion of, the businesses in which the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries are engaged on the Issue Date or following the completion of the Acquisition or any business that, in the good faith business judgment of the Parent Guarantor, constitutes a reasonable diversification of business conducted by the Parent Guarantor and its Subsidiaries.

“Stated Maturity” means, when used with respect to any note or any installment of interest thereon, the date specified in such note as the fixed date on which the principal of such note or such installment of interest, respectively, is due and payable, and, when used with respect to any other indebtedness, means the date specified in the instrument governing such indebtedness as the fixed date on which the principal of such indebtedness, or any installment of interest thereon, is due and payable.

“Subordinated Debt” means Debt of either Issuer or any of the Guarantors (other than the Existing Ardagh Bonds, the Secured Notes, the New Unsecured Notes, the Incremental Facility and any Permitted Refinancing Debt in respect of the foregoing) that is subordinated in right of payment to the Secured Notes or the Guarantees of such Guarantors, as the case may be; *provided* that no Debt will be deemed to be subordinated in right of payment to any other Debt solely by virtue of being unsecured or by virtue of being secured on a junior Lien basis.

“Subsidiary” means, with respect to any Person:

- (a) a corporation a majority of whose Voting Stock is at the time, directly or indirectly, owned by such Person, by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person or by such Person and one or more Subsidiaries thereof; and
- (b) any other Person (other than a corporation), including, without limitation, a partnership, limited liability company, business trust or joint venture, in which such Person, one or more Subsidiaries thereof or such Person and one or more Subsidiaries thereof, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination thereof, has at least majority ownership interest entitled to vote in the election of directors, managers or trustees thereof (or other Person performing similar functions).

“Subsidiary Guarantors” means any Restricted Subsidiary that provides a Guarantee in each case until it is released from its obligations under its Guarantee and the Secured Indenture in accordance with the terms thereof.

“TARGET Day” means a day on which the trans-European Automated Real-time Gross Settlement Express Transfer system is operating.

“Term Loan Facilities Credit Agreement” means the credit agreement dated as of December 17, 2013, by and among, *inter alios*, Ardagh Holdings USA and Ardagh Packaging Finance S.A., as co-borrowers, the Parent Guarantor, as parent guarantor, the subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor party thereto as subsidiary guarantors, the lenders from time to time party thereto, Citibank, N.A. as administrative agent and Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as security agent, in respect of the Term Loan Facilities and the Incremental Facility as amended or modified from time to time.

“Total Assets” means the consolidated total assets of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries as shown on the most recent consolidated balance sheet of the Parent Guarantor.

“Total Inventories” means, as of any date, the amount of raw materials, packaging materials, work-in-progress and finished goods of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries, net of any provisions in respect of the foregoing items, in each case, as of the date of the most recent

consolidated balance sheet of the Parent Guarantor which has been delivered in accordance with the provisions of “—Certain Covenants—Reports to Holders.”

“Total Receivables” means, as of any date, (a) the amount of accounts receivable of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries plus (b) the amount of accounts receivable of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries that has been sold, conveyed or otherwise transferred in Permitted Receivables Financings and is outstanding, in each case, as of the date of the most recent consolidated balance sheet of the Parent Guarantor which has been delivered in accordance with the provisions of the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Reports to Holders.”

“Treasury Rate” means, as of the applicable redemption date, the yield to maturity as of such redemption date of United States Treasury securities with a constant maturity (as compiled and published in the most recent Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15(519) or other similar publication that has become publicly available at least two business days prior to such redemption date (or, if such Statistical Release is no longer published, any publicly available source of similar market data)) most nearly equal to the period from such redemption date to (i) in the case of the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes, May 15, 2019 and (ii) in the case of the Floating Rate Secured Notes, May 15, 2017; *provided, however*, that if the period from such redemption date to (i) in the case of the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes, May 15, 2019 and (ii) in the case of the Floating Rate Secured Notes, May 15, 2017 is less than one year, the weekly average yield on actually traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to a constant maturity of one year will be used.

“Unrestricted Subsidiary” means:

- (a) any Subsidiary of the Parent Guarantor that at the time of determination is an Unrestricted Subsidiary (as designated by the Parent Guarantor’s board of directors pursuant to the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Designation of Unrestricted and Restricted Subsidiaries”); and
- (b) any Subsidiary of an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

“U.S. dollar” or “\$” means the lawful currency of the United States of America.

“U.S. Government Securities” means direct obligations of, or obligations guaranteed by, the United States of America, and the payment for which the United States pledges its full faith and credit.

“Voting Stock” means any class or classes of Capital Stock pursuant to which the holders thereof have the general voting power under ordinary circumstances to elect at least a majority of the board of directors, managers or trustees (or Persons performing similar functions) of any Person (irrespective of whether or not, at the time, stock of any other class or classes shall have, or might have, voting power by reason of the happening of any contingency).

“Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary” means any Restricted Subsidiary, all of the outstanding Capital Stock (other than directors’ qualifying shares or shares of Restricted Subsidiaries required to be owned by third parties pursuant to applicable law) of which are owned by the Parent Guarantor or by one or more other Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries or by the Parent Guarantor and one or more other Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries.



## DESCRIPTION OF THE SENIOR NOTES

The definitions of certain terms used in this description are set forth under the subheading “—Certain Definitions.” In this “Description of the Senior Notes,” the phrase “Ardagh Holdings USA” refers only to Ardagh Holdings USA Inc., a Delaware corporation, the term “Ardagh Packaging Finance” refers only to Ardagh Packaging Finance plc, the term “Issuers” refers only to Ardagh Holdings USA and Ardagh Packaging Finance collectively, and the term “Parent Guarantor” refers only to Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited and not to any of its Subsidiaries, except for the purpose of financial data determined on a consolidated or combined basis, as the case may be. In addition, the term “Subsidiary Guarantors” refers to any Restricted Subsidiary that incurs a Guarantee and the term “Guarantors” refers to the Parent Guarantor and the Subsidiary Guarantors collectively. Each of the Issuers and each Subsidiary Guarantor will be a direct or indirect Restricted Subsidiary. The phrase “Senior Notes” refers also to “book-entry interests” in the Senior Notes, as defined herein.

The Issuers will issue and the Guarantors will guarantee €750 million aggregate principal amount of senior notes due 2024 denominated in euros (the “Euro Senior Notes”) and \$1,650 million aggregate principal amount of fixed rate notes due 2024 denominated in U.S. dollars (the “Dollar Senior Notes”) and, together with the Euro Senior Notes, the “Senior Notes”) under an indenture (the “Senior Indenture”) among, *inter alios*, the Issuers, the Guarantors, Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as trustee (in such capacity, the “Trustee”), and certain other agents thereto. The Euro Senior Notes and the Dollar Senior Notes each constitute a separate series of Senior Notes. Except as set forth herein, the terms of the Senior Notes include those set forth in the Senior Indenture. The Senior Indenture is not required to be nor will it be qualified under, or be subject to, the Trust Indenture Act, including Section 316(b) of such Act.

The following description is a summary of the material terms of the Senior Indenture. It does not, however, restate the Senior Indenture in its entirety, and where reference is made to particular provisions of the Senior Indenture, such provisions, including the definitions of certain terms, are qualified in their entirety by reference to all of the provisions of the Senior Indenture and the Senior Notes. You should read the Senior Indenture because it contains additional information and because it and not this description defines your rights as a holder of the Senior Notes. A copy of the form of the Senior Indenture may be obtained by requesting it from the Issuers at the address indicated under “Listing and General Information.”

The Issuers will make an application for the Senior Notes to be listed on the Global Exchange Market of the Irish Stock Exchange. The Issuers can provide no assurance that this application will be accepted. See “—Payments on the Senior Notes; Paying Agent.”

### Brief Description of the Senior Notes

The Senior Notes will:

- (a) be each Issuer’s general and unsecured obligations;
- (b) mature on May 15, 2024;
- (c) initially be guaranteed on a senior basis by the Parent Guarantor; and
- (d) subject to the Agreed Security Principles, be guaranteed on a senior subordinated basis by the Subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor (other than the Issuers) that guarantee the Existing Ardagh Bonds within the periods and to the extent required by “—Post-Closing Matters” below.

## **Escrow Security**

The Senior Notes will initially be secured by first priority liens on the funds deposited in the Closing Date Holding Accounts, as described below under “—Disbursement of Funds; Closing Date Holding Accounts.” The funds deposited in the Closing Date Holding Accounts will not be pledged to secure the obligations under the Existing Ardagh Bonds. Upon the release of the funds deposited in the Closing Date Holding Accounts in connection with the Acquisition, the first priority liens over these funds will be released.

## **Post-Closing Matters**

Subject to the Agreed Security Principles, the Parent Guarantor shall be required to ensure that all subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor (other than the Issuers) that guarantee the Existing Ardagh Bonds become Subsidiary Guarantors no later than 90 days following the Issue Date. In addition, subject to the Agreed Security Principles, the Parent Guarantor will be required to ensure that entities owning, in whole or in part, the Acquired Business (except in Spain, France and Brazil) become Subsidiary Guarantors.

The holders of the Dollar Senior Notes will benefit from a first-ranking security interest over the cash in the Escrow Accounts only up to the amount of the Senior Notes Escrow Funds which is less than the total principal amount of Dollar Senior Notes outstanding and, as a result, the Dollar Senior Notes outstanding will be undercollateralized during the escrow period. Until such time as the Dollar Senior Notes become guaranteed by the same companies that guarantee the Existing Ardagh Bonds, such Dollar Senior Notes will rank effectively junior to all debt of a Subsidiary Guarantor and, in the event of insolvency of a Subsidiary Guarantor while the Dollar Senior Notes remain unguaranteed, holders of the Dollar Senior Notes may recover less than the holders of other debt of such Subsidiary Guarantor, including holders of the Existing Senior Notes. Because the Euro Senior Notes will not have the benefit of any pledge of Escrowed Proceeds, until such time as the Parent Guarantor ensures that its Subsidiaries provide the guarantees described above, the Euro Senior Notes will rank effectively junior to all debt of a Subsidiary Guarantor and, in the event of insolvency of a Subsidiary Guarantor while the Euro Senior Notes remain unguaranteed, holders of the Euro Senior Notes will recover less than the holders of other debt of such Subsidiary Guarantor, including holders of the Existing Senior Notes.

## **The Guarantees**

The Guarantors will jointly and severally guarantee the due and punctual payment of all amounts payable under the Senior Notes, including principal, premium, if any, and interest payable under the Senior Notes.

The obligations of a Subsidiary of the Parent Guarantor to issue a Guarantee of the Senior Notes, if required by the Senior Indenture, will be subject to the Agreed Security Principles. The obligations of each Subsidiary Guarantor under its Guarantee will be limited to an amount not to exceed the maximum amount that can be guaranteed by such Subsidiary Guarantor without resulting in its obligations under its Guarantee being voidable or unenforceable under applicable laws relating to fraudulent transfer, or under similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally or the maximum amount otherwise permitted by law. In particular, each Guarantee will be limited as required to comply with corporate benefit, maintenance of capital and other laws applicable in the jurisdiction of the relevant Subsidiary Guarantor. By virtue of these limitations, a Subsidiary Guarantor’s obligations under its Guarantee could be significantly less than amounts payable in respect of the Senior Notes, or a Subsidiary Guarantor may have effectively no obligations under its Guarantee. See “Risk Factors—Risks Relating to our Debt, the Notes and the Guarantees—Corporate benefit, capital maintenance

laws and other limitations on the Guarantees may adversely affect the validity and enforceability of the Guarantees of the Notes.”

Each Guarantor that makes a payment or distribution under its Guarantee will be entitled to contribution from any other Guarantor.

#### ***Release of the Guarantees***

All of the Guarantees will be automatically and unconditionally released (and thereupon shall terminate and be discharged and be of no further force and effect) upon Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance as described under “—Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance” or if all obligations under the Senior Indenture are discharged in accordance with the terms of the Senior Indenture, in each case in accordance with the terms and conditions in the Senior Indenture, the Intercreditor Agreement and any Additional Intercreditor Agreement.

In addition, a Subsidiary Guarantor’s Guarantee (and the Guarantee, if any, of any Subsidiary of such Subsidiary Guarantor) will be automatically and unconditionally released (and thereupon shall terminate and be discharged and be of no further force and effect):

- (a) upon any sale or disposition of (i) Capital Stock of a Subsidiary Guarantor following which such Subsidiary Guarantor is no longer a Restricted Subsidiary or (ii) all or substantially all of the properties and assets of a Subsidiary Guarantor to a Person that is not (either before or after giving effect to such transaction) the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary that does not violate the covenant described in “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets”;
- (b) in the event that all of the Capital Stock of such Subsidiary Guarantor is sold or otherwise disposed of pursuant to an enforcement of the security over the Capital Stock of such Subsidiary Guarantor in accordance with the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement and any Additional Intercreditor Agreement;
- (c) upon the designation of such Subsidiary Guarantor as an Unrestricted Subsidiary;
- (d) in the circumstances set forth in the third paragraph of “—Certain Covenants—Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets”; and
- (e) as described under the caption “—Amendments and Waivers.”

#### **Release of Ardagh Holdings USA’s Obligations**

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Senior Indenture, upon the sale or disposition directly or indirectly of the Capital Stock of Ardagh Holdings USA pursuant to an enforcement by a Security Agent in accordance with the Intercreditor Agreement (and/or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement) and the indentures and/or agreements governing Senior Debt (a “Holdings USA Disposition”), the obligations of Ardagh Holdings USA under the Senior Notes and the Senior Indenture will be automatically and unconditionally released (and thereupon shall terminate and be discharged and be of no further effect); *provided* that each other guarantee by Ardagh Holdings USA in respect of any Credit Facility and any other capital markets debt of the Parent Guarantor or any of its subsidiaries has been released (or is released simultaneously upon such Holdings USA Disposition). Upon a Holdings USA Disposition, Ardagh Packaging Finance shall be the sole Issuer under the Senior Notes and the Senior Indenture, and the Senior Notes and the Senior Indenture will remain in full force and effect and any reference in the Senior Indenture, the Senior Notes and the Intercreditor Agreement (and/or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement) to the “Issuers” or Ardagh Holdings USA shall be deemed to be references only to the “Issuer” or Ardagh Packaging Finance, *mutatis mutandis*.

The Parent Guarantor will publish a notice of a Holdings USA Disposition described in the immediately preceding paragraph in accordance with the provisions of the Senior Indenture described under “—Notices” and, so long as the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange so require, notify such exchange of a Holdings USA Disposition.

#### **Ranking of the Senior Notes and the Guarantees; Subordination**

##### ***The Senior Notes***

The Senior Notes will:

- (a) be each Issuer’s general and unsecured obligations;
- (b) rank senior in right of payment to any and all of each Issuer’s existing and future indebtedness that is subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Notes;
- (c) rank equally in right of payment with all of each Issuer’s existing and future unsecured indebtedness that is not subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Notes;
- (d) be structurally subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness of the Parent Guarantor’s subsidiaries that do not provide Guarantees; and
- (e) be effectively subordinated to all of each Issuer’s existing and future secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such indebtedness.

##### ***The Parent Guarantor’s Guarantee***

The Parent Guarantor’s Guarantee will:

- (a) be the Parent Guarantor’s general unsecured obligation;
- (b) rank senior in right of payment to any and all of the Parent Guarantor’s existing and future indebtedness that is subordinated in right of payment to its Guarantee;
- (c) rank equally in right of payment with any and all of the Parent Guarantor’s existing and future unsecured indebtedness that is not subordinated in right of payment to its Guarantee;
- (d) be effectively subordinated to all of the Parent Guarantor’s existing and future secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such indebtedness; and
- (e) not be subject to the restrictions on enforcement described below applicable to each Subsidiary Guarantee.

##### ***The Subsidiary Guarantors’ Guarantees***

Each Subsidiary Guarantor’s Guarantee will:

- (a) be such Guarantor’s general unsecured obligation;
- (b) be subordinated in right of payment to any and all of such Subsidiary Guarantor’s existing and future Senior Debt;
- (c) rank equally in right of payment with any and all of such Subsidiary Guarantor’s existing and future unsecured indebtedness that is not subordinated and is not senior in right of payment of its Guarantee;
- (d) rank senior in right of payment to any and all of such Subsidiary Guarantor’s existing and future indebtedness that is subordinated in right of payment to its Guarantee; and
- (e) be subject to the restrictions on enforcement described below.

At March 31, 2016, on a pro forma basis after giving effect to the Acquisition and the issuance of the Senior Notes and the New Secured Notes and the use of proceeds therefrom, the Subsidiary Guarantors would have had on a consolidated basis:

- (a) total debt of €7,947 million;
- (b) total debt that is senior in right of payment to the Subsidiary Guarantees of €4,497 million; and
- (c) €3,450 million of debt that would rank equally with the Subsidiary Guarantees.

In addition, on a historical basis, at March 31, 2016, Ardagh's non-guarantor Restricted Subsidiaries would have had (i) no debt outstanding and (ii) aggregated trade payables and deferred taxes of €42 million.

Not all of the Parent Guarantor's Subsidiaries will guarantee the Senior Notes. In the event of a bankruptcy, liquidation or reorganization of any of these non-guarantor Subsidiaries, the non-guarantor Subsidiaries will likely be required to repay financial and trade creditors before distributing any assets to the Issuers or a Guarantor.

Ardagh Packaging Finance is a finance subsidiary without operations and Ardagh Holdings USA is a holding company with no independent operations. Therefore, each Issuer depends on the cash flow of the Parent Guarantor's operating Subsidiaries to meet its obligations, including its obligations under the Senior Notes. The Senior Notes are structurally subordinated to all Debt and other liabilities and commitments (including trade payables and lease obligations) of the Parent Guarantor's Subsidiaries that do not guarantee the Senior Notes.

As of the Issue Date, all of the Parent Guarantor's Subsidiaries will be "Restricted Subsidiaries." However, under the circumstances described below under the caption "—Certain Covenants—Designation of Unrestricted and Restricted Subsidiaries," the Parent Guarantor will be permitted to designate certain of its Subsidiaries as "Unrestricted Subsidiaries." Unrestricted Subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor will not be subject to any of the restrictive covenants in the Senior Indenture.

Although the Senior Indenture will contain limitations on the amount of additional Debt that the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries may incur, the amount of such additional Debt could be substantial. The Senior Indenture will permit all Senior Debt to be secured.

As a result of the enforcement standstills and the various subordination provisions described below, in the event of an insolvency, bankruptcy, liquidation or reorganization of any Subsidiary Guarantor, holders of Senior Notes may recover less, ratably, than other creditors of the Subsidiary Guarantors (including trade creditors).

#### ***Enforcement Standstills in Relation to the Subsidiary Guarantors' Guarantees***

The Senior Indenture will provide that no Subsidiary Guarantor's Guarantee may become due, and that neither the holders of the Senior Notes nor the Trustee may take any Enforcement Action against a Subsidiary Guarantor without the prior consent of the applicable Senior Agent or Senior Agents unless:

- (a) certain insolvency or reorganization events have occurred in relation to such Subsidiary Guarantor;
- (b) the holders of Designated Senior Debt have taken any Enforcement Action in relation to such Subsidiary Guarantor; or
- (c) a default has occurred under the Senior Notes; and
  - (i) the holders of the Senior Notes or the Trustee has notified the applicable Senior Agents;

- (ii) a period of not less than 90 days (in the case of a payment default) or 179 days (in the case of a non-payment default) has passed from the date the applicable Senior Agents were notified of the default (a “Standstill Period”); and
- (iii) at the end of the Standstill Period, the default is continuing and has not been waived by the holders of the Senior Notes.

***Subordination on Insolvency***

The Senior Indenture will provide that, in the event of any distribution to the creditors of a Subsidiary Guarantor:

- (a) in a liquidation or dissolution of such Subsidiary Guarantor;
- (b) in an insolvency, bankruptcy, reorganization, composition, receivership, administration, voluntary arrangement or similar proceeding relating to such Subsidiary Guarantor or its property;
- (c) in an assignment for the benefit of the creditors of such Subsidiary Guarantor; or
- (d) in any marshaling of such Subsidiary Guarantor’s assets and liabilities,

the holders of Senior Debt of such Subsidiary Guarantor will be entitled to receive payment in full in cash of all obligations in respect of such Senior Debt (including interest after the commencement of any proceeding at the rate specified in the applicable Senior Debt whether or not allowed or allowable in any such proceeding) before the holders of Senior Notes will be entitled to receive any payment with respect to the Guarantee of such Subsidiary Guarantor (except that holders of Senior Notes may receive and retain Permitted Junior Securities and payments made from the trust (if any) described under “—Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance”).

***Payment Blockage Provisions***

The Senior Indenture will also provide that a Subsidiary Guarantor may not make any payment in respect of its Guarantee (except in Permitted Junior Securities or from the trust (if any) described under “—Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance”) if:

- (a) a payment default on Designated Senior Debt of such Subsidiary Guarantor has occurred and is continuing beyond any applicable grace period; or
- (b) any other default occurs and is continuing on any Designated Senior Debt of such Subsidiary Guarantor that permits the holders of that Designated Senior Debt to accelerate its maturity and the Trustee receives a notice of such default (a “Payment Blockage Notice”) from the Issuers or the holders of such Designated Senior Debt.

Payments on any such Guarantee of a Subsidiary Guarantor may and will be resumed:

- (i) in the case of a payment default on Designated Senior Debt, when such default is cured or waived; or
- (ii) in the case of a non-payment default on Designated Senior Debt, upon the earlier of the date on which such non-payment default is cured or waived and 179 days after the date on which the applicable Payment Blockage Notice is received, unless the maturity of any Designated Senior Debt has been accelerated.

No new Payment Blockage Notice may be delivered unless and until (x) 360 days have elapsed since the delivery of the immediately prior Payment Blockage Notice and (y) all scheduled payments of principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Senior Notes that have come due have been paid in full in cash.



No non-payment default that existed or was continuing on the date of delivery of a Payment Blockage Notice to the Trustee will be, or be made, the basis for a subsequent Payment Blockage Notice.

#### ***Turnover***

If the Trustee for or on behalf of the holders of the Senior Notes receives a payment in respect of the Senior Notes (except in Permitted Junior Securities or from the trust (if any) described under “—Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance”) when:

- (a) the payment is prohibited by the subordination provisions of the Senior Indenture described in this “—Ranking of the Senior Notes and the Guarantees; Subordination” section; and
- (b) the Trustee or the holder of the Senior Note has actual knowledge that payment is so prohibited;

then the Trustee will hold the payment on trust for the benefit of the holders of the relevant Senior Debt and, upon the proper written request of the holders of the relevant Senior Debt, the Trustee will deliver the amounts in trust to the Senior Agent or any other proper representative of the holders of the relevant Senior Debt.

#### **Intercreditor Agreement**

The Senior Indenture, the Senior Notes and the Guarantees are subject to the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement and any Additional Intercreditor Agreement in favor of the holders of Designated Senior Debt of the Subsidiary Guarantors to give effect to the preceding subordination provisions of the Senior Indenture described in this “—Ranking of the Senior Notes and the Guarantees; Subordination” section. For a description of the Intercreditor Agreement, see “Description of Other Indebtedness—Intercreditor Agreement.”

#### **Limitations Under Guarantees**

The obligations of each Subsidiary Guarantor under its Guarantee will be limited to an amount not to exceed the maximum amount that can be guaranteed by such Subsidiary Guarantor without resulting in its obligations under its Guarantee being voidable or unenforceable under applicable laws relating to fraudulent transfer or under similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally, or the maximum amount otherwise permitted by law. In particular, each Guarantee will be limited as required to comply with corporate benefit, maintenance of capital and other laws applicable in the jurisdiction of the relevant Subsidiary Guarantor. By virtue of these limitations, a Subsidiary Guarantor’s obligations under its Guarantee could be significantly less than amounts payable in respect of the Senior Notes, or a Subsidiary Guarantor may have effectively no obligations under its Guarantee. See “Risk Factors—Risks Relating to Our Debt, the Notes and the Guarantees—Corporate benefit, capital maintenance laws and other limitations on the Guarantees may adversely affect the validity and enforceability of the Guarantees of the Notes.”

#### **Principal, Maturity and Interest**

The Senior Notes will mature on May 15, 2024, and 100% of the principal amount of the Senior Notes shall be payable on the applicable maturity date thereof, unless redeemed prior thereto as described herein. The Issuers will issue an aggregate principal amount of €750 million Euro Senior Notes and \$1,650 million of Dollar Senior Notes in this offering. Subject to the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt” and “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Liens,” the Issuers are permitted to issue additional Senior Notes as part of a further issue under the Senior Indenture (“Additional Senior Notes”) from time to time; *provided* that, if any Additional Senior Notes

are not fungible with any series of original Senior Notes for U.S. income tax purposes, such Additional Senior Notes will have a separate CUSIP number. The Senior Notes and any Additional Senior Notes subsequently issued under the Senior Indenture will be treated as a single class for all purposes of the Senior Indenture, including waivers, amendments, redemptions and offers to purchase, except for certain waivers and amendments. Unless the context otherwise requires, references to the “Senior Notes” for all purposes of the Senior Indenture and in this “Description of the Senior Notes” include references to any Additional Senior Notes that are actually issued.

Interest on the Euro Senior Notes will accrue at a rate of 6.750% per annum and interest on the Dollar Senior Notes will accrue at the rate of 7.250% per annum. Interest on the Senior Notes will be payable semi-annually in arrears from the Issue Date. Interest will be payable on each Senior Note on May 15 and November 15 of each year, commencing on November 15, 2016. The Issuers will pay interest on each Senior Note to holders of record of each Senior Note in respect of the principal amount thereof outstanding as of the immediately preceding May 1 or November 1, as the case may be. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months and will be paid on overdue principal and other overdue amounts at the same rate.

#### **Disbursement of Funds; Closing Date Holding Accounts**

If the Acquisition has not been completed on or prior to the Issue Date, an amount equal to approximately \$850 million of the proceeds from the sale of the Dollar Senior Notes in this offering (such amount not to include amounts attributable to accrued interest) (the “Escrowed Funds”), matching the currency of the Dollar Senior Notes, will be deposited into one or more deposit accounts in the name of Ardagh Packaging Finance and/or Ardagh Holdings USA at Citibank, N.A., London Branch or other reputable financial institution (the “Closing Date Holding Accounts”). Prior to the Issue Date, the Issuers will notify the Escrow Agent in whose name or names the Closing Date Holding Accounts will be held (the “Relevant Holder”). Pursuant to a closing date holding account charge (the “Closing Date Holding Accounts Charge”) dated as of the Issue Date among the Issuers, the Trustee and Citibank, N.A., London Branch as security trustee (the “Security Trustee”), the Relevant Holder will grant a first priority security interest in the Escrowed Funds to the Security Trustee for the benefit of the Trustee and the holders of the Senior Notes. Citibank, N.A., London Branch or other reputable financial institution will act as escrow agent (the “Escrow Agent”) with respect to the Escrowed Funds pursuant to an escrow agreement (the “Escrow Agreement”) dated as of the Issue Date among the Issuers, the Escrow Agent, the Trustee and the Security Trustee on behalf of the Trustee and the holders of the Senior Notes.

The Escrow Agreement will provide that the Escrowed Funds will be released to either Ardagh Holdings USA or Ardagh Packaging Finance, such decision to be made at the discretion of the Relevant Holder upon certification by the Issuers to the Trustee, the Security Trustee and the Escrow Agent, in accordance with the terms of the Escrow Agreement (the “Offer Conditions Certificate”) that:

- (i) all terms and conditions of the Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement have been satisfied or waived;
- (ii) the Escrowed Funds will be applied, directly or through intercompany transfers, for their permitted uses in accordance with the terms of the Escrow Agreement and, following such application, the Acquisition will be completed; and
- (iii) no Event of Default specified in clause 1(a), 1(b) or 1(h) under the caption “—Events of Default” has occurred and is continuing under the Senior Indenture.

If the Acquisition has not been completed on or prior to October 31, 2016 or the Issuers certify to the Trustee, the Security Trustee and the Escrow Agent that the Acquisition will not take place or that

the Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement has been terminated (the “Special Mandatory Redemption Certificate”), the Issuers will redeem the portion of the Dollar Senior Notes the proceeds of which have been deposited into a Closing Date Holding Account (a “Special Mandatory Redemption”) in accordance with the provisions of the Senior Indenture providing for the mandatory redemption as described below under “—Special Mandatory Redemption,” and either Issuer will instruct the Escrow Agent, to release the Escrowed Funds to the paying agent for the redemption in accordance with the Escrow Agreement. See “—Special Mandatory Redemption.”

### **Form of Senior Notes**

The Euro Senior Notes will be issued on the Issue Date only in fully registered form without coupons and only in minimum denominations of €100,000 and in integral multiples of €1,000 in excess thereof. The Dollar Notes will be issued on the Issue Date only in fully registered form without coupons and only in minimum denominations of \$200,000 and in integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

The Euro Senior Notes will be initially in the form of one or more global notes (the “Euro Global Notes”), and the Dollar Senior Notes will be initially in the form of one or more global notes (the “Dollar Global Notes” and, together with the Euro Global Notes, the “Global Notes”). The Dollar Global Notes will be deposited with a custodian for DTC. The Euro Global Notes will be deposited with a common depository for Euroclear and Clearstream Banking or a nominee of such common depository. Ownership of interests in the Global Senior Notes, referred to as “book-entry interests,” will be limited to persons that have accounts with DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking or their respective participants. Book-entry interests will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained in book-entry form by DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking and their participants. The terms of the Senior Indenture will provide for the issuance of definitive registered Senior Notes in certain circumstances. See “Book-entry; Delivery and Form.”

### **Transfer and Exchange**

The Global Notes may be transferred in accordance with the Senior Indenture. All transfers of book-entry interests between participants in DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking will be effected by DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking pursuant to customary procedures and subject to applicable rules and procedures established by DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking and their respective participants. See “Book-entry; Delivery and Form.”

The Senior Notes will be subject to certain restrictions on transfer and certification requirements, as described under “Notice to Investors.”

### **Payments on the Senior Notes; Paying Agent**

The Issuers will make all payments, including principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Dollar Senior Notes, through an agent in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York that it will maintain for these purposes. Initially that agent will be Citibank, N.A., New York. The Issuers will make all payments, including principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Euro Senior Notes, through an agent in the City of London that it will maintain for these purposes. Initially that agent will be the corporate trust office of Citibank, N.A., London Branch. The Issuers may change the paying agents without prior notice to the holders of the Senior Notes. In addition, the Issuers or any of their Subsidiaries may act as paying agent in connection with the Senior Notes other than for the purposes of effecting a redemption described under “—Optional Redemption” or an offer to purchase the Senior Notes described under “—Purchase of Senior Notes upon a Change of Control” or “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets.” The Issuers will make all payments in same-day funds. The Issuers undertake that they will maintain a paying agent in an EU Member State that is not

obliged to withhold or deduct tax pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any other Directive implementing the conclusions of the ECOFIN Council meeting of November 26-27, 2000 on the taxation of savings income or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, any such Directive. That paying agent will be Citibank, N.A., London Branch in London.

No service charge will be made for any registration of a transfer, exchange or redemption of the Senior Notes, but the Issuers may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any transfer tax or similar governmental charge payable in connection with any such registration of transfer or exchange (but not for a redemption).

#### **Additional Amounts**

All payments that the Issuers make under or with respect to the Senior Notes or that the Guarantors make under or with respect to the Guarantees will be made free and clear of and without withholding or deduction for or on account of any present or future tax, duty, levy, impost, assessment or other governmental charge (including, without limitation, penalties, interest and other similar liabilities related thereto) of whatever nature (collectively, “Taxes”) imposed or levied on such payments by or on behalf of any jurisdiction (other than the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia) in which any Issuer or Guarantor is organized, resident or doing business for tax purposes or from or through which any of the foregoing (or its agents, including the Paying Agent) makes any payment on the Senior Notes or by or within any department, political subdivision or governmental authority of or in any of the foregoing having power to tax (each, a “Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction”), unless such Issuer or Guarantor or other applicable withholding agent, as the case may be, is required to withhold or deduct Taxes by law or by the interpretation or administration of law. If an Issuer, Guarantor or other applicable withholding agent is required to withhold or deduct any amount for or on account of Taxes imposed or levied on behalf of a Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction from any payment made under or with respect to the Senior Notes or any Guarantee, such Issuer or Guarantor, as the case may be, will pay additional amounts (“Additional Amounts”) as may be necessary to ensure that the net amount received by each beneficial owner of the Senior Notes after such withholding or deduction (including any withholding or deduction in respect of any Additional Amounts) will not be less than the amount the beneficial owner would have received if such Taxes had not been withheld or deducted.

None of the Issuers or Guarantors will, however, pay Additional Amounts in respect or on account of:

- (a) any Taxes, to the extent such Taxes are imposed or levied by a Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction by reason of the holder’s or beneficial owner’s present or former connection with such Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction (other than the mere receipt, ownership, holding or disposition of Senior Notes, or by reason of the receipt of any payments in respect of any Senior Note or any Guarantee, or the exercise or enforcement of rights under any Senior Notes or any Guarantee);
- (b) any Taxes to the extent such Taxes are imposed or withheld by reason of the failure of the holder or beneficial owner of Senior Notes, following the Issuers’ written request addressed to the holder or beneficial owner, to comply with any certification, identification, information or other reporting requirements (to the extent such holder or beneficial owner is legally eligible to do so), whether required by statute, treaty, regulation or administrative practice of a Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction, as a precondition to exemption from, or reduction in the rate of deduction or withholding of, such Taxes imposed by the Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction (including, without limitation, a certification that the holder or beneficial owner is not resident in the Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction);
- (c) any estate, inheritance, gift, sales, transfer, personal property or similar Taxes;

- (d) any Tax which is payable otherwise than by deduction or withholding from payments made under or with respect to the Senior Notes or any Guarantee;
- (e) any Tax imposed on or with respect to any payment by any of the Issuers or Guarantors to the holder if such holder is a fiduciary or partnership or person other than the sole beneficial owner of such payment to the extent that such Taxes would not have been imposed on such payment had such beneficial owner been the holder of such Senior Note;
- (f) any Tax that is imposed on or with respect to a payment made to a holder or beneficial owner who would have been able to avoid such withholding or deduction by presenting the relevant Senior Notes to another paying agent in a member state of the European Union;
- (g) any Taxes, to the extent such Taxes were imposed as a result of the presentation of a Senior Note for payment (where presentation is required) more than 30 days after the relevant payment is first made available to the holder (except to the extent that the holder would have been entitled to Additional Amounts had the Senior Note been presented on the last day of such 30-day period);
- (h) any withholding or deduction in respect of any Taxes where such withholding or deduction is imposed on a payment to an individual and is required to be made pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any other Directive implementing the conclusions of the ECOFIN Council meetings of November 26 and 27, 2000 on the taxation of savings income or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, any such Directive;
- (i) any U.S. federal withholding Taxes or equivalent thereof imposed pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as of the Issue Date (or any amended or successor version that is substantively comparable and not materially more onerous to comply with), any current or future regulations promulgated thereunder or other official administrative interpretations thereof and any agreements entered into pursuant to current Section 1471(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as of the Issue Date (or any amended or successor version described above), and including (for the avoidance of doubt) any intergovernmental agreements (and any law, regulation, rule or practice implementing any such intergovernmental agreement) in respect of the foregoing; or
- (j) any combination of the foregoing.

The Issuers and the Guarantors, if the applicable withholding agents, will (i) make such withholding or deduction as is required by applicable law and (ii) remit the full amount deducted or withheld to the relevant authority in accordance with applicable law.

At least 30 calendar days prior to each date on which any payment under or with respect to the Senior Notes or any Guarantee is due and payable, if the Issuers or a Guarantor will be obligated to pay Additional Amounts with respect to such payment (unless such obligation to pay Additional Amounts arises after the 30th day prior to the date on which payment under or with respect to the Senior Notes or any Guarantee is due and payable, in which case it will be promptly thereafter), the Issuers will deliver to the Trustee, with a copy to the Paying Agent, an Officer's Certificate stating that such Additional Amounts will be payable and the amounts so payable and will set forth such other information necessary to enable the Paying Agent to pay such Additional Amounts to holders on the payment date. The Trustee shall be entitled to rely solely on such Officer's Certificate as conclusive proof that such payments are necessary. The Issuers will promptly publish a notice in accordance with the provisions set forth in "—Notices" stating that such Additional Amounts will be payable and describing the obligation to pay such amounts.



In addition, the Issuers and the Guarantors will pay any present or future stamp, issuance, registration, court, documentary, excise or property taxes or other similar taxes, charges and duties, including without limitation, interest, penalties and other similar liabilities with respect thereto, imposed by any Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction in respect of (i) the execution, issue, delivery or registration of the Senior Notes or any Guarantee or any other document or instrument referred to thereunder, or (ii) the receipt of any payments under or with respect to, or enforcement of, the Senior Notes or any Guarantee.

Upon written request, any of the Issuers or a Guarantor will furnish to the Trustee or a holder within a reasonable time certified copies of tax receipts evidencing any payment by such Issuer or Guarantor (as the case may be) of any Taxes imposed or levied by a Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction, in accordance with the procedures described in “—Notices” hereafter, in such form as provided in the normal course by the taxing authority imposing such Taxes. If, notwithstanding the efforts of such Issuer or Guarantor to obtain such receipts, the same are not obtainable, such Issuer or Guarantor will provide the Trustee or such holder with other evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee or holder of such payments by such Issuer or Guarantor. If requested by the Trustee, the Issuers and (to the extent necessary) any Guarantors will provide to the Trustee such information as may be reasonably available to such Issuer and the Guarantors (and not otherwise in the possession of the Trustee) to enable determination of the amount of any withholding taxes attributable to any particular holder(s).

Whenever the Senior Indenture or this “Description of the Senior Notes” refers to, in any context, the payment of principal, premium, if any, interest or any other amount payable under or with respect to any Senior Note (including payments thereof made pursuant to a Guarantee), such reference includes the payment of Additional Amounts, if applicable.

The preceding provisions will survive any termination, defeasance or discharge of the Senior Indenture and shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to any jurisdiction (other than the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia) in which any successor person to any of the Issuers or Guarantors is organized, resident or doing business for tax purposes or any jurisdiction from or through which any such person (or its agents, including the Paying Agent) makes any payment on the Senior Note (or any Guarantee) and any department, political subdivision or governmental authority of or in any of the foregoing having the power to tax.

### **Currency Indemnity**

Euros with respect to the Euro Senior Notes, and U.S. dollars, with respect to the Dollar Senior Notes, are the required currencies (each a “Required Currency”) of account and payment for all sums payable under the Senior Notes, the Guarantees and the Senior Indenture. Any amount received or recovered in respect of the Senior Notes or the Guarantees in a currency other than the applicable Required Currency (whether as a result of, or of the enforcement of, a judgment or order of a court of any jurisdiction, in the winding-up or dissolution of each Issuer, any Subsidiary or otherwise) by the Trustee or a holder of the Senior Notes in respect of any sum expressed to be due to such holder from the Issuers or the Guarantors will constitute a discharge of their obligation only to the extent of the amount of the applicable Required Currency which the recipient is able to purchase with the amount so received or recovered in such other currency on the date of that receipt or recovery (or, if it is not possible to purchase the applicable Required Currency on that date, on the first date on which it is possible to do so). If the amount of the applicable Required Currency to be recovered is less than the amount of the applicable Required Currency expressed to be due to the recipient under any Senior Note, the Issuers or the Guarantors will indemnify the recipient against the cost of making any further purchase of the applicable Required Currency in an amount equal to such difference. For the purposes of this paragraph, it will be sufficient for the holder to certify that it would have suffered a loss had the actual purchase of the applicable Required Currency been made with the amount so received in that other currency on the date of receipt or recovery (or, if a purchase of the applicable Required



Currency on that date had not been possible, on the first date on which it would have been possible). These indemnities, to the extent permitted by law:

- (a) constitute a separate and independent obligation from the Issuers' and the Guarantors' other obligations;
- (b) give rise to a separate and independent cause of action;
- (c) apply irrespective of any waiver granted by any holder of a Senior Note; and
- (d) will continue in full force and effect despite any other judgment, order, claim or proof for a liquidated amount in respect of any sum due under any Senior Note or any other judgment or order.

### **Optional Redemption**

#### ***Optional Redemption prior to May 15, 2019 upon Public Equity Offering***

At any time prior to May 15, 2019, upon not less than 10 nor more than 60 days' notice, the Issuers may on any one or more occasions redeem up to 40% of the aggregate principal amount of the Euro Senior Notes at a redemption price of 106.750%, and up to 40% of the aggregate principal amount of the Dollar Senior Notes at a redemption price of 107.250% of their principal amount, in each case plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date (subject to the rights of holders of Senior Notes on the relevant record date to receive interest on the relevant interest payment date), with the net cash proceeds from one or more Public Equity Offerings. The Issuers may only do this, however, if:

- (a) at least 60% of the aggregate principal amount of the applicable series of Senior Notes that were initially issued would remain outstanding immediately after the proposed redemption; and
- (b) the redemption occurs within 90 days after the closing of such Public Equity Offering.

Any redemption and notice may, in the Issuers' discretion, be subject to the satisfaction of one or more conditions precedent.

#### ***Optional Redemption prior to May 15, 2019***

At any time prior to May 15, 2019, upon not less than 10 nor more than 60 days' notice, the Issuers may also redeem all or part of the Euro Senior Notes and/or the Dollar Senior Notes, as the case may be, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Senior Notes being redeemed plus the Applicable Redemption Premium and accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date.

"Applicable Redemption Premium" means

- (a) with respect to the Euro Senior Note on any redemption date, the greater of:
  - (1) 1.0% of the principal amount of the Euro Senior Notes; and
  - (2) the excess of:
    - (i) the present value at such redemption date of (x) the redemption price of such Euro Senior Note at May 15, 2019 (such redemption price being set forth in the table appearing below under the caption "—Optional Redemption on or after \_\_\_\_\_, 2019"), plus (y) all required interest payments that would otherwise be due to be paid on such Euro Senior Note during the period between the redemption date and

May 15, 2019 (excluding accrued but unpaid interest), computed using a discount rate equal to the Bund Rate as of such redemption date plus 50 basis points; over

- (ii) the outstanding principal amount of such Euro Senior Note.
- (b) with respect to the Dollar Senior Notes on any redemption date, the greater of:
  - (1) 1.0% of the principal amount of the Dollar Senior Notes; and
  - (2) the excess of:
    - (i) the present value at such redemption date of (x) the redemption price of the Dollar Senior Note at May 15, 2019 (such redemption price being set forth in the table appearing below under the caption “—Optional Redemption on or after May 15, 2019”), plus (y) all required interest payments due on such Dollar Senior Note through May 15, 2019 (excluding accrued but unpaid interest), computed using a discount rate equal to the Treasury Rate as of such redemption date plus 50 basis points; over
    - (ii) the outstanding principal amount of such Dollar Senior Note.

For the avoidance of doubt, calculation of the Applicable Redemption Premium shall not be a duty or obligation of the Trustee or any paying agent.

Any redemption and notice may, in the Issuers’ discretion, be subject to the satisfaction of one or more conditions precedent.

***Optional Redemption on or after May 15, 2019***

At any time on or after May 15, 2019 and prior to maturity, upon not less than 10 nor more than 60 days’ notice, the Issuers may redeem all or part of the Euro Senior Notes and/or the Dollar Senior Notes. These redemptions will be in amounts of €1,000 or integral multiples thereof with respect to the Euro Senior Notes and \$1,000 or integral multiples thereof with respect to the Dollar Senior Notes at the following redemption prices (expressed as percentages of their principal amount at maturity), plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date, if redeemed during the 12-month period commencing on of the years set forth below. This redemption is subject to the right of holders of record on the relevant regular record date that is prior to the redemption date to receive interest due on an interest payment date.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Redemption Price Euro Senior Notes</u>	<u>Redemption Price Dollar Senior Notes</u>
2019 . . . . .	105.063%	105.438%
2020 . . . . .	103.375%	103.625%
2021 . . . . .	101.688%	101.813%
2022 and thereafter . . . . .	100.000%	100.000%

Any redemption and notice may, in the Issuers’ discretion, be subject to the satisfaction of one or more conditions precedent.

***Redemption Upon Changes in Withholding Taxes***

If, as a result of:

- (a) any amendment to, or change in, the laws (or regulations or rulings promulgated thereunder) of any Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction which is announced and becomes effective after the Issue

Date (or, where such Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction became a Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction at a later date, after such later date); or

- (b) any change which is announced and becomes effective after the Issue Date (or, where such Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction became a Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction at a later date, after such later date) in the official application or official interpretation of such laws, regulations or rulings (including by virtue of a holding, judgment or order by a court competent jurisdiction) of any Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction (each of the foregoing clauses (a) and (b), a “Change in Tax Law”),

the Issuers would be obligated to pay, on the next date for any payment and as a result of that amendment or change, Additional Amounts as described above under “—Additional Amounts” with respect to the Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction, which the Issuers cannot avoid by the use of reasonable measures available to it, then the Issuers may redeem all, but not less than all, of the Senior Notes, at any time thereafter, upon not less than 10 nor more than 60 days’ notice (which notice shall be irrevocable and given in accordance with the procedures described under “—Notices”), at a redemption price of 100% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date. Prior to the giving of any notice of redemption described in this paragraph, the Issuers will deliver to the Trustee:

- (a) an Officer’s Certificate stating that the obligation to pay such Additional Amounts cannot be avoided by the Issuers’ taking reasonable measures available to it; and
- (b) a written opinion of independent tax counsel to the Issuers of recognized standing qualified under the laws of the Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction and reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee to the effect that the Issuers have or will become obligated to pay such Additional Amounts as a result of a Change in Tax Law.

The Trustee will accept such Officer’s Certificate and opinion as sufficient evidence of the satisfaction of the conditions precedent described above, without further inquiry, in which event it will be conclusive and binding on holders of the Senior Notes.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, no such notice of redemption will be given (a) earlier than 90 days prior to the earliest date on which the Issuers would be obliged to make such payment of Additional Amounts if a payment in respect of the Senior Notes, were then due and (b) unless at the time such notice is given, the obligation to pay Additional Amounts remains in effect.

Any redemption and notice may, in the Issuer’s discretion, be subject to the satisfaction of one or more conditions precedent.

### **Notice of Optional Redemption**

The Issuers will publish a notice of any optional redemption of the Senior Notes described above in accordance with the provisions of the Senior Indenture described under “—Notices.” These notice provisions include a requirement to publish any such notice in a newspaper having general circulation in Ireland (which is expected to be *The Irish Times*) or, to the extent and in the manner permitted by the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange, posted on the official website of the Irish Stock Exchange ([www.ise.ie](http://www.ise.ie)) if and so long as the Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of such exchange so require. The Issuers will inform the Irish Stock Exchange of the principal amount of the Euro Senior Notes or Dollar Senior Notes that have not been redeemed in connection with any optional redemption. If fewer than all the Euro Senior Notes or Dollar Senior Notes are to be redeemed at any time, the Trustee or the Registrar will select the Euro Senior Notes or Dollar Senior Notes by a method that complies with the requirements, as certified to the Trustee by the Issuers, of the principal securities exchange, if any, on which the Euro Senior Notes or Dollar Senior Notes are

listed at such time, and in compliance with the requirements of the relevant clearing system or, if the Euro Senior Notes or Dollar Senior Notes are not listed on a securities exchange, or such securities exchange prescribe no method of selection and the Senior Notes are not held through clearing system or the clearing system prescribes no method of selection, by lot; *provided, however*, that no such partial redemption shall reduce the portion of the principal amount of a Euro Senior Note not redeemed to less than \$200,000 or reduce the portion of the principal amount of a Dollar Senior Notes not redeemed to less than €100,000. Neither the Trustee nor the Registrar shall be liable for any selections made in accordance with this paragraph.

Any redemption and notice may, in the Issuers' discretion, be subject to the satisfaction of one or more conditions precedent.

### **Special Mandatory Redemption**

If the Acquisition has not been completed on or prior to October 31, 2016, or upon delivery by the Issuers to the Trustee, the Security Trustee and the Escrow Agent of a Special Mandatory Redemption Certificate, the Issuers will effect a Special Mandatory Redemption at 100% of the issue price of the Dollar Senior Notes to be redeemed in accordance with the provisions of the Senior Indenture plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon through to but not including the redemption date. The Relevant Holder will instruct the Escrow Agent to release the Escrowed Funds to the paying agent for the purposes of paying the redemption price.

Notice of any Special Mandatory Redemption (any such notice a "Special Redemption Notice") will be mailed by first class mail to each Holder at its registered address on the first Business Day following the date the Issuers become required to effect a Special Mandatory Redemption and will be given in accordance with applicable rules of the Irish Stock Exchange. The redemption date will be three Business Days after the mailing of the Special Redemption Notice.

### **Sinking Fund; Offers to Purchase; Open Market Purchases**

The Issuers are not required to make any mandatory redemption or sinking fund payments with respect to the Senior Notes. However, under certain circumstances, the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor may be required to offer to purchase the Senior Notes as described under "—Purchase of Senior Notes upon a Change of Control" and "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets." The Parent Guarantor and any Restricted Subsidiaries, including the Issuers, may at any time and from time to time purchase Senior Notes in the open market or otherwise.

### **Purchase of Senior Notes upon a Change of Control**

If a Change of Control occurs at any time, then the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must make an offer (a "Change of Control Offer") to each holder of Senior Notes to purchase such holder's Senior Notes, at a purchase price (the "Change of Control Purchase Price") in cash in an amount equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase (the "Change of Control Purchase Date") (subject to the rights of holders of record on relevant regular record dates that are prior to the Change of Control Purchase Date to receive interest due on an interest payment date). Purchases made under a Change of Control Offer will also be subject to other procedures set forth in the Senior Indenture.

Within 30 days following any Change of Control, the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor will:

- (a) cause a notice of the Change of Control Offer to be (i) delivered to holders of the Senior Notes electronically or mailed by first-class mail, postage prepaid; and (ii) if at the time of such notice the Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange so require, published in *The Irish Times* (or another leading newspaper of

general circulation in Ireland or, to the extent and in the manner permitted by the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange, posted on the official website of the Irish Stock Exchange ([www.ise.ie](http://www.ise.ie))); and

- (b) send notice of the Change of Control Offer by first class mail, with a copy to the Trustee, to each holder of Senior Notes to the address of such holder appearing in the security register, which notice will state:
  - (i) that a Change of Control has occurred, and the date it occurred;
  - (ii) the circumstances and relevant facts regarding such Change of Control (including, but not limited to, applicable information with respect to pro forma historical income, cash flow and capitalization after giving effect to the Change of Control);
  - (iii) the Change of Control Purchase Price and the Change of Control Purchase Date, which will be a business day no earlier than 10 days nor later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed, or such later date as is necessary to comply with requirements under the Exchange Act and any applicable securities laws or regulations;
  - (iv) that any Senior Note accepted for payment pursuant to the Change of Control Offer will cease to accrue interest after the Change of Control Purchase Date unless the Change of Control Purchase Price is not paid;
  - (v) that any Senior Note (or part thereof) not tendered will continue to accrue interest; and
  - (vi) any other procedures that a holder of Senior Notes must follow to accept a Change of Control Offer or to withdraw such acceptance (which procedures may also be performed at the office of the paying agent in Ireland as long as the Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange).

The Trustee will promptly authenticate and deliver a new Senior Note or Senior Notes equal in principal amount to any unpurchased portion of Senior Notes surrendered, if any, to the holder of Senior Notes in global form or to each holder of certificated Senior Notes; *provided* that each such new Senior Note or Senior Notes will be in a total principal amount of at least €100,000 and in minimum denominations of €1,000 or integral multiples thereof in the case of the Euro Senior Notes and at least \$200,000 and in minimum denominations of \$1,000 or integral multiples thereof in the case of the Dollar Senior Notes. The Issuers or the Parent Guarantor will publicly announce the results of a Change of Control Offer on or as soon as practicable after the Change of Control Purchase Date.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, a Change of Control Offer may be made in advance of a Change of Control, conditioned upon the consummation of such Change of Control, if a definitive agreement is in place for the Change of Control at the time the Change of Control Offer is made.

The ability of the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor to repurchase Senior Notes pursuant to a Change of Control Offer may be limited by a number of factors. The occurrence of certain of the events that would constitute a Change of Control could constitute a default under certain of our Credit Facilities or could constitute a change of control under the Existing Ardagh Bonds, the New Secured Notes or the Senior PIK Notes. In addition, certain events that may constitute a change of control under certain of our Credit Facilities, the Existing Ardagh Bonds, the New Secured Notes or the Senior PIK Notes may not constitute a Change of Control under the Senior Indenture. The Parent Guarantor's future indebtedness and the future indebtedness of its Subsidiaries may also require such indebtedness to be repurchased upon a Change of Control. Moreover, the exercise by the holders of the Senior Notes of their right to require a repurchase of the Senior Notes upon a Change of Control

could cause a default under such indebtedness, even if the Change of Control itself does not, due to the possible financial effect on the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor of such repurchase.

If a Change of Control Offer is made, neither the Issuers nor the Parent Guarantor can provide any assurance that they will have available funds sufficient to pay the Change of Control Purchase Price for all the Senior Notes that might be delivered by holders of the Senior Notes seeking to accept the Change of Control Offer. If the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor fails to make or consummate a Change of Control Offer or pay the Change of Control Purchase Price when due, such failure would result in an Event of Default and would give the Trustee and the holders of the Senior Notes the rights described under “—Events of Default.”

Even if sufficient funds were otherwise available, the terms of the other indebtedness of the Parent Guarantor and its Subsidiaries may prohibit the distribution of such funds or the prepayment of the Senior Notes prior to their scheduled maturity. If the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor were not able to prepay any indebtedness containing any such restrictions or obtain requisite consents, the Issuers and the Parent Guarantor would be unable to fulfill their repurchase obligations to holders of Senior Notes who exercise their right to redeem their Senior Notes following a Change of Control, which would cause a Default under the Senior Indenture. A Default under the Senior Indenture, unless waived by holders, would result in a cross-default under certain of the financing arrangements described under “Description of Other Indebtedness.”

Neither the Issuers nor the Parent Guarantor will be required to make a Change of Control Offer if a third party makes the Change of Control Offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements set forth in the Senior Indenture applicable to a Change of Control Offer made by the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor and purchases all Senior Notes validly tendered and not withdrawn under such Change of Control Offer. The Change of Control provisions described above will be applicable whether or not any other provisions of the Senior Indenture are applicable. Except as described above with respect to a Change of Control, the provisions of the Senior Indenture will not give holders the right to require the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor to repurchase the Senior Notes in the event of certain highly leveraged transactions, or certain other transactions, including a reorganization, restructuring, merger or similar transaction and, in certain circumstances, an acquisition by the Parent Guarantor’s management or its Affiliates, that may adversely affect holders of the Senior Notes, if such transaction is not a transaction defined as a Change of Control. Any such transaction, however, would have to comply with the applicable provisions of the Senior Indenture, including the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt.” The existence of a holder of the Senior Notes’ right to require the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor to repurchase such holder’s Senior Notes upon a Change of Control may deter a third party from acquiring the Parent Guarantor or its Subsidiaries in a transaction which constitutes a Change of Control.

The Issuers and the Parent Guarantor will comply with the applicable tender offer rules, including Rule 14e-1 under the Exchange Act, and any other applicable securities laws and regulations (including those of Ireland) in connection with a Change of Control Offer. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with provisions of the Senior Indenture, the Issuers and the Parent Guarantor will comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and will not be deemed to have breached their obligations under the Senior Indenture by virtue of such conflict.

“Change of Control” means the occurrence of any of the following events:

- (a) the consummation of any transaction (including a merger or consolidation) the result of which is that (i) any person or group, other than one or more Permitted Holders, is or as a result of such transaction becomes, the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 35% of the total voting power of the Voting Stock of the Parent Guarantor and (ii) the Permitted Holders, individually or in the aggregate, do not beneficially own, directly or indirectly, a



larger percentage of the total voting power of such Voting Stock than such other person or group;

- (b) the sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger, consolidation or transfer of the Parent Guarantor's Voting Stock) of all or substantially all of the assets (other than Capital Stock, Debt or other securities of any Unrestricted Subsidiary) of the Parent Guarantor, the Issuers and the Restricted Subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, (i) if following such sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition, the transferee entity is not listed on a stock exchange or automated quoting system and any person or group, other than one or more Permitted Holders, is or as a result of such sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of a larger percentage of the total voting power of the Voting Stock of the transferee entity than the Permitted Holders, individually or in the aggregate or (ii) if the transferee entity is and is expected to continue to be listed on a stock exchange or automated quotation system following such sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (x) any person or group other than one or more Permitted Holders, is or as a result of such transaction becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 35% of the total voting power of the Voting Stock of the transferee entity and (y) the Permitted Holders, individually or in the aggregate, do not beneficially own, directly or indirectly, a larger percentage of the total voting power of such Voting Stock than such other person or groups;
- (c) during any consecutive two-year period following the Issue Date, individuals who at the beginning of such period constituted the Parent Guarantor's board of directors (together with any new members whose election to such board, or whose nomination for election by the Parent Guarantor's shareholders, was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the members of the Parent Guarantor's board of directors then still in office who were either members at the beginning of such period or whose election or nomination for election was previously so approved) cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the members of the Parent Guarantor's board of directors then in office;
- (d) the Parent Guarantor or either Issuer is liquidated or dissolved or adopts a plan of liquidation or dissolution other than in a transaction which complies with the provisions described under "—Certain Covenants—Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets"; or
- (e) the Parent Guarantor or any Surviving Entity ceases to beneficially own, directly or indirectly, 100% of the Voting Stock of either Issuer, other than director's qualifying shares and other shares required to be issued by law.

For the purposes of this definition, (i) "person" and "group" have the meanings they have in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act; (ii) "beneficial owner" is used as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act, except that a person shall be deemed to have "beneficial ownership" of all securities that such Person has the right to acquire, whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time; and (iii) a Person or group will be deemed to beneficially own all Voting Stock of an entity held by a parent entity, if such Person or group is or becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 35% of the total voting power of the Voting Stock of such parent entity and the Permitted Holders, individually or in the aggregate, do not beneficially own, directly or indirectly, a larger percentage of the total voting power of such Voting Stock than such Person or group.

#### **Certain Covenants**

The Senior Indenture will contain, among others, the following covenants.

### ***Limitation on Debt***

- (1) The Parent Guarantor will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, create, issue, incur, assume, guarantee or in any manner become directly or indirectly liable with respect to or otherwise become responsible for, contingently or otherwise, the payment of (individually and collectively, to “incur” or, as appropriate, an “incurrence”), any Debt (including any Acquired Debt); *provided* that the Parent Guarantor, each Issuer and any Restricted Subsidiary will be permitted to incur Debt (including Acquired Debt) if in each case (a) after giving effect to the incurrence of such Debt and the application of the proceeds thereof, on a pro forma basis, no Default or Event of Default would occur or be continuing and (b) at the time of such incurrence and after giving effect to the incurrence of such Debt and the application of the proceeds thereof, on a pro forma basis, the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio for the four full fiscal quarters for which financial statements are available immediately preceding the incurrence of such Debt, taken as one period, would be greater than 2.0 to 1.0.
- (2) This covenant will not, however, prohibit the following (collectively, “Permitted Debt”):
  - (a) the Senior Notes and the New Secured Notes issued on the Issue Date;
  - (b) the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt under Credit Facilities in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed the greater of (i) €350,000,000 and (ii) an amount equal to (I) 85% of Total Receivables *plus* 60% of Total Inventories *less* (II) €250,000,000;
  - (c) any Existing Debt of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary (other than Debt described in clauses (a) and (b) of this paragraph) and any Debt of the Acquired Business existing on the date of completion of the Acquisition;
  - (d) the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of intercompany Debt between the Parent Guarantor and any Restricted Subsidiary or between or among Restricted Subsidiaries; *provided* that:
    - (i) if an Issuer or a Guarantor is the obligor on any such Debt, unless required by a Credit Facility and only to the extent legally permitted, such Debt must be unsecured (except in respect of the intercompany current liabilities incurred in the ordinary course of business in connection with cash management, cash pooling, tax and accounting operations of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries); and
    - (ii) (x) any disposition, pledge or transfer of any such Debt to a Person (other than a disposition, pledge or transfer to the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary) and (y) any transaction pursuant to which any Restricted Subsidiary that has Debt owing by the Parent Guarantor or another Restricted Subsidiary ceases to be a Restricted Subsidiary, will, in each case, be deemed to be an incurrence of such Debt not permitted by this clause (d);
  - (e) guarantees of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary to the extent that the guaranteed Debt was permitted to be incurred by another provision of this covenant that are made in accordance with the provisions of “—Limitation on Guarantees of Debt by Restricted Subsidiaries”;
  - (f) the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt represented by Capitalized Lease Obligations, mortgage financings, purchase money obligations or other Debt incurred or assumed in connection with the acquisition or development of real

or personal, movable or immovable, property or assets, in each case, incurred for the purpose of financing or refinancing all or any part of the purchase price, lease expense or cost of construction or improvement of property plant, equipment or other assets used in the Parent Guarantor's or any Restricted Subsidiary's business (including any reasonable related fees or expenses incurred in connection with such acquisition or development); *provided* that the principal amount of such Debt so incurred when aggregated with other Debt previously incurred in reliance on this clause (f) and still outstanding will not in the aggregate exceed the greater of €150,000,000 and 2.0% of Total Assets; and *provided, further*, that the total principal amount of any Debt incurred in connection with an acquisition or development permitted under this clause (f) did not in each case at the time of incurrence exceed (i) the Fair Market Value of the acquired or constructed asset or improvement so financed or (ii) in the case of an uncompleted constructed asset, the amount of the asset to be constructed, as determined on the date the contract for construction of such asset was entered into by the Parent Guarantor or the relevant Restricted Subsidiary (including, in each case, any reasonable related fees and expenses incurred in connection with such acquisition, construction or development);

- (g) the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt arising from agreements providing for guarantees, indemnities or obligations in respect of purchase price adjustments in connection with the acquisition or disposition of assets, including, without limitation, shares of Capital Stock (other than guarantees or similar credit support given by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt incurred by any Person acquiring all or any portion of such assets for the purpose of financing such acquisition); *provided* that the maximum aggregate liability in respect of all such Debt permitted pursuant to this clause (g) will at no time exceed the net proceeds, including non-cash proceeds (the Fair Market Value of such non-cash proceeds being measured at the time received and without giving effect to any subsequent changes in value) actually received from the sale of such assets;
- (h) the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt under Commodity Hedging Agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business and not for speculative purposes;
- (i) the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt under Currency Agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business and not for speculative purposes;
- (j) the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt under Interest Rate Agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business and not for speculative purposes;
- (k) the incurrence of Debt by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt in respect of workers' compensation and claims arising under similar legislation, or pursuant to self-insurance obligations and not in connection with the borrowing of money or the obtaining of advances or credit;
- (l) the incurrence of Debt by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary arising from (i) the honoring by a bank or other financial institution of a check, draft or similar instrument inadvertently (except in the case of daylight overdrafts) drawn against insufficient funds in the ordinary course of business; *provided* that such Debt is extinguished within five business days of incurrence, (ii) bankers' acceptances, performance, surety, judgment, completion, payment, appeal or similar bonds, instruments or obligations, (iii) completion guarantees, advance payment, customs, VAT or other tax guarantees or similar instruments provided or letters of credit obtained by the Parent

Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business; and (iv) the financing of insurance premiums in the ordinary course of business;

- (m) any Debt of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary incurred pursuant to any Permitted Receivables Financing;
- (n) the incurrence by a Person of Permitted Refinancing Debt in exchange for or the net proceeds of which are used to refund, replace or refinance Debt incurred by it pursuant to, or described in, paragraphs (1), 2(a) and 2(c), this paragraph 2(n) and paragraphs 2(r), 2(s) and 2(t) of this covenant, as the case may be;
- (o) guarantees by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary of Debt incurred by Permitted Joint Ventures in an aggregate principal amount at any one time outstanding not to exceed an amount equal to €75,000,000;
- (p) cash management obligations and Debt in respect of netting services, pooling arrangements or similar arrangements in connection with cash management in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;
- (q) (i) take-or-pay obligations in the ordinary course of business, (ii) customer deposits and advance payments in the ordinary course of business received from customers for goods or services purchased in the ordinary course of business and (iii) manufacturer, vendor financing, customer and supply arrangements in the ordinary course of business;
- (r) the incurrence of Debt by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary (other than and in addition to Debt permitted under clauses (a) through (q) above and (s) and (t) below) in an aggregate principal amount at any one time outstanding not to exceed, together with any Permitted Refinancing Debt in respect thereof, the greater of €265,000,000 and 3.5% of Total Assets;
- (s) Debt of any Person (i) Incurred and outstanding on the date on which such Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary of the Parent Guarantor or another Restricted Subsidiary of the Parent Guarantor or is merged, consolidated, amalgamated or otherwise combined with (including pursuant to any acquisition of assets and assumption of related liabilities) the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary or (ii) Incurred to provide all or any portion of the funds utilized to consummate the transaction or series of related transactions pursuant to which such Person became a Restricted Subsidiary or was otherwise acquired by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary; *provided, however*, with respect to each of clause (s)(i) and (s)(ii), that at the time of such acquisition or other transaction (1) the Parent Guarantor would have been able to Incur €1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to the first paragraph of this covenant, after giving effect to the Incurrence of such Indebtedness pursuant to this clause (s) or (2) the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries would not be less than it was immediately prior to giving pro forma effect to such acquisition or other transaction; and
- (t) Contribution Debt.

Accrual of interest or dividends, the accretion of accreted value, the accretion or amortization of original issue discount and the payment of interest or dividends in the form of additional Debt of the same class will not be deemed to be an incurrence of Debt for purposes of this covenant.

- (3) For purposes of determining compliance with any restriction on the incurrence of Debt in euros where Debt is denominated in a different currency, the amount of such Debt will be the

Euro Equivalent determined on the date of such determination; *provided* that if any such Debt denominated in a different currency is subject to a Currency Agreement (with respect to euros) covering principal amounts payable on such Debt, the amount of such Debt expressed in euros will be adjusted to take into account the effect of such agreement. The principal amount of any Permitted Refinancing Debt incurred in the same currency as the Debt being refinanced will be the Euro Equivalent of the Debt refinanced determined on the date such Debt being refinanced was initially incurred. Notwithstanding any other provision of this covenant, for purposes of determining compliance with this “Limitation on Debt” covenant, increases in Debt solely due to fluctuations in the exchange rates of currencies will not be deemed to exceed the maximum amount that an Issuer, the Parent Guarantor or a Subsidiary Guarantor may incur under this “Limitation on Debt” covenant.

- (4) For purposes of determining any particular amount of Debt under this “Limitation on Debt” covenant:
  - (a) obligations with respect to letters of credit, guarantees or Liens, in each case supporting Debt otherwise included in the determination of such particular amount will not be included;
  - (b) any Liens granted pursuant to the equal and ratable provisions described under “—Limitation on Liens” will not be treated as Debt;
  - (c) accrual of interest, accrual of dividends, the accretion of accreted value, the obligation to pay commitment fees and the payment of interest in the form of additional preferred stock or Debt will not be treated as Debt; and
  - (d) the reclassification of preferred stock as Debt due to a change in accounting principles will not be treated as Debt.
- (5) In the event that an item of Debt meets the criteria of more than one of the types of Debt described in this “Limitation on Debt” covenant, the Parent Guarantor, in its sole discretion, will classify items of Debt and will only be required to include the amount and type of such Debt in one of such clauses and the Parent Guarantor will be entitled to divide and classify an item of Debt in more than one of the types of Debt described in this “Limitation on Debt” covenant, and may change the classification of an item of Debt (or any portion thereof) to any other type of Debt described in this “Limitation on Debt” covenant at any time.
- (6) The amount of any Debt outstanding as of any date will be:
  - (a) in the case of any Debt issued with original issue discount, the amount of the liability in respect thereof determined in accordance with IFRS;
  - (b) the principal amount of the Debt, in the case of any other Debt; and
  - (c) in respect of Debt of another Person secured by a Lien on the assets of the specified Person, the lesser of:
    - (i) the Fair Market Value of such assets at the date of determination; and
    - (ii) the amount of the Debt of the other Person.

### ***Limitation on Restricted Payments***

- (1) The Parent Guarantor will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, take any of the following actions (each of which is a “Restricted Payment” and which are collectively referred to as “Restricted Payments”):
  - (a) declare or pay any dividend on or make any distribution (whether made in cash, securities or other property) with respect to any of the Parent Guarantor’s or any Restricted Subsidiary’s Capital Stock (including, without limitation, any payment in connection with any merger or consolidation involving the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary) (other than (i) to the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary or (ii) to all holders of Capital Stock of such Restricted Subsidiary on a pro rata basis or on a basis that results in the receipt by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary of dividends or distributions of greater value than the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary would receive on a pro rata basis; *provided* that any amount so paid or distributed to holders of Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary other than the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary shall be included in the calculation of the aggregate amount of all Restricted Payments declared or made after the Issue Date for the purposes of paragraph (2) of this “Limitation on Restricted Payments” covenant), except for dividends or distributions payable solely in shares of the Parent Guarantor’s Qualified Capital Stock or in options, warrants or other rights to acquire such shares of Qualified Capital Stock, or make any payment of cash interest on Deeply Subordinated Funding;
  - (b) purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire or retire for value (including, without limitation, in connection with any merger or consolidation), directly or indirectly, any shares of the Parent Guarantor’s Capital Stock held by persons other than the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary (other than Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary or any entity that becomes a Restricted Subsidiary as a result thereof) or any options, warrants or other rights to acquire such shares of Capital Stock;
  - (c) make any principal payment on, or repurchase, redeem, defease or otherwise acquire or retire for value, prior to any scheduled principal payment, sinking fund payment or maturity, any Subordinated Debt or any Deeply Subordinated Funding; or
  - (d) make any Investment (other than any Permitted Investment) in any Person.

If any Restricted Payment described above is not made in cash, the amount of the proposed Restricted Payment will be the Fair Market Value of the asset to be transferred as of the date of transfer.

- (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) above, the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary may make a Restricted Payment if, at the time of and after giving pro forma effect to such proposed Restricted Payment:
  - (a) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing;
  - (b) the Parent Guarantor could incur at least €1.00 of additional Debt (other than Permitted Debt) pursuant to the covenant described under “—Limitation on Debt”; and
  - (c) the aggregate amount of all Restricted Payments declared or made after the Issue Date does not exceed the sum of:
    - (i) 50% of aggregate Consolidated Adjusted Net Income on a cumulative basis during the period beginning on July 1, 2014 and ending on the last day of the Parent Guarantor’s last fiscal quarter ending prior to the date of such proposed Restricted



Payment (or, if such aggregate cumulative Consolidated Adjusted Net Income shall be a negative number, minus 100% of such negative amount); plus

- (ii) the aggregate Net Cash Proceeds, and the Fair Market Value of property or assets or marketable securities, received by the Parent Guarantor after the Issue Date as a contribution to its common equity capital or from the issuance or sale (other than to any Subsidiary) of shares of the Parent Guarantor's Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding (including upon the exercise of options, warrants or rights) or warrants, options or rights to purchase shares of the Parent Guarantor's Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding (except, in each case to the extent such proceeds are used to purchase, redeem or otherwise retire Capital Stock or Subordinated Debt or Deeply Subordinated Funding as set forth in clause (b) or (c) of paragraph (3) below or constitute an Excluded Contribution or the proceeds of any Contribution Debt) (excluding the Net Cash Proceeds from the issuance of the Parent Guarantor's Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding financed, directly or indirectly, using funds borrowed from the Parent Guarantor or any Subsidiary until and to the extent such borrowing is repaid and Excluded Contributions); plus
- (iii) (x) the amount by which the Parent Guarantor's Debt or Debt of any Restricted Subsidiary is reduced after the Issue Date upon the conversion or exchange (other than by the Parent Guarantor or its Subsidiary) of such Debt into the Parent Guarantor's Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding, and (y) the aggregate Net Cash Proceeds, and the Fair Market Value of property or assets or marketable securities, received after the Issue Date by the Parent Guarantor from the issuance or sale (other than to any Subsidiary) of Redeemable Capital Stock that has been converted into or exchanged for the Parent Guarantor's Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding, to the extent such Redeemable Capital Stock was originally sold for cash or Cash Equivalents, together with, in the case of both clauses (x) and (y), the aggregate Net Cash Proceeds received by the Parent Guarantor at the time of such conversion or exchange (excluding the Net Cash Proceeds from the issuance of the Parent Guarantor's Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding financed, directly or indirectly, using funds borrowed from the Parent Guarantor or any Subsidiary until and to the extent such borrowing is repaid); plus
- (iv) (x) in the case of the disposition or repayment of any Investment constituting a Restricted Payment made after the Issue Date, an amount (to the extent not included in Consolidated Adjusted Net Income) equal to the cash proceeds of such disposition or repayment or the Fair Market Value of property received by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary thereof in either case, less the cost of the disposition of such Investment and net of taxes, and (y) in the case of the designation of an Unrestricted Subsidiary as a Restricted Subsidiary (as long as the designation of such Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary was deemed a Restricted Payment), the Fair Market Value of the Parent Guarantor's interest in such Subsidiary; *provided* that such amount will not in any case exceed the amount of the Restricted Payment deemed made at the time that the Subsidiary was designated as an Unrestricted Subsidiary; plus
- (v) €70,000,000.

- (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2) above, the Parent Guarantor and any Restricted Subsidiary may take the following actions so long as (with respect to clause (h), (k), (l) and (q) below) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing:
- (a) the payment of any dividend within 180 days after the date of its declaration if at such date of its declaration such payment would have been permitted by this “Limitation on Restricted Payments” covenant;
  - (b) the repurchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement for value of any shares of the Parent Guarantor’s Capital Stock or options, warrants or other rights to acquire such Capital Stock in exchange for (including any such exchange pursuant to the exercise of a conversion right or privilege in connection with which cash is paid in lieu of the issuance of fractional shares or scrip), or out of the Net Cash Proceeds of a substantially concurrent issuance and sale (other than to a Subsidiary) of, shares of the Parent Guarantor’s Qualified Capital Stock, options, warrants or other rights to acquire such Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding (other than any Excluded Contribution or the proceeds of any Contribution Debt);
  - (c) the repurchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value or payment of principal of any Subordinated Debt or Deeply Subordinated Funding in exchange for, or out of the Net Cash Proceeds of a substantially concurrent issuance and sale (other than to a Subsidiary) of, shares of the Parent Guarantor’s Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding (other than any Excluded Contribution or the proceeds of any Contribution Debt);
  - (d) the purchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value of Subordinated Debt (other than Redeemable Capital Stock) in exchange for, or out of the Net Cash Proceeds of a substantially concurrent incurrence (other than to a Subsidiary) of, Permitted Refinancing Debt;
  - (e) the repurchase of Capital Stock deemed to occur upon the exercise of stock options with respect to which payment of the cash exercise price has been forgiven if the cumulative aggregate value of such deemed repurchases does not exceed the cumulative aggregate amount of the exercise price of such options received;
  - (f) payments or distributions to dissenting shareholders pursuant to applicable law in connection with or in contemplation of a merger, consolidation or transfer of assets that complies with the provisions of the Senior Indenture relating to mergers, consolidations or transfers of substantially all of the Parent Guarantor’s assets;
  - (g) cash payments in lieu of issuing fractional shares pursuant to the exchange or conversion of any exchangeable or convertible securities;
  - (h) cash payments, advances, loans or expense reimbursements made to any parent company of the Parent Guarantor to permit any such company to pay (i) general operating expenses, customary directors’ fees, accounting, legal, corporate reporting and administrative expenses incurred in the ordinary course of business in an amount not to exceed €20,000,000 in the aggregate in any fiscal year, and (ii) any taxes, duties or similar governmental fees of any such parent company to the extent such tax obligations are directly attributable to its ownership of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries;
  - (i) any payments (including pursuant to a tax sharing agreement or similar arrangement) between the Parent Guarantor and any other Person or a Restricted Subsidiary and any other Person with which the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries files a

consolidated tax return or with which the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries is part of a group for tax purposes (including a fiscal unity) or any tax advantageous group contribution made pursuant to applicable legislation; *provided, however*, that any such payments do not exceed the amounts of such tax that would have been payable by the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries on a stand-alone basis and the related tax liabilities of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries are relieved thereby;

- (j) the repurchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement, and any loans, advances, dividends or distributions by the Parent Guarantor to any direct or indirect parent company to repurchase, redeem or otherwise acquire or retire, for value of any Capital Stock of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary or any direct or indirect parent company held by any current or former officer, director, employee or consultant of the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries; *provided* that the aggregate price paid for all such repurchased, redeemed, acquired or retired Capital Stock may not exceed €7,500,000 plus an amount equal to €7,500,000 multiplied by the number of years that have elapsed since the Issue Date; and *provided, further*, that such amount in any calendar year may be increased by an amount not to exceed (A) the cash proceeds from the sale of Capital Stock of the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary during such calendar year, in each case to members of management, directors or consultants of the Parent Guarantor, any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or any of its direct or indirect parent companies and (B) the cash proceeds of key man life insurance policies of the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary received by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary after the Issue Date less any amount previously applied to the making of Restricted Payments pursuant to this clause (j), in each case, to the extent the cash proceeds have not otherwise been applied to the making of Restricted Payments pursuant to clause (c)(ii) of paragraph (2) above or clause (c) of this paragraph (3);
- (k) the declaration and payment by the Parent Guarantor of, or loans, advances, dividends or distributions to any parent company of the Parent Guarantor to pay, dividends on the common stock or common equity interests of the Parent Guarantor or any parent company following a Public Equity Offering, in an amount not to exceed in any fiscal year, 50% of aggregate Consolidated Adjusted Net Income on a cumulative basis during such fiscal year (the “Relevant Fiscal Year”); *provided* that such dividends shall be declared and paid no later than 180 days after the end of the Relevant Fiscal Year;
- (l) any Restricted Payment to fund, directly or indirectly, the repayment, replacement, refinancing, in whole or in part, of the Senior PIK Notes; *provided* that (i) the Consolidated Leverage Ratio of the Parent Guarantor on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any such Restricted Payment made pursuant to this section (l) but not including any Restricted Payment made in connection with such repayment, replacement or refinancing using Restricted Payment baskets other than (l) does not exceed 5.25 to 1.0; and (ii) the Qualified Capital Stock of the Parent Guarantor or a holding company or a controlled affiliate thereof is listed on an international securities exchange;
- (m) Restricted Payments in an amount equal to the amount of Excluded Contributions made;
- (n) the payment, purchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value of any Subordinated Debt of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries pursuant to provisions similar to those described under “—Change of Control” and “—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets”; *provided* that, prior to such payment, purchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value, the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor has made a Change of Control Offer or Asset Sale Offer, as the case

may be, with respect to the Senior Notes as a result of such Change of Control or Asset Sale, as the case may be, and has repurchased all such Senior Notes validly tendered and not withdrawn in connection with such Change of Control Offer or Asset Sale Offer, as the case may be;

- (o) the declaration and payment of dividends to holders of any class or series of Redeemable Capital Stock Incurred in accordance with the terms of the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”;
- (p) dividends or other distributions of Capital Stock of Unrestricted Subsidiaries; and
- (q) any other Restricted Payment; *provided* that the total aggregate amount of Restricted Payments made under this clause (q) does not exceed the greater of €125,000,000 and 1.5% of Total Assets.

The actions described in clauses (a), (f), (k), (l) and (q) of this paragraph (3) are Restricted Payments that will be permitted to be made in accordance with this paragraph (3) but that reduce the amount that would otherwise be available for Restricted Payments under clause (c) of paragraph (2) above.

For purposes of determining compliance with this covenant, in the event that a Restricted Payment meets the criteria of more than one of the categories described in clauses (a) through (q) above, or is permitted pursuant to the first paragraph of this covenant, the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries will be entitled to classify such Restricted Payment (or portion thereof) on the date of its payment or later reclassify such Restricted Payment (or portion thereof) in any manner that complies with this covenant. The amount of all Restricted Payments (other than cash) will be the Fair Market Value on the date of the Restricted Payment of the asset(s) or securities proposed to be transferred or issued by the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, pursuant to the Restricted Payment.

#### ***Limitation on Transactions with Affiliates***

The Parent Guarantor will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, enter into or suffer to exist any transaction or series of related transactions (including, without limitation, the sale, purchase, exchange or lease of assets or property or the rendering of any service), with, or for the benefit of, any Affiliate of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary's Affiliate involving aggregate consideration in excess of €25,000,000 unless:

- (a) such transaction or series of transactions is on terms that, taken as a whole, are not materially less favorable to the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, than those that could have been obtained in a comparable arm's-length transaction with third parties that are not Affiliates; and
- (b) with respect to any transaction or series of related transactions involving aggregate payments or the transfer of assets or provision of services, in each case having a value greater than €50,000,000, the Parent Guarantor will deliver a resolution of its board of directors (set out in an Officer's Certificate to the Trustee) resolving that such transaction complies with clause (a) above and that the fairness of such transaction has been approved by a majority of the Disinterested Directors (or in the event there is only one Disinterested Director, by such Disinterested Director) of the Parent Guarantor's board of directors.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the restrictions set forth in this description will not apply to:

- (i) customary directors' fees, indemnification and similar arrangements (including the payment of directors' and officers' insurance premiums), consulting fees, employee salaries, bonuses,

employment agreements and arrangements, compensation or employee benefit arrangements, including stock options or legal fees;

- (ii) any Restricted Payment not prohibited by the covenant described under “—Limitation on Restricted Payments” or the making of an Investment that is a Permitted Investment;
- (iii) agreements and arrangements existing on the Issue Date and any amendment, modification or supplement thereto; *provided* that any such amendment, modification or supplement to the terms thereof is not more disadvantageous to the holders of the Senior Notes and to the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries, as applicable, in any material respect than the original agreement or arrangement as in effect on the Issue Date;
- (iv) any payments or other transactions pursuant to a tax sharing agreement between the Parent Guarantor and any other Person or a Restricted Subsidiary and any other Person with which the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries file a consolidated tax return or with which the Issuers are part of a consolidated group for tax purposes or any tax advantageous group contribution made pursuant to applicable legislation *provided, however*, that any such payments do not exceed the amounts of such tax that would have been payable by the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries on a stand-alone basis and the related tax liabilities of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries are relieved thereby;
- (v) transactions in the ordinary course of business with a Person (other than an Unrestricted Subsidiary) that is an Affiliate of the Parent Guarantor solely because the Parent Guarantor owns, directly or through a Restricted Subsidiary, Capital Stock in, or controls, such Person;
- (vi) the issuance of securities pursuant to, or for the purpose of the funding of, employment arrangements, stock options, and stock ownership plans, as long as the terms thereof are or have been previously approved by the Parent Guarantor’s board of directors;
- (vii) the granting and performance of registration rights for the Parent Guarantor’s securities;
- (viii) (A) issuances or sales of Qualified Capital Stock of the Parent Guarantor or Deeply Subordinated Funding and (B) any amendment, waiver or other transaction with respect to any Deeply Subordinated Funding in compliance with the other provisions of the Senior Indenture;
- (ix) pledges by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Capital Stock of an Unrestricted Subsidiary or a Permitted Joint Venture securing Debt owing by such Unrestricted Subsidiary or a Permitted Joint Venture;
- (x) transactions with a joint venture made in the ordinary course of business;
- (xi) transactions between or among the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries or between or among Restricted Subsidiaries;
- (xii) transactions with customers, clients, suppliers, or purchasers or sellers of goods or services or providers of employees or other labor, in each case in the ordinary course of business and otherwise in compliance with the terms of the Senior Indenture that are fair to the Parent Guarantor or the Restricted Subsidiaries, in the reasonable determination of the members of the Board of Directors of the Parent Guarantor or the senior management thereof, or are on terms at least as favorable as might reasonably have been obtained at such time from an unaffiliated Person;
- (xiii) any transaction effected as part of a Permitted Receivables Financing;
- (xiv) pledges of Equity Interests of Unrestricted Subsidiaries; and

- (xv) any employment agreement, consultancy agreement or employee benefit arrangement with any employee, consultant, officer or director of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary, including under any stock option, stock appreciation rights, stock incentive or similar plans, entered into in the ordinary course of business.

#### ***Limitation on Liens***

The Parent Guarantor will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Lien of any kind (except for Permitted Liens) or assign or otherwise convey any right to receive any income, profits or proceeds on or with respect to any of the Parent Guarantor's or any Restricted Subsidiary's property or assets, including any shares of stock or any Debt of any Restricted Subsidiary but excluding any Capital Stock, Debt or other securities of any Unrestricted Subsidiary, whether owned at or acquired after the Issue Date, or any income, profits or proceeds therefrom unless:

- (a) in the case of any Lien securing Subordinated Debt, the Issuers' obligations in respect of the Senior Notes (or a Guarantee in the case of Liens securing Subordinated Debt of a Guarantor) are directly secured by a Lien on such property, assets or proceeds that is senior in priority to the Lien securing the Subordinated Debt until such time as the Subordinated Debt is no longer secured by a Lien; and
- (b) in the case of any other Lien, the Issuers' obligations in respect of the Senior Notes (or a Guarantee in the case of Liens securing Debt of a Guarantor), and all other amounts due under the Senior Indenture are equally and ratably secured with the obligation or liability secured by such Lien.

#### ***Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets***

- (1) The Parent Guarantor will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, consummate any Asset Sale unless:
  - (a) the consideration the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary receives for such Asset Sale is not less than the Fair Market Value of the assets sold (as determined in good faith by the Parent Guarantor's board of directors);
  - (b) at least 75% of the consideration the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary receives in respect of such Asset Sale consists of (i) cash (including any Net Cash Proceeds received from the conversion within 90 days of such Asset Sale of securities, notes or other obligations received in consideration of such Asset Sale); (ii) Cash Equivalents; (iii) the assumption by the purchaser of (x) the Parent Guarantor's Debt or Debt of any Restricted Subsidiary (other than Subordinated Debt) as a result of which neither the Parent Guarantor nor any of the Restricted Subsidiaries remains obligated in respect of such Debt or (y) Debt of a Restricted Subsidiary that is no longer a Restricted Subsidiary as a result of such Asset Sale, if the Parent Guarantor and each other Restricted Subsidiary is released from any guarantee of such Debt as a result of such Asset Sale; (iv) Replacement Assets; (v) any Designated Non-cash Consideration received by the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary in such Asset Sale having an aggregate Fair Market Value, taken together with all other Designated Non-cash Consideration received pursuant to this clause (b), not to exceed the greater of €100,000,000 and 1.25% of Total Assets at the time of the receipt of such Designated Non-cash Consideration, with the Fair Market Value of each item of Designated Non-cash Consideration being measured at the time received and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value or (vi) a combination of the consideration specified in clauses (i) to (v); and



- (c) the Parent Guarantor delivers an Officer's Certificate to the Trustee certifying that such Asset Sale complies with the provisions described in the foregoing clauses (a) and (b).
- (2) If the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary consummates an Asset Sale, the Net Cash Proceeds from such Asset Sale, within 360 days after the consummation of such Asset Sale, may be used by the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary to (i) permanently repay or prepay any then outstanding Debt (other than Debt that is subordinated to the Senior Notes or the Guarantees of the Senior Notes) of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary (and to effect a corresponding commitment reduction if such Debt is revolving credit borrowings) owing to a Person other than the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary or (ii) invest in any Replacement Assets, (iii) acquire all or substantially all the assets of, or any Capital Stock of, another Similar Business, if, after giving effect to any such acquisition of Capital Stock, the Similar Business is or becomes a Restricted Subsidiary, or (iv) any combination of the foregoing; *provided* that in the case of clause (ii), if the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, has entered into a binding commitment in definitive form within such 360-day period to so apply such Net Cash Proceeds with the good faith expectation that such Net Cash Proceeds will be applied to satisfy such commitment within 180 days of such commitment (an "Acceptable Commitment"), such binding commitment shall be treated as a permitted application of such Net Cash Proceeds; *provided further* that if any Acceptable Commitment is later cancelled or terminated for any reason before such Net Cash Proceeds are applied and after such initial 360-day period, then such Net Cash Proceeds shall constitute Excess Proceeds (as defined below). The amount of such Net Cash Proceeds not so used as set forth in this paragraph (2) constitutes "Excess Proceeds." The Parent Guarantor may reduce revolving credit borrowings or otherwise invest such Net Cash Proceeds in any manner that is not prohibited by the terms of the Senior Indenture.
- (3) The Parent Guarantor or the Issuers may also at any time, and the Parent Guarantor or the Issuers will within 20 Business Days after the aggregate amount of Excess Proceeds exceeds €50,000,000, make an offer to purchase (an "Excess Proceeds Offer") from all holders of the Senior Notes and from the holders of any Pari passu Debt, to the extent required by the terms thereof, on a pro rata basis, in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Senior Indenture or the agreements governing any such Pari passu Debt, the maximum principal amount (expressed as an integral multiple of \$1,000 with respect to the Dollar Senior Notes and as an integral multiple of €1,000 for the Euro Senior Notes) of the Senior Notes and any such Pari passu Debt that may be purchased with the amount of the Excess Proceeds. The offer price as to each Senior Note and any such Pari passu Debt will be payable in cash in an amount equal to (solely in the case of the Senior Notes) 100% of the principal amount of such Senior Note and (solely in the case of Pari passu Debt) no greater than 100% of the principal amount (or accreted value, as applicable) of such Pari passu Debt, plus in each case accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase.

To the extent that the aggregate principal amount of Senior Notes and any such Pari passu Debt tendered pursuant to an Excess Proceeds Offer is less than the aggregate amount of Excess Proceeds, the Parent Guarantor may use the amount of such Excess Proceeds not used to purchase the Senior Notes and Pari passu Debt for general corporate purposes that are not otherwise prohibited by the Senior Indenture. If the aggregate principal amount of the Senior Notes and any such Pari passu Debt validly tendered and not withdrawn by holders thereof exceeds the aggregate amount of Excess Proceeds, the Senior Notes and any such Pari passu Debt to be purchased will be selected by the Trustee on a pro rata basis (based upon the principal amount of the Senior Notes and the principal amount or accreted value of such Pari

passu Debt tendered by each holder). Upon completion of each such Excess Proceeds Offer, the amount of Excess Proceeds will be reset to zero.

- (4) If the Parent Guarantor or the Issuers are obligated to make an Excess Proceeds Offer, the Parent Guarantor or the Issuers will purchase the Senior Notes and Pari passu Debt, at the option of the holders thereof, in whole or in part (as an integral multiple of \$1,000 with respect to the Dollar Senior Notes and as an integral multiple of €1,000 for the Euro Secured Notes), on a date that is not earlier than 30 days and not later than 60 days from the date the notice of the Excess Proceeds Offer is given to such holders, or such later date as may be required under the Exchange Act; *provided* that Dollar Senior Notes of \$200,000 and Euro Senior Notes of €100,000 will be purchased in full.

If the Parent Guarantor or the Issuers are required to make an Excess Proceeds Offer, the Parent Guarantor and the Issuers will comply with the applicable tender offer rules, including Rule 14e-1 under the Exchange Act, and any other applicable securities laws and regulations, including any securities laws of Ireland and the requirements of any applicable securities exchange on which Senior Notes or the Existing Ardagh Bonds are then listed. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with the provisions of this covenant, we will comply with such securities laws and regulations and will not be deemed to have breached our obligations described in this covenant by virtue thereof.

#### ***Limitation on Guarantees of Debt by Restricted Subsidiaries***

- (1) The Parent Guarantor will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary that is not an Issuer or a Guarantor, directly or indirectly, to guarantee, assume or in any other manner become liable for the payment of any Pari passu Debt or Subordinated Debt of either Issuer (other than the Senior Notes), the Parent Guarantor or any Subsidiary Guarantor, unless:
  - (a) such Restricted Subsidiary simultaneously executes and delivers a supplemental indenture to the Senior Indenture providing for a Guarantee of payment of the Senior Notes by such Restricted Subsidiary on the same terms as the guarantee of such Debt; and
  - (b) with respect to any guarantee of Subordinated Debt by such Restricted Subsidiary, any such guarantee shall be subordinated to such Restricted Subsidiary's Guarantee with respect to the Senior Notes at least to the same extent as such Subordinated Debt is subordinated to the Senior Notes.

This paragraph (1) will not be applicable to any guarantees of any Restricted Subsidiary:

- (i) existing on the Issue Date, guaranteeing Debt under Credit Facilities permitted to be incurred pursuant to paragraphs (2)(b) and 2(m) of the covenant described under “—Limitation on Debt” or guaranteeing Debt in an aggregate principal amount that is less than €75,000,000;
- (ii) that existed at the time such Person became a Restricted Subsidiary if the guarantee was not incurred in connection with, or in contemplation of, such Person becoming a Restricted Subsidiary; or
- (iii) given to a bank or trust company having combined capital and surplus and undivided profits of not less than €500 million, whose debt has a rating, at the time such guarantee was given, of at least BBB+ or the equivalent thereof by S&P and at least Baa1 or the equivalent thereof by Moody's, in connection with the operation of cash management programs established for the Parent Guarantor's benefit or that of any Restricted Subsidiary.

- (2) Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Guarantee of the Senior Notes created pursuant to the provisions described in paragraph (1) above may provide by its terms that it will be automatically and unconditionally released and discharged upon:
- (a) any sale, exchange or transfer, to any Person who is not the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary of all of the Capital Stock owned by the Parent Guarantor and its other Restricted Subsidiaries in, or all or substantially all the assets of, such Restricted Subsidiary (which sale, exchange or transfer is not prohibited by the Senior Indenture); or
  - (b) (with respect to any Guarantee created after the Issue Date) the release by the holders of the applicable Issuer's, the Parent Guarantor's or the Subsidiary Guarantor's Debt described in paragraph (1) above, of their guarantee by such Restricted Subsidiary (including any deemed release upon payment in full of all obligations under such Debt other than as a result of payment under such guarantee), at a time when:
    - (i) no other Debt of either Issuer, the Parent Guarantor or any Subsidiary Guarantor has been guaranteed by such Restricted Subsidiary; or
    - (ii) the holders of all such other Debt that is guaranteed by such Restricted Subsidiary also release their guarantee by such Restricted Subsidiary (including any deemed release upon payment in full of all obligations under such Debt other than as a result of payment under such guarantee); or
  - (c) the release of the Guarantees on the terms and conditions and in the circumstances described in "—Ranking of the Senior Notes and the Guarantees; Subordination" and in "—The Guarantees—Release of the Guarantees."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parent Guarantor shall not be obligated to cause any such Restricted Subsidiary to guarantee the Senior Notes to the extent that such Guarantee would reasonably be expected to give rise to or result in (A) any violation of applicable law, rule, regulation or order that cannot be avoided or otherwise prevented through measures reasonably available to the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary, (B) personal liability for the officers, directors or shareholders of such Restricted Subsidiary or (C) any significant cost, expense, liability or obligation (including with respect to any Taxes but excluding any reasonable guarantee or similar fee payable to the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary) other than any governmental or regulatory filings required as a result of, or any measures pursuant to clause (A) undertaken in connection with, such Guarantee, which cannot be avoided through measures reasonably available to the Parent Guarantor or the Restricted Subsidiary; *provided, however*, that any Restricted Subsidiary who directly or indirectly, guarantees, assumes or in any other manner become liable for the payment of any obligations under the Existing Ardagh Bonds shall also be required to Guarantee payment of the Senior Notes on the same terms as the guarantee of such obligations.

Each such additional Guarantee will be limited as necessary to recognize certain defenses generally available to guarantors (including those that relate to fraudulent conveyance or transfer, voidable preference, financial assistance, corporate purpose and corporate benefit, thin capitalization, distributable reserves, capital maintenance or similar laws, regulations or defenses affecting the rights of creditors generally) or other considerations under applicable law.

***Limitation on Dividends and Other Payment Restrictions Affecting Restricted Subsidiaries***

- (1) The Parent Guarantor will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, create or otherwise cause or suffer to exist or become effective any consensual encumbrance or restriction of any kind on the ability of any Restricted Subsidiary to:
  - (a) pay dividends, in cash or otherwise, or make any other distributions on or in respect of its Capital Stock or any other interest or participation in, or measured by, its profits;
  - (b) pay any Debt owed to the Parent Guarantor or any other Restricted Subsidiary;
  - (c) make loans or advances to the Parent Guarantor or any other Restricted Subsidiary; or
  - (d) transfer any of its properties or assets to the Parent Guarantor or any other Restricted Subsidiary.
- (2) The provisions of the covenant described in paragraph (1) above will not apply to:
  - (a) encumbrances and restrictions imposed by the Senior Notes, the Existing Ardagh Bonds and the New Secured Notes, the Senior Indenture, any Credit Facility, the indentures governing the Existing Ardagh Bonds and the New Secured Notes, the Intercreditor Agreement (or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement), the Senior PIK Notes and the security documents related thereto or by other indentures or agreements governing other Debt we incur ranking equally with the Senior Notes;
  - (b) any customary encumbrances or restrictions created under any agreements with respect to Debt of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary permitted to be incurred subsequent to the Issue Date pursuant to the provisions of the covenant described under “—Limitation on Debt,” including encumbrances or restrictions imposed by Debt permitted to be incurred under Credit Facilities or any guarantees thereof in accordance with such covenant; *provided* that such agreements do not prohibit the payment of interest with respect to the Senior Notes or the Guarantees absent a default or event of default under such agreement;
  - (c) encumbrances or restrictions contained in any agreement in effect on the Issue Date (other than an agreement described in another clause of this paragraph (2));
  - (d) with respect to restrictions or encumbrances referred to in clause (1)(d) above, encumbrances and restrictions that restrict in a customary manner the subletting, assignment or transfer of any properties or assets that are subject to a lease, license, conveyance or other similar agreement to which the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary is a party;
  - (e) encumbrances or restrictions contained in any agreement or other instrument of a Person (including its Subsidiaries) acquired by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in effect at the time of such acquisition (but not created in contemplation thereof), which encumbrance or restriction is not applicable to any Person, or the properties or assets of any Person, other than the Person, or the property or assets of the Person, so acquired (including its Subsidiaries);
  - (f) encumbrances or restrictions contained in contracts for sales of Capital Stock or assets permitted by the covenant described under “—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets” with respect to the assets or Capital Stock to be sold pursuant to such contract or in customary merger or acquisition agreements (or any option to enter into such contract) for the purchase or acquisition of Capital Stock or assets or any of the Parent Guarantor’s Subsidiaries by another Person;

- (g) with respect to restrictions or encumbrances referred to in clause (1)(d) above, any customary encumbrances or restrictions pertaining to any asset or property subject to a Lien to the extent set forth in the security document or any related document governing such Lien;
- (h) encumbrances or restrictions imposed by applicable law or regulation or by governmental licenses, concessions, franchises or permits;
- (i) encumbrances or restrictions on cash or other deposits or net worth imposed by customers under contracts entered into the ordinary course of business;
- (j) customary limitations on the distribution or disposition of assets or property in joint venture agreements entered into the ordinary course of business and in good faith by any Restricted Subsidiary; *provided* that such encumbrance or restriction is applicable only to such Restricted Subsidiary and its Subsidiaries;
- (k) in the case of clause (1)(d) above, customary encumbrances or restrictions in connection with purchase money obligations, mortgage financings and Capitalized Lease Obligations for property acquired in the ordinary course of business;
- (l) any encumbrance or restriction arising by reason of customary non-assignment provisions in agreements;
- (m) encumbrances or restrictions with respect to any Permitted Receivables Financing; *provided* that such encumbrances or restrictions are customarily required by the institutional sponsor or arranger of such Permitted Receivables Financing in similar types of documents relating to the purchase of similar receivables in connection with the financing thereof;
- (n) encumbrances or restrictions with respect to a Restricted Subsidiary imposed pursuant to a Permitted Joint Venture;
- (o) encumbrances or restrictions incurred in accordance with the covenant described under “—Limitation on Liens”; or
- (p) any encumbrances or restrictions existing under any agreement that extends, renews, amends, modifies, restates, supplements, refunds, refinances or replaces the agreements containing the encumbrances or restrictions in the foregoing clauses (2)(a) through (o); *provided* that the terms and conditions of any such encumbrances or restrictions are not materially less favorable, taken as a whole, to the holders of the Senior Notes than those under or pursuant to the agreement so extended, renewed, amended, modified, restated, supplemented, refunded, refinanced or replaced.

#### ***Limitation on Layered Debt***

The Subsidiary Guarantors will not incur, create, issue, assume, guarantee or otherwise become liable for any Debt that is subordinate or junior in right of payment to any Senior Debt of the Subsidiary Guarantors and senior in any respect in right of payment to the Guarantees or any other Pari passu Debt of the Subsidiary Guarantors; *provided* that the foregoing limitation will not apply to distinctions between categories of Senior Debt that exist by reason of any Liens or guarantees arising or created in respect of some but not all of such Senior Debt or pursuant to the Intercreditor Agreement (and/or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement).

### ***Additional Intercreditor Agreements***

The Senior Indenture will provide that, at the request and direction of the Parent Guarantor and without the consent of the holders of the Senior Notes, in connection with the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or its Restricted Subsidiaries of any Permitted Debt, the Parent Guarantor, the relevant Restricted Subsidiaries and the Trustee shall enter into with the holders of such Debt (or their duly authorized representatives) an intercreditor agreement (an “Additional Intercreditor Agreement”) or a restatement, amendment or other modification of the existing Intercreditor Agreement, in each case on substantially the same terms as the Intercreditor Agreement (or terms not materially less favorable to the holders of the Senior Notes), including containing substantially the same terms with respect to release of Guarantees and priority and release of the Security Interests; *provided* that such Additional Intercreditor Agreement will not impose any personal obligations on the Trustee or, in the opinion of the Trustee, adversely affect the rights, duties, liabilities or immunities of the Trustee under the Senior Indenture or the Intercreditor Agreement.

The Senior Indenture also will provide that, at the request and direction of the Parent Guarantor and without the consent of the holders of the Senior Notes, the Trustee shall from time to time enter into one or more amendments to any Intercreditor Agreement to: (1) cure any ambiguity, omission, defect or inconsistency of any such agreement, (2) increase the amount or types of Debt covered by any such agreement that may be incurred by an Issuer or a Guarantor that is subject to any such agreement (including with respect to any Intercreditor Agreement or Additional Intercreditor Agreement, the addition of provisions relating to new Debt ranking junior in right of payment to the Senior Notes), (3) add Restricted Subsidiaries to the Intercreditor Agreement or an Additional Intercreditor Agreement, (4) amend the Intercreditor Agreement or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement in accordance with the terms thereof or (5) make any other change to any such agreement that does not adversely affect the holders of Senior Notes in any material respect. The Parent Guarantor shall not otherwise direct the Trustee to enter into any amendment to any Intercreditor Agreement without the consent of the holders of the majority in aggregate principal amount of the Senior Notes then outstanding, except as otherwise permitted below under “Amendments and Waivers,” and the Parent Guarantor may only direct the Trustee to enter into any amendment to the extent such amendment does not impose any personal obligations on the Trustee or, in the opinion of the Trustee, adversely affect their respective rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under the Senior Indenture or the Intercreditor Agreement or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement.

The Senior Indenture shall also provide that, in relation to any Intercreditor Agreement or Additional Intercreditor Agreement, the Trustee shall consent on behalf of the holders of the Senior Notes to the payment, repayment, purchase, repurchase, defeasance, acquisition, retirement or redemption of any obligations subordinated to the Senior Notes thereby; *provided, however*, that such transaction would comply with the covenant described under “—Limitation on Restricted Payments.”

The Senior Indenture also will provide that each holder of the Senior Notes, by accepting a Senior Note, shall be deemed to have agreed to and accepted the terms and conditions of the Intercreditor Agreement or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement (whether then entered into or entered into in the future pursuant to the provisions described herein) and to have directed the Trustee to enter into any such Additional Intercreditor Agreement. A copy of the Intercreditor Agreement or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement shall be made available for inspection during normal business hours on any Business Day upon prior written request at the offices of the Listing Agent.

### ***Designation of Unrestricted and Restricted Subsidiaries***

The Parent Guarantor’s board of directors may designate any Subsidiary (including newly acquired or newly established Subsidiaries) to be an “Unrestricted Subsidiary” only if no Default has occurred and is continuing at the time of or after giving effect to such designation.



In the event of any such designation, the Parent Guarantor will be deemed to have made an Investment constituting a Restricted Payment pursuant to the covenant described under “—Limitation on Restricted Payments” for all purposes of the Senior Indenture in an amount equal to the greater of (i) the net book value of the Parent Guarantor’s interest in such Subsidiary calculated in accordance with IFRS or (ii) the Fair Market Value of the Parent Guarantor’s interest in such Subsidiary.

The Parent Guarantor’s board of directors may designate any Unrestricted Subsidiary as a Restricted Subsidiary if (i) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing at the time of or will occur and be continuing after giving effect to such designation and (ii) (x) the Parent Guarantor could incur at least €1.00 of additional Debt under the first paragraph of the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation of Indebtedness” or (y) the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio would not be less than it was immediately prior to giving effect to such designation, in each case, on a pro forma basis taking into account such designation.

Any such designation as an Unrestricted Subsidiary or Restricted Subsidiary by the Parent Guarantor’s board of directors will be evidenced to the Trustee by filing a resolution of the Parent Guarantor’s board of directors with the Trustee giving effect to such designation and an Officer’s Certificate certifying that such designation complies with the foregoing conditions, and giving the effective date of such designation. Any such filing with the Trustee must occur within 45 days after the end of the Parent Guarantor’s fiscal quarter in which such designation is made (or, in the case of a designation made during the last fiscal quarter of the Parent Guarantor’s fiscal year, within 90 days after the end of such fiscal year).

#### ***Reports to Holders***

So long as any Senior Notes are outstanding, the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor will furnish to the Trustee:

- (1) within 120 days after the end of each of the Parent Guarantor’s fiscal year’s annual reports containing the following information: (a) audited consolidated balance sheets of the Parent Guarantor as of the end of the two most recent fiscal years and audited consolidated income statements and statements of cash flow of the Parent Guarantor for the two most recent fiscal years, including footnotes to such financial statements and the report of the Parent Guarantor’s independent auditors on the financial statements; (b) an operating and financial review of the audited financial statements, including a discussion of the results of operations, financial condition and liquidity and capital resources, and a discussion of material commitments and contingencies and critical accounting policies; (c) a description of the business and management of the Parent Guarantor; and (d) material recent developments to the extent not previously reported;
- (2) within 60 days following the end of each of the first three fiscal quarters in each fiscal year of the Parent Guarantor’s quarterly reports containing the following information: (a) an unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheet as of the end of such quarter and unaudited condensed statements of income and cash flow for the quarterly and year-to-date periods ending on the unaudited condensed balance sheet date, and the comparable prior year periods for the Parent Guarantor, together with condensed footnote disclosure; (b) operating and financial review of the unaudited financial statements, including a discussion of the consolidated financial condition and results of operations of the Parent Guarantor and any material change between the current quarterly period and the corresponding period of the prior year; and (c) material recent developments to the extent not previously reported; and
- (3) promptly after the occurrence of any material acquisition, disposition or restructuring of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or any change of the entire board of directors, chairman of the board of directors, chief executive officer or chief

financial officer at the Parent Guarantor or change in auditors of the Parent Guarantor, a press release containing a description of such event.

In addition, the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor shall furnish to the holders of the Senior Notes and to prospective investors, upon the requests of such holders, any information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act so long as the Senior Notes are not freely transferable under the Exchange Act by Persons who are not “affiliates” under the Securities Act.

The Issuers or the Parent Guarantor will also make available copies of all reports furnished to the Trustee (a) on the website of the Ardagh group of companies; and (b) through the newswire service of Bloomberg, or, if Bloomberg does not then operate, any similar agency.

***Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets***

The Parent Guarantor will not, in a single transaction or through a series of transactions, consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or sell, assign, convey, transfer, lease or otherwise dispose of, or take any action pursuant to any resolution passed by the Parent Guarantor’s board of directors or shareholders with respect to a demerger or division pursuant to which the Parent Guarantor would dispose of, all or substantially all of the Parent Guarantor’s properties and assets (other than Capital Stock, Debt or other securities of any Unrestricted Subsidiary) to any other Person or Persons and the Parent Guarantor will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to enter into any such transaction or series of transactions if such transaction or series of transactions, in the aggregate, would result in the sale, assignment, conveyance, transfer, lease or other disposition of all or substantially all of the properties and assets (other than Capital Stock, Debt or other securities of any Unrestricted Subsidiary) of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis to any other Person or Persons. The previous sentence will not apply if:

- (a) at the time of, and immediately after giving effect to, any such transaction or series of transactions, either (i) the Parent Guarantor will be the continuing corporation or (ii) the Person (if other than the Parent Guarantor) formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger or to which such sale, assignment, conveyance, transfer, lease or disposition of all or substantially all the properties and assets of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis has been made (the “Surviving Entity”) (x) will be a corporation duly incorporated and validly existing under the laws of any member state of the European Union or the European Economic Area, the United States of America, any state thereof, the District of Columbia, Canada, Switzerland, Australia or Bermuda and (y) will expressly assume, by a supplemental indenture in form satisfactory to the Trustee, the Parent Guarantor’s obligations under the Senior Notes and the Senior Indenture and the Senior Notes and the Senior Indenture will remain in full force and effect as so supplemented;
- (b) immediately after giving effect to such transaction or series of transactions on a pro forma basis (and treating any obligation of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary incurred in connection with or as a result of such transaction or series of transactions as having been incurred by the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary at the time of such transaction), no Default or Event of Default will have occurred and be continuing;
- (c) immediately before and immediately after giving effect to such transaction or series of transactions on a pro forma basis (on the assumption that the transaction or series of transactions occurred on the first day of the four-quarter fiscal period immediately prior to the consummation of such transaction or series of transactions with the appropriate adjustments with respect to the transaction or series of transactions being included in such pro forma calculation), the Parent Guarantor (or the Surviving Entity if the Parent Guarantor is

not the continuing obligor under the Senior Indenture) could incur at least €1.00 of additional Debt under the provisions of the covenant described under “—Limitation on Debt”;

- (d) any Subsidiary Guarantor, unless it is the other party to the transactions described above, will have by supplemental indenture confirmed that its Guarantee will apply to such Person’s obligations under the Senior Indenture and the Senior Notes;
- (e) any of the Parent Guarantor’s or any Restricted Subsidiary’s property or assets would thereupon become subject to any Lien, the provisions of the covenant described under “—Limitation on Liens” are complied with; and
- (f) the Parent Guarantor or the Surviving Entity will have delivered to the Trustee, in form and substance satisfactory to the Trustee, an Officer’s Certificate (attaching the computations to demonstrate compliance with clause (c) above) and an opinion of independent counsel, each stating that such consolidation, merger, sale, assignment, conveyance, transfer, lease or other disposition, and if a supplemental indenture is required in connection with such transaction, such supplemental indenture, comply with the requirements of the Senior Indenture and that the Senior Indenture and the Senior Notes constitute legal, valid and binding obligations of the continuing person, enforceable in accordance with their terms.

The Surviving Entity will succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, the Parent Guarantor under the Senior Indenture, but, in the case of a lease of all or substantially all of the Parent Guarantor’s assets, the Parent Guarantor will not be released from the obligation to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest, on the Senior Notes.

Nothing in the Senior Indenture will prevent (i) any Restricted Subsidiary from consolidating with, merging into or transferring all or substantially all of its properties and assets to the Parent Guarantor or any other Restricted Subsidiary or (ii) any Subsidiary Guarantor from consolidating with, merging into or transferring all or substantially all of its properties and assets to the Parent Guarantor, either Issuer or another Subsidiary Guarantor (and upon any such transfer, the Guarantee of the transferring Subsidiary Guarantor shall automatically be released).

Although there is a limited body of case law interpreting the phrase “all or substantially all,” there is no precise established definition of the phrase under applicable law. Accordingly, in certain circumstances there may be a degree of uncertainty as to whether a particular transaction would involve “all or substantially all” of the property or assets of a Person.

The Parent Guarantor will publish a notice of any consolidation, merger or sale of assets described above in accordance with the provisions of the Senior Indenture described under “—Notices” and, so long as the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange so require, notify such exchange of any such consolidation, merger or sale.

#### **Suspension of Covenants on Achievement of Investment Grade Status**

If on any date following the Issue Date, the Senior Notes have achieved Investment Grade Status and no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing (a “Suspension Event”), then, beginning on that day and continuing until the Reversion Date, the provisions of the Senior Indenture summarized under the following captions will not apply to such Senior Notes: “—Limitation on Debt,” “—Limitation on Restricted Payments,” “—Limitation on Restrictions on Distributions from Restricted Subsidiaries,” “—Limitation on Transactions with Affiliates,” “—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets,” “—Limitation on Guarantees of Debt by Restricted Subsidiaries,” “—Limitation on Dividends and Other Payment Restrictions Affecting Restricted Subsidiaries,” and the provisions of clause (c) of the first paragraph of the covenant described under “—Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets,” and, in each case, any related default provision of the Senior Indenture will cease to be effective and will not be applicable to the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries. Such covenants and any related

default provisions will again apply according to their terms from the first day on which a Suspension Event ceases to be in effect. Such covenants will not, however, be of any effect with regard to actions of the Parent Guarantor properly taken during the continuance of the Suspension Event, and the “—Limitation on Restricted Payments” covenant will be interpreted as if it has been in effect since the date of the Indenture except that no default will be deemed to have occurred solely by reason of a Restricted Payment made while that covenant was suspended. On the Reversion Date, all Debt Incurred during the continuance of the Suspension Event will be classified, at the Parent Guarantor’s option, as having been Incurred pursuant to the first paragraph of the covenant described under “—Limitation on Debt” or one of the clauses set forth in the second paragraph of such covenant (to the extent such Debt would be permitted to be Incurred thereunder as of the Reversion Date and after giving effect to Debt Incurred prior to the Suspension Event and outstanding on the Reversion Date). To the extent such Debt would not be so permitted to be incurred under the first two paragraphs of the covenant described under “—Limitation on Debt,” such Debt will be deemed to have been outstanding on the Issue Date, so that it is classified as permitted under clause (2)(c) of the second paragraph of the covenant described under “—Limitation on Debt.”

### **Events of Default**

- (1) Each of the following will be an “Event of Default” under the Senior Indenture:
  - (a) default for 30 days in the payment when due of any interest or any Additional Amounts on any Senior Note;
  - (b) default in the payment of the principal of or premium, if any, on any Senior Note at its Maturity (upon acceleration, optional or mandatory redemption, if any, required repurchase or otherwise), whether or not prohibited by the subordination provisions of the Senior Indenture or the Intercreditor Agreement (and/or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement);
  - (c) failure to comply with the provisions of the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets”;
  - (d) failure to comply with any covenant or agreement of the Parent Guarantor or of any Restricted Subsidiary that is contained in the Senior Indenture or any Guarantees (other than specified in clause (a), (b) or (c) above) and such failure continues for a period of 60 days or more, in each case after the written notice specified in clause (2) below;
  - (e) default under the terms of any instrument evidencing or securing the Debt of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary having an outstanding principal amount in excess of €75,000,000, in each case, individually or in the aggregate, if that default: (x) results in the acceleration of the payment of such Debt or (y) is caused by the failure to pay such Debt at final maturity thereof after giving effect to the expiration of any applicable grace periods and other than by regularly scheduled required prepayment, and such failure to make any payment has not been waived or the maturity of such Debt has not been extended, and in either case the total amount of such Debt unpaid or accelerated exceeds €75,000,000 or its equivalent at the time;
  - (f) any Guarantee ceases to be, or shall be asserted in writing by any Guarantor, or any Person acting on behalf of any Guarantor, not to be in full force and effect or enforceable in accordance with its terms (other than as provided for in the Senior Indenture, any Guarantee, the Intercreditor Agreement or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement);
  - (g) one or more final judgments, orders or decrees (not subject to appeal and not covered by insurance) shall be rendered against the Parent Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary,

either individually or in an aggregate amount, in excess of €75,000,000 or its equivalent at the time, and either a creditor shall have commenced an enforcement proceeding upon such judgment, order or decree or there shall have been a period of 60 consecutive days or more during which a stay of enforcement of such judgment, order or decree was not (by reason of pending appeal or otherwise) in effect; and

- (h) the occurrence of certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or reorganization with respect to the Parent Guarantor or any Material Subsidiary.
- (2) If an Event of Default (other than as specified in clause (1)(h) above) occurs and is continuing, the Trustee or the holders of not less than 30% in aggregate principal amount of the Senior Notes then outstanding by written notice to the Issuers and the Parent Guarantor (and to the Trustee if such notice is given by the holders) may, and the Trustee, upon the written request of such holders, shall, declare the principal of, premium, if any, and any Additional Amounts and accrued interest on all of the outstanding Senior Notes immediately due and payable, and upon any such declaration all such amounts payable in respect of the Senior Notes will become immediately due and payable.
  - (3) If an Event of Default specified in clause (1)(h) above occurs and is continuing, then the principal of, premium, if any, and Additional Amounts and accrued and unpaid interest on all of the outstanding Senior Notes shall become and be immediately due and payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any holder of Senior Notes.
  - (4) At any time after a declaration of acceleration under the Senior Indenture, but before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee, the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Senior Notes, by written notice to the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and the Trustee, may rescind such declaration and its consequences if:
    - (a) the Parent Guarantor or either Issuer have paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:
      - (i) all overdue interest and Additional Amounts on all Senior Notes then outstanding;
      - (ii) all unpaid principal of and premium, if any, on any outstanding Senior Notes that has become due otherwise than by such declaration of acceleration and interest thereon at the rate borne by the Senior Notes;
      - (iii) to the extent that payment of such interest is lawful, interest upon overdue interest and overdue principal at the rate borne by the Senior Notes; and
      - (iv) all sums paid or advanced by the Trustee under the Senior Indenture and the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel;
    - (b) the rescission would not conflict with any judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction; and
    - (c) all Events of Default, other than the non-payment of amounts of principal of, premium, if any, and any Additional Amounts and interest on the Senior Notes that has become due solely by such declaration of acceleration, have been cured or waived.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent default or impair any right consequent thereon.

- (5) The holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Senior Notes may, on behalf of the holders of all the Senior Notes, waive any past defaults under the Senior Indenture, except a default:
  - (a) in the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and Additional Amounts or interest on any Senior Note; or
  - (b) in respect of a covenant or provision which under the Senior Indenture cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the holders of 90% of the outstanding Senior Notes.
- (6) No holder of any of the Senior Notes has any right to institute any proceedings with respect to the Senior Indenture or any remedy thereunder, unless the holders of at least 30% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Senior Notes have made a written request to, and offered indemnity and/or security (including by way of pre-funding) reasonably satisfactory to, the Trustee to institute such proceeding as trustee under the Senior Notes and the Senior Indenture, the Trustee has failed to institute such proceeding within 30 days after receipt of such notice and indemnity or security and the Trustee within such 30-day period has not received directions inconsistent with such written request by holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Senior Notes. Such limitations do not, however, apply to a suit instituted by a holder of a Senior Note for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and Additional Amounts or interest on such Senior Note on or after the respective due dates expressed in such Senior Note.
- (7) If a Default or an Event of Default occurs and is continuing and is known to a responsible officer of the Trustee, the Trustee will mail to each holder of the Senior Notes notice of the Default or Event of Default within 15 Business Days after its occurrence. Except in the case of a Default or an Event of Default in payment of principal of, premium, if any, and Additional Amounts or interest on any Senior Notes, the Trustee may withhold the notice to the holders of such Senior Notes if a committee of its trust officers in good faith determines that withholding the notice is in the interests of the holders of the Senior Notes. Subject to the provisions of the Senior Indenture relating to the duties of the Trustee, if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers under the Senior Indenture at the request or direction of any of the holders unless such holders have offered to the Trustee, and the Trustee has received, indemnity and/or security (including by way of pre-funding) satisfactory to the Trustee in its sole discretion against any loss, liability or expense.
- (8) The Issuers and the Parent Guarantor are required to furnish to the Trustee annual statements as to the performance of the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries under the Senior Indenture and as to any default in such performance. The Issuers and the Parent Guarantor are also required to notify the Trustee within 15 Business Days of the occurrence of any Default stating what action, if any, they are taking with respect to that Default.
- (9) In the event of a declaration of acceleration of the Senior Notes because an Event of Default as described in clause (e) of paragraph (1) above has occurred and is continuing, the declaration of acceleration of the Senior Notes shall be automatically annulled if the event of default or payment default triggering such Event of Default pursuant to such clause (e) shall be remedied or cured, or waived by the holders of the Debt that gave rise to such Event of Default, or such Debt shall have been discharged in full, within 20 days after the Event of Default arose and if (1) the annulment of the acceleration (if applicable) of the Senior Notes would not conflict with any judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction and (2) all existing Events of Default, except nonpayment of principal, premium or interest,



including Additional Amounts, if any, on the Senior Notes that became due solely because of the acceleration of the Senior Notes, have been cured or waived.

### **Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance**

The Senior Indenture will provide that the Issuers and the Parent Guarantor may, at their option and at any time prior to the Stated Maturity of the Senior Notes, elect to have the obligations of the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and the Subsidiary Guarantors discharged with respect to the outstanding Senior Notes (“Legal Defeasance”). Legal Defeasance means that the Issuers will be deemed to have paid and discharged the entire Debt represented by the outstanding Senior Notes except as to:

- (a) the rights of holders of outstanding Senior Notes to receive payments in respect of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Senior Notes when such payments are due;
- (b) the Issuers’ obligations to issue temporary Senior Notes, register, transfer or exchange any Senior Notes, replace mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Senior Notes, maintain an office or agency for payments in respect of the Senior Notes and segregate and hold such payments in trust;
- (c) the rights, powers, trusts, duties and immunities of the Trustee and the obligations of the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and the Subsidiary Guarantors in connection therewith; and
- (d) the Legal Defeasance provisions of the Senior Indenture.

In addition, the Issuers and the Parent Guarantor may, at their option and at any time, elect to have the obligations of the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and the Subsidiary Guarantors released with respect to certain covenants set forth in the Senior Indenture (“Covenant Defeasance”), and thereafter any omission to comply with such covenants will not constitute a Default or an Event of Default with respect to the Senior Notes. In the event Covenant Defeasance occurs, certain events described under “—Events of Default” will no longer constitute an Event of Default with respect to the Senior Notes. These events do not include events relating to non-payment, bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership and reorganization. The Issuers and the Parent Guarantor may exercise their Legal Defeasance option regardless of whether they previously exercised Covenant Defeasance.

In order to exercise either Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance:

- (a) the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must irrevocably deposit or cause to be deposited in trust with the Trustee, for the benefit of the holders of the Senior Notes, cash in U.S. dollars, non-callable U.S. Government Securities, or a combination of cash in U.S. dollars and U.S. Government Securities (in the case of the Dollar Senior Notes) and cash in euro, European Government Obligations, or a combination of cash in euro and European Government Obligations (in the case of the Euro Senior Notes), in such amounts as will be sufficient, in the opinion of an internationally recognized firm of independent public accountants, to pay and discharge the principal of, premium, if any, and interest, on the outstanding Senior Notes on the Stated Maturity or on the applicable redemption date, as the case may be, and the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must (i) specify whether the Senior Notes are being defeased to maturity or to a particular redemption date; and (ii) if applicable, have delivered to the Trustee an irrevocable notice to redeem all of the outstanding Senior Notes of such principal, premium, if any, or interest;
- (b) in the case of Legal Defeasance, the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must have delivered to the Trustee an opinion of counsel reasonably acceptable to the Trustee stating that (x) the Issuers have received from, or there has been published by, the U.S. Internal Revenue Service a ruling, or (y) since the Issue Date, there has been a change in applicable U.S. federal income tax law, in either case to the effect that, and based thereon such opinion shall confirm

that, the beneficial owners of the outstanding Senior Notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such Legal Defeasance and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such Legal Defeasance had not occurred;

- (c) in the case of Covenant Defeasance, the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must have delivered to the Trustee an opinion of counsel reasonably acceptable to the Trustee to the effect that the beneficial owners of the outstanding Senior Notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of such Covenant Defeasance and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such Covenant Defeasance had not occurred;
- (d) no Default or Event of Default will have occurred and be continuing (i) on the date of such deposit (other than a Default or Event of Default resulting from the borrowing of funds to be applied to such deposit) or (ii) insofar as bankruptcy or insolvency events described in clause (1)(j) of “—Events of Default” above is concerned, at any time during the period ending on the 123rd day after the date of such deposit;
- (e) such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance shall not cause the Trustee for the Senior Notes to have a conflicting interest as defined in the Senior Indenture;
- (f) such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under (other than a Default or Event of Default resulting from the borrowing of funds to be applied to such deposit), the Senior Indenture or any material agreement or instrument to which the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary is a party or by which the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary is bound;
- (g) such defeasance or Covenant Defeasance shall not result in the trust arising from such deposit constituting an investment company within the meaning of the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940 unless such trust shall be registered under such Act or exempt from registration thereunder;
- (h) the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must have delivered to the Trustee an opinion of independent counsel in the country of each Issuer’s or the Parent Guarantor’s incorporation to the effect that after the 123rd day following the deposit, the trust funds will not be subject to the effect of any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar laws affecting creditors’ rights generally and an opinion of independent counsel reasonably acceptable to the Trustee that the Trustee shall have a perfected security interest in such trust funds for the ratable benefit of the holders of the Senior Notes;
- (i) the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must have delivered to the Trustee an Officer’s Certificate stating that the deposit was not made by the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor with the intent of preferring the holders of the Senior Notes over the other creditors of the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor with the intent of defeating, hindering, delaying or defrauding creditors of the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor or others, or removing assets beyond the reach of the relevant creditors or increasing debts of the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor to the detriment of the relevant creditors;
- (j) no event or condition shall exist that would prevent the Issuers from making payments of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Senior Notes on the date of such deposit or at any time ending on the 123rd day after the date of such deposit; and
- (k) the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor must have delivered to the Trustee an Officer’s Certificate and an opinion of counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent provided for relating to

the Legal Defeasance or the Covenant Defeasance, as the case may be, have been complied with.

If the funds deposited with the Trustee to effect Covenant Defeasance are insufficient to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Senior Notes when due because of any acceleration occurring after an Event of Default, then the Issuers and the Guarantors will remain liable for such payments.

### **Satisfaction and Discharge**

The Senior Indenture will be discharged and will cease to be of further effect as to all Senior Notes issued thereunder, or as to the Euro Senior Notes or the Dollar Senior Notes, as applicable (except as to surviving rights of registration of transfer or exchange of such Senior Notes as expressly provided for in the Senior Indenture), when:

- (a) the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor has irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee as funds in trust for such purpose an amount in cash in U.S. dollars, U.S. Government Securities, or a combination of cash in U.S. dollars and U.S. Government Securities (in the case of the Dollar Senior Notes) and cash in euro, European Government Obligations, or a combination of cash in euro and European Government obligations (in the case of the Euro Senior Notes), sufficient to pay and discharge the entire Debt on such Senior Notes that have not, prior to such time, been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal of, premium, if any, and any Additional Amounts and accrued and unpaid interest on such Senior Notes to the date of such deposit (in the case of Senior Notes which have become due and payable) or to the Stated Maturity or redemption date, as the case may be and the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor has delivered irrevocable instructions to the Trustee under the Senior Indenture to apply the deposited money toward the payment of such Senior Notes at Maturity or on the redemption date, as the case may be and either:
  - (i) all Senior Notes, or as to the Euro Senior Notes or the Dollar Senior Notes, as applicable, that have been authenticated and delivered (other than destroyed, lost or stolen Senior Notes that have been replaced or paid and Senior Notes for whose payment money has been deposited in trust or segregated and held in trust by the Issuers and thereafter repaid to the Issuers or discharged from such trust as provided for in the Senior Indenture) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or
  - (ii) all Senior Notes, or as to the Euro Senior Notes or the Dollar Senior Notes, as applicable, that have not been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation (x) have become due and payable (by reason of the mailing of a notice of redemption or otherwise), (y) will become due and payable at Stated Maturity within one year or (z) are to be called for redemption within one year under arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Trustee in the Issuers' name, and at the Issuers' expense;
- (b) the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor has paid or caused to be paid all other amounts payable by the Issuers under the Senior Indenture; and
- (c) the Issuers or the Parent Guarantor has delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate and an opinion of counsel, each stating that:
  - (i) all conditions precedent provided in the Senior Indenture relating to the satisfaction and discharge of all Senior Notes, or as to the Euro Senior Notes or the Dollar Senior Notes, as applicable, under the Senior Indenture have been satisfied; and

- (ii) such satisfaction and discharge will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, the Senior Indenture or any other agreement or instrument governed by the laws of the State of New York to which either Issuer or any Subsidiary is a party or by which either Issuer or any Subsidiary is bound.

### **Amendments and Waivers**

The Senior Indenture will contain provisions permitting the Issuers, the Guarantors and the Trustee to enter into a supplemental indenture without the consent of the holders of the Senior Notes for certain limited purposes, including, among other things, curing ambiguities, defects or inconsistencies, or making any change that does not adversely affect the rights of any holder of the Senior Notes in any material respect. With the consent of the holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Senior Notes then outstanding, the Issuers, the Guarantors and the Trustee are permitted to amend or supplement the Senior Indenture; *provided* that, if any amendment, waiver or other modification will only affect one series of the Senior Notes, only the consent of the holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Senior Notes of such series shall be required. However, no such modification or amendment may, without the consent of the holders of 90% of the outstanding Senior Notes (*provided, however*, that if any amendment, waiver or other modification will only affect one series of the Senior Notes, only the consent of the holders of at least 90% of the aggregate principal amount of such series shall be required (and not the consent of at least 90% of the aggregate principal amount of all Senior Notes then outstanding)), with respect to any such Senior Notes held by a non-consenting holder:

- (a) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of, or any installment of or Additional Amounts or interest on, any Senior Note;
- (b) reduce the principal amount of any Senior Note (or Additional Amounts or premium, if any) or the rate of or change the time for payment of interest on any Senior Note;
- (c) change the coin or currency in which the principal of any Senior Note or any premium or any Additional Amounts or the interest thereon is payable;
- (d) impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any payment on or after the Stated Maturity thereof (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the redemption date);
- (e) reduce the principal amount of Senior Notes whose holders must consent to any amendment, supplement or waiver of provisions of the Senior Indenture;
- (f) modify any of the provisions relating to supplemental indentures requiring the consent of holders of the Senior Notes or relating to the waiver of past defaults or relating to the waiver of certain covenants, except to increase the percentage of outstanding Senior Notes required for such actions or to provide that certain other provisions of the Senior Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the holder of each Senior Note affected thereby;
- (g) make any change to the Intercreditor Agreement (and/or any Additional Intercreditor Agreement) or any provisions of the Senior Indenture affecting the ranking of the Senior Notes or the Guarantees, in each case in a manner that adversely affects the rights of the holders of the Senior Notes; or
- (h) make any change in the provisions of the Senior Indenture described under “—Additional Amounts” that adversely affects the rights of any holder of the Senior Notes or amend the terms of the Senior Notes or the Senior Indenture in a way that would result in a loss of an exemption from any of the Taxes described thereunder or an exemption from any obligation to withhold or deduct Taxes so described thereunder unless the Issuers or the Guarantors agree to pay Additional Amounts (if any) in respect thereof in the supplemental indenture.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, without the consent of any holder of the Senior Notes, the Issuers, the Guarantors and the Trustee may modify, amend or supplement the Senior Indenture:

- (i) to evidence the succession of another Person to the Parent Guarantor and the assumption by any such successor of the provisions in the Senior Indenture and in the Senior Notes in accordance with “—Certain Covenants—Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets”;
- (ii) to add to the Issuers’ covenants and those of any Guarantor or any other obligor upon the Senior Notes for the benefit of the holders of the Senior Notes or to surrender any right or power conferred upon the Issuers or any Guarantor or any other obligor upon the Senior Notes, as applicable, in the Senior Indenture, in the Senior Notes or in any Guarantees;
- (iii) to cure any ambiguity, or to correct or supplement any provision in the Senior Indenture, the Senior Notes or any Guarantees that may be defective or inconsistent with any other provision in the Senior Indenture, the Senior Notes or any Guarantees or make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under the Senior Indenture, the Senior Notes or any Guarantees; *provided* that, in each case, such provisions shall not adversely affect the interests of the holders of the Senior Notes;
- (iv) to conform the text of the Senior Indenture, the Guarantees or the Senior Notes to any provision of this “Description of the Senior Notes” to the extent that such provision in this “Description of the Senior Notes” was intended to be a verbatim recitation of a provision of the Senior Indenture, the Guarantees or the Senior Notes;
- (v) to release any Guarantor in accordance with and if permitted by the terms of and limitations set forth in the Senior Indenture and to add a Subsidiary Guarantor or other guarantor under the Senior Indenture (which will require execution of the relevant supplemental indenture only by the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and such additional Subsidiary Guarantor(s) or other guarantor(s));
- (vi) to evidence and provide the acceptance of the appointment of a successor Trustee under the Senior Indenture;
- (vii) to mortgage, pledge, hypothecate or grant a security interest in favor of the Trustee for the benefit of the holders of the Senior Notes as additional security for the payment and performance of the Issuers’ and any Guarantor’s obligations under the Senior Indenture, in any property, or assets, including any of which are required to be mortgaged, pledged or hypothecated, or in which a security interest is required to be granted to the Trustee pursuant to the Senior Indenture or otherwise; or
- (viii) to provide for the issuance of Additional Senior Notes in accordance with and if permitted by the terms of and limitations set forth in the Senior Indenture.

In formulating its opinion on such matters, the Trustee shall be entitled to require and rely on such evidence as it deems appropriate, including an opinion of counsel and an Officer’s Certificate.

The consent of the holders of the Senior Notes will not be necessary under the Senior Indenture to approve the particular form of any proposed amendment, waiver or consent. It is sufficient if such consent approves the substance of the proposed amendment, waiver or consent. A consent to any amendment or waiver under the Senior Indenture by any holder of the Senior Notes given in connection with a tender of such holder’s Senior Notes will not be rendered invalid by such tender.

The Issuers will inform the Irish Stock Exchange of any material amendment to the Senior Indenture or any supplement thereto. The Issuers will also publish a notice of any such material amendment in accordance with the provisions of the Senior Indenture described immediately below under “—Notices.”

## **Notices**

Notices regarding the Senior Notes will be:

- (a) (i) delivered to holders of the Senior Notes electronically or mailed by first-class mail, postage prepaid, and (ii) if and so long as the Senior Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules and regulations of the Irish Stock Exchange so require, published in a newspaper having a general circulation in Ireland (which is expected to be *The Irish Times* or, to the extent and in the manner permitted by the rules of the Irish Stock Exchange, posted on the official website of the Irish Stock Exchange ([www.ise.ie](http://www.ise.ie))); and
- (b) in the case of certificated Senior Notes, mailed to holders of such Senior Notes by first-class mail at their respective addresses as they appear on the registration books of the registrar.

Notices given by first class mail will be deemed given five calendar days after mailing and notices given by publication will be deemed given on the first date on which publication is made.

## **The Trustee**

The Senior Indenture will provide that, except during the continuance of an Event of Default of which a responsible officer of the Trustee had written notice, the Trustee will perform only such duties as are set forth specifically in the Senior Indenture. The permissive rights of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any action enumerated in the Senior Indenture will not be construed as an obligation or duty.

The Senior Indenture will contain provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee and for its relief from responsibility, including provisions relieving it from taking action unless indemnified and/or secured (including by way of prefunding) to its satisfaction.

## **No Personal Liability of Directors, Officers, Employees and Shareholders**

No director, officer, employee, incorporator, member or shareholder of the Parent Guarantor, either Issuer or any Subsidiary Guarantor will have any liability for any obligations of the Parent Guarantor, either Issuer or any Subsidiary Guarantor under the Senior Notes, any Guarantee or the Senior Indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of, or by reason of such obligations or their creation. Each holder by accepting a Senior Note waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for issuance of the Senior Notes. Such waiver and release may not be effective to waive liabilities under the U.S. federal securities laws.

## **Governing Law**

The Senior Indenture, the Senior Notes and the Guarantees will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, and will provide for the submission of the parties to the jurisdiction of the courts in the State of New York.

## **Certain Definitions**

“2010 Senior Notes” means the existing €275,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 9.250% Senior Notes due 2020 and \$450,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 issued by the Issuers.

“2020 Senior Notes” means the 2010 Senior Notes, the February 2011 Senior Notes, the July 2012 Senior Notes and the January 2013 Senior Notes.



“Acquired Business” means the properties, businesses, assets and liabilities acquired pursuant to the Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement and in connection therewith, including under any annexes, schedules and related documents.

“Acquired Debt” means Debt of a Person:

- (a) existing at the time such Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary or is merged into or consolidated with the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary; or
- (b) assumed in connection with the acquisition of assets from any such Person,

in each case *provided* that such Debt was not incurred in connection with, or in contemplation of, such Person becoming a Restricted Subsidiary or such acquisition, as the case may be.

Acquired Debt will be deemed to be incurred on the date the acquired Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary or the date of the related acquisition of assets from any such Person.

“Acquisition” means the acquisition of the Acquired Business pursuant to the Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement.

“Affiliate” means, with respect to any specified Person:

- (a) any other Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person;
- (b) any other Person that owns, directly or indirectly, 5% or more of such specified Person’s Capital Stock or any officer or director of any such specified Person or other Person or, with respect to any natural Person, any Person having a relationship with such Person by blood, marriage or adoption not more remote than first cousin; or
- (c) any other Person 5% or more of the Voting Stock of which is beneficially owned or held, directly or indirectly, by such specified Person.

For the purposes of this definition, “control,” when used with respect to any specified Person, means the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms “controlling,” “controlled” have meanings correlative to the foregoing.

“Agreed Security Principles” means the Agreed Security Principles as set forth in the Senior Indenture (or a schedule thereto).

“Asset Sale” means any sale, issuance, conveyance, transfer, lease or other disposition (including, without limitation, by way of merger, consolidation or sale and leaseback transaction) (collectively, a “transfer”), directly or indirectly, in one or a series of related transactions, of:

- (a) any Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary (other than directors’ qualifying shares or shares required by applicable law to be held by a Person other than the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary);
- (b) all or substantially all of the properties and assets of any division or line of business of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary; or
- (c) any other of the Parent Guarantor’s or any Restricted Subsidiary’s properties or assets.

Notwithstanding the preceding, none of the following items will be deemed to be an Asset Sale:

- (i) any transfer or disposition of assets that is governed by the provisions of the Senior Indenture described under “—Certain Covenants—Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets” and “—Purchase of Senior Notes upon a Change of Control”;

- (ii) any transfer or disposition of assets by the Parent Guarantor to the Issuers or any Restricted Subsidiary, or by any Restricted Subsidiary to the Parent Guarantor, the Issuers or any Restricted Subsidiary in accordance with the terms of the Senior Indenture;
- (iii) any transfer or disposition of obsolete or permanently retired equipment or facilities that are no longer useful in the conduct of the Parent Guarantor's and any Restricted Subsidiary's business and that are disposed of in the ordinary course of business;
- (iv) any disposition of accounts receivable and related assets in a Permitted Receivables Financing;
- (v) the disposition of receivables in connection with the compromise, settlement or collection thereof in the ordinary course of business or in bankruptcy or similar proceedings and exclusive of factoring or similar arrangements;
- (vi) the foreclosure, condemnation or any similar action with respect to any property or other assets;
- (vii) any unwinding or termination of hedging obligations not for speculative purposes;
- (viii) any single transaction or series of related transactions that involves assets or Capital Stock having a Fair Market Value of less than €25,000,000;
- (ix) for the purposes of the covenant described under "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets" only, the making of a Permitted Investment or a disposition permitted under the covenant described under "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Restricted Payments";
- (x) the sale, lease or other disposition of equipment, inventory, property or other assets in the ordinary course of business;
- (xi) the lease, assignment or sublease of any real or personal property in the ordinary course of business;
- (xii) an issuance of Capital Stock by a Restricted Subsidiary to the Parent Guarantor or to another Restricted Subsidiary;
- (xiii) a Permitted Investment or a Restricted Payment (or a transaction that would constitute a Restricted Payment but for the exclusions from the definition thereof) that is not prohibited by the covenant described under "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Restricted Payments";
- (xiv) any disposition of Capital Stock, Debt or other securities of any Unrestricted Subsidiary or a Permitted Joint Venture;
- (xv) sales of assets received by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary upon the foreclosure on a Lien granted in favor of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (xvi) sales or grants of licenses to use the patents, trade secrets, know-how and other intellectual property of the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to the extent that such license does not prohibit the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries from using the technologies licensed (other than pursuant to exclusivity or non-competition arrangements negotiated on an arm's-length basis) or require the Parent Guarantor or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to pay any fees for any such use;
- (xvii) any surrender or waiver of contract rights or settlement, release, recovery on or surrender of contract, tort or other claims in the ordinary course of business; or

- (xviii) sales, issuances, conveyances, transfers, leases or other dispositions to the extent constituting Permitted Liens.

“Average Life” means, as of the date of determination with respect to any Debt, the quotient obtained by dividing:

- (a) the sum of the products of:
  - (i) the numbers of years from the date of determination to the date or dates of each successive scheduled principal payment of such Debt; multiplied by
  - (ii) the amount of each such principal payment; by
- (b) the sum of all such principal payments.

“Bund Rate” means, with respect to any redemption date, the rate per annum equal to the equivalent yield to maturity as of such redemption date of the Comparable German Bund issue, assuming a price for the Comparable German Bund issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable German Bund Price for such redemption date, where:

- (a) “Comparable German Bund Issues” means the German Bundesanleihe security selected by any Reference German Bund Dealer as having a fixed maturity most nearly equal to the period from such redemption date to May 15, 2019, and that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of euro denominated corporate debt securities in a principal amount approximately equal to the then outstanding principal amount of the Secured Notes and of a maturity most nearly equal to May 15, 2019; provided that if the period from such redemption date to May 15, 2019 is less than one year, a fixed maturity of one year shall be used;
- (b) “Comparable German Bund Price” means, with respect to any redemption date, the average of the Reference German Bund Dealer Quotations for such redemption date, after excluding the highest and lowest such Reference German Bund Dealer Quotations, or if an Issuer obtains fewer than four such Reference German Bund Dealer Quotations, the average of all such quotations;
- (c) “Reference German Bund Dealer” means any dealer of German Bundesanleihe securities appointed by an Issuer (and notified to the Trustee); and
- (d) “Reference German Bund Dealer Quotations” means, with respect to each Reference German Bund Dealer and any redemption date, the average as determined by an Issuer of the bid and offered prices for the Comparable German Bund issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to an Issuer by such Reference German Bund Dealer at 3:30 p.m. Frankfurt, Germany time on the third business day preceding such redemption date.

“Business Day” means a day of the year on which banks are not required or authorized by law to close in Dublin, New York City or London and, in relation to a transaction involving euro, any TARGET day.

“Capital Stock” means, with respect to any Person, any and all shares, interests, partnership interests (whether general or limited), participations, rights in or other equivalents (however designated) of such Person’s equity, any other interest or participation that confers the right to receive a share of the profits and losses, or distributions of assets of, such Person and any rights (other than debt securities convertible into or exchangeable for Capital Stock), warrants or options exchangeable for or convertible into such Capital Stock, whether now outstanding or issued after the Issue Date.

“Capitalized Lease Obligation” means, with respect to any Person, any obligation of such Person under a lease of (or other agreement conveying the right to use) any property (whether real, personal or mixed), which obligation is required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease obligation under IFRS, and, for purposes of the Senior Indenture, the amount of such obligation at any date will be the capitalized amount thereof at such date, determined in accordance with IFRS and the Stated Maturity thereof will be the date of the last payment of rent or any other amount due under such lease prior to the first date such lease may be terminated without penalty.

“Cash Equivalents” means any of the following:

- (a) any evidence of Debt with a maturity of 180 days or less from the date of acquisition issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by a member state of the European Union or European Economic Area, the United States of America, any state thereof or the District of Columbia, Canada, Switzerland, Australia or any agency or instrumentality thereof (each, an “Approved Jurisdiction”);
- (b) time deposit accounts, certificates of deposit, money market deposits or bankers’ acceptances with a maturity of 180 days or less from the date of acquisition issued by a bank or trust company having combined capital and surplus and undivided profits of not less than €500 million, whose debt has a rating, at the time any investment is made therein, of at least BBB+ or the equivalent thereof by S&P and at least Baa1 or the equivalent thereof by Moody’s;
- (c) commercial paper with a maturity of 180 days or less from the date of acquisition issued by a corporation that is not either Issuer’s or any Restricted Subsidiary’s Affiliate and is at the time of acquisition, rated at least A-1 or the equivalent thereof by S&P or at least P-1 or the equivalent thereof by Moody’s;
- (d) repurchase obligations with a term of not more than seven days for underlying securities of the type described in clause (a) or (b) above entered into with a financial institution meeting the qualifications described in clause (b) above;
- (e) investments in money market mutual funds at least 95% of the assets of which constitute Cash Equivalents of the kind described in clauses (a) through (d) above; or
- (f) any investments classified as cash equivalents under IFRS.

“Change of Control” has the meaning given to such term under “—Purchase of Senior Notes upon a Change of Control.”

“Commission” means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

“Commodity Hedging Agreements” means any type of commodity hedging agreement designed to protect against or manage exposure to fluctuations in commodity prices and entered into in good faith in the ordinary course of business for such purposes.

“Consolidated Adjusted Net Income” means, for any period, the Parent Guarantor’s and the Restricted Subsidiaries’ consolidated net income (or loss) for such period as determined in accordance with IFRS, adjusted by excluding (to the extent included in such consolidated net income or loss), without duplication:

- (a) any net after-tax extraordinary gains or losses;
- (b) any net after-tax gains or losses attributable to sales of assets of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary that are not sold in the ordinary course of business;
- (c) the portion of net income or loss of any Person (other than the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary), including Unrestricted Subsidiaries, in which the Parent Guarantor or

any Restricted Subsidiary has an equity ownership interest, except that the Parent Guarantor's or a Restricted Subsidiary's equity in the net income of such Person for such period shall be included in such Consolidated Adjusted Net Income to the extent of the aggregate amount of dividends or other distributions actually paid to the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in cash dividends or other distributions during such period;

- (d) the net income or loss of any Restricted Subsidiary to the extent that the declaration or payment of dividends or similar distributions by such Restricted Subsidiary is not at the date of determination permitted, directly or indirectly, by operation of the terms of its charter or any agreement, instrument, judgment, decree, order, statute, rule or governmental regulation applicable to such Restricted Subsidiary or its shareholders (other than restrictions contained in the Credit Facilities and related agreements permitted by clause 2(b) of "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt");
- (e) any extraordinary, exceptional, unusual or nonrecurring loss, expense or charge (including severance, relocation, plant closure, operational improvement or restructuring costs or reserves or provisions therefor) relating to, or directly or indirectly resulting from, or incurred in connection with, any Asset Sale, Investment, acquisition, reorganization, restructuring or operational improvement initiative, or offering or refinancing of debt or equity securities;
- (f) the non-cash accounting effects of any acquisition, purchase, merger, reorganization or other similar transaction, including any increase in amortization or depreciation resulting from adjustments to tangible or intangible assets, the consequence of any revaluation of inventory or other non-cash charges or effects (including losses on derivatives);
- (g) the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principles after the Issue Date;
- (h) any charge or expense recorded for non-cash or capitalized interest on Deeply Subordinated Funding;
- (i) net after tax gains or losses attributable to (i) the termination of pension plans, (ii) the acquisition of securities or the extinguishment of debt or (iii) currency exchange transactions that are not in the ordinary course of business;
- (j) net income or loss attributable to discontinued operations; and
- (k) any restoration to net income of any contingency reserve, except to the extent it was provided for in a prior period.

"Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio" of the Parent Guarantor means, for any period, the ratio of:

- (a) the sum of Consolidated Adjusted Net Income, plus in each case to the extent deducted in computing Consolidated Adjusted Net Income for such period:
  - (i) Consolidated Net Interest Expense;
  - (ii) Consolidated Tax Expense; and
  - (iii) Consolidated Non-cash Charges, less all non-cash items increasing Consolidated Adjusted Net Income for such period and less all cash payments during such period relating to non-cash charges that were added back to Consolidated Adjusted Net Income in determining the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio in any prior period;
- (b) to the sum of:
  - (i) Consolidated Net Interest Expense; and

- (ii) cash and non-cash dividends due (whether or not declared) on the Parent Guarantor's and any Restricted Subsidiary's Preferred Stock (to any Person other than the Parent Guarantor and any Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary), in each case for such period;

*provided* that in calculating the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio or any element thereof for any period, pro forma effect will be given to any realized or expected synergies, cost efficiencies and cost savings relating to, or directly or indirectly resulting from, or associated with, any Asset Sale, Investment, acquisition, reorganization, restructuring or operational improvement initiative that has occurred during the period included in the calculation or any prior period or would reasonably be expected to occur in connection with an acquisition or other transaction in relation to which "pro forma" effect is given as if such synergies, cost efficiencies or cost savings had been effective throughout the period included in the calculation;

*provided, further*, without limiting the application of the previous proviso, that:

- (w) if the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary has incurred any Debt since the beginning of such period that remains outstanding or if the transaction giving rise to the need to calculate the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio is an incurrence of Debt or both, Consolidated Adjusted Net Income and Consolidated Net Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after giving effect on a pro forma basis to such Debt as if such Debt had been incurred on the first day of such period and the discharge of any other Debt repaid, repurchased, defeased or otherwise discharged with the proceeds of such new Debt as if such discharge had occurred on the first day of such period;
- (x) if, since the beginning of such period, the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary shall have made any Asset Sale, Consolidated Adjusted Net Income for such period shall be reduced by an amount equal to the Consolidated Adjusted Net Income (if positive) directly attributable to the assets which are the subject of such Asset Sale for such period, or increased by an amount equal to the Consolidated Adjusted Net Income (if negative) directly attributable thereto, for such period and the Consolidated Net Interest Expense for such period shall be reduced by an amount equal to the Consolidated Net Interest Expense directly attributable to any Debt of the Parent Guarantor or of any Restricted Subsidiary repaid, repurchased, defeased or otherwise discharged with respect to the Parent Guarantor and the continuing Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with such Asset Sale for such period (or, if the Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary is sold, the Consolidated Net Interest Expense for such period directly attributable to the Debt of such Restricted Subsidiary to the extent the Parent Guarantor and the continuing Restricted Subsidiaries are no longer liable for such Debt after such sale);
- (y) if, since the beginning of such period, the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary (by merger or otherwise) shall have made an Investment in any Restricted Subsidiary (or any Person which becomes a Restricted Subsidiary) or an acquisition of assets, including any acquisition of an asset occurring in connection with a transaction causing a calculation to be made hereunder, which constitutes all or substantially all of an operating unit of a business, Consolidated Adjusted Net Income and Consolidated Net Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after giving pro forma effect thereto (including the incurrence of any Debt) as if such Investment or acquisition occurred on the first day of such period; and
- (z) if, since the beginning of such period, any Person (that subsequently became a Restricted Subsidiary or was merged with or into the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary since the beginning of such period) shall have made any Asset Sale or any Investment or acquisition of assets that would have required an adjustment pursuant to clause (x) or (y) above if made by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary during such period, Consolidated Adjusted Net Income and Consolidated Net Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after



giving pro forma effect thereto as if such Asset Sale or Investment or acquisition occurred on the first day of such period.

If any Debt bears a floating rate of interest and is being given pro forma effect, the interest expense on such Debt shall be calculated as if the rate in effect on the date of determination had been the applicable rate for the entire period (taking into account any Interest Rate Agreement applicable to such Debt for a period equal to the remaining term of such Interest Rate Agreement).

“Consolidated Leverage Ratio” of the Parent Guarantor means, as of the date of determination, the ratio of (a) (i) the sum of consolidated Debt of the Parent Guarantor (other than working capital) less (ii) cash and Cash Equivalents on the most recent consolidated balance sheet of the Parent Guarantor which has been delivered in accordance with the provisions of the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Reports to Holders” to (b) the aggregate consolidated EBITDA of the Parent Guarantor for the period of the most recent four consecutive quarters for which financial statements are available under the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Reports to Holders,” in each case with such pro forma adjustments to consolidated Debt and consolidated EBITDA as are appropriate and consistent with the pro forma provisions set forth in the definition of “Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio.”

“Consolidated Net Interest Expense” means, for any period, without duplication and in each case determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with IFRS, the sum of:

- (a) the Parent Guarantor’s and the Restricted Subsidiaries’ total interest expense for such period, including, without limitation:
  - (i) amortization of debt discount;
  - (ii) the net costs of Commodity Hedging Agreements, Interest Rate Agreements and Currency Agreements (including amortization of fees and discounts);
  - (iii) commissions, discounts and other fees and charges owed with respect to letters of credit and bankers’ acceptance financing and similar transactions; and
  - (iv) the interest portion of any deferred payment obligation and amortization of debt issuance costs; *plus*
- (b) the interest component of the Parent Guarantor’s and the Restricted Subsidiaries’ Capitalized Lease Obligations accrued and/or scheduled to be paid or accrued during such period other than the interest component of Capitalized Lease Obligations between or among the Parent Guarantor and any Restricted Subsidiary or between or among Restricted Subsidiaries; *plus*
- (c) the Parent Guarantor’s and the Restricted Subsidiaries non-cash interest expenses and interest that was capitalized during such period; *plus*
- (d) the interest expense on Debt of another Person to the extent such Debt is guaranteed by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary or secured by a Lien on the Parent Guarantor’s or any Restricted Subsidiary’s assets, but only to the extent that such interest is actually paid by the Parent Guarantor or such Restricted Subsidiary; *minus*
- (e) the interest income of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries during such period.

Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, Consolidated Net Interest Expense shall not include any of the following:

- (a) interest accrued, capitalized or paid in respect of Deeply Subordinated Funding;
- (b) gains, losses, expenses or charges associated with refinancing of debt;

- (c) gains, losses, expenses or charges associated with the total or partial extinguishment of debt;
- (d) gains, losses, expenses or charges resulting from “mark to market” provisions or fair value charges applied to or resulting from derivatives; or
- (e) any non-cash pension expense.

“Consolidated Non-cash Charges” means, for any period, the aggregate depreciation, amortization and other non-cash expenses of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries for such period, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with IFRS (excluding any such non-cash charge that requires an accrual of or reserve for cash charges for any future period).

“Consolidated Tax Expense” means, for any period with respect to any Relevant Taxing Jurisdiction, the provision for all national, local and foreign federal, state or other income taxes of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries for such period as determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with IFRS.

“continuing” means, with respect to any Default or Event of Default, that such Default or Event of Default has not been cured or waived.

“Contribution Debt” means Debt of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in an aggregate principal amount not greater than the aggregate amount of cash contributions (other than Excluded Contributions and any such cash contributions that have been used to make a Restricted Payment or a Permitted Investment) made to the equity (other than through the issuance of Redeemable Capital Stock) of the Parent Guarantor or in the form of Deeply Subordinated Funding, in each case, after the Issue Date, *provided* that (without prejudice to the rights of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries, including the right to divide and/or classify and/or reclassify as described in “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”) such Contribution Debt is so designated as Contribution Debt pursuant to an Officer’s Certificate on the Incurrence date thereof.

“Credit Facility” or “Credit Facilities” means one or more debt facilities, indentures or other arrangements with banks, insurance companies, other financial institutions or investors providing for revolving credit loans, term loans, notes, receivables financings, letters of credit or other forms of guarantees and assurances, or other Debt, including overdrafts, in each case, as amended, restated, modified, renewed, refunded, replaced, restructured, repaid or refinanced (and whether in whole or in part and whether or not with the original administrative agent or lenders or another administrative agent or agents or other bank or institutions and whether provided under one or more other credit or other agreements, indentures, financing agreements or otherwise) and, for the avoidance of doubt, includes any agreement extending the maturity of, refinancing or restructuring all or any portion of the indebtedness under such agreements or any successor agreements.

“Currency Agreements” means, in respect of a Person, any spot or forward foreign exchange agreements and currency swap, currency option or other similar financial agreements or arrangements designed to protect such Person against or manage exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates.

“Debt” means, with respect to any Person, without duplication:

- (a) all liabilities of such Person for borrowed money (including overdrafts) or for the deferred purchase price of property or services, excluding any trade payables and other accrued current liabilities incurred in the ordinary course of business;
- (b) all obligations of such Person evidenced by bonds, notes, debentures or other similar instruments;
- (c) all obligations, contingent or otherwise, of such Person in connection with any letters of credit, bankers’ acceptances, receivables facilities or other similar facilities;

- (d) all indebtedness of such Person created or arising under any conditional sale or other title retention agreement with respect to property acquired by such Person (even if the rights and remedies of the seller or lender under such agreement in the event of default are limited to repossession or sale of such property), but excluding trade payables arising in the ordinary course of business;
- (e) all Capitalized Lease Obligations of such Person;
- (f) all obligations of such Person under or in respect of Commodity Hedging Agreements, Interest Rate Agreements and Currency Agreements; and
- (g) all Redeemable Capital Stock of such Person valued at the greater of its voluntary maximum fixed repurchase price and involuntary maximum fixed repurchase price plus accrued and unpaid dividends;

if and to the extent any of the preceding items would appear as debt on a balance sheet (excluding the footnotes thereto) of the specified Person prepared in accordance with IFRS; *provided* that the term “Debt” shall not include (i) non-interest bearing installment obligations and accrued liabilities incurred in the ordinary course of business that are not more than 90 days past due; (ii) Debt in respect of the incurrence by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of Debt in respect of standby letters of credit, performance bonds or surety bonds provided by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business to the extent such letters of credit or bonds are not drawn upon or, if and to the extent drawn upon are honored in accordance with their terms and if, to be reimbursed, are reimbursed no later than the fifth business day following receipt by such Person of a demand for reimbursement following payment on the letter of credit or bond; (iii) anything accounted for as an operating lease in accordance with IFRS as at the Issue Date; (iv) any pension obligations of the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary; (v) Debt incurred by the Parent Guarantor or one of the Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with a transaction where (x) such Debt is borrowed from a bank or trust company having a combined capital and surplus and undivided profits of not less than €500 million, whose debt has a rating immediately prior to the time such transaction is entered into, of at least A or the equivalent thereof by S&P and A2 or the equivalent thereof by Moody’s and (y) a substantially concurrent Investment is made by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary in the form of cash deposited with the lender of such Debt, or a Subsidiary or Affiliate thereof, in amount equal to such Debt; and (vi) Deeply Subordinated Funding. In addition, “Debt” of the specified Person shall include all Debt of another Person secured by a Lien on any asset of the specified Person (whether or not such Debt is assumed by the specified Person) and, to the extent not otherwise included, the guarantee by the specified Person of Debt of another Person, and Preferred Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary.

For purposes of this definition, the “maximum fixed repurchase price” of any Redeemable Capital Stock that does not have a fixed redemption, repayment or repurchase price will be calculated in accordance with the terms of such Redeemable Capital Stock as if such Redeemable Capital Stock were purchased on any date on which Debt will be required to be determined pursuant to the Senior Indenture, and if such price is based upon, or measured by, the fair market value of such Redeemable Capital Stock, such fair market value will be determined in good faith by the board of directors of the issuer of such Redeemable Capital Stock; *provided* that if such Redeemable Capital Stock is not then permitted to be redeemed, repaid or repurchased, the redemption, repayment or repurchase price shall be the book value of such Redeemable Capital Stock as reflected in the most recent financial statements of such Person.

“Deeply Subordinated Funding” means any funds provided to the Parent Guarantor pursuant to an agreement, note, security or other instrument, other than Capital Stock, that (i) is subordinated in right of payment to all Debt of the Parent Guarantor, (ii)(A) does not mature or require any amortization, redemption or other repayment of principal, (B) does not require payment of any cash interest or any

similar cash amounts, and (C) contains no change of control or similar provisions and does not accelerate and has no right to declare a default or event of default or take any enforcement action or otherwise require any cash payment (other than as a result of insolvency proceedings of the Parent Guarantor), in each case prior to the 90th day following the repayment in full of the Senior Notes and all other amounts due under the Senior Indenture, (iii) does not provide for or require any security interest or encumbrance over any asset of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary and (iv) does not contain any covenants (financial or otherwise) other than a covenant to pay such Deeply Subordinated Funding.

“Default” means any event that is, or after notice or passage of time or both would be, an Event of Default.

“Designated Non-cash Consideration” means the Fair Market Value of non-cash consideration received by the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary in connection with an Asset Sale that is so designated as Designated Non-cash Consideration pursuant to an Officer’s Certificate, setting forth the basis of such valuation, executed by the principal financial officer of the Parent Guarantor, less the amount of Cash Equivalents received in connection with a subsequent sale, redemption, repurchase of, or collection or payment on, such Designated Non-cash Consideration.

“Designated Senior Debt” means (a) any Debt outstanding under the Senior Credit Facilities and the Existing Secured Notes and (b) any other Senior Debt permitted under the Senior Indenture the principal amount of which is €30,000,000 or more as of the date of determination and that has been designated by the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor or the relevant Restricted Subsidiary as “Designated Senior Debt.”

“Disinterested Director” means, with respect to any transaction or series of related transactions, a member of the Parent Guarantor’s board of directors who does not have any material direct or indirect financial interest in or with respect to such transaction or series of related transactions or is not an Affiliate, or an officer, director or employee of any Person (other than the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary) who has any direct or indirect financial interest in or with respect to such transaction or series of related transactions; *provided* that no member of the Parent Guarantor’s board of directors shall be deemed to have any such direct or indirect financial interest solely as a result of such member’s ownership of Capital Stock of Ardagh Packaging Group S.A. or any successor or holding company thereof or such member’s serving on the board of directors of Ardagh Packaging Group S.A. or any successor or holding company thereof.

“Enforcement Action” means, in relation to any Debt of a Subsidiary Guarantor, any action (whether taken by the relevant creditor or creditors or an agent or trustee on its or their behalf) to:

- (a) demand payment, declare prematurely due and payable or otherwise seek to accelerate payment of all or any part of such Debt;
- (b) recover all or any part of such Debt (including, by exercising any rights of set-off or combination of accounts);
- (c) exercise or enforce any rights under or pursuant to any guarantee or other assurance given by such Subsidiary Guarantor in respect of such Debt;
- (d) exercise or enforce any rights under any security interest whatsoever which secures such Debt;
- (e) commence legal proceedings against any Person; or
- (f) commence, or take any other steps which could lead to the commencement of:
  - (i) any insolvency, liquidation, dissolution, winding-up, administration, receivership, compulsory merger or judicial re-organization of any Person;

- (ii) the appointment of a trustee in bankruptcy, or insolvency conciliator, ad hoc official, judicial administrator, a liquidator or other similar officer in respect of any Person; or
- (iii) any other similar process or appointment.

“Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement” means the definitive equity and asset purchase agreement in relation to the Acquisition as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time, together with all exhibits, schedules, annexes and other documents related thereto.

“euro” or “€” means the lawful currency of the member states of the European Union who have agreed to share a common currency in accordance with the provisions of the Maastricht Treaty dealing with European monetary union.

“Euro Equivalent” means, with respect to any monetary amount in a currency other than euro, at any time for the determination thereof, the amount of euro obtained by converting such foreign currency involved in such computation into euro at the spot rate for the purchase of euro with the applicable foreign currency as published under “Currency Rates” in the section of the *Financial Times* entitled “Currencies, Bonds & Interest Rates” on the date that is two Business Days prior to such determination.

“European Government Obligations” means direct obligations (or certificates representing an ownership interest in such obligations) of a member state of the European Union (including any agency or instrumentality thereof) for the payment of which the full faith and credit of such government is pledged.

“Exchange Act” means the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or any successor statute, and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Commission thereunder.

“Excluded Contribution” means Net Cash Proceeds or property or assets received by the Parent Guarantor as capital contributions (other than Contribution Debt and any contributions used to make a Restricted Payment or a Permitted Investment) to the equity (other than through the issuance of Redeemable Capital Stock) of the Parent Guarantor or in the form of Deeply Subordinated Funding, in each case, after the Issue Date or from the issuance or sale (other than to a Restricted Subsidiary or an employee stock ownership plan or trust established by the Parent Guarantor or any Subsidiary of the Parent Guarantor for the benefit of its employees to the extent funded by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary) of Capital Stock (other than Redeemable Capital Stock) of the Parent Guarantor, in each case, to the extent designated as an Excluded Contribution pursuant to an Officer’s Certificate of the Parent Guarantor.

“Existing Ardagh Bonds” means (i) the Existing Secured Notes and (ii) the Existing Unsecured Notes.

“Existing Debt” means all Debt of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries outstanding on the Issue Date after giving effect to the issue of the Senior Notes and the New Secured Notes and the use of proceeds therefrom.

“Existing Secured Notes” means the July 2014 Secured Notes.

“Existing Unsecured Notes” means the 2020 Senior Notes, the January 2012 Senior Notes, the January 2013 Senior Notes, the February 2014 Senior Notes and the July 2014 Senior Notes.

“Fair Market Value” means, with respect to any asset or property, the sale value that would be obtained in an arm’s-length free market transaction between an informed and willing seller under no compulsion to sell and an informed and willing buyer under no compulsion to buy, as determined in good faith by the Parent Guarantor’s board of directors.

“February 2011 Senior Notes” means the existing €200,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 9.250% Senior Notes due 2020 issued by the Issuers on February 4, 2011.

“February 2014 Senior Notes” means the existing \$415,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.250% Senior Notes due 2019 and \$415,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.750% Senior Notes due 2021 that were issued by Ardagh Packaging Finance plc and Ardagh Holdings USA Inc. on February 5, 2014.

“Guarantee” means any guarantee of the Issuers’ obligations under the Senior Indenture and the Senior Notes by the Parent Guarantor, any Restricted Subsidiary or any other Person in accordance with the provisions of the Senior Indenture, including the Guarantees by the Guarantors dated as of the Issue Date. When used as a verb, “Guarantee” shall have a corresponding meaning.

“guarantees” means, as applied to any obligation,

- (a) a guarantee (other than by endorsement of negotiable instruments for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business), direct or indirect, in any manner, of any part or all of such obligation; and
- (b) an agreement, direct or indirect, contingent or otherwise, the practical effect of which is to assure in any way the payment or performance (or payment of damages in the event of non-performance) of all or any part of such obligation, including, without limiting the foregoing, by the pledge of assets and the payment of amounts drawn down under letters of credit.

“IFRS” means International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union, as in effect from time to time.

“Incremental Facility” means the incremental facility under the Term Loan Facilities Credit Agreement.

“Interest Rate Agreements” means, in respect of a Person, any interest rate protection agreements and other types of interest rate hedging agreements (including, without limitation, interest rate swaps, caps, floors, collars and similar agreements) designed to protect such Person against or manage exposure to fluctuations in interest rates.

“Intercreditor Agreement” means the Intercreditor Agreement dated as of December 7, 2010, as amended, restated, modified or replaced from time to time, by and among the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor, the Subsidiary Guarantors party thereto, Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as Trustee for certain of the Existing Secured Notes and Existing Unsecured Notes, The Bank of New York Mellon, as trustee for certain of the Existing Unsecured Notes, Law Debenture Trust Company of New York, as trustee for certain of the Existing Secured Notes, Citibank, N.A., as the Senior Agent, and others.

“Investment” means, with respect to any Person, any direct or indirect advance, loan or other extension of credit (including guarantees) or capital contribution to (by means of any transfer of cash or other property to others or any payment for property or services for the account or use of others), or any purchase, acquisition or ownership by such Person of any Capital Stock, bonds, notes, debentures or other securities or evidences of Debt issued or owned by, any other Person and all other items that would be classified as investments on a balance sheet prepared in accordance with IFRS. In addition, the portion (proportionate to the Parent Guarantor’s equity interest in such Restricted Subsidiary) of the fair market value of the net assets of any Restricted Subsidiary at the time that such Restricted Subsidiary is designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary will be deemed to be an “Investment” that the Parent Guarantor made in such Unrestricted Subsidiary at such time. The portion (proportionate to the Parent Guarantor’s equity interest in such Restricted Subsidiary) of the fair market value of the net assets of any Unrestricted Subsidiary at the time that such Unrestricted Subsidiary is designated a Restricted Subsidiary will be considered a reduction in outstanding Investments.



“Investments” excludes extensions of trade credit on commercially reasonable terms in accordance with normal trade practices.

“Investment Grade Status” shall occur when the Secured Notes receive both of the following:

- (1) a rating of “BBB–” or higher from S&P; and
- (2) a rating of “Baa3” or higher from Moody’s;

or the equivalent of such rating by either such rating organization or, if no rating of Moody’s or S&P then exists, the equivalent of such rating by any other Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization.

“Issue Date” means May 16, 2016.

“January 2012 Senior Notes” means the existing \$260,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 issued by the Issuers on January 26, 2012.

“January 2013 Senior Notes” means the principal outstanding amount of \$150,000,000 of the original \$850,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 7.000% Senior Notes due 2020 issued by the Issuers on January 24, 2013.

“July 2012 Senior Notes” means the existing \$210,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 issued by the Issuers on July 26, 2012.

“July 2014 Secured Notes” means the existing €1,155,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 4.250% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022 and \$1,110,000,000 aggregate principal amount of First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2019.

“July 2014 Senior Notes” means the existing \$440,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.000% Senior Notes due 2021.

“Lien” means any mortgage or deed of trust, charge, pledge, lien (statutory or otherwise), privilege, security interest, hypothecation, assignment for security, standard security, assignation in security claim, or preference or priority or other encumbrance upon or with respect to any property of any kind, real or personal, movable or immovable, now owned or hereafter acquired. A Person will be deemed to own subject to a Lien any property which such Person has acquired or holds subject to the interest of a vendor or lessor under any conditional sale agreement, capital lease or other title retention agreement.

“Material Subsidiary” means any Restricted Subsidiary that represents 5% or more of the Total Assets or consolidated EBITDA of the Parent Guarantor, measured, in the case of Total Assets, as of the last day of the most recent fiscal quarter for which financial statements are available, and in the case of consolidated EBITDA, for the four fiscal quarters ended most recently for which financial statements are available.

“Maturity” means, with respect to any indebtedness, the date on which any principal of such indebtedness becomes due and payable as therein or herein provided, whether at the Stated Maturity with respect to such principal or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption or purchase or otherwise.

“Moody’s” means Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. and its successors.

“Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization” means a nationally recognized statistical rating organization within the meaning of Rule 15c3-1(c)(2)(vi)(F) under the Exchange Act.

“Net Cash Proceeds” means:

- (a) with respect to any Asset Sale, the proceeds thereof in the form of cash or Cash Equivalents including (x) payments in respect of deferred payment obligations when received in the form

of, or stock or other assets when disposed for, cash or Cash Equivalents (except to the extent that such obligations are financed or sold with recourse to the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary) and (y) any cash or Cash Equivalents received upon the sale or other disposition of any Designated Non-cash Consideration received in any Asset Sale, net of:

- (i) brokerage commissions and other fees and expenses (including, without limitation, fees and expenses of legal counsel, accountants, investment banks and other consultants) related to such Asset Sale;
  - (ii) provisions for all taxes paid or payable, or required to be accrued as a liability under IFRS as a result of such Asset Sale;
  - (iii) all distributions and other payments required to be made to any Person (other than the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary) owning a beneficial interest in the assets subject to the Asset Sale; and
  - (iv) appropriate amounts required to be provided by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, as a reserve in accordance with IFRS against any liabilities associated with such Asset Sale and retained by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, after such Asset Sale, including, without limitation, pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities, liabilities related to environmental matters and liabilities under any indemnification obligations associated with such Asset Sale, all as reflected in an Officer's Certificate delivered to the Trustee; and
- (b) with respect to any capital contributions, issuance or sale of Capital Stock or options, warrants or rights to purchase Capital Stock, or debt securities or Capital Stock that have been converted into or exchanged for Capital Stock as referred to under "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Restricted Payments," the proceeds of such issuance or sale in the form of cash or Cash Equivalents, payments in respect of deferred payment obligations when received in the form of, or stock or other assets when disposed of for, cash or Cash Equivalents (except to the extent that such obligations are financed or sold with recourse to the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary), net of attorney's fees, accountant's fees and brokerage, consultation, underwriting and other fees and expenses actually incurred in connection with such issuance or sale and net of taxes paid or payable as a result thereof.

"New Secured Notes" means the senior secured notes issued by the Issuers concurrently with the Senior Notes on the Issue Date.

"Officer's Certificate" means a certificate signed by an officer of the Parent Guarantor, of either Issuer, a Guarantor or a Surviving Entity, as the case may be, and delivered to the Trustee.

"Pari passu Debt" means (a) any Debt of the applicable Issuer that ranks equally in right of payment with the Senior Notes or (b) with respect to any Guarantee, any Debt that ranks equally in right of payment to such Guarantee.

"Permitted Debt" has the meaning given to such term under "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt."

"Permitted Holders" means (a) Yeoman Capital S.A., (b) any of Paul Coulson, Brendan Dowling, Houghton Fry, Edward Kilty, John Riordan or Niall Wall, and any trust created for the benefit of one or more of the foregoing or their respective natural person Affiliates, or the estate, executor, administrator, committee or beneficiaries of any thereof, and (c) any of their respective Affiliates.

"Permitted Investments" means any of the following:

- (a) Investments in cash or Cash Equivalents;

- (b) intercompany Debt to the extent permitted under clause (d) of the definition of “Permitted Debt”;
- (c) Investments in (i) the form of loans borrowed by or advances to, or debt securities issued by, the Parent Guarantor, (ii) a Restricted Subsidiary or (iii) another Person if as a result of such Investment such other Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary or such other Person is merged or consolidated with or into, or transfers or conveys all or substantially all of its assets to, the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary;
- (d) Investments made by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary as a result of or retained in connection with an Asset Sale that does not violate the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets”;
- (e) expenses or advances to cover payroll, travel, entertainment, moving, other relocation and similar matters;
- (f) Investments in the Senior Notes, the New Secured Notes and the Existing Ardagh Bonds;
- (g) Investments existing at the Issue Date and any Investment consisting of an extension, modification or renewal of any Investment existing on, or made pursuant to a binding commitment existing on, the Issue Date; *provided* that the amount of any such Investment may be increased (i) as required by the terms of such Investment existing on the Issue Date or (b) as otherwise permitted under the Secured Indenture;
- (h) Investments in Commodity Hedging Agreements, Interest Rate Agreements and Currency Agreements permitted under clauses (h), (i) and (j) of “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”;
- (i) Investments made in the ordinary course of business, the Fair Market Value of which in the aggregate does not exceed €10,000,000 in any transaction or series of related transactions;
- (j) loans and advances (or guarantees to third-party loans) to directors, officers or employees of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary made in the ordinary course of business and consistent with the Parent Guarantor’s past practices or past practices of the Restricted Subsidiaries, as the case may be, in an amount outstanding not to exceed at any one time €20,000,000;
- (k) Investments in a Person to the extent that the consideration therefor consists of the issue and sale (other than to any Subsidiary) of shares of the Parent Guarantor’s Qualified Capital Stock or Deeply Subordinated Funding or the net proceeds thereof (other than any Excluded Contribution or the proceeds of any Contribution Debt); *provided* that the net proceeds of such sale have been excluded from, and shall not have been included in, the calculation of the amount determined under clause (2)(c)(ii) of “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Restricted Payments”;
- (l) pledges or deposits with respect to leases or utilities provided to third parties in the ordinary course of business;
- (m) Investments of the Parent Guarantor or the Restricted Subsidiaries described under item (v) to the proviso to the definition of “Debt”;
- (n) Investments, the amount of which, measured by reference to the Fair Market Value of each such Investment on the date it was made, not to exceed the sum of (x) the greater of €160,000,000 and 2.0% of Total Assets in the aggregate outstanding at any one time and (y) the sum of (i) the aggregate net after-tax amount returned in cash or through interest payments, principal payments, dividends or other distributions or payments on account of such Investment and (ii) the net after-tax cash proceeds received by the Parent Guarantor or any

Restricted Subsidiary from the disposition of all or any portion of such Investments (other than to a Subsidiary); *provided, however*, that such net after-tax amounts have not been included in Consolidated Adjusted Net Income for the purpose of calculating clause (c)(i) of “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Restricted Payments”;

- (o) Investments resulting from the acquisition of a Person that at the time of such acquisition held instruments constituting Investments that were not acquired in contemplation of the acquisition of such Person;
- (p) Investments by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in connection with a Permitted Receivables Financing;
- (q) loans or advances to (i) directors, officers or employees of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary to pay for the purchase of Capital Stock of the Parent Guarantor or any direct or indirect parent company thereof pursuant to management equity plans or similar management or employee benefit arrangement or (ii) stock option plans, trust and similar asset pools to pay for the purchase of Capital Stock of the Parent Guarantor or any direct or indirect parent company thereof not to exceed €20,000,000 in the aggregate outstanding at any one time;
- (r) (i) stock, obligations or securities received in satisfaction of judgments, foreclosure of liens or settlement of debts or arbitration awards, and (ii) any Investments received in compromise of obligations of such persons incurred in the ordinary course of trade creditors or customers that were incurred in the ordinary course of business, including pursuant to any plan of reorganization or similar arrangement upon the bankruptcy or insolvency of any trade creditor or customer;
- (s) any Investments received in comprise or resolution of litigation, arbitration or other disputes;
- (t) any guarantee of Debt permitted to be incurred by the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt,” performance guarantees and contingent obligations incurred in the ordinary course of business and creation of Liens on the assets of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in compliance with the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Liens”;
- (u) any transaction to the extent it constitutes an Investment that is permitted by and made in accordance with the provisions of the second paragraph of the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Transactions with Affiliates” (except transactions described in clauses (ii), (v) and (x));
- (v) advances, loans, rebates and extensions of credit (including the creation of receivables) to suppliers, customers and vendors, and advance payment made and deferred consideration and performance guarantees, in each case in the ordinary course of business; and
- (w) any Investment in any Subsidiary or any joint venture in connection with intercompany cash management arrangements or related activities arising in the ordinary course of business.

“Permitted Joint Venture” means any joint venture or similar combinations or other transaction pursuant to which the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary enters into, acquires or subscribes for any shares, stock, securities or other interest in or transfers any assets to any joint venture; *provided, however*, that the primary business of such joint venture is a Similar Business.

“Permitted Junior Securities” means, with respect to a Subsidiary Guarantor: (a) Capital Stock in such Subsidiary Guarantor or (b) debt securities of the Subsidiary Guarantor that are subordinated to all Senior Debt and any debt securities issued in exchange for Senior Debt to substantially the same extent as, or to a greater extent than, the Senior Notes are subordinated to Senior Debt pursuant to the Senior Indenture.

“Permitted Liens” means the following types of Liens:

- (a) Liens existing as of the Issue Date and, with respect to the Acquired Business, Liens existing as of the date of completion of the Acquisition;
- (b) Liens (i) securing Debt under Credit Facilities and any other Senior Debt permitted to be incurred pursuant to “—Certain Covenants—Limitations on Debt” and (ii) Liens on any property or assets of the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary to secure Debt permitted to be incurred pursuant to clause (b) of paragraph (2) of “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”;
- (c) Liens on assets given, disposed of, or otherwise transferred in connection with a Permitted Receivables Financing permitted to be incurred pursuant to clause (m) of paragraph (2) of “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt”;
- (d) Liens on any property or assets of a Restricted Subsidiary granted in favor of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (e) Liens on any of the Parent Guarantor’s or any Restricted Subsidiary’s property or assets securing the Senior Notes or any Guarantees;
- (f) any interest or title of a lessor under any Capitalized Lease Obligation and Liens to secure Debt (including Capitalized Lease Obligations) permitted under the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt” covering only the assets acquired with such Debt;
- (g) Liens arising out of conditional sale, title retention, consignment or similar arrangements for the sale of goods entered into by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business;
- (h) statutory Liens of landlords and carriers, warehousemen, mechanics, suppliers, material men, repairmen, employees, pension plan administrators or other like Liens arising in the ordinary course of business and with respect to amounts not yet delinquent or being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings or Liens arising solely by virtue of any statutory or common law provisions relating to attorney’s liens or bankers’ liens, rights of set-off or similar rights and remedies as to deposit accounts or other funds maintained with a creditor depository institution;
- (i) Liens for taxes, assessments, government charges or claims that are not yet delinquent or that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings for which a reserve or other appropriate provision, if any, as shall be required in conformity with IFRS shall have been made;
- (j) Liens incurred or deposits made to secure the performance of tenders, bids or trade or government contracts, or to secure leases, statutory or regulatory obligations, surety or appeal bonds, performance bonds or other obligations of a like nature incurred in the ordinary course of business (other than obligations for the payment of money);
- (k) zoning restrictions, easements, licenses, reservations, title defects, rights of others for rights-of-way, utilities, sewers, electrical lines, telephone lines, telegraph wires, restrictions, encroachments and other similar charges, encumbrances or title defects and incurred in the ordinary course of business that do not in the aggregate materially interfere with in any material respect the ordinary conduct of the business of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries on the properties subject thereto, taken as a whole;
- (l) Liens arising by reason of any judgment, decree or order of any court so long as such Lien is adequately bonded and any appropriate legal proceedings that may have been duly initiated

for the review of such judgment, decree or order shall not have been finally terminated or the period within which such proceedings may be initiated shall not have expired;

- (m) Liens on property existing at the time such property is acquired or on property of, or on shares of Capital Stock or Debt of, any Person existing at the time such Person is acquired by, merged with or into or consolidated with, the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary; *provided* that such Liens (i) do not extend to or cover any property or assets of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary other than (A) the property or assets acquired or (B) the property or assets of the Person acquired, merged with or into or consolidated with the Parent Guarantor or Restricted Subsidiary and (ii) were created prior to, and not in connection with or in contemplation of such acquisition, merger or consolidation;
- (n) Liens securing the Parent Guarantor's or any Restricted Subsidiary's obligations under Commodity Hedging Agreements, Interest Rate Agreements or Currency Agreements permitted under clauses (h), (i) and (j) of paragraph (2) under "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt" or any collateral for the Debt to which such Commodity Hedging Agreements, Interest Rate Agreements or Currency Agreements relate;
- (o) Liens incurred or deposits made in the ordinary course of business in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other types of social security or other insurance (including unemployment insurance) or deposits to secure public or statutory obligations of such Person or deposits of cash or government bonds to secure performance, bid, surety or appeal bonds and completion bonds and guarantees to which such Person is a party, or deposits as security for contested taxes or import duties or for the payment of rent, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business;
- (p) Liens incurred in connection with a cash management program established in the ordinary course of business;
- (q) Liens encumbering deposits made to secure obligations arising from statutory, regulatory, contractual, or warranty requirements of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary, including rights of offset and set-off;
- (r) any extension, renewal or replacement, in whole or in part, of any Permitted Lien; *provided* that any such extension, renewal or replacement shall not extend in any material respect to any additional property or assets;
- (s) Liens securing Debt incurred to refinance Permitted Refinancing Debt permitted to be incurred under the Secured Indenture; *provided* that any such Lien shall not extend to or cover materially any assets not securing the Debt so refinanced plus improvements and accessions to such property and assets and proceeds and distributions thereof;
- (t) purchase money Liens to finance property or assets of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary acquired in the ordinary course of business; *provided* that (i) the related purchase money Debt shall not exceed the cost of such property or assets and shall not be secured by any property or assets of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary other than the property and assets so acquired;
- (u) Liens in favor of customs and revenue authorities arising as a matter of law to secure payment of customs duties in connection with the importation of goods;
- (v) Liens over the Capital Stock of an Unrestricted Subsidiary or Permitted Joint Venture that secures Debt of such Unrestricted Subsidiary or Permitted Joint Venture;
- (w) Liens incurred in the ordinary course of business of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary with respect to an amount that does not exceed the greater of €115,000,000 and



1.5% of Total Assets at any one time outstanding and any replacements, extensions, modifications or renewals thereof;

- (x) Liens on specific items of inventory or other goods (and the proceeds thereof) of any Person securing such Person's obligations in respect of bankers' acceptances issued or created in the ordinary course of business for the account of such Person to facilitate the purchase, shipment or storage of such inventory or other goods;
- (y) leases, licenses, subleases and sublicenses of assets in the ordinary course of business;
- (z) Liens on property or assets under construction (and related rights) in favor of a contractor or developer or arising from progress or partial payments by a third-party relating to such property or assets;
- (aa) Liens on equipment of the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary granted in the ordinary course of business;
- (bb) customary Liens on and in respect of deposits required in connection with the purchase of property, equipment and inventory, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business; and
- (cc) (i) Liens on Escrowed Proceeds for the benefit of the related holders of debt securities or other Debt (or the underwriters or arrangers thereof) or (ii) Liens on cash set aside at the time of the incurrence of any Debt or government securities purchased with such cash, in either case, to the extent such cash or government securities prefund the payment of interest on such Debt and are held in escrow accounts or similar arrangements to be applied for such purpose.

"Permitted Receivables Financing" means any financing pursuant to which the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary may sell, convey or otherwise transfer to any other Person or grant a security interest in, any accounts receivable (and related assets) in an aggregate principal amount equivalent to the Fair Market Value of such accounts receivable (and related assets) of the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary; *provided* that (a) the covenants, events of default and other provisions applicable to such financing shall be customary for such transactions and shall be on market terms (as determined in good faith by the Parent Guarantor's board of directors) at the time such financing is entered into, (b) the interest rate applicable to such financing shall be a market interest rate (as determined in good faith by the Parent Guarantor's board of directors) at the time such financing is entered into, and (c) such financing shall be non-recourse to the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary except to a limited extent customary for such transactions.

"Permitted Refinancing Debt" means any renewals, extensions, substitutions, refinancings or replacements (each, for purposes of this definition and paragraph (2)(n) of "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt," a "refinancing") of any Debt of the Parent Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary or pursuant to this definition, including any successive refinancings, so long as:

- (a) such Debt is in an aggregate principal amount (or if incurred with original issue discount, an aggregate issue price) not in excess of the sum of (i) the aggregate principal amount (or if incurred with original issue discount, the aggregate accreted value) then outstanding of the Debt being refinanced and (ii) an amount necessary to pay any fees and expenses, including premiums and defeasance costs, related to such refinancing;
- (b) the Average Life of such Debt is equal to or greater than the Average Life of the Debt being refinanced;
- (c) the Stated Maturity of such Debt is no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Debt being refinanced;

- (d) the new Debt is not senior in right of payment to the Debt that is being refinanced; and
- (e) such Debt is unsecured or is secured by a Silent Second Lien if the Debt being refinanced is unsecured.

“Person” means any individual, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

“Preferred Stock” means, with respect to any Person, Capital Stock of any class or classes (however designated) of such Person which is preferred as to the payment of dividends or distributions, or as to the distribution of assets upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation or dissolution of such Person, over the Capital Stock of any other class of such Person whether now outstanding, or issued after the Issue Date, and including, without limitation, all classes and series of preferred or preference stock of such Person.

“pro forma” means, with respect to any calculation made or required to be made pursuant to the terms of the Senior Indenture, a calculation made in good faith by a responsible financial or accounting officer of the Parent Guarantor; *provided* that any such calculation shall (x) give effect to any realized or expected synergies, cost efficiencies and cost savings relating to, or directly or indirectly resulting from, or associated with, any Asset Sale, Investment, acquisition, reorganization, restructuring or operational improvement initiative that has occurred during the period included in the calculation or any prior period or would reasonably be expected to occur in connection with an acquisition or other transaction in relation to which “pro forma” effect is given, as if such synergies, cost efficiencies or cost savings had been effective throughout the period included in the calculation and (y) eliminate any extraordinary, exceptional, unusual or nonrecurring loss, expense or charge (including severance, relocation, plant closure, operational improvement or restructuring costs or reserves therefor) relating to, or directly or indirectly resulting from, or incurred in connection with, any Asset Sale, Investment, acquisition, reorganization, restructuring or operational improvement initiative, or offering of debt or equity securities.

“Property” means, with respect to any Person, any interest of such Person in any kind of property or asset, whether real, personal or mixed, or tangible or intangible, including Capital Stock, and other securities of, any other Person. For purposes of any calculation required pursuant to the Senior Indenture, the value of any Property shall be its Fair Market Value.

“Public Equity Offering” means an offer and sale of Qualified Capital Stock that are listed on an international securities exchange or publicly offered (which shall include an offering pursuant to Rule 144A and/or Regulation S under the Securities Act to professional market investors or similar persons).

“Qualified Capital Stock” of any Person means any and all Capital Stock of such Person other than Redeemable Capital Stock.

“Redeemable Capital Stock” means any class or series of Capital Stock that, either by its terms, by the terms of any security into which it is convertible or exchangeable, or by contract or otherwise, is, or upon the happening of an event or passage of time would be, required to be redeemed prior to the final Stated Maturity of the Senior Notes or is redeemable at the option of the holder thereof at any time prior to such final Stated Maturity (other than upon a change of control of the Parent Guarantor in circumstances in which the holders of the Senior Notes would have similar rights), or is convertible into or exchangeable for debt securities at any time prior to such final Stated Maturity; *provided* that any Capital Stock that would constitute Qualified Capital Stock but for provisions thereof giving holders thereof the right to require such Person to repurchase or redeem such Capital Stock upon the occurrence of any “asset sale” or “change of control” occurring prior to the Stated Maturity of the Senior Notes will not constitute Redeemable Capital Stock if the “asset sale” or “change of control”

provisions applicable to such Capital Stock are no more favorable to the holders of such Capital Stock than the provisions contained in the covenants described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets” and “—Purchase of Senior Notes upon a Change of Control” and such Capital Stock specifically provides that such Person will not repurchase or redeem any such stock pursuant to such provision prior to the Parent Guarantor’s or the Issuers’ repurchase of such Senior Notes as are required to be repurchased pursuant to the covenants described under “—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Sale of Certain Assets” and “—Purchase of Senior Notes upon a Change of Control.”

“Replacement Assets” means properties and assets that replace the properties and assets that were the subject of an Asset Sale or properties and assets that are, or will be, used in the Parent Guarantor’s business or in that of the Restricted Subsidiaries or in a Similar Business or any and all businesses that in the good faith judgment of the board of directors of the Parent Guarantor are reasonably related, and, in each case, any capital expenditure relating thereto.

“Restricted Investment” means any Investment other than a Permitted Investment.

“Restricted Subsidiary” means any Subsidiary of the Parent Guarantor other than an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

“Reversion Date” means, after the Secured Notes have achieved Investment Grade Status, the date, if any, that such Secured Notes shall cease to have such Investment Grade Status.

“S&P” means Standard and Poor’s Ratings Service, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. and its successors.

“Securities Act” means the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or any successor statute, and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Commission thereunder.

“Security Agent” means Citibank, N.A., London Branch, and its successors, as security agent under the Intercreditor Agreement and any additional security agent or sub-agent.

“Security Trustee” means Citibank, N.A., London Branch, in its capacity as security trustee under the Security Trust Deed.

“Senior Debt” means:

- (a) all Debt under any Credit Facility permitted to be incurred under the covenant described under “Certain Covenants—Limitation on Debt” and all Commodity Hedging Agreements, Currency Agreements and Interest Rate Agreements and other obligations with respect thereto;
- (b) any other Debt permitted to be incurred by either Issuer, the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary that provides a Guarantee under the terms of the Senior Indenture unless, with respect to such a Restricted Subsidiary, the instrument under which such Debt is incurred expressly provides that it is on a parity with or subordinated in right of payment to its Guarantee, as the case may be; and
- (c) all obligations with respect to the items listed in the preceding clauses (a) and (b).

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding, Senior Debt will not include:

- (i) any liability for taxes owed or owing by the Issuers or the Guarantors;
- (ii) any Debt that is incurred in violation of the Senior Indenture or the terms of the Senior Notes, as the case may be; or
- (iii) any trade payables.

“Senior PIK Notes” means the existing €250,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 8.375% Senior PIK Notes due 2019 and \$710,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 8.625% Senior PIK Notes due 2019 issued by Ardagh Finance Holdings S.A.

“Similar Business” means any business, service or other activity engaged in by the Parent Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor on the Issue Date or following the completion of the Acquisition and any business, service or other activities that are reasonably similar, ancillary, complementary or related to, or a reasonable extension, development or expansion of, the businesses in which the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries are engaged on the Issue Date or following the completion of the Acquisition or any business that, in the good faith business judgment of the Parent Guarantor, constitutes a reasonable diversification of business conducted by the Parent Guarantor and its Subsidiaries.

“Stated Maturity” means, when used with respect to any note or any installment of interest thereon, the date specified in such note as the fixed date on which the principal of such note or such installment of interest, respectively, is due and payable, and, when used with respect to any other indebtedness, means the date specified in the instrument governing such indebtedness as the fixed date on which the principal of such indebtedness, or any installment of interest thereon, is due and payable.

“Subordinated Debt” means Debt of either Issuer or any of the Guarantors (other than the Existing Ardagh Bonds, the New Secured Notes, the Incremental Facility and any Permitted Refinancing Debt in respect of the foregoing) that is subordinated in right of payment to the Senior Notes or the Guarantees of such Guarantors, as the case may be; *provided* that no Debt will be deemed to be subordinated in right of payment to any other Debt solely by virtue of being unsecured or by virtue of being secured on a junior Lien basis.

“Subsidiary” means, with respect to any Person:

- (a) a corporation a majority of whose Voting Stock is at the time, directly or indirectly, owned by such Person, by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person or by such Person and one or more Subsidiaries thereof; and
- (b) any other Person (other than a corporation), including, without limitation, a partnership, limited liability company, business trust or joint venture, in which such Person, one or more Subsidiaries thereof or such Person and one or more Subsidiaries thereof, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination thereof, has at least majority ownership interest entitled to vote in the election of directors, managers or trustees thereof (or other Person performing similar functions).

“Subsidiary Guarantors” means any Restricted Subsidiary that provides a Guarantee in each case until it is released from its obligations under its Guarantee and the Senior Indenture in accordance with the terms thereof.

“TARGET Day” means a day on which the trans-European Automated Real-time Gross Settlement Express Transfer system is operating.

“Term Loan Facilities Credit Agreement” means the credit agreement dated as of December 17, 2013, by and among, *inter alios*, Ardagh Holdings USA and Ardagh Packaging Finance S.A., as co-borrowers, the Parent Guarantor, as parent guarantor, the subsidiaries of the Parent Guarantor party thereto as subsidiary guarantors, the lenders from time to time party thereto, Citibank, N.A. as administrative agent and Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as security agent, in respect of the Term Loan Facilities and the Incremental Facility as amended or modified from time to time.

“Total Assets” means the consolidated total assets of the Parent Guarantor and its Restricted Subsidiaries as shown on the most recent consolidated balance sheet of the Parent Guarantor.

“Total Inventories” means, as of any date, the amount of raw materials, packaging materials, work-in-progress and finished goods of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries, net of any provisions in respect of the foregoing items, in each case, as of the date of the most recent consolidated balance sheet of the Parent Guarantor which has been delivered in accordance with the provisions of “—Certain Covenants—Reports to Holders.”

“Total Receivables” means, as of any date, (a) the amount of accounts receivable of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries plus (b) the amount of accounts receivable of the Parent Guarantor and the Restricted Subsidiaries that has been sold, conveyed or otherwise transferred in Permitted Receivables Financings and is outstanding, in each case, as of the date of the most recent consolidated balance sheet of the Parent Guarantor which has been delivered in accordance with the provisions of the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Reports to Holders.”

“Treasury Rate” means, as of the applicable redemption date, the yield to maturity as of such redemption date of United States Treasury securities with a constant maturity (as compiled and published in the most recent Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15(519) or other similar publication that has become publicly available at least two business days prior to such redemption date (or, if such Statistical Release is no longer published, any publicly available source of similar market data)) most nearly equal to the period from such redemption date to May 15, 2019; *provided, however*, that if the period from such redemption date to May 15, 2019 is less than one year, the weekly average yield on actually traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to a constant maturity of one year will be used.

“Unrestricted Subsidiary” means:

- (a) any Subsidiary of the Parent Guarantor that at the time of determination is an Unrestricted Subsidiary (as designated by the Parent Guarantor’s board of directors pursuant to the covenant described under “—Certain Covenants—Designation of Unrestricted and Restricted Subsidiaries”); and
- (b) any Subsidiary of an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

“U.S. dollar” or “\$” means the lawful currency of the United States of America.

“U.S. Government Securities” means direct obligations of, or obligations guaranteed by, the United States of America, and the payment for which the United States pledges its full faith and credit.

“Voting Stock” means any class or classes of Capital Stock pursuant to which the holders thereof have the general voting power under ordinary circumstances to elect at least a majority of the board of directors, managers or trustees (or Persons performing similar functions) of any Person (irrespective of whether or not, at the time, stock of any other class or classes shall have, or might have, voting power by reason of the happening of any contingency).

“Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary” means any Restricted Subsidiary, all of the outstanding Capital Stock (other than directors’ qualifying shares or shares of Restricted Subsidiaries required to be owned by third parties pursuant to applicable law) of which are owned by the Parent Guarantor or by one or more other Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries or by the Parent Guarantor and one or more other Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries.

## **BOOK-ENTRY; DELIVERY AND FORM**

### **General**

The Floating Rate Secured Notes sold to QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A will be represented by a global note in registered form without coupons attached (the “Rule 144A Floating Rate Secured Note”). The Floating Rate Secured Notes sold to persons outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by a global note in registered form without interest coupons attached (the “Regulation S Floating Rate Secured Note”).

The Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes sold to QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A will be represented by a global note in registered form without coupons attached (the “Rule 144A Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Note”). The Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes sold to persons outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by a global note in registered form without interest coupons attached (the “Regulation S Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Note”).

The Euro Secured Notes sold to QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A will be represented by a global note in registered form without interest coupons attached (the “Rule 144A Euro Secured Global Note”). The Euro Secured Notes sold to persons outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by a global note in registered form without interest coupons attached (the “Regulation S Euro Secured Note”).

The Dollar Senior Notes sold to QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A will be represented by a global note in registered form without coupons attached (the “Rule 144A Dollar Senior Note” and, together with the Rule 144A Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Note and the Rule 144A Floating Rate Secured Note, the “Rule 144A Dollar Global Notes”). The Dollar Senior Notes sold to persons outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by a global note in registered form without interest coupons attached (the “Regulation S Dollar Senior Note” and, together with the Regulation S Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Note and the Regulation S Floating Rate Secured Note, the “Regulation S Dollar Global Notes”).

The Euro Senior Notes sold to QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A will be represented by a global note in registered form without interest coupons attached (the “Rule 144A Euro Senior Global Note” and, together with the Rule 144A Euro Secured Note, the “Rule 144A Euro Global Notes”). The Euro Senior Notes sold to persons outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by a global note in registered form without interest coupons attached (the “Regulation S Euro Senior Note” and, together with the Regulation S Euro Secured Note, the “Regulation S Euro Global Notes”). The Rule 144A Dollar Global Notes and the Rule 144A Euro Global Notes are collectively referred to as the “144A Global Notes.” The Regulation S Dollar Global Notes and the Regulation S Euro Global Notes are collectively referred to as the “Regulation S Global Notes.” The Rule 144A Global Notes and the Regulation S Global Notes are collectively referred to as the “Global Notes.”

The Rule 144A Dollar Global Notes and the Regulation S Dollar Global Notes will be deposited with a custodian for, and registered in the name of, Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC. The Rule 144A Euro Global Notes and the Regulation S Euro Global Notes will be deposited with a common depositary and registered in the name of the nominee of the common depositary for the accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream Banking.

Ownership of interests in the Rule 144A Global Notes (the “Rule 144A Book-entry Interests”) and in the Regulation S Global Notes (the “Regulation S Book-entry Interests” and, together with the Rule 144A Book-entry Interests, the “Book-entry Interests”) will be limited to persons who have accounts with DTC, Euroclear and/or Clearstream Banking, or persons who hold interests through such participants. DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking will hold interests in the Global Notes on behalf of their participants through customers’ securities accounts in their respective names on the



books of their respective depositories. Except under the limited circumstances described below, Book-entry Interests will not be held in definitive certificated form.

Book-entry Interests will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be done only through, records maintained in the book-entry form by DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking and their participants. The laws of some jurisdictions, including certain states of the United States, may require that certain purchasers of securities take physical delivery of such securities in definitive certificated form. The foregoing limitations may impair the ability to own, transfer or pledge Book-entry Interests. In addition, while the Notes are in global form, holders of Book-entry Interests will not be considered the owners or “holders” of Notes for any purpose.

So long as the Notes are held in global form, DTC, Euroclear and/or Clearstream Banking, as applicable (or their respective nominees), will be considered the sole holders of the Global Notes for all purposes under the Indentures. In addition, participants must rely on the procedures of DTC, Euroclear and/or Clearstream Banking, and indirect participants must rely on the procedures of DTC, Euroclear, Clearstream Banking and the participants through which they own Book-entry Interests, to transfer their interests or to exercise any rights of holders under the Indentures.

Neither we nor the Trustee, the Paying Agent or the Registrar will have any responsibility, or be liable, for any aspect of the records relating to the Book-entry Interests.

### **Redemption of the Global Notes**

In the event any Global Note (or any portion thereof) is redeemed, DTC, Euroclear and/or Clearstream Banking, as applicable, will redeem an equal amount of the Book-entry Interests in such Global Note from the amount received by it in respect of the redemption of such Global Note. The redemption price payable in connection with the redemption of such Book-entry Interests will be equal to the amount received by DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking, as applicable, in connection with the redemption of such Global Note (or any portion thereof). We understand that, under the existing practices of DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking, if fewer than all of a series of Notes are to be redeemed at any time, DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking will credit their respective participants’ accounts on a proportionate basis (with adjustments to prevent fractions), by lot or on such other basis as they deem fair and appropriate; *provided, however*, that no Book-entry Interest of less than €100,000 or \$200,000 as applicable may be redeemed in part.

### **Payments on Global Notes**

We will make payments of any amounts owing in respect of the Global Notes (including principal, premium, if any, and interest) to DTC or its nominee (in the case of the Dollar Rule 144A Global Notes and the Dollar Regulation S Global Notes) and to the common depository or its nominee for Euroclear and Clearstream Banking (in the case of Euro Rule 144A Global Notes and Euro Regulation S Global Notes), which will distribute such payments to participants in accordance with their customary procedures. We will make payments of all such amounts without deduction or withholding for, or on account of, any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature, except as may be required by law and as described under “Description of the Secured Notes—Additional Amounts” and “Description of the Senior Notes—Additional Amounts.” If any such deduction or withholding is required to be made, then, to the extent described under “Description of the Secured Notes—Additional Amounts” and “Description of the Senior Notes—Additional Amounts,” we will pay additional amounts as may be necessary in order that the net amounts received by any holder of the Global Notes or owner of Book-entry Interests after such deduction or withholding will equal the net amounts that such holder or owner would have otherwise received in respect of such Global Note or Book-entry Interest, as the case may be, absent such

withholding or deduction. We expect that standing customer instructions and customary practices will govern payments by participants to owners of Book-entry Interests held through such participants.

Under the terms of the Secured Indenture and the Senior Indenture, the Issuers and the Trustee will treat the registered holder of the Global Notes (e.g., DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking (or their respective nominees)) as the owner thereof for the purpose of receiving payments and for all other purposes. Consequently, none of the Issuers, the Trustee, the Paying Agent, the Registrar or any of their respective agents has or will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records of DTC, Euroclear, Clearstream Banking or any participant or indirect participant relating to, or payments made on account of, a Book-entry Interest or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing the records of DTC, Euroclear, Clearstream Banking or any participant or indirect participant relating to, or payments made on account of, a Book-entry Interest, or DTC, Euroclear, Clearstream Banking or any participant or indirect participant.

### **Currency of Payment for the Global Notes**

The principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, and all other amounts payable in respect of, the Dollar Rule 144A Global Notes and the Dollar Regulation S Global Notes, will be paid to holders of interests in such Notes through DTC in U.S. dollars. The principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, and all other amounts payable in respect of, the Euro Rule 144A Global Notes and the Euro Regulation S Global Notes, will be paid to holders of interests in such Notes through Euroclear and/or Clearstream in euro.

### **Action by Owners of Book-entry Interests**

DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking have advised the Issuers that they will take any action permitted to be taken by a holder of Notes (including the presentation of Notes for exchange as described below) only at the direction of one or more participants to whose account the Book-entry Interests are credited and only in respect of such portion of the aggregate principal amount of Notes as to which such participant or participants has or have given such direction. DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking will not exercise any discretion in the granting of consents, waivers or the taking of any other action in respect of the Global Notes. However, if there is an Event of Default under the Secured Indenture or the Senior Indenture, each of DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking reserves the right to exchange the Global Notes for definitive registered notes in certificated form (“Definitive Registered Notes”) and to distribute Definitive Registered Notes to its participants.

### **Transfers**

Transfers between participants in DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking will be effected in accordance with DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking rules and will be settled in immediately available funds. If a holder requires physical delivery of Definitive Registered Notes for any reason, including to sell Notes to persons in jurisdictions that require physical delivery of securities or to pledge such Notes, such holder must transfer its interests in the Global Notes in accordance with the normal procedures of DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking and in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Secured Indenture or the Senior Indenture, as applicable.

The Global Notes for Rule 144A Book-entry Interests will have a legend to the effect set forth under “Notice to Investors.” Book-entry Interests in the Global Notes will be subject to the restrictions on transfers and certification requirements discussed under “Notice to Investors.”

Through and including the 40th day after the later of the commencement of the offering of the Notes and the closing of the offering (the “Distribution Compliance Period”), Regulation S Book-entry Interests may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of an interest in the Rule 144A Global Note only if such transfer is made pursuant to Rule 144A and the transferor first delivers to the

Trustee a certificate (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that such transfer is being made to a person who the transferor reasonably believes is a “qualified institutional buyer” within the meaning of Rule 144A in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A or otherwise in accordance with the transfer restrictions described under “Notice to Investors” and in accordance with all applicable securities laws of the states of the United States and other jurisdictions.

After the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period, Regulation S Book-entry Interests may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Rule 144A Book-entry Interest without compliance with these certification requirements.

Rule 144A Book-entry Interests may be transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Regulation S Book-entry Interest only upon delivery by the transferor of a written certification (in the form provided in the Indenture) to the effect that such transfer is being made in accordance with Regulation S or Rule 144 under the U.S. Securities Act or any other exemption (if available under the U.S. Securities Act).

In connection with transfers involving an exchange of a Regulation S Book-entry Interest for a Rule 144A Book-entry Interest, appropriate adjustments will be made to reflect a decrease in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Notes and a corresponding increase in the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Notes.

Any Book-entry Interest in one of the Global Notes that is transferred to a person who takes delivery in the form of a Book-entry Interest in any other Global Note will, upon transfer, cease to be a Book-entry Interest in the first mentioned Global Note and become a Book-entry Interest in such other Global Note, and accordingly will thereafter be subject to all transfer restrictions, if any, and other procedures applicable to Book-entry Interests in such other Global Note for as long as it remains such a Book-entry Interest.

#### **Definitive Registered Notes**

Under the terms of the Secured Indenture and the Senior Indenture, owners of the Book-entry Interests will receive Definitive Registered Notes:

- if DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking notifies either Issuer that it is unwilling or unable to continue to act as depositary and a successor depositary is not appointed by us within 120 days; or
- if the owner of a Book-entry Interest requests such an exchange in writing delivered through DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking following an Event of Default under the Secured Indenture or the Senior Indenture, as applicable.

In the case of the issuance of Definitive Registered Notes, the holder of a Definitive Registered Note may transfer such Note by surrendering it to the registrar or transfer agent. In the event of a partial transfer or a partial redemption of a holding of Definitive Registered Notes represented by one Definitive Registered Note, a Definitive Registered Note will be issued to the transferee in respect of the part transferred and a new Definitive Registered Note in respect of the balance of the holding not transferred or redeemed will be issued to the transferor or the holder, as applicable; *provided* that no Definitive Registered Note in a denomination less than €100,000 or \$200,000, as applicable, will be issued. We will bear the cost of preparing, printing, packaging and delivering the Definitive Registered Notes.

We will not be required to register the transfer or exchange of Definitive Registered Notes for a period of 15 calendar days preceding (i) the record date for any payment of interest on the applicable series of Notes, (ii) any date fixed for redemption of the applicable series of Notes or (iii) the date fixed for selection of the applicable series of Notes to be redeemed in part. Also, we are not required

to register the transfer or exchange of any Notes selected for redemption. In the event of the transfer of any Definitive Registered Note, the Trustee may require a holder, among other things, to furnish appropriate endorsements and transfer documents as described in the applicable Indenture. We may require a holder to pay any taxes and fees required by law and permitted by the applicable Indenture and the applicable series of Notes.

If Definitive Registered Notes are issued and a holder thereof claims that such Definitive Registered Note has been lost, destroyed or wrongfully taken, or if such Definitive Registered Note is mutilated and is surrendered to the registrar or at the office of the transfer agent, we will issue and the Trustee, upon receipt of an authentication order, will authenticate a replacement Definitive Registered Note if the Trustee's and our requirements are met. Either Issuer or the Trustee may require a holder requesting replacement of a Definitive Registered Note to furnish an indemnity bond sufficient in the judgment of both to protect us, the Trustee or the Paying Agent appointed pursuant to the Indentures governing the Notes from any loss which any of them may suffer if a Definitive Registered Note is replaced. The Issuers may charge for any expenses incurred by us in replacing a Definitive Registered Note.

In case any such mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Definitive Registered Note has become or is about to become due and payable, or is about to be redeemed or purchased by either Issuer pursuant to the provisions of the Indentures, such Issuer, in its discretion, may, instead of issuing a new Definitive Registered Note, pay, redeem or purchase such Definitive Registered Note, as the case may be.

Definitive Registered Notes may be transferred and exchanged only after the transferor first delivers to the Trustee a written certification (in the form provided in the Indentures) to the effect that such transfer will comply with the transfer restrictions applicable to such Notes. See "Notice to Investors."

So long as the Notes are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange and the rules of such exchange so require, we will publish a notice of any issuance of Definitive Registered Notes in a newspaper having general circulation in Ireland (which we expect to be *The Irish Times*) or, to the extent and in the manner permitted by such rules, posted on the official website of the Irish Stock Exchange (<http://www.ise.ie>).

#### **Information Concerning DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking**

##### ***DTC***

DTC is:

- a limited purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law;
- a "banking organization" under the New York Banking Law;
- a member of the Federal Reserve System;
- a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code; and
- a "clearing agency" registered under Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

DTC was created to hold securities for its participants and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of transactions among its participants. It does this through electronic book-entry changes in the accounts of securities participants, eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. DTC participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations such as the Initial Purchasers. Others, such as banks, brokers, dealers, trust companies and clearing corporations, that clear through or maintain a custodial

relationship with a direct participant also have access to the DTC system and are known as indirect participants.

Because DTC can only act on behalf of participants, who in turn act on behalf of indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of an owner of a beneficial interest to pledge such interest to persons or entities that do not participate in the DTC system or otherwise take actions in respect of such interest may be limited by the lack of a definitive certificate for that interest. The laws of some jurisdictions require that certain persons take physical delivery of securities in definitive form. Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests to such persons may be limited. In addition, owners of beneficial interests through the DTC system will receive distributions attributable to the Rule 144A Global Note only through DTC participants.

The address of DTC in New York is 55 Water Street, New York, New York 10041.

### ***Euroclear and Clearstream Banking***

Our understanding with respect to the organization and operations of Euroclear and Clearstream Banking is as follows. Euroclear and Clearstream Banking hold securities for participating organizations. They also facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between their respective participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of such participants. Euroclear and Clearstream Banking provide various services to their participants, including the safekeeping, administration, clearance, settlement, lending and borrowing of internationally traded securities. Euroclear and Clearstream Banking interface with domestic securities markets. Euroclear and Clearstream Banking participants are financial institutions such as underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and certain other organizations. Indirect access to Euroclear and Clearstream Banking is also available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodian relationship with a Euroclear or Clearstream Banking participant, either directly or indirectly.

### **Global Clearance and Settlement under the Book-entry System**

Subject to compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Notes, cross market transfers between participants in DTC, on the one hand, and Euroclear or Clearstream Banking participants, on the other hand, will be done through DTC in accordance with DTC's rules on behalf of each of Euroclear or Clearstream Banking by the common depositary; however, such cross market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream Banking by the counterparty in such system in accordance with the rules and procedures and within the established deadlines (Brussels time) of such system. Euroclear or Clearstream Banking will, if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to the common depositary to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in the Global Notes in DTC, and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to DTC. Euroclear participants and Clearstream Banking participants may not deliver instructions directly to the common depositary.

Because of time zone differences, the securities account of a Euroclear or Clearstream Banking participant purchasing an interest in a Global Note from a participant in DTC will be credited, and any such crediting will be reported to the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream Banking participant, during the securities settlement processing day (which must be a business day for Euroclear or Clearstream Banking, as the case may be) immediately following the settlement date of DTC. Cash received in Euroclear and Clearstream Banking as a result of sales of interests in a Global Note by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream Banking participant to a participant in DTC will be received with value on the settlement date of DTC but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream Banking cash

account only as of the business day for Euroclear or Clearstream Banking following DTC's settlement date.

Although DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking are expected to follow the foregoing procedures in order to facilitate transfers of interests in the Global Notes among participants of DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking, as the case may be, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform such procedures, and such procedures may be discontinued at any time. None of the Issuers, the Trustee, the Registrar or any Paying Agent will have any responsibility for the performance by DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream Banking or their respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.



## **TAXATION**

Prospective purchasers of the Notes are advised to consult their own tax advisers as to the tax consequences, under the tax laws of the country of which they are resident, of a purchase of Notes including, without limitation, the consequences of receipt of interest and premium, if any, on and sale or redemption of, the Notes or any interest therein.

References in this discussion to Notes acquired, owned, held or disposed of by noteholders include, except where otherwise expressly stated, the Book-entry Interests held by purchasers in the Notes in global form deposited with a custodian for, and registered in the name of, Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC.

### **Ireland Taxation**

The following general summary describes the material Irish tax consequences of ownership of the Notes and is based on the Irish tax law and published practice of the Revenue Commissioners as in effect on the date of this Offering Memorandum and both are subject to change possibly with retroactive effect. The following summary does not purport to be a complete analysis of all Irish tax consideration relating to the Notes. It relates to the position of persons who are absolute beneficial owners of the Notes and may not apply to certain classes of persons such as financial institutions, dealers and certain tax-exempt bodies. Holders of the Notes are advised to consult their own tax advisers regarding the taxation implications of acquiring, owning and disposing of the Notes.

#### ***Taxation of the Irish Issuer***

The Irish Issuer has elected to be taxable as a securitization company pursuant to Section 110 of the Irish Taxes Consolidation Act 1997 (as amended) (the “TCA 1997”). Profits arising to the Irish Issuer shall be taxable at a rate of 25%. The rules applicable in order to calculate this tax are generally the same as those applicable to a regular trading company except in relation to certain payments of interest. Interest on the Notes would be deductible for Irish tax purposes, where certain conditions are met.

All expenses that are not capital in nature and are wholly and exclusively for the purposes of the Irish Issuer’s activities and are not specifically prohibited by statute will be deductible from income in order to determine taxable profits. Any losses incurred by the Irish Issuer will be available for set-off against its profits for any subsequent accounting period for so long as the Irish Issuer continues to be subject to the Section 110 taxation regime.

#### ***Withholding Tax on Interest***

In general, withholding tax at the standard rate of tax (currently 20%) must be deducted from Irish source interest payments made by an Irish company. However, for so long as the Notes are listed on a recognized stock exchange such as the Global Exchange Market of the Irish Stock Exchange and the Notes carry a right to interest, the Notes will constitute “quoted Eurobonds” and no withholding for or on account of Irish income tax will be required to be made on interest arising on the Notes under Section 64 of the TCA 1997.

There is no obligation to withhold tax on interest arising on quoted Eurobonds provided they meet the following criteria:

- (a) they are held in a recognized clearing system,
- (b) the interest is paid by or through a person who is not in Ireland (“non-Irish paying agent”), or
- (c) the beneficial owner of the Notes is not resident in Ireland and has made all necessary declarations in the prescribed form.

As the Notes will constitute “quoted Eurobonds” and meet the above criteria, there will be no requirement to withhold tax.

There is also an exemption for interest paid by a securitization company (within the meaning of Section 110 of the TCA 1997) to a person who is resident in another EU Member State or a country with which Ireland has a tax treaty, except in a case where the interest is paid to a company in relation to a business which that company carries on in Ireland through a branch or agency. The Irish Issuer has applied to be treated as such a securitization company.

No Irish withholding tax is payable in respect of a repayment of any principal amount of the Notes. No Irish withholding tax is payable in respect of interest that does not have an Irish source and does to arise to an Irish resident.

#### ***Charge to Irish Tax***

Persons (individuals and companies) tax resident in Ireland are generally liable to Irish tax on their worldwide income, including any income from the Notes.

In the case of persons that are individuals, interest will be liable to income tax at the marginal rate (up to 40%). Such income will also be liable to the Universal Social Charge at rates of up to 11% depending on the individual’s circumstances. Irish Social Security contributions may also be payable. In the case of corporate entities, the rate of corporation tax applying to the interest income is 25% (unless the income constitutes trading income).

Interest paid by an Irish resident company to persons resident outside Ireland and who are resident in a “relevant territory” is exempt from Irish income tax where the Notes constitute “quoted Eurobonds.” A “relevant territory” for this purpose is a Member State of the European Union (other than Ireland), or a territory with which Ireland has entered into a double tax treaty.

Where interest is paid to or income, gains or discounts are realized by a person tax resident outside a relevant territory, such Irish source income may be chargeable to Irish income tax. However, a company (wherever resident) under the control of persons who are resident in a relevant territory and not under the control of Irish residents should not be liable to Irish tax on interest arising on quoted Eurobonds. A company (wherever resident) whose principal class of shares are quoted on a recognized stock exchange is also not taxable on such interest on quoted Eurobonds. Ireland operates a self-assessment system in respect of income taxes, corporation taxes, social insurance and the universal social charge. Any person with Irish source income which is chargeable to Irish income tax comes within the scope of that system and may have to file a return. A person not tax resident in Ireland should not be liable to Irish tax on non-Irish source interest income.

#### ***Payments Under the Guarantee Arrangement***

Any payments made by the Parent Guarantor under the Guarantee can be made without deduction of Irish withholding tax where the Notes are quoted Eurobonds and meet the criteria set out above.

Such payments should not be subject to Irish tax in the hands of a recipient who is not tax resident in Ireland and is resident in a relevant territory and where the amount received is not connected with a trade carried on in Ireland by the recipient through a branch or agency. Persons who are resident outside a relevant territory and in receipt of such payments may be chargeable to Irish tax. Any such person may come within the scope of the self-assessment system and may have to file a return.

### ***Encashment Tax***

If the Paying Agent is not in Ireland, which is the case, then there is no obligation to deduct encashment tax. If a person in Ireland were to pay the interest or receive the interest on behalf of a third-party, then Irish encashment tax (at the standard rate—currently 20%) would apply to amounts belonging to Irish resident holders of the Notes, or non-Irish residents who hold Notes and who had not completed the requisite nonresident declaration forms.

In general, an automatic exemption from encashment tax exists on foreign dividends belonging to the following Irish resident persons:

- (a) approved charities,
- (b) wholly exempt pension schemes,
- (c) an Investment Undertaking within the meaning of Section 739B TCA 1997.

### ***Deposit Interest Retention Tax***

The interest on the Notes will not be liable to Deposit Interest Retention Tax.

### ***Capital Gains Tax***

In the case of a person who is either tax resident or ordinarily tax resident in Ireland, the disposal or redemption of the Notes may be liable to Irish capital gains tax at a rate of 33%. If the person is neither resident nor ordinarily resident in Ireland, such person will not be liable to Irish capital gains tax on the disposal or redemption unless the Notes are situated in Ireland and have been used in or for the purposes of a trade carried on by such person in Ireland through a branch or agency, or which were used or held or acquired for use by or for the purposes of the branch or agency. Registered instruments will be deemed to be situated in Ireland if the register is located in Ireland at the time of the disposal or redemption.

### ***Capital Acquisitions Tax***

A gift or inheritance of the Notes will be within the charge to capital acquisitions tax where the donor or the beneficiary in relation to the gift/inheritance is tax resident or ordinarily tax resident in Ireland on the date of the gift or inheritance, or if the Notes are regarded as property situated in Ireland. Special rules with regard to tax residence apply where an individual is not domiciled in Ireland. Capital acquisitions tax is charged at a rate of 33% on the taxable value of the gift or inheritance above a tax-free threshold.

### ***Value added Tax***

There is no Irish Value added Tax (“VAT”) payable in respect of payments in consideration for the issue of the Notes or for the transfer of a Note.

### ***Stamp Duty***

#### ***Issuance of Instruments***

No stamp duty arises on the issuance of the Notes.

### *Transfer of Notes*

No stamp duty is chargeable on a transfer of the Notes as they meet the following conditions for exemption under Irish tax legislation:

- (i) they do not carry a right of conversion into stocks or marketable securities (other than loan capital) of a company having a register in Ireland or into loan capital having such a right;
- (ii) they do not carry rights of the same kind as shares in the capital of the company, including rights such as voting rights, a share in the profits or a share in the surplus upon liquidations;
- (iii) they are issued for a price which is not less than 90% of the nominal value; and
- (iv) they do not carry a right to a sum in respect of repayment or interest which is related to certain movements in an index or indices specified in any instrument or other document relating to such loan capital.

### ***FATCA and the CRS***

#### *FATCA*

The U.S. developed an intergovernmental approach to the implementation of FATCA (as discussed in “—United States Federal Income Taxation—Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act” below), which is intended to reduce the burden for Financial Institutions (“FIs”) of complying with FATCA. The Irish and U.S. governments signed an intergovernmental agreement (“Irish IGA”) on December 12, 2012. Under the Irish IGA, information about relevant U.S. investors will be provided on an annual basis by each Irish FI (unless the FI is exempted from the FATCA requirements) directly to the Irish Revenue Commissioners, who will then provide such information to the U.S. tax authorities.

#### *CRS*

The Common Reporting Standards (“CRS”) requires participating jurisdictions to exchange certain information held by financial institutions regarding their non-resident customers. Over 90 jurisdictions have committed to exchanging information under the CRS and a group, including Ireland, have committed to the early adoption of the CRS, with the first data exchanges taking place in September 2017. CRS does not impose any additional requirements to withhold tax on payments to investors.

#### *Reporting obligations under FATCA and the CRS*

A common feature of both FATCA and the CRS is that entities that are classified as “Financial Institutions” are required to identify their investors and in certain circumstances report information to their local tax authorities (for onward reporting to overseas tax authorities, in the case of CRS, and for onward reporting to the U.S. tax authorities, in the case of FATCA).

The Irish Revenue Commissioners have issued regulations and guidance notes making compliance with the Irish provisions implementing CRS and FATCA mandatory. As a result, Irish entities that are classified as “Financial Institutions” in accordance with FATCA and CRS have obligations in respect of the Irish law implementing CRS and FATCA.

On the basis that the Irish Issuer does not fall within the definition of “Financial Institution” for FATCA and CRS purposes, it should not have any reporting obligations under FATCA or CRS. However, there may be still FATCA or CRS reporting applicable to the Notes by persons other than the Irish Issuer but this will be dependent upon various factors such as the entities from which the Noteholders will directly receive interest on the Notes, the rules applicable in the jurisdictions of these entities, where the ultimate beneficial owners of the Notes are resident and their FATCA and CRS status.

## United States Federal Income Taxation

The following summary describes certain U.S. federal income tax consequences that may be relevant with respect to the acquisition, ownership and disposition of Notes. This summary applies only to holders who purchase Notes for cash in this offering at the applicable price indicated on the cover of this Offering Memorandum and who will hold the Notes as capital assets. It does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations that may be relevant to a decision to purchase the Notes. In particular, this summary does not address tax considerations applicable to holders that may be subject to special tax rules including, without limitation, the following: (i) banks or other financial institutions; (ii) insurance companies; (iii) dealers or traders in securities or currencies; (iv) tax-exempt entities; (v) persons who will hold Notes as part of a “hedging” or “conversion” transaction or as a position in a “straddle” or as part of a “synthetic security” or other integrated transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes; (vi) U.S. Holders (as defined below) who have a “functional currency” other than the U.S. dollar; (vii) regulated investment companies; (viii) partnerships and other pass-through entities (and investors therein); and (ix) persons who have ceased to be U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents of the United States. Further, this summary does not address alternative minimum tax consequences or any U.S. federal tax consequences other than U.S. federal income tax consequences (such as, U.S. federal estate and gift tax consequences, or the Medicare tax on certain investment income) or any U.S. state and local or foreign tax consequences of acquiring, owning or disposing of Notes.

This summary is based on the Code and U.S. Treasury regulations and judicial and administrative interpretations thereof, as of the date of this Offering Memorandum. All of the foregoing are subject to change, which change could apply retroactively and could affect the tax consequences described below.

For purposes of this summary, a “U.S. Holder” is a beneficial owner of a Note that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes: (i) an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States; (ii) a corporation, or other entity treated as a corporation, created or organized under the laws of the United States, any state thereof, or the District of Columbia; (iii) an estate, the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source; or (iv) a trust if (1) a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (2) the trust was in existence on August 20, 1996 and has properly elected to continue to be treated as a U.S. person.

For purposes of this summary, a “Non-U.S. Holder” is a beneficial owner of a Note that is neither a U.S. Holder nor a partnership (or other entity or arrangement that is treated as a partnership) for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

If any entity or arrangement treated as a partnership or other pass through entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes holds Notes, the tax treatment of a partner in or owner of the partnership or other pass-through entity will generally depend upon the status of the partner or owner and the activities of the entity. A person that is a partner in a partnership or other pass-through entity that is considering investing in Notes should consult its own tax adviser.

Each prospective investor should consult its own tax adviser with respect to the U.S. federal (including income, Medicare, estate and gift), state, local and foreign tax consequences of acquiring, owning and disposing of Notes. Holders should also review the discussion under “—Ireland Taxation” for the Irish tax consequences to a holder of the ownership of Notes.

In certain circumstances, we may be obligated to pay amounts in excess of stated principal on the Notes or retire the Notes before their stated maturity dates. Notwithstanding these possibilities, we do not believe that the Notes are contingent payment debt instruments for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and, consequently, we do not intend to treat the Notes as contingent payment debt

instruments. If, notwithstanding our view, any of the Notes were treated as contingent payment debt instruments, a holder subject to U.S. federal income taxation generally would be required to accrue ordinary income at a rate in excess of the stated interest rate on such Notes and to treat as ordinary income (rather than capital gain) any gain recognized on a sale or other taxable disposition of such Notes. The remainder of this discussion assumes that the Notes will not be treated as contingent payment debt instruments for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

### ***Source of Interest Payments***

For certain U.S. federal income tax purposes (including for purposes of the foreign tax credit rules and the withholding tax rules (including FATCA), as discussed below), the source of the interest income received by a holder with respect to the Notes, whether euro-denominated or dollar-denominated, should depend on which Issuer makes the interest payment. However, the clearing systems require us to designate only one Issuer for U.S. federal withholding tax purposes, and we intend to designate Ardagh Holdings USA Inc. as the issuer of the Notes for this purpose. As such, an applicable withholding agent likely will treat all interest payments as U.S. source for U.S. federal withholding tax purposes.

### ***U.S. Holders***

#### ***Payments of Stated Interest***

Stated interest paid on a Note will generally be taxable to a U.S. Holder as ordinary interest income at the time it is received or accrued, depending on the U.S. Holder's method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

A U.S. Holder who uses the cash method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes and who receives a payment of stated interest in euro (including a payment attributable to accrued but unpaid stated interest upon the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other disposition of a Note) will be required to include in income the U.S. dollar value of the euro payment received (determined based on the spot rate of exchange on the date the payment is received), regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted to U.S. dollars at that time. A cash basis U.S. Holder will not realize foreign currency exchange gain or loss on the receipt of stated interest income but may recognize exchange gain or loss attributable to the actual disposition of the euro received.

A U.S. Holder who uses the accrual method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes will accrue euro-denominated stated interest income in euro and translate that amount into U.S. dollars based on the average spot rate of exchange in effect for the accrual period or, with respect to an accrual period that spans two taxable years, at the average spot rate of exchange for the partial period within the applicable taxable year. Alternatively, an accrual method U.S. Holder may elect to translate stated interest income received in euro into U.S. dollars at the spot rate of exchange on the last day of the interest accrual period (or, in the case of a partial accrual period, the spot rate of exchange on the last day of such partial accrual period) or, if the date of receipt is within five business days of the last day of the interest accrual period, the spot rate of exchange on the date of receipt. A U.S. Holder that makes this election must apply it consistently to all debt instruments held by the U.S. Holder from year to year and cannot change the election without the consent of the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS").

A U.S. Holder that uses the accrual method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes will recognize foreign currency exchange gain or loss with respect to accrued euro-denominated stated interest income on the date the interest payment (or proceeds from a sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other disposition attributable to accrued but unpaid stated interest) is actually received. The amount of foreign currency exchange gain or loss recognized will equal the difference between the U.S. dollar value of the euro payment received (determined based on the spot rate of exchange on the



date the payment is received) in respect of the accrual period and the U.S. dollar value of stated interest income that has accrued during the accrual period (as determined above), regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted to U.S. dollars. This foreign currency gain or loss generally will be treated, for U.S. foreign tax credit purposes, as U.S. source ordinary income or loss, and generally will not be treated as an adjustment to interest income or expense.

For most U.S. Holders, interest income with respect to the Notes will constitute “passive category” income, which may be relevant in calculating the U.S. Holder’s foreign tax credit limitation. The rules governing foreign tax credits are complex and, therefore, U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisers regarding the availability of foreign tax credits in their particular circumstances.

#### *Disposition of a Note*

Upon the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Note, a U.S. Holder generally will recognize taxable gain or loss equal to the difference, if any, between the amount realized on such disposition (except to the extent any amount realized is attributable to accrued but unpaid stated interest, which is taxable as described under “—Payments of Stated Interest”) and the U.S. Holder’s adjusted tax basis in the Note.

A U.S. Holder’s adjusted tax basis will generally be (i) with respect to a dollar-denominated Note, the cost at which a U.S. Holder acquires such Note or (ii) with respect to a euro-denominated Note, the U.S. dollar value of the euro paid for the Note, determined at the spot rate of exchange on the date of purchase (which generally should be the closing date). The amount realized on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Note for an amount of foreign currency will generally be the U.S. dollar value of such foreign currency based on the spot rate of exchange on the date the Note is disposed of; *provided, however*, that if the Note is traded on an established securities market, a cash basis taxpayer (and if it elects, an accrual basis taxpayer) will determine the U.S. dollar value of such foreign currency on the settlement date of the disposition. If an accrual method taxpayer makes the election described above, such election must be applied consistently to all debt instruments held by the U.S. Holder and cannot be changed without the consent of the IRS. If a Note is not traded on an established securities market (or, if a Note is so traded, but a U.S. Holder is an accrual basis taxpayer that has not made the settlement date election), a U.S. Holder will recognize foreign currency exchange gain or loss (taxable as ordinary income or loss not treated as interest income or expense) to the extent that the U.S. dollar value of the euro received (based on the spot rate of exchange on the settlement date) differs from the U.S. dollar value of the amount realized.

Except as discussed below with respect to foreign currency exchange gain or loss, any gain or loss realized by a U.S. Holder on the disposition of a Note will be U.S. source capital gain or loss and will be treated as long-term capital gain or loss if the Note has been held for more than one year at the time of the disposition of the Note. For certain non-corporate holders (including individuals), any such long-term capital gain is subject to U.S. federal income tax at preferential rates. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations.

Gain or loss realized upon the sale, exchange, retirement, redemption or other taxable disposition of a Note that is attributable to fluctuations in currency exchange rates will be ordinary income or loss not treated as interest income or expense. Gain or loss attributable to fluctuations in currency exchange rates generally will equal the difference, if any, between (i) the U.S. dollar value of the purchase price for the Note, determined at the spot rate of exchange on the date the Note is disposed of, and (ii) the U.S. dollar value of the purchase price for the Note, determined at the spot rate of exchange on the date the Note was acquired (or, in each case, determined on the settlement date if the Notes are traded on an established securities market and the holder is either a cash basis or an electing accrual basis holder). Payments received that are attributable to accrued interest will be treated in accordance with the rules applicable to payments of interest described above. Any foreign currency exchange gain

or loss (including with respect to accrued interest) will be recognized only to the extent of the total gain or loss realized by a U.S. Holder on the sale, exchange, retirement, redemption or other taxable disposition of the Note. Generally, the foreign currency exchange gain or loss will be U.S. source ordinary income or loss for U.S. foreign tax credit purposes.

#### *Exchange of Foreign Currencies*

A U.S. Holder's tax basis in any euro received as interest on the sale or other disposition of a Note will be the U.S. dollar value of such euro at the spot rate of exchange in effect on the date of receipt of the euro. Any gain or loss recognized by a U.S. Holder on a sale, exchange or other disposition of the euro will be ordinary income or loss and generally will be U.S. source income or loss not treated as interest income or expense for U.S. foreign tax credit purposes.

#### *Tax Return Disclosure Requirements*

U.S. Treasury regulations meant to require the reporting of certain tax shelter transactions cover certain transactions generally not regarded as tax shelters, including certain foreign currency transactions giving rise to losses in excess of a certain minimum amount (e.g., \$50,000 in the case of an individual or trust), such as the receipt or accrual of interest or a sale, exchange, retirement or other taxable disposition of a foreign currency Note or of foreign currency received in respect of a foreign currency Note. Persons considering the purchase of the Notes should consult with their own tax advisers to determine the tax return disclosure obligations, if any, with respect to an investment in the Notes or the disposition of euro, including any requirement to file IRS Form 8886 (Reportable Transaction Statement).

#### *Foreign Financial Asset Reporting*

Certain U.S. Holders may be required to report information relating to an interest in the Notes, subject to certain exceptions (including an exception for Notes held in accounts maintained by certain U.S. financial institutions). U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisers regarding the effect, if any, of this legislation on their ownership and disposition of the Notes including the significant penalties for non-compliance with this requirement.

#### *Backup Withholding and Information Reporting*

In general, information reporting requirements will apply to certain payments to U.S. Holders of interest on the Notes and to the proceeds of a sale, exchange or other taxable disposition (including a retirement or redemption) of a Note. Backup withholding (currently at a rate of 28%) may be required on such amounts if the U.S. Holder fails (i) to furnish the U.S. Holder's taxpayer identification number, (ii) to certify that such U.S. Holder is not subject to backup withholding as a result of a prior failure to report interest or dividends or (iii) to otherwise comply with the applicable requirements of the backup withholding rules. Certain exempt U.S. Holders (including, among others, corporations) are not subject to the backup withholding and information reporting requirements.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules from a payment to a U.S. Holder generally may be claimed as a credit against such U.S. Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability (if any) and any excess may result in a refund, provided that the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

## ***Non-U.S. Holders***

### ***Payments of Stated Interest***

As discussed above under “—Source of Interest Payments,” an applicable withholding agent likely will treat all payments on the Notes as U.S. source. Subject to the discussion of backup withholding and FATCA below, to the extent that payments of interest on the Notes are treated as paid from U.S. sources for U.S. federal income tax purposes, neither U.S. federal income tax nor the 30% U.S. federal withholding tax on U.S. source interest will apply to any payment of interest on a Note to a Non-U.S. Holder provided that:

- interest paid on the Note is not effectively connected with the Non U.S. Holder’s conduct of a trade or business in the United States;
- the Non-U.S. Holder does not actually or constructively own 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of Ardagh Holdings USA’s stock that are entitled to vote within the meaning of section 871(h)(3) of the Code;
- the Non-U.S. Holder is not a bank whose receipt of interest on a Note is described in section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code;
- the Non-U.S. Holder is not a controlled foreign corporation that is related to Ardagh Holdings USA (actually or constructively) through stock ownership; and
- (1) the Non-U.S. Holder provides its name and address, and certifies, under penalties of perjury, that it is not a U.S. person (which certification may be made on an IRS Form W-8BEN or other applicable form) or (2) the Non-U.S. Holder holds the Note through certain foreign intermediaries or certain foreign partnerships, and the Non-U.S. Holder and the foreign intermediary or foreign partnership satisfies the certification requirements of applicable U.S. Treasury regulations.

If a Non-U.S. Holder cannot satisfy the requirements described above, payments of interest (to the extent treated as paid from U.S. sources for U.S. federal income tax purposes) will be subject to the 30% U.S. federal withholding tax, unless the Non-U.S. Holder provides us with a properly executed (1) IRS Form W-8BEN (or other applicable form) claiming an exemption from or reduction in withholding under the benefit of an applicable income tax treaty or (2) IRS Form W-8ECI (or other applicable form) stating that interest paid on the Notes is not subject to withholding tax because it is effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Holder’s conduct of a trade or business in the United States.

If a Non-U.S. Holder is engaged in a trade or business in the United States and interest on the Notes is effectively connected with the conduct of that trade or business, then, although the Non-U.S. Holder will be exempt from the 30% U.S. federal withholding tax (provided the requirement to deliver an IRS Form W-8ECI, or other appropriate IRS Form W-8, is satisfied), the Non-U.S. Holder will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on that interest on a net income basis generally in the same manner as if the Non-U.S. Holder were a U.S. Holder unless an applicable income tax treaty provides otherwise. In addition, if a Non-U.S. Holder is a corporation, it may be subject to a branch profits tax equal to 30% (or lesser rate under an applicable income tax treaty) on the portion of its earnings and profits for the taxable year, subject to adjustments, that are effectively connected with its conduct of a trade or business in the United States.

### *Disposition of a Note*

Subject to the discussion of backup withholding and FATCA below, upon the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Note, a Non-U.S. Holder will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax or U.S. federal withholding tax on any gain recognized unless:

- (1) that gain is effectively connected with a Non-U.S. Holder's conduct of a trade or business in the United States; or
- (2) the Non-U.S. Holder is an individual who is present in the United States for 183 days or more in the taxable year of that disposition and certain other conditions are met.

If a Non-U.S. Holder is described in clause (1) above, it will be subject to tax on the net gain derived from the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition (and possible branch profits tax) in generally the same manner as discussed above with respect to effectively connected interest. If a Non-U.S. Holder is an individual described in clause (2) above, such holder will be subject to a flat 30% tax on the gain derived from the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other taxable disposition, which may be offset by U.S. source capital losses (unless an applicable income tax treaty provides otherwise).

### *Backup Withholding and Information Reporting*

Generally, the amount of U.S. source interest paid to Non-U.S. Holders and the amount of tax, if any, withheld with respect to those payments must be reported annually to the IRS and to Non-U.S. Holders. Copies of the information returns reporting such interest and withholding also may be made available to the tax authorities in the country in which a Non-U.S. Holder resides under the provisions of an applicable income tax treaty.

In general, a Non-U.S. Holder will not be subject to backup withholding (currently at a rate of 28%) with respect to payments of interest on the Notes, provided the statement described above in the last bullet point under “—Payments of Stated Interest” has been received and we do not have actual knowledge or reason to know that the holder is a U.S. person, as defined under the Code, that is not an exempt recipient. In addition, a Non-U.S. Holder will be subject to information reporting and, depending on the circumstances, backup withholding with respect to payments of the proceeds of the sale or other taxable disposition (including a retirement or redemption) of a Note within the United States or conducted through certain U.S.-related financial intermediaries, unless the statement described above has been received, and we do not have actual knowledge or reason to know that a holder is a U.S. person, as defined under the Code, that is not an exempt recipient, or the Non-U.S. Holder otherwise establishes an exemption.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules from a payment to a Non-U.S. Holder generally may be claimed as a credit against such U.S. Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability (if any) and any excess may result in a refund, *provided* that the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

### *Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act*

Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder (such sections and regulations commonly referred to as “FATCA”), when applicable, will impose a U.S. federal withholding tax of 30% on certain types of payments, including payments of U.S. source interest and gross proceeds from the sale or other disposition of certain securities producing such U.S. source interest made to (i) a “foreign financial institution” (as the beneficial owner or as an intermediary for the beneficial owner) unless such institution agrees to collect and disclose to the IRS information regarding its direct and indirect U.S. account holders or (ii) a “non-financial foreign entity” (as the beneficial owner or as an intermediary for the beneficial owner) unless such entity certifies that it does

not have any “substantial United States owners” (as defined in the Code) or furnish identifying information regarding each substantial United States owner (generally by providing an IRS Form W-8BEN-E). In certain circumstances, the relevant foreign financial institution or non-financial foreign entity may qualify for an exemption from these rules, which exemption is typically evidenced by providing appropriate documentation (such as an IRS Form W-8BEN-E). In addition, an intergovernmental agreement between the United States and the jurisdiction of a foreign financial institution may modify these rules.

The withholding obligations described above generally will apply to payments of interest on the Notes, and to payments of gross proceeds from a sale or other disposition of the Notes occurring on or after January 1, 2019. You are urged to consult your own tax advisers regarding FATCA and the application of these requirements to your investment in the Notes.

## PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

Subject to the terms and conditions stated in the purchase agreement dated the date of this Offering Memorandum, the Initial Purchasers have severally agreed to purchase and we have agreed to sell to the Initial Purchasers, the entire principal amount of the Notes.

The purchase agreement provides that the obligations of the Initial Purchasers to purchase the Notes are subject to approval of legal matters by counsel and to other conditions. The Initial Purchasers must purchase all of the Notes if they purchase any of the Notes.

The Initial Purchasers propose to resell the Notes at the offering prices set forth on the cover page of this Offering Memorandum within the United States to QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A and to non-U.S. persons outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S. The price at which the Notes are offered may be changed at any time without notice.

The Notes and the Guarantees have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) except in transactions exempt from, or not subject to, the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act. See “Notice to Investors.”

The Initial Purchasers may use affiliates or other appropriately licensed entities for sales of the Secured Notes or the Senior Notes, as applicable, in jurisdictions in which they are otherwise not permitted.

In addition, until 40 days after the commencement of this offering, an offer or sale of the Secured Notes or the Senior Notes, as applicable, within the United States by a dealer that is not participating in this offering may violate the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act if that offer or sale is made otherwise than in accordance with Rule 144A.

Each Initial Purchaser has represented and agreed that:

- (i) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the FSMA) received by them in connection with the issuance or sale of the Secured Notes or the Senior Notes, as applicable, in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuers or any Guarantor; and
- (ii) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by them in relation to the Secured Notes or the Senior Notes, as applicable, in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

Delivery of the Notes will be made against payment therefor on or about May 16, 2016 which, with respect to the Notes denominated in euros, will be the tenth business day following the date of pricing of the Notes (such settlement being referred to as “T+10”) and with respect to the Notes denominated in U.S. dollars, will be the eleventh business day following the date of pricing of the Notes (such settlement being referred to as “T+11”). Under Rule 15c6-1 under the Exchange Act, trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle in three business days unless the parties to any such trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, purchasers who wish to trade the Notes on the day of pricing or the succeeding seven business days, with respect to the Notes denominated in euros, or the succeeding eight business days, with respect to the Notes denominated in U.S. dollars, will be required, by virtue of the fact that the Notes will initially settle in T+10 and T+11, as applicable, to specify an alternate settlement cycle at the time of such trade to prevent failed settlement. Purchasers of the Notes who wish to trade the Notes on the day of pricing or the next succeeding seven business days or eight business days, as applicable, should consult their own advisers.



Application will be made for listing particulars to be approved by the Irish Stock Exchange and for the Notes to be admitted to the Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange and admitted to trading on its Global Exchange Market. We cannot assure you that the prices at which the Secured Notes or the Senior Notes, as applicable, will sell in the market after this offering will not be lower than the initial offering price or that an active trading market for the Secured Notes or the Senior Notes, as applicable, will continue after this offering. The Initial Purchasers have advised us that they currently intend to make a market in the Secured Notes and the Senior Notes. However, they are not obligated to do so, and they may discontinue any market-making activities with respect to the Secured Notes and the Senior Notes at any time without notice. In addition, market-making activity will be subject to the limits imposed by the Exchange Act, and may be limited. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that you will be able to sell your Secured Notes or Senior Notes, as applicable, at a particular time or that the prices that you receive when you sell will be favorable.

In connection with this offering, the Initial Purchasers are not acting for anyone other than us and will not be responsible to anyone other than us for providing the protections afforded to their clients or for providing advice in relation to this offering.

Buyers of the Secured Notes and the Senior Notes sold by the Initial Purchasers may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws and practice of the country of purchase in addition to the initial offering price set forth on the cover of this Offering Memorandum.

In connection with the offering, the Initial Purchasers may purchase and sell notes in the open market. Purchases and sales in the open market may include short sales, purchases to cover short positions and stabilizing purchases.

- Short sales involve secondary market sales by the Initial Purchasers of a greater number of Notes than it is required to purchase in the offering.
- Covering transactions involve purchases of Notes in the open market after the distribution has been completed in order to cover short positions.
- Stabilizing transactions involve bids to purchase notes so long as the stabilizing bids do not exceed a specified maximum.

Purchases to cover short positions and stabilizing purchases, as well as other purchases by the Initial Purchasers for their own accounts, may have the effect of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the Notes. They may also cause the price of the Notes to be higher than the price that would otherwise exist in the open market in the absence of these transactions. The Initial Purchasers may conduct these transactions in the over-the-counter market or otherwise. If the Initial Purchasers commence any of these transactions, they may discontinue them at any time.

The Initial Purchasers are full service financial institutions engaged in various activities, which may include securities trading, commercial and investment banking, financial advisory, investment management, principal investment, hedging, financing and brokerage activities. The Initial Purchasers and their respective affiliates have in the past, and may in the future, perform commercial banking, investment banking and advisory services for us from time to time for which they have received customary fees and reimbursement of expenses and may, from time to time, engage in transactions with and perform services for us in the ordinary course of their business for which they may receive customary fees and reimbursement of expenses. In the ordinary course of their various business activities, the Initial Purchasers and their respective affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities) and financial instruments (which may include bank loans and/or credit default swaps) for their own account and for the accounts of their customers and may at any time hold long and short positions in such securities and instruments. Such investment and securities activities may involve our securities and instruments.

The Initial Purchasers or their affiliates have provided financing commitments to Ardagh in connection with the Acquisition. In addition, Citigroup Global Markets Limited has served as financial adviser to Ardagh in connection with the Acquisition. Affiliates of Citigroup Global Markets Limited serve as trustee under the Existing Notes, security agent under the Existing Secured Notes and administrative agent under the Credit Agreement and have received, or may in the future receive, customary fees and commissions for these transactions. In addition, an affiliate of Citigroup Global Markets Limited will act as security agent under the Secured Indenture and receive customary fees and commissions. One or more of the Initial Purchasers or their affiliates, as applicable, are or will be hedging counterparties with Ardagh. The Initial Purchasers hold or in the future may hold certain of the 2020 Senior Notes to be repurchased with a portion of the proceeds of this offering and as a result may receive proceeds from the issuance of the Notes in their capacities as holders of such notes.

We have agreed to indemnify the Initial Purchasers against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the U.S. Securities Act, or to contribute to payments that the Initial Purchasers may be required to make because of any of those liabilities.

## **Canada**

The Notes may be sold only to purchasers purchasing, or deemed to be purchasing, as principal that are accredited investors, as defined in National Instrument 45-106 *Prospectus Exemptions* or subsection 73.3(1) of the *Securities Act* (Ontario), and are permitted clients, as defined in National Instrument 31-103 *Registration Requirements, Exemptions and Ongoing Registrant Obligations*. Any resale of the Notes must be made in accordance with an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the prospectus requirements of applicable securities laws.

Securities legislation in certain provinces or territories of Canada may provide a purchaser with remedies for rescission or damages if this Offering Memorandum (including any amendment hereto) contains a misrepresentation, provided that the remedies for rescission or damages are exercised by the purchaser within the time limit prescribed by the securities legislation of the purchaser's province or territory. The purchaser should refer to any applicable provisions of the securities legislation of the purchaser's province or territory for particulars of these rights or consult with a legal advisor.

Pursuant to section 3A.3 of National Instrument 33-105 *Underwriting Conflicts* (NI 33-105), the Initial Purchasers are not required to comply with the disclosure requirements of NI 33-105 regarding underwriter conflicts of interest in connection with this offering.

## NOTICE TO INVESTORS

The Notes have not been registered under the U.S. Securities Act or any state securities laws and, unless so registered, may not be offered or sold except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. Accordingly, the Notes offered hereby are being offered and sold only to “qualified institutional buyers” (as defined in Rule 144A under the U.S. Securities Act) in reliance on Rule 144A under the U.S. Securities Act and to non-U.S. persons outside the United States in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act.

Each purchaser of Notes, by its acceptance thereof, will be deemed to have acknowledged, represented to and agreed with us and the Initial Purchasers as follows:

(1) It understands and acknowledges that the Notes have not been registered under the U.S. Securities Act or any applicable state securities law, are being offered for resale in transactions not requiring registration under the U.S. Securities Act or any state securities law, including sales pursuant to Rule 144A under the U.S. Securities Act, and may not be offered, sold or otherwise transferred except in compliance with the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act or any applicable state securities law, pursuant to an exemption therefrom or in any transaction not subject thereto and in each case in compliance with the conditions for transfer set forth in paragraph (5) below.

(2) It is not an “affiliate” (as defined in Rule 144 under the U.S. Securities Act) of either Issuer or acting on either Issuer’s behalf and it is either:

- (i) a QIB and is aware that any sale of Notes to it will be made in reliance on Rule 144A and the acquisition of Notes will be for its own account or for the account of another QIB; or
- (ii) a non-U.S. person purchasing the Notes outside the United States in an offshore transaction in accordance with Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act.

(3) It acknowledges that neither we nor the Initial Purchasers, nor any person representing us or the Initial Purchasers, have made any representation to it with respect to the offering or sale of any Notes, other than the information contained in this Offering Memorandum, which Offering Memorandum has been delivered to it and upon which it is relying in making its investment decision with respect to the Notes. It has had access to such financial and other information concerning us and the Notes as it has deemed necessary in connection with its decision to purchase any of the Notes.

(4) It is purchasing the Notes for its own account, or for one or more investor accounts for which it is acting as a fiduciary or agent, in each case for investment, and not with a view to, or for offer or sale in connection with, any distribution thereof in violation of the U.S. Securities Act or any state securities laws, subject to any requirement of law that the disposition of its property or the property of such investor account or accounts be at all times within its or their control and subject to its or their ability to resell such Notes pursuant to Rule 144A, Regulation S or any other exemption from registration available under the U.S. Securities Act.

(5) Each holder of Notes issued in reliance on Regulation S (“Regulation S Notes”) agrees on its own behalf and on behalf of any investor account for which it is purchasing the Notes, and each subsequent holder of the Notes by its acceptance thereof will be deemed to agree, to offer, sell or otherwise transfer such Notes during the Distribution Compliance Period, only (i) to an Issuer, (ii) pursuant to a registration statement that has been declared effective under the U.S. Securities Act, (iii) for so long as the Notes are eligible pursuant to Rule 144A under the U.S. Securities Act, to a person it reasonably believes is a QIB that purchases for its own account or for

the account of a QIB to whom notice is given that the transfer is being made in reliance on Rule 144A under the U.S. Securities Act, (iv) pursuant to offers and sales to non-U.S. persons that occur outside the United States in compliance with Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act, (v) to an institutional accredited investor (within the meaning of Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the U.S. Securities Act) that is not a qualified institutional buyer and that is purchasing for its own account or for the account of another institutional accredited investor, in each case in a minimum principal amount of Notes of US\$250,000, or (vi) pursuant to any other available exemption from the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act, subject in each of the foregoing cases to any requirement of law that the disposal of its property or the property of such investor account or accounts be at all times within its or their control and in compliance with any applicable state securities laws, and any applicable local laws and regulations, and further subject to the Issuers' and the Trustee's rights prior to any such offer, sale or transfer pursuant to clause (iv), (v) or (vi) to require the delivery of an opinion of counsel, certification and/or other information satisfactory to each of them.

(6) Each holder of the Notes issued in reliance on Rule 144A ("Rule 144A Notes") agrees on its own behalf and on behalf of any investor account for which it is purchasing the Notes and each subsequent holder of the Notes by its acceptance thereof will be deemed to agree, to offer, sell or otherwise transfer such Notes prior to the date (the "Resale Restriction Termination Date") that is one year after the later of the Issue Date and the last date on which the Issuers or the applicable Issuer or any of their respective affiliates was the owner of such Notes (or any predecessor thereto) only (i) to an Issuer; (ii) pursuant to a registration statement that has been declared effective under the U.S. Securities Act; (iii) for so long as the Notes are eligible pursuant to Rule 144A under the U.S. Securities Act, to a person it reasonably believes is a QIB that purchases for its own account or for the account of a QIB to whom notice is given that the transfer is being made in reliance on Rule 144A under the U.S. Securities Act; (iv) pursuant to offers and sales that occur outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in compliance with Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act; (v) to an institutional accredited investor (within the meaning of Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the U.S. Securities Act) that is not a QIB and that is purchasing for its own account or for the account of another institutional accredited investor, in each case in a minimum principal amount of Notes of \$250,000; or (vi) pursuant to any other available exemption from the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act, subject in each of the foregoing cases to any requirement of law that the disposition of its property or the property of such investor account or accounts be at all times within its or their control and in compliance with any applicable state securities laws, and any applicable local laws and regulations, and further subject to the Issuers' and the Trustee's rights prior to any such offer, sale or transfer pursuant to clause (iv), (v) or (vi) to require the delivery of an opinion of counsel, certification and/or other information satisfactory to each of them.

(7) Each purchaser acknowledges that each Note will contain a legend substantially to the following effect:

THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "U.S. SECURITIES ACT") OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION. NEITHER THIS SECURITY NOR ANY INTEREST OR PARTICIPATION HEREIN MAY BE OFFERED, SOLD, ASSIGNED, TRANSFERRED, PLEDGED, ENCUMBERED OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF IN THE ABSENCE OF SUCH REGISTRATION OR UNLESS SUCH TRANSACTION IS EXEMPT FROM, OR NOT SUBJECT TO, THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT.

THE HOLDER OF THIS SECURITY BY ITS ACCEPTANCE HEREOF  
(1) REPRESENTS THAT (A) IT IS A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER" (AS

DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT) OR (B) IT IS A NON-U.S. PERSON ACQUIRING THIS NOTE IN AN “OFFSHORE TRANSACTION” PURSUANT TO RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT, (2) AGREES ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF ANY INVESTOR FOR WHICH IT HAS PURCHASED SECURITIES TO OFFER, SELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH SECURITY, PRIOR TO THE DATE (THE “RESALE RESTRICTION TERMINATION DATE”) WHICH IS [IN THE CASE OF RULE 144A NOTES: ONE YEAR AFTER THE LATER OF THE ORIGINAL ISSUE DATE HEREOF AND THE LAST DATE ON WHICH AN ISSUER OR ANY AFFILIATE OF AN ISSUER WAS THE OWNER OF THIS SECURITY (OR ANY PREDECESSOR OF THIS SECURITY)] [IN THE CASE OF REGULATION S NOTES: 40 DAYS AFTER THE LATER OF THE DATE WHEN THE SECURITIES WERE FIRST OFFERED TO PERSONS OTHER THAN DISTRIBUTORS IN RELIANCE ON REGULATION S AND THE DATE OF THE COMPLETION OF THE DISTRIBUTION] ONLY (A) TO AN ISSUER, (B) PURSUANT TO A REGISTRATION STATEMENT WHICH HAS BEEN DECLARED EFFECTIVE UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT, (C) FOR SO LONG AS THE SECURITIES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE PURSUANT TO RULE 144A, TO A PERSON IT REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A “QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER” AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A THAT PURCHASES FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER TO WHOM NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT THE TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, (D) PURSUANT TO OFFERS AND SALES TO NON-U.S. PERSONS THAT OCCUR OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATION S UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OR (E) PURSUANT TO ANY OTHER AVAILABLE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT, SUBJECT IN EACH OF THE FOREGOING CASES TO ANY REQUIREMENT OF LAW THAT THE DISPOSITION OF ITS PROPERTY OR THE PROPERTY OF SUCH INVESTOR ACCOUNT OR ACCOUNTS BE AT ALL TIMES WITHIN ITS OR THEIR CONTROL AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS AND ANY APPLICABLE LOCAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS AND FURTHER SUBJECT TO EACH ISSUER’S AND THE TRUSTEE’S RIGHTS PRIOR TO ANY SUCH OFFER, SALE OR TRANSFER (I) PURSUANT TO CLAUSE (E) TO REQUIRE THE DELIVERY OF AN OPINION OF COUNSEL, CERTIFICATION AND/OR OTHER INFORMATION SATISFACTORY TO EACH OF THEM AND (II) IN EACH OF THE FOREGOING CASES, TO REQUIRE THAT A CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER IN THE FORM APPEARING ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS SECURITY IS COMPLETED AND DELIVERED BY THE TRANSFEROR TO THE TRUSTEE AND (3) AGREES THAT IT WILL GIVE TO EACH PERSON TO WHOM THIS SECURITY IS TRANSFERRED A NOTICE SUBSTANTIALLY TO THE EFFECT OF THIS LEGEND.

(8) It acknowledges, represents and agrees that either (i) no assets of a Plan (as defined below) or non-U.S., governmental or church plan have been used to acquire such Notes or an interest therein or (ii) the purchase and holding of such Notes or an interest therein by it do not constitute a non-exempt prohibited transaction under ERISA (as defined below) or the Code or violation of Similar Law (as defined below). Each purchaser acknowledges that each Note will contain a legend substantially to the following effect:

BY ITS PURCHASE AND HOLDING OF THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN), THE PURCHASER OR HOLDER WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED AND AGREED THAT (A) IT IS NOT AND FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) WILL NOT BE (I) AN “EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN” AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF THE U.S. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED (“ERISA”), THAT IS SUBJECT TO TITLE I OF ERISA, (II) A

“PLAN” AS DEFINED IN AND SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE U.S. INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE “CODE”), (III) AN ENTITY OR ACCOUNT WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS ARE DEEMED TO INCLUDE THE ASSETS OF ANY SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN SUBJECT TO ERISA OR OTHER PLAN SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (IV) A NON-U.S., GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH OR OTHER BENEFIT PLAN WHICH IS SUBJECT TO ANY NON-U.S. OR U.S. FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL LAW THAT IS SIMILAR TO THE PROHIBITED TRANSACTION PROVISIONS OF TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE (“SIMILAR LAW”) (EACH OF (I), (II), (III) AND (IV), A “PLAN”), (B) NO ASSETS OF A PLAN HAVE BEEN USED TO ACQUIRE THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) OR (C) ITS PURCHASE AND HOLDING OF THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN) WILL NOT RESULT IN A PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER TITLE I OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE FOR WHICH AN EXEMPTION IS NOT AVAILABLE OR VIOLATION OF ANY SIMILAR LAW.

(9) It agrees that it will give to each person to whom it transfers the Notes notice of any restrictions on transfer of such Notes.

(10) It acknowledges that until 40 days after the commencement of the offering, any offer or sale of the Notes within the United States by a dealer (whether or not participating in the offering) may violate the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act if such offer or sale is made otherwise than in accordance with Rule 144A under the U.S. Securities Act.

(11) It acknowledges that the Transfer Agent will not be required to accept for registration of transfer any Notes except upon presentation of evidence satisfactory to us and the Trustee that the restrictions set forth therein have been complied with.

(12) It acknowledges that we, the Initial Purchasers and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing acknowledgements, representations, warranties and agreements and agrees that if any of the acknowledgements, representations, warranties and agreements deemed to have been made by its purchase of the Notes are no longer accurate, it shall promptly notify the Initial Purchasers. If it is acquiring any Note as a fiduciary or agent for one or more investor accounts, it represents that it has sole investment discretion with respect to each such investor account and that it has full power to make the foregoing acknowledgements, representations and agreements on behalf of each such investor account.

#### **Notice to Investors in the European Economic Area**

In relation to each member state of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a “Relevant Member State”), each Initial Purchaser has represented and agreed that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State it has not made and will not make an offer of Notes which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this Offering Memorandum to the public in that Relevant Member State other than:

- (a) to any legal entity which is a “qualified investor” as defined in the Prospectus Directive;
- (b) to fewer than 150 natural or legal persons (other than “qualified investors” as defined in the Prospectus Directive), as permitted under the Prospectus Directive, subject to obtaining the prior consent of the Initial Purchasers nominated by the Issuers for any such offer; or
- (c) in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive,



*provided* that no such offer of Notes shall require the Issuers, Guarantors or the Initial Purchasers to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an “offer of Notes to the public” in relation to any Notes in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Notes to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Notes, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State and the expression “Prospectus Directive” means Directive 2003/71/EC (as amended, including by Directive 2010/73/EC) and includes any relevant implementing measure in the Relevant Member State.

## **LEGAL MATTERS**

Certain legal matters with respect to the Notes and the Guarantees are being passed upon for us by Shearman & Sterling (London) LLP, U.S. federal, New York and English counsel to the Issuers and the Guarantors, and William Fry, Irish counsel to the Issuers and the Guarantors. Certain legal matters with respect to the offering of the Notes will be passed upon for the Initial Purchasers by Cahill Gordon & Reindel (UK) LLP, U.S. federal and New York counsel to the Initial Purchasers, and McCann Fitzgerald, Irish counsel to the Initial Purchasers.

## **INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS**

The audited non-statutory consolidated financial statements of Ardagh Packaging Holdings and its subsidiaries for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 included in this Offering Memorandum have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers, Dublin, independent auditors, as stated in their reports appearing herein.

The audited financial statements of the Ball Carve-Out Business as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 and for each of the three years ended December 31, 2015 included in this Offering Memorandum have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent auditors, as stated in their report appearing herein.

The audited financial statements of the Rexam Carve-Out Business as of and for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 included in this Offering Memorandum have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent auditors, as stated in their report appearing herein.

## **SERVICE OF PROCESS AND ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENTS**

Ardagh Packaging Finance, a co-issuer of the Notes, and the Parent Guarantor of the Notes are incorporated under the laws of Ireland. Upon issuance, the Secured Notes and the Senior Notes will be guaranteed by the Parent Guarantor, on or prior to the date required by the Secured Indenture, the Secured Notes will be guaranteed on a senior basis by the Subsidiary Guarantors and on or prior to the date required by the Senior Indenture, the Senior Notes will be guaranteed on a senior subordinated basis by the Subsidiary Guarantors. The Parent Guarantor and most of the Subsidiary Guarantors are incorporated under the laws of one of Austria, Canada, Denmark, England and Wales, France, Germany, Guernsey, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain and Sweden. Furthermore, most of the directors and executive officers of the Issuers and such Guarantors live outside the United States. Substantially all of the assets of Ardagh Packaging Finance and the Guarantors (other than the Subsidiary Guarantors in Delaware (United States)), and substantially all of the assets of their directors and executive officers, are located outside the United States. As a result, it may not be possible for you to serve process on such persons in the United States or to enforce judgments obtained in U.S. courts against them based on the civil liability provisions of the securities laws of the United States. In addition, Austrian, Danish, Dutch, English, French, German, Guernsey, Irish, Italian, Luxembourg, Polish, Spanish and Swedish counsel have informed us that it is questionable whether an Austrian, Danish, Dutch, English, French, German, Guernsey, Irish, Italian, Luxembourg, Polish, Spanish or Swedish court would accept jurisdiction and impose civil liability if proceedings were commenced in Austria, Denmark, France, Germany, Guernsey, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain, Sweden or the United Kingdom predicated solely upon U.S. federal securities laws.

If a judgment is obtained in a U.S. court against any Issuer, the Parent Guarantor, any Subsidiary Guarantor, or any of their respective directors or executive officers, investors will need to enforce such judgment in jurisdictions where the relevant company or individual has assets. We have been advised by counsel that there is doubt that a lawsuit based upon United States federal or state securities laws could be brought in an original action in Austria, Canada, Denmark, England and Wales, France,

Germany, Guernsey, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain and Sweden and that a foreign judgment based upon United States federal or state securities laws would be enforced in such countries. Therefore, a final judgment for the payment of money rendered by any federal or state court in the United States based on civil liability, whether or not based on United States federal or state securities laws, would not be automatically enforceable in such countries. You should consult with your own advisers in any pertinent jurisdictions as needed to enforce a judgment in those countries or elsewhere outside the United States.

The statute of limitations applicable to payment of interest and repayment of principal under New York law is six years.

#### **WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION**

Each purchaser of the Notes from the Initial Purchasers will be furnished with a copy of this Offering Memorandum and any related amendments or supplements to this Offering Memorandum. Each person receiving this Offering Memorandum acknowledges that:

- such person has been afforded an opportunity to request from us and to review, and has received, all additional information considered by it to be necessary to verify the accuracy and completeness of the information herein;
- such person has not relied on the Initial Purchasers or any person affiliated with the Initial Purchasers in connection with its investigation of the accuracy of such information or its investment decision; and
- except as provided above, no person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representation concerning the Notes offered hereby other than those contained herein and, if given or made, such other information or representation should not be relied upon as having been authorized by us or the Initial Purchasers.

This Offering Memorandum contains summaries, believed to be accurate in all material respects, of certain terms of certain agreements, but reference is made to the actual agreements (copies of which will be made available upon request to us or the Initial Purchasers) for complete information with respect thereto, and all such summaries are qualified in their entirety by this reference. While any Notes remain outstanding, we will make available, upon request, to any holder and any prospective purchaser of Notes the information required pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the U.S. Securities Act during any period in which we are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act or exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act. Requests for such information and requests for the agreements summarized in this Offering Memorandum should be directed to John Sheehan, Investor Relations Director, Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited, 4 Richview Office Park, Clonskeagh, Dublin 14, D14 HC84, Ireland. Our website can be found at [www.ardaghgroup.com](http://www.ardaghgroup.com). Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this Offering Memorandum and is not part of this Offering Memorandum.

## LISTING AND GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Application will be made for the Notes to be admitted to the Official List of the Irish Stock Exchange and admitted to trading on its Global Exchange Market in accordance with the rules of that exchange. This Offering Memorandum constitutes listing particulars for the purposes of such application. Notification of any optional redemption or change of control or any change in the rate of interest payable on the Notes will be provided by the respective Issuers to the Irish Stock Exchange.
2. Paper copies of the following documents (or copies thereof, translated into English, where relevant) will be available for physical inspection while the Secured Notes or the Senior Notes, as applicable, remain outstanding and listed on the Global Exchange Market of the Irish Stock Exchange at the registered office of respective Issuers, the registered offices of the Guarantors and the registered office of the listing agent during normal business hours on any weekday:
  - (i) the organizational documents of the respective Issuers and the Guarantors;
  - (ii) the audited non-statutory consolidated financial statements published by the Parent Guarantor for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014;
  - (iii) the Secured Indenture (which includes the Secured Notes Guarantees and the form of the Secured Notes); and
  - (iv) the Senior Indenture (which includes the Senior Notes Guarantees and the form of the Senior Notes).
3. We will maintain a listing agent in Ireland for as long as any of the Secured Notes or the Senior Notes, as applicable, are listed on the Irish Stock Exchange. We reserve the right to vary such appointment and we will provide notice of such change of appointment to holders of the Secured Notes or the Senior Notes, as applicable, and the Irish Stock Exchange.
4. The audited non-statutory consolidated financial statements of Ardagh Packaging Holdings will be available for inspection at the registered office of Ardagh Packaging Holdings.
5. The Irish Listing Agent is J&E Davy trading as Davy and the address of its registered office is Davy House, 49 Dawson Street, Dublin 2, Ireland.
6. The Trustee for the Notes is Citibank, N.A., London Branch and its address is Citigroup Centre, Canada Square, Canary Wharf, London E14 5LB, United Kingdom. Such Trustee will be acting in its capacity of trustee for the holders of the Notes and will provide services to the holders of the Notes as described in the Indentures.
7. The co-issuer of the Notes, Ardagh Packaging Finance, was incorporated in Ireland as an Irish public limited company on September 17, 2010 as a wholly owned subsidiary of Ardagh Packaging Holdings. Its corporate seat is in Dublin, Ireland and it is governed by the Irish Companies Acts 2014. Its registered office is at 4 Richview Office Park, Clonskeagh, Dublin 14, D14 HC84, Ireland, and its registration number is 489258. Its telephone number is +353 1 605 2400 and its website is at [www.ardaghgroup.com](http://www.ardaghgroup.com). The information and other content on its website are not part of this Offering Memorandum. The address of its board of directors and senior management is the same as the address of its registered office.

The co-issuer of the Notes, Ardagh Holdings USA, was incorporated in Delaware on February 20, 2009. It is governed by the laws of the State of Delaware. Its registered office is maintained at the Corporation Trust Company, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware, 19801, United States, and its registration number is 4657855. Its telephone number is +1 412 429 5290 and its website is at [www.ardaghgroup.com](http://www.ardaghgroup.com). The information and other content on its website are not part of this

Offering Memorandum. The address of its board of directors and senior management is the same as the address of its registered office.

Ardagh Packaging Holdings was incorporated in Ireland as a private limited company on August 5, 2005 as a wholly owned subsidiary of Ardagh Packaging Group Holdings Limited. Its corporate seat is in Dublin, Ireland and it is governed by the Irish Companies Act 2014. Its registered office is at 4 Richview Office Park, Clonskeagh, Dublin 14, D14 HC84, Ireland, and its registration number is 406237. Ardagh Packaging Holdings' telephone number is +353 1 605 2400 and its website is at [www.ardaghgroup.com](http://www.ardaghgroup.com). The information and other content on its website are not part of this Offering Memorandum. The address of its board of directors and senior management is the same as the address of its registered office.

8. The auditors of Ardagh Packaging Finance and Ardagh Packaging Holdings are PricewaterhouseCoopers of One Spencer Dock, North Wall Quay, Dublin 1, Ireland. PricewaterhouseCoopers is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland.
9. The Floating Rate Secured Notes sold in reliance on Rule 144A have been accepted for clearance through the book-entry facilities of DTC under the CUSIP 03969A AK6 and the ISIN US03969AAK60; the Floating Rate Secured Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S have been accepted for clearance through the book-entry facilities of DTC under the CUSIP G04586 AL0 and the ISIN USG04586AL01. The Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes sold in reliance on Rule 144A have been accepted for clearance through Euroclear and Clearstream Banking under the Common Code 140666980 and the ISIN XS1406669801; the Euro Secured Fixed Rate Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S have been accepted for clearance through Euroclear and Clearstream Banking under the Common Code 140666955 and the ISIN XS1406669553. The Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes sold in reliance on Rule 144A have been accepted for clearance through the book-entry facilities of DTC under the CUSIP 03969A AH3 and the ISIN US03969AAH32; the Dollar Secured Fixed Rate Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S have been accepted for clearance through the book-entry facilities of DTC under the CUSIP G04586 AJ5 and the ISIN USG04586AJ54. The Euro Senior Notes sold in reliance on Rule 144A have been accepted for clearance through Euroclear and Clearstream Banking under the Common Code 140667013 and the ISIN XS1406670130; the Euro Senior Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S have been accepted for clearance through Euroclear and Clearstream Banking under the Common Code 140666998 and the ISIN XS1406669983. The Dollar Senior Notes sold in reliance on Rule 144A have been accepted for clearance through the book-entry facilities of DTC under the CUSIP 03969A AJ9 and the ISIN US03969AAJ97; the Dollar Senior Notes sold in reliance on Regulation S have been accepted for clearance through the book-entry facilities of DTC under the CUSIP G04586 AK2 and the ISIN USG04586AK28.
10. The gross proceeds of the offering are estimated to be approximately €3,957 million.
11. The estimated amount of total expenses related to the admission of the Notes to the Global Exchange Market of the Irish Stock Exchange is approximately €15,000.
12. The following contracts (not being contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business) have been entered into, or will be entered into, by one or both of the Issuers, where applicable, in connection with this transaction, and are or may be material:
  - (i) a purchase agreement, dated April 29, 2016, among the Issuers, the Parent Guarantor and the Initial Purchasers, pursuant to which the Issuers will sell, as applicable, the Notes to the Initial Purchasers;
  - (ii) an indenture, dated May 16, 2016, among, *inter alios*, Ardagh Packaging Finance, Ardagh Holdings USA, the Parent Guarantor, and Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as trustee, relating to the Secured Notes; and

- (iii) an indenture, dated May 16, 2016, among, *inter alios*, Ardagh Packaging Finance, Ardagh Holdings USA, the Parent Guarantor, and Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as trustee, relating to the Senior Notes.
13. The consolidated non-statutory financial statements of Ardagh Packaging Holdings, each for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 are presented in accordance with IFRS and IFRIC interpretations as adopted by the European Union.
  14. Except as may otherwise be indicated in this Offering Memorandum, all authorizations, consents and approvals to be obtained by us for, or in connection with, the creation and issuance of the Notes, the performance of our obligations expressed to be undertaken by us and the distribution of this Offering Memorandum have been or will be obtained and are or will be in full force and effect at the pricing of the offering. The Guarantees of the Notes and the grant of Security Interests by the Subsidiary Guarantors that currently guarantee the Existing Notes will be authorized by resolutions of the board of directors of each such Subsidiary Guarantor on or prior to the dates required by the Secured Indenture and the Senior Indenture, as applicable.
  15. There has been no significant change in the financial position or prospects of Ardagh Packaging Holdings, the Subsidiary Guarantors, Ardagh Packaging Finance and Ardagh Holdings USA and no significant change in their financial position or trading position since December 31, 2015, except as may otherwise be indicated in this Offering Memorandum.
  16. There has been no significant change in the financial position or trading position of Ardagh Packaging Holdings since December 31, 2015, except as may otherwise be indicated in this Offering Memorandum. Except as it may otherwise be indicated in this Offering Memorandum, none of Ardagh Packaging Finance, Ardagh Holdings USA, Ardagh Packaging Holdings or the Subsidiary Guarantors has been involved in any litigation, governmental or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Issuers are aware) during the twelve months preceding the date of this Offering Memorandum which may have, or have had in the recent past, a significant effect on its financial position.



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# **CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AT 31 MARCH 2016**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>31 March 2016</u>	<u>31 December 2015</u>
		<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
		<b>Unaudited</b>	<b>Audited</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Intangible assets . . . . .	3	1,725	1,810
Property, plant and equipment . . . . .	3	2,230	2,307
Deferred tax assets . . . . .		191	178
Other non-current assets . . . . .		12	14
		<u><b>4,158</b></u>	<u><b>4,309</b></u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Inventories . . . . .		869	825
Trade and other receivables . . . . .		713	651
Restricted cash . . . . .		10	11
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .		475	539
		<u><b>2,067</b></u>	<u><b>2,026</b></u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS . . . . .</b>		<u><u><b>6,225</b></u></u>	<u><u><b>6,335</b></u></u>
<b>Equity attributable to owner of the parent</b>			
Ordinary shares . . . . .		—	—
Capital contribution . . . . .		101	101
Other reserves . . . . .		(195)	(243)
Retained earnings . . . . .		(1,258)	(1,220)
		<u><b>(1,352)</b></u>	<u><b>(1,362)</b></u>
Non-controlling interests . . . . .		2	2
<b>Total equity . . . . .</b>		<u><u><b>(1,350)</b></u></u>	<u><u><b>(1,360)</b></u></u>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings . . . . .	4	5,223	5,385
Employee benefit obligations . . . . .		761	720
Deferred tax liabilities . . . . .		442	451
Provisions . . . . .		46	48
Derivative financial instruments . . . . .		19	—
		<u><b>6,491</b></u>	<u><b>6,604</b></u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings . . . . .	4	7	7
Interest payable . . . . .		85	75
Derivative financial instruments . . . . .		6	7
Trade and other payables . . . . .		872	878
Income tax payable . . . . .		71	76
Provisions . . . . .		43	48
		<u><b>1,084</b></u>	<u><b>1,091</b></u>
<b>Total liabilities . . . . .</b>		<u><u><b>7,575</b></u></u>	<u><u><b>7,695</b></u></u>
<b>TOTAL EQUITY and LIABILITIES . . . . .</b>		<u><u><b>6,225</b></u></u>	<u><u><b>6,335</b></u></u>

**CONSOLIDATED INTERIM INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED  
31 MARCH 2016 (UNAUDITED)**

	31 March 2016			31 March 2015		
	Before exceptional items	Exceptional items	Total	Before exceptional items	Exceptional items	Total
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
Revenue . . . . .	1,218	—	1,218	1,207	—	1,207
Cost of sales . . . . .	(1,006)	(3)	(1,009)	(1,002)	(7)	(1,009)
<b>Gross profit/(loss) . . . . .</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>(7)</b>	<b>198</b>
Sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .	(66)	(2)	(68)	(65)	(2)	(67)
Intangible amortisation . . . . .	(27)	—	(27)	(26)	—	(26)
<b>Operating profit/(loss) . . . . .</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>(5)</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>(9)</b>	<b>105</b>
Finance expense . . . . .	(92)	—	(92)	(89)	(10)	(99)
<b>Profit/(loss) before tax . . . . .</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>(5)</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>(19)</b>	<b>6</b>
Income tax charge . . . . .			(17)			(16)
<b>Profit/(loss) for the period . . . . .</b>			<b>5</b>			<b>(10)</b>
Profit/(loss) attributable to:						
Owners of the parent . . . . .			5			(10)
Non-controlling interests . . . . .			—			—
<b>Profit/(loss) for the period . . . . .</b>			<b>5</b>			<b>(10)</b>

**CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE  
THREE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2016 (UNAUDITED)**

	Note	31 March 2016 €m	31 March 2015 €m
<b>Profit/(loss) for the period</b> . . . . .		<b>5</b>	<b>(10)</b>
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>			
<i>Items that may subsequently be reclassified to profit or loss</i>			
Foreign currency translation adjustments			
—Arising in the period . . . . .		49	(144)
		<u>49</u>	<u>(144)</u>
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges			
—New fair value adjustments into reserve . . . . .		(19)	53
—Movement out of reserve . . . . .		18	(46)
		<u>(1)</u>	<u>7</u>
<i>Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss</i>			
—Re-measurements of employee benefit obligations . . . . .	5	(63)	(79)
—Deferred tax movement on employee benefit obligations . . . . .		20	19
		<u>(43)</u>	<u>(60)</u>
<b>Other comprehensive income/(expense) for the period</b> . . . . .		<b>5</b>	<b>(197)</b>
<b>Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the period</b> . . . . .		<b><u>10</u></b>	<b><u>(207)</u></b>
Attributable to:			
Owners of the parent . . . . .		10	(207)
Non-controlling interests . . . . .		—	—
<b>Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the period</b> . . . . .		<b><u>10</u></b>	<b><u>(207)</u></b>



**CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE  
THREE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2016 (UNAUDITED)**

	Attributable to owners of the parent						
	Capital contribution	Retained earnings	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Cash flow hedges	Total	Non- controlling interests	Total equity
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
1 January 2016 . . . . .	101	(1,220)	(241)	(2)	(1,362)	2	(1,360)
Profit for the period . . . . .	—	5	—	—	5	—	5
Other comprehensive (expense)/income . .	—	(43)	49	(1)	5	—	5
<b>31 March 2016 . . . . .</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>(1,258)</b>	<b>(192)</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>(1,352)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>(1,350)</b>

	Attributable to owners of the parent						
	Capital contribution	Retained earnings	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Cash flow hedges	Total	Non- controlling interests	Total equity
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
1 January 2015 . . . . .	101	(1,306)	(102)	(3)	(1,310)	2	(1,308)
Loss for the period . . . . .	—	(10)	—	—	(10)	—	(10)
Other comprehensive (expense)/income . .	—	(60)	(144)	7	(197)	—	(197)
<b>31 March 2015 . . . . .</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>(1,376)</b>	<b>(246)</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>(1,517)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>(1,515)</b>

**CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE THREE MONTHS  
ENDED 31 MARCH 2016 (UNAUDITED)**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>31 March 2016</u> €m	<u>31 March 2015</u> €m
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Cash generated from operations . . . . .	9	79	90
Interest paid . . . . .		(66)	(76)
Income tax paid . . . . .		(6)	(3)
<i>Net cash from operating activities</i> . . . . .		<u>7</u>	<u>11</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment . . . . .		(62)	(102)
Purchase of software and other intangibles . . . . .		(2)	(2)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment . . . . .		—	5
<i>Net cash used in investing activities</i> . . . . .		<u>(64)</u>	<u>(99)</u>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Proceeds from borrowings . . . . .		—	20
Repayment of borrowings . . . . .		(2)	(188)
Early redemption premium costs . . . . .		—	(8)
Deferred debt issue costs . . . . .		—	(2)
<i>Net outflow from financing activities</i> . . . . .		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(178)</u>
<b>Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents</b> . . . . .		<u>(59)</u>	<u>(266)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period . . . . .		550	412
Exchange gains on cash and cash equivalents . . . . .		(6)	9
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period</b> . . . . .		<u>485</u>	<u>155</u>

## **NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

### **1. Statement of directors' responsibilities**

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements. The Directors are required to prepare financial information for each financial period of the state of affairs of the Group and of the profit or loss of the Group for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and to
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group will continue in business.

The Directors confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements.

The Directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Group's website at: [www.ardaghgroup.com](http://www.ardaghgroup.com).

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements were approved for issue by the Board of Directors of APHL (the "Board") on 25 April 2016.

### **2. Summary of significant accounting policies**

#### **Basis of preparation**

The Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements for the three months ended 31 March 2016 have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34, 'Interim financial reporting'. The Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements do not include all of the information required for full annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2015, which was prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as adopted by the European Union, and on which the independent auditor's report was unqualified.

The Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements presented in this interim report do not represent financial statements within the meaning of Section 340 (4) of the Companies Act, 2014. Financial statements for Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 December 2015, will be filed in due course with the Registrar of Companies in Ireland.

Income tax in interim periods is accrued using the effective tax rate expected to be applicable to annual earnings.

The accounting policies, presentation and methods of computation followed in the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements are the same as those applied in the Group's latest Annual Report.

There are no new IFRS standards effective from 1 January 2016 which have a material effect on the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements. IFRS 15, 'Revenue from contracts with customers' is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018, subject to EU endorsement. IFRS 9, 'Financial instruments' becomes effective for annual periods commencing on or after 1 January 2018, subject to EU endorsement. IFRS 16, 'Leases' is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019 subject to EU endorsement. The impact of the accounting standard changes is being assessed by the Group but is not expected to be material.

**NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM  
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**3. Intangible assets and property, plant and equipment**

	2016		2015	
	Intangible assets	Property, plant and equipment	Intangible assets	Property, plant and equipment
	€m	€m	€m	€m
<b>Net book value</b>				
At 1 January . . . . .	1,810	2,307	1,762	2,223
Acquisitions . . . . .	—	—	3	—
Additions . . . . .	3	50	2	66
Charge for the period . . . . .	(27)	(71)	(26)	(64)
Disposals . . . . .	—	—	—	(6)
Exchange . . . . .	(61)	(56)	164	119
<b>At 31 March . . . . .</b>	<b><u>1,725</u></b>	<b><u>2,230</u></b>	<b><u>1,905</u></b>	<b><u>2,338</u></b>

**4. Financial assets and liabilities**

At 31 March 2016, the Group's net debt and available liquidity was as follows:

Facility	Currency	Maximum amount drawable	Final maturity date	Facility type	Amount drawn as at 31 March 2016		Undrawn amount
		Local currency m			Local currency m	€m	€m
4.250% First Priority Senior Secured Notes . . . . .	EUR	1,155	15-Jan-22	Bullet	1,155	1,155	—
First Priority Senior Secured Floating Rate Notes . . . . .	USD	1,110	15-Dec-19	Bullet	1,110	975	—
6.00% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	440	30-Jun-21	Bullet	440	386	—
9.250% Senior Notes . . . . .	EUR	475	15-Oct-20	Bullet	475	475	—
9.125% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	920	15-Oct-20	Bullet	920	808	—
7.000% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	150	15-Nov-20	Bullet	150	132	—
6.250% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	415	31-Jan-19	Bullet	415	365	—
6.750% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	415	31-Jan-21	Bullet	415	365	—
Term Loan B Facility . . . . .	USD	686	17-Dec-19	Amortising	686	603	—
HSBC Securitisation Programme . . . . .	EUR	149	14-Jun-18	Revolving	—	—	149
Bank of America Facility . . . . .	USD	155	11-Apr-18	Revolving	—	—	137
Unicredit Working Capital and Performance Guarantee Credit Lines	EUR	1	Rolling	Revolving	—	—	1
Finance lease obligations . . . . .	GBP/EUR			Amortising	6	6	—
Other borrowings . . . . .	EUR	3		Amortising	3	3	—
<b>Total borrowings/undrawn facilities . . . . .</b>						<b><u>5,273</u></b>	<b><u>287</u></b>
Deferred debt issue costs and bond premiums . . . . .						(43)	—
<b>Net borrowings/undrawn facilities . . . . .</b>						<b><u>5,230</u></b>	<b><u>287</u></b>
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash . . . . .						(485)	485
Derivative financial instruments used to hedge foreign currency and interest rate risk . . . . .						18	—
<b>Net debt/available liquidity . . . . .</b>						<b><u>4,763</u></b>	<b><u>772</u></b>

**NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM  
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**4. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)**

The fair value of the Group's borrowings at 31 March 2016 is €5,268 million (31 December 2015: €5,397 million).

Fair values are calculated on Loan Notes and the Term Loan based on quoted market prices. However, quoted market prices for the Term Loan represent Level 2 inputs because the markets in which the Term Loan trades were not active. The fair value of bank loans and other borrowings that were directly attributable to the Company is equivalent to their carrying value.

Net debt includes the fair value of associated derivative financial instruments that are used to hedge foreign exchange and interest rate risks relating to finance debt.

**5. Employee benefit obligations**

Employee benefit obligations at 31 March 2016 have been updated to reflect the latest discount rates and asset valuations. A re-measurement charge of €63 million (2015: charge of €79 million) has been recognised in the Consolidated Interim Statement of Comprehensive Income for the three months ended 31 March 2016.

**6. Segmental analysis**

The Group's three reportable segments are Glass Packaging North America, Glass Packaging Europe and Metal Packaging. This reflects the basis on which the Executive Committee of Ardagh Group S.A. reviews Group performance.

Reconciliation of profit before tax to EBITDA

	<b>Three months ended</b>	
	<b>31 March 2016</b>	<b>31 March 2015</b>
	<b>€m</b>	<b>€m</b>
Profit before tax . . . . .	22	6
Finance expense . . . . .	92	99
<b>Operating profit</b> . . . . .	<b>114</b>	<b>105</b>
Depreciation and amortisation . . . . .	98	90
Exceptional operating items . . . . .	5	9
<b>EBITDA</b> . . . . .	<b>217</b>	<b>204</b>

The segment results for the three months ended 31 March are as follows:

	<b>Revenue</b>		<b>EBITDA</b>	
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
	<b>€m</b>	<b>€m</b>	<b>€m</b>	<b>€m</b>
Glass Packaging North America . . . . .	422	398	85	77
Glass Packaging Europe . . . . .	321	337	63	63
Metal Packaging . . . . .	475	472	69	64
<b>Group</b> . . . . .	<b>1,218</b>	<b>1,207</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>204</b>

**NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM  
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**7. Exceptional items**

The Group's income statement, cash flow and segmental analysis separately identify results before specific items. Specific items are those that in the Directors' judgement need to be disclosed by virtue of their size, nature or incidence.

	<b>Three months ended</b>	
	<b>31 March 2016</b>	<b>31 March 2015</b>
	<b>€m</b>	<b>€m</b>
Plant start-up costs . . . . .	2	7
Restructuring costs . . . . .	1	—
<b>Exceptional items—cost of sales . . . . .</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>
Transaction related costs—IPO, acquisition and disposals . . . . .	2	2
<b>Exceptional items—sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
Deferred issue costs written-off and other debt settlement costs . . . . .	—	10
<b>Exceptional items—finance expense . . . . .</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>10</b>
	<b>5</b>	<b>19</b>

**8. Finance expense**

	<b>Three months ended</b>	
	<b>31 March 2016</b>	<b>31 March 2015</b>
	<b>€m</b>	<b>€m</b>
Senior Secured and Senior Notes . . . . .	75	72
Term Loan . . . . .	6	6
Other interest expense . . . . .	2	2
<b>Interest expense . . . . .</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>80</b>
Net pension interest costs . . . . .	6	6
Foreign currency translation losses . . . . .	3	3
<b>Finance expense before exceptional items . . . . .</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>89</b>
Exceptional finance expense (Note 7) . . . . .	—	10
	<b>92</b>	<b>99</b>



**NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM  
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**9. Cash generated from operations**

	<b>Three months ended</b>	
	<b>31 March 2016</b>	<b>31 March 2015</b>
	<b>€m</b>	<b>€m</b>
<b>Profit before tax</b> . . . . .	<b>22</b>	<b>6</b>
Adjustments		
Depreciation (Note 3) . . . . .	71	64
Amortisation (Note 3) . . . . .	27	26
Finance expense before exceptional items (Note 8) . . . . .	92	89
Exceptional items (Note 7) . . . . .	5	19
<b>EBITDA</b> . . . . .	<b>217</b>	<b>204</b>
Movement in working capital . . . . .	(122)	(84)
Exceptional acquisition related, disposal and plant start-up costs paid . . . . .	(14)	(17)
Exceptional restructuring paid . . . . .	(2)	(13)
<b>Cash from operating activities</b> . . . . .	<b>79</b>	<b>90</b>

**10. Related party transactions**

There were no transactions with related parties as disclosed in the 2015 APHL Annual Report in the three months ended 31 March 2016 that had a material effect on the financial position or the performance of the Group.

**11. Contingencies and commitments**

**Legal matters**

In 2015, the German competition authority (the Federal Cartel Office) initiated an investigation of the practices of metal packaging manufacturers in Germany, including us. The investigation is ongoing, and there is at this stage no certainty as to the extent of any charge which may arise. Accordingly, no provision has been recognized.

With the exception of the above legal matter, the Group is involved in certain other legal proceedings arising in the normal course of its business. The Group believes that none of these proceedings, either individually or in aggregate, is expected to have a material adverse effect on its business financial condition results of operations or cash flows.

**12. Seasonality of operations**

The Group's revenue and cash flows are both subject to seasonal fluctuations. Demand for our glass products is typically strongest during the summer months and in the period prior to December because of the seasonal nature of beverage consumption. Demand for our metal products is largely related to agricultural harvest periods. The investment in working capital for Glass Packaging North America and Glass Packaging Europe typically peaks in the first quarter. The investment in working capital for Metal Packaging generally builds over the first three quarters of the year, in line with the seasonal pattern, and then unwinds in the fourth quarter, with the calendar year-end being the low point. The Group manages the seasonality of working capital by supplementing operating cash flows with drawings under our securitisation and revolving credit facilities.

**NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM  
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**13. Events after the reporting period**

Ardagh Group has entered into an agreement (“Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement”) with Ball Corporation (Ball) and Rexam PLC (Rexam) to purchase various metal beverage can manufacturing assets and support locations in Europe, Brazil and the United States for an enterprise value of US\$3.42 billion including assumed liabilities of US\$210 million. The completion of the acquisition is subject to certain conditions, including regulatory approval and the closing of Ball’s acquisition of Rexam.

Pursuant to the Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement, Ardagh will acquire ten beverage can manufacturing plants and two end plants in Europe, seven beverage can manufacturing plants and one end plant in the United States, two beverage can manufacturing plants in Brazil and certain innovation and support functions in Germany, the UK, Switzerland and the United States. These assets had 2015 sales of US\$3 billion and standalone EBITDA of approximately US\$400 million. The business to be acquired by Ardagh will be the number three beverage can manufacturer globally, the number two manufacturer in Europe and the number three manufacturer in the United States and Brazil.

Ardagh expects to finance the acquisition with a combination of cash and secured and unsecured debt. The acquisition is expected to close by the end of June 2016, simultaneous with the closing of Ball’s acquisition of Rexam.

**Management Transition**

After ten very successful years as CEO of Ardagh, Niall Wall has informed the board of his intention to step down in September. The Board of Ardagh thanks him for his enormous contribution to the success of the Group to date and wishes him well for the future. The Board is also pleased to announce the appointment of Ian Curley as CEO designate of Ardagh. Ian was CFO of Smurfit Kappa Group plc from 2000 until March of this year. Ian will join Ardagh in late June and succeed Niall Wall when he steps down in September.

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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS OF ARDAGH PACKAGING HOLDINGS LIMITED**

### **Report on the non—statutory consolidated financial statements**

#### **Our opinion**

In our opinion, APHL's non-statutory consolidated financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the Group's assets, liabilities and financial position as at 31 December 2015 and of its profit and cash flows for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union.

#### **What we have audited**

The financial statements comprise:

- the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at 31 December 2015;
- the Consolidated Income Statement and Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year then ended;
- the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity for the year then ended;
- the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of the financial statements is International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union.

In applying the financial reporting framework, the Directors have made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. In making such estimates, they have made assumptions and considered future events.

#### **Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit**

##### **Our responsibilities and those of the Directors**

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities for Financial Statements set out on page F-4, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinion, has been prepared for and only for the Company's Directors, as a body, in accordance with our engagement letter dated 16 November 2015 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come, including without limitation under any contractual obligations of the company, save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

**What an audit of financial statements involves**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). 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 Group'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.

We primarily focus our work in these areas by assessing the Directors' judgements against available evidence, forming our own judgements, and evaluating the disclosures in the financial statements.

We test and examine information, using sampling and other auditing techniques, to the extent we consider necessary to provide a reasonable basis for us to draw conclusions. We obtain audit evidence through testing the effectiveness of controls, substantive procedures or a combination of both.

In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

**Other matter**

We draw attention to the fact that these financial statements have not been prepared under section 293 of the Companies Act 2014 and are not the company's statutory consolidated financial statements.

PricewaterhouseCoopers  
Chartered Accountants  
Dublin

29 February 2016

## **STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Directors are responsible for preparing the non-statutory financial statements in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the EU and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the Group's assets, liabilities, and financial position at 31 December 2015 and of its profit and cash flows for the year then ended. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state that the financial statements comply with IFRS as adopted by the EU; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group will continue in business.

The Directors confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

The Directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Group's website at [www.ardaghgroup.com](http://www.ardaghgroup.com).

These financial statements have been authorised for issue by the Directors on 29 February 2016.



# **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AT 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2015</u> €m	<u>2014</u> €m
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Intangible assets . . . . .	3	1,810	1,762
Property, plant and equipment . . . . .	4	2,307	2,223
Derivative financial instruments . . . . .	12	—	40
Deferred tax assets . . . . .	6	178	184
Other non-current assets . . . . .	5	14	10
		<u><b>4,309</b></u>	<u><b>4,219</b></u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Inventories . . . . .	7	825	770
Trade and other receivables . . . . .	8	651	692
Derivative financial instruments . . . . .	12	—	2
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	9	539	403
Restricted cash . . . . .	9	11	9
		<u><b>2,026</b></u>	<u><b>1,876</b></u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b> . . . . .		<u><b>6,335</b></u>	<u><b>6,095</b></u>
<b>Equity attributable to owners of the parent</b>			
Ordinary shares . . . . .	10	—	—
Capital contribution . . . . .		101	101
Other reserves . . . . .		(243)	(105)
Retained earnings . . . . .		<u>(1,220)</u>	<u>(1,306)</u>
		<u><b>(1,362)</b></u>	<u><b>(1,310)</b></u>
Non-controlling interests . . . . .		2	2
<b>Total equity</b> . . . . .		<u><b>(1,360)</b></u>	<u><b>(1,308)</b></u>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings . . . . .	12	5,385	5,181
Employee benefit obligations . . . . .	13	720	723
Deferred tax liabilities . . . . .	6	451	455
Provisions . . . . .	15	48	33
		<u><b>6,604</b></u>	<u><b>6,392</b></u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings . . . . .	12	7	4
Interest payable . . . . .		75	80
Derivative financial instruments . . . . .	12	7	7
Trade and other payables . . . . .	14	878	803
Income tax payable . . . . .		76	67
Provisions . . . . .	15	48	50
		<u><b>1,091</b></u>	<u><b>1,011</b></u>
<b>Total liabilities</b> . . . . .		<u><b>7,695</b></u>	<u><b>7,403</b></u>
<b>TOTAL EQUITY and LIABILITIES</b> . . . . .		<u><b>6,335</b></u>	<u><b>6,095</b></u>

The notes to the non-statutory consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

# **CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	Note	2015			2014		
		Before exceptional items	Exceptional items	Total	Before exceptional items	Exceptional items	Total
		€m	€m Note 18	€m	€m	€m Note 18	€m
Revenue . . . . .	16	5,199	—	5,199	4,733	—	4,733
Cost of sales . . . . .		(4,285)	(37)	(4,322)	(3,970)	(122)	(4,092)
<b>Gross profit/(loss) . . . . .</b>		<b>914</b>	<b>(37)</b>	<b>877</b>	<b>763</b>	<b>(122)</b>	<b>641</b>
Sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .		(274)	(44)	(318)	(246)	(35)	(281)
Intangible amortisation . . . . .	3	(109)	—	(109)	(88)	(33)	(121)
Loss on disposal of businesses . . . . .		—	—	—	—	(159)	(159)
<b>Operating profit/(loss) . . . . .</b>		<b>531</b>	<b>(81)</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>(349)</b>	<b>80</b>
Finance expense . . . . .	19	(353)	(13)	(366)	(348)	(126)	(474)
<b>Profit/(loss) before tax . . . . .</b>		<b>178</b>	<b>(94)</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>(475)</b>	<b>(394)</b>
Income tax (charge)/credit . . . . .	20			(43)			3
<b>Profit/(loss) for the year . . . . .</b>				<b>41</b>			<b>(391)</b>
Profit/(loss) attributable to:							
Owners of the parent . . . . .				41			(391)
Non-controlling interests . . . . .				—			—
<b>Profit/(loss) for the year . . . . .</b>				<b>41</b>			<b>(391)</b>

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2015**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2015</u> €m	<u>2014</u> €m
<b>Profit/(loss) for the year</b> . . . . .		<b>41</b>	<b>(391)</b>
Other comprehensive income			
Items that may subsequently be reclassified to profit or loss			
<i>Foreign currency translation adjustments:</i>			
—Arising in the year . . . . .		(139)	(148)
—Reclassification to income statement on disposal of businesses . . . . .		—	(1)
		<u>(139)</u>	<u>(149)</u>
<i>Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges</i>			
—New fair value adjustments into reserve . . . . .		44	36
—Movement out of reserve . . . . .		(43)	(34)
		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss			
—Re-measurements of employee benefit obligations . . . . .	13	72	(123)
—Deferred tax movement on employee benefit obligations . . . . .	6	(27)	31
		<u>45</u>	<u>(92)</u>
<b>Other comprehensive expense for the year</b> . . . . .		<u>(93)</u>	<u>(239)</u>
<b>Total comprehensive expense for the year</b> . . . . .		<u>(52)</u>	<u>(630)</u>
Attributable to:			
Owners of the parent . . . . .		(52)	(630)
Non-controlling interests . . . . .		—	—
<b>Total comprehensive expense for the year</b> . . . . .		<u>(52)</u>	<u>(630)</u>

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2015**

	Attributable to owners of the parent						
	Capital contribution	Retained earnings	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Cash flow hedges	Total	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
1 January 2015 . . . . .	101	(1,306)	(102)	(3)	(1,310)	2	(1,308)
Profit for the year . . . . .	—	41	—	—	41	—	41
Other comprehensive income/(expense)	—	45	(139)	1	(93)	—	(93)
31 December 2015 . . . . .	101	(1,220)	(241)	(2)	(1,362)	2	(1,360)

	Attributable to owners of the parent						
	Capital contribution	Retained earnings	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Cash flow hedges	Total	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
1 January 2014 . . . . .	101	(823)	47	(5)	(680)	2	(678)
Loss for the year . . . . .	—	(391)	—	—	(391)	—	(391)
Other comprehensive (expense)/income	—	(92)	(149)	2	(239)	—	(239)
31 December 2014 . . . . .	101	(1,306)	(102)	(3)	(1,310)	2	(1,308)

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2015**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2015</u> €m	<u>2014</u> €m
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Cash generated from operations . . . . .	21	950	701
Interest paid . . . . .		(323)	(316)
Income tax paid . . . . .		(59)	(35)
<b>Net cash from operating activities . . . . .</b>		<b><u>568</u></b>	<b><u>350</u></b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Purchase of business net of cash acquired . . . . .		—	(1,038)
Proceeds received from disposal of businesses . . . . .		—	397
Purchase of property, plant and equipment . . . . .		(304)	(321)
Purchase of software and other intangibles . . . . .		(8)	(10)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment . . . . .		8	17
<b>Net cash used in investing activities . . . . .</b>		<b><u>(304)</u></b>	<b><u>(955)</u></b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Repayment of borrowings . . . . .		(198)	(2,591)
Proceeds from the termination of derivative financial instruments . . . . .	12	81	—
Early redemption premium costs paid . . . . .		(8)	(97)
Deferred debt issue costs paid . . . . .		(1)	(56)
Proceeds from borrowings . . . . .		—	3,469
<b>Net (outflow)/inflow from financing activities . . . . .</b>		<b><u>(126)</u></b>	<b><u>725</u></b>
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents . . . . .</b>		<b><u>138</u></b>	<b><u>120</u></b>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year . . . . .	9	412	294
Exchange losses on cash and cash equivalents . . . . .		—	(2)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year . . . . .</b>	9	<b><u>550</u></b>	<b><u>412</u></b>

The notes to the non-statutory consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. General information

APHL was incorporated and registered in the Republic of Ireland as a private company on 5 August 2005. Its ultimate parent company is Ardagh Group S.A..

The Company's Registered Office is:  
4 Richview Office Park  
Clonskeagh  
Dublin 14  
Ireland

These consolidated financial statements do not represent statutory financial statements as defined in Section 274 of the Irish Companies Act, 2014. Statutory financial statements for APHL for the year ended 31 December 2014, upon which the auditor has given an unqualified audit report, have been filed with the Irish Registrar of Companies. Statutory accounts for APHL for the year ended 31 December 2015 will be filed in due course.

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies

#### Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with, and are in compliance with, IFRS as adopted by the EU and related interpretations. IFRS is comprised of standards and interpretations approved by the IASB and IAS and interpretations approved by the predecessor International Accounting Standards Committee that have been subsequently approved by the IASB and remain in effect. IFRS as adopted by the EU differ in certain respects from IFRS as issued by the IASB. References to IFRS hereafter should be construed as references to IFRS as adopted by the EU.

The consolidated financial statements, which are presented in euro rounded to the nearest million, have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the following:

- derivative financial instruments are stated at fair value; and
- employee benefit obligations are measured at the present value of the future estimated cash flows related to benefits earned and pension assets valued at fair value.

The preparation of consolidated financial information in accordance with IFRS requires the use of critical accounting estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and income and expenses. It also requires management to exercise judgement in the process of applying Group accounting policies. These estimates, assumptions and judgements are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances and are subject to continual re-evaluation. However, actual outcomes may differ from those estimates. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated financial statements are discussed in the critical accounting estimates and judgements.

The consolidated financial statements for the Group were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors of APHL on 29 February 2016.



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### Reclassification of prior year comparative figures

Certain reclassifications of prior year amounts have been made to conform with the current year presentation, none of which are considered material to the financial statements taken as a whole.

#### Changes in accounting policy and disclosures

##### *Adoption of International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) interpretations*

IFRIC 21, 'Levies' sets out the accounting for an obligation to pay a levy if that liability is within the scope of IAS 37, 'Provisions'. The interpretation addresses what the obligating event is that gives rise to pay a levy and when a liability should be recognised. This standard is effective since 1 January 2015. The Group has noted no material impact on the results or the net assets of the Group.

##### *Applicable accounting standards issued but not yet effective*

The following standards and amendments to existing standards have been published and are mandatory, subject to EU endorsement, for the Group's accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017 or later periods:

IFRS 15, 'Revenue from contracts with customers' deals with revenue recognition and establishes principles for reporting useful information to users of financial statements about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from an entity's contracts with customers. Revenue is recognised when a customer obtains control of a good or service and thus has the ability to direct the use and obtain the benefits from the good or service. The standard replaces IAS 18, 'Revenue' and IAS 11, 'Construction contracts' and related interpretations. The standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018 and earlier application is permitted. The Group is assessing the impact of IFRS 15, but it is not expected to be material. The Group will apply IFRS 15 subject to EU endorsement.

IFRS 9, 'Financial instruments'. IFRS 9 is the first standard issued as part of a wider project to replace IAS 39. IFRS 9 has been completed in a number of phases and includes requirements on the classification and measurement of financial assets and liabilities. It also includes an expected credit loss model that replaces the incurred loss impairment model currently used as well as hedge accounting amendments. The Group is assessing the impact of IFRS 9, but it is not expected to be material. This standard becomes effective for annual periods commencing on or after 1 January 2018 however is subject to endorsement by the EU. The Group will apply IFRS 9 subject to EU endorsement.

IFRS 16, 'Leases', sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases. The objective is to ensure that lessees and lessors provide relevant information in a manner that faithfully represents those transactions. This information gives a basis for users of financial statements to assess the effect that leases have on the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the entity. IFRS 16 replaces IAS 17, 'Leases', and later interpretations and will result in most operating leases being recorded on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. The Group is assessing the impact of IFRS 16, but it is not expected to be material. IFRS 16 is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019, subject to EU endorsement. The Group will apply IFRS 16 subject to EU endorsement.

There are no other accounting standards or IFRIC guidance that are not yet effective that would be expected to have a material impact on the Group.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### Basis of consolidation

##### (i) Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group and are de-consolidated from the date on which control ceases. Subsidiaries are all entities (including structured entities) over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when it is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power to direct the activities of the entity.

The purchase method of accounting is used to account for the acquisition of subsidiaries by the Group. The cost of an acquisition is the consideration given in exchange for control of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the acquired legal entities. Directly attributable transaction costs are expensed and included as exceptional items within sales, general and administration expenses. The acquired net assets are initially measured at fair value. The excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. Any goodwill and fair value adjustments are recorded as assets and liabilities of the acquired legal entity in the currency of the primary economic environment in which the legal entity operates (the “functional currency”). If the cost of acquisition is less than the fair value of the Group’s share of the net assets of the legal entity acquired, the difference is recognised directly in the Consolidated Income Statement. The Group considers obligations of the acquiree in a business combination that arise as a result of the change in control, to be cash flows arising from obtaining control of the controlled company, and classifies these obligations as investing activities in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows.

##### (ii) Transactions eliminated on consolidation

Transactions, balances and unrealised gains or losses on transactions between Group companies are eliminated. Subsidiaries’ accounting policies have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

#### Foreign currency

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Group’s entities are measured using the functional currency of that entity.

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency at the foreign exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are translated into the functional currency at the foreign exchange rate ruling at that date. Foreign exchange differences arising on translation are recognised in the income statement, except: (i) differences on foreign currency borrowings that provide an effective hedge against a net investment in a foreign entity (“net investment hedges”), which are taken to other comprehensive income until the disposal of the net investment, at which time they are recognised in the income statement; and (ii) differences on certain derivative financial instruments discussed under “Derivative financial instruments” below. Net investment hedges are accounted for in a similar manner to cash flow hedges. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion of a net investment hedge is recognised immediately in the income statement within finance income or expense.

The assets and liabilities of foreign operations are translated into euro at foreign exchange rates ruling at the reporting date. The revenues and expenses of foreign operations are translated to euro at average exchange rates for the year. Foreign exchange differences arising on retranslation and

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

settlement of such transactions are recognised in other comprehensive income. Gains and losses accumulated in other comprehensive income are recycled to the income statement when the foreign operation is sold.

Non-monetary items measured at fair value in foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates as at the date when the fair value is determined.

#### Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of the net identifiable assets of the acquired subsidiary at the date of acquisition.

Goodwill is stated at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill is allocated to those groups of cash-generating units ("CGUs") that are expected to benefit from the business combination in which the goodwill arose for the purpose of assessing impairment. Goodwill is tested annually for impairment.

#### Intangible assets

Intangible assets are initially recognised at cost.

Intangible assets acquired as part of a business combination are capitalised separately from goodwill if the intangible asset is separable or arises from contractual or other legal rights. They are initially recognised at cost which, for intangible assets arising in a business combination, is their fair value at the date of acquisition.

Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. The carrying values of intangible assets with finite useful economic lives are reviewed for indicators of impairment at each reporting date and are subject to impairment testing when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying values may not be recoverable.

The amortisation of intangible assets is calculated to write off the book value of finite lived intangible assets over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight-line basis on the assumption of zero residual value as follows:

Computer software	2-7 years
Customer relationships	5-15 years
Technology	8-15 years

#### (i) Computer software

Computer software development costs are recognised as assets. Costs associated with maintaining computer software programmes are recognised as an expense as incurred.

#### (ii) Customer relationships

Customer relationships acquired in a business combination are recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. The customer relationships have a finite useful economic life and are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### (iii) Technology

Technology based intangibles acquired in a business combination are recognised at fair value at the acquisition date and reflect the Group's ability to add value through accumulated technological expertise surrounding product and process development.

#### (iv) Research and development costs

Research costs are expensed as incurred. Development costs relating to new products are capitalised if the new product is technically and commercially feasible. All other development costs are expensed as incurred.

### Property, plant and equipment

#### (i) Owned assets

Items of property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, except for land which is shown at cost less impairment. Spare parts which form an integral part of plant and machinery and which have an estimated useful economic life greater than one year are capitalised. Spare parts which do not form an integral part of plant and machinery and which have an estimated useful economic life less than one year are included as consumables within inventory and expensed when utilised.

Where items of property, plant and equipment have different useful economic lives, they are accounted for as separate items of property, plant and equipment.

#### (ii) Leased assets

The determination of whether an arrangement is, or contains a lease, is based on the substance of the arrangement and requires an assessment of whether the fulfilment of the arrangement is dependent on the use of a specific asset or assets, and the arrangement conveys a right to use the asset.

Leases of property, plant and equipment where the Group has substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership, are classified as finance leases.

Leases where the lessor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

#### (iii) Subsequent costs

The Group recognises in the carrying amount of an item of property, plant and equipment, the cost of replacing the component of such an item when that cost is incurred, if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. When a component is replaced the old component is de-recognised in the period. All other costs are recognised in the income statement as an expense as incurred. When a major overhaul is performed, its cost is recognised in the carrying amount of the plant and equipment as a replacement if the recognition criteria above are met.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### (iv) Depreciation

Depreciation is charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful economic lives of each part of an item of property, plant and equipment. Land is not depreciated. The estimated useful economic lives are as follows:

Buildings . . . . .	30-40 years
Plant and machinery . . . . .	3-40 years
Moulds . . . . .	2-3 years
Office equipment and vehicles . . . . .	3-10 years

Assets' useful economic lives and residual values are adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date.

#### Discontinued operations

A discontinued operation is a component of an entity that either has been disposed of, or that is classified as held for sale and (i) represents a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations; (ii) is a part of a single coordinated plan to dispose of a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations; or (iii) is a subsidiary acquired exclusively with a view to resale.

#### Impairment of non-financial assets

Assets that have an indefinite useful economic life are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment or whenever indicators suggest that impairment may have occurred. Assets that are subject to amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount.

For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets excluding goodwill and long lived intangible assets, are grouped at the lowest levels at which cash flows are separately identifiable. Goodwill and long lived intangible assets are allocated to groups of CGUs. The groupings represent the lowest level at which the related assets are monitored for internal management purposes.

Non-financial assets other than goodwill that suffered impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date.

The recoverable amount of other assets is the greater of their value in use and fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value, using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For an asset that does not generate largely independent cash inflows, the recoverable amount is determined for the CGU to which the asset belongs.

#### Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The cost of inventories is based on the first-in, first-out basis and includes expenditure incurred in acquiring the inventories and bringing them to their current location and condition. In the case of finished goods and work-in-progress, cost includes direct materials, direct labour and attributable overheads based on normal operating capacity.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

Net realisable value is the estimated proceeds of sale less all further costs to completion, and less all costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

Spare parts, including mould parts, which are deemed to be of a consumable nature, are included within inventories and expensed when utilised.

#### Non-derivative financial instruments

Non-derivative financial instruments comprise trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, borrowings and trade and other payables. Non-derivative financial instruments are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, non-derivative financial instruments are measured as described below.

##### (i) Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are recognised initially at fair value and are thereafter measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method less any provision for impairment. A provision for impairment of trade receivables is recognised when there is objective evidence that the Group will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

##### (ii) Securitised assets

The Group entered into a series of securitisation transactions involving certain of its trade receivables. The securitised assets are recognised on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, until all of the rights to the cash flows from those assets have expired or have been fully transferred outside the Group, or until substantially all of the related risks, rewards and control of the related assets have been transferred to a third party. No trade receivables were securitised at 31 December 2015 (2014: €nil).

##### (iii) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and call deposits held with banks. Cash and cash equivalents are carried at amortised cost.

Short term bank deposits of greater than three months maturity which do not meet the definition of cash and cash equivalents are classified as financial assets within current assets and stated at amortised cost.

##### (iv) Restricted Cash

Restricted cash comprises cash held by the Group but which is ring-fenced or used as security for specific financing arrangements, and to which the Group does not have unfettered access. Restricted cash is measured at amortised cost.

##### (v) Borrowings

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently stated at amortised cost; any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is recognised in the Group's income statement over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### (vi) Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

#### Derivative financial instruments

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value. The method of recognising the resulting gain or loss depends on whether the derivative is designated as a hedging instrument and, if so, the nature of the item being hedged.

#### (i) Cash flow hedges

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges are recognised in other comprehensive income.

Amounts accumulated in other comprehensive income are recycled from equity to the income statement in the period during which the hedged item will affect the income statement. The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges is recognised in other comprehensive income. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in the income statement. When a hedging instrument expires or is sold, or when a hedge no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting, any cumulative gain or loss existing at that time remains in equity and is recognised when the forecast cash flow arises. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss that was reported in equity is immediately transferred to the income statement.

#### (ii) Fair value hedges

Derivative financial instruments are classified as fair value hedges when they hedge the Group's exposure to changes in the fair value of a recognised asset or liability. Changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as fair value hedges are recorded in the Group income statement, together with any changes in the fair value of the hedged item that is attributable to the hedged risk.

#### Employee benefits

#### (i) Defined benefit pension plans

Typically, defined benefit plans define an amount of pension benefit that an employee will receive on retirement, usually dependent on one or more factors such as age, years of service and compensation.

The liability recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position in respect of defined benefit pension plans is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the reporting date less the fair value of plan assets. The defined benefit obligation is calculated annually by independent actuaries using the projected unit credit method. The present value of the defined benefit obligation is determined by discounting the estimated future cash outflows using interest rates of high quality corporate bonds that are denominated in the currency in which the benefits will be paid, and that have terms to maturity approximating to the terms of the related pension liability.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are charged or credited to equity in other comprehensive income in the period in which they arise.

Past service costs are recognised immediately in the income statement.

#### (ii) Multi-employer pension plans

Multi-employer craft or industry based pension schemes (“multi-employer schemes”) have arrangements similar to those of defined benefit schemes. In each case it is not possible to identify the Group’s share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the multi-employer schemes and therefore in accordance with IAS 19 (revised), the Group has taken the exemption for multi-employer pension schemes to account for them as defined contribution schemes recognising the contributions payable in each period in the Consolidated Income Statement.

#### (iii) Other end of service employee benefits

In a number of countries, the Group pays lump sums to employees leaving service. These arrangements are accounted in the same manner as defined benefit pension plans.

#### (iv) Other long term employee benefits

The Group’s obligation in respect of other long term employee benefits plans represents the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for service in the current and prior periods and are included in the category of employee benefit obligations on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. The obligation is computed on the basis of the projected unit credit method and is discounted to present value using a discount rate equating to the market yield at the reporting date on high quality corporate bonds of a currency and term consistent with the currency and estimated term of the obligations. Actuarial gains and losses are recognised in full in the Group’s Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income in the period in which they arise.

#### (v) Defined contribution plans

A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Group pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. The contributions are recognised as employee benefit expense when they are due.

### Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and the amount can be reliably estimated.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation.

### Revenue recognition

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised in the income statement when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, primarily on despatch of the goods. Revenue from services rendered is recognised in the income statement in proportion to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date.

## **NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

### **2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)**

Allowances for customer rebates are provided for in the same period as the related revenues are recorded. Revenue is included net of cash discounts and value added tax.

#### **Exceptional items**

The Group's income statement, cash flow and segmental analysis separately identify results before specific items. Specific items are those that in management's judgement need to be disclosed by virtue of their size, nature or incidence to provide additional information. Such items include, where significant, restructuring, redundancy and other costs relating to permanent capacity realignment or footprint reorganisation, directly attributable acquisition costs, profit or loss on disposal or termination of operations, start-up costs incurred in relation to new furnace or plant builds, major litigation costs and settlements and impairment of non-current assets. In this regard the determination of 'significant' as included in our definition uses qualitative and quantitative factors. Judgement is used by the Group in assessing the particular items, which by virtue of their scale and nature, are disclosed in the Group income statement, and related notes as exceptional items. We consider columnar presentation to be appropriate in our income statement as it improves the clarity of the presentation, and is consistent with the way that financial performance is measured by management and presented to the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A. (the "Board") and the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A. (the "Executive Committee"). Exceptional restructuring costs are classified as restructuring provisions and all other exceptional costs when outstanding at the balance sheet date are classified as exceptional items payable.

#### **Finance income and expense**

Finance income comprises interest income on funds invested, gains on disposal of financial assets, and gains on derivative instruments that are not designated as hedging instruments and are recognised in profit or loss.

Finance expense comprises interest expense on borrowings (including amortisation of deferred debt issuance costs), finance lease expenses, certain foreign currency translation related to financing, net interest cost on net pension plan liabilities, losses on extinguishment of borrowings, losses on derivative instruments that are not designated as hedging instruments and are recognised in profit or loss and other finance expense.

The Group capitalises borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of manufacturing plants that require a substantial period of time to build that would have been avoided if the expenditure on the qualifying asset had not been made.

Costs related to the issuance of new debt are deferred and amortised within finance expense over the expected terms of the related debt agreements by using the effective interest rate method.

#### **Income tax**

Income tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognised in the income statement except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

Deferred income tax is recognised, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements. However, deferred tax liabilities are not recognised if they arise from the initial recognition of goodwill; deferred income tax is not accounted for if it arises from initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction other than business combination that at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss. Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date and are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised. Deferred income tax is provided on temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and associates, except for deferred income tax liability where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference is controlled by the Group and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred income tax assets and liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities where there is an intention to settle the balances on a net basis.

### Segment reporting

The Executive Committee has been identified as the Chief Operating Decision Maker (“CODM”) for the Group.

Operating segments are identified on the basis of the internal reporting provided to the Executive Committee in order to allocate resources to the segment and assess its performance.

### Critical accounting estimates, assumptions and judgements

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

#### i) Estimated impairment of goodwill and other long lived assets

In accordance with IAS 36, ‘Impairment of assets’, the Group tests whether goodwill and other long lived assets have suffered any impairment in accordance with the accounting policies stated. The determination of recoverable amounts requires the use of estimates as outlined in Note 3. The Group’s judgements relating to the impairment of goodwill and other long lived assets are included in Notes 3 and 4.

#### ii) Income taxes

The Group is subject to income taxes in numerous jurisdictions. Significant judgement is required in determining the worldwide provision for income taxes. There are many transactions and calculations for which the ultimate tax determination is uncertain during the ordinary course of business. The

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

Group recognises liabilities for anticipated tax audit issues based on estimates of whether additional taxes will be due. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the income tax and deferred tax provisions in the period in which such determination is made.

#### iii) Measurement of employee benefit obligations

The Group follows guidance of IAS 19 (revised), 'Employee Benefits', to determine the present value of its obligations to current and past employees in respect of defined benefit pension obligations, other long term employee benefits, and other end of service employee benefits which are subject to similar fluctuations in value in the long term. The Group uses professional actuaries to value such liabilities to ensure consistency in the quality of the key assumptions underlying the valuations. The critical assumptions and estimates applied are discussed in detail in Note 13.

#### iv) Establishing useful economic lives of property, plant and equipment and intangibles

Long lived assets, consisting primarily of property, plant and equipment, customer intangibles and technology intangibles, comprise a significant portion of the total assets. The annual depreciation and amortisation charges depend primarily on the estimated useful economic lives of each type of asset and, in certain circumstances, estimates of fair values and residual values. The Directors regularly review these asset lives and change them as necessary to reflect current thinking on remaining lives in light of technological change, prospective economic utilisation and physical condition of the assets concerned. Changes in asset lives can have a significant impact on the depreciation and amortisation charges for the period. It is not practical to quantify the impact of changes in asset lives on an overall basis, as asset lives are individually determined and there are a significant number of asset lives in use.

#### v) Business combinations

Goodwill only arises in business combinations. The amount of goodwill initially recognised is dependent on the allocation of the purchase price to the fair value of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. The determination of the fair value of the assets and liabilities is based, to a considerable extent, on management's judgement.

Allocation of the purchase price affects the results of the Group as finite lived intangible assets are amortised, whereas indefinite lived intangible assets, including goodwill, are not amortised and could result in differing amortisation charges based on the allocation to indefinite lived and finite lived intangible assets.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 3. Intangible assets

	Goodwill	Customer relationships	Technology and other	Software	Total
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
<b>Cost</b>					
At 1 January 2014 . . . . .	692	343	74	52	1,161
Acquisitions . . . . .	387	456	81	2	926
Additions . . . . .	—	—	4	7	11
Divestments . . . . .	(183)	(87)	—	(5)	(275)
Impairment (Note 18) . . . . .	(16)	(6)	—	(11)	(33)
Exchange . . . . .	85	77	8	—	170
<b>At 31 December 2014 . . . . .</b>	<u>965</u>	<u>783</u>	<u>167</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>1,960</u>
<b>Amortisation</b>					
At 1 January 2014 . . . . .		(86)	(17)	(21)	(124)
Charge for the year . . . . .		(65)	(15)	(8)	(88)
Divestments . . . . .		15	—	2	17
Exchange . . . . .		(3)	—	—	(3)
<b>At 31 December 2014 . . . . .</b>		<u>(139)</u>	<u>(32)</u>	<u>(27)</u>	<u>(198)</u>
<b>Net book value</b>					
<b>At 31 December 2014 . . . . .</b>	<u>965</u>	<u>644</u>	<u>135</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>1,762</u>
<b>Cost</b>					
At 1 January 2015 . . . . .	965	783	167	45	1,960
Acquisitions . . . . .	3	—	—	—	3
Additions . . . . .	—	—	7	1	8
Disposals . . . . .	—	—	(1)	—	(1)
Transfers . . . . .	—	—	(3)	3	—
Exchange . . . . .	79	68	11	—	158
<b>At 31 December 2015 . . . . .</b>	<u>1,047</u>	<u>851</u>	<u>181</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>2,128</u>
<b>Amortisation</b>					
At 1 January 2015 . . . . .		(139)	(32)	(27)	(198)
Charge for the year . . . . .		(83)	(19)	(7)	(109)
Disposals . . . . .		—	1	—	1
Exchange . . . . .		(11)	(1)	—	(12)
<b>At 31 December 2015 . . . . .</b>		<u>(233)</u>	<u>(51)</u>	<u>(34)</u>	<u>(318)</u>
<b>Net book value</b>					
<b>At 31 December 2015 . . . . .</b>	<u>1,047</u>	<u>618</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>1,810</u>

Fair value adjustments to goodwill of €3 million net of tax, were made in the twelve months to 31 December 2015 relating to the VNA acquisition within the measurement period allowed by IFRS 3R, 'Business Combinations'. The purchase price allocation is now finalised (Note 22).

Development costs of €12 million were included in technology and other intangible assets at 31 December 2015 (2014: €11 million).



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 3. Intangible assets (Continued)

#### Goodwill

Allocation of goodwill

Goodwill has been allocated to groups of CGUs for the purpose of impairment testing. The groupings represent the lowest level at which the related goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes.

The lowest level within the Group at which the goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes is Glass Packaging North America, Glass Packaging Europe, Metal Packaging Europe and Metal Packaging North America. This is unchanged from the previous year.

A summary of the goodwill allocation is presented below:

	2015	2014
	€m	€m
Glass Packaging North America . . . . .	685	612
Glass Packaging Europe . . . . .	62	59
Metal Packaging Europe . . . . .	274	271
Metal Packaging North America . . . . .	26	23
Total goodwill . . . . .	<u>1,047</u>	<u>965</u>

Impairment tests for goodwill

The Group performs its impairment test of goodwill annually following approval of the annual budget.

Recoverable amount and carrying amount

The Group used the value in use (“VIU”) model for the purposes of the goodwill impairment testing as this reflects the Group’s intention to hold and operate the assets.

The VIU model uses the 2016 two year Long Range Plan (“LRP”) approved by the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A.. This plan was then extended for a further three year period making certain assumptions including that capital expenditure equals depreciation and that any increase in input cost will be passed through to customers, in line with historic practice and contractual terms.

The terminal value assumed long term growth in line with long term local inflation and long term economic growth.

Cash flows considered in the VIU model included the cash inflows and outflows related to the continuing use of the assets over their remaining estimated useful economic lives, expected earnings, required maintenance capital expenditure, depreciation, tax and working capital. The model includes an apportionment of Group costs allocated into the entities across the projection period based on EBITDA weighting and other allocations deemed appropriate based on the nature of the cost.

The discount rate applied to post-tax cash flows in the VIU model was estimated using the Capital Asset Pricing Model with regard to the risks associated with the cash flows being considered (country, market, and specific risks of the asset).

The modelled cash flows take into account the Group’s established history of earnings, cash flow generation and the nature of the markets in which we operate, where product obsolescence is low. The

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 3. Intangible assets (Continued)

key assumptions employed in modelling estimates of future cash flows are subjective and include projected EBITDA, discount rates and growth rates, replacement capital expenditure requirements, rates of customer retention and the ability to maintain margin through the pass through of input cost inflation.

A sensitivity analysis was performed reflecting potential variations in terminal growth rate and discount rate assumptions. In all cases the recoverable values calculated were in excess of the carrying values of the CGUs. The variation applied to terminal value growth rates and discount rates was a 50 basis points decrease and increase respectively.

The additional disclosures required under IAS 36 in relation to significant goodwill amounts arising in the groups of CGUs are as follows:

	<u>Glass Packaging</u>		<u>Metal Packaging</u>	
	<u>North America</u>	<u>Europe</u>	<u>Europe</u>	<u>North America</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
<b>2015</b>				
Carrying amount of goodwill . . . . .	685	62	274	26
Excess of recoverable amount . . . . .	1,916	1,720	1,612	521
Pre-tax discount rate applied . . . . .	9.8%	9.0%	9.9%	9.6%
Growth rate applied for terminal value . . . . .	<u>2.5%</u>	<u>2.0%</u>	<u>2.0%</u>	<u>2.5%</u>
<b>2014</b>				
Carrying amount of goodwill . . . . .	612	59	271	23
Excess of recoverable amount . . . . .	643	1,842	1,178	126
Pre-tax discount rate applied . . . . .	10.3%	10.0%	10.5%	10.4%
Growth rate applied for terminal value . . . . .	<u>3.5%</u>	<u>2.5%</u>	<u>2.5%</u>	<u>3.5%</u>

#### Prior year impairment of goodwill

During the year ended 31 December 2014 the Group recognised an exceptional impairment charge to goodwill of €16 million and to customer related intangible assets of €6 million, following the closure of a plant in Glass Packaging North America.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 4. Property, plant and equipment

	Land and buildings €m	Plant and machinery €m	Office equipment and vehicles €m	Total €m
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 January 2014.....	662	2,427	62	<b>3,151</b>
Acquisitions .....	55	300	1	<b>356</b>
Additions .....	3	330	3	<b>336</b>
Divestment .....	(34)	(369)	(2)	<b>(405)</b>
Disposals .....	(7)	(128)	(17)	<b>(152)</b>
Impairment .....	(9)	(44)	—	<b>(53)</b>
Transfers .....	10	(7)	(3)	<b>—</b>
Exchange .....	16	105	(1)	<b>120</b>
<b>At 31 December 2014 .....</b>	<b><u>696</u></b>	<b><u>2,614</u></b>	<b><u>43</u></b>	<b><u>3,353</u></b>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 January 2014.....	(134)	(892)	(38)	<b>(1,064)</b>
Charge for the year .....	(20)	(247)	(8)	<b>(275)</b>
Divestment .....	2	82	1	<b>85</b>
Disposals .....	1	128	16	<b>145</b>
Exchange .....	(2)	(20)	1	<b>(21)</b>
<b>At 31 December 2014 .....</b>	<b><u>(153)</u></b>	<b><u>(949)</u></b>	<b><u>(28)</u></b>	<b><u>(1,130)</u></b>
<b>Net book value</b>				
<b>At 31 December 2014 .....</b>	<b><u>543</u></b>	<b><u>1,665</u></b>	<b><u>15</u></b>	<b><u>2,223</u></b>
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 January 2015.....	696	2,614	43	<b>3,353</b>
Additions .....	—	283	1	<b>284</b>
Disposals .....	(6)	(89)	(10)	<b>(105)</b>
Transfers .....	50	(66)	16	<b>—</b>
Exchange .....	21	113	1	<b>135</b>
<b>At 31 December 2015 .....</b>	<b><u>761</u></b>	<b><u>2,855</u></b>	<b><u>51</u></b>	<b><u>3,667</u></b>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 January 2015.....	(153)	(949)	(28)	<b>(1,130)</b>
Charge for the year .....	(21)	(267)	(6)	<b>(294)</b>
Disposals .....	3	84	10	<b>97</b>
Exchange .....	(3)	(29)	(1)	<b>(33)</b>
<b>At 31 December 2015 .....</b>	<b><u>(174)</u></b>	<b><u>(1,161)</u></b>	<b><u>(25)</u></b>	<b><u>(1,360)</u></b>
<b>Net book value</b>				
<b>At 31 December 2015 .....</b>	<b><u>587</u></b>	<b><u>1,694</u></b>	<b><u>26</u></b>	<b><u>2,307</u></b>

Depreciation expense of €289 million (2014: €271 million) has been charged in cost of sales and €5 million (2014: €4 million) in sales, general and administration expenses.

Transfers primarily relate to the reclassification of construction in progress to the applicable classification within property, plant and equipment.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 4. Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

Construction in progress at 31 December 2015 was €87 million (2014: €106 million).

Included in property, plant and equipment is an amount for land of €160 million (2014: €149 million).

No interest was capitalised in the year (2014: €nil).

Substantially all of the Group's property, plant and equipment are pledged as security under the terms and conditions of the Group's credit arrangements.

### Finance leases

The depreciation charge for capitalised leased assets was €1 million (2014: €1 million) and the related finance charges were €nil (2014: €nil). The net carrying amount is €10 million (2014: €9 million).

### Operating lease commitments

During the year the expense in respect of operating lease commitments was as follows:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Plant and machinery . . . . .	5	8
Land and buildings . . . . .	21	14
Office equipment and vehicles . . . . .	8	10
	<u>34</u>	<u>32</u>

At 31 December the Group had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases which expire:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Not later than one year . . . . .	27	23
Later than one year and not later than five years . . . . .	69	55
Later than five years . . . . .	67	43
	<u>163</u>	<u>121</u>

### Capital commitments

The following capital commitments in relation to property, plant and equipment were authorised by management, but have not been provided for in the consolidated financial statements:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Contracted for . . . . .	30	67
Not contracted for . . . . .	6	22
	<u>36</u>	<u>89</u>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 5. Other non-current assets

At 31 December 2015, other non-current assets of €14 million (2014: €10 million) include €7 million (2014: €7 million) relating to the Group's investment in joint ventures.

### 6. Deferred income tax

The movement in deferred tax assets and liabilities during the year, was as follows:

	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Liabilities</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
<b>At 1 January 2014</b> . . . . .	203	(401)	(198)
Acquisitions . . . . .	76	(296)	(220)
Credited to the income statement . . . . .	26	20	46
Credited to other comprehensive income . . . . .	31	—	31
Divestments . . . . .	(17)	118	101
Exchange . . . . .	25	(56)	(31)
<b>At 31 December 2014</b> . . . . .	<b>344</b>	<b>(615)</b>	<b>(271)</b>
Acquisitions . . . . .	3	—	3
Credited to the income statement . . . . .	6	38	44
(Charged)/credited to other comprehensive income . . . . .	(28)	1	(27)
Reclassification . . . . .	46	(46)	—
Exchange . . . . .	26	(48)	(22)
<b>At 31 December 2015</b> . . . . .	<b><u>397</u></b>	<b><u>(670)</u></b>	<b><u>(273)</u></b>

The components of deferred income tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Tax losses . . . . .	35	47
Employee benefit obligations . . . . .	158	164
Other . . . . .	204	133
	<b>397</b>	<b>344</b>
Available for offset . . . . .	(219)	(160)
Deferred tax assets . . . . .	<b><u>178</u></b>	<b><u>184</u></b>
Accelerated depreciation and fair value adjustments . . . . .	(628)	(595)
Other . . . . .	(42)	(20)
	<b>(670)</b>	<b>(615)</b>
Available for offset . . . . .	219	160
Deferred tax liabilities . . . . .	<b><u>(451)</u></b>	<b><u>(455)</u></b>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 6. Deferred income tax (Continued)

The tax credit relating to the income statement analyses as follows:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Tax losses . . . . .	(17)	(4)
Employee benefit obligations . . . . .	13	4
Other deferred tax assets . . . . .	10	26
Accelerated depreciation and fair value adjustments . . . . .	47	23
Other deferred tax liabilities . . . . .	(9)	(3)
	<u>44</u>	<u>46</u>

Deferred tax assets are only recognised on tax loss carry-forwards to the extent that the realisation of the related tax benefit through future taxable profits is probable based on management's forecasts. The Group did not recognise deferred tax assets of €37 million (2014: €42 million) in respect of tax losses amounting to €148 million (2014: €158 million) that can be carried forward against future taxable income due to uncertainty regarding their utilisation.

No provision has been made for temporary differences applicable to investments in subsidiaries as the Group is in a position to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Given that exemptions and tax credits would be available in the context of the Group's investments in subsidiaries in the majority of jurisdictions in which it operates, the aggregate amount of temporary differences in respect of which deferred tax liabilities have not been recognised would be immaterial.

### 7. Inventories

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Raw materials and consumables . . . . .	200	206
Mould parts . . . . .	42	33
Work-in-progress . . . . .	77	83
Finished goods . . . . .	506	448
	<u>825</u>	<u>770</u>

The amount recognised as a write down in inventories or as a reversal of a write down in the period was not significant.

No inventory is pledged as security for liabilities.

### 8. Trade and other receivables

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Trade receivables . . . . .	608	613
Other receivables and prepayments . . . . .	43	79
	<u>651</u>	<u>692</u>



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 8. Trade and other receivables (Continued)

The fair values of trade and other receivables approximate the amounts shown above.

Movements on the provision for impairment of trade receivables are as follows:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
At 1 January . . . . .	14	13
Provision for receivables impairment . . . . .	2	1
Receivables written off during the year as uncollectible . . . . .	(2)	—
At 31 December . . . . .	<u>14</u>	<u>14</u>

The majority of the provision above relates to balances which are more than six months past due.

The ageing analysis of trade receivables past due but not impaired is as follows:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Up to three months past due . . . . .	29	50
Three to six months past due . . . . .	3	1
Over six months past due . . . . .	3	4
	<u>35</u>	<u>55</u>

### 9. Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Cash at bank and in hand . . . . .	539	352
Short term bank deposits . . . . .	—	51
	<u>539</u>	<u>403</u>

In addition to cash and cash equivalents, the Group had €11 million (2014: €9 million) of restricted cash at 31 December 2015.

### 10. Share capital

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Issued and fully paid: 2 ordinary shares of €1 each . . . . .	—	—

### 11. Financial risk factors

#### Capital Structure and Risk

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and provide returns to the Group's stakeholders. The Group funds its operations primarily from the following sources of capital: borrowings, cash flow and shareholders' equity. The Group aims to achieve a capital structure that results in an appropriate cost of capital to accommodate

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### 11. Financial risk factors (Continued)

material investments or acquisitions, while providing flexibility in short and medium term funding. The Group also aims to maintain a strong balance sheet and to provide continuity of financing by having a range of maturities and borrowing from a variety of sources. The Group's overall treasury objectives are to ensure sufficient funds are available for the Group to carry out its strategy and to manage certain financial risks to which the Group is exposed, details of which are provided below.

Financial risks are managed on the advice of Group Treasury and senior management. The Group does not permit the use of treasury instruments for speculative purposes, under any circumstances. Group Treasury regularly reviews the level of cash and debt facilities required to fund the Group's activities, plans for repayments and refinancing of debt, and identifies an appropriate amount of headroom to provide a reserve against unexpected funding requirements.

One of the Group's key metrics is the ratio of consolidated net debt as a multiple of EBITDA. EBITDA is operating profit before depreciation, amortisation, non-exceptional impairment, and exceptional operating items. At 31 December 2015, the ratio for the Group was 5.2 times (2014: 6.1 times).

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: interest rate risk, currency exchange risk, commodity price risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and capital risk.

#### Interest Rate Risk

The Executive Committee's policy, in the management of interest rate risk, is to strike the right balance between the Group's fixed and floating rate financial instruments. The balance struck by the Executive Committee is dependent on prevailing interest rate markets at any point in time.

At 31 December 2015, the Group's borrowings were 69.5% (2014: 71.7%) fixed with a weighted average interest rate of 5.8% (2014: 5.9%).

Holding all other variables constant, including levels of indebtedness, at 31 December 2015 a one percentage point increase in variable interest rates would increase interest payable by approximately €12 million (2014: €12 million).

#### Currency Exchange Risk

The Group operates in twenty countries, across four continents. The Group's main currency exposure in the year to 31 December 2015 was in relation to US dollar, British pounds, Swedish krona, Polish zloty and Danish krone. Foreign exchange risk arises from future commercial transactions, recognised assets and liabilities, and net investments in foreign operations.

The Group has a limited level of transactional currency exposure arising from sales or purchases by operating units in currencies other than their functional currencies.

The Group has certain investments in foreign operations, whose net assets are exposed to foreign currency translation risk. Currency exposure arising from the net assets of the Group's foreign operations is managed primarily through borrowings denominated in the relevant foreign currencies.

Fluctuations in the value of these currencies with respect to the euro may have a significant impact on Ardagh's financial condition and results of operations as reported in euro. The Group believes that a strengthening of the euro exchange rate by 1% against all other foreign currencies from the

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### 11. Financial risk factors (Continued)

31 December 2015 rate would increase shareholders' equity by approximately €11 million (2014: €7 million).

#### Commodity Price Risk

The Group is exposed to changes in prices of its main raw materials, primarily steel and aluminium. Commodity price risk has been managed by Group Treasury. Furthermore, the relative price of oil and its related products may materially impact our business, affecting our production, transport, lacquer and ink costs. Steel has generally been obtained under one year contracts with prices that are usually fixed in advance. When such contracts are renewed in the future, our steel costs under such contracts will be subject to prevailing global steel and/or tinplate prices at the time of renewal, which may be different from historical prices. Unlike steel, where there is no functioning hedging market, aluminium is traded daily as a commodity (priced in US dollars) on the LME. The price and foreign currency risk on these aluminium purchases is hedged by entering into swaps under which the Group pays a fixed euro price.

The Group's main energy exposure is to the cost of gas and electricity. As a result of the volatility of gas and electricity prices the Group has either included energy pass through clauses in sales contracts, or developed an active hedging strategy to fix a significant proportion of its energy costs through contractual arrangements directly with its suppliers, where there is no energy clause in the sales contract.

Group policy is to purchase natural gas and electricity by entering into forward price fixing arrangements with suppliers for the bulk of its anticipated requirements for the year ahead. Such contracts are used exclusively to obtain delivery of our anticipated energy supplies. We do not net settle, nor do we sell within a short period of time after taking delivery. As a result these contracts are treated as executory contracts under IAS 39. The Group typically builds up these contractual positions in tranches of approximately 10% of the anticipated volumes. Any natural gas and electricity which is not purchased under forward price fixing arrangements is purchased under index tracking contracts or at spot prices. We have 73% of our energy risk for 2016 covered, 60% for 2017, and 52% for 2018.

#### Credit Risk

Credit risk is managed on a Group basis. Credit risk arises from deposits with banks and financial institutions, as well as credit exposures to the Group's customers, including outstanding receivables. Group policy is to place excess liquidity on deposit, only with recognised and reputable financial institutions. For banks and financial institutions, only independently rated parties with a minimum rating of 'A' from at least two credit rating agencies are accepted, where possible.

The credit ratings of banks and financial institutions are monitored to ensure compliance with Group policy. Group policy is to extend credit to customers of good credit standing. Credit risk is managed, on an on-going basis by dedicated people within the Group. The Group's policy for the management of credit risk in relation to trade receivables involves periodically assessing the financial reliability of customers, taking into account their financial position, past experience and other factors. Provisions are made, where deemed necessary, and the utilisation of credit limits is regularly monitored. Management does not expect any significant counterparty to fail to meet its obligations. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each asset. For the year ended 31 December 2015, the Group's ten largest customers accounted for approximately 32% of total revenues (2014: 29%). There is no recent history of default with these customers.

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### 11. Financial risk factors (Continued)

#### Liquidity Risk

The Group is exposed to liquidity risk which arises primarily from the maturing of short term and long term debt obligations. The Group's policy is to ensure that sufficient resources are available either from cash balances, cash flows or undrawn committed bank facilities, to ensure all obligations can be met as they fall due.

To effectively manage liquidity risk, the Group:

- has committed borrowing facilities that it can access to meet liquidity needs;
- maintains cash balances and liquid investments with highly-rated counterparties;
- limits the maturity of cash balances;
- borrows the bulk of its debt needs under long term fixed rate debt securities; and
- has internal control processes and contingency plans for managing liquidity risk.

Cash flow forecasting is performed in the operating entities of the Group and is aggregated by Group Treasury. Group Treasury monitors rolling forecasts of the Group's liquidity requirements to ensure it has sufficient cash to meet operational needs while maintaining sufficient headroom on its undrawn committed borrowing facilities at all times so that the Group does not breach borrowing limits or covenants on any of its borrowing facilities. Such forecasting takes into consideration the Group's debt financing plans, covenant compliance and internal balance sheet ratios.

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### 12. Financial assets and liabilities

At 31 December 2015, the Group's net debt and available liquidity was as follows:

Facility	Currency	Maximum amount drawable	Final maturity date	Facility type	Amount drawn as at 31 December 2015		Undrawn amount
					Local currency m	€m	
4.250% First Priority Senior Secured Notes . . . .	EUR	1,155	15-Jan-22	Bullet	1,155	1,155	—
First Priority Senior Secured Floating Rate Notes . . . .	USD	1,110	15-Dec-19	Bullet	1,110	1,020	—
6.00% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	440	30-Jun-21	Bullet	440	404	—
9.250% Senior Notes . . . . .	EUR	475	15-Oct-20	Bullet	475	475	—
9.125% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	920	15-Oct-20	Bullet	920	845	—
7.000% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	150	15-Nov-20	Bullet	150	138	—
6.250% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	415	31-Jan-19	Bullet	415	381	—
6.750% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	415	31-Jan-21	Bullet	415	381	—
Term Loan B Facility . . . . .	USD	688	17-Dec-19	Amortising	688	632	—
HSBC Securitisation Programme . . . . .	EUR	129	14-Jun-18	Revolving	—	—	129
Bank of America Facility . . . . .	USD	155	11-Apr-18	Revolving	—	—	143
Unicredit Working Capital and Performance Guarantee Credit Lines . . . . .	EUR	1	Rolling	Revolving	—	—	1
Finance Lease Obligations . . . . .	GBP/EUR			Amortising	6	6	—
Other borrowings . . . . .	EUR	3		Amortising	3	3	—
<b>Total borrowings / undrawn facilities . . . . .</b>						<b>5,440</b>	<b>273</b>
Deferred debt issue costs and bond premiums . . . . .						(48)	—
<b>Net borrowings / undrawn facilities . . . . .</b>						<b>5,392</b>	<b>273</b>
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash . . . . .						(550)	550
Derivative financial instruments used to hedge foreign currency and interest rate risk . . . . .						—	—
<b>Net debt / available liquidity . . . . .</b>						<b>4,842</b>	<b>823</b>

Net debt includes the fair value of associated derivative financial instruments that are used to hedge foreign exchange and interest rate risks relating to finance debt.

Certain of the Group's borrowing agreements contain certain covenants that restrict the Group's flexibility in certain areas such as incurrence of additional indebtedness (primarily maximum borrowings to EBITDA and a minimum EBITDA to net interest), payment of dividends and incurrence of liens.

The maturity analysis of the Group's borrowings is as follows:

	2015	2014
	€m	€m
Within one year or on demand . . . . .	7	4
Between one and two years . . . . .	8	4
Between two and five years . . . . .	3,453	1,822
Greater than five years . . . . .	1,924	3,355
	<b>5,392</b>	<b>5,185</b>

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### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

The table below analyses the Group's financial liabilities (including interest payable) into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the reporting date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contracted undiscounted cash flows.

<u>At 31 December 2015</u>	<u>Borrowings</u>	<u>Derivative financial instruments</u>	<u>Trade and other payables</u>
	€m	€m	€m
Within one year or on demand . . . . .	323	7	878
Between one and two years . . . . .	323	—	—
Between two and five years . . . . .	4,245	—	—
Greater than five years . . . . .	2,009	—	—

<u>At 31 December 2014</u>	<u>Borrowings</u>	<u>Derivative financial instruments</u>	<u>Trade and other payables</u>
	€m	€m	€m
Within one year or on demand . . . . .	303	7	803
Between one and two years . . . . .	303	—	—
Between two and five years . . . . .	2,726	—	—
Greater than five years . . . . .	3,682	—	—

The carrying amount and fair value of the Group's borrowings are as follows:

	<u>Carrying Value</u>			
	<u>Amount drawn</u>	<u>Deferred debt issue costs and bond premiums</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Fair value</u>
<u>At 31 December 2015</u>	€m	€m	€m	€m
Loan Notes . . . . .	4,799	(47)	4,752	4,762
Term Loan . . . . .	632	(1)	631	626
Finance leases . . . . .	6	—	6	6
Bank loans, overdrafts and revolving credit facilities . . . . .	3	—	3	3
	<u>5,440</u>	<u>(48)</u>	<u>5,392</u>	<u>5,397</u>

Fair values are calculated on borrowings as follows:

	<u>Carrying Value</u>			
	<u>Amount drawn</u>	<u>Deferred debt issue costs and bond premiums</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Fair value</u>
<u>At 31 December 2014</u>	€m	€m	€m	€m
Loan Notes . . . . .	4,651	(59)	4,592	4,656
Term Loan . . . . .	572	(1)	571	559
Bank loans, overdrafts and revolving credit facilities . . . . .	16	—	16	16
Finance leases . . . . .	6	—	6	6
	<u>5,245</u>	<u>(60)</u>	<u>5,185</u>	<u>5,237</u>



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### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

- (i) Senior Secured and Senior Notes—calculated based on quoted market prices.
- (ii) Term Loan—based on quoted market prices; however, these quoted market prices represent Level 2 inputs because the markets in which the Term Loan trades were not active.
- (iii) Bank loans, overdrafts and revolving credit facilities—based on discounted cash flows using prevailing money-market interest rates for debts with similar credit risk and remaining maturity.
- (iv) Finance leases—assumed that the carrying amount is a reasonable approximation of fair value.

### Financing activity

On 12 February 2015, Ardagh repaid in full the principal amount outstanding of its €180 million 8¾% Senior Notes due 2020. Costs associated with the early redemption have been classified as exceptional in the Consolidated Income Statement.

On 1 September 2015, Ardagh repaid €11 million in full settlement of the amounts drawn under the US Equipment and Real Estate Financing Facilities.

These repayments were funded from the Group's internal resources.

The effective interest rates of borrowings at the reporting date are as follows:

	2015		2014	
	USD	EUR	USD	EUR
4.250% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022 . . . . .	—	4.52%	—	4.53%
First Priority Senior Secured Floating Rate Notes due 2019 . . . . .	3.49%	—	3.48%	—
6.00% Senior Notes due 2021 . . . . .	6.38%	—	6.37%	—
8¾% Senior Notes due 2020 . . . . .	—	—	—	9.46%
9.250% Senior Notes due 2020 . . . . .	—	9.69%	—	9.69%
9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 . . . . .	9.90%	—	9.90%	—
7.000% Senior Notes due 2020 . . . . .	7.53%	—	7.53%	—
6.250% Senior Notes due 2019 . . . . .	7.25%	—	7.24%	—
6.750% Senior Notes due 2021 . . . . .	7.45%	—	7.44%	—
Term Loan B Facility due 2019 . . . . .	4.16%	—	4.16%	—
US financing facilities . . . . .	—	—	8.50%	—

The carrying amounts of the Group's net borrowings are denominated in the following currencies:

	2015	2014
	€m	€m
Euro . . . . .	1,624	1,799
US dollar . . . . .	3,766	3,384
British pounds . . . . .	2	2
	<u>5,392</u>	<u>5,185</u>

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### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

The Group has the following undrawn floating rate borrowing facilities:

	2015	2014
	€m	€m
Expiring within one year . . . . .	1	1
Expiring beyond one year . . . . .	272	278
	<u>273</u>	<u>279</u>

### Derivative financial instruments

The Group uses the following hierarchy of valuation techniques for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial instruments:

- Level 1 Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices); and
- Level 3 Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

	Assets		Liabilities	
	Fair values	Contractual or notional amounts	Fair values	Contractual or notional amounts
	€m	€m	€m	€m
<i>Fair Value Derivatives</i>				
LME aluminium futures . . . . .	—	—	3	36
Cross currency interest rate swap . . . . .	—	405	—	—
Nymex gas swaps . . . . .	—	—	3	18
Interest rate swap . . . . .	—	—	1	5
<b>At 31 December 2015 . . . . .</b>	<u>—</u>	<u>405</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>59</u>

	Assets		Liabilities	
	Fair values	Contractual or notional amounts	Fair values	Contractual or notional amounts
	€m	€m	€m	€m
<i>Fair Value Derivatives</i>				
LME aluminium futures . . . . .	2	25	—	—
Cross currency interest rate swap . . . . .	40	323	—	—
Forward foreign exchange contracts . . . . .	—	33	—	—
Nymex gas swaps . . . . .	—	—	6	23
Interest rate swap . . . . .	—	—	1	6
<b>At 31 December 2014 . . . . .</b>	<u>42</u>	<u>381</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>29</u>

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### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

All derivative liabilities mature within one year, with the exception of the Cross Currency Interest Rate Swap (“CCIRS”) which matures in 2019. There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 during the year.

#### Aluminium derivatives

The Group hedges a substantial portion of its anticipated aluminium purchases. Excluding conversion and freight costs, the physical aluminium deliveries are priced based on the average price of aluminium on the LME for the relevant month.

Fair values have been based on LME-quoted market prices and there has been no change in the valuation techniques (Level 1). The fair value of these contracts when initiated is €nil; no premium is paid or received.

#### Energy derivatives

The Group hedges a portion of its Glass Packaging North America anticipated energy purchases on the New York Mercantile Exchange (“NYMEX”).

Fair values have been based on NYMEX-quoted market prices and Level 1 valuation techniques have been applied. The fair value of these contracts when initiated is €nil; no premium is paid or received.

#### Cross currency interest rate swap

The Group hedges \$440 million of its external debt and the interest payable thereon using a CCIRS. In December 2015 the Group terminated its existing CCIRS due for maturity June 2019, and replaced it with a new CCIRS with a maturity date of June 2019. The Group received proceeds of €81 million in consideration of the termination. The fair value of the CCIRS is based on Level 1 techniques.

### 13. Employee benefit obligations

The Group operates defined benefit and defined contribution pension schemes in most of its countries of operation. The principal funded defined benefit schemes, which are funded by contributions to separate administered funds, are in the US, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. Other defined benefit schemes are unfunded and the provision is recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. The principal unfunded schemes are in Germany.

The contribution rates to the funded plans are agreed with the Trustee boards, plan actuaries and the local pension regulators periodically. The contributions paid in 2015 were those recommended by the actuaries.

In addition, the Group has other employee benefit obligations in certain territories.

Total employee obligations recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position of €720 million (2014: €723 million) include other employee benefit obligations of €82 million (2014: €91 million).

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### 13. Employee benefit obligations (Continued)

#### Defined benefit pension schemes

The amounts recognised in the Consolidated Income Statement are:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
<i>Current service cost and administration costs</i>		
Cost of sales . . . . .	(40)	(32)
Sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .	(5)	(3)
	<u>(45)</u>	<u>(35)</u>
Finance income and expense (Note 19) . . . . .	(23)	(20)
	<u>(68)</u>	<u>(55)</u>

The amounts recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income are:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
<i>Re-measurement of defined benefit obligation</i>		
Actuarial gain/(loss) arising from changes in demographic assumptions . . . . .	8	(27)
Actuarial gain/(loss) arising from changes in financial assumptions . . . . .	99	(227)
Actuarial gain arising from changes in experience . . . . .	30	7
	<u>137</u>	<u>(247)</u>
<i>Re-measurements of plan assets</i>		
Actual return less expected return on plan assets . . . . .	(81)	129
Actuarial gain/(loss) for the year on pension benefits . . . . .	56	(118)
Actuarial gain/(loss) on other end of service employee benefits . . . . .	16	(5)
	<u>72</u>	<u>(123)</u>

The actual return on plan assets resulted in a loss of €9 million in 2015 (2014: €191 million gain).

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### 13. Employee benefit obligations (Continued)

Movement in the defined benefit obligations and assets:

	Obligations		Assets	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	€m	€m	€m	€m
At 1 January 2015	(2,557)	(1,303)	1,925	891
Disposed	—	10	—	(11)
Interest income (Note 19)	—	—	72	62
Acquired	—	(826)	—	763
Current service cost	(45)	(35)	—	—
Past service gain	—	2	—	—
Interest cost (Note 19)	(93)	(79)	—	—
Administration expenses paid from plan assets	—	—	(3)	(3)
Re-measurements	137	(247)	(81)	129
Assets extinguished on settlements	—	5	—	(1)
Employer contributions	—	—	38	36
Employee contributions	(5)	(6)	5	6
Benefits paid	109	81	(109)	(81)
Exchange	(160)	(159)	129	134
<b>At 31 December 2015</b>	<b>(2,614)</b>	<b>(2,557)</b>	<b>1,976</b>	<b>1,925</b>

The present value of defined benefit obligations above includes €240 million (2014: €245 million) of unfunded obligations.

Interest income and interest cost in the table above does not include interest cost of €2 million (2014: €3 million) relating to other employee benefit obligations.

Plan assets at 31 December 2015 comprised:

	2015	2015	2014	2014
	€m	%	€m	%
Equities	1,196	61	546	28
Target return funds	180	9	494	26
Bonds	415	21	576	30
Cash/other	185	9	309	16
	<b>1,976</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1,925</b>	<b>100</b>

The pension assets do not include any of the Company's ordinary shares, other securities or other Group assets.

#### Investment strategy

The choice of investments takes account of the expected maturity of the future benefit payments. The plans invest in diversified portfolios consisting of an array of asset classes that attempt to maximise returns while minimising volatility. The asset classes include national and international equities, fixed income government and non-government securities and real estate as well as cash.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 13. Employee benefit obligations (Continued)

#### Assumptions and sensitivities

The principal pension assumptions used in the preparation of the financial statements take account of the different economic circumstances in the countries of operations and the different characteristics of the respective plans including the length of duration of liabilities.

The ranges of the principal assumptions applied in estimating defined benefit obligations were:

	US		Eurozone		UK	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Rate of inflation . . . . .	3.00	3.00	1.70-1.75	1.80-2.00	3.00	3.10
Rate of increase in salaries . . . . .	3.00	3.00	1.70-2.50	2.00-2.50	3.00	3.10
Discount rate . . . . .	4.70	4.10	0.50-2.72	0.50-2.40	3.90	3.80

Assumptions regarding future mortality experience are set based on actuarial advice in accordance with published statistics and experience. The average life expectancy in years for a pensioner retiring at age 65 is set out below.

	US		Eurozone		UK	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014
	Years	Years	Years	Years	Years	Years
Life expectancy, current pensioners . . . . .	21	21	21-24	21-23	20	21
Life expectancy, future pensioners . . . . .	23	23	24-26	24-26	22	22

Were the discount rate to differ by 50 basis points from management estimates, the carrying amount of pension obligations would be an estimated €204 million lower or €205 million higher, holding all other assumptions constant.

Were the inflation rate to differ by 50 basis points from management estimates, the carrying amount of pension obligations would be an estimated €84 million lower or €67 million higher, holding all other assumptions constant.

If the salary rate of increase were to differ by 50 basis points from management estimates, the carrying amount of pension obligations would be an estimated €88 million lower or €70 million higher, holding all other assumptions constant.

The impact of increasing the expected longevity by one year would result in an increase in the Group's liability of €60 million at 31 December 2015, holding all other assumptions constant.

The Group's best estimate of contributions expected to be paid to defined benefit plans in 2016 is €21 million.



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### 13. Employee benefit obligations (Continued)

The principal defined benefit schemes are described briefly below:

Nature of the schemes	Glass Packaging				Metal Packaging		
	Europe UK Funded	Europe Germany Unfunded	Europe Netherlands Funded	North America Funded	Europe UK Funded	Europe Germany Unfunded	Europe Netherlands Funded
<b>2015</b>							
Active members . . . . .	—	956	571	4,068	118	648	875
Deferred members . . . . .	1,527	690	636	2,661	412	513	1,906
Pensioners including dependents . . . . .	744	738	457	6,185	344	871	2,964
Weighted average duration (years) . . . . .	21	14	21	13	21	16	17
<b>2014</b>							
Active members . . . . .	1,406	995	604	4,030	118	700	921
Deferred members . . . . .	236	702	556	2,734	412	502	2,038
Pensioners including dependents . . . . .	656	769	490	6,086	344	839	3,139
Weighted average duration (years) . . . . .	23	14	20	14	21	17	16

The expected total benefit payments over the next five years are:

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Subsequent five years
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
Benefits . . . . .	113	111	113	116	120	640

The Group also has defined contribution plans. The contribution expense associated with these plans for 2015 was €14 million (2014: €12 million). The Group's best estimate of the contributions expected to be paid to these plans in 2016 is €15 million.

#### Other employee benefits

	2015	2014
	€m	€m
End of service employee benefits . . . . .	23	25
Long term employee benefits . . . . .	59	66
	<b>82</b>	<b>91</b>

End of service employee benefits comprise principally amounts due to be paid to employees leaving the Group's service in France and Italy.

Long term employee benefit obligations comprise amounts due to be paid under post retirement medical schemes in Glass Packaging North America, partial retirement contracts in Germany and other obligations to pay benefits primarily related to long service awards.

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### 14. Trade and other payables

	2015	2014
	€m	€m
Trade payables . . . . .	532	440
Other payables and accruals . . . . .	308	322
Other tax and social security payables . . . . .	21	29
Payables and accruals for exceptionals . . . . .	17	12
	<b><u>878</u></b>	<b><u>803</u></b>

### 15. Provisions for other liabilities and charges

	2015	2014
	€m	€m
Current . . . . .	48	50
Non-current . . . . .	48	33
	<b><u>96</u></b>	<b><u>83</u></b>

	Restructuring	Other provisions	Total provisions
	€m	€m	€m
At 1 January 2015 . . . . .	26	57	83
Acquisitions . . . . .	—	6	6
Provided . . . . .	18	24	42
Released . . . . .	(5)	(8)	(13)
Paid . . . . .	(22)	(11)	(33)
Reclassification . . . . .	—	6	6
Exchange . . . . .	1	4	5
<b>At 31 December 2015 . . . . .</b>	<b><u>18</u></b>	<b><u>78</u></b>	<b><u>96</u></b>

	Restructuring	Other provisions	Total provisions
	€m	€m	€m
At 1 January 2014 . . . . .	10	21	31
Acquisitions . . . . .	—	32	32
Disposals . . . . .	(4)	(8)	(12)
Provided . . . . .	37	28	65
Released . . . . .	(2)	(3)	(5)
Paid . . . . .	(16)	(17)	(33)
Exchange . . . . .	1	4	5
<b>At 31 December 2014 . . . . .</b>	<b><u>26</u></b>	<b><u>57</u></b>	<b><u>83</u></b>

The restructuring provision relates to redundancy and other restructuring costs. Other provisions relate to probable environmental penalties, workers compensation, customer quality claims, and onerous leases.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 16. Segmental analysis

Following the disposal of the Group's Metal Packaging operations in Australia and New Zealand on 31 December 2014, the Executive Committee reviews the operating results of Metal Packaging as a single operating segment. Metal Packaging Europe and Metal Packaging North America are treated as a single operating segment, labelled Metal Packaging.

The three reportable segments for the year ended 31 December 2015 are Glass Packaging North America, Glass Packaging Europe and Metal Packaging. The prior period comparatives have been re-presented to include Metal Packaging North America and Metal Packaging Asia Pacific within the Metal Packaging segment.

Reconciliation of profit/(loss) before tax to EBITDA

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Profit/(loss) before tax . . . . .	84	(394)
Finance expense . . . . .	366	474
<b>Operating profit . . . . .</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>80</b>
Depreciation and amortisation . . . . .	403	363
Exceptional operating items . . . . .	81	349
<b>EBITDA . . . . .</b>	<b><u>934</u></b>	<b><u>792</u></b>

The segment results for the year ended 31 December 2015 are:

	<u>Glass Packaging North America</u>	<u>Glass Packaging Europe</u>	<u>Metal Packaging</u>	<u>Group</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Revenue . . . . .	1,707	1,452	2,040	5,199
EBITDA . . . . .	346	284	304	934
Capital expenditure . . . . .	134	109	61	304
Total assets . . . . .	<u>2,305</u>	<u>1,762</u>	<u>2,268</u>	<u>6,335</u>

The segment results for the year ended 31 December 2014 are:

	<u>Glass Packaging North America</u>	<u>Glass Packaging Europe</u>	<u>Metal Packaging</u>	<u>Group</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Revenue . . . . .	1,353	1,406	1,974	4,733
EBITDA . . . . .	265	277	250	792
Capital expenditure . . . . .	78	86	150	314
Total assets . . . . .	<u>2,113</u>	<u>1,734</u>	<u>2,248</u>	<u>6,095</u>

One customer accounted for greater than 10% of total revenue in 2015 (2014: one customer).

Finance income and expense are not allocated to segments as these are reviewed by the CODM on a group-wide basis. Segmental operating performance is assessed on EBITDA. Segmental revenues are derived from sales to external customers. Inter-segmental revenue is not material.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 16. Segmental analysis (Continued)

Total revenue and non-current assets, excluding financial instruments, taxes, pensions and goodwill arising on acquisitions, in countries which account for more than 10% of total revenue or non-current assets are as follows:

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	€m	€m
USA . . . . .	1,997	1,528
United Kingdom . . . . .	662	610
Germany . . . . .	573	653
 <u>Non-current assets</u>	 <u>2015</u>	 <u>2014</u>
	€m	€m
USA . . . . .	1,431	1,356
Germany . . . . .	356	381
United Kingdom . . . . .	271	253

APHL is domiciled in Ireland. During the year the Group had sales of €18 million (2014: €16 million) to customers in Ireland. Non-current assets located in Ireland were €nil (2014: €nil).

Within each reportable segment our packaging containers have similar production processes and classes of customers. Further, they have similar economic characteristics as evidenced by similar profit margins, similar degrees of risk and similar opportunities for growth. Based on the foregoing, we do not consider that they constitute separate product lines and thus additional disclosure relating to product lines is not necessary.

### 17. Employee costs

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	€m	€m
Wages and salaries . . . . .	927	849
Social security costs . . . . .	133	126
Defined benefit plan pension costs (Note 13) . . . . .	45	35
Defined contribution plan pension costs . . . . .	14	12
	<u><b>1,119</b></u>	<u><b>1,022</b></u>
 <u>Employees at 31 December</u>	 <u>2015</u>	 <u>2014</u>
Production . . . . .	17,068	16,928
Administration . . . . .	1,789	1,900
	<u><b>18,857</b></u>	<u><b>18,828</b></u>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 18. Exceptional items

	2015	2014
	€m	€m
Plant start-up costs . . . . .	27	19
Restructuring costs . . . . .	12	27
Exceptional impairment—working capital . . . . .	(2)	8
Exceptional impairment—property, plant and equipment . . . . .	—	53
Non-cash inventory adjustment . . . . .	—	15
<b>Exceptional items—cost of sales . . . . .</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>122</b>
Transaction related costs—IPO, acquisition and disposals . . . . .	41	22
Restructuring costs . . . . .	2	12
Other . . . . .	1	1
<b>Exceptional items—sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Exceptional impairment—intangible assets . . . . .</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>Exceptional items—loss on disposal of businesses . . . . .</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>159</b>
Deferred issue costs written-off and other debt settlement costs . . . . .	13	—
Debt refinancing costs . . . . .	—	116
Interest payable on VNA acquisition notes . . . . .	—	10
<b>Exceptional items—finance expenses . . . . .</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>126</b>
	<b>94</b>	<b>475</b>

### 19. Finance income and expense

	2015	2014
	€m	€m
Senior Secured and Senior Notes . . . . .	290	296
Term Loan . . . . .	26	28
Other interest expense . . . . .	8	7
<b>Interest expense . . . . .</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>331</b>
Net pension interest cost (Note 13) . . . . .	23	20
Foreign currency translation losses/(gains) . . . . .	4	(5)
Other finance expense . . . . .	2	3
<b>Finance expense before exceptional items . . . . .</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>349</b>
Exceptional finance expense (Note 18) . . . . .	13	126
<b>Total finance expense . . . . .</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>475</b>
Finance income . . . . .	—	(1)
<b>Net finance expense . . . . .</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>474</b>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 20. Income tax

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Current tax . . . . .	54	44
Adjustment in respect of prior years . . . . .	33	(1)
<b>Total current tax . . . . .</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>43</b>
Deferred tax . . . . .	7	(52)
Adjustment in respect of prior years . . . . .	(51)	6
<b>Total deferred tax (Note 6) . . . . .</b>	<b>(44)</b>	<b>(46)</b>
<b>Income tax charge/(credit) . . . . .</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>(3)</b>
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
<b>Profit/(loss) before tax . . . . .</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>(394)</b>
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of Irish corporation tax:		
12.5% (2014:12.5%) . . . . .	11	(49)
Tax losses for which no deferred income tax asset was recognised . . . . .	2	10
Re-measurement of deferred taxes . . . . .	(5)	—
Adjustment in respect of prior years . . . . .	(18)	5
Income subject to other taxes . . . . .	11	17
Profits/(losses) taxed at rates other than standard tax rates . . . . .	14	(73)
Non-deductible items . . . . .	32	77
Other . . . . .	(4)	10
<b>Income tax charge/(credit) . . . . .</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>(3)</b>

### 21. Cash generated from operating activities

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
<b>Profit/(loss) before tax . . . . .</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>(394)</b>
Adjustments . . . . .		
Depreciation . . . . .	294	275
Amortisation . . . . .	109	88
Amortisation of capital grants . . . . .	—	(1)
Net finance expense before exceptional items (Note 19) . . . . .	353	348
Non-exceptional impairment charges . . . . .	—	1
Exceptional items (Note 18) . . . . .	94	475
<b>EBITDA . . . . .</b>	<b>934</b>	<b>792</b>
Movement in working capital . . . . .	90	6
Movement in non-working capital payables . . . . .	—	2
Exceptional acquisition-related, disposal and plant start-up costs paid . . . . .	(54)	(77)
Exceptional restructuring paid . . . . .	(20)	(22)
<b>Cash from operating activities . . . . .</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>701</b>



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 22. Acquisitions and disposals

#### VNA acquisition

On 11 April 2014 the Group completed the purchase of 100% of the equity of VNA from Compagnie de Saint-Gobain for a consideration of €1.1 billion.

Fair value adjustments to assets acquired of €3 million net of tax, were made in the year to 31 December 2015. The purchase price allocation is now finalised. The fair value of identifiable assets acquired was €656 million and acquired goodwill was €390 million.

#### Disposal of former Anchor Glass plants

On 30 June 2014 the Group completed the sale of six former Anchor Glass plants and certain related assets for a consideration of €319 million, on which the Group recognised a loss on disposal of €124 million.

#### Other disposals

During the year ended 31 December 2014 the Group disposed of a small business in the Metal Packaging division and also of its Metal Packaging operations in Australia and New Zealand for a total consideration of €78 million, on which the Group recognised a combined loss of €35 million.

### 23. Related party transactions

#### (i) Interests of Mr. Paul Coulson

At 31 December 2015, a company owned by Paul Coulson, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A., owned approximately 21% of the issued share capital of Ardagh Group S.A. and, through its investment in the Yeoman group of companies, had an interest in a further approximate 39% of the issued share capital of Ardagh Group S.A..

#### (ii) Yeoman Capital S.A.

At 31 December 2015, Yeoman Capital S.A. owned approximately 39% of the ordinary shares of Ardagh Group S.A.. During 2015, the Group incurred costs of €nil (2014: €1 million) for fees charged by the Yeoman group of companies. The amount outstanding at year end was €nil (2014: €1 million).

#### (iii) Common directorships

Three of the APhL existing directors, Messrs. Paul Coulson, Niall Wall and David Matthews are also members of the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A.. Four of the Ardagh Group S.A. directors, Messrs. Coulson, Dowling, Baertz and Troskie, also serve as directors in the Yeoman group of companies.

#### (iv) Joint ventures

At 31 December 2015, the Group owed €2 million (2014: €1 million) to Eura Glasrecycling GmbH & Co. KG. During 2015, the Group received a dividend of €nil (2014: €1 million) from Eura Glasrecycling GmbH & Co. KG and incurred €4 million (2014: €4 million) for purchases of raw materials. At 31 December 2015, the Group owed €1 million (2014: €1 million) to Copal SAS. During 2015, the Group incurred €3 million (2014: €4 million) for raw materials purchased from Copal SAS.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 23. Related party transactions (Continued)

#### (v) Key management compensation

Key management are those persons who have the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Group. Key management are comprised of the members who served on the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A. and the Group's Global Leadership Team during the reporting period. The amount outstanding at year end was €4 million (2014: €4 million).

	2015	2014
	€m	€m
Salaries and other short term employee benefits . . . . .	12	12
Post-employment benefits . . . . .	1	1
	<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>

#### (vi) Pension schemes

The pension schemes are related parties. For details of all transactions during the year, please read Note 13 "Employee benefit obligations".

#### (vii) Subsidiaries

The principal subsidiary undertakings at 31 December 2015 and 31 December 2014 are detailed below, all of which are included in the consolidated financial statements.

Company	Country of incorporation	Activity	Portion of shares held %
Ardagh Metal Packaging Czech Republic s.r.o. .	Czech Republic	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Holmegaard A/S . . . . .	Denmark	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Aluminium Packaging France SAS . . . .	France	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh MP West France SAS . . . . .	France	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging France SAS . . . . .	France	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Glass Packaging	100
Heye International GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Glass Engineering	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Germany GmbH . . . .	Germany	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Germany MP GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Sales Limited . . . . .	Ireland	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Group Italy S.r.l. . . . .	Italy	Glass and Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Aluminium Packaging Netherlands B.V.	Netherlands	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Dongen B.V . . . . .	Netherlands	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Moerdijk B.V. . . . .	Netherlands	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Netherlands B.V. . . .	Netherlands	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass S.A. . . . .	Poland	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Poland Sp.Z.o.o. . . .	Poland	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Limmared AB . . . . .	Sweden	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Limited . . . . .	United Kingdom	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging UK Limited . . . . .	United Kingdom	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging USA Inc. . . . .	United States	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Inc. . . . .	United States	Glass Packaging	100

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 24. Contingencies

#### Environmental issues

The Group is regulated under various national and local environmental, occupational health and safety and other governmental laws and regulations relating to:

- the operation of installations for manufacturing of container glass, metal packaging and surface treatment using solvents;
- the generation, storage, handling, use and transportation of hazardous materials;
- the emission of substances and physical agents into the environment;
- the discharge of waste water and disposal of waste;
- the remediation of contamination; and
- the design, characteristics, and recycling of its products.

The Group believes, based on current information that it is in substantial compliance with applicable environmental laws and regulations and permit requirements. It does not believe it will be required, under both existing or anticipated future environmental laws and regulations, to expend amounts, over and above the amount accrued, which will have a material effect on its business, financial condition or results of operations or cash flows. In addition, no material proceedings against the Group arising under environmental laws are pending.

#### Legal matters

The German competition authority (the Federal Cartel Office) has initiated an investigation of the practices in Germany of metal packaging manufacturers including Ardagh. The investigation is at an early stage. At this stage, there is no certainty as to the extent of any charge which may arise and, accordingly, no provision has been recognised.

With the exception of the above legal matter, the Group is involved in certain other legal proceedings arising in the normal course of its business. The Group believes that none of these proceedings, either individually or in aggregate, is expected to have a material adverse effect on its business financial condition results of operations or cash flows.

### 25. Events after the reporting period

There have been no material events subsequent to 31 December 2015 which would require disclosure in this Annual Report.

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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS OF ARDAGH PACKAGING HOLDINGS LIMITED**

We have audited the non-statutory consolidated financial statements of Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 December 2014 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, the Consolidated Income Statement, the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity, the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows, and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of these non-statutory consolidated financial statements is International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as adopted by the European Union.

### **Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor**

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities set out on page F-3, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the non-statutory consolidated 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 non-statutory consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinion, has been prepared for and only for the Company's Directors as a body and for no other person. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

### **Scope of the audit of the non-statutory consolidated financial statements**

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the non-statutory consolidated financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the non-statutory consolidated 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 Group'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 non-statutory consolidated financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited non-statutory consolidated financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

### **Opinion on non-statutory consolidated financial statements**

In our opinion the non-statutory consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union, of the state of the Group's affairs as at 31 December 2014 and of the loss and cash flows of the Group for the year then ended.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS OF ARDAGH  
PACKAGING HOLDINGS LIMITED (Continued)**

**Emphasis of matter—non-statutory consolidated financial statements**

In forming our opinion on the non-statutory consolidated financial statements, which is not modified, we draw attention to the fact that these non-statutory consolidated financial statements have not been prepared under Section 148 of the Companies Act 1963 and are not the Parent Company's statutory financial statements.

PricewaterhouseCoopers  
Chartered Accountants  
Dublin, Ireland

9 March 2015

## **STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Directors are responsible for preparing the non-statutory consolidated financial statements (“consolidated financial statements”) in accordance with IFRS, as adopted by the EU and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of the Group’s affairs at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss and cash flows of the Group for the financial year. In preparing these consolidated financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state that the consolidated financial statements comply with IFRS as adopted by the European Union; and
- prepare the consolidated financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group will continue in business.

The Directors confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the consolidated financial statements.

The Directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Group’s website at [www.ardaghgroup.com](http://www.ardaghgroup.com).

These consolidated financial statements have been authorised for issue by the Directors on 9 March 2015.



**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
AT 31 DECEMBER 2014**

	Note	2014 €m	2013 €m
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Intangible assets . . . . .	3	1,762	1,037
Property, plant and equipment . . . . .	4	2,223	2,087
Derivative financial instruments . . . . .	12	40	—
Deferred tax assets . . . . .	6	184	97
Other non-current assets . . . . .	5	10	16
		<u>4,219</u>	<u>3,237</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Inventories . . . . .	7	770	680
Trade and other receivables . . . . .	8	692	657
Derivative financial instruments . . . . .	12	2	—
Restricted cash . . . . .	9	9	1,072
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	9	403	285
		<u>1,876</u>	<u>2,694</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b> . . . . .		<u><b>6,095</b></u>	<u><b>5,931</b></u>
<b>Equity attributable to owner of the parent</b>			
Ordinary shares . . . . .	10	—	—
Capital contribution . . . . .		101	101
Other reserves . . . . .		(105)	42
Retained earnings . . . . .		(1,306)	(823)
		<u>(1,310)</u>	<u>(680)</u>
Non-controlling interests . . . . .		2	2
<b>Total equity</b> . . . . .		<u><b>(1,308)</b></u>	<u><b>(678)</b></u>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings . . . . .	12	5,181	3,911
Employee benefit obligations . . . . .	13	723	459
Deferred tax liabilities . . . . .	6	455	295
Provisions . . . . .	15	33	21
		<u>6,392</u>	<u>4,686</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings . . . . .	12	4	1,075
Interest payable . . . . .		80	58
Derivative financial instruments . . . . .	12	7	12
Trade and other payables . . . . .	14	803	715
Income tax payable . . . . .		67	53
Provisions . . . . .	15	50	10
		<u>1,011</u>	<u>1,923</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b> . . . . .		<u><b>7,403</b></u>	<u><b>6,609</b></u>
<b>TOTAL EQUITY and LIABILITIES</b> . . . . .		<u><b>6,095</b></u>	<u><b>5,931</b></u>

The notes to the non-statutory consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

# **CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014**

	Note	2014			2013		
		Before exceptional items	Exceptional items	Total	Before exceptional items	Exceptional items	Total
		€m	Note 18 €m	€m	€m	Note 18 €m	€m
Revenue . . . . .	16	4,733	—	4,733	4,043	—	4,043
Cost of sales . . . . .		(3,970)	(122)	(4,092)	(3,441)	(115)	(3,556)
<b>Gross profit . . . . .</b>		<b>763</b>	<b>(122)</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>(115)</b>	<b>487</b>
Sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .		(246)	(35)	(281)	(235)	(37)	(272)
Intangible amortisation . . . . .	3	(88)	(33)	(121)	(42)	(11)	(53)
Loss on disposal of businesses . . . . .		—	(159)	(159)	—	—	—
<b>Operating profit/(loss) . . . . .</b>		<b>429</b>	<b>(349)</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>(163)</b>	<b>162</b>
Finance expense . . . . .	19	(349)	(126)	(475)	(381)	(125)	(506)
Finance income . . . . .	19	1	—	1	2	31	33
Share of profit of joint venture . . . . .		—	—	—	1	—	1
<b>Profit/(loss) before tax . . . . .</b>		<b>81</b>	<b>(475)</b>	<b>(394)</b>	<b>(53)</b>	<b>(257)</b>	<b>(310)</b>
Income tax credit/(charge) . . . . .	20			3			(4)
<b>Loss for the year . . . . .</b>				<b>(391)</b>			<b>(314)</b>
Loss attributable to:							
Owners of the parent . . . . .				(391)			(314)
Non-controlling interests . . . . .				—			—
<b>Loss for the year . . . . .</b>				<b>(391)</b>			<b>(314)</b>

The notes to the non-statutory consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2014**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2014</u> €m	<u>2013</u> €m
<b>Loss for the year</b> . . . . .		<b>(391)</b>	<b>(314)</b>
Other comprehensive income:			
Items that may subsequently be reclassified to profit or loss			
<i>Foreign currency translation adjustments:</i>			
—Arising in the year . . . . .		(148)	23
—Reclassification to income statement on disposal of businesses . . . . .		(1)	—
		<u>(149)</u>	<u>23</u>
<i>Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges:</i>			
—New fair value adjustments into reserve . . . . .		(34)	(9)
—Movement out of reserve . . . . .		36	9
		<u>2</u>	<u>—</u>
<i>Available for sale financial assets:</i>			
—New fair value adjustment into reserve . . . . .		—	30
—Movement out of reserve . . . . .		—	(30)
		<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss			
—Re-measurements of employee benefit obligations . . . . .	13	(123)	(21)
—Deferred tax movement on employee benefit obligations . . . . .	6	31	—
		<u>(92)</u>	<u>(21)</u>
<b>Other comprehensive (expense)/income for the year</b> . . . . .		<b>(239)</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Total comprehensive expense for the year</b> . . . . .		<b><u>(630)</u></b>	<b><u>(312)</u></b>
Attributable to:			
Owners of the parent . . . . .		(630)	(312)
Non-controlling interest . . . . .		—	—
<b>Total comprehensive expense for the year</b> . . . . .		<b><u>(630)</u></b>	<b><u>(312)</u></b>

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2014**

	Attributable to owners of the parent						
	Capital contribution	Retained earnings	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Cash flow hedges	Total	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
1 January 2014 . . . . .	101	(823)	47	(5)	(680)	2	(678)
Loss for the year . . . . .	—	(391)	—	—	(391)	—	(391)
Other comprehensive (expense)/income	—	(92)	(149)	2	(239)	—	(239)
31 December 2014 . . . . .	101	(1,306)	(102)	(3)	(1,310)	2	(1,308)

	Attributable to owners of the parent						Non- controlling interests	Total equity
	Capital contribution	Retained earnings	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Cash flow hedges	Total			
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m			
1 January 2013 . . . . .	101	(488)	24	(5)	(368)	2	(366)	
Loss for the year . . . . .	—	(314)	—	—	(314)	—	(314)	
Other comprehensive (expense)/income . . .	—	(21)	23	—	2	—	2	
<b>31 December 2013 . . . . .</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>(823)</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>(5)</b>	<b>(680)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>(678)</b>	

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2014**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2014</u> €m	<u>2013</u> €m
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Cash generated from operations . . . . .	21	701	516
Interest paid . . . . .		(317)	(378)
Interest received . . . . .		1	1
Income tax paid . . . . .		(35)	(29)
<b>Net cash from operating activities . . . . .</b>		<b>350</b>	<b>110</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Purchase of business net of cash acquired . . . . .	22	(1,038)	—
Proceeds received from disposal of businesses . . . . .	22	397	6
Purchase of property, plant and equipment . . . . .		(321)	(272)
Purchase of software and other intangibles . . . . .		(10)	(19)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment . . . . .		17	6
Proceeds from disposal of financial asset . . . . .		—	43
<b>Net cash used in investing activities . . . . .</b>		<b>(955)</b>	<b>(236)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Proceeds from borrowings . . . . .		3,469	663
Repayment of borrowings . . . . .		(2,591)	(438)
Early redemption premium costs paid . . . . .		(97)	(16)
Deferred debt issue costs paid . . . . .		(56)	(17)
<b>Net proceeds from financing activities . . . . .</b>		<b>725</b>	<b>192</b>
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents . . . . .</b>		<b>120</b>	<b>66</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year . . . . .	9	294	232
Exchange losses on cash and cash equivalents . . . . .		(2)	(4)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year . . . . .</b>	9	<b>412</b>	<b>294</b>

The notes to the non-statutory consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. General information

Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited (“APHL” or the “Company”, and collectively with its subsidiaries the “Group”) was incorporated and registered in the Republic of Ireland as a private company on 5 August 2005. Its ultimate parent company is Ardagh Group S.A..

Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited is the reporting entity to present the consolidated financial statements to satisfy the reporting requirements of the indentures of Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited and its subsidiaries and under the Senior Secured Term Loan B Facility.

The Company’s Registered Office is:  
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Clonskeagh  
Dublin 14  
Ireland

These consolidated financial statements do not represent statutory accounts within the meaning of Section 19 of the Irish Companies (Amendment Act), 1986. Statutory accounts for Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 December 2013, upon which the auditor has given an unqualified audit report, have been filed with the Irish Registrar of Companies. Statutory accounts for Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 December 2014 will be filed in due course.

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies

#### Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with, and are in compliance with, IFRS as adopted by the EU and related interpretations. IFRS is comprised of standards and interpretations approved by the IASB and IAS and interpretations approved by the predecessor International Accounting Standards Committee that have been subsequently approved by the IASB and remain in effect. IFRS as adopted by the EU differ in certain respects from IFRS as issued by the IASB. References to IFRS hereafter should be construed as references to IFRS as adopted by the EU.

The consolidated financial statements, which are presented in euro rounded to the nearest million, have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the following:

- derivative financial instruments are stated at fair value; and
- employee benefit obligations are measured at the present value of the future estimated cash flows related to benefits earned and pension assets valued at fair value.

The preparation of consolidated financial information in accordance with IFRS requires the use of critical accounting estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and income and expenses. It also requires management to exercise judgement in the process of applying Group accounting policies. These estimates, assumptions and judgements are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances and are subject to continual re-evaluation. However, actual outcomes may differ from those estimates. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated financial statements are discussed in the critical accounting estimates and judgements.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

The consolidated financial statements for the Group were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors of APHL on 9 March 2015.

#### Reclassification of prior year comparative figures

In accordance with IAS 12 'Income Taxes', deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities, and when the deferred income tax assets and liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities where there is an intention to settle the balances on a net basis. During the year the Group reclassified €106 million of deferred tax assets from non-current assets to non-current liabilities in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2013. There is no impact on the previously reporting earnings.

The Consolidated Income Statement has been re-presented to reflect intangible amortisation as a separate line item below gross profit on the basis that we consider this presentation to be an improvement on the previous presentation and of greater informational benefit to users of the consolidated financial statements. This re-presentation does not have any impact on previously reported earnings.

The Consolidated Statement of Financial Position and the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows have been re-presented to reflect certain reclassifications, none of which have any impact on previously reported net assets, cash flows from operating activities or net increase in cash and cash equivalents.

#### Changes in accounting policy and disclosures

(a) *New standards, amendments, improvements and interpretations which are effective for the financial year beginning 1 January 2014 that are applicable to the Group.*

The following new standards, amendments and interpretations became effective in 2014:

- The Group has applied IFRS 10, 'Consolidated financial statements'. The objective of IFRS 10 is to establish principles for the presentation and preparation of consolidated financial statements when an entity controls one or more other entities. The standard defines the principle of control and establishes controls as the basis for consolidation. It sets out how to apply the principles of control to identify whether an investor controls an investee and therefore must consolidate the investee, and sets out the accounting requirements for the preparation of consolidated financial statements. The Group has noted no material impact on the results or the net assets of the Group.
- The Group has applied IFRS 11, 'Joint arrangements'. IFRS 11 is a more realistic reflection of joint arrangements by focusing on the rights and obligations of the arrangement rather than its legal form. There are two types of joint arrangement: joint operations and joint ventures. Joint operations arise where a joint operator has rights to the assets and obligations relating to the arrangement and hence accounts for its interest in assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses. Joint ventures arise where the joint operator has rights to the net assets of the arrangement and hence equity accounts for its interest. Proportional consolidation of joint ventures is no longer allowed. The Group does not, at present, have any joint arrangements which are being proportionally consolidated, therefore the Group has noted no material impact on the results or the net assets of the Group.



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

- The Group has applied IFRS 12, 'Disclosures of interests in other entities'. IFRS 12 includes the disclosure requirements for all forms of interests in other entities, including joint arrangements, associates, special purpose vehicles and other off balance sheet vehicles.

b) *New standards, amendments, improvements and interpretations which are effective for financial periods beginning 1 January 2015 that are applicable to the Group, none of which have been early adopted.*

The following standards and amendments to existing standards have been published and are mandatory, subject to EU endorsement, for the Group's accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015 or later periods:

IFRS 9, 'Financial instruments'. IFRS 9 is the first standard issued as part of a wider project to replace IAS 39. IFRS 9 retains but simplifies the mixed measurement model and establishes two primary measurement categories for financial assets: amortised cost and fair value. The basis of classification depends on the entity's business model and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset. The guidance in IAS 39 on impairment of financial assets and hedge accounting continues to apply. The Group does not expect this to materially impact the results or the net assets of the Group. This standard becomes effective for annual periods commencing on or after 1 January 2018 however is subject to endorsement by the EU. The Group will apply IFRS 9 subject to EU endorsement.

IFRS 15, 'Revenue from contracts with customers' deals with revenue recognition and establishes principles for reporting useful information to users of financial statements about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from an entity's contracts with customers. Revenue is recognised when a customer obtains control of a good or service and thus has the ability to direct the use and obtain the benefits from the good or service. The standard replaces IAS 18 'Revenue' and IAS 11 'Construction contracts' and related interpretations. The standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017 and earlier application is permitted. The Group is assessing the impact of IFRS 15, but it is not expected to be material.

IFRIC 21, 'Levies', sets out the accounting for an obligation to pay a levy if that liability is within the scope of IAS 37 'Provisions'. The interpretation addresses what the obligating event is that gives rise to pay a levy and when a liability should be recognised. This standard becomes effective for annual periods commencing on or after 1 January 2015. The Group does not expect this to materially impact the results or the net assets of the Group.

There are no other accounting standards or International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) guidance that are not yet effective that would be expected to have a material impact on the Group.

### Basis of consolidation

#### (i) Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are all entities over which the Group has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern the financial and operating policies, generally accompanying a shareholding of more than half of the voting rights. The existence of potential voting rights that are currently exercisable or convertible are considered when assessing whether the Group controls another entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group and are de-consolidated from the date on which control ceases.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

The purchase method of accounting is used to account for the acquisition of subsidiaries by the Group. The cost of an acquisition is the consideration given in exchange for control of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the acquired subsidiary. Directly attributable transaction costs are expensed and included as exceptional items within sales, general and administration expenses. The acquired net assets are initially measured at fair value. The excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. Any goodwill and fair value adjustments are recorded as assets and liabilities of the acquired subsidiary in the currency of the primary economic environment in which the subsidiary operates (the “functional currency”). If the cost of acquisition is less than the fair value of the Group’s share of the net assets of the subsidiary acquired, the difference is recognised directly in the income statement. The Group considers obligations of the acquiree in a business combination that arise as a result of the change in control, to be cash flows arising from obtaining control of the subsidiary, and classifies these obligations as investing activities in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows.

#### (ii) Transactions eliminated on consolidation

Transactions, balances and unrealised gains or losses on transactions between Group companies are eliminated. Subsidiaries’ accounting policies have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

### Foreign currency

#### (i) Foreign currency transactions

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Group’s entities are measured using the functional currency of that entity.

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency at the foreign exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are translated into the functional currency at the foreign exchange rate ruling at that date. Foreign exchange differences arising on translation are recognised in the income statement, except: (i) differences on foreign currency borrowings that provide a hedge against a net investment in a foreign entity, which are taken to other comprehensive income until the disposal of the net investment, at which time they are recognised in the income statement; and (ii) differences on certain derivative financial instruments discussed under “Derivative financial instruments” below. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates as at the date when the fair value is determined.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in euro, which is the Group’s presentation currency.

#### (ii) Financial statements of foreign operations

The assets and liabilities of foreign operations are translated into euro at foreign exchange rates ruling at the reporting date. The revenues and expenses of foreign operations are translated to euro at average exchange rates for the year. Foreign exchange differences arising on retranslation are recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income.

On consolidation, exchange differences arising from the translation of the net investment in foreign operations, and of borrowings as hedges of such investments (net investment hedges), are taken to other comprehensive income. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion of a net investment

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

hedge is recognised immediately in the Group income statement within finance income or expense respectively. Gains and losses accumulated in other comprehensive income are recycled to the Group income statement when the foreign operation is sold.

#### Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of the net identifiable assets of the acquired subsidiary at the date of acquisition.

Goodwill is stated at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill is allocated to those groups of cash-generating units (“CGUs”) that are expected to benefit from the business combination in which the goodwill arose for the purpose of assessing impairment. Goodwill is tested annually for impairment.

#### Intangible assets

Intangible assets are initially recognised at cost.

Intangible assets acquired as part of a business combination are capitalised separately from goodwill if the intangible asset is separable or arises from contractual or other legal rights. They are initially recognised at cost which, for intangible assets arising in a business combination, is their fair value at the date of acquisition.

Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. The carrying values of intangible assets with finite useful lives are reviewed for indicators of impairment at each reporting date and are subject to impairment testing when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying values may not be recoverable.

The amortisation of intangible assets is calculated to write off the book value of finite lived intangible assets over their useful lives on a straight-line basis on the assumption of zero residual value.

##### (i) Computer software

Computer software development costs recognised as assets are amortised over their estimated useful lives, which does not exceed seven years. Costs associated with maintaining computer software programmes are recognised as an expense as incurred.

##### (ii) Customer relationships

Customer relationships acquired in a business combination are recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. The customer relationships have a finite useful life and are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation. Amortisation is calculated using the straight-line method over the expected life of the customer relationships which range from 5 to 15 years.

##### (iii) Technology

Technology based intangibles acquired in a business combination are recognised at fair value at the acquisition date and reflect the Group’s ability to add value through accumulated technological expertise surrounding product and process development. Amortisation is calculated using the straight-line method over an estimated useful life of between 8 and 15 years.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### (iv) Research and development costs

Research costs are expensed as incurred. Development costs relating to new products are capitalised if the new product is technically and commercially feasible. All other development costs are expensed as incurred.

#### Property, plant and equipment

##### (i) Owned assets

Items of property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, except for land which is shown at cost less impairment. Spare parts which form an integral part of plant and equipment are capitalised, and those spare parts which do not form an integral part of plant and machinery are included as consumables within inventory and expensed when utilised.

Where items of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items of property, plant and equipment.

##### (ii) Leased assets

The determination of whether an arrangement is, or contains a lease, is based on the substance of the arrangement and requires an assessment of whether the fulfilment of the arrangement is dependent on the use of a specific asset or assets, and the arrangement conveys a right to use the asset.

Leases of property, plant and equipment where the Group has substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership, are classified as finance leases.

Leases where the lessor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

##### (iii) Subsequent costs

The Group recognises in the carrying amount of an item of property, plant and equipment, the cost of replacing the component of such an item when that cost is incurred, if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. When a component is replaced the old component is de-recognised in the period. All other costs are recognised in the income statement as an expense as incurred. When a major overhaul is performed, its cost is recognised in the carrying amount of the plant and equipment as a replacement if the recognition criteria above are met.

##### (iv) Depreciation

Depreciation is charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of each part of an item of property, plant and equipment. Land is not depreciated. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Buildings . . . . .	30-40 years
Plant and machinery . . . . .	3-40 years
Moulds . . . . .	2-3 years
Office equipment and vehicles . . . . .	3-10 years

## **NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

### **2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)**

Assets' useful lives and residual values are adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date.

#### **Discontinued operations**

A discontinued operation is a component of an entity that either has been disposed of, or that is classified as held for sale and (i) represents a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations; (ii) is a part of a single coordinated plan to dispose of a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations; or (iii) is a subsidiary acquired exclusively with a view to resale.

#### **Impairment of non-financial assets**

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment or whenever indicators suggest that impairment may have occurred. Assets that are subject to amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount.

For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels and are allocated to groups of CGUs. The groupings represent the lowest level at which the related assets are monitored for internal management purposes. Non-financial assets other than goodwill that suffered impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date.

The recoverable amount of other assets is the greater of their value in use and fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value, using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For an asset that does not generate largely independent cash inflows, the recoverable amount is determined for the CGU to which the asset belongs.

#### **Inventories**

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The cost of inventories is based on the first-in, first-out basis and includes expenditure incurred in acquiring the inventories and bringing them to their current location and condition. In the case of finished goods and work-in-progress, cost includes direct materials, direct labour and attributable overheads based on normal operating capacity.

Net realisable value is the estimated proceeds of sale less all further costs to completion, and less all costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

Spare parts, including mould parts, which are deemed to be of a consumable nature, are included within inventories and expensed when utilised.

#### **Non-derivative financial instruments**

Non-derivative financial instruments comprise trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, borrowings and trade and other payables. Non-derivative financial instruments are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs, except as described below. Subsequent to initial recognition, non-derivative financial instruments are measured as described below.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### (i) Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are recognised initially at fair value and are thereafter measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method less any provision for impairment. A provision for impairment of trade receivables is recognised when there is objective evidence that the Group will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

#### (ii) Securitised assets

The Group entered into a series of securitisation transactions involving certain of its trade receivables. The securitised assets were recognised on the Group Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, until all of the rights to the cash flows from those assets have expired or have been fully transferred outside the Group, or until substantially all of the related risks, rewards and control of the related assets have been transferred to a third party.

#### (iii) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, certain restricted cash balances and call deposits held with banks. Cash and cash equivalents are carried at amortised cost.

Short term bank deposits of greater than three months maturity which do not meet the definition of cash and cash equivalents are classified as financial assets within current assets and stated at amortised cost.

Restricted cash comprises cash held by the Group but which is ring-fenced or used as security for specific financing arrangements, and to which the Group does not have unfettered access. Restricted cash is measured at amortised cost.

#### (iv) Borrowings

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently stated at amortised cost; any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is recognised in the Group's income statement over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

#### (v) Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

### Derivative financial instruments

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value. The method of recognising the resulting gain or loss depends on whether the derivative is designated as a hedging instrument, and if so, the nature of the item being hedged.

#### (i) Cash flow hedges

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges are recognised in other comprehensive income.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

Amounts accumulated in other comprehensive income are recycled to the income statement in the periods when the hedged item will affect profit or loss.

#### (ii) Fair value hedges

Derivative financial instruments are classified as fair value hedges when they hedge the Group's exposure to changes in the fair value of a recognised asset or liability. Changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as fair value hedges are recorded in the Group income statement, together with any changes in the fair value of the hedged item that is attributable to the hedged risk.

### Employee benefits

#### (i) Defined benefit pension plans

Typically, defined benefit plans define an amount of pension benefit that an employee will receive on retirement, usually dependent on one or more factors such as age, years of service and compensation.

The liability recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position in respect of defined benefit pension plans is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the reporting date less the fair value of plan assets. The defined benefit obligation is calculated annually by independent actuaries using the projected unit credit method. The present value of the defined benefit obligation is determined by discounting the estimated future cash outflows using interest rates of high quality corporate bonds that are denominated in the currency in which the benefits will be paid, and that have terms to maturity approximating to the terms of the related pension liability.

Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are charged or credited to equity in other comprehensive income in the period in which they arise.

Past service costs are recognised immediately in income.

#### (ii) Multi-employer pension plans

Multi-employer craft or industry based pension schemes ("multi-employer schemes") have arrangements similar to those of defined benefit schemes. In each case it is not possible to identify the Group's share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the multi-employer schemes and therefore in accordance with IAS 19 (revised), the Group has taken the exemption for multi-employer pension schemes to account for them as defined contribution schemes recognising the contributions payable in each period in the Consolidated Income Statement.

#### (iii) Other end of service employee benefits

In a number of countries, the Group pays lump sums to employees leaving service. These arrangements are accounted in the same manner as defined benefit pension plans.

#### (iv) Other long term employee benefits

The Group's obligation in respect of other long term employee benefits plans represents the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for service in the current and prior periods and are included in the category of employee benefit obligations on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. The obligation is computed on the basis of the projected unit credit



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

method and is discounted to present value using a discount rate equating to the market yield at the reporting date on high quality corporate bonds of a currency and term consistent with the currency and estimated term of the obligations. Actuarial gains and losses are recognised in full in the Group's Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income in the period in which they arise.

#### (v) Defined contribution plans

A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Group pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. The contributions are recognised as employee benefit expense when they are due.

### Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and the amount can be reliably estimated.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation.

### Revenue recognition

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised in the income statement when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, primarily on despatch of the goods. Revenue from services rendered is recognised in the income statement in proportion to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date. Allowances for customer rebates are provided for in the same period as the related revenues are recorded. Revenue is included net of cash discounts and value added tax.

### Exceptional items

The Group's income statement, cash flow and segmental analysis separately identify results before specific items. Specific items are those that in management's judgement need to be disclosed by virtue of their size, nature or incidence.

The Group believes that this presentation provides additional analysis as it highlights exceptional items. Such items include, where significant, restructuring, redundancy and other costs relating to permanent capacity realignment or footprint reorganisation, directly attributable acquisition costs, profit or loss on disposal or termination of operations, start-up costs incurred in relation to new furnace or plant builds, major litigation costs and settlements and impairment of non-current assets. In this regard the determination of 'significant' as included in our definition uses qualitative and quantitative factors. Judgement is used by the Group in assessing the particular items, which by virtue of their scale and nature, are disclosed in the Group income statement, and related notes as exceptional items. We consider columnar presentation to be appropriate in our income statement as it improves the clarity of the presentation, and is consistent with the way that financial performance is measured by management and presented to the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A. (the "Board") and the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A. (the "Executive Committee"). Exceptional restructuring costs are classified as restructuring provisions and all other exceptional costs when outstanding at the balance sheet date are classified as exceptional items payable.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### Finance income and expense

Finance income comprises interest income on funds invested, gains on disposal of financial assets, and gains on derivative instruments that are not designated as hedging instruments and are recognised in profit or loss.

Finance expense comprises interest expense on borrowings (including amortisation of deferred debt issuance costs), finance lease expenses, certain foreign currency translation related to financing, net interest cost on net pension plan liabilities, losses on extinguishment of borrowings, losses on derivative instruments that are not designated as hedging instruments and are recognised in profit or loss and other finance expense.

The Group capitalises borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of manufacturing plants that require a substantial period of time to build.

Costs related to the issuance of new debt are deferred and amortised within finance expense over the expected terms of the related debt agreements by using the effective interest rate method.

#### Income tax

Income tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognised in the income statement except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred income tax is recognised, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements. However, deferred tax liabilities are not recognised if they arise from the initial recognition of goodwill; deferred income tax is not accounted for if it arises from initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction other than business combination that at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss. Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date and are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised. Deferred income tax is provided on temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and associates, except for deferred income tax liability where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference is controlled by the Group and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred income tax assets and liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities where there is an intention to settle the balances on a net basis.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### Segment reporting

The Executive Committee has been identified as the Chief Operating Decision Maker for the Group.

Operating segments are identified on the basis of the internal reporting provided to the Executive Committee in order to allocate resources to the segment and assess its performance.

#### Critical accounting estimates, assumptions and judgements

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

##### i) Estimated impairment of goodwill and other long lived assets

In accordance with IAS 36, 'Impairment of assets', the Group tests whether goodwill and other long lived assets have suffered any impairment in accordance with the accounting policies stated. The determination of recoverable amounts requires the use of estimates as outlined in Note 3. The Group's judgements relating to the impairment of goodwill and other long lived assets are included in Notes 3 and 4.

##### ii) Income taxes

The Group is subject to income taxes in numerous jurisdictions. Significant judgement is required in determining the worldwide provision for income taxes. There are many transactions and calculations for which the ultimate tax determination is uncertain during the ordinary course of business. The Group recognises liabilities for anticipated tax audit issues based on estimates of whether additional taxes will be due. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the income tax and deferred tax provisions in the period in which such determination is made.

##### iii) Measurement of employee benefit obligations

The Group follows guidance of IAS 19 (revised), 'Employee Benefits', to determine the present value of its obligations to current and past employees in respect of defined benefit pension obligations, other long term employee benefits, and other end of service employee benefits which are subject to similar fluctuations in value in the long term. The Group uses professional actuaries to value such liabilities designed to ensure consistency in the quality of the key assumptions underlying the valuations. The critical assumptions and estimates applied are discussed in detail in Note 13.

##### iv) Establishing lives for depreciation and amortisation purposes of property, plant and equipment and intangibles

Long lived assets, consisting primarily of property, plant and equipment, customer intangibles and technology intangibles, comprise a significant portion of the total assets. The annual depreciation and amortisation charges depend primarily on the estimated lives of each type of asset and, in certain circumstances, estimates of fair values and residual values. The Directors regularly review these asset lives and change them as necessary to reflect current thinking on remaining lives in light of

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

technological change, prospective economic utilisation and physical condition of the assets concerned. Changes in asset lives can have a significant impact on the depreciation and amortisation charges for the period. It is not practical to quantify the impact of changes in asset lives on an overall basis, as asset lives are individually determined and there are a significant number of asset lives in use.

#### v) Business combinations

Goodwill only arises in business combinations. The amount of goodwill initially recognised is dependent on the allocation of the purchase price to the fair value of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. The determination of the fair value of the assets and liabilities is based, to a considerable extent, on management's judgement.

Allocation of the purchase price affects the results of the Group as finite lived intangible assets are amortised, whereas indefinite lived intangible assets, including goodwill, are not amortised and could result in differing amortisation charges based on the allocation to indefinite lived and finite lived intangible assets.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 3. Intangible assets

	Goodwill	Customer relationships	Technology and other	Software	Total
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
<b>Cost</b>					
At 1 January 2013 . . . . .	729	350	70	37	1,186
Additions . . . . .	—	—	4	16	20
Disposals . . . . .	—	—	—	(1)	(1)
Impairment (Note 18) . . . . .	(11)	—	—	—	(11)
Exchange . . . . .	(26)	(7)	—	—	(33)
<b>At 31 December 2013 . . . . .</b>	<b><u>692</u></b>	<b><u>343</u></b>	<b><u>74</u></b>	<b><u>52</u></b>	<b><u>1,161</u></b>
<b>Amortisation</b>					
At 1 January 2013 . . . . .		(52)	(12)	(19)	(83)
Charge for the year . . . . .		(34)	(5)	(3)	(42)
Disposals . . . . .		—	—	1	1
Exchange . . . . .		—	—	—	—
<b>At 31 December 2013 . . . . .</b>		<b><u>(86)</u></b>	<b><u>(17)</u></b>	<b><u>(21)</u></b>	<b><u>(124)</u></b>
<b>Net book value</b>					
<b>At 31 December 2013 . . . . .</b>	<b><u>692</u></b>	<b><u>257</u></b>	<b><u>57</u></b>	<b><u>31</u></b>	<b><u>1,037</u></b>
<b>Cost</b>					
At 1 January 2014 . . . . .	692	343	74	52	1,161
Acquisitions (Note 22) . . . . .	387	456	81	2	926
Additions . . . . .	—	—	4	7	11
Divestments . . . . .	(183)	(87)	—	(5)	(275)
Impairment (Note 18) . . . . .	(16)	(6)	—	(11)	(33)
Exchange . . . . .	85	77	8	—	170
<b>At 31 December 2014 . . . . .</b>	<b><u>965</u></b>	<b><u>783</u></b>	<b><u>167</u></b>	<b><u>45</u></b>	<b><u>1,960</u></b>
<b>Amortisation</b>					
At 1 January 2014 . . . . .		(86)	(17)	(21)	(124)
Charge for the year . . . . .		(65)	(15)	(8)	(88)
Divestments . . . . .		15	—	2	17
Exchange . . . . .		(3)	—	—	(3)
<b>At 31 December 2014 . . . . .</b>		<b><u>(139)</u></b>	<b><u>(32)</u></b>	<b><u>(27)</u></b>	<b><u>(198)</u></b>
<b>Net book value</b>					
<b>At 31 December 2014 . . . . .</b>	<b><u>965</u></b>	<b><u>644</u></b>	<b><u>135</u></b>	<b><u>18</u></b>	<b><u>1,762</u></b>

Development costs of €11 million were included in other intangible assets at 31 December 2014 (2013: €9 million).

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 3. Intangible assets (Continued)

#### Goodwill

An operating segment-level summary of the goodwill allocation is presented below:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Glass Packaging North America . . . . .	612	343
Glass Packaging Europe . . . . .	59	57
Metal Packaging Europe . . . . .	271	271
Metal Packaging North America . . . . .	23	21
Total goodwill . . . . .	<u>965</u>	<u>692</u>

#### Impairment tests for goodwill

The Group performs its impairment test of goodwill annually following approval of the annual budget.

#### Allocation of goodwill

Goodwill has been allocated to groups of CGUs for the purpose of impairment testing. The groupings represent the lowest level at which the related goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes.

Following changes to our management structure in the year ended 31 December 2014, we have reassessed the lowest level within the Group at which the goodwill in respect of Glass Packaging Europe and Metal Packaging Europe is monitored for internal management purposes and determined that Glass Packaging Europe and Metal Packaging Europe are no longer monitored on a territory basis but are monitored on an operating segment basis resulting in Glass Packaging Europe being identified as a single group of CGUs (2013: five) and Metal Packaging Europe being identified as a single group of CGUs (2013: six) as of the reporting date.

At 31 December 2014 and 2013, the Glass Packaging North America operating segment constituted a single CGU group for goodwill impairment testing. At 31 December 2014 as a result of the disposal of Metal Packaging Asia Pacific, the Metal North America CGU is the only CGU in the Metal Packaging Other reporting segment.

#### Recoverable amount and carrying amount

The Group used the value in use (“VIU”) model for the purposes of the goodwill impairment testing as this reflects the Group’s intention to hold and operate the assets.

The VIU model uses the 2015 two year Long Range Plan (“LRP”) approved by the Board. This plan was then extended for a further three year period making certain assumptions including capital expenditure equal to depreciation and that any increase in input cost will be passed through to customers, in line with historic practice and contractual terms.

The terminal value assumed long term growth in line with long term local inflation and long term economic growth.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 3. Intangible assets (Continued)

Cash flows considered in the VIU model included the cash inflows and outflows related to the continuing use of the assets over their remaining useful lives, expected earnings, required maintenance capital expenditure, depreciation, tax and working capital. The model includes an apportionment of Group costs allocated into the entities across the projection period based on EBITDA weighting and other allocations deemed appropriate based on the nature of the cost.

The discount rate applied to post-tax cash flows in the VIU model was estimated using the Capital Asset Pricing Model with regard to the risks associated with the cash flows being considered (country, market, and specific risks of the asset).

Key assumptions include management's estimates of future profitability, replacement capital expenditure requirements, discount rates, customer retention/replacement and the ability to maintain margin through the pass through of input cost inflation. The values applied to each of the key assumptions are derived from a combination of internal and external factors based on historical experience and take into account the stability of cash flows typically associated with these groups of CGUs.

#### Impairment of goodwill

As described in Note 22, following the acquisition of VNA on 11 April 2014 the Group sold six former Anchor Glass plants and certain related assets. Net assets disposed of €446 million included €183 million of goodwill attributable to these plants.

Following the acquisition and disposal, the Group closed one of the remaining three former Anchor Glass plants resulting in an impairment of goodwill of €16 million and impairment of customer related intangible assets of €6 million. Refer to Note 18 for further details.

In 2013, the Group recorded impairment of the goodwill allocated to Metal Packaging Europe—Aluminium Packaging, reflecting difficult trading conditions. Accordingly, an impairment charge of €11 million was recorded in the year ended 31 December 2013.

The additional disclosures required under IAS 36 in relation to significant goodwill amounts arising in the groups of CGUs are as follows:

	<u>Glass Packaging</u>		<u>Metal Packaging</u>	
	<u>North America</u>	<u>Europe</u>	<u>North America</u>	<u>Europe</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
<b>2014</b>				
Carrying amount of goodwill . . . . .	612	59	23	271
Excess of recoverable amount . . . . .	643	1,842	126	1,178
Pre-tax discount rate applied . . . . .	10.3%	10.0%	10.4%	10.5%
Growth rate applied for terminal value . . . . .	<u>3.5%</u>	<u>2.5%</u>	<u>3.5%</u>	<u>2.5%</u>
<b>2013</b>				
Carrying amount of goodwill . . . . .	343	57	21	271
Excess of recoverable amount . . . . .	38	921	32	757
Pre-tax discount rate applied . . . . .	12.4%	11.7%	12.4%	11.9%
Growth rate applied for terminal value . . . . .	<u>2.0%</u>	<u>2.0%</u>	<u>2.0%</u>	<u>2.0%</u>

If the estimated growth rates applied for terminal values or discount rates were reduced or increased by +/- 50 basis points respectively, there would be no goodwill impairment.



# NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## 4. Property, plant and equipment

	Land and buildings	Plant and machinery	Office equipment and vehicles	Total
	€m	€m	€m	€m
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 January 2013	648	2,417	66	<b>3,131</b>
Additions	22	262	3	<b>287</b>
Disposals	(3)	(75)	(9)	<b>(87)</b>
Impairment	—	(113)	—	<b>(113)</b>
Transfers	4	(9)	3	<b>(2)</b>
Exchange	(9)	(55)	(1)	<b>(65)</b>
<b>At 31 December 2013</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>2,427</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>3,151</b>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 January 2013	(119)	(756)	(36)	<b>(911)</b>
Charge for the year	(18)	(224)	(9)	<b>(251)</b>
Disposals	1	73	6	<b>80</b>
Transfers	—	—	—	<b>—</b>
Exchange	2	15	1	<b>18</b>
<b>At 31 December 2013</b>	<b>(134)</b>	<b>(892)</b>	<b>(38)</b>	<b>(1,064)</b>
<b>Net book value</b>				
<b>At 31 December 2013</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>1,535</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>2,087</b>
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 January 2014	662	2,427	62	<b>3,151</b>
Acquisitions (Note 22)	55	300	1	<b>356</b>
Additions	3	330	3	<b>336</b>
Divestment	(34)	(369)	(2)	<b>(405)</b>
Disposals	(7)	(128)	(17)	<b>(152)</b>
Impairment (Note 18)	(9)	(44)	—	<b>(53)</b>
Transfers	10	(7)	(3)	<b>—</b>
Exchange	16	105	(1)	<b>120</b>
<b>At 31 December 2014</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>2,614</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>3,353</b>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 January 2014	(134)	(892)	(38)	<b>(1,064)</b>
Charge for the year	(20)	(247)	(8)	<b>(275)</b>
Divestment	2	82	1	<b>85</b>
Disposals	1	128	16	<b>145</b>
Exchange	(2)	(20)	1	<b>(21)</b>
<b>At 31 December 2014</b>	<b>(153)</b>	<b>(949)</b>	<b>(28)</b>	<b>(1,130)</b>
<b>Net book value</b>				
<b>At 31 December 2014</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>1,665</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2,223</b>

Depreciation expense of €271 million (2013: €245 million) has been charged in cost of sales and €4 million (2013: €6 million) in sales, general and administration expenses.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 4. Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

Transfers primarily relate to the reclassification of construction in progress to the applicable classification within property, plant and equipment.

Construction in progress at 31 December 2014 was €106 million (2013: €94 million).

Included in property, plant and equipment is an amount for land of €149 million (2013: €144 million).

No interest was capitalised in the year (2013: €nil).

Substantially all of the Group's property, plant and equipment are pledged as security under the terms and conditions of the Group's credit arrangements.

### Finance leases

The depreciation charge for capitalised leased assets was €1 million (2013: €2 million) and the related finance charges were €nil (2013: €nil). The net carrying amount is €9 million (2013: €9 million).

### Operating lease commitments

During the year, the expense in respect of operating lease commitments was as follows:

	2014	2013
	€m	€m
Plant and machinery . . . . .	8	5
Land and buildings . . . . .	14	19
Office equipment and vehicles . . . . .	10	9
	<u>32</u>	<u>33</u>

At 31 December the Group had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases which expire:

	2014	2013
	€m	€m
Not later than one year . . . . .	23	25
Later than one year and not later than five years . . . . .	55	64
Later than five years . . . . .	43	50
	<u>121</u>	<u>139</u>

### Capital commitments

The following capital commitments in relation to property, plant and equipment were authorised by management, but have not been provided for in the consolidated financial statements:

	2014	2013
	€m	€m
Contracted for . . . . .	67	136
Not contracted for . . . . .	22	24
	<u>89</u>	<u>160</u>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 5. Other non-current assets

At 31 December 2014, other non-current assets of €10 million (2013: €16 million) include €7 million (2013: €7 million) relating to the Group's investment in joint ventures.

### 6. Deferred income tax

The movement in deferred tax assets and liabilities during the year was as follows:

	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Liabilities</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
At 1 January 2013 . . . . .	213	(455)	(242)
Credited to the income statement . . . . .	1	36	37
Reclassification . . . . .	(7)	7	—
Exchange . . . . .	(4)	11	7
<b>At 31 December 2013 . . . . .</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>(401)</b>	<b>(198)</b>
Acquisitions (Note 22) . . . . .	76	(296)	(220)
Credited to the income statement . . . . .	26	20	46
Credited to other comprehensive income . . . . .	31	—	31
Divestments . . . . .	(17)	118	101
Exchange . . . . .	25	(56)	(31)
<b>At 31 December 2014 . . . . .</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>(615)</b>	<b>(271)</b>

The components of deferred income tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Tax losses . . . . .	47	44
Employee benefit obligations . . . . .	164	75
Other . . . . .	133	84
	<b>344</b>	<b>203</b>
Available for offset . . . . .	(160)	(106)
Deferred tax assets . . . . .	<b>184</b>	<b>97</b>
Accelerated depreciation and fair value adjustments . . . . .	(595)	(377)
Other . . . . .	(20)	(24)
	<b>(615)</b>	<b>(401)</b>
Available for offset . . . . .	160	106
Deferred tax liabilities . . . . .	<b>(455)</b>	<b>(295)</b>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 6. Deferred income tax (Continued)

The tax credit relating to the income statement is as follows:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Tax losses . . . . .	(4)	(21)
Employee benefit obligations . . . . .	4	(5)
Other deferred tax assets . . . . .	26	27
Accelerated depreciation and fair value adjustments . . . . .	23	39
Other deferred tax liabilities . . . . .	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>
	<u><b>46</b></u>	<u><b>37</b></u>

Deferred tax assets are only recognised on tax loss carry-forwards to the extent that the realisation of the related tax benefit through future taxable profits is probable based on management's forecasts. The Group did not recognise deferred tax assets of €42 million (2013: €111 million) in respect of tax losses amounting to €158 million (2013: €337 million) that can be carried forward against future taxable income due to uncertainty regarding their utilisation. This decrease of €69 million in unrecognised deferred tax assets primarily relates to the disposal of the six former Anchor Glass plants.

No provision has been made for temporary differences applicable to investments in subsidiaries as the Group is in a position to control the timing of reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Given that exemptions and tax credits would be available in the context of the Group's investments in subsidiaries in the majority of jurisdictions in which it operates, the aggregate amount of temporary differences in respect of which deferred tax liabilities have not been recognised would be immaterial.

### 7. Inventories

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Raw materials and consumables . . . . .	228	192
Mould parts . . . . .	51	42
Work-in-progress . . . . .	83	75
Finished goods . . . . .	<u>408</u>	<u>371</u>
	<u><b>770</b></u>	<u><b>680</b></u>

The amount recognised as a write down in inventories or as a reversal of a write down in the period was not significant.

No inventory is pledged as security for liabilities.

### 8. Trade and other receivables

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Trade receivables . . . . .	613	591
Other receivables and prepayments . . . . .	<u>79</u>	<u>66</u>
	<u><b>692</b></u>	<u><b>657</b></u>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 8. Trade and other receivables (Continued)

The fair values of trade and other receivables approximate the amounts shown above.

Movements on the provision for impairment of trade receivables are as follows:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
At 1 January . . . . .	13	7
Provision for receivables impairment . . . . .	1	9
Unused amounts reversed . . . . .	—	(3)
At 31 December . . . . .	<u>14</u>	<u>13</u>

The majority of the provision above relates to balances which are more than six months past due.

The ageing analysis of trade receivables past due but not impaired is as follows:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Up to three months past due . . . . .	50	50
Three to six months past due . . . . .	1	6
Over six months past due . . . . .	4	20
	<u>55</u>	<u>76</u>

### 9. Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Cash at bank and in hand . . . . .	352	193
Short term bank deposits . . . . .	51	92
	<u>403</u>	<u>285</u>

In addition to cash and cash equivalents, the Group had €9 million (2013: €1,072 million) of restricted cash at 31 December 2014.

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Restricted cash . . . . .	9	9
Restricted cash held in escrow . . . . .	—	1,063
Total restricted cash . . . . .	<u>9</u>	<u>1,072</u>

The €1,063 million held in escrow at 31 December 2013 were the proceeds from the bonds issued in January 2013, as part of the financing for the acquisition of VNA. Please refer to Note 12 for additional information on these notes.

The non-escrow restricted cash balance of €9 million at 31 December 2014 and 31 December 2013 primarily relates to bank guarantees in the United States and early retirement plans in Germany. For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents includes the non-escrow restricted cash.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 10. Called up share capital

	2014	2013
	€m	€m
Issued and fully paid: 2 ordinary shares of €1 each . . . . .	—	—

### 11. Financial risk factors

#### Capital Structure and Risk

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and provide returns to the Group's stakeholders. The Group funds its operations primarily from the following sources of capital: operating borrowings, cash flow and shareholders' equity. The Group aims to achieve a capital structure that results in an appropriate cost of capital to accommodate material investments or acquisitions, while providing flexibility in short and medium term funding. The Group also aims to maintain a strong balance sheet and to provide continuity of financing by having a range of maturities and borrowing from a variety of sources. The Group's overall treasury objectives are to ensure sufficient funds are available for the Group to carry out its strategy and to manage certain financial risks to which the Group is exposed, details of which are provided below.

The financial risk management activities of the Group are subject to controls imposed by the Executive Committee. The overall objective of the Executive Committee in the management of the various treasury related risks faced by the Group, in the normal course of business, is to protect the underlying value of the business from changes in the value of underlying markets. Financial risks are managed, on an on-going basis, by the Executive Committee on the advice of group treasury and senior management. The Group does not permit the use of treasury instruments for speculative purposes, under any circumstances.

The Group regularly reviews the level of cash and debt facilities required to fund its activities, plans for repayments and refinancing of debt, and identifies an appropriate amount of headroom to provide a reserve against unexpected funding requirements.

One of the Group's key metrics is the ratio of consolidated net debt as a multiple of EBITDA. EBITDA is operating profit before depreciation, amortisation, impairment, and exceptional operating items. The Executive Committee sets minimum ratio levels, although the Group does not have any externally imposed capital requirements. At 31 December 2014, the ratio for the Group was 6.1 times (2013: 5.8 times).

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: interest rate risk, currency exchange risk, commodity price risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and capital risk.

#### Interest Rate Risk

The Executive Committee's policy, in the management of interest rate risk, is to strike the right balance between the Group's fixed and floating rate financial instruments. The balance struck by the Executive Committee is dependent on prevailing interest rate markets at any point in time.

At 31 December 2014, the Group's borrowings were 71.7% (2013: 90.3%) fixed with a weighted average interest rate of 5.9% (2013: 7.2%).

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 11. Financial risk factors (Continued)

Holding all other variables constant, including levels of indebtedness, at 31 December 2014 a one percentage point increase in variable interest rates would not have a material impact on pre-tax interest expense.

#### Currency Exchange Risk

The Group operates in twenty one countries, across four continents. The Group's main currency exposure in the year to 31 December 2014, was in relation to US dollar, British pounds, Australian and New Zealand dollars, Polish zloty, Danish kroner and Swedish krona. Foreign exchange risk arises from future commercial transactions, recognised assets and liabilities, and net investments in foreign operations. Part of the transactional exposure is hedged via forward contracts to mitigate the effect on the Group's trading results.

The Group has certain investments in foreign operations, whose net assets are exposed to foreign currency translation risk. Currency exposure arising from the net assets of the Group's foreign operations is managed primarily through borrowings denominated in the relevant foreign currencies.

Fluctuations in the value of these currencies with respect to the euro may have a significant impact on Ardagh's financial condition and results of operations as reported in euro. The Group believes that a strengthening of the euro exchange rate by 1% against all other foreign currencies from the 31 December 2014 rate would increase shareholders' equity by approximately €7 million (2013: €10 million).

#### Commodity Price Risk

The Group is exposed to changes in prices of its main raw materials, primarily energy, steel and aluminium. The Group's main energy exposure is to the cost of gas and electricity. As a result of the volatility of gas and electricity prices the Group has either included energy pass through clauses in sales contracts, or developed an active hedging strategy to fix a significant proportion of its energy costs through contractual arrangements directly with its suppliers, where there is no energy clause in the sales contract.

Group policy is to purchase natural gas and electricity by entering into forward price fixing arrangements with suppliers for the bulk of its anticipated requirements for the year ahead. Such contracts are used exclusively to obtain delivery of our anticipated energy supplies. We do not net settle, nor do we sell within a short period of time after taking delivery. As a result these contracts are treated as executory contracts under IAS 39. The Group typically builds up these contractual positions in tranches of approximately 10% of the anticipated volumes. Any natural gas and electricity which is not purchased under forward price fixing arrangements is purchased under index tracking contracts or at spot prices. We have 85% of our energy risk for 2015 covered, 64% for 2016, and 53% for 2017.

#### Credit Risk

Credit risk is managed on a Group basis. Credit risk arises from deposits with banks and financial institutions, as well as credit exposures to the Group's customers, including outstanding receivables. Group policy is to place excess liquidity on deposit, only with recognised and reputable financial institutions. For banks and financial institutions, only independently rated parties with a minimum rating of 'A' are accepted, where possible. The credit ratings of banks and financial institutions are monitored to ensure compliance with Group policy.



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 11. Financial risk factors (Continued)

Group policy is to extend credit to customers of good credit standing. Credit risk is managed, on an on-going basis by dedicated people within the Group. The Group's policy for the management of credit risk in relation to trade receivables involves periodically assessing the financial reliability of customers, taking into account their financial position, past experience and other factors. Provisions are made, where deemed necessary, and the utilisation of credit limits is regularly monitored.

Management does not expect any significant counterparty to fail to meet its obligations. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each asset.

For the year ended 31 December 2014, the Group's ten largest customers accounted for approximately 29% of total revenues (2013: 27%). There is no recent history of default with these customers.

#### Liquidity Risk

The Group is exposed to liquidity risk which arises primarily from the maturing of short term and long term debt obligations. The Group's policy is to ensure that sufficient resources are available either from cash balances, cash flows or undrawn committed bank facilities, to ensure all obligations can be met as they fall due.

To achieve this objective, the Group:

- has committed borrowing facilities that it can access to meet liquidity needs;
- maintains cash balances and liquid investments with highly-rated counterparties;
- limits the maturity of cash balances;
- borrows the bulk of its debt needs under long term fixed rate debt securities; and
- has internal control processes and contingency plans for managing liquidity risk.

Cash flow forecasting is performed in the operating entities of the Group and is aggregated by Group treasury. Group treasury monitors rolling forecasts of the Group's liquidity requirements to ensure it has sufficient cash to meet operational needs while maintaining sufficient headroom on its undrawn committed borrowing facilities at all times so that the Group does not breach borrowing limits or covenants on any of its borrowing facilities. Such forecasting takes into consideration the Group's debt financing plans, covenant compliance and compliance with internal balance sheet ratio targets.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 12. Financial assets and liabilities

At 31 December 2014, the Group's available liquidity was as follows:

Facility	Currency	Maximum amount drawable	Final maturity date	Facility type	Amount drawn as at 31 December 2014		Undrawn amount
		Local currency m			Local currency m	€m	€m
4.250% First Priority Senior Secured Notes . . . . .	EUR	1,155	15-Jan-22	Bullet	1,155	1,155	—
First Priority Senior Secured Floating Rate Notes . . . . .	USD	1,110	15-Dec-19	Bullet	1,110	914	—
6.00% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	440	30-Jun-21	Bullet	440	362	—
8¾% Senior Notes . . . . .	EUR	180	01-Feb-20	Bullet	180	180	—
9.250% Senior Notes . . . . .	EUR	475	15-Oct-20	Bullet	475	475	—
9.125% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	920	15-Oct-20	Bullet	920	758	—
7.000% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	150	15-Nov-20	Bullet	150	123	—
6.250% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	415	31-Jan-19	Bullet	415	342	—
6.750% Senior Notes . . . . .	USD	415	31-Jan-21	Bullet	415	342	—
USD Term Loan B Facility . . . . .	USD	695	17-Dec-19	Amortising	695	572	—
HSBC Securitisation Programme . .	EUR	150	15-Jun-16	Revolving	—	—	150
Bank of America Facility . . . . .	USD	155	11-Apr-18	Revolving	—	—	128
US Equipment Financing Facility .	USD	8	01-Sep-17	Amortising	8	7	—
US Real Estate Financing Facility .	USD	6	01-Sep-21	Amortising	6	5	—
Unicredit Working Capital and Performance Guarantee Credit Lines . . . . .	EUR	1	Rolling	Revolving	—	—	1
Finance Lease Obligations . . . . .	GBP/EUR			Amortising	6	6	—
Other borrowings . . . . .	EUR	4		Amortising	4	4	—
<b>Total borrowings / Undrawn facilities . . . . .</b>						<b>5,245</b>	<b>279</b>
Deferred debt issue costs and bond premiums . . . . .						(60)	—
<b>Net borrowings / Undrawn facilities . . . . .</b>						<b>5,185</b>	<b>279</b>
Derivative financial instruments used to hedge foreign currency and interest rate risk . . . . .						(40)	—
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash . . . . .						(412)	412
<b>Net debt / Available liquidity . . . . .</b>						<b>4,733</b>	<b>691</b>

Net debt includes the fair value of associated derivative financial instruments that are used to hedge foreign exchange and interest rate risks relating to finance debt.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

Certain of the Group's borrowing agreements contain certain covenants that restrict the Group's flexibility in certain areas such as incurrence of additional indebtedness (primarily maximum borrowings to EBITDA and a minimum EBITDA to net interest), payment of dividends and incurrence of liens.

The maturity analysis of the Group's borrowings is as follows:

	2014	2013
	€m	€m
Within one year or on demand . . . . .	4	1,075
Between one and two years . . . . .	4	3
Between two and five years . . . . .	1,822	2,014
Greater than five years . . . . .	3,355	1,894
	<u>5,185</u>	<u>4,986</u>

The table below analyses the Group's financial liabilities (including interest payable) into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the reporting date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contracted undiscounted cash flows. Balances due within twelve months equal their carrying balances as the impact of discounting is not significant.

At 31 December 2014	Borrowings	Derivative financial instruments	Trade and other payables
	€m	€m	€m
Within one year or on demand . . . . .	303	6	803
Between one and two years . . . . .	303	1	—
Between two and five years . . . . .	2,726	—	—
Greater than five years . . . . .	3,682	—	—

At 31 December 2013	Borrowings	Derivative financial instruments	Trade and other payables
	€m	€m	€m
Within one year or on demand . . . . .	1,379	11	715
Between one and two years . . . . .	306	1	—
Between two and five years . . . . .	2,753	—	—
Greater than five years . . . . .	2,154	—	—

The carrying amount and fair value of the Group's borrowings are as follows:

	Carrying Value			
At 31 December 2014	Amount drawn	Deferred debt issue costs and bond premiums	Total	Fair value
	€m	€m	€m	€m
Loan Notes . . . . .	4,651	(59)	4,592	4,656
Term Loans . . . . .	572	(1)	571	559
Bank loans, overdrafts and revolving credit facilities . . .	16	—	16	16
Finance leases . . . . .	6	—	6	6
	<u>5,245</u>	<u>(60)</u>	<u>5,185</u>	<u>5,237</u>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

At 31 December 2013	Carrying Value			Total	Fair value
	Amount drawn	Special mandatory redemption premium	Deferred debt issue costs		
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
Loan Notes . . . . .	4,534	11	(65)	4,480	4,761
Term Loans . . . . .	490	—	(6)	484	495
Bank loans, overdrafts and revolving credit facilities . . . . .	17	—	(2)	15	17
Finance leases . . . . .	7	—	—	7	7
	<u>5,048</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>(73)</u>	<u>4,986</u>	<u>5,280</u>

Fair values are calculated on borrowings as follows:

- (i) Senior Secured and Senior Notes—calculated based on quoted market prices.
- (ii) Term Loans—based on quoted market prices; however, these quoted market prices represent Level 2 inputs because the markets in which the term loans trade were not active.
- (iii) Bank loans, overdrafts and revolving credit facilities—based on discounted cash flows using prevailing money-market interest rates for debts with similar credit risk and remaining maturity.
- (iv) Invoice discounting facilities and finance leases—assumed that the carrying amount is a reasonable approximation of fair value.

#### Financing activity

In January 2014, the Group redeemed the notes issued in January 2013 (the proceeds of which were held in escrow), namely:

- \$420 million aggregate principal amount of 4.875% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022;
- €250 million aggregate principal amount of 5.000% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022; and
- \$700 million in aggregate principal amount of the \$850 million 7.000% Senior Notes due 2020.

In February 2014, the Group raised a total of \$1,530 million to finance the acquisition of VNA. This comprised:

- \$415 million aggregate principal amount of 6.250% Senior Notes due 2019;
- \$415 million aggregate principal amount of 6.750% Senior Notes due 2021; and
- \$700 million of Senior Secured Term Loan B at a coupon of LIBOR plus 3.000% (with a LIBOR floor of 1.000%) due 2019.

In July 2014, the Group issued the following notes:

- €1,155 million aggregate principal amount of 4.250% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022;

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

- \$1,110 million aggregate principal amount of First Priority Senior Secured Floating Rate Notes due 2019 at a coupon of LIBOR plus 3.000%; and
- \$440 million aggregate principal amount of 6.000% Senior Notes due 2021.

The net proceeds from the issuance and sale of these notes, together with the net proceeds from the Anchor Divestment and related payments were used to repay in full the following notes and term loans:

- €310 million aggregate principal amount of 7.125% Senior Notes due 2017;
- €1,085 million and \$860 million aggregate principal amounts of 7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017; and
- \$500 million and €130 million aggregate principal amounts of Senior Secured Term Loan B due 2019.

In April 2014, the Bank of America Anchor Glass Facility was amended to reduce the facility size to \$60 million and was subsequently cancelled following the Anchor Divestment on 30 June 2014. Ardagh also entered into a \$200 million four year Bank of America facility to support the enlarged Glass North America business after completing the VNA acquisition. The maximum amount drawable under the facility at 31 December 2014 was \$155 million.

The effective interest rates of borrowings at the reporting date are as follows:

	2014		2013	
	USD	EUR	USD	EUR
4.250% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022	—	4.53%	—	—
First Priority Senior Secured Floating Rate Notes due 2019	3.48%	—	—	—
6.00% Senior Notes due 2021	6.37%	—	—	—
8¾% Senior Notes due 2020	—	9.46%	—	9.46%
9.250% Senior Notes due 2020	—	9.69%	—	9.69%
9.125% Senior Notes due 2020	9.90%	—	9.90%	—
7.000% Senior Notes due 2020	7.53%	—	7.60%	—
6.250% Senior Notes due 2019	7.24%	—	—	—
6.750% Senior Notes due 2021	7.44%	—	—	—
7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017	—	—	—	7.94%
7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017	—	—	7.79%	—
5.000% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022	—	—	—	5.53%
4.875% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022	—	—	5.35%	—
7.125% Senior Notes due 2017	—	—	—	8.10%
USD Term Loan B Facility due 2019	—	—	4.89%	—
EUR Term Loan B Facility due 2019	—	—	—	4.76%
USD Term Loan B Facility due 2019	4.16%	—	—	—
US financing facilities	8.50%	—	8.50%	—

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

The carrying amounts of the Group's borrowings are denominated in the following currencies:

	2014	2013
	€m	€m
Euro . . . . .	1,799	2,429
US dollar . . . . .	3,384	2,555
British pounds . . . . .	2	2
	<u>5,185</u>	<u>4,986</u>

The Group has the following undrawn borrowing facilities:

	2014	2013
	€m	€m
Floating rate:		
Expiring within one year . . . . .	1	43
Expiring beyond one year . . . . .	278	203
	<u>279</u>	<u>246</u>

The facilities expiring within one year are facilities subject to review at various dates during 2015.

Derivative financial instruments

The Group uses the following hierarchy of valuation techniques for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial instruments:

- Level 1 Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices); and
- Level 3 Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

	Assets		Liabilities	
	Fair values	Contractual or notional amounts	Fair values	Contractual or notional amounts
	€m	€m	€m	€m
<i>Fair Value Derivatives</i>				
LME aluminium futures . . . . .	2	25	—	—
Cross currency interest rate swap . . . . .	40	323	—	—
Forward foreign exchange contracts . . . . .	—	33	—	—
Nymex gas swaps . . . . .	—	—	6	23
Interest rate swap . . . . .	—	—	1	6
<b>At 31 December 2014 . . . . .</b>	<u>42</u>	<u>381</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>29</u>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

	Assets		Liabilities	
	Fair values	Contractual or notional amounts	Fair values	Contractual or notional amounts
	€m	€m	€m	€m
<i>Fair Value Derivatives</i>				
LME aluminium futures . . . . .	—	—	4	37
Forward foreign exchange contracts . . . . .	—	—	7	245
Interest rate swap . . . . .	—	—	1	6
<b>At 31 December 2013 . . . . .</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>288</b>

All derivative liabilities mature within one year. There were no transfers between level 1 and level 2 during the year.

#### Aluminium derivatives

The Group hedges a substantial portion of its anticipated aluminium purchases on the London Metal Exchange (“LME”). Excluding conversion and freight costs, the physical aluminium deliveries are priced based on the average price of aluminium on the LME for the relevant month. The price risk on these aluminium purchases is hedged by buying fixed-price aluminium futures for the month of physical delivery, and selling averaging aluminium futures in the month that will form the basis for pricing the physical deliveries. Both the bought and sold futures contracts will be for the same volume of metal, this being a portion of the Group’s total requirement for any one month.

Fair values have been based on LME-quoted market prices and there has been no change in the valuation techniques (level 1). The fair value of these contracts when initiated is nil; no premium is paid or received.

#### Energy derivatives

The Group hedges a portion of its Glass Packaging North America anticipated energy purchases on New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX).

Fair values have been based on NYMEX-quoted market prices and Level 1 valuation techniques have been applied. The fair value of these contracts when initiated is nil; no premium is paid or received.

#### Foreign exchange contracts

The operations of the Group are conducted by entities in many countries, and accordingly, the results of operations of the Group are subject to currency translation risk and currency transaction risk.

#### Cross currency interest rate swap

The Group hedges \$440 million of its external debt and the interest payable thereon using a cross currency interest rate swap, which matures in June 2019.



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 13. Employee benefit obligations

The Group operates defined benefit and defined contribution pension schemes in most of its countries of operation. The principal funded defined benefit schemes, which are funded by contributions to separate administered funds, are in the US, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. Other defined benefit schemes are unfunded and the provision is recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. The principal unfunded schemes are in Germany.

The contribution rates to the funded plans are agreed with the Trustee boards, plan actuaries and the local pension regulators periodically. The contributions paid in 2014 were those recommended by the actuaries.

In addition, the Group has other employee benefit obligations in certain territories.

Total employee obligations recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position of €723 million (2013: €459 million) include other employee benefit obligations of €91 million (2013: €47 million).

#### Defined benefit pension schemes

The amounts recognised in the Consolidated Income Statement are:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
<i>Current service cost and administration costs:</i>		
Cost of sales . . . . .	(32)	(16)
Sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .	(3)	(3)
	<u>(35)</u>	<u>(19)</u>
Exceptional item (Note 18) . . . . .	—	11
Finance income and expense (Note 19) . . . . .	(20)	(16)
	<u>(55)</u>	<u>(24)</u>

The amounts recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income are:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
<i>Re-measurement of defined benefit obligation:</i>		
Actuarial loss arising from changes in demographic assumptions . . . . .	(27)	(10)
Actuarial loss arising from changes in financial assumptions . . . . .	(227)	(37)
Actuarial gain arising from changes in experience . . . . .	7	3
	<u>(247)</u>	<u>(44)</u>
<i>Re-measurements of plan assets:</i>		
Actual loss on expected return on plan assets . . . . .	129	21
Actuarial loss for the year on pension benefits . . . . .	(118)	(23)
Actuarial (loss)/gain on other end of service employee benefits . . . . .	(5)	2
	<u>(123)</u>	<u>(21)</u>

The actual return on plan assets resulted in a gain of €191 million in 2014 (2013: €52 million).

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 13. Employee benefit obligations (Continued)

Movement in the defined benefit obligation and assets:

	Obligations		Assets	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
	€m	€m	€m	€m
Beginning of year . . . . .	(1,303)	(1,260)	891	857
Disposed . . . . .	10	—	(11)	—
Interest income (Note 19) . . . . .	—	—	62	31
Acquired (Note 22) . . . . .	(826)	—	763	—
Current service cost . . . . .	(35)	(17)	—	—
Past service gain . . . . .	2	—	—	—
Exceptional item (Note 18) . . . . .	—	11	—	—
Interest cost (Note 19) . . . . .	(79)	(47)	—	—
Administration expenses paid from plan assets . . . . .	—	—	(3)	(3)
Re-measurements . . . . .	(247)	(44)	129	21
Assets extinguished on settlements . . . . .	5	—	(1)	—
Employer contributions . . . . .	—	—	36	25
Employee contributions . . . . .	(6)	(7)	6	7
Benefits paid . . . . .	81	47	(81)	(40)
Exchange . . . . .	(159)	14	134	(7)
<b>End of year . . . . .</b>	<b><u>(2,557)</u></b>	<b><u>(1,303)</u></b>	<b><u>1,925</u></b>	<b><u>891</u></b>

The defined benefit obligations above include €245 million (2013: €199 million) of unfunded obligations.

The movement in interest income and interest cost in the table above does not include movements in our other employee benefit obligations of €3 million (2013: €nil).

Plan assets at 31 December 2014 comprised:

	2014	2014	2013	2013
	€m	%	€m	%
Equities . . . . .	546	28	312	35
Target return funds . . . . .	494	26	264	30
Bonds . . . . .	576	30	192	22
Cash/other . . . . .	309	16	123	13
	<b><u>1,925</u></b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	<b><u>891</u></b>	<b><u>100</u></b>

The pension assets do not include any of the Company's ordinary shares, other securities or other Group assets.

#### Investment strategy

The choice of investments takes account of the expected maturity of the future benefit payments. The plans invest in diversified portfolios consisting of an array of asset classes that attempt to maximise returns while minimising volatility. The asset classes include national and international equities, fixed income government and non-government securities and real estate, as well as cash.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 13. Employee benefit obligations (Continued)

#### Assumptions and sensitivities

The principal pension assumptions used in the preparation of the accounts take account of the different economic circumstances in the countries of operations and the different characteristics of the respective plans, including the length of duration of liabilities.

The ranges of the principal assumptions applied in estimating defined benefit obligation were:

	US		Eurozone		UK and Other	
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Rate of inflation . . . . .	3.00	N/A	1.80-2.00	2.00	3.10	2.25-2.60
Rate of increase in salaries . . . . .	3.00	N/A	2.00-2.50	2.50	3.10	3.50
Discount rate . . . . .	4.10	N/A	0.50-2.40	2.00-3.80	3.80	4.50-4.90

Mortality assumptions for the countries with the most significant defined benefit plans are described below:

	US		Eurozone		UK and Other	
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013
	Years	Years	Years	Years	Years	Years
Life expectancy, current pensioners: . . . . .	20	N/A	21-22	20-23	21	21
Life expectancy, future pensioners: . . . . .	20	N/A	24-25	23-24	22	22

Were the discount rate to differ by 50 basis points from management's estimates, the carrying amount of pension obligations would be an estimated €151 million lower or €173 million higher.

Were the inflation rate to differ by 50 basis points from management's estimates, the carrying amount of pension obligations would be an estimated €85 million lower or €92 million higher.

If the salary rate of increase were to differ by 50 basis points from management's estimates, the carrying amount of pension obligations would be an estimated €78 million lower or €90 million higher.

The impact of increasing the expected longevity by one year would result in an increase in the Group's liability of €50 million at 31 December 2014.

The Group's best estimate of contributions expected to be paid to defined benefit plans in 2015 is €36 million.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 13. Employee benefit obligations (Continued)

The principal defined benefit schemes are described briefly below:

Nature of the schemes	Glass Packaging				Metal Packaging		
	Europe UK Funded	Europe Germany Unfunded	Europe Netherlands Funded	North America US Funded	Europe UK Funded	Europe Germany Unfunded	Europe Netherlands Funded
2014							
Active members . . . . .	1,406	995	604	4,030	118	700	921
Deferred members . . . . .	236	702	556	2,734	412	502	2,038
Pensioners including dependents . . . . .	656	769	490	6,086	344	839	3,139
Weighted average duration (years) . . . . .	23	14	20	14	21	17	16
2013							
Active members . . . . .	437	1,029	604	N/A	118	742	921
Deferred members . . . . .	1,140	714	556	N/A	412	511	2,038
Pensioners including dependents . . . . .	624	843	490	N/A	344	791	3,139
Weighted average duration (years) . . . . .	23	14	19	N/A	19	16	16

The expected total benefit payments over the next five years are:

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Subsequent five years
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
Benefits . . . . .	102	99	102	105	108	580

The Group also has defined contribution plans; the contribution expense associated with these plans for 2014 was €12 million (2013: €20 million). The Group's best estimate of the contributions expected to be paid to these plans in 2015 is €13 million.

#### Other employee benefits

	2014	2013
	€m	€m
End of service employee benefits . . . . .	(25)	(20)
Long term employee benefits . . . . .	(66)	(27)
	<u>(91)</u>	<u>(47)</u>

End of service employee benefits comprise principally, amounts due to be paid to employees leaving the Group's service in France and Italy.

Long term employee benefit obligations comprise amounts due to be paid under partial retirement contracts in Germany, post retirement medical plans in Glass North America and other obligations to pay benefits primarily related to long service awards.

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### 14. Trade and other payables

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Trade payables . . . . .	440	398
Other payables and accruals . . . . .	322	242
Other tax and social security payables . . . . .	29	28
Payables and accruals for exceptionals . . . . .	12	47
	<u><b>803</b></u>	<u><b>715</b></u>

### 15. Provisions for other liabilities and charges

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Current . . . . .	50	10
Non-current . . . . .	33	21
	<u><b>83</b></u>	<u><b>31</b></u>

	<u>Restructuring</u>	<u>Other provisions</u>	<u>Total provisions</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
At 1 January 2013 . . . . .	26	25	51
Provided . . . . .	7	7	14
Released . . . . .	(1)	(6)	(7)
Paid . . . . .	(21)	(6)	(27)
Exchange . . . . .	(1)	1	—
<b>At 31 December 2013 . . . . .</b>	<u><b>10</b></u>	<u><b>21</b></u>	<u><b>31</b></u>

	<u>Restructuring</u>	<u>Other provisions</u>	<u>Total provisions</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
At 1 January 2014 . . . . .	10	21	31
Acquired (Note 22) . . . . .	—	32	32
Disposed . . . . .	(4)	(8)	(12)
Provided . . . . .	37	28	65
Released . . . . .	(2)	(3)	(5)
Paid . . . . .	(16)	(17)	(33)
Exchange . . . . .	1	4	5
<b>At 31 December 2014 . . . . .</b>	<u><b>26</b></u>	<u><b>57</b></u>	<u><b>83</b></u>

The restructuring provision relates to redundancy and other restructuring costs. Other provisions relate to probable environmental penalties, workers compensation, customer quality claims, and onerous leases.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 16. Segmental analysis

Metal Packaging Asia Pacific and Metal Packaging North America do not meet the thresholds for separate disclosure as reportable segments and therefore, in accordance with IFRS 8, are combined and disclosed in an all others segments category labelled as Metal Packaging Other.

Finance income and expense are not allocated to segments as these are reviewed on a Group wide basis. Performance of the operating segments is assessed based on EBITDA. EBITDA is defined as operating profit before depreciation, amortisation, impairment, and exceptional operating items.

Reconciliation of loss before tax to EBITDA

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Loss before tax . . . . .	(394)	(310)
Net finance expense . . . . .	474	473
Share of profit of joint venture . . . . .	—	(1)
<b>Operating profit . . . . .</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>162</b>
Depreciation, amortisation, and non-exceptional impairment . . . . .	363	298
Exceptional operating items . . . . .	349	163
<b>EBITDA . . . . .</b>	<b><u>792</u></b>	<b><u>623</u></b>

The segment results for the year ended 31 December 2014 are:

	<u>Glass Packaging North America</u>	<u>Glass Packaging Europe</u>	<u>Metal Packaging Europe</u>	<u>Metal Packaging Other</u>	<u>Group</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Revenue . . . . .	1,353	1,406	1,668	306	4,733
EBITDA . . . . .	265	277	223	27	792
Depreciation, amortisation and non-exceptional impairment . . . . .	(152)	(116)	(79)	(16)	(363)
Exceptional operating items . . . . .	(215)	(12)	(61)	(61)	(349)
<b>Operating profit . . . . .</b>	<b>(102)</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>(50)</b>	<b>80</b>
Capital expenditure . . . . .	80	100	62	105	347
Segment assets . . . . .	<u>2,113</u>	<u>1,216</u>	<u>2,348</u>	<u>418</u>	<u>6,095</u>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 16. Segmental analysis (Continued)

The segment results for the year ended 31 December 2013 are:

	Glass Packaging North America	Glass Packaging Europe	Metal Packaging Europe	Metal Packaging Other	Group
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
Revenue . . . . .	663	1,389	1,663	328	4,043
EBITDA . . . . .	137	273	183	30	623
Depreciation, amortisation and non-exceptional impairment . . . . .	(73)	(117)	(96)	(12)	(298)
Exceptional operating items . . . . .	(37)	(3)	(119)	(4)	(163)
<b>Operating profit . . . . .</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>(32)</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>162</b>
Capital expenditure . . . . .	46	131	66	64	307
Segment assets . . . . .	975	1,216	2,341	336	4,868
Restricted cash held in escrow . . . . .	—	—	—	—	1,063

Segment assets consist primarily of property, plant and equipment, intangible assets, inventories, trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents and deferred tax.

Capital expenditure comprises additions to intangible assets (Note 3), and property, plant and equipment (Note 4).

One customer accounted for greater than 10% of total revenue in 2014 (2013: No customer).

Total revenue and non-current assets, excluding financial instruments, taxes, pensions and goodwill arising on acquisitions, in countries which account for more than 10% of total revenue or non-current assets are as follows:

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	€m	€m
USA . . . . .	1,528	830
Germany . . . . .	653	644
United Kingdom . . . . .	610	561
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<u>Non-current assets</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	€m	€m
USA . . . . .	1,356	618
Germany . . . . .	381	391
United Kingdom . . . . .	253	260
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

APHL is domiciled in Ireland. During the year the Group had sales of €16 million (2013: €12 million) to customers in Ireland.

Within each reportable segment our packaging containers have similar production processes and classes of customers. Further, they have similar economic characteristics as evidenced by similar profit margins, similar degrees of risk and similar opportunities for growth. Based on the foregoing we do not consider that they constitute separate product lines and thus additional disclosure relating to product lines is not necessary.



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 17. Employee costs

	2014	2013
	€m	€m
Wages and salaries . . . . .	786	721
Social security costs . . . . .	121	116
Defined benefit plan pension costs (Note 13) . . . . .	35	19
Defined contribution plan pension costs . . . . .	12	20
	<u>954</u>	<u>876</u>

<u>Employees at 31 December</u>	2014	2013
Production . . . . .	16,928	14,696
Administration . . . . .	1,900	2,478
	<u>18,828</u>	<u>17,174</u>

### 18. Exceptional items

	2014	2013
	€m	€m
Impairment—property, plant and equipment . . . . .	(53)	(107)
Impairment—working capital . . . . .	(8)	—
Restructuring costs . . . . .	(27)	(10)
Plant start-up costs . . . . .	(19)	(5)
Non-cash inventory adjustment . . . . .	(15)	—
Past service credit . . . . .	—	8
Impairment—other . . . . .	—	(1)
<b>Exceptional items—cost of sales . . . . .</b>	<b>(122)</b>	<b>(115)</b>
Acquisition related costs . . . . .	(22)	(38)
Exceptional restructuring costs . . . . .	(12)	(2)
Past service credit . . . . .	—	3
Other . . . . .	(1)	—
<b>Exceptional items—sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .</b>	<b>(35)</b>	<b>(37)</b>
<b>Exceptional impairment—intangible assets (Note 3) . . . . .</b>	<b>(33)</b>	<b>(11)</b>
<b>Exceptional items—loss on disposal of businesses (Note 22) . . . . .</b>	<b>(159)</b>	<b>—</b>
Debt refinancing costs . . . . .	(116)	—
Interest payable on VNA acquisition notes . . . . .	(10)	(100)
Extinguishment of 2009 Secured Notes . . . . .	—	(18)
Deferred issue costs written-off and other debt settlement costs . . . . .	—	(7)
<b>Exceptional items—finance expense (Note 19) . . . . .</b>	<b>(126)</b>	<b>(125)</b>
Gain on disposal of financial assets . . . . .	—	30
Interest payable on VNA acquisition notes . . . . .	—	1
<b>Exceptional items—finance income (Note 19) . . . . .</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Total exceptional items . . . . .</b>	<b>(475)</b>	<b>(257)</b>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 18. Exceptional items (Continued)

2014

Exceptional impairment charges incurred include €39 million relating to a plant closure in Glass Packaging North America, comprising impairments to property, plant and equipment of €17 million, goodwill of €16 million, and customer relationships of €6 million. Exceptional impairment charges of €44 million were incurred in the Metal Packaging division relating to €36 million of specific property, plant and equipment that is no longer in use and the €8 million impairment of working capital. Exceptional impairment charges of €11 million were also incurred relating to intangible assets no longer in use.

Exceptional finance expense of €126 million includes €116 million relating to the borrowings that were repaid in July 2014 and €10 million relating to the notes issued to finance the VNA acquisition. Refer to Note 12 for information on the refinancing during the year.

The non-cash inventory adjustment of €15 million relates to the VNA acquisition and is a non-recurring adjustment arising as a result of the fair value exercise carried out in accordance with IFRS 3R 'Business Combinations'.

2013

The VNA acquisition exceptional items comprised €100 million in finance expense and €38 million in sales, general and administration expenses.

The €100 million in exceptional finance expense related to the notes issued in January 2013 to finance the acquisition of VNA, which were repaid, in accordance with their terms, on 17 January 2014 using the proceeds that had been held in escrow, and comprised:

- €61 million of interest incurred on the notes since the date of issuance;
- €18 million relating to the accelerated amortisation of debt issue costs;
- €11 million relating to a Special Mandatory Redemption Premium (that was paid in January 2014); and
- €10 million relating to foreign exchange forward contracts previously designated as hedges.

Further details on the VNA acquisition are provided in Note 22.

The following exceptional items were also recorded in the year ended 31 December 2013:

- €118 million of exceptional impairment of long lived assets in the Metal Packaging Europe segment, with most of charge being recorded in South East (€62 million) and Aluminium (€41 million, including €11 million relating to goodwill) reflecting difficult trading conditions;
- €12 million of restructuring costs primarily relating to the reorganisation of the Metal Packaging division;
- €18 million primarily relating to the early redemption premium for the 9.250% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2016;
- €30 million gain from the disposal of an investment in ORG, a listed Chinese metal packaging company; and
- €11 million past service credit relating to the Group's principal pension plans in the Netherlands.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 19. Finance income and expense

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Senior Secured and Senior Notes . . . . .	(296)	(324)
Term loans . . . . .	(28)	—
Other interest expense . . . . .	(7)	(9)
<b>Interest expense . . . . .</b>	<b>(331)</b>	<b>(333)</b>
Net pension interest costs (Note 13) . . . . .	(20)	(16)
Foreign currency translation gains/(losses) . . . . .	5	(29)
Other finance expense . . . . .	(3)	(3)
<b>Finance expense before exceptional items . . . . .</b>	<b>(349)</b>	<b>(381)</b>
Exceptional finance expense (Note 18) . . . . .	(126)	(125)
<b>Total finance expense . . . . .</b>	<b>(475)</b>	<b>(506)</b>
Finance income . . . . .	1	2
Exceptional finance income (Note 18) . . . . .	—	31
<b>Net finance expense . . . . .</b>	<b>(474)</b>	<b>(473)</b>

### 20. Income tax

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Current tax:		
Current tax for the year . . . . .	44	42
Adjustments in respect of prior years . . . . .	(1)	(1)
<b>Total current tax . . . . .</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>41</b>
Deferred tax:		
Deferred tax for the year . . . . .	(52)	(44)
Adjustments in respect of prior years . . . . .	6	7
<b>Total deferred tax (Note 6) . . . . .</b>	<b>(46)</b>	<b>(37)</b>
<b>Income tax (credit)/charge . . . . .</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>4</b>

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
<b>Loss before tax . . . . .</b>	<b>(394)</b>	<b>(310)</b>
Loss on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of Irish corporation tax: 12.5% (2013:12.5%) . . . . .	(49)	(39)
Reversal of previously recognised tax losses on which deferred income tax assets were recognised . . . . .	—	6
Tax losses for which no deferred income tax asset was recognised . . . . .	10	26
Re-measurement of deferred taxes . . . . .	—	(1)
Adjustment in respect of prior years . . . . .	5	6
Income subject to other taxes . . . . .	17	14
Losses taxable at non-standard rates . . . . .	(73)	(52)
Non-deductible items . . . . .	77	31
Other . . . . .	10	13
<b>Total tax (credit)/charge for the year . . . . .</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>4</b>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 21. Cash generated from operations

	2014	2013
	€m	€m
<b>Loss before tax</b> . . . . .	<b>(394)</b>	<b>(310)</b>
Adjustments:		
Depreciation (Note 4) . . . . .	275	251
Amortisation (Note 3) . . . . .	88	42
Amortisation of capital grants . . . . .	(1)	(1)
Net finance expense before exceptional items (Note 19) . . . . .	348	379
Share of profit of joint venture . . . . .	—	(1)
Non-exceptional impairment charges (Note 16) . . . . .	1	6
Exceptional items (Note 18) . . . . .	475	257
<b>EBITDA</b> . . . . .	<b>792</b>	<b>623</b>
Movement in working capital . . . . .	6	(48)
Movement on non-working capital payables . . . . .	2	1
Exceptional acquisition-related, disposal and plant start-up costs paid . . . . .	(77)	(35)
Exceptional restructuring paid . . . . .	(22)	(25)
<b>Cash generated from operations</b> . . . . .	<b>701</b>	<b>516</b>

### 22. Acquisitions and disposals

In January 2013, Ardagh Group signed a contract with Compagnie de Saint-Gobain to purchase from it the VNA business. In July 2013, the FTC informed Ardagh that it had issued an administrative complaint alleging that the acquisition of VNA was anticompetitive in relation to the sale of glass containers for beer and spirits.

On 8 April 2014, the FTC preliminarily approved a decision and order requiring the divestiture of certain assets as a condition of permitting the VNA acquisition to proceed (the “FTC Consent Decree”) and the acquisition completed on 11 April 2014.

On 12 April 2014, pursuant to the FTC Consent Decree, Ardagh entered into a share purchase agreement with an affiliate of KPS to divest six plants and related assets. The sale was completed on 30 June 2014.

#### (a) VNA acquisition

On 11 April 2014, Ardagh Group completed the purchase of 100% of the equity of VNA, from Compagnie de Saint-Gobain for a consideration of \$1.5 billion.

VNA, which has its headquarters in Muncie, Indiana, is the second largest glass container manufacturer in the United States, serving the North American food and beverage industries. It produces approximately nine billion containers annually from its 13 facilities located throughout the United States and employs approximately 4,400 people. VNA has annual revenues of approximately \$1.6 billion (€1.2 billion).

The acquisition of VNA is strategically important for the Group. It further expands the glass manufacturing footprint in North America, strengthens existing customer relationships and increases the Group’s product portfolio. Further, the combination of VNA and the Group’s existing North

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 22. Acquisitions and disposals (Continued)

American business provides opportunities for logistics savings, production improvements and other cost efficiencies.

VNA contributed revenue of approximately €896 million and EBITDA of approximately €165 million to the Group's results for the year ended 31 December 2014.

The following table summarises the consideration paid for VNA, and the provisional fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

	<u>€m</u>
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	8
Property, plant and equipment . . . . .	356
Intangible assets . . . . .	539
Inventories . . . . .	161
Trade and other receivables . . . . .	94
Trade and other payables . . . . .	(144)
Net deferred tax liability . . . . .	(220)
Provisions . . . . .	(32)
Employee benefit obligations . . . . .	(103)
<b>Total identifiable net assets</b> . . . . .	<b>659</b>
Goodwill . . . . .	387
<b>Total consideration</b> . . . . .	<b><u>1,046</u></b>

The allocations above are based on management's preliminary estimate of the fair values at the acquisition date.

Total consideration for the acquisition of VNA is comprised of the following:

	<u>€m</u>
Cash consideration paid . . . . .	1,083
Contingent cash consideration received* . . . . .	(37)
<b>Total consideration</b> . . . . .	<b><u>1,046</u></b>

\* Contingent consideration of €37 million (\$50 million) was received from Compagnie de Saint-Gobain (relating to the Anchor Divestment) in July 2014. In accordance with IFRS 3R, this amount has been treated as an adjustment to the purchase consideration for VNA rather than as consideration for the Anchor Divestment.

In the year ended 31 December 2014, the net cash flow relating to the VNA acquisition comprised the following;

	<u>€m</u>
Cash consideration paid . . . . .	1,083
Contingent cash consideration received . . . . .	(37)
Cash and cash equivalents acquired . . . . .	(8)
<b>Total net cash outflow</b> . . . . .	<b><u>1,038</u></b>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 22. Acquisitions and disposals (Continued)

A detailed exercise has been performed to assess the fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed, with the use of third party experts where appropriate. If new information obtained within one year of the acquisition date regarding facts and circumstances that existed at the acquisition date identifies adjustments to the above amounts, then the acquisition accounting will be revised.

Goodwill of €387 million arising on the acquisition of VNA (which is not expected to be tax deductible) includes anticipated synergies from integrating VNA into the Group, and the skills and technical talent of the VNA workforce.

Deferred tax is principally recognised on the temporary timing differences created by the fair value adjustments.

The fair value of trade and other receivables was €94 million and included trade receivables with a fair value of €83 million.

Acquisition related costs of €22 million (2013: €38 million) were incurred and classified as exceptional items in the Consolidated Income Statement for the year ended 31 December 2014.

#### (b) Disposal of Former Anchor Glass Plants

On 30 June 2014, Ardagh Group completed the sale of six former Anchor Glass plants and certain related assets to an affiliate of KPS. The Group recognised a net loss on disposal of €124 million.

	<u>€m</u>
Consideration* . . . . .	319
Net assets disposed . . . . .	(446)
Disposal costs . . . . .	(5)
Cumulative foreign exchange differences . . . . .	8
<b>Loss on disposal . . . . .</b>	<b><u>(124)</u></b>

\* Consideration of €319 million excludes €37 million (\$50 million) received from Compagnie de Saint-Gobain in relation to the divestment, as explained above. Total cash received relating to the divestment including the contingent cash consideration from Compagnie de Saint-Gobain is \$486 million (€356 million).

Prior to the divestment, the six former Anchor Glass plants contributed revenue of €205 million and EBITDA of €40 million to the Group's results for the year ended 31 December 2014.

#### (c) Other disposals

During the year ended 31 December 2014 the Group disposed of a small business in the Metal Packaging division and also of its Metal packaging operations in Australia and New Zealand. Total cash

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 22. Acquisitions and disposals (Continued)

consideration of €78 million was received and a combined loss of €35 million was incurred in respect of these disposals.

	<u>€m</u>
Consideration . . . . .	78
Net assets disposed . . . . .	(102)
Disposal costs . . . . .	(4)
Cumulative foreign exchange differences . . . . .	(7)
<b>Loss on disposal . . . . .</b>	<b><u>(35)</u></b>

Prior to the divestment, the Other Disposals contributed revenue of €158 million and EBITDA of €15 million to the Group's results for the year ended 31 December 2014.

If the acquisition of VNA, the Anchor Divestment and the Other Disposals had occurred on 1 January 2014 revenue and EBITDA for the Group for the year ended 31 December 2014 would have been €4,684 million and €782 million, respectively.

### 23. Related party transactions

#### (i) Interests of Mr Paul Coulson

At 31 December 2014, a company owned by Paul Coulson, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A., owned approximately 21% of the issued share capital of Ardagh Group S.A. and, through its investment in the Yeoman Group of companies, had an interest in a further approximate 39% of the issued share capital of Ardagh Group S.A..

#### (ii) Yeoman Capital S.A.

At 31 December 2014, Yeoman Capital S.A. owned approximately 39% of the ordinary shares of Ardagh Group S.A.. During 2014, the Group incurred costs of €1 million (2013: €1 million) for fees charged by the Yeoman Group of companies.

#### (iii) Common directorships

Three of the APHL existing directors, Messrs. Paul Coulson, Niall Wall and David Matthews are also members of the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A.. Four of the Ardagh Group S.A. directors, Messrs. Coulson, Dowling, Baertz and Troskie, also serve as directors in the Yeoman group of companies.

#### (iv) Joint ventures

At 31 December 2014, the Group owed €1 million (2013: €1 million) to Eura Glasrecycling GmbH & Co. KG. During 2014 the Group received a dividend of €1 million (2013: €1 million) from Eura Glasrecycling GmbH & Co. KG and incurred €4 million (2013: €3 million) for purchases of raw materials. At 31 December 2014, the Group owed €1 million (2013: €1 million) to Copal SAS. During 2014, the Group incurred €4 million (2013: €4 million) for raw materials purchased from Copal SAS.



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 23. Related party transactions (Continued)

#### (v) Pension scheme

The pension schemes are related parties. For details of all transactions during the year, please read Note 13 “Employee benefit obligations”.

Other than as noted above, there were no related party transactions or changes to transactions with related parties as disclosed in the 2014 financial statements that had a material effect on the financial position or the performance of the Group.

### 24. Contingencies

#### Environmental issues

The Group is regulated under various national and local environmental, occupational health and safety and other governmental laws and regulations relating to:

- the operation of installations for manufacturing of container glass, metal packaging and surface treatment using solvents;
- the generation, storage, handling, use and transportation of hazardous materials;
- the emission of substances and physical agents into the environment;
- the discharge of waste water and disposal of waste;
- the remediation of contamination; and
- the design, characteristics, and recycling of its products.

The Group believes, based on current information that it is in substantial compliance with applicable environmental laws and regulations and permit requirements. It does not believe it will be required, under both existing or anticipated future environmental laws and regulations, to expend amounts, over and above the amount accrued, which will have a material effect on its business, financial condition or results of operations or cash flows. In addition, no material proceedings against the Group arising under environmental laws are pending.

#### Legal Matters

The Group is involved in certain legal proceedings arising in the normal course of its business. The Group believes that none of these proceedings, either individually or in aggregate, is expected to have a material adverse effect on its business financial condition results of operations or cash flows.

### 25. Events after the reporting period

On 12 February 2015 Ardagh redeemed in full the principal amount outstanding of its €180 million 8¾% Senior Notes due 2020. The notes were redeemed from existing cash resources.

### 26. Key management compensation

Key management are those persons who have the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Group. Key management are comprised of the members

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 26. Key management compensation (Continued)

who served on the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A. and the Group's Global Leadership Team during the reporting period.

	2014	2013
	€m	€m
Salaries and other short term employee benefits . . . . .	12	20
Post-employment benefits . . . . .	1	1
	<u>13</u>	<u>21</u>

### 27. Subsidiary undertakings

The principal subsidiary undertakings at 31 December 2014 are detailed below, all of which are included in the consolidated financial statements.

Company	Country of incorporation	Activity	Portion of shares held %
Ardagh Metal Packaging Czech Republic S.r.O. . . . .	Czech Republic	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Holmegaard A/S . . . . .	Denmark	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Aluminium Packaging France SAS . . . . .	France	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh MP West France SAS . . . . .	France	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging France SAS . . . . .	France	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Glass Packaging	100
Heye International GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Glass Engineering	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Germany GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Germany MP GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Sales Limited . . . . .	Ireland	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Group Italy S.r.l. . . . .	Italy	Glass and Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Aluminium Packaging Netherlands B.V. . . . .	Netherlands	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Dongen B.V. . . . .	Netherlands	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Moerdijk B.V. . . . .	Netherlands	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Netherlands B.V. . . . .	Netherlands	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass S.A. . . . .	Poland	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Poland Sp. Z o.o. . . . .	Poland	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Limmared AB . . . . .	Sweden	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Limited . . . . .	United Kingdom	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging UK Limited . . . . .	United Kingdom	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging USA Inc. . . . .	United States	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Inc. . . . .	United States	Glass Packaging	100

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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS OF ARDAGH PACKAGING HOLDINGS LIMITED**

We have audited the non-statutory consolidated financial statements of Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 December 2013 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, the Consolidated Income Statement, the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity, the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows, and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of these non-statutory consolidated financial statements is International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs") as adopted by the European Union.

### **Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors**

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities set out on page F-3, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the non-statutory consolidated 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 non-statutory consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinion, has been prepared for and only for the company's directors as a body and for no other person. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

### **Scope of the audit of the non-statutory consolidated financial statements**

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the non-statutory consolidated financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the non-statutory consolidated 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 group'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 non-statutory consolidated financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited non-statutory consolidated financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

### **Opinion on non-statutory consolidated financial statements**

In our opinion the non-statutory consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the European Union, of the state of the group's affairs as at 31 December 2013 and of the loss and cash flows of the group for the year then ended.

**Emphasis of matter—non-statutory consolidated financial statements**

In forming our opinion on the non-statutory consolidated financial statements, which is not modified, we draw attention to the fact that these non-statutory consolidated financial statements have not been prepared under Section 148 of the Companies Act 1963 and are not the parent company's statutory financial statements.

PricewaterhouseCoopers  
Chartered Accountants  
Dublin, Ireland

14 March 2014

## **STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The directors are responsible for preparing the non-statutory consolidated financial statements (“consolidated financial statements”) in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”), as adopted by the European Union and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of the Group’s affairs at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss and cash flows of the Group for the financial year. In preparing these consolidated financial statements, the directors are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State that the consolidated financial statements comply with IFRS as adopted by the European Union; and
- Prepare the consolidated financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group will continue in business.

The directors confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the consolidated financial statements.

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Group’s website at [www.ardaghgroup.com](http://www.ardaghgroup.com).

These non-statutory consolidated financial statements have been authorised for issue by the Directors on 14 March 2014.

# **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AT 31 DECEMBER 2013**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2013</u> <u>€m</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>Restated</u> <u>€m</u>
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Goodwill . . . . .	3	692	729
Intangible assets . . . . .	3	345	374
Property, plant and equipment . . . . .	4	2,087	2,220
Other financial assets . . . . .	5	8	11
Other non-current assets . . . . .		8	6
Deferred tax assets . . . . .	6	203	213
		<u>3,343</u>	<u>3,553</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Inventories . . . . .	7	680	694
Trade and other receivables . . . . .	8	657	687
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	9	285	223
Restricted cash . . . . .	9	1,072	9
		<u>2,694</u>	<u>1,613</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS . . . . .</b>		<u><u>6,037</u></u>	<u><u>5,166</u></u>

The notes to the non-statutory consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.



# **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AT 31 DECEMBER 2013 (Continued)**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2013</u> <u>€m</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>Restated</u> <u>€m</u>
<b>Equity attributable to owner of the parent</b>			
Ordinary shares . . . . .	10	—	—
Capital contribution . . . . .		101	101
Other reserves . . . . .		42	19
Retained earnings . . . . .		(823)	(488)
		(680)	(368)
Non-controlling interests . . . . .		2	2
<b>Total equity</b> . . . . .		<u>(678)</u>	<u>(366)</u>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings . . . . .	12	3,911	3,665
Deferred income . . . . .	13	5	6
Employee benefit obligations . . . . .	14	459	457
Deferred tax liability . . . . .	6	401	455
Provisions for other liabilities and charges . . . . .	16	21	26
Derivative financial instruments . . . . .	12	1	—
		<u>4,798</u>	<u>4,609</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings . . . . .	12	1,075	78
Interest payable . . . . .		58	72
Deferred income . . . . .	13	2	2
Trade and other payables . . . . .	15	660	694
Exceptional payables . . . . .	15	47	10
Payables to parent company . . . . .		1	1
Derivative financial instruments . . . . .	12	11	4
Provisions for other liabilities and charges . . . . .	16	10	25
Current income tax payable . . . . .		53	37
		<u>1,917</u>	<u>923</u>
<b>TOTAL EQUITY and LIABILITIES</b> . . . . .		<u>6,037</u>	<u>5,166</u>

The notes to the non-statutory consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

# **CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013**

	Note	Before exceptional items 2013 €m	Exceptional items 2013 Note 19 €m	Total 2013 €m	Before exceptional items 2012 Restated €m	Exceptional items 2012 Note 19 €m	Total 2012 Restated €m
Revenue . . . . .	17	4,043	—	4,043	3,705	—	3,705
Cost of sales . . . . .	18	(3,475)	(126)	(3,601)	(3,115)	(185)	(3,300)
Gross profit . . . . .		568	(126)	442	590	(185)	405
Sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .	18	(243)	(37)	(280)	(234)	(46)	(280)
Operating profit . . . . .		325	(163)	162	356	(231)	125
Finance expense . . . . .	20	(381)	(125)	(506)	(359)	(12)	(371)
Finance income . . . . .	20	2	31	33	2	—	2
Share of profit of joint venture . . . . .		1	—	1	1	—	1
Loss before tax . . . . .		<u>(53)</u>	<u>(257)</u>	<u>(310)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(243)</u>	<u>(243)</u>
Income tax (charge)/credit . . . . .	21			(4)			16
Loss for the year . . . . .				<u>(314)</u>			<u>(227)</u>
Loss attributable to:							
Owners of the parent . . . . .				(314)			(227)
Non-controlling interests . . . . .				<u>—</u>			<u>—</u>
				<u>(314)</u>			<u>(227)</u>

The notes to the non-statutory consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>31 Dec 2013</u>	<u>31 Dec 2012 Restated</u>
		<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Loss for the year . . . . .		(314)	(227)
Other comprehensive income:			
Items that may subsequently be reclassified to profit or loss			
<i>Foreign currency translation adjustments:</i>			
—Arising in the period . . . . .		(15)	30
—Net Investment hedge of foreign operations . . . . .		38	25
		<u>23</u>	<u>55</u>
<i>Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges:</i>			
—New fair value adjustments into reserve . . . . .		(9)	(2)
—Movement out of reserve . . . . .		9	2
—Movement in deferred tax . . . . .		<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
		<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
<i>Available for sale financial assets:</i>			
—New fair value adjustment into reserve . . . . .		30	—
—Movement out of reserve . . . . .		<u>(30)</u>	<u>—</u>
		<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss			
—Re-measurements of employee benefit obligations . . . . .	14	(21)	(80)
—Deferred tax movement on employee benefit obligations . . . . .	6	<u>—</u>	<u>19</u>
		<u>(21)</u>	<u>(61)</u>
Other Comprehensive Income for the period . . . . .		<u>2</u>	<u>(6)</u>
Total Comprehensive Income for the period . . . . .		<u>(312)</u>	<u>(233)</u>
Attributable to:			
Owners of the parent . . . . .		(312)	(233)
Non-controlling interest . . . . .		<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
Total Comprehensive Income for the year . . . . .		<u>(312)</u>	<u>(233)</u>

Items in the statement above are disclosed gross of tax.

The notes to the non-statutory consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013**

	Attributable to owners of the parent							
	Note	Capital contribution	Retained earnings	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Cash flow hedges	Total	Non-controlling interests	Total Equity
		€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
Balance as at 1 January 2013 . . . . .		101	(488)	24	(5)	(368)	2	(366)
Comprehensive income								
Loss for the year . . . . .		—	(314)	—	—	(314)	—	(314)
Other comprehensive income:								
Foreign currency translation adjustments . . . . .		—	—	23	—	23	—	23
Re-measurements of employee benefit obligations (net of tax) . . . . .	14	—	(21)	—	—	(21)	—	(21)
Cash flow hedges movement out of reserves (net of tax) . . . . .		—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total other comprehensive income . . . .		—	(21)	23	—	2	—	2
Total comprehensive income . . . . .		—	(335)	23	—	(312)	—	(312)
Balance as at 31 December 2013 . . . . .		101	(823)	47	(5)	(680)	2	(678)

The notes to the non-statutory consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012**

	Note	Attributable to owners of the parent					Non- controlling interests	Total Equity
		Capital contribution	Retained earnings	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Cash flow hedges	Total		
		€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
<b>Balance as at 1 January 2012 . . . . .</b>		<b><u>101</u></b>	<b><u>(199)</u></b>	<b><u>(31)</u></b>	<b><u>(5)</u></b>	<b><u>(134)</u></b>	<b><u>2</u></b>	<b><u>(132)</u></b>
<b>Comprehensive income</b>								
Loss for the year . . . . .		<u>—</u>	<u>(227)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(227)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(227)</u>
Other comprehensive income:								
Foreign currency translation adjustments . . . . .		<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>55</u>
Re-measurements of employee benefit obligations (net of tax) . . . . .	14	<u>—</u>	<u>(61)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(61)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(61)</u>
Cash flow hedges movement out of reserves (net of tax) . . . . .		<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
Total other comprehensive income . .		<u>—</u>	<u>(61)</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(6)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(6)</u>
<b>Total comprehensive income . . . . .</b>		<b><u>—</u></b>	<b><u>(288)</u></b>	<b><u>55</u></b>	<b><u>—</u></b>	<b><u>(233)</u></b>	<b><u>—</u></b>	<b><u>(233)</u></b>
Repurchase of non controlling interest . . . . .		<u>—</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(1)</u>
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2012 . . . .</b>		<b><u><u>101</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>(488)</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>24</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>(5)</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>(368)</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>2</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>(366)</u></u></b>

The notes to the non-statutory consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2013</u> <u>€m</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>€m</u>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Cash generated from operations . . . . .	22	516	423
Interest paid . . . . .		(378)	(285)
Interest received . . . . .		1	—
Income tax paid . . . . .		(29)	(17)
<i>Net cash from operating activities . . . . .</i>		<u>110</u>	<u>121</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment . . . . .		(272)	(200)
Purchase of software and other intangibles . . . . .		(19)	(11)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment . . . . .		6	3
Proceeds from disposal of financial asset . . . . .		43	—
Proceeds from disposal of business . . . . .		6	—
Dividend received . . . . .		1	—
Business combinations . . . . .		—	(576)
Cash in acquired subsidiary . . . . .	23	—	11
<i>Net cash used in investing activities . . . . .</i>		<u>(235)</u>	<u>(773)</u>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Proceeds from borrowings . . . . .		663	1,080
Repayment of borrowings . . . . .		(438)	(414)
Deferred debt issue costs paid . . . . .		(12)	(37)
Early redemption costs paid . . . . .		(16)	—
Other financial expenses paid . . . . .		(6)	(3)
Other short term debt . . . . .		—	(26)
Acquisition of non-controlling interest . . . . .		—	(1)
<i>Net proceeds from financing activities . . . . .</i>		<u>191</u>	<u>599</u>
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents . . . . .</b>		<b>66</b>	<b>(53)</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year . . . . .	9	232	291
Exchange losses on cash and bank overdrafts . . . . .		(4)	(6)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year . . . . .</b>	<b>9</b>	<u><u>294</u></u>	<u><u>232</u></u>

The notes to the non-statutory consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. General information

Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited (“APHL”, and collectively with its subsidiaries “the Group”) was incorporated and registered in the Republic of Ireland as a private company on 5 August 2005. Its ultimate parent company is Ardagh Group S.A..

A company owned by Mr. Paul Coulson, the Chairman of the board of directors of Ardagh Group S.A., directly owns 21% of the share capital of Ardagh Group S.A.. Mr Coulson is a member of the board of directors of, and has an investment in, the Yeoman group of companies and therefore has an interest in an additional 39.3% of the issued share capital of Ardagh Group S.A. (Note 24).

APHL is a holding company for the Group’s Glass Packaging and Metal Packaging businesses and was the parent guarantor for the following bonds/loans as at 31 December 2013:

#### Issuer

Ardagh Packaging Finance plc . . . . .	\$350 million 7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017
Ardagh Packaging Finance plc and Ardagh Holdings USA Inc . . . . .	\$510 million 7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017
Ardagh Packaging Finance plc . . . . .	€825 million 7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017
Ardagh Packaging Finance plc and Ardagh Holdings USA Inc . . . . .	€260 million 7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017
Ardagh Glass Finance plc . . . . .	€310 million 7.125% Senior Notes due 2017
Ardagh Glass Finance plc . . . . .	€180 million 8¾% Senior Notes due 2020
Ardagh Packaging Finance plc . . . . .	€475 million 9.250% Senior Notes due 2020
Ardagh Packaging Finance plc . . . . .	\$450 million 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020
Ardagh Packaging Finance plc and Ardagh Holdings USA Inc . . . . .	\$470 million 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020
Ardagh Packaging Finance plc and Ardagh Holdings USA Inc . . . . .	€250 million 5.000% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022*
Ardagh Packaging Finance plc and Ardagh Holdings USA Inc . . . . .	\$420 million 4.875% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022*
Ardagh Packaging Finance plc and Ardagh Holdings USA Inc . . . . .	\$850 million 7.000% Senior Notes due 2020*
Ardagh Holdings USA Inc. and Ardagh Packaging Finance S.A. . . . .	\$500 million Term Loan B Facility due 2019
Ardagh Holdings USA Inc. and Ardagh Packaging Finance S.A. . . . .	€130 million Term Loan B Facility due 2019

\* The €250.0 million 5.000% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022, the \$420.0 million 4.875% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022, and \$700.0 million of the 7.000% Senior Notes due 2020 were repaid, in accordance with their terms, on 17 January 2014.



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 1. General information (Continued)

Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited is the reporting entity to present the consolidated financial statements to satisfy the reporting requirements of the indentures for the Group's notes and under the Senior Secured Term Loan B Facility.

The Company's Registered Office is:  
4 Richview Office Park  
Clonskeagh  
Dublin 14

These consolidated financial statements do not represent statutory accounts within the meaning of Section 19 of the Companies (Amendment Act), 1986. Statutory accounts for Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 December 2012, upon which the auditors have given an unqualified audit report, have been filed with the Registrar of Companies. Statutory accounts for Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 December 2013 will be filed in due course.

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies

#### Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with, and are in compliance with, International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as adopted by the European Union ("EU") and related interpretations. IFRS is comprised of standards and interpretations approved by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and International Accounting Standards and interpretations approved by the predecessor International Accounting Standards Committee that have been subsequently approved by the IASB and remain in effect. IFRS as adopted by the EU differ in certain respects from IFRS as issued by the IASB. References to IFRS hereafter should be construed as references to IFRS as adopted by the EU.

The consolidated financial statements, which are presented in Euro rounded to the nearest million, have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the following:

- derivative financial instruments are stated at fair value; and
- employee benefit obligations are measured at the present value of the future estimated cash flows related to benefits earned and pension assets valued at fair value.

The preparation of consolidated financial information in conformity with IFRS requires the use of critical accounting estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and income and expenses. It also requires management to exercise judgement in the process of applying Group accounting policies. These estimates, assumptions and judgements are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances and are subject to continual re-evaluation. However, actual outcomes may differ from those estimates. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated financial statements are discussed in the critical accounting estimates and judgements.

The Consolidated Financial Statements for the Group were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors of Ardagh Packaging Holdings Limited on 14 March 2014.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### Changes in accounting policy and disclosures

- (a) *New standards, amendments, improvements and interpretations which are effective for the financial year beginning 1 January 2013 that are applicable to the Group.*

The following new standards, amendments and interpretations became effective in 2013:

- The Group has applied the amendments to IAS 19, 'Employee Benefits' from 1 January 2013. The revised standard requires that the interest cost be determined by reference to the net pension liability (or asset) and the discount rate and that the costs of administering the pension schemes in the year be charged to the income statement directly rather than as an addition to service cost or a reduction of the expected return on assets. The application of the revised standard has resulted in a restatement of the comparative amounts in the Consolidated Income Statement as follows: an increase in cost of sales of €1 million; a decrease in finance expense of €35 million; a decrease in finance income of €39 million; a decrease in the tax charge of €1 million; an overall increase in reported net loss of €4 million. In addition, the 31 December 2012 comparative amounts in the consolidated balance sheet have been restated to decrease non-current provisions by €17 million and increase non-current employee benefit obligations by €17 million, and the re-measurement of employee benefit obligations (net of tax) for the year ended 31 December 2012 in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income is €4 million lower as a result of the restatement. The net impact on equity is nil.
  - The Group has applied IFRS 13, 'Fair value measurement'. IFRS 13 does not result in material changes to the Group's results or net assets, rather the standard sought to improve consistency and reduce complexity by providing a precise definition of fair value and a single source of fair value measurement and disclosure requirements for use across IFRS. The requirements of the standard did not extend the use of fair value accounting but provided guidance on how it should be applied where its use is already required or permitted by other standards within IFRS.
  - The Group has applied the amendments to IAS 1, 'Presentation of Financial Statements'. The revised standard which requires the grouping of items of other comprehensive income that may be reclassified to profit or loss at a future point in time separately from those items which will never be reclassified affects presentation only and does not impact the Group's financial position or performance. The Group has adopted the revised standard with effect from 1 January 2013.
- (b) *New standards, amendments, improvements and interpretations which are effective for financial periods beginning 1 January 2014 that are applicable to the Group, none of which have been early adopted.*

The following standards and amendments to existing standards have been published and are mandatory, subject to EU endorsement, for the Group's accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014 or later periods.

IFRS 9, 'Financial instruments'. IFRS 9 is the first standard issued as part of a wider project to replace IAS 39. IFRS 9 retains but simplifies the mixed measurement model and establishes two primary measurement categories for financial assets: amortised cost and fair value. The basis of classification depends on the entity's business model and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset. The guidance in IAS 39 on impairment of financial assets and hedge accounting continues to apply. The Group does not expect this to materially impact the results or the net assets of the Group. This standard becomes effective for annual periods commencing on or after 1 January 2015

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### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

however is subject to endorsement by the EU. The Group will apply IFRS 9 subject to EU endorsement.

IFRS 10, 'Consolidated financial statements'. The objective of IFRS 10 is to establish principles for the presentation and preparation of consolidated financial statements when an entity controls one or more other entities. The standard defines the principle of control and establishes controls as the basis for consolidation. It sets out how to apply the principles of control to identify whether an investor controls an investee and therefore must consolidate the investee, and sets out the accounting requirements for the preparation of consolidated financial statements. The Group does not expect this to materially impact on the results or the net assets of the Group. This standard was endorsed by the EU on 11 December 2012 and becomes effective for annual periods commencing on or after 1 January 2014. The Group will apply IFRS 10 from 1 January 2014.

IFRS 11, 'Joint arrangements'. IFRS 11 is a more realistic reflection of joint arrangements by focusing on the rights and obligations of the arrangement rather than its legal form. There are two types of joint arrangement: joint operations and joint ventures. Joint operations arise where a joint operator has rights to the assets and obligations relating to the arrangement and hence accounts for its interest in assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses. Joint ventures arise where the joint operator has rights to the net assets of the arrangement and hence equity accounts for its interest. Proportional consolidation of joint ventures is no longer allowed. The Group does not, at present, have any joint arrangements which are being proportionally consolidated, therefore the Group does not expect this to materially impact on the results or the net assets of the Group. This standard was endorsed by the EU on 11 December 2012 and becomes effective for annual periods commencing on or after 1 January 2014. The Group will apply IFRS 11 from 1 January 2014.

IFRS 12, 'Disclosures of interests in other entities'. IFRS 12 includes the disclosure requirements for all forms of interests in other entities, including joint arrangements, associates, special purpose vehicles and other off balance sheet vehicles. The Group does not expect this to result in additional disclosures being required as it does not have joint arrangements. This standard was endorsed by the EU on 11 December 2012 and becomes effective for annual periods commencing on or after 1 January 2014. The Group will apply IFRS 12 from 1 January 2014.

There are no other accounting standards or IFRIC's that are not yet effective that would be expected to have a material impact on the Group.

### **IFRS 3R Business Combinations—measurement window fair value adjustments**

In accordance with IFRS 3R 'Business Combinations', fair value adjustments for the Anchor acquisition (Note 23) were made in the year ended 31 December 2013 in relation to the provisional purchase price allocation during the measurement window. While this did not result in a change to the overall goodwill value previously reported the following fair value adjustments were recorded; increases in property, plant and equipment of €9 million, provisions of €2 million, deferred tax liabilities of €2 million; and a decrease in inventory of €5 million. The purchase price allocation is complete.

### **Reclassification of prior year comparative figures**

The Group has performed a reassessment of the income statement classification relating to certain labour costs which has resulted in a change in classification being applied to the previously disclosed income statement. This change has resulted in the reclassification between cost of sales and sales,

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### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

general and administration expenses of €29 million in the twelve month period ended 31 December 2012. This reclassification has no impact on the consolidated statement of financial position or profits as previously reported.

#### Basis of Consolidation

##### (i) Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are all entities over which the Group has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern the financial and operating policies generally accompanying a shareholding of more than half of the voting rights. The existences of potential voting rights that are currently exercisable or convertible are considered when assessing whether the Group controls another entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group and are de-consolidated from the date on which control ceases.

The purchase method of accounting is used to account for the acquisition of subsidiaries by the Group. The cost of an acquisition is the consideration given in exchange for control of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the acquired subsidiary. Directly attributable transaction costs are expensed and included as exceptional items within sales, general and administrative expenses. The acquired net assets are initially measured at fair value. The excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. Any goodwill and fair value adjustments are recorded as assets and liabilities of the acquired subsidiary in the functional currency of that subsidiary. If the cost of acquisition is less than the fair value of the Group's share of the net assets of the subsidiary acquired, the difference is recognised directly in the income statement. The Group considers obligations of the acquiree in a business combination that arise as a result of the change in control to be cash flows arising from obtaining control of the subsidiary and classifies these obligations as investing activities in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows.

##### (ii) Transactions with non-controlling interests

The Group applies a policy of treating transactions with non-controlling interests as adjustments to equity with no recognition of goodwill or gains and losses.

##### (iii) Joint ventures

Joint ventures are those entities over whose activities the Group has joint control established by contractual agreement. Investments in joint ventures are accounted for by the equity method of accounting and are initially recognised at cost.

The Group's investment in joint ventures includes goodwill (net of any accumulated impairment loss) identified on acquisition. The Group's share of its joint ventures' post-acquisition profits or losses is recognised in the income statement, and its share of post-acquisition movements in reserves is recognised in reserves. The cumulative post-acquisition movements are adjusted against the carrying amount of the investment. When the Group's share of losses in a joint venture equals or exceeds its interest in the joint venture, including any other unsecured receivables, the Group does not recognise further losses unless it has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of the joint venture.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### (iv) Transactions eliminated on consolidation

Transactions, balances and unrealised gains or losses on transactions between Group companies are eliminated. Subsidiaries' accounting policies have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

### Foreign currency

#### (i) Foreign currency transactions

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Group's entities are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the "functional currency").

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency at the foreign exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are translated into the functional currency at the foreign exchange rate ruling at that date. Foreign exchange differences arising on translation are recognised in the income statement, except: (i) differences on foreign currency borrowings that provide a hedge against a net investment in a foreign entity, which are taken to other comprehensive income until the disposal of the net investment, at which time they are recognised in the income statement; and (ii) differences on certain derivative financial instruments discussed under "derivative financial instruments" below. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date of the initial transaction. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates as of the date when the fair value is determined.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Euro which is the Group's presentation currency.

#### (ii) Financial statements of foreign operations

The assets and liabilities of foreign operations, including goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on consolidation, are translated into Euro at foreign exchange rates ruling at the reporting date. The revenues and expenses of foreign operations are translated to Euro at average exchange rates for the year. Foreign exchange differences arising on retranslation are recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income ("foreign currency translation adjustment").

On consolidation, exchange differences arising from the translation of the net investment in foreign operations, and of borrowings and the effective currency instruments designated as hedges of such investments, are taken to other comprehensive income. Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign entity are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign entity and translated at the closing rate.

### Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of the net identifiable assets of the acquired subsidiary at the date of acquisition.

Goodwill is stated at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill is allocated to those groups of cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the business combination in which the goodwill arose for the purpose of assessing impairment. Goodwill is tested annually for impairment. In

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

respect of joint ventures, the carrying amount of goodwill is included in the carrying amount of the investment in the joint venture.

The excess of the acquirer's interest in the net fair value of the acquired identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over cost, arising on an acquisition, is recognised directly in the income statement.

#### **Intangible assets**

Intangible assets acquired as part of a business combination are capitalised separately from goodwill if the intangible asset is separable or arises from contractual or other legal rights. They are initially recognised at cost which, for intangible assets arising in a business combination, is their fair value at the date of acquisition.

Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. The carrying values of intangible assets with finite useful lives are reviewed for indicators of impairment at each reporting date and are subject to impairment testing when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying values may not be recoverable.

The amortisation of intangible assets is calculated to write off the book value of finite lived intangible assets over their useful lives on a straight-line basis on the assumption of zero residual value. In general, finite lived intangible assets are amortised over periods ranging from 3 to 15 years, depending on the nature of the intangible asset as detailed below. The useful lives and method of amortisation of intangible assets are re-assessed at each reporting date.

#### **(i) Computer software**

Computer software development costs recognised as assets are amortised over their estimated useful lives, which does not exceed five years. Costs associated with maintaining computer software programmes are recognised as an expense as incurred.

#### **(ii) Customer relationships**

Customer relationships acquired in a business combination are recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. The customer relationships have a finite useful life and are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation. Amortisation is calculated using the straight-line method over the expected life of the customer relationships which range from 5 to 15 years.

#### **(iii) Technology intangible**

Technology based intangibles acquired in a business combination are recognised at the fair value at the acquisition date and recognise the Group's ability to add value through accumulated technological expertise surrounding product and process development. Amortisation is calculated using the straight line method over the estimated useful life of 15 years.

#### **(iv) Research and development costs**

Research costs are expensed as incurred. An intangible asset arising from development expenditure on an individual project is recognised when the Group can demonstrate: (i) the technical feasibility of completing the intangible asset such that it will be available for use internally; (ii) how the asset will generate future economic benefits; (iii) the availability of resources to complete the development; and



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### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

(iv) the ability to measure reliably the expenditure during such development. Development costs have a finite life and are amortised over the estimated useful life of the project. Amortisation periods have been estimated at between 3 and 10 years. These estimates are reviewed on an annual basis to establish whether they need to be revised.

#### (v) Other Intangible assets

An intangible asset is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the expected future economic benefits attributable to the asset will flow to the Group and that its cost can be measured reliably. The asset is deemed to be identifiable when it is separable (i.e. capable of being divided from the entity and sold, transferred, licensed, rented or exchanged, either individually or together with a related contract, asset or liability) or when it arises from contractual or other legal rights, regardless of whether those rights are transferable or separable from the Group or from other rights and obligations.

### Property, plant and equipment

#### (i) Owned assets

Items of property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, except for land which is shown as cost less impairment. Spare parts which form an integral part of plant and equipment are capitalised and those spare parts which do not form an integral part of plant and machinery are included as consumables within inventory and expenses when utilised.

Where items of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items of property, plant and equipment. If spare parts are directly linked to a specific plant and machinery, the useful lives are deemed to be the same as the plant and machinery unless a different useful life is warranted.

#### (ii) Leased assets

The determination of whether an arrangement is, or contains a lease is based on the substance of the arrangement and requires an assessment of whether the fulfilment of the arrangement is dependent on the use of a specific asset or assets and the arrangement conveys a right to use the asset.

Leases of property, plant and equipment where the Group has substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership, are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised at the lease's inception at the lower of the fair value of the leased property and the present value of the minimum lease payments. Each lease payment is allocated between the liability and finance charges so as to achieve a constant rate on the finance balance outstanding. The corresponding rental obligations, net of finance charges, are included in borrowings. The interest element of the finance cost is charged to the income statement over the lease period using the effective interest method so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period. The property, plant and equipment acquired under finance leases are depreciated over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the lease term.

Leases where the lessor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### (iii) Subsequent costs

The Group recognises in the carrying amount of an item of property, plant and equipment the cost of replacing the component of such an item when that cost is incurred if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. When a component is replaced the old component is de-recognised in the period. All other costs are recognised in the income statement as an expense as incurred. When a major overhaul is performed, its cost is recognised in the carrying amount of the plant and equipment as a replacement if the recognition criteria above are met.

#### (iv) Depreciation

Depreciation is charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of each part of an item of property, plant and equipment. Land is not depreciated. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Buildings . . . . .	30-40 years
Plant and machinery . . . . .	3-40 years
Moulds . . . . .	2-3 years
Office equipment and vehicles . . . . .	3-10 years

The net book amount and useful lives of assets are reviewed and adjusted if appropriate. At the end of each reporting period, an asset's carrying amount is written down to its recoverable amount if the assets carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

#### (v) Disposals

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds received with the carrying amount of the relevant asset at the date of disposal and are included in operating profit in the period in which they are disposed.

#### (vi) Non-current assets held for sale

Non-current assets are classified as held for sale if their carrying amount will be recovered through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. This condition is regarded as met only when the sale is highly probable and the asset is available for immediate sale in its present condition. Management must be committed to the sale which should be expected to qualify for recognition as a completed sale within one year from the date of classification. Non-current assets classified as held for sale are measured at the lower of carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell.

#### (vii) Borrowing costs

The Group capitalises borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of manufacturing plants that require a substantial period of time to build. The borrowing costs are included as part of the costs of the asset. The capitalisation of borrowing costs is suspended upon periods when active development is interrupted and ceases when substantially all of the activities necessary to prepare the qualifying asset for its intended use or sale are complete. The capitalised borrowing costs are amortised in line with the life of the asset.

## **NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

### **2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)**

#### **Moulds and mould parts**

Moulds included in property, plant and equipment are depreciated over two to three years. Mould parts are included in inventories and are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

#### **Impairment**

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment or whenever indicators suggest that an impairment may have occurred. Assets that are subject to amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash-generating units). Non-financial assets other than goodwill that suffered an impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date.

##### **(i) Calculation of recoverable amount**

The recoverable amount of other assets is the greater of their value in use and fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For an asset that does not generate largely independent cash inflows the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

##### **(ii) Reversals of impairment**

A reversal of impairments arises when indicators exist that suggest an impairment loss recognised in a prior period no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount and only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised. An impairment loss in respect of goodwill cannot be reversed.

#### **Inventories**

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The cost of inventories is based on the first-in, first-out basis and includes expenditure incurred in acquiring the inventories and bringing them to their current location and condition. Raw materials are valued on the basis of purchase cost on a first-in, first out basis. In the case of finished goods and work-in-progress, cost includes, direct materials, direct labour and attributable overheads based on normal operating capacity, transfer from other comprehensive income of gains and losses on qualifying cash flow hedges in respect of raw materials purchases and excludes borrowing costs.

Net realisable value is the estimated proceeds of sale less all further costs to completion, and less all costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution. Full provision is made for all damaged, deteriorated, obsolete and unusable materials and consumables.

Spare parts which are deemed to be of a consumable nature are included within inventories and expensed when utilised.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### Non-derivative financial instruments

Non-derivative financial instruments comprise trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, borrowings and trade and other payables. Non-derivative financial instruments are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs, except as described below. Subsequent to initial recognition, non-derivative financial instruments are measured as described below.

A financial instrument is recognised when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets are de-recognised when the Group's contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial assets expire, are extinguished, or if the Group transfers the financial asset to another party and transfers all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset, or does not retain control and transfers substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset. Purchases and sales of financial assets are accounted for at trade date i.e. the date that the Group commits itself to purchase or sell the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised if the Group's obligations specified in the contracts expire, are discharged or cancelled.

##### (i) Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are recognised initially at fair value and are thereafter measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less any provision for impairment. A provision for impairment of trade receivables is recognised when there is objective evidence that the Group will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables. Significant financial difficulties of the debtor, probability that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation, and default or delinquency in payments (more than ninety days overdue) are considered indicators that the trade receivable is impaired. The amount of the provision is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of a provision account, and the amount of the loss is recognised in the income statement within sales, general and administrative expenses. When a trade receivable is uncollectible, it is written off against the provision account for trade receivables. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against administrative expenses in the income statement.

##### (ii) Securitised assets

The Group entered into a series of securitisation transactions involving certain of its trade receivables. The securitised assets were recognised on the Group Consolidated Statement of Financial Position until all of the rights to the cash flows from those assets have expired or have been fully transferred outside the Group, or until substantially all of the related risks, rewards and control of the related assets have been transferred to a third party.

##### (iii) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, restricted cash and deposits held at call with banks. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. Cash and cash equivalents are carried at amortised cost.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### (iv) Short term bank deposits

Short term bank deposits of greater than three months maturity which do not meet the definition of cash and cash equivalents are classified as financial assets within current assets and stated at amortised cost.

#### (v) Restricted cash

Restricted cash comprises cash held by the Group but which is ring-fenced or used as security for specific financing arrangements, and to which the Group does not have unfettered access. Restricted cash is measured at amortised cost.

#### (vi) Borrowings

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently stated at amortised cost; any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is recognised in the Group's income statement over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

#### (vii) Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

### Derivative financial instruments

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value. The method of recognising the resulting gain or loss depends on whether the derivative is designated as a hedging instrument, and if so, the nature of the item being hedged. The Group designates certain derivatives as cash flow hedges as they are hedges of highly probable future cash flows attributable to a recognised liability.

The Group documents, at the inception of the transaction, the relationship between hedging instruments and hedged items, as well as its risk management objective and strategy for undertaking various hedge transactions. The Group also documents its assessment, both at hedge inception and on an on-going basis, of whether the derivatives that are used in hedging transactions are highly effective in offsetting changes in cash flows of hedged items.

The Group uses forward foreign exchange contracts or foreign exchange swaps to manage foreign currency risk for the purposes of cash flow hedging. It uses interest rate hedging instruments (swaps, caps and collars) as cash flow hedges to reduce the Group's exposure to fluctuations in interest rates. Interest rate differentials under these arrangements are recognised in the income statement in the period in which the differential arises. It also uses aluminium futures as cash flow hedges, to manage the risk of price volatility for a portion of its forecast aluminium purchases.

#### (i) Cash flow hedges

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges are recognised in other comprehensive income. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in the income statement.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

Amounts accumulated in other comprehensive income are recycled to the income statement in the periods when the hedged item will affect profit or loss. The gain or loss relating to the effective portion of interest rate swaps hedging variable rate borrowings is recognised in the income statement within finance expense.

When a hedging instrument expires or is sold, or when a hedge no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting, any cumulative gain or loss existing in other comprehensive income at that time remains in other comprehensive income and is recognised when the forecast transaction is ultimately recognised in the income statement. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss that was reported in other comprehensive income is immediately transferred to the income statement.

At points in time the Group may elect to de-designate a portion of the hedging instrument in a hedging relationship. Once a hedging relationship is de-designated, the portion of the hedge which was de-designated cannot be re-designated over its remaining life.

#### (ii) Fair value hedges

Derivative financial instruments are classified as fair value hedges when they hedge the Group's exposure to changes in the fair value of a recognised asset or liability. Changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as fair value hedges are recorded in the Group income statement, together with any changes in the fair value of the hedged item that is attributable to the hedged risk.

Derivative financial instruments qualifying for fair value hedge accounting are principally interest rate swaps and cross currency swaps.

#### (iii) Net investment hedges

Hedges of net investments in foreign operations are accounted for in a similar manner to cash flow hedges. Any gain or loss on the hedging instruments relating to the effective portion of the hedge is recognised in other comprehensive income. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in the Group income statement within finance income or expense respectively. Gains and losses accumulated in other comprehensive income are recycled to the Group income statement when the foreign operation is sold.

#### (iv) Trading derivatives

Certain derivative instruments do not qualify for hedge accounting. Such derivatives are classified as trading derivatives at fair value through profit or loss, and changes in the fair value of these derivative instruments are recognised in the income statement.

### Employee benefits

#### Employee benefit obligations

The Group has defined benefit, multi-employer defined benefit, defined contribution and other long term employee related plans.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### (i) Defined benefit pension plans

Typically, defined benefit plans define an amount of pension benefit that an employee will receive on retirement, usually dependent on one or more factors such as age, years of service and compensation.

The schemes are either funded through payments trustee-administered funds, determined by periodic actuarial calculations or, in the case of unfunded plans, the liabilities are carried in the statement of financial position and benefits are paid by the Group as they fall due.

The liability recognised in the statement of financial position in respect of defined benefit pension plans is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the reporting date less the fair value of plan assets. The defined benefit obligation is calculated annually by independent actuaries using the projected unit credit method. The present value of the defined benefit obligation is determined by discounting the estimated future cash outflows using interest rates of high-quality corporate bonds that are denominated in the currency in which the benefits will be paid, and that have terms to maturity approximating to the terms of the related pension liability.

Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are charged or credited to equity in other comprehensive income in the period in which they arise.

Past service costs are recognised immediately in income.

#### (ii) Multi-employer pension plans

Multi-employer craft or industry based pension schemes (“multi-employer schemes”) have arrangements similar to those of defined benefit schemes. In each case it is not possible to identify the Group’s share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the multi-employer schemes and therefore in accordance with IAS 19 (as revised), the Group has taken the exemption for multi-employer pension schemes to account for them as defined contribution schemes recognising the contributions payable in each period in the Consolidated Income Statement.

#### (iii) Other end of service employee benefits

In a number of countries, the Group pays lump sums to employees leaving service. These arrangements are accounted in the same manner as defined benefit pension plans.

#### (iv) Other long term employee benefits

The Group’s obligation in respect of other long term employee benefits plans represents the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for service in the current and prior periods and are included in the category of employee benefit obligations on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. These plans include jubilee plans and specific short term partial retirement plans in Germany under which eligible employees receive compensation for up to three years after ceasing employment. The obligation is computed on the basis of the projected unit credit method and is discounted to present value using a discount rate equating to the market yield at the reporting date on high quality corporate bonds of a currency and term consistent with the currency and estimated term of the obligations. Actuarial gains and losses are recognised in full in the Group’s income statement in the period in which they arise.

## **NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

### **2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)**

#### **(v) Defined contribution plans**

A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Group pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. The Group has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid. The contributions are recognised as employee benefit expense when they are due. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in the future payments is available.

#### **Provisions**

Provisions for redundancy and capacity realignment, environmental restoration, and legal claims are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and the amount can be reliably estimated. Provisions are not recognised for future operating losses.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation. The increase in the provision due to passage of time is recognised as interest expense.

#### **Emission rights and obligations**

Certain jurisdictions in which the Group operates regulate the emissions of carbon dioxide and other pollutants through the operation of a “cap and trade” type scheme, whereby a participating entity must deliver emission certificates to a third party, for example a regulator, to be able to emit pollutants legally. The government grants a certain number of emission certificates to an entity for use during a compliance period. Emission rights granted by governments and other similar bodies under cap and trade and other similar schemes are recognised at their nominal amount. Where additional allowances are purchased from third parties, the Group measures such credits at cost on initial recognition with no subsequent revaluation.

Liabilities arising in relation to emission obligations under such schemes are recognised only in circumstances where emission rights granted have been exceeded and the differential between actual and permitted emissions will have to be remedied through the purchase of the required additional rights at fair value. Liabilities arising from such shortfalls are measured at the current market value of the certificates necessary to meet the obligations and classified as provisions.

Where excess certificates are sold to third parties, the Group recognises the fair value of the consideration received in cost of sales in the income statement offset by the carrying value of the units derecognised. The Group has a policy of only selling certificates where the level of projected emissions over the relevant compliance period has been reliably estimated and the allowances available to offset such emissions is greater than those projected emissions.

#### **Share capital**

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares are shown in equity as a deduction from the proceeds, net of tax.



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### Revenue recognition

##### (i) Goods sold and services rendered

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised in the income statement when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, primarily on despatch of the goods. Revenue from services rendered is recognised in the income statement in proportion to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date. Allowances for customer rebates are provided for in the same period as the related revenues are recorded. Revenue is included net of cash discounts and value added tax. Pallet deposits are not recognised in revenue.

##### (ii) Construction contracts in Glass Engineering

The Group uses the 'percentage-of-completion method' to determine the appropriate amount to recognise in a given period. The stage of completion is measured by reference to the contract costs incurred up to the reporting date as a percentage of total estimated costs for each contract. Costs incurred in the year in connection with future activity on a contract are excluded from contract costs in determining the stage of completion. They are presented as inventories, pre-payments or other assets, depending on their nature.

The Group presents as an asset, the gross amount due from customers for contract work for all contracts in progress for which costs incurred plus recognised profits (less recognised losses) exceed progress billings. Progress billings not yet paid by customers and retention are included within 'trade and other receivables'.

The Group presents as a liability the gross amount due to customers for contract work for all contracts in progress for which progress billings exceed costs incurred plus recognised profits (less recognised losses).

##### (iii) Government grants

Government grants are recognised at their fair value when there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and the Group will comply with any related conditions. Grants that compensate the Group for expenses incurred are recognised in the Group income statement on a systematic basis in the same periods in which the related expenses are incurred and are offset against the related expenses. Grants that compensate the Group for the cost of an asset are recognised in the Group income statement in cost of sales on a systematic basis over the useful life of the asset.

##### (iv) Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

##### (v) Royalty income

Royalty income is recognised on an accruals basis in accordance with the substance of the relevant agreements.

## **NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

### **2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)**

#### **Exceptional items**

The Group's income statement, cash flow and segmental analysis separately identify results before specific items. Specific items are those that in our judgement need to be disclosed by virtue of their size, nature or incidence.

The Group believes that this presentation provides additional analysis as it highlights exceptional items. Such items include where significant, restructuring, redundancy and other costs relating to permanent capacity realignment or footprint reorganisation, directly attributable acquisition costs, profit or loss on disposal or termination of operations, start-up costs incurred in relation to new furnace or plant builds, major litigation costs and settlements, profit or loss on disposal of assets and impairment of non-current assets. In this regard the determination of 'significant' as included in our definition uses qualitative and quantitative factors. Judgement is used by the Group in assessing the particular items, which by virtue of their scale and nature, are disclosed in the Group income statement and related notes as exceptional items. We consider columnar presentation to be appropriate in our income statement as it improves the clarity of the presentation and is consistent with the way that financial performance is measured by management and presented to the Board and the CODM. Exceptional restructuring costs are classified as restructuring provisions and all other exceptional costs when outstanding at the balance sheet date are classified as exceptional items payable. Further, exceptional items that have no cash impact are shown separately from those that are ultimately to be settled in cash and the cash movement on exceptional items is shown in the relevant category within the cash generated from operations note disclosure.

#### **Termination benefits**

Termination benefits are recognised as an expense when the Group is demonstrably committed without realistic possibility of withdrawal to a formal detailed plan to terminate employment before normal retirement date or providing termination benefits as a result of an offer made to encourage voluntary redundancy. If the effect is material, benefits payable are recognised at their present value by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money.

#### **Finance expense**

Finance expense comprises interest expense on borrowings (including amortisation of deferred debt issuance costs), finance lease expenses, certain foreign currency translation related to financing, net interest cost on net pension plan liabilities, losses on extinguishment of borrowings, losses on derivative instruments that are not designated as hedging instruments and are recognised in profit or loss and other finance expense.

#### **Deferred debt issuance costs**

Costs related to the issuance of new debt are deferred and amortised within finance expense over the expected terms of the related debt agreements by using the effective interest rate method.

## **NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

### **2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)**

#### **Finance income**

Finance income comprises interest income on funds invested, gains on disposal of financial assets and gains on derivative instruments that are not designated as hedging instruments and are recognised in profit or loss.

#### **Income tax**

Income tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognised in the income statement except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulation is subject to interpretation. It establishes provisions where appropriate on the basis of amounts expected to be paid to the tax authorities.

Deferred income tax is recognised, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements. However, deferred tax liabilities are not recognised if they arise from the initial recognition of goodwill; deferred income tax is not accounted for if it arises from initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction other than business combination that at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss. Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date and are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised. Deferred income tax is provided on temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and associates, except for deferred income tax liability where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference is controlled by the Group and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred income tax assets and liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities where there is an intention to settle the balances on a net basis.

#### **Segment reporting**

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the Chief Operating Decision-Maker (“CODM”). The CODM, who is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments, has been identified as the Executive Committee of the Ardagh Group S.A. (“ASA”) board.

#### **Critical accounting estimates and assumptions**

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

circumstances. The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

#### i) Estimated impairment of goodwill and other long lived assets

In accordance with IAS 36 the Group tests whether goodwill and other long lived assets have suffered any impairment in accordance with the accounting policies stated. The determination of recoverable amounts requires the use of estimates as outlined in Note 3. The Group's judgements relating to the impairment of goodwill and other long lived assets are included in Notes 3 and 4.

#### ii) Income taxes

The Group is subject to income taxes in numerous jurisdictions. Significant judgement is required in determining the worldwide provision for income taxes. There are many transactions and calculations for which the ultimate tax determination is uncertain during the ordinary course of business. The Group recognises liabilities for anticipated tax audit issues based on estimates of whether additional taxes will be due. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the income tax and deferred tax provisions in the period in which such determination is made.

Where the actual final outcome (on the judgement areas) would differ by 10% from management's estimates, the Group would need to:

- increase the income tax liability by €4 million and the deferred tax liability by €nil, if unfavourable; or
- decrease the income tax liability by €4 million and the deferred tax liability by €nil, if favourable.

The Group recognises tax assets where there is a probable expectation that the assets will be recovered. The assessment of the recoverability of deferred tax assets involves significant judgement. The main deferred tax asset recognised by the Group relates to retirement benefit obligations. The Directors assess the recoverability of tax losses by reference to future profitability and group tax planning. These calculations require the use of estimates as outlined in Note 6.

#### iii) Measurement of employee benefit obligations

The Group follows guidance of IAS 19 (as revised) to determine the present value of its obligations to current and past employees in respect of defined benefit pension obligations, other long term employee benefits, and other end of service employee benefits which are subject to similar fluctuations in value in the long term. The Group uses professional actuaries to value such liabilities designed to ensure consistency in the quality of the key assumptions underlying the valuations. The critical assumptions and estimates applied are discussed in detail in Note 14.

#### iv) Establishing lives for depreciation and amortisation purposes of property, plant and equipment and intangibles

Long lived assets, consisting primarily of property, plant and equipment, customer intangibles and technology intangibles, comprise a significant portion of the total assets. The annual depreciation and

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

amortisation charges depend primarily on the estimated lives of each type of asset and, in certain circumstances, estimates of fair values and residual values. The directors regularly review these asset lives and change them as necessary to reflect current thinking on remaining lives in light of technological change, prospective economic utilisation and physical condition of the assets concerned. Changes in asset lives can have a significant impact on the depreciation and amortisation charges for the period. It is not practical to quantify the impact of changes in asset lives on an overall basis, as asset lives are individually determined and there are a significant number of asset lives in use. Details of the useful lives are included in the accounting policy. The impact of any change would vary significantly depending on the individual changes in assets and the classes of assets impacted.

#### v) Business combinations

Goodwill only arises in business combinations. The amount of goodwill initially recognised is dependent on the allocation of the purchase price to the fair value of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. The determination of the fair value of the assets and liabilities is based, to a considerable extent, on management's judgement.

Allocation of the purchase price affects the results of the Group as finite lived intangible assets are amortised, whereas indefinite lived intangible assets, including goodwill, are not amortised and could result in differing amortisation charges based on the allocation to indefinite lived and finite lived intangible assets.

Identifiable intangible assets acquired as part of a business combination must initially be recorded at fair value. Recent acquisitions have resulted in the recognition of significant non-contractual customer relationships and technology intangibles. These customer intangible assets have been valued using the income approach.

#### vi) Fair value of derivatives and other financial instruments

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market (for example, over-the-counter derivatives) is determined by using valuation techniques. The Group uses its judgement to select a variety of methods and make assumptions that are mainly based on market conditions existing at each reporting date. Please refer to Note 12.

### Critical judgements in applying the entity's accounting policies

#### Revenue recognition

The Group has recognised revenue amounting to €4,043 million for sales of goods and services during 2013. Customers have the right to rescind the sale if the goods are damaged. The Group believes that, based on past experience, the rate of customer returns is less than 1% of revenue and it is therefore appropriate to recognise all revenue net of returns. If the estimated returns differ by 1%, revenue will be reduced/increased by less than €0.3 million.

#### Impairment of long lived assets and goodwill

The Group has made certain judgements relating to the impairment of long lived assets including goodwill. Please refer to Notes 3 and 4.

#### Employee benefit obligations

The Group has made certain judgements relating to mortality. Please refer to Note 14.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 3. Goodwill and Intangible assets

	Goodwill €m	Software €m	Technology and Other €m	Customer Related €m	Total €m
<b>Cost</b>					
<b>At 1 January 2012</b> .....	358	23	66	193	640
Acquired (Note 23) .....	389	4	—	167	560
Additions .....	—	7	4	—	11
Disposals .....	—	—	—	—	—
Transfers .....	—	3	—	—	3
Exchange movement .....	(18)	—	—	(10)	(28)
<b>At 31 December 2012 (Restated)</b> .....	<u>729</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>1,186</u>
<b>Amortisation</b>					
<b>At 1 January 2012</b> .....	—	(16)	(7)	(27)	(50)
Charge for the year .....	—	(3)	(5)	(25)	(33)
Disposals .....	—	—	—	—	—
Transfers .....	—	—	—	—	—
Exchange movement .....	—	—	—	—	—
<b>At 31 December 2012</b> .....	<u>—</u>	<u>(19)</u>	<u>(12)</u>	<u>(52)</u>	<u>(83)</u>
<b>Net book value</b>					
<b>At 31 December 2012 (Restated)</b> .....	<u>729</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>298</u>	<u>1,103</u>
<b>Cost</b>					
<b>At 1 January 2013 (Restated)</b> .....	729	37	70	350	1,186
Additions .....	—	16	4	—	20
Disposals .....	—	(1)	—	—	(1)
Impairment (Note 18 and 19) .....	(11)	—	—	—	(11)
Exchange movement .....	(26)	—	—	(7)	(33)
<b>At 31 December 2013</b> .....	<u>692</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>343</u>	<u>1,161</u>
<b>Amortisation</b>					
<b>At 1 January 2013</b> .....	—	(19)	(12)	(52)	(83)
Charge for the year .....	—	(3)	(5)	(34)	(42)
Disposals .....	—	1	—	—	1
Exchange movement .....	—	—	—	—	—
<b>At 31 December 2013</b> .....	<u>—</u>	<u>(21)</u>	<u>(17)</u>	<u>(86)</u>	<u>(124)</u>
<b>Net book value</b>					
<b>At 31 December 2013</b> .....	<u>692</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>257</u>	<u>1,037</u>

The useful lives of intangible assets other than goodwill are finite and range from three to fifteen years.

Amortisation expense of €34 million (2012: €26 million) has been charged in cost of sales and €8 million (2012: €7 million) in sales, general and administration expenses.

Development costs of €9 million were included in other intangible assets at 31 December 2013 (2012: €4 million).

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 3. Goodwill and Intangible assets (Continued)

#### Goodwill

A segment-level summary of the goodwill allocation is presented below:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Glass packaging—Europe . . . . .	57	58
Glass packaging—North America . . . . .	343	359
Metal packaging—Europe . . . . .	271	290
Metal packaging—North America . . . . .	21	22
Total Goodwill . . . . .	<u>692</u>	<u>729</u>

#### Impairment tests for goodwill

The Group performs its impairment test of goodwill annually following approval of the annual budget.

#### Allocation of goodwill

Goodwill has been allocated to groups of cash-generating units (“CGUs”) for the purpose of impairment testing. The groupings represent the lowest level at which the related goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes. CGUs are grouped at a territory level (for example, Metal Packaging—Europe—North-West) and are not larger than the operating segments determined in accordance with IFRS 8 ‘Operating Segments’.

A total of five groups of CGUs have been identified for the Glass Packaging Europe operating segment in the current year (2012: five). All territories other than the North-West individually account for less than 20% of the carrying amount and are not regarded as individually significant. In the years ended 31 December 2012 and 2013, the Glass Packaging North America operating segment constituted a single CGU group for goodwill impairment testing.

A total of six groups of CGUs for the Metal Packaging Europe segment were identified (2012: six). Two groups of CGUs are included within Metal Packaging Other (2012: two) representing the Metal Packaging—North America and the Metal Packaging—Asia Pacific operating segments.

#### Recoverable amount and carrying amount

The recoverable amount of a group of CGUs is the higher of its fair value less cost to sell (“FVLCTS”) or its value in use (“VIU”). For the purposes of the goodwill impairment test recoverable amount is determined by VIU calculations as this reflects the Group’s intention to hold and operate the assets.

The VIU model uses the 2014 three year Long Range Plan (“LRP”) approved by the Board. Management determined budgeted cash flows based on past performance and its expectations for the market development. This plan was then extrapolated using projections based on a ten year period in order to appropriately model the use of assets and the long term alignment of capital expenditure and depreciation. In line with the LRP, the projections were built on a stable EBITDA assumption, on the basis that any increase in input cost will be passed through revenue to our customers, in line with our historic practice and contractual terms.



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 3. Goodwill and Intangible assets (Continued)

Within the model, the terminal value was based on the long term growth model which projects that the disposal value of an asset is at least equal to the cash flows generated from the asset during its life. An assumed growth rate in line with long term local inflation has been used beyond the detail forecast from the end of 2023 onwards.

Cash flows considered in the VIU model included the cash inflows and outflows related to the continuing use of the assets over their remaining useful lives as at 31 December 2013, expected earnings, required maintenance capital expenditure, depreciation, tax and working capital. The effects of future changes in the business, such as future acquisition and uncommitted restructuring have been excluded from the model. Potential further growth related to the benefit of cost efficiency from projects not yet initiated was not included. The model includes an apportionment of group costs allocated into the entities across the projection period based on EBITDA weighting and other allocations deemed appropriate based on the nature of the cost.

The VIU was determined based on post-tax cash flows using a post-tax discount rate. This was then converted into a pre-tax discount rate by considering pre-tax cash flows and the VIU being determined as described above. The discount rate was estimated with regard to the risks associated with the cash flows being considered (country, market, specific risks of the asset). The Capital Asset Pricing Model ("CAPM") methodology was used to estimate the discount rates of the assets.

Key assumptions include management's estimates of future profitability, replacement capital expenditure requirements, discount rates, customer retention/replacement and the ability to maintain margin through the pass-through of input cost inflation. The values applied to each of the key assumptions are derived from a combination of internal and external factors based on historical experience and take into account the stability of cash flows typically associated with these groups of CGUs.

#### Impairment of goodwill

Following the approval of the annual budget and performance of impairment testing, the Group determined that an impairment of the goodwill allocated to Metal Packaging—Europe—Aluminium Packaging has occurred, reflecting difficult trading conditions for this group of CGUs since acquisition by the Group. Accordingly, an impairment charge of €11 million has been recorded in the year ended 31 December 2013 representing the entire goodwill balance for this group of CGUs. In addition, impairment charges of €30 million have been recorded relating to certain property, plant and equipment in Metal Packaging—Europe—Aluminium Packaging. The growth rate and discount rate used to determine the recoverable amount of Metal Packaging—Europe—Aluminium Packaging were 2.0% and 10.1% respectively. Refer to Note 4 for additional information on this impairment.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 3. Goodwill and Intangible assets (Continued)

The additional disclosures required under IAS 36 'Impairment of Assets' in relation to significant goodwill amounts arising in the groups of CGUs are as follows:

	Glass Packaging		Metal Packaging			
	North America	Europe North West	Europe North West	Europe Central	Europe South West	North America
<b>2013 (€m)</b>						
Carrying amount of goodwill . . . . .	343	39	154	75	41	21
Excess of recoverable amount . . . . .	38	395	571	51	135	32
Model used for the determination of the recoverable amount . . . . .	VIU	VIU	VIU	VIU	VIU	VIU
Pre-tax discount rate applied . . . . .	12.4%	11.3%	11.3%	11.9%	13.2%	12.4%
Growth rate applied for terminal value . . . . .	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	1.6%	2.0%	2.0%
<b>2012 (€m)</b>						
Carrying amount of goodwill . . . . .	359	41	163	75	41	22
Excess of recoverable amount . . . . .	93	260	431	40	115	21
Model used for the determination of the recoverable amount . . . . .	FVLCTS	VIU	VIU	VIU	VIU	VIU
Pre-tax discount rate applied . . . . .	12.0%	11.5%	11.0%	10.9%	13.4%	13.3%
Growth rate applied for terminal value . . . . .	n/a	2.0%	2.0%	1.6%	2.0%	1.9%
EBITDA multiple applied . . . . .	6.5					

If the estimated growth rates applied for terminal values or discount rates were adjusted by +/- 25 basis points, there would be no goodwill impairment. If the estimated discount rate was 12.7% or the estimated growth rate applied for the terminal values was 1.6% for Glass Packaging—North America, this would result in a nil excess of recoverable amount for this group of CGUs.

# NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## 4. Property, plant and equipment

	Land and buildings	Plant and machinery	Moulds	Office equipment and vehicles	Total
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
<b>Cost</b>					
<b>At 1 January 2012</b> . . . . .	588	1,918	36	63	2,605
Acquired (Note 23) . . . . .	51	419	9	2	481
Additions . . . . .	3	182	17	3	205
Disposals . . . . .	(1)	(31)	(14)	(1)	(47)
Impairment (Note 19) . . . . .	(1)	(116)	—	—	(117)
Transfers . . . . .	5	(10)	5	(2)	(2)
Exchange movement . . . . .	3	2	—	1	6
<b>At 31 December 2012 (Restated)</b> . . . . .	<u>648</u>	<u>2,364</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>3,131</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>					
<b>At 1 January 2012</b> . . . . .	(99)	(596)	(15)	(27)	(737)
Charge for the year . . . . .	(18)	(152)	(23)	(9)	(202)
Disposals . . . . .	—	31	13	1	45
Transfers . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—
Exchange movement . . . . .	(2)	(14)	—	(1)	(17)
<b>At 31 December 2012 (Restated)</b> . . . . .	<u>(119)</u>	<u>(731)</u>	<u>(25)</u>	<u>(36)</u>	<u>(911)</u>
<b>Net book value</b>					
<b>At 31 December 2012 (Restated)</b> . . . . .	<u>529</u>	<u>1,633</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>2,220</u>
<b>Cost</b>					
<b>At 1 January 2013</b> . . . . .	648	2,364	53	66	3,131
Additions . . . . .	22	247	15	3	287
Disposals . . . . .	(3)	(58)	(17)	(9)	(87)
Impairment (Note 17 and 19) . . . . .	—	(113)	—	—	(113)
Transfers . . . . .	4	(16)	7	3	(2)
Exchange movement . . . . .	(9)	(54)	(1)	(1)	(65)
<b>At 31 December 2013</b> . . . . .	<u>662</u>	<u>2,370</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>3,151</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>					
<b>At 1 January 2013</b> . . . . .	(119)	(731)	(25)	(36)	(911)
Charge for the year . . . . .	(18)	(200)	(24)	(9)	(251)
Disposals . . . . .	1	56	17	6	80
Transfers . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—
Exchange movement . . . . .	2	14	1	1	18
<b>At 31 December 2013</b> . . . . .	<u>(134)</u>	<u>(861)</u>	<u>(31)</u>	<u>(38)</u>	<u>(1,064)</u>
<b>Net book value</b>					
<b>At 31 December 2013</b> . . . . .	<u>528</u>	<u>1,509</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>2,087</u>

Depreciation expense of €245 million (2012: €198 million) has been charged in cost of sales and €6 million (2012: €4 million) in sales, general and administration expenses.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 4. Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

Transfers primarily relate to the reclassification of construction in progress to the applicable classification within property, plant and equipment, and the reclassification of moulds between property, plant and equipment and inventories.

Construction in progress at 31 December 2013 was €94 million (2012: €93 million).

Included in property, plant and equipment is an amount for land of €144 million (2012: €140 million).

Included in the closing net book values for property, plant and equipment at 31 December 2013 was €nil (2012: €nil) for interest capitalised in the year.

Substantially all of the Group's property, plant and equipment are pledged as security under the terms and conditions of the Group's credit arrangements.

### Impairment

The Group has recognised total impairment charges of €113 million relating to property plant and equipment for the year ended 31 December 2013 (2012: €117 million) to adjust certain items of plant and equipment to their recoverable amount.

The impairments for the year ended 31 December 2013 include exceptional charges of €107 million in the Metal Packaging division (all in Metal Packaging Europe) (2012: €117 million; Metal Packaging Europe €111 million, Metal Packaging Other €6 million). These charges have been recorded in South East €62 million, Aluminium €30 million, and North East €15 million reflecting the difficult trading conditions in those areas. In 2012, the Metal Packaging Europe impairment charges were mainly recorded in South East (€59 million) and South West (€35 million).

The additional disclosures required by IAS36 are provided below:

	Growth rate	Pre-tax discount rate
South East . . . . .	2.4%	13.0%
Aluminium . . . . .	2.0%	10.1%
North East . . . . .	2.7%	12.4%

If the estimated growth rates applied for terminal values or discount rates were adjusted by a range of +/- 25 basis points the impact on the level of impairment recorded would not be material.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 4. Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

#### Finance leases

The depreciation charge for capitalised leased assets was €2 million (2012: €4 million) and the related finance charges amounted to €nil (2012: €1 million). The net carrying amount by class of assets at each reporting date is as follows:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Land and buildings . . . . .	8	8
Plant and machinery . . . . .	1	5
Office equipment and vehicles . . . . .	<u>—</u>	<u>1</u>
	<u>9</u>	<u>14</u>

#### Operating lease commitments

During the year the operating lease commitments relating to the following class of assets were recognised in the income statement:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Plant and machinery . . . . .	5	7
Land and buildings . . . . .	19	20
Office equipment and vehicles . . . . .	<u>9</u>	<u>9</u>
	<u>33</u>	<u>36</u>

At 31 December 2013 the Group had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases which expire:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Not later than one year . . . . .	25	23
Later than one year and not later than five years . . . . .	64	59
Later than five years . . . . .	<u>50</u>	<u>77</u>
	<u>139</u>	<u>159</u>

#### Capital commitments

The following capital commitments in relation to property, plant and equipment were authorised by management, but have not been provided for in the consolidated financial statements:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Contracted for . . . . .	136	34
Not contracted for . . . . .	<u>24</u>	<u>87</u>
	<u>160</u>	<u>121</u>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 5. Other financial assets

As at 31 December 2013, other financial assets of €8 million (2012: €11 million) includes €7 million (2012: €7 million) related to the Group's investments in joint ventures.

### 6. Deferred income tax

The analysis of deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities is as follows:

	<u>2013</u> €m	<u>2012</u> Restated €m
Total deferred tax assets		
Deferred tax asset to be recovered within 12 months . . . . .	21	39
Deferred tax asset to be recovered after more than 12 months . . . . .	<u>182</u>	<u>174</u>
Total deferred tax assets . . . . .	<u>203</u>	<u>213</u>
Total deferred tax liability		
Deferred tax liability to be charged within 12 months . . . . .	(18)	(20)
Deferred tax liability to be charged after more than 12 months . . . . .	<u>(383)</u>	<u>(435)</u>
Total deferred tax liability . . . . .	<u>(401)</u>	<u>(455)</u>
Net deferred tax . . . . .	<u>(198)</u>	<u>(242)</u>

The movement in deferred tax assets and liabilities during the year, without taking into consideration the offsetting of balances within the same tax jurisdiction, was as follows:

	<u>Assets</u> €m	<u>Liabilities</u> €m	<u>Total</u> €m
At 1 January 2012 . . . . .	127	(301)	(174)
Acquired (Note 23) . . . . .	60	(195)	(135)
Credited to the income statement . . . . .	11	31	42
Credited to other comprehensive income . . . . .	19	—	19
Reclassification . . . . .	(3)	3	—
Exchange movement . . . . .	<u>(1)</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>
At 31 December 2012 . . . . .	213	(455)	(242)
Credited to the income statement . . . . .	1	36	37
Charged to other comprehensive income . . . . .	—	—	—
Reclassification . . . . .	(7)	7	—
Exchange movement . . . . .	<u>(4)</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>7</u>
At 31 December 2013 . . . . .	203	(401)	(198)

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### 6. Deferred income tax (Continued)

The components of deferred income tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Assets		
Tax losses . . . . .	44	66
Employee benefit obligations . . . . .	75	75
Other . . . . .	84	72
Liabilities		
Accelerated depreciation and fair value adjustments . . . . .	(377)	(437)
Other . . . . .	(24)	(18)
	<u>(198)</u>	<u>(242)</u>

The tax credit relating to the income statement is as follows:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Tax losses . . . . .	(21)	(16)
Employee benefit obligations . . . . .	(5)	14
Other deferred tax assets . . . . .	27	14
Accelerated depreciation and fair value adjustments . . . . .	39	30
Other deferred tax liabilities . . . . .	(3)	—
	<u>37</u>	<u>42</u>

The tax charge relating to components of other comprehensive income is as presented on page F-7. The deferred income tax charged to other comprehensive income during the year was € nil (2012: €19 million credit).

Deferred tax assets are only recognised on tax loss carry-forwards to the extent that the realisation of the related tax benefit through future taxable profits is probable based on management's forecasts. The Group did not recognise deferred income tax assets of €111 million (2012: €90 million) in respect of tax losses amounting to €337 million (2012: €265 million) that can be carried forward against future taxable income due to uncertainty regarding their utilisation. The increase of €21 million in unrecognised deferred income tax assets primarily relates to tax losses realised in the current year not recognised, in addition to a reversal of tax losses previously recognised of €6 million (2012: €9 million).

No provision has been made for temporary differences applicable to investments in subsidiaries as the Group is in a position to control the timing of reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Given that exemptions and tax credits would be available in the context of the Group's investments in subsidiaries in the majority of jurisdictions in which it operates, the aggregate amount of temporary differences in respect of which deferred tax liabilities have not been recognised would be immaterial.

Relevant deferred tax balances have been re-measured due to changes in substantively enacted tax rates as at 31 December 2013 compared to 31 December 2012 in the UK (23% to 20%), Denmark (25% to 22%), Canada (25% to 27%) and Ukraine (19% to 16%).



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### 7. Inventories

	2013	2012
	€m	Restated €m
Raw materials and consumables . . . . .	192	184
Mould parts . . . . .	42	25
Work in progress . . . . .	75	77
Finished goods . . . . .	371	408
	<u>680</u>	<u>694</u>

	2013	2012
	€m	€m
The amount of any write down of inventories recognised as an expense in the period . . . .	14	17
The amount of any reversal of any write down recognised in the income statement in the period . . . . .	8	9
The carrying amount of inventories pledged as security for liabilities . . . . .	—	—

The reversal of inventory write downs related to materials that could be consumed in other plants in the Group, materials that could be sold as a result of sorting and materials that could be sold as scrap.

### 8. Trade and other receivables

	2013	2012
	€m	€m
Trade receivables . . . . .	604	626
Less: provision for impairment of trade receivables . . . . .	(13)	(7)
Trade receivables—net . . . . .	591	619
Other receivables and prepayments . . . . .	66	68
	<u>657</u>	<u>687</u>

The fair values of trade and other receivables approximate the amounts shown above.

As of 31 December 2013, trade receivables of €591 million (2012: €619 million) were considered fully collectible.

The Group has recognised a provision of €13 million (2012: €7 million) for the impairment of its trade receivables at the year ended 31 December 2013. The creation and usage of provision for impaired receivables has been included in ‘sales, general and administration expenses’ in the income statement.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 8. Trade and other receivables (Continued)

The ageing of balances provided is as follows:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Up to three months past due . . . . .	1	—
Three to six months past due . . . . .	—	1
Over six months past due . . . . .	12	6
	<u>13</u>	<u>7</u>

Movements on the provision for impairment of trade receivables are as follows:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
At 1 January . . . . .	7	2
Provision for receivables impairment . . . . .	9	8
Receivables written off during the year as uncollectible . . . . .	—	(2)
Unused amounts reversed . . . . .	(3)	(1)
Exchange movement . . . . .	—	—
At 31 December . . . . .	<u>13</u>	<u>7</u>

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the carrying value of each class of receivable mentioned above.

#### Provisions against specific balances

Significant balances are assessed for evidence that the customer is in significant financial difficulty. Examples of facts to consider are high probability of bankruptcy, breaches of contract or major concession being sought by the customer. Instances of significant single customer related bad debts are very rare and there is no significant concentration of risk associated with particular customers.

#### Providing against the remaining population of customers

Historic data is monitored and applied as the primary source of evidence to assess the level of losses incurred, although impairments cannot yet be identified with individual receivables. Adverse changes in the payment status of customers in the Group, or national or local economic conditions that correlate with defaults on receivables in the Group, may also provide a basis for increase of the level of provision above historic losses. However, the fact that payments are made late by customers does not automatically provide evidence that a provision should be recognised.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 8. Trade and other receivables (Continued)

As of 31 December 2013, trade receivables of €76 million (2012: €77 million) were past due but not impaired. These relate to a number of independent customers for whom there is no recent history of default. The ageing analysis of these trade receivables is as follows:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Up to three months past due . . . . .	50	54
Three to six months past due . . . . .	6	11
Over six months past due . . . . .	<u>20</u>	<u>12</u>
	<u>76</u>	<u>77</u>

### 9. Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Cash at bank and in hand . . . . .	193	213
Short term bank deposits . . . . .	<u>92</u>	<u>10</u>
	<u>285</u>	<u>223</u>

As at 31 December 2013 the effective interest rate on short-term bank deposits was 0.05% (2012: 0.7%); these deposits have an average maturity of 2.6 days (2012: 1.6 days).

In addition to cash and cash equivalents, the Group had €1,072 million (2012: €9 million) of restricted cash at 31 December 2013.

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Restricted cash . . . . .	9	9
Restricted cash held in escrow . . . . .	<u>1,063</u>	<u>—</u>
<b>Total restricted cash</b> . . . . .	<u>1,072</u>	<u>9</u>

The €1,063 million held in escrow at 31 December 2013 were the proceeds from the bonds issued in January 2013 to finance the acquisition of VNA, namely the \$420.0 million 4.875% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022, the €250.0 million 5.000% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022 and \$700.0 million of the 7.000% Senior Notes due 2020. These bonds were repaid, in accordance with their terms, on 17 January 2014 using the proceeds that had been held in escrow. Please refer to Note 12 for additional information on these notes.

The non-escrow restricted cash balance of €9 million at 31 December 2013 primarily relates to bank guarantees in the United States and early retirement plans in Germany.

For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 2013 includes the non-escrow restricted cash of €9 million (2012: €9 million).

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### 10. Called up share capital

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Authorised		
1,000,000 ordinary shares of €1 each . . . . .	1	1
Issued		
2 ordinary shares of €1 each . . . . .	—	—

### 11. Financial Risk Factors

#### Capital Structure and Risk

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and provide returns to the Group's stakeholders. The Group funds its operations primarily from the following sources of capital: operating cash flow, borrowings and shareholders' equity. The Group aims to achieve a capital structure that results in an appropriate cost of capital to accommodate material investments or acquisitions, while providing flexibility in short and medium-term funding. The Group also aims to maintain a strong balance sheet and to provide continuity of financing by having a range of maturities and borrowing from a variety of sources. The Group's overall treasury objectives are to ensure sufficient funds are available for the Group to carry out its strategy and to manage certain financial risks to which the Group is exposed, details of which are provided below.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of Ardagh Group S.A. has been identified as the Chief Operating Decision Maker ("CODM") for the Group. The financial risk management activities of the Group are subject to controls imposed by the CODM. The overall objective of the CODM in the management of the various treasury related risks faced by the Group in the normal course of business is to protect the underlying value of the business from changes in the value of underlying markets. Financial risks are managed, on an on-going basis, by the CODM on the advice of group treasury and senior management. The Group does not permit the use of treasury instruments for speculative purposes, under any circumstances.

The Group regularly reviews the level of cash and debt facilities required to fund its activities, plans for repayments/refinancing of debt, and identifies an appropriate amount of headroom to provide a reserve against unexpected funding requirements.

One of the Group's key metrics is the ratio of consolidated net borrowings as a multiple of EBITDA. EBITDA is operating profit before depreciation, amortisation, impairment of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets, and exceptional items. The CODM sets minimum ratio levels. The Group does not have any externally imposed capital requirements. At 31 December 2013, the ratio for the group was 5.8 times (2012: 5.9 times). In the prior year, this number does not include the full reporting period earnings of acquired entities and thus a pro forma ratio of 5.2 at 31 December 2012 includes full year earnings of the acquired entities, Anchor, Leone and Boxal (Note 23).

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: interest rate risk, currency exchange risk, commodity price risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and capital risk.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 11. Financial Risk Factors (Continued)

#### Interest Rate Risk

The CODM's policy, in the management of interest rate risk, is to strike the right balance between the Group's fixed and floating rate financial instruments. The balance struck by the CODM is dependent on prevailing interest rate markets at any point in time.

The Group's interest rate risk arises from long term borrowings. Borrowings issued at variable rates expose the Group to variability in cash flows. During 2013 and 2012, the Group's borrowings at variable rate were denominated in Euro, Sterling, New Zealand dollar, the Australian dollar and the US dollar.

The Group manages its variability in cash flows by using floating-to-fixed interest rate swaps, when deemed appropriate. Such interest rate swaps have the economic effect of converting borrowings from floating rates to fixed rates. When the Group raises long term borrowings at floating rates it may swap them into fixed rates that are lower than those available if the Group borrowed at fixed rates directly. Under the interest rate swaps, the Group agrees with other parties to exchange, at specified intervals, the difference between fixed contract rates and floating-rate interest amounts calculated by reference to the agreed notional principal amounts.

At 31 December 2013, the Group's borrowings were 90.3% (2012: 97.7%) fixed with a weighted average interest rate of 7.2% (2012: 8.1%).

Holding all other variables constant, including levels of indebtedness, at 31 December 2013 a one percentage point increase in variable interest rates would have no estimated material impact on pre-tax interest expense.

#### Currency Exchange Risk

The Group operates in twenty four countries, across five continents. The international spread exposes the Group to foreign exchange risk arising from various currency exposures, primarily with respect to the U.S. dollar, British Pounds, Australian and New Zealand dollars, and the Japanese yen. Foreign exchange risk arises from future commercial transactions, recognised assets and liabilities, and net investments in foreign operations. Part of the transactional exposure is hedged via forward contracts to mitigate the effect on the Group's trading results.

The Group has certain investments in foreign operations, whose net assets are exposed to foreign currency translation risk. Currency exposure arising from the net assets of the Group's foreign operations is managed primarily through borrowings denominated in the relevant foreign currencies.

Fluctuations in the value of these currencies with respect to the Euro may have a significant impact on Ardagh's financial condition and results of operations as reported in Euro. The Group believes that a strengthening of the Euro exchange rate by 1% against all other foreign currencies from the 31 December 2013 rate would increase shareholders' equity by approximately €10 million (2012: €10 million).

#### Commodity Price Risk

The Group is exposed to changes in prices of its main raw materials, primarily energy, steel and aluminium. Production costs in the Glass Packaging division are sensitive to the price of energy. The Group's main energy exposure is to the cost of gas and electricity. These energy costs have experienced significant volatility in recent years with a corresponding effect on Group production costs. In terms of

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 11. Financial Risk Factors (Continued)

gas, which represents 70% of our energy costs, there is a continuous de-coupling between cost of gas and oil, whereby now only significant changes in the price of oil have an impact on the price of gas. The volatility in gas pricing is driven by shale gas development (US only), lack of LNG in Europe as it is diverted to Asia and storage levels. Volatility in the price of electricity is caused by the German Renewable Energy policy, phasing out of nuclear generating capacity, fluctuations in the price of gas and the influence of carbon dioxide costs on electricity prices. As a result of the volatility of gas and electricity prices the Group has either included energy pass through clauses in sales contracts or developed an active hedging strategy to fix a significant proportion of its energy costs through contractual arrangements directly with its suppliers, where there is no energy clause in the sales contract.

Group policy is to purchase natural gas and electricity by entering into forward price fixing arrangements with suppliers for the bulk of its anticipated requirements for the year ahead. Such contracts are used exclusively to obtain delivery of our anticipated energy supplies. We do not net settle, nor do we sell within a short period of time after taking delivery. As a result these contracts are treated as executory contracts under IAS 39. The Group typically builds up these contractual positions in tranches of approximately 10% of the anticipated volumes. Any natural gas and electricity which is not purchased under forward price fixing arrangements is purchased under index tracking contracts or at spot prices. We have 81% of our energy risk for 2014 covered and 55% for 2015.

#### Credit Risk

Credit risk is managed on a Group basis. Credit risk arises from cash and cash equivalents and deposits with banks and financial institutions, as well as credit exposures to the Group's customers, including outstanding receivables. Group policy is to place excess liquidity on deposit, only with recognised and reputable financial institutions. For banks and financial institutions, only independently rated parties with a minimum rating of 'A' are accepted, where possible. The credit ratings of banks and financial institutions are monitored to ensure compliance with Group policy.

Group policy is to extend credit to customers of good credit standing. Credit risk is managed, on an on-going basis by dedicated people within the Group. The Group's policy for the management of credit risk in relation to trade receivables involves periodically assessing the financial reliability of customers, taking into account their financial position, past experience and other factors. Provisions are made, where deemed necessary, and the utilisation of credit limits is regularly monitored.

Management does not expect any significant counterparty to fail to meet its obligations. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each asset.

For the year ended 31 December 2013, the Group's ten largest customers accounted for approximately 27% of total revenues (2012: 26%). There is no recent history of default with these customers.

#### Liquidity Risk

The Group is exposed to liquidity risk which arises primarily from the maturing of short-term and long term debt obligations and derivative transactions. The Group's policy is to ensure that sufficient resources are available either from cash balances, cash flows or undrawn committed bank facilities, to ensure all obligations can be met as they fall due.

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### 11. Financial Risk Factors (Continued)

To achieve this objective, the Group:

- has committed borrowing facilities that it can access to meet liquidity needs;
- maintains cash balances and liquid investments with highly-rated counterparties;
- limits the maturity of cash balances;
- borrows the bulk of its debt needs under long term fixed rate debt securities; and
- has internal control processes and contingency plans for managing liquidity risk.

Cash flow forecasting is performed in the operating entities of the Group and is aggregated by Group treasury. Group treasury monitors rolling forecasts of the Group's liquidity requirements to ensure it has sufficient cash to meet operational needs while maintaining sufficient headroom on its undrawn committed borrowing facilities at all times so that the Group does not breach borrowing limits or covenants on any of its borrowing facilities. Such forecasting takes into consideration the Group's debt financing plans, covenant compliance and compliance with internal balance sheet ratio targets.

Surplus cash held by the operating entities over and above the balance required for working capital management is transferred to Group treasury. Group treasury invests surplus cash in interest bearing current accounts and time deposits with appropriate maturities to provide sufficient head-room as determined by the above-mentioned forecasts. At the reporting date, the Group had placed €92 million (2012: €10 million) on deposit.



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 12. Financial assets and liabilities

At 31 December 2013, the Group's rolling liquidity reserve (which comprises cash and undrawn committed facilities and which represents the amount of available liquidity in the Group's funding structure) was as follows:

Facility	Currency	Maximum amount drawable	Final maturity date	Facility type	Amount drawn as at 31 December 2013		Undrawn Amount
		Local currency (millions)			Local currency (millions)	€ (millions)	€ (millions)
7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017 . . . . .	EUR	1,085	15-Oct-17	Bullet	1,091	1,091	—
7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017 . . . . .	USD	860	15-Oct-17	Bullet	871	631	—
5.000% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022* . . . . .	EUR	250	15-Nov-22	Bullet	250	250	—
4.875% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022* . . . . .	USD	420	15-Nov-22	Bullet	420	305	—
7.125% Senior Notes due 2017 . . . . .	EUR	310	15-Jun-17	Bullet	310	310	—
8¾% Senior Notes due 2020 . . . . .	EUR	180	01-Feb-20	Bullet	180	180	—
9.250% Senior Notes due 2020 . . . . .	EUR	475	15-Oct-20	Bullet	483	483	—
9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 . . . . .	USD	920	15-Oct-20	Bullet	920	667	—
7.000% Senior Notes due 2020* . . . . .	USD	850	15-Nov-20	Bullet	850	617	—
USD Term Loan B Facility due 2019 . . .	USD	500	17-Dec-19	Amortising	498	361	—
EUR Term Loan B Facility due 2019 . . .	EUR	130	17-Dec-19	Amortising	129	129	—
GE Commercial Finance Facility . . . . .	GBP	35	30-Jun-14	Revolving	—	—	42
HSBC Securitisation Programme . . . . .	EUR	144	30-Jun-15	Revolving	—	—	144
Bank of America Facility . . . . .	USD	82	15-Feb-17	Revolving	—	—	59
US Equipment Financing Facility . . . . .	USD	11	01-Sep-17	Amortising	11	8	—
US Real Estate Financing Facility . . . . .	USD	6	01-Sep-21	Amortising	6	5	—
Unicredit Working Capital and Performance Guarantee Credit Lines . .	EUR	1	Rolling	Revolving	—	—	1
Finance Lease Obligations . . . . .	GBP/EUR/ PLN/SEK			Amortising Amortising/ Revolving	7	7	—
Other borrowings . . . . .	EUR	4			4	4	—
Total borrowings drawn / Undrawn facilities . . . . .						5,048	246
Special Mandatory Redemption Premium* . . . . .						11	—
Deferred debt issue costs . . . . .						(73)	—
Borrowings less deferred debt issue costs .						4,986	246
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash						(294)	294
<b>Net borrowings / Available liquidity before restricted cash held in escrow . .</b>						<b>4,692</b>	<b>540</b>
Restricted cash held in escrow . . . . .						(1,063)	
<b>Net borrowings . . . . .</b>						<b>3,629</b>	

\* The €250.0 million 5.000% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022, the \$420.0 million 4.875% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022, and \$700.0 million of the 7.000% Senior Notes due 2020 were repaid, in accordance with their terms, on 17 January 2014. As at 31 December 2013, a Special Mandatory Redemption Premium of €11 million has been recorded in relation to these notes. Refer to Note 19 for additional information.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

As at 31 December 2013, the Group had undrawn credit lines of up to €246 million at its disposal together with cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash (excluding restricted cash held in escrow) of €294 million giving rise to available liquidity of €540 million.

Certain of the Group's borrowing agreements contain certain covenants that restrict the Group's flexibility in certain areas such as incurrence of additional indebtedness (the primary ones being maximum borrowings to EBITDA and a minimum EBITDA to net interest), payment of dividends and incurrence of liens. The main facility where financial maintenance covenants were in place was the BOSI facility which was repaid on 22 February 2013.

The maturity analysis of the Group's borrowings is as follows:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Within one year or on demand . . . . .	1,075	78
Between one and two years . . . . .	3	4
Between two and five years . . . . .	2,014	2,332
Greater than five years . . . . .	1,894	1,329
	<u>4,986</u>	<u>3,743</u>

The table below analyses the Group's financial liabilities (including interest payable) into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the reporting date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contracted undiscounted cash flows. Balances due within twelve months equal their carrying balances as the impact of discounting is not significant.

<u>At 31 December 2013</u>	<u>Borrowings</u>	<u>Derivative financial instrument</u>	<u>Trade and other payables</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Within one year or on demand . . . . .	1,379	11	660
Between one and two years . . . . .	306	1	—
Between two and five years . . . . .	2,753	—	—
Greater than five years . . . . .	2,154	—	—

<u>At 31 December 2012</u>	<u>Borrowings</u>	<u>Derivative financial instrument</u>	<u>Trade and other payables</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Within one year or on demand . . . . .	382	4	694
Between one and two years . . . . .	308	—	—
Between two and five years . . . . .	3,229	—	—
Greater than five years . . . . .	1,717	—	—

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

The carrying amount and fair value of the Group's borrowings are as follows:

	Carrying Value				Fair Value
	Amount drawn	Special Mandatory Redemption Premium	Deferred debt issue costs	Total	
At 31 December 2013	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
Senior Secured and Senior Notes . . . . .	4,534	11	(65)	4,480	4,761
Term Loans . . . . .	490	—	(6)	484	495
Bank loans, overdrafts and revolving credit facilities . . . . .	17	—	(2)	15	17
Finance leases . . . . .	7	—	—	7	7
	<u>5,048</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>(73)</u>	<u>4,986</u>	<u>5,280</u>

	Carrying Value				Fair Value
	Amount drawn	Deferred debt issue costs	Total		
At 31 December 2012	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
Senior Secured and Senior Notes . . . . .	3,728	(88)	3,640		4,007
Bank loans, overdrafts and revolving credit facilities . . . . .	95	—	95		95
Finance leases . . . . .	8	—	8		8
	<u>3,831</u>	<u>(88)</u>	<u>3,743</u>		<u>4,110</u>

Fair values are calculated on borrowings as follows:

- (i) Senior Secured and Senior Notes—The fair value for debt securities in issue is calculated based on quoted market prices.
- (ii) Term Loans—The fair value of our term loans are based on quoted market prices; however, these quoted market prices represent Level 2 inputs because the markets in which the term loans trade were not active.
- (iii) Bank loans, overdrafts and revolving credit facilities—The estimated value of fixed interest bearing deposits is based on discounted cash flows using prevailing money-market interest rates for debts with similar credit risk and remaining maturity.
- (iv) Invoice discounting facilities and finance leases—The carrying amount of invoice discounting facilities and finance leases is a reasonable approximation of fair value.

The following is a summary of our principal financing arrangements. The following summaries do not purport to describe all of the applicable terms and conditions of such arrangements and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the actual agreements.

#### 7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017 (EUR and USD)

In October 2010, Ardagh Packaging Finance plc (“APF”) issued €825 million 7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017 and \$350 million 7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017 (the “2010 Senior Secured Notes”).

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

The 2010 Senior Secured Notes are governed by an indenture among APF, as issuer, Citibank N.A., London Branch, as trustee for the holders, APHL, as parent guarantor, and certain of the wholly owned subsidiaries of APHL.

In January 2012, APF, issued \$160 million 7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017 (the “January 2012 Senior Secured Notes”).

In July 2012, APF, jointly and severally with Ardagh Holdings USA Inc (“AHU”), issued, €260 million 7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017 and \$350 million 7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017 (the “July 2012 Senior Secured Notes”). The July 2012 Senior Secured Notes constitute a single class of notes with the 2010 Senior Secured Notes and January 2012 Senior Secured Notes.

The 2010 Senior Secured Notes, the January 2012 Senior Secured Notes and the July 2012 Senior Secured Notes are APF’s senior obligations and will rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of APF that is not subordinated in right of payment to the 2010 Senior Secured Notes. The 2010 Senior Secured Notes, the January 2012 Senior Secured Notes and the July 2012 Senior Secured Notes are guaranteed on a senior basis by APHL and on a senior secured basis by certain of the wholly owned subsidiaries of APHL. The guarantee of the 2010 Senior Secured Notes, the January 2012 Senior Secured Notes and the July 2012 Senior Secured Notes will rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of such guarantor that is not subordinated in right of payment to such secured guarantee, will be senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of such guarantor that is subordinated in right of payment to such secured guarantee, and will be effectively senior to such guarantor’s existing and future unsecured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such secured guarantee and structurally subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness of any such guarantor’s subsidiaries that do not guarantee 2010 Senior Secured Notes, the January 2012 Senior Secured Notes and the July 2012 Senior Secured Notes.

5.000% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022, 4.875% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022 and 7.000% Senior Notes due 2020

In January 2013, The Group raised \$1,270 million, through the issue of \$420 million 4.875% First Priority Senior Secured Notes, due 2022, and \$850 million 7.000% Senior Notes, due 2020, as well as €250 million through the issue of Euro denominated 5.000% First Priority Senior Secured Notes, due 2022. The proceeds from the issue and sale of the Notes were raised to pay the cash consideration for the acquisition of the entire issued share capital of VNA, and for general corporate purposes, including repayment of existing debt. The proceeds that were to be used to purchase the entire issued share capital of VNA were to remain in escrow until completion of the acquisition.

On 17 January 2014, the notes issued to finance the acquisition of VNA (the proceeds of which were held in escrow), namely the \$420 million 4.875% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022, the €250 million 5.000% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022, and \$700 million of the 7.000% Senior Notes due 2020 were repaid, in accordance with their terms. As at 31 December 2013, a Special Mandatory Redemption Premium of €11 million has been recorded in relation to these notes. Refer to Note 19 for additional information.

The \$150 million of the 7.000% Senior Notes, due 2020, raised for general corporate purposes remain in issue. These notes were issued by APF and AHU and guaranteed by APHL on a senior subordinated basis by certain of its wholly owned subsidiaries.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

#### 7.125% Senior Notes due 2017

In June 2007, Ardagh Glass Finance plc (“AGF”), issued €310 million 7.125% Senior Notes due 2017 (the “2007 Senior Notes”). The 2007 Senior Notes are governed by an indenture entered into by AGF as issuer, The Bank of New York Mellon, as trustee for the holders, APHL, as parent guarantor, and certain of the parent guarantor’s wholly owned subsidiaries, as subsidiary guarantors.

The 2007 Notes are general unsecured obligations of AGF and rank senior in right of payment to all unsecured debt of AGF that is subordinated in right of payment to the 2007 Senior Notes; rank equally in right of payment to all unsecured debt of AGF that is not subordinated in right of payment to the 2007 Senior Notes; and are effectively subordinated to all secured debt of the issuer, to the extent of the assets securing such debt. The 2007 Senior Notes are guaranteed on a senior basis by APHL and on a senior subordinated basis by certain wholly owned subsidiaries of APHL. The guarantee by each such subsidiary is subordinated in right of payment to any existing or future senior indebtedness of such subsidiary, including its obligations under the existing secured notes.

#### 8¾% Senior Notes due 2020

In January 2010, AGF, issued €180 million 8¾% Senior Notes due 2020 (the “January 2010 Senior Notes”). The January 2010 Senior Notes are governed by an indenture entered into by AGF, as issuer, The Bank of New York Mellon, as trustee for the holders, APHL, as parent guarantor, and certain of the parent guarantor’s wholly owned subsidiaries, as subsidiary guarantors.

The January 2010 Senior Notes are general unsecured obligations of AGF and rank senior in right of payment to all unsecured debt of AGF that is subordinated in right of payment to the January 2010 Senior Notes; rank equally in right of payment to all unsecured debt of AGF that is not subordinated in right of payment to the January 2010 Senior Notes; and are subordinated in right of payment to all secured debt of AGF, to the extent of the assets securing such debt. The January 2010 Senior Notes are guaranteed on a senior basis by APHL and on a senior subordinated basis by certain wholly owned subsidiaries of APHL. The guarantee by each such subsidiary is subordinated in right of payment to any existing or future senior indebtedness of such subsidiary, including its obligations under the existing secured notes.

#### 9.250% Senior Notes due 2020 and 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020

In October 2010, APF issued €275 million 9.250% Senior Notes due 2020 and \$450 million 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 (the “October 2010 Senior Notes”). The October 2010 Senior Notes are governed by an indenture among APF, as issuer, Citibank N.A., London Branch, as trustee for the holders, APHL, as parent guarantor, and certain of the wholly owned subsidiaries of APHL.

In February 2011, APF issued €200 million 9.250% Senior Notes due 2020 (the “February 2011 Senior Notes”). The February 2011 Senior Notes constitute a single class of notes with the €275 million 9.250% Senior Notes issued in October 2010.

In January 2012, APF, jointly and severally with AHU, issued \$260 million 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 (the “January 2012 Senior Notes”).

In July 2012, APF, jointly and severally with AHU, issued \$210 million 9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 (the “July 2012 Senior Notes”). The July 2012 Senior Notes constitute a single class of notes with the \$450 million 9.125% Senior Notes issued in October 2010.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

The 2010 Senior Secured Notes, January 2012 Senior Secured Notes and the July 2012 Senior Secured Notes are APF's senior obligations and will rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of APF that is not subordinated in right of payment to the October 2010 Senior Notes, February 2011 Senior Notes, January 2012 Senior Notes and the July 2012 Senior Notes, and will be senior in right of payment to all existing and future indebtedness of APF that is subordinated in right of payment to 2010 Senior Secured Notes, January 2012 Senior Secured Notes and the July 2012 Senior Secured Notes. The October 2010 Senior Notes, February 2011 Senior Notes, January 2012 Senior Notes and the July 2012 Senior Notes are guaranteed on a senior basis by APHL and on a senior subordinated basis by certain of the subsidiaries of APHL. The guarantee of the October 2010 Senior Notes, February 2011 Senior Notes, January 2012 Senior Notes and the July 2012 Senior Notes by APHL will rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of APHL that is not subordinated in right of payment to such guarantee and will be senior in right of payment to any and all of the existing and future indebtedness of APHL that is subordinated in right of payment to such guarantee. Each guarantee by a subsidiary guarantor in connection with October 2010 Senior Notes, February 2011 Senior Notes, January 2012 Senior Notes and the July 2012 Senior Notes will rank junior in right of payment with all existing and future indebtedness of such subsidiary guarantor that is senior indebtedness, and will rank equally with all existing and future indebtedness of such subsidiary guarantor that is not subordinated in right of payment to its subsidiary guarantee. The October 2010 Senior Notes, February 2011 Senior Notes, January 2012 Senior Notes and the July 2012 Senior Notes and the guarantees thereof will also be effectively subordinated to all of APF's and APHL's existing and future secured debt to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt and to all existing and future debt of all APHL's subsidiaries that do not guarantee October 2010 Senior Notes, February 2011 Senior Notes, January 2012 Senior Notes and the July 2012 Senior Notes.

#### Term Loan Facilities

On 17 December 2013, Ardagh Holdings USA and Ardagh Packaging Finance S.A., borrowed (a) US dollar term loans in an initial aggregate principal amount of \$500 million and (b) Euro term loans in an initial aggregate amount of €130 million under a Senior Secured Term Loan B Facility.

The term loan facilities are governed by a credit agreement, between Ardagh Holdings USA, as U.S. borrower, Ardagh Packaging Finance S.A., as co-borrower, APHL, as parent guarantor, certain subsidiary guarantors, certain lenders, from time to time party thereto, Citibank, N.A., as administrative agent, and Citibank N.A., London Branch, as security agent.

As of 17 December 2013, certain subsidiaries have provided guarantees of the term loan facilities. The remaining subsidiaries of Ardagh that are guarantors of the existing notes are required to provide guarantees no later than 14 March 2014 and VNA is required to provide guarantees no later than the 30th day following the closing of the VNA acquisition.

The term loan facilities will mature on 17 December 2019 and will amortise in equal quarterly instalments of 0.25%, with the balance due at maturity.

Annual interest on borrowings under the term loan facilities accrue (i) in the case of the dollar term loans, at the option of the borrowers, (x) adjusted LIBOR (subject to a floor of 1.00%) plus 3.25% or (y) the alternate base rate (subject to a floor of 2.00%) plus 2.25% and (ii) in the case of the Euro term loans, adjusted LIBOR (subject to a floor of 1.00%) plus 3.25%.

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### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

The term loan facilities are subject to customary affirmative covenants, incurrence-based negative covenants that are substantially similar to the indentures governing our existing secured notes and no financial maintenance covenants.

#### Securitisation Programme

On 1 March, 2012, APHL entered into a trade receivables securitisation programme for an amount of up to €150 million with an issuer of asset-backed commercial paper that is sponsored by HSBC Bank plc. Under the securitisation programme, all trade receivables originated by certain operating subsidiaries of APHL who have acceded to the securitisation programme are sold by the sellers to a special purpose vehicle, Ardagh Receivables Finance Ltd (ARFL), which is a wholly owned subsidiary of APHL.

ARFL has granted security under the securitisation programme over all of its receivables and collection accounts. The securitisation programme contains customary terms and conditions applicable to trade receivables securitisation facilities of this nature. The securitisation programme contains incurrence-type covenants that are substantially similar to the covenants contained in our existing Indentures.

The securitisation programme is intended to be used as the primary committed revolving credit facility for the Group and over time the intention is to increase the size of the facility as additional sellers are added.

#### Bank of America Facility

Upon acquisition, Anchor had in place a revolving credit facility with Bank of America N.A. which was modified and taken over by Ardagh Glass Inc. On 15 February 2013, this facility was replaced by a \$100 million amended and restated loan and security agreement. The new facility which matures on 15 February 2017 also includes a \$40 million letter of credit sub limit and is secured by a first priority lien over inventory and accounts receivable for Ardagh Glass Inc. The new facility was put in place to support the working capital needs of the Ardagh Glass Inc. While the new facility contains affirmative and negative covenants and restrictions on transactions it is much more in tune with the needs of the business, provides a greater degree of flexibility and does not contain any financial maintenance covenants.



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### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

The effective interest rates of borrowings at the reporting date are as follows:

	2013			2012		
	AUD	USD	EUR	AUD	USD	EUR
9.25% First Priority Senior Notes due 2016 . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	10.97%
7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017 . . .	—	—	7.94%	—	—	7.97%
7.375% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2017 . . .	—	7.79%	—	—	7.81%	—
5.000% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022 . . .	—	—	5.53%	—	—	—
4.875% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022 . . .	—	5.35%	—	—	—	—
7.125% Senior Notes due 2017 . . . . .	—	—	8.10%	—	—	8.10%
8¾% Senior Notes due 2020 . . . . .	—	—	9.46%	—	—	9.46%
9.250% Senior Notes due 2020 . . . . .	—	—	9.69%	—	—	9.65%
9.125% Senior Notes due 2020 . . . . .	—	9.90%	—	—	10.18%	—
7.000% Senior Notes due 2020 . . . . .	—	7.60%	—	—	—	—
USD Term Loan B Facility due 2019 . . . . .	—	4.89%	—	—	—	—
EUR Term Loan B Facility due 2019 . . . . .	—	—	4.76%	—	—	—
US financing facilities . . . . .	—	8.50%	—	—	8.50%	—
Invoice discounting . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bank borrowings . . . . .	—	—	9.21%	8.49%	—	4.85%

The carrying amounts of the Group's borrowings are denominated in the following currencies:

	2013	2012
	€m	€m
Euro . . . . .	2,429	2,333
US Dollar . . . . .	2,555	1,337
Australian Dollar . . . . .	—	71
British Pounds . . . . .	2	2
	<u>4,986</u>	<u>3,743</u>

The Group has the following undrawn borrowing facilities:

	2013	2012
	€m	€m
Floating rate:		
—Expiring within one year . . . . .	43	63
—Expiring beyond one year . . . . .	<u>203</u>	<u>90</u>
	<u>246</u>	<u>153</u>

The facilities expiring within one year are facilities subject to review at various dates during 2014.

### Derivative Financial Instruments

The Group uses the following hierarchy of valuation techniques for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial instruments:

Level 1—Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

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### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

Level 2—Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices); and

Level 3—Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

Financial derivatives are recognised on the face of the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at fair values as follows:

	<u>2013</u> €m	<u>2012</u> €m
Fair value liabilities		
—Forward exchange contracts . . . . .	7	—
—Aluminium contracts . . . . .	4	1
—Energy derivatives . . . . .	—	—
—Interest rate hedge contracts . . . . .	1	3
	<u>12</u>	<u>4</u>

The maturity analysis of the Group's derivative liabilities is as follows:

	<u>2013</u> €m	<u>2012</u> €m
Within one year or on demand . . . . .	11	4
Greater than one year . . . . .	1	—
	<u>12</u>	<u>4</u>

#### Interest rate hedging derivatives

As part of the obligations under the Australasian Senior Bank Facility, the Group entered into interest rate swaps in order to reduce part of the exposure on this facility. The Australasian Senior Bank Facility was repaid on 22 February 2013 and all interest rate swaps have been terminated in 2013.

Fair values as at the end of the reporting periods have been estimated based on the interbank interest rate market as at those dates (Level 2).

<u>Type</u>	<u>Currency</u>	<u>Inception/Maturity</u>	<u>Nature</u>	<u>31 December</u> <u>2012</u> (notional amount in € millions)
Variable to fixed (7.945%) . . . . .	NZD	January 2008/December 2013	Bullet	30
Variable to fixed (7.19%) . . . . .	AUD	January 2008/December 2013	Bullet	30

The impact of interest rate hedging instruments for the year to 31 December 2012 was to decrease the interest payable by €3 million below what would otherwise have been paid on the Group's debt at the prevailing market interest rates.

#### Aluminium derivatives

The Group hedges a substantial portion of its anticipated aluminium purchases on the London Metal Exchange ("LME"). Excluding conversion and freight costs, the physical aluminium deliveries

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

are priced based on the average price of aluminium on the LME for the relevant month. The price risk on these aluminium purchases is hedged by buying fixed-price aluminium futures for the month of physical delivery, and selling averaging aluminium futures in the month that will form the basis for pricing the physical deliveries. Both the bought and sold futures contracts will be for the same volume of metal, this being a portion of the Group's total requirement for any one month.

Since aluminium is normally traded in US dollars, while sales of aluminium products are mostly priced in Euros, the Group normally arranges corresponding Euro/US dollar hedging contracts in parallel to its aluminium hedges, such that the related aluminium purchases are effectively hedged in Euros.

The Group held aluminium futures for hedging purposes as detailed in the table below:

<u>LME Aluminium futures</u>	<u>31 December 2013</u> (in € millions)	<u>31 December 2012</u> (in € millions)
Contract/notional amount . . . . .	37	35
Estimated fair value . . . . .	(4)	(1)

The contracts held at 31 December 2013 are due to mature in 2014 and 2015. The related cash flows are to be expected in the same periods.

Fair values have been based on LME-quoted market prices and there has been no change in the valuation techniques (level 1). The fair value of these contracts when initiated is nil; no premium is paid or received.

#### Energy derivatives

The Group hedges a portion of its anticipated energy purchases on The New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX). The Group did not hold any material energy derivatives at 31 December 2013.

The contracts held at 31 December 2013 are due to mature in 2014. The related cash flows are to be expected in the same periods.

Fair values have been based on NYMEX-quoted market prices and Level 1 valuation techniques have been applied. The fair value of these contracts when initiated is nil; no premium is paid or received.

#### Foreign Exchange Contracts

The operations of the Group are conducted by entities in many countries, and accordingly, the results of operations of the Group are subject to currency translation risk and currency transaction risk.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 12. Financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

The following tables give details of the Group's forward foreign exchange contracts at 31 December 2013 that are held for hedging purposes based on Level 2 fair value hierarchy techniques. All the contracts held at 31 December 2013 are due to mature in 2014.

31 December 2013	Fair value hedges	
	Contract /	Fair value of
	nominal amount	asset/(liability)
	(in € millions)	
Buy USD, sell AUD . . . . .	3	—
Buy USD, sell NZD . . . . .	2	—
Buy USD, sell Euro . . . . .	240	(7)
Total . . . . .	245	(7)

The Group has no forward foreign exchange contracts held for trading purposes at either reporting date.

The amount that has been recognised in profit and loss due to ineffectiveness is €10 million (2012: €nil).

31 December 2012	Cash flow hedges		Fair value hedges	
	Contract/	Fair value of	Contract/	Fair value of
	nominal amount	asset/(liability)	nominal amount	asset/(liability)
	(in € millions)		(in € millions)	
Buy USD, sell AUD . . . . .	11	—	3	—
Buy USD, sell NZD . . . . .	5	—	5	—
Buy USD, sell Euro . . . . .	31	—	—	—
Total . . . . .	47	—	8	—

#### Net investment hedge in foreign operations

The Group has certain investments in foreign operations, whose net assets are exposed to foreign currency translation risk. Currency exposure arising from the net assets of the Group's foreign operations is managed primarily through borrowings denominated in the relevant foreign currencies. Included in long term debt at 31 December 2013 was an amount of \$1,147 million (2012: \$1,147 million) which has been designated and used to hedge the exposure to foreign exchange risk on the net investment in subsidiaries with US dollar exposure.

Hedges of net investments in foreign operations are accounted whereby any gain or loss on the hedging instruments relating to the effective portion of the hedge is recognised in other comprehensive income. The gain or loss relating to an ineffective portion is recognised immediately in the Group income statement within finance income or expense respectively. Gains and losses accumulated in other comprehensive income are recycled to the Group income statement when the foreign operation is sold. The amount that has been recognised in profit and loss due to ineffectiveness is €nil (2012: €nil).

### 13. Deferred income

Deferred income is €7 million at 31 December 2013 (2012: €8 million), and primarily relates to government grants received by manufacturing operations in Germany, United Kingdom, and Italy. Government grants are credited to cost of sales in the income statement.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 14. Employee benefit obligations

The Group operates defined benefit and defined contribution pension schemes in most of its countries of operation. The principal funded defined benefit schemes, which are funded by contributions to separate administered funds, are in the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. Other defined benefit schemes are unfunded and the provision is recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. The principal unfunded schemes are in Germany.

The contribution rates to the funded plans are agreed with the Trustee boards, plan actuaries and the local pension regulators periodically. The contributions paid in 2013 have been those recommended by the actuaries.

In addition, the Group has other employee benefit obligations in certain territories.

The amounts recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position are:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>Restated</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Defined benefit pension schemes . . . . .	(412)	(403)
Other employee benefit obligations . . . . .	(47)	(54)
Total employee benefit obligations . . . . .	<u>(459)</u>	<u>(457)</u>

#### Defined benefit pension schemes

The amounts recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position are:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Present value of funded obligations . . . . .	(1,104)	(1,044)
Fair value of plan assets . . . . .	891	857
	(213)	(187)
Present value of unfunded obligations . . . . .	(199)	(216)
Year-end obligations for defined benefit pension schemes . . . . .	<u>(412)</u>	<u>(403)</u>

The amounts recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Income are:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Current service cost and administration costs		
Cost of sales . . . . .	(16)	(13)
Sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .	(3)	(4)
	(19)	(17)
Exceptional item (Note 19) . . . . .	11	(56)
Finance income and expense . . . . .	(16)	(12)
	<u>(24)</u>	<u>(85)</u>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 14. Employee benefit obligations (Continued)

Administrative expenses of €2 million are included within cost of sales and sales, general and administrative expenses.

<u>Remeasurements</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>Restated</u>
		<u>€m</u>
<i>Remeasurement of Defined Benefit Obligation:</i>		
Actuarial losses arising from changes in demographic assumptions . . . . .	(10)	—
Actuarial losses arising from changes in financial assumptions . . . . .	(37)	(139)
Actuarial gains arising from changes in experience . . . . .	3	3
	<u>(44)</u>	<u>(136)</u>
<i>Remeasurements of Plan Assets:</i>		
Return on plan assets (excluding interest income) . . . . .	21	61
Actuarial loss on year end obligations for pension benefits recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income . . . . .	(23)	(75)
Actuarial gain/(loss) on other end of service employee benefits recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income . . . . .	2	(5)
The cumulative actuarial losses recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income . . . . .	<u>(187)</u>	<u>(166)</u>

The actual return on plan assets resulted in a gain of €53 million in 2013 (2012: €96 million).

Movement in the defined benefit obligation over the year:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Beginning of the year . . . . .	(1,260)	(963)
Acquired (Note 23) . . . . .	—	(15)
Current service cost (Note 18) . . . . .	(17)	(17)
Exceptional item (Note 19) . . . . .	11	(114)
Interest cost (Note 20) . . . . .	(47)	(47)
Remeasurements . . . . .	(44)	(136)
Liabilities extinguished on settlements . . . . .	—	2
Employee contributions . . . . .	(7)	(6)
Benefits paid from plans . . . . .	40	35
Benefits paid directly by employer . . . . .	7	6
Exchange differences . . . . .	14	(5)
End of the year . . . . .	<u>(1,303)</u>	<u>(1,260)</u>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 14. Employee benefit obligations (Continued)

Movement in the fair value of plan assets over the year:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Beginning of the year . . . . .	857	706
Interest income (Note 20) . . . . .	31	35
Exceptional Item (Note 19) . . . . .	—	58
Remeasurements . . . . .	21	61
Assets distributed on settlements . . . . .	—	(2)
Employer contributions . . . . .	25	25
Administration expenses paid from plan assets . . . . .	(3)	(2)
Employee contributions . . . . .	7	6
Benefits paid . . . . .	(40)	(35)
Exchange differences . . . . .	(7)	5
End of the year . . . . .	<u>891</u>	<u>857</u>

Plan assets at 31 December 2013 comprised:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>%</u>
Equities . . . . .	312	35	304	35
Target return funds . . . . .	264	30	97	12
Bonds . . . . .	192	22	282	33
Cash/other . . . . .	123	13	174	20
	<u>891</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>857</u>	<u>100%</u>

The pension assets do not include any of the Group's ordinary shares, other securities or other Group assets.

#### Investment Strategy

The plan assets of the principal funded defined benefit plans, which are in the United Kingdom and the Netherlands, are managed by trustee or management boards acting on independent advice. The boards, whose composition includes senior financial and operational management of the Group companies, use professional investment managers to invest plan assets based on specific investment guidelines.

The choice of investments takes account of the expected maturity of the future benefit payments. The Plans invest in diversified portfolios consisting of an array of asset classes that attempt to maximise returns while minimising volatility. The asset classes include national and international equities, fixed income government and non-government securities and real estate as well as cash.

#### Assumptions and Sensitivities

The principal pension assumptions used in the preparation of the accounts take account of the different economic circumstances in the countries of operations and the different characteristics of the respective plans including the length of duration of liabilities.



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 14. Employee benefit obligations (Continued)

The ranges of the principal assumptions applied in estimating defined benefit obligation were;

	Euro-zone		UK and Other	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
	%	%	%	%
Rate of inflation . . . . .	2.00	2.00	2.25-2.60	1.75-3.00
Rate of increase in salaries . . . . .	2.50	2.50	3.50	3.00-3.50
Discount rate . . . . .	2.00-3.80	3.20-3.40	4.50-4.90	2.90-4.55

Were the discount rate to differ by fifty basis points from management's estimates, the carrying amount of pension obligations would be an estimated €112 million lower or €128 million higher.

Were the inflation rate to differ by fifty basis points from management estimates, the carrying amount of pension obligations would be an estimated €64 million lower and €74 million higher.

If the salary rate of increase were to differ by fifty basis points from management estimates, the carrying amount of pension obligations would be an estimated €3 million lower and €5 million higher.

The Group has made assumptions relating to mortality, the age at which members retire or leave the schemes, the proportion of members who are married, etc. Generally, the schemes do not have sufficient members to determine most of these assumptions reliably based on their own experience; therefore the Group has used statistics based on larger populations or from published national and regional tables and the advice of its actuaries in determining the most appropriate assumptions to use.

Mortality assumptions for the countries with the most significant defined benefit plans are based on the following post-retirement mortality tables: (i) Netherlands: AG 2012-2062; (ii) United Kingdom: The base tables applied by the Glass schemes are the S1NA tables, while the Metal scheme has used the S1PA tables; and (iii) Germany: Richttafeln 2005 G von Dr. Klaus Heubeck.

While allowance has been made for continuing improvements in life expectancy, allowance has also been made to reflect the location of the plants, the nature of the members' occupations and the experience of mortality in the regions where the employees/former employees are located compared to the average life expectancy for the jurisdiction in which the plants are located. The impact of increasing the expected longevity by one year would result in an increase in the Group's liability of €39 million at 31 December 2013.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 14. Employee benefit obligations (Continued)

Mortality assumptions for the countries with the most significant defined benefit plans are described briefly below:

	2013 UK	2013 Netherlands	2013 Germany
Life expectancy, current pensioners: . . . . .	21	23	20
Life expectancy, future pensioners: . . . . .	22	24	23
	2012 UK	2012 Netherlands	2012 Germany
Life expectancy, current pensioners: . . . . .	21	23	19
Life expectancy, future pensioners: . . . . .	22	23	21

The Group's best estimate of contributions expected to be paid to funded defined benefit plans in 2014 is €24 million.

The expected total benefit payments over the next five years are:

	2014 €m	2015 €m	2016 €m	2017 €m	2018 €m	Subsequent five years €m
Benefits . . . . .	46	46	47	47	49	265

The Group also has defined contribution plans; the contribution expense associated with these plans for 2013 was €20 million (2012: €10 million). The Group's best estimate of the contributions expected to be paid to these plans in 2014 is €21 million.

The Group believes the following information is pertinent in understanding the impact of the pension arrangements on the Group's financial condition and cash flows.

### Glass Packaging—Europe

The principal defined benefit schemes are described briefly below:

#### United Kingdom

Until 31 March 2013, the Group operated two defined benefit schemes within the Glass Packaging division in the United Kingdom, the Rockware scheme and the Redfearn scheme.

The Rockware scheme was accounted as a shared cost scheme, by agreement with the Trustees and members, until the end of 2012.

In late 2012, the Group took the decision to propose several mutually dependant changes to the Rockware Scheme to make it sustainable for both the Group and the members, such that (i) the scheme would be closed to future benefit accrual, (ii) the Group would assume the full liability and (iii) the scheme would be replaced with a defined contribution scheme in respect of future service. The proposals were sent out in a letter to the scheme members in early January 2013 and in a ballot on 4 March 2013 the members voted in favour of the proposal. The Rockware scheme closed to future accrual with effect from 31 March 2013 and all active members at that date became deferred members. There was no curtailment gain or loss.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 14. Employee benefit obligations (Continued)

On the basis that the group took the decision to propose these changes in 2012, it was considered that at 31 December 2012 it was no longer appropriate to account for the scheme on a split cost basis and the full liability was recognised on the balance sheet at year end. The movement in the liability of €56 million was recorded in the 2012 income statement as an exceptional item. The Redfearn scheme remained open at 31 December 2013.

At 31 December 2013, the plans had 437 active members, 1,140 deferred members and 624 pensioners (including dependants). At 31 December 2012, the plans had 1,353 active members, 224 deferred members and 624 pensioners (including dependants).

The weighted average duration of the liabilities in United Kingdom's defined benefit pension plan is 23 years.

#### Germany

In accordance with normal practice in Germany, the defined benefit scheme operated within the Glass Packaging division in Germany is unfunded. Benefits are paid directly to pensioners and the liability is recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position.

At 31 December 2013, the plans had 1,029 active members, 714 deferred members and 843 pensioners (including dependants). At 31 December 2012, the plans had 1,225 active members, 752 deferred members and 908 pensioners (including dependants). The weighted average duration of the liabilities in Germany's defined benefit pension plan is 14 years.

#### Netherlands

The majority of the Group's employees in the Netherlands within the Glass Division are members of the Ardagh Glass BV pension plan. This plan is funded and held in an independent body managed by trustees.

At 31 December 2013, the plans had 604 active members, 556 deferred members and 490 pensioners (including dependants). At 31 December 2012, the plans had 609 active members, 578 deferred members and 420 pensioners (including dependants).

The weighted average duration of the liabilities in the Netherlands' defined benefit pension plan is 19 years.

### **Metal Packaging—Europe**

The principal defined benefit schemes are described briefly below:

#### United Kingdom

The Group operates one defined benefit scheme in Metal Packaging in the United Kingdom. The Metal Packaging schemes have a limited impact on the Group Financial Statements.

The Metal Packaging defined benefit pension plan provides a pension based on final salary and has been closed to new entrants since April 2005. The triennial valuation as at 5 April 2010 was completed during 2012. Under the new recovery plan agreed with the trustees the Group increased its contributions by €1 million per annum.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 14. Employee benefit obligations (Continued)

At 31 December 2013, the plan had 118 active members, 412 deferred members and 344 pensioners (including dependants). At 31 December 2012, the plan had 120 active members, 415 deferred members and 354 pensioners (including dependants).

The weighted average duration of the liabilities in the United Kingdom's defined benefit pension plan is 19 years.

#### Germany

In accordance with normal practice in Germany, the defined benefit schemes operated in Germany, of which the Ardagh Metal Packaging Germany GmbH (which closed to new members in 2003) is the most significant, are unfunded. Benefits are paid directly to pensioners and the liability is recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position.

At 31 December 2013, the plans had 742 active members, 511 deferred members and 791 pensioners (including dependants). At 31 December 2012, the plans had 870 active members, 503 deferred members and 674 pensioners (including dependants).

The weighted average duration of the liabilities in Germany's defined benefit pension plan is 16 years.

#### Netherlands

The majority of the Group's employees in the Metal division are members of the Ardagh Metal Packaging Netherlands BV pension plan. This plan is funded and held in an independent body managed by trustees.

At 31 December 2013, the plan had 921 active members, 2,038 deferred members and 3,139 pensioners (including dependants). At 31 December 2012, the plan had 1,009 active members, 1,991 deferred members and 3,198 pensioners (including dependants).

The weighted average duration of the liabilities in the Netherlands defined benefit pension plan is 16 years.

### Multi-employer pension plans

Certain employees of one of the Group's subsidiaries in the United States and employees of one of the Group's subsidiaries in the Netherlands are members of multi-employer craft or industry based pension schemes ("the multi-employer schemes") which have arrangements similar to those of defined benefit schemes.

In each case it is not possible to identify the Group's share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the multi-employer schemes and therefore in accordance with IAS 19 (as revised), the Group has taken the exemption for multi-employer pension schemes to account for them as defined contribution schemes recognising the contributions payable in each period in the Consolidated Income Statement. Contributions charged to the Consolidated Income Statement in the year in respect of these multi-employer schemes were €8 million. (2012: €2 million). The expected contributions for 2014 are €9 million.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 14. Employee benefit obligations (Continued)

#### United States

Employees of the Group's subsidiaries in the United States currently participate in two multi-employer schemes: the GMP & Employers Pension ("GMP") and the Steelworkers Pension Trust ("SPT"). The reported regulatory funding positions according to government filings were:

	<u>US—GMP</u>	<u>US—SPT</u>
Funding level . . . . .	106%	82%

Under the terms of the schemes and relevant legislation in the United States any deficits in the schemes may be reduced through increased contributions from participating employees and employers and/or reductions in benefits, including benefits in payment. At 31 December 2013, the Group was unable to obtain valuations of the multi-employer schemes full surpluses or deficits.

#### Netherlands

The Group's participation in the multi-employer scheme in the Netherlands is less than 0.1%. The regulatory funding level of the plan was 104.8%. In the event of a deficit in the Netherlands plan, a recovery plan is produced by the plan management board which may involve reductions in benefits or the rate of increase in benefits. The Group is not obliged to make good any deficit which might arise.

#### Other employee benefits

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>Restated</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Other end of service employee benefits . . . . .	(20)	(23)
Other long term employee benefits . . . . .	(27)	(31)
	<u>(47)</u>	<u>(54)</u>

#### Other end of service employee benefits

The Group has obligations to provide other end of service employee benefits. These liabilities comprise principally, amounts due to be paid to employees leaving the Group's service in France and Italy.

#### Other long term employee benefits

Other long term employee benefit obligations comprise amounts due to be paid under partial retirement contracts in Germany and other obligations to pay benefits primarily related to long service awards.

The actuarial loss recognised in the Consolidated Income Statement for 2013 was €1 million (2012: €2 million).

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 15. Trade and other payables

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Trade payables . . . . .	398	462
Other payables and accruals . . . . .	224	204
Customer deposits . . . . .	9	3
Amounts owed to joint venture and associates . . . . .	1	1
Other tax and social security payable . . . . .	28	24
Trade and other payables . . . . .	<u>660</u>	<u>694</u>
Payables and accruals for acquisition costs . . . . .	23	10
Payables and accruals for acquisition financing costs . . . . .	24	—
Total exceptional payables . . . . .	<u>47</u>	<u>10</u>

The fair values of trade and other payables approximate the amounts shown above.

### 16. Provisions for other liabilities and charges

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>Restated</u>
Current . . . . .	10	25
Non-current . . . . .	21	26
	<u>31</u>	<u>51</u>

	<u>Restructuring</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>provisions</u>	<u>provisions</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
At 1 January 2012 . . . . .	22	17	39
Acquired during the year . . . . .	—	11	11
Provided during the year . . . . .	31	6	37
Released during the year . . . . .	(2)	(2)	(4)
Reclassifications . . . . .	—	(1)	(1)
Paid during the year . . . . .	(25)	(6)	(31)
Exchange movements . . . . .	—	—	—
At 31 December 2012 (Restated) . . . . .	<u>26</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>51</u>
At 1 January 2013 (Restated) . . . . .	26	25	51
Provided during the year . . . . .	7	7	14
Released during the year . . . . .	(1)	(6)	(7)
Paid during the year . . . . .	(21)	(6)	(27)
Exchange movements . . . . .	(1)	1	—
At 31 December 2013 . . . . .	<u>10</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>31</u>

The fair values of provisions for other liabilities and charges approximate the amounts shown above.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 16. Provisions for other liabilities and charges (Continued)

#### Restructuring

This provision relates to redundancy and other restructuring costs and is comprised of €9 million for the Metal division (2012: €25 million) and €1 million for the Glass division (2012: €1 million).

#### Other

Other provisions relate to onerous leases, probable environmental penalties, and customer quality claims.

### 17. Segmental analysis

Management has determined the operating segments based on the reports reviewed by the Chief Operating Decision-Maker (CODM) that are used to make strategic decisions.

The three reportable segments are Metal Packaging Europe, Glass Packaging Europe and Glass Packaging North America for the year ended 31 December 2013.

Metal Packaging Asia Pacific and Metal Packaging North America do not meet the thresholds for separate disclosure as reportable segments and therefore, in accordance with IFRS 8, are combined and disclosed in an all others segments category labelled as Metal Packaging Other.

Finance income and expense are not allocated to segments as these are reviewed by the CODM on a Group wide basis. The CODM assesses the performance of the operating segments based on EBITDA. EBITDA is defined as operating profit/ (loss) before depreciation, amortisation, impairment of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets, and exceptional items.

#### Reconciliation of operating profit to EBITDA

	12 months ended	
	31 December 2013	31 December 2012 Restated
	€m	€m
Group operating profit . . . . .	162	125
Add back depreciation and amortisation (1) . . . . .	292	234
Add back non-exceptional impairment charges . . . . .	6	—
Add back exceptional items (2) . . . . .	163	231
EBITDA . . . . .	<u>623</u>	<u>590</u>

(1) Depreciation and amortisation less capital grant amortisation.

(2) Exceptional items do not include the exceptional finance expense.



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 17. Segmental analysis

The segment results for the year ended 31 December 2013 are as follows:

	Glass Packaging North America	Glass Packaging Europe	Metal Packaging Europe	Metal Packaging Other	Total
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
Revenue . . . . .	663	1,389	1,663	328	4,043
EBITDA . . . . .	137	273	183	30	623
Depreciation (Note 4) . . . . .					(251)
Amortisation—intangible assets (Note 3) . . . . .					(42)
Amortisation—government grants . . . . .					1
Non exceptional impairment charges . . . . .					(6)
Exceptional items—COS (Note 19) . . . . .					(126)
Exceptional items—SG&A (Note 19) . . . . .					(37)
Exceptional items—finance expense (Note 19) . . . . .					(94)
Finance expense (Note 20) . . . . .					(381)
Finance income (Note 20) . . . . .					2
Share of profit of joint venture . . . . .					1
<b>Loss before income tax . . . . .</b>					<b>(310)</b>
Income tax charge (Note 21) . . . . .					(4)
<b>Loss after income tax . . . . .</b>					<b>(314)</b>

The restated segment results for the year ended 31 December 2012 are as follows:

	Glass Packaging North America	Glass Packaging Europe	Metal Packaging Europe	Metal Packaging Other	Total
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
Revenue . . . . .	273	1,364	1,720	348	3,705
EBITDA . . . . .	56	269	223	42	590
Depreciation (Note 4) . . . . .					(202)
Amortisation—intangible assets (Note 3) . . . . .					(33)
Amortisation—government grants . . . . .					1
Exceptional items—COS (Note 19) . . . . .					(185)
Exceptional items—SG&A (Note 19) . . . . .					(46)
Exceptional items—finance expense (Note 19) . . . . .					(12)
Finance expense (Note 20) . . . . .					(359)
Finance income (Note 20) . . . . .					2
Share of profit of joint venture . . . . .					1
<b>Loss before income tax . . . . .</b>					<b>(243)</b>
Income tax credit (Note 21) . . . . .					16
<b>Loss after income tax . . . . .</b>					<b>(227)</b>

Inter-segment sales are not material.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 17. Segmental analysis (Continued)

The segment assets at 31 December 2013 and capital expenditure for the year then ended are as follows:

	Glass Packaging North America	Glass Packaging Europe	Metal Packaging Europe	Metal Packaging Other	Total
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
Segment assets . . . . .	1,037	1,233	2,354	343	4,967
Investment in joint venture . . . . .	—	4	3	—	7
	<u>1,037</u>	<u>1,237</u>	<u>2,357</u>	<u>343</u>	<u>4,974</u>
Restricted cash held in escrow (Note 9) . . . . .					1,063
Total assets . . . . .					<u>6,037</u>
Capital expenditure* . . . . .	<u>46</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>307</u>

The restated segment assets at 31 December 2012 and capital expenditure for the year then ended are as follows:

	Glass Packaging North America	Glass Packaging Europe	Metal Packaging Europe	Metal Packaging Other	Total
	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
Segment assets . . . . .	1,105	1,506	2,199	348	5,158
Investment in joint venture . . . . .	—	5	3	—	8
Total assets . . . . .	<u>1,105</u>	<u>1,511</u>	<u>2,202</u>	<u>348</u>	<u>5,166</u>
Capital expenditure* . . . . .	<u>26</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>216</u>

Segment assets consist primarily of property, plant and equipment, intangible assets, inventories, trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents and deferred tax.

\* Capital expenditure comprises additions to intangible assets (Note 3), and property, plant and equipment (Note 4).

No one customer accounted for greater than 10% of total revenue in either 2013 or 2012.

Total revenue and non-current assets in countries which account for more than 10% of total revenue or non-current assets are as follows:

#### Revenue

	2013	2012
	€m	€m
Germany . . . . .	644	679
United Kingdom . . . . .	561	572
Netherlands . . . . .	391	359
USA . . . . .	830	450

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 17. Segmental analysis (Continued)

Non-current assets excluding financial instruments, taxes, pensions and goodwill arising on acquisitions.

	2013	2012
	€m	€m
Germany . . . . .	391	401
United Kingdom . . . . .	260	217
Netherlands . . . . .	297	328
USA . . . . .	618	620

The entity is domiciled in Ireland. During the year the Group had sales of €12 million (2012: €14 million) to customers in Ireland.

Within each reportable segment our packaging containers have similar production processes and classes of customers. Further, they have similar economic characteristics as evidenced by similar profit margins, similar degrees of risk and similar opportunities for growth. Based on the foregoing we do not consider that they constitute separate product lines and thus additional disclosure relating to product lines is not necessary.

### 18. Expenses by nature

	2013	2012
	€m	Restated €m
Depreciation (Note 4) . . . . .	(251)	(202)
Amortisation (Note 3) . . . . .	(42)	(33)
Amortisation of government grants . . . . .	1	1
Exceptional items (Note 19) . . . . .	(163)	(231)
Non exceptional impairment (Note 4) . . . . .	(6)	—
Changes in inventories of finished goods and work in progress . . . . .	52	69
Raw materials and consumables . . . . .	(1,914)	(1,757)
Conversion, storage and delivery . . . . .	(344)	(317)
Wages and salaries . . . . .	(721)	(649)
Social security costs . . . . .	(116)	(107)
Defined benefit plan pension costs (Note 14) . . . . .	(19)	(17)
Defined contribution plan pension costs . . . . .	(20)	(10)
Other . . . . .	(338)	(327)
Total cost of sales and sales, general and administration expenses . . . . .	<u>(3,881)</u>	<u>(3,580)</u>
<b>Employees as at 31 December</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
Production . . . . .	14,696	14,686
Administration . . . . .	2,478	2,477
	<u>17,174</u>	<u>17,163</u>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 19. Exceptional items

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Exceptional impairment—long lived assets . . . . .	(118)	(117)
Exceptional restructuring costs . . . . .	(10)	(26)
Plant start-up costs . . . . .	(5)	—
Exceptional impairment—other assets . . . . .	(1)	(1)
IFRS 3 non-cash inventory adjustment . . . . .	—	(7)
Re-recognition of previously derecognised portion of UK Rockware pension scheme deficit (Note 14) . . . . .	—	(34)
Negative past service cost . . . . .	8	—
<b>Exceptional items—cost of sales (Note 17) . . . . .</b>	<b>(126)</b>	<b>(185)</b>
Acquisition costs . . . . .	(38)	(22)
Exceptional restructuring costs . . . . .	(2)	(2)
Negative past service cost . . . . .	3	—
Re-recognition of previously derecognised portion of UK Rockware pension scheme deficit (Note 14) . . . . .	—	(22)
<b>Exceptional items—sales, general and administration expenses (Note 17) . . . . .</b>	<b>(37)</b>	<b>(46)</b>
VNA acquisition notes . . . . .	(100)	—
Extinguishment of 2009 Secured Notes . . . . .	(18)	—
Deferred issue costs written-off and other debt settlement cost . . . . .	(7)	(12)
<b>Exceptional items—finance expense (Note 20) . . . . .</b>	<b>(125)</b>	<b>(12)</b>
	30	—
Gain on the disposal of financial assets		
VNA acquisition notes . . . . .	1	—
<b>Exceptional items—finance income (Note 20) . . . . .</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Total exceptional items . . . . .</b>	<b>(257)</b>	<b>(243)</b>

2013

Exceptional items of €257 million were included in the income statement for the year ended 31 December 2013, including €142 million related to the VNA acquisition and €118 million of exceptional impairment charges.

#### *VNA acquisition*

The VNA acquisition exceptional items were comprised of €100 million in finance expense and €42 million in sales, general and administrative expenses.

The €100 million in exceptional finance expense related to the notes issued in January 2013 to finance the acquisition of VNA, which were repaid, in accordance with their terms, on 17 January 2014 using the proceeds that had been held in escrow, and was comprised of:

- €61 million of interest incurred on the notes since the date of issuance.
- €18 million relating to the accelerated amortisation of debt issue costs.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 19. Exceptional items (Continued)

- €11 million relating to a Special Mandatory Redemption Premium (that was paid in January 2014).
- €10 million relating to foreign exchange forward contracts previously designated as hedges.

Further details on the VNA acquisition are provided in Note 26.

#### *Impairment charges and other significant items*

The following exceptional items were also recorded in the year ended 31 December 2013:

- €118 million of exceptional impairment of long lived assets in the Metal Packaging Europe segment, with most of charge being recorded in South East (€62 million) and Aluminium (€41 million, including €11 million relating to goodwill) reflecting difficult trading conditions.
- €12 million of restructuring costs primarily relating to the reorganisation of the Metal business.
- €18 million primarily relating to the early redemption premium for the 9.250% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2016.
- €30 million gain from the disposal of an investment in ORG, a listed Chinese metal packaging company.
- €11 million negative past service cost relating to the Group's principal pension plans in the Netherlands.
- €4 million credit to acquisition costs, primarily related to finalisation of the Anchor acquisition costs and the completion of closing procedures.

#### 2012

The following exceptional items were recorded in the year ended 31 December 2012:

- €117 million of exceptional impairment of long lived assets. The Metal Europe segment accounted for the majority of this impairment with €59 million recorded in South East and €35 million recorded in South West €35 million, reflecting difficult trading conditions in those regions.
- €56 million of a non-cash expense related to the re-recognition of the previously derecognised portion of UK Rockware pension scheme deficit (Note 14).
- €26 million of exceptional restructuring costs primarily within the Metal Packaging division.
- €22 million of directly attributable acquisition costs.
- €7 million relating to non-cash inventory adjustments arising on the Leone and Anchor acquisitions. This non-recurring adjustment arises as a result of the fair value exercise carried out in accordance with IFRS 3R—Business Combinations.
- €9 million of costs related to the settlement of Anchor's debt.
- €3 million relating to debt issue costs and other associated financing costs written off, primarily relating to the cancellation of the revolving credit facility.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 20. Finance income and expense

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>Restated</u>
		<u>€m</u>
<b>Finance expense:</b>		
Senior Secured and Senior Notes . . . . .	(324)	(286)
Term loans . . . . .	—	—
Bank loans, overdrafts and revolving credit facilities . . . . .	(5)	(13)
Invoice discounting and securitisation facilities . . . . .	(4)	(1)
Finance leases . . . . .	—	(1)
Interest expense . . . . .	<b>(333)</b>	<b>(301)</b>
Net interest costs on net pension plan liabilities . . . . .	(16)	(12)
Foreign currency translation losses . . . . .	(29)	(38)
Other finance expense . . . . .	(3)	(8)
Other finance expense . . . . .	<b>(48)</b>	<b>(58)</b>
Finance expense before exceptional items . . . . .	<b>(381)</b>	<b>(359)</b>
VNA acquisition notes . . . . .	(100)	—
Extinguishment of 9.25% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2016 . . . . .	(18)	—
Finance raising costs written off . . . . .	(4)	—
Settlement of BOSI debt facility . . . . .	(3)	—
Unamortised deferred debt issue costs written off . . . . .	—	(3)
Anchor debt settlement . . . . .	—	(9)
Exceptional items—finance expenses (Note 19) . . . . .	<b>(125)</b>	<b>(12)</b>
Total finance expense . . . . .	<b>(506)</b>	<b>(371)</b>
<b>Finance income:</b>		
Interest Income . . . . .	1	2
Other finance income . . . . .	1	—
Finance income before exceptional items . . . . .	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
Gain on the disposal of financial assets . . . . .	30	—
VNA acquisition notes . . . . .	1	—
Exceptional items—finance income (Note 19) . . . . .	<b>31</b>	<b>—</b>
Total finance income . . . . .	<b>33</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Net finance expense</b> . . . . .	<b>(473)</b>	<b>(369)</b>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 21. Income tax

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>Restated</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
<b>Current tax:</b>		
Current tax for the year . . . . .	42	27
Adjustments in respect of prior years . . . . .	(1)	(1)
Total current tax . . . . .	<u>41</u>	<u>26</u>
<b>Deferred tax:</b>		
Deferred tax for the year . . . . .	(44)	(38)
Adjustments in respect of prior years . . . . .	7	(4)
Total deferred tax (Note 6) . . . . .	<u>(37)</u>	<u>(42)</u>
Income tax charge/(credit) (Note 17) . . . . .	<u>4</u>	<u>(16)</u>
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>€m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Loss before tax . . . . .	<u>(310)</u>	<u>(243)</u>
Loss on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of Irish corporation tax: 12.5% (2012:12.5%) . . . . .	(39)	(31)
Utilisation of tax losses . . . . .	—	—
Reversal of previously recognised tax losses on which deferred income tax assets were recognised (Note 6) . . . . .	6	9
Tax losses for which no deferred income tax asset was recognised . . . . .	26	19
Re-measurement of deferred taxes . . . . .	(1)	(1)
Adjustment in respect of prior years . . . . .	6	(5)
Income subject to other taxes . . . . .	14	8
Losses taxable at non-standard rates . . . . .	(52)	(18)
Non-deductible items . . . . .	31	8
Other . . . . .	<u>13</u>	<u>(5)</u>
Total tax charge/(credit) for the financial year (Note 17) . . . . .	<u>4</u>	<u>(16)</u>



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 22. Cash generated from operations

	2013	2012
	€m	Restated €m
Loss before tax . . . . .	(310)	(243)
Adjustments:		
Depreciation (Note 4) . . . . .	251	202
Amortisation (Note 3) . . . . .	42	33
Amortisation of capital grants . . . . .	(1)	(1)
Net finance expenses (Note 20) . . . . .	379	357
Share of profit of joint venture . . . . .	(1)	(1)
Non exceptional impairment charges (Note 17) . . . . .	6	—
Exceptional items cash . . . . .	149	51
Exceptional items non cash . . . . .	108	192
EBITDA . . . . .	<u>623</u>	<u>590</u>
Changes in working capital:		
Inventories . . . . .	(6)	(13)
Trade and other receivables . . . . .	18	(51)
Trade and other payables . . . . .	(38)	(45)
Movement on non-working capital payables . . . . .	1	(3)
Movement on provisions . . . . .	(22)	(14)
Movement in investing payables including for acquisition related costs and plant start-up costs . . . . .	(35)	(18)
Exceptional restructuring paid . . . . .	(25)	(23)
Cash generated from operations . . . . .	<u>516</u>	<u>423</u>

### 23. Business combinations

#### Anchor Acquisition

On 20 August 2012, Ardagh Group completed the purchase of 100% of the equity of US-based Anchor Glass Container Corporation (since renamed Ardagh Glass Inc. “AGI”) from private investment funds managed by Wayzata Investment Partners LLC. AGI, which is headquartered in Tampa, Florida, is a technologically advanced manufacturer of glass containers serving the North American food and beverage industries. AGI is the third largest glass container manufacturer in the US. It produces approximately 5.6 billion containers annually from its eight facilities located in the United States and employs approximately 2,700 people. AGI has annual revenues of approximately US\$800.0 million.

The acquisition represented a strategic investment and a very significant step in developing the Group’s operations in the US and increased the size of the Group’s global Glass Packaging division by almost 50%. It resulted in some 21% of Group sales revenue being generated from the US, and also placed the Group in a leading position in the US glass industry.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 23. Business combinations (Continued)

The total disbursement for the Anchor acquisition was as follows:

	<u>\$m</u>	<u>€m</u>
Consideration paid for the purchase of the equity interest . . . . .	440	358
Repayment of indebtedness . . . . .	453	368
Purchase consideration . . . . .	<u>893</u>	<u>726</u>

The purchase price has been allocated to assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on fair values. The purchase price allocation is complete.

The assets and liabilities recognised as a result of the acquisition were determined to be as follows:

	<u>€m</u>
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	6
Property, plant and equipment . . . . .	363
Intangible assets . . . . .	139
Deferred tax asset . . . . .	57
Inventories . . . . .	79
Trade and other receivables . . . . .	46
Trade and other payables . . . . .	(66)
Borrowings . . . . .	(359)
Deferred tax liability . . . . .	(172)
Other provisions and other charges . . . . .	(11)
Employee benefit obligations . . . . .	(11)
Employee end of service obligations . . . . .	(1)
<b>Total identifiable net assets . . . . .</b>	<b>70</b>
Add Goodwill . . . . .	288
<b>Net assets acquired . . . . .</b>	<b><u>358</u></b>

The allocations set forth above were based on management's estimate of the fair values. The detailed reviews of the fair values of land and buildings, plant and equipment and intangible assets involving outside specialists are complete.

The goodwill arising on the acquisition is disclosed within the Glass Packaging North America segment (Note 17). The goodwill arising from the acquisition is attributable to acquired workforce, manufacturing and process know-how and market position. The goodwill recognised is not expected to be deductible for income tax purposes.

The fair value of trade and other receivables was €46 million and included trade receivables with a fair value of €43 million.

The revenue included in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2012 contributed by Anchor was €198 million. Anchor also contributed EBITDA of €38 million for the same period.

Had Anchor been consolidated using consistent accounting policies, from 1 January 2012, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income would include pro forma revenue of €594 million and pro forma EBITDA of €118 million.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 23. Business combinations (Continued)

#### Leone Acquisition

On 23 March 2012, Ardagh Group completed the purchase of 100% of the equity of US based Leone Industries (“Leone”) from the Leone family. The acquisition of Leone has increased the size of Ardagh’s Glass Packaging division by approximately 7%. Leone was founded in 1966 and is a technologically advanced manufacturer of glass containers serving the US food and beverage markets. It produces more than five hundred million containers per annum from its state of the art facility in Bridgeton, New Jersey.

The acquisition represents a strategic investment in expanding the Group’s US activities into the glass container market and was an important step in developing the Group’s international glass franchise.

Since the closing of the Anchor acquisition on 20 August 2012, Leone has been fully integrated with the AGI operations in North America.

The total disbursement for the Leone acquisition was €167 million (including settlement on closing of net debt of €38 million).

The purchase price has been allocated to assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on fair values. The purchase price allocation is complete.

	<u>€m</u>
Consideration paid in cash for the purchase of the equity interest . . . . .	129
	<u>129</u>

The assets and liabilities recognised as a result of the acquisition have been determined as at 31 December 2012 as follows:

	<u>€m</u>
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	—
Property, plant and equipment . . . . .	51
Intangible assets . . . . .	32
Inventories . . . . .	16
Trade and other receivables . . . . .	7
Trade and other payables . . . . .	(10)
Borrowings . . . . .	(38)
Deferred tax liability . . . . .	(15)
Employee benefit obligations . . . . .	(4)
Income tax payable . . . . .	—
<b>Total identifiable net assets . . . . .</b>	<b>39</b>
Add Goodwill . . . . .	90
<b>Net assets acquired . . . . .</b>	<b>129</b>

The allocations set forth above are based on management’s estimate of the fair values. The detailed reviews of the fair values of land and buildings, plant and equipment and intangible assets involving outside specialists are complete.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 23. Business combinations (Continued)

The goodwill arising on the acquisition is disclosed within the Glass Packaging North America segment (Note 17). The goodwill arising from the acquisition is attributable to acquired workforce, manufacturing and process know-how and establishing a market presence in the US glass container market. The goodwill recognised is expected to be deductible for income tax purposes.

The fair value of trade receivables was €7 million.

The revenue included in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2012 contributed by the Leone, was €75 million. Leone also contributed EBITDA of €19 million for the same period.

Had Leone been consolidated using consistent accounting policies, from 1 January 2012, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income would include pro forma revenue of €97 million and pro forma EBITDA of €25 million.

#### Boxal Acquisition

On 1 March 2012, Ardagh Group completed the purchase of 100% of the equity of Boxal France SAS, Boxal Netherlands BV and the assets of Szenna Pack Kft. from Exal Corporation (referred to collectively “Boxal”). Boxal is a technically advanced aluminium container manufacturer supplying aerosols and bottles to a wide variety of industries including cosmetics, pharmaceutical, food and beverages. It is a recognised world leader in packaging solutions with manufacturing plants principally in France and the Netherlands with a total annual capacity of nine hundred million containers. Boxal’s state-of-the-art facilities serve a suite of global brands including L’Oreal, Coca-Cola, Heineken, Dove, Pantene and Nivea. Szenna Pack Kft. has a single facility also making aluminium containers and is located in Hungary.

The acquisition represents a strategic investment in diversifying into the aluminium can market, enhancing our product offering and adding value to our current activities.

Since the closing of the Boxal acquisition on 1 March 2012, we have progressed the integration of Boxal with our existing metal operations in Europe. These integration initiatives relate to, among other things, the manufacturing, sales and marketing, distribution, finance, information technology systems, and administration operations of Boxal.

The purchase price has been allocated to assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on fair values. The purchase price allocation is complete.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 23. Business combinations (Continued)

Cash consideration of €84 million was paid for the purchase of Boxal. The assets and liabilities recognised as a result of the acquisition have been determined as at 31 December 2012 as follows:

	<u>€m</u>
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	5
Property, plant and equipment . . . . .	67
Deferred tax assets . . . . .	3
Investment in joint ventures . . . . .	3
Inventories . . . . .	18
Trade and other receivables . . . . .	26
Trade and other payables . . . . .	(33)
Other employee benefit obligations . . . . .	(3)
Employee end of service obligations . . . . .	(1)
Borrowings . . . . .	(1)
Income tax payable . . . . .	(3)
Deferred tax liabilities . . . . .	(8)
<b>Total identifiable net assets</b> . . . . .	<b>73</b>
Add Goodwill . . . . .	11
<b>Net assets acquired</b> . . . . .	<b>84</b>

The allocations set forth above are based on management's estimate of the fair values. The detailed reviews of the fair values of land and buildings, plant and equipment and intangible assets involving outside specialists are complete.

The goodwill arising on the acquisition is disclosed within the Metal Packaging Europe segment (Note 17). The goodwill arising from the acquisition is attributable to acquired workforce, market position in aluminium packaging as well as anticipated synergies from a more cost effective manufacturing foot-print through Szenna-Pack. The goodwill recognised is not expected to be deductible for income tax purposes.

The fair value of trade and other receivables was €26 million and included trade receivables with a fair value of €16 million.

The revenue included in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2012 contributed by Boxal, was €93 million. Boxal also contributed EBITDA of €4 million for the same period.

Had Boxal been consolidated using consistent accounting policies, from 1 January 2012, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income would include pro forma revenue of €115 million and pro forma EBITDA of €5 million.

Had Anchor, Leone and Boxal been consolidated using consistent accounting policies on a pro forma basis, from 1 January 2012, the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income would show pro forma revenue of €4,144 million and pro forma EBITDA of €679 million.

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 24. Related party transactions

The following transactions were carried out with related parties:

#### (i) Yeoman Capital S.A.

As at 31 December 2013, Yeoman Capital S.A. owned 39.3% of the ordinary shares of ASA. Three of APHL's directors, Messrs' Coulson, Dowling and Baertz, also serve as directors of companies within the Yeoman Group of companies. During 2013, the Group incurred costs of €1 million (2012: €1 million) for fees charged by the Yeoman Group of companies.

#### (ii) Joint ventures

As at 31 December 2013, the Group owed €1 million (2012: €1 million) to EuraGlasrecycling GmbH. During 2013 the Group received a dividend of €1 million (2012: €nil) from EuraGlasrecycling GmbH and incurred €3 million (2012: €4 million) for purchases of raw materials. At 31 December 2013, the Group owed €1 million (2012: €Nil) to Copal SAS. During 2013, the Group incurred €4 million (2012: €4 million) for raw materials purchased from Copal.

#### (iii) Pension scheme

The pension schemes are related parties. For details of all transactions during the year, please read Note 14 "Employee Benefit Obligations".

Other than as noted above, there were no related party transactions or changes to transactions with related parties as disclosed in the 2013 financial statements that had a material effect on the financial position or the performance of the Group.

### 25. Contingent liabilities

#### Environmental issues

The Group is regulated under various European Union, North American, national and local environmental, occupational health and safety and other governmental laws and regulations relating to:

- the generation, storage, handling, and transportation of hazardous materials;
- the emission and discharge of materials into the environment;
- the remediation of contamination associated with the release of hazardous substances, and
- the design, characteristics, and recycling of its products.

The Group has established proactive policies with respect to environmental matters. The Group has engaged outside consultants to audit its environmental activities and has created environmental management teams, information systems, education and training programmes, and environmental assessment procedures for new processes and suppliers.

As a result of environmental reviews, the Group established a reserve for environmental costs. In general, the Group accrues the maximum amount of the estimated potential cost of items identified. The utilisation and adequacy of this reserve is monitored annually.

The amount provided was €6 million as of 31 December 2013 (2012: €7 million). This is included in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position in provisions for other liabilities and charges (see Note 16).

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 25. Contingent liabilities (Continued)

There was no material amount charged to the income statement in respect of environmental expenses in the years ended 31 December 2013, and 2012, the increase in 2012 was driven mainly by the acquisition of Anchor.

The Group believes, based on current information that it is in substantial compliance with applicable environmental laws and regulations. It does not believe it will be required, under both existing or anticipated future environmental laws and regulations, to expend amounts, over and above the amount accrued, which will have a material effect on its business, financial condition or results of operations or cash flows. In addition, no material proceedings against the Group arising under environmental laws are pending.

#### Legal Matters

The Group is involved in certain legal proceedings arising in the normal course of its business. The Group believes that none of these proceedings, either individually or in aggregate, is expected to have a material adverse effect on its business financial condition results of operations or cash flows.

### 26. Events after the reporting period

#### VNA Acquisition

On 17 January 2013, Ardagh Group signed a contract with Compagnie de Saint Gobain to purchase from it the VNA business. The total consideration will be approximately \$1.7 billion (€1.3 billion), which will be adjusted to effect customary pre-closing and post-closing adjustments, while all of the cash flows generated by the VNA business since 1 January 2013 will be to the account of Ardagh through a locked box mechanism. VNA, which has its headquarters in Muncie, Indiana, is the second largest glass container manufacturer in the US, serving the North American food and beverage industries. It produces approximately 9 billion containers annually from its 13 facilities located throughout the United States and employs approximately 4,400 people. VNA has annual revenues of approximately \$1.6 billion (€1.2 billion).

On 1 July 2013, the FTC informed Ardagh that it had issued an administrative complaint alleging that the acquisition of VNA is anticompetitive in so far as it relates to the sale of glass containers for beer and spirits.

Ardagh and the FTC have reached agreement on the basic terms of a proposed consent agreement. Under the proposed consent agreement, Ardagh will divest six of its current U.S. glass container manufacturing plants located, respectively, in Elmira, New York; Henryetta, Oklahoma; Jacksonville, Florida; Lawrenceburg, Indiana; Shakopee, Minnesota; and Warner Robins, Georgia; its mould facility in Zanesville, Ohio; its engineering facility in Streator, Illinois; its U.S. headquarters in Tampa, Florida; and key managers, employees, contracts, and other assets (together, the “Divestiture Business”). The Divestiture Business serves the beer, liquor, and food and beverage markets. Ardagh has engaged Citi to market the Divestiture Business and the sale process is well underway. Multiple potential buyers have submitted initial indications of interest in the Divestiture Business. Ardagh and Counsel for the FTC have filed a joint motion to withdraw this matter from adjudication so that the Commissioners can consider the consent proposal.

To enable the settlement negotiations with the FTC to be concluded and the acquisition of VNA to proceed, Ardagh and Saint Gobain agreed to extend the final closing date under the share purchase



## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 26. Events after the reporting period (Continued)

agreement from 13 January 2014 to 30 April 2014. Ardagh expects to complete the acquisition of VNA by 30 April 2014.

#### Financing Activity

On 17 January 2014, Ardagh redeemed the bonds issued in January 2013 to finance the acquisition of VNA (the proceeds of which were held in escrow), namely \$420 million aggregate principal amount of 4.875% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022, €250 million aggregate principal amount of 5.000% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2022 and \$700 million in aggregate principal amount of the \$850 million 7.000% Senior Notes due 2020.

In January 2014, the Group raised a total of \$1.53 billion to finance the acquisition of VNA. This comprised the syndication of an incremental Term Loan B Facility (“Incremental Term Loan B Facility”) in an aggregate principal amount of \$700 million at a coupon of LIBOR plus 3.00% (with a LIBOR floor of 1.00%) which will have a maturity date of 17 December 2019. In addition the Group issued \$415 million aggregate principal amount of 6.25% Senior Notes due 2019 and \$415 million aggregate principal amount of 6.75% Senior Notes due 2021 (the proceeds of which will be held in escrow pending completion of the acquisition of VNA).

### 27. Key management compensation

Key management are those persons who have the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Group. Key management are comprised of the members who served on the board of directors of Ardagh Group S.A. and the Group’s Global Leadership Team during the reporting period.

	2013	2012
	€m	€m
Salaries and other short term employee benefits . . . . .	20	18
Post-employment benefits . . . . .	1	1
	<u>21</u>	<u>19</u>

## NOTES TO THE NON-STATUTORY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 28. Subsidiary undertakings

The principal subsidiary undertakings as of 31 December 2013 are detailed below, all of which are included in the consolidated financial statements.

Company	Country of incorporation	Activity	Portion of shares held %
Ardagh Australia Pty Ltd . . . . .	Australia	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Canada Ltd . . . . .	Canada	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Czech Republic sro . . . . .	Czech Republic	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Holmegaard A/S . . . . .	Denmark	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Hjørring A/S . . . . .	Denmark	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Aluminium Packaging France SAS . . . . .	France	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh MP West France SAS . . . . .	France	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging France SAS . . . . .	France	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Glass Packaging	100
Heye International GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Glass Engineering	100
UniMould GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Glass Engineering	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Germany GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Germany MP GmbH . . . . .	Germany	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Aluminium Packaging Hungary Kft . . . . .	Hungary	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Hungary Kft . . . . .	Hungary	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Sales Limited . . . . .	Ireland	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Group Italy S.r.l. . . . .	Italy	Glass and Metal Packaging	99.99
Ardagh Metal Packaging Latvia SIA . . . . .	Latvia	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Morocco SAS . . . . .	Morocco	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Aluminium Packaging Netherlands B.V. . . . .	Netherlands	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Dongen B.V. . . . .	Netherlands	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Moerdijk B.V. . . . .	Netherlands	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Netherlands B.V. . . . .	Netherlands	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh NZ Ltd . . . . .	New Zealand	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass S.A. . . . .	Poland	Glass Packaging	100
UniMould S.A. . . . .	Poland	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Poland Sp. z o.o. . . . .	Poland	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Buftea SA . . . . .	Romania	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Kuban LLC . . . . .	Russia	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Rus LLC . . . . .	Russia	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging (Seychelles) Ltd . . . . .	Seychelles	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Korea Chusik Hoesa . . . . .	South Korea	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging Iberica S.A. . . . .	Spain	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Limmared AB . . . . .	Sweden	Glass Packaging	100
Borisat Royal Ardagh Chamkad (Royal Ardagh Limited) . . . . .	Thailand	Metal Packaging	55
Ardagh Metal Packaging Ukraine LLC . . . . .	Ukraine	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Limited . . . . .	United Kingdom	Glass Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging UK Limited . . . . .	United Kingdom	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Metal Packaging USA Inc. . . . .	United States	Metal Packaging	100
Ardagh Glass Inc. . . . .	United States	Glass Packaging	100

COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
Certain Beverage Can Operations of Ball Corporation  
As of December 31, 2015 and 2014 and for the Years Ended  
December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013

# CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION

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## **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Management of Ball Corporation:

We have audited the accompanying combined financial statements of certain metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation (the "Business"), which comprise the combined balance sheets as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the related combined statements of earnings, of comprehensive earnings (loss), of changes in net investment and of cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2015.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Combined Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the combined financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of combined financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the combined financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the combined financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the combined financial statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the combined financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the Business' preparation and fair presentation of the combined financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Business' internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the combined financial statements. We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.



*Opinion*

In our opinion, the combined financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of certain metal beverage packaging operations of the Business as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2015, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP*

Denver, Colorado

March 31, 2016

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**COMBINED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS**

(\$ in millions)	Years Ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
<b>Net sales</b> . . . . .	\$ 1,891.4	\$ 2,150.9	\$ 2,038.6
Costs and expenses			
Cost of sales (excluding depreciation and amortization) . . . . .	(1,483.8)	(1,692.7)	(1,623.9)
Depreciation and amortization . . . . .	(82.1)	(82.3)	(104.7)
Selling, general and administrative . . . . .	(149.7)	(161.9)	(124.8)
Business consolidation and other activities . . . . .	(9.8)	(8.7)	(10.6)
	<u>(1,725.4)</u>	<u>(1,945.6)</u>	<u>(1,864.0)</u>
<b>Earnings before interest and taxes</b> . . . . .	166.0	205.3	174.6
Interest Expense . . . . .	<u>(1.0)</u>	<u>(1.8)</u>	<u>(6.2)</u>
Earnings before taxes . . . . .	165.0	203.5	168.4
Tax provision . . . . .	<u>(37.0)</u>	<u>(43.5)</u>	<u>(40.5)</u>
Net earnings . . . . .	128.0	160.0	127.9
Less net (earnings) loss attributable to noncontrolling interests . . . . .	<u>1.1</u>	<u>(2.2)</u>	<u>(2.2)</u>
Net earnings attributable to certain metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation . . . . .	<u>\$ 129.1</u>	<u>\$ 157.8</u>	<u>\$ 125.7</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the combined financial statements.



**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**COMBINED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE EARNINGS (LOSS)**

(\$ in millions)	Years Ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
Net earnings . . . . .	\$ 128.0	\$ 160.0	\$ 127.9
Other comprehensive earnings (loss):			
Foreign currency translation adjustment . . . . .	(134.4)	(175.7)	58.3
Pension benefits . . . . .	44.8	(36.8)	(34.6)
Effective financial derivatives . . . . .	(6.0)	36.9	(31.7)
Total other comprehensive earnings (loss) . . . . .	(95.6)	(175.6)	(8.0)
Income tax (provision) benefit . . . . .	(10.0)	14.2	8.4
Total other comprehensive earnings (loss), net of tax . . . . .	(105.6)	(161.4)	0.4
Total comprehensive earnings (loss) . . . . .	22.4	(1.4)	128.3
Less comprehensive (earnings) loss attributable to noncontrolling interests . . . . .	1.1	(2.2)	(2.2)
Comprehensive earnings (loss) attributable to certain metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation . . . . .	<u>\$ 23.5</u>	<u>\$ (3.6)</u>	<u>\$ 126.1</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the combined financial statements.

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**COMBINED BALANCE SHEETS**

(\$ in millions)	December 31,	
	2015	2014
<b>Assets</b>		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	\$ 32.3	\$ 17.0
Receivables, net . . . . .	231.7	252.8
Inventories, net . . . . .	222.5	238.8
Deferred taxes and other current assets . . . . .	29.4	56.9
<b>Total current assets</b> . . . . .	<b>515.9</b>	<b>565.5</b>
Non-current assets . . . . .		
Property, plant and equipment, net . . . . .	794.0	789.8
Goodwill . . . . .	816.6	913.9
Intangibles and other assets, net . . . . .	91.8	121.6
<b>Total assets</b> . . . . .	<b>\$2,218.3</b>	<b>\$2,390.8</b>
<b>Liabilities and Equity</b>		
Current liabilities		
Short-term debt and current portion of long-term debt . . . . .	\$ 23.8	\$ 9.6
Accounts payable . . . . .	317.4	309.2
Accrued employee costs . . . . .	61.4	71.1
Other current liabilities . . . . .	67.4	74.4
<b>Total current liabilities</b> . . . . .	<b>470.0</b>	<b>464.3</b>
Non-current liabilities . . . . .		
Long-term debt . . . . .	0.6	84.9
Employee benefit obligations . . . . .	322.2	396.6
Deferred taxes and other liabilities . . . . .	68.5	82.9
<b>Total liabilities</b> . . . . .	<b>861.3</b>	<b>1,028.7</b>
Net investment		
Net parent investment . . . . .	1,611.9	1,392.4
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) . . . . .	(254.9)	(149.3)
<b>Total net parent investment</b> . . . . .	<b>1,357.0</b>	<b>1,243.1</b>
Non-controlling Interest . . . . .	—	119.0
<b>Total net investment</b> . . . . .	<b>1,357.0</b>	<b>1,362.1</b>
<b>Total liabilities and net investment</b> . . . . .	<b>\$2,218.3</b>	<b>\$2,390.8</b>

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**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**COMBINED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

(\$ in millions)	Years Ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>			
Net earnings . . . . .	\$ 128.0	\$ 160.0	\$ 127.9
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to cash provided by (used in) operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization . . . . .	82.1	82.3	104.7
Business consolidation and other activities . . . . .	9.8	8.7	10.6
Deferred tax provision (benefit) . . . . .	(5.7)	1.6	(14.0)
Other, net . . . . .	1.4	(1.5)	(3.3)
Working capital changes:			
Receivables . . . . .	(1.4)	(17.1)	74.7
Inventories . . . . .	(4.7)	(22.5)	13.9
Accrued employee costs . . . . .	(2.0)	17.7	6.4
Other current assets . . . . .	23.3	(30.2)	0.1
Accounts payable . . . . .	28.1	83.2	(22.9)
Other current liabilities . . . . .	(5.6)	29.0	(31.2)
Other, net . . . . .	(6.0)	11.2	(3.4)
Cash provided by (used in) operating activities . . . . .	<u>247.3</u>	<u>322.4</u>	<u>263.5</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities</b>			
Capital expenditures . . . . .	(132.7)	(122.8)	(139.7)
Other, net . . . . .	0.2	(0.5)	1.7
Cash provided by (used in) investing activities . . . . .	<u>(132.5)</u>	<u>(123.3)</u>	<u>(138.0)</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Financing Activities</b>			
Long-term borrowings . . . . .	0.1	0.1	200.4
Repayments of long-term borrowings . . . . .	(87.1)	(162.2)	(134.7)
Net change in short-term borrowings . . . . .	26.4	4.8	(62.7)
Contributions (to)/from Parent . . . . .	(27.5)	(25.7)	(109.6)
Other, net . . . . .	—	—	(1.3)
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities . . . . .	<u>(88.1)</u>	<u>(183.0)</u>	<u>(107.9)</u>
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash . . . . .	(11.4)	(30.9)	3.2
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents . . . . .</b>	<u>15.3</u>	<u>(14.8)</u>	<u>20.8</u>
Cash and cash equivalents—beginning of year . . . . .	17.0	31.8	11.0
Cash and cash equivalents—end of year . . . . .	<u>\$ 32.3</u>	<u>\$ 17.0</u>	<u>\$ 31.8</u>

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**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**COMBINED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET INVESTMENT**

(\$ in millions)	Parent Company		Noncontrolling Interest	Total Net Investment
	Net Parent Investment	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)		
<b>Balance at December 31, 2012</b> . . . . .	\$1,260.3	\$ 11.7	\$ 98.5	\$1,370.5
Net earnings (loss) . . . . .	125.7	—	2.2	127.9
Other comprehensive earnings (loss), net of tax . . . . .	—	0.4	—	0.4
Net contributions (distributions) from/to parent . . . . .	(130.1)	—	20.5	(109.6)
<b>Balance at December 31, 2013</b> . . . . .	1,255.9	12.1	121.2	1,389.2
Net earnings (loss) . . . . .	157.8	—	2.2	160.0
Other comprehensive earnings (loss), net of tax . . . . .	—	(161.4)	—	(161.4)
Net contributions (distributions) from/to parent . . . . .	(21.3)	—	(4.4)	(25.7)
<b>Balance at December 31, 2014</b> . . . . .	1,392.4	(149.3)	119.0	1,362.1
Net earnings (loss) . . . . .	129.1	—	(1.1)	128.0
Other comprehensive earnings (loss), net of tax . . . . .	—	(105.6)	—	(105.6)
Acquisition of noncontrolling interests . . . . .	117.9	—	(117.9)	—
Net contributions (distributions) from/to parent . . . . .	(27.5)	—	—	(27.5)
<b>Balance at December 31, 2015</b> . . . . .	<u>\$1,611.9</u>	<u>\$(254.9)</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$1,357.0</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the combined financial statements.

## **CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

### **1. Description of Business and Basis of Presentation**

#### ***Description of Business***

These combined financial statements reflect certain metal beverage packaging operations of Ball Corporation (“Ball,” or “Parent”). These metal beverage packaging operations (the “Business”) are controlled by Ball, a publicly traded company listed on the New York Stock Exchange, or represent variable interest entities for which Ball is the primary beneficiary. Ball is one of the world’s leading suppliers of metal packaging to the beverage industry. The Business manufactures and sells metal beverage products in Germany, the United Kingdom, France, Poland, the Netherlands, Serbia, and Brazil. References to the “carve-out operations,” “we,” “our,” “us,” and similar expressions refer to the Business.

#### ***Basis of Presentation***

The combined financial statements presented herein have been prepared on a stand-alone basis and have been derived from the consolidated financial statements and accounting records of Ball. The combined financial statements reflect the financial position, results of operations and cash flows, of the Business in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”). All significant intercompany transactions and accounts among the carve-out operations have been eliminated.

The combined financial statements may not be indicative of the Business’ future performance and may not reflect what the combined results of operations, financial position and cash flows would have been had the Business operated as an independent company during all of the periods presented. To the extent that an asset, liability, revenue or expense is directly associated with the Business, it is reflected in the accompanying combined financial statements.

Historically, Ball provided certain corporate functions to the Business and costs associated with these functions were allocated to the Business. These functions included corporate communications, regulatory compliance, human resource employee compensation and benefit management, treasury, investor relations, corporate controllership, internal audit, Sarbanes Oxley compliance, information technology, corporate and legal compliance, and insurance. The costs of such services were allocated to the Business based on the most relevant allocation method to the service provided, primarily based on relative percentage of revenue, metal weight, direct time, square footage, or headcount. Management believes such allocations were reasonable; however, they may not be indicative of the actual expense that would have been incurred had the Business been operating as an independent company for all of the periods presented. The charges for these functions are included in selling, general, and administrative expenses in the combined statements of earnings.

The Business’ total net investment represents Ball’s interest in the recorded net assets of the Business. The net investment balance represents the cumulative net investment by Ball and noncontrolling interests in the Business. Certain transactions between the Business and other related parties within the Ball group, including allocated expenses, are included in net investment. All intercompany transactions and accounts between us and our Parent are reflected as net investment in the accompanying combined balance sheets. The assets and liabilities in the accompanying combined financial statements have been reflected at our Parent’s historical cost basis.

Ball’s operations participate in Ball’s centralized treasury management function and all available excess cash is transferred to Ball, however, certain operations maintain cash and derivative assets and liabilities outside of Ball’s centralized management system. Where an entity has been included in these

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**1. Description of Business and Basis of Presentation (Continued)**

combined financial statements the cash, derivative assets, and derivative liabilities held by that entity have also been included in the combined financial statements. For derivative instruments held by Ball on behalf of an entity included in the Business, the impacts of the derivative instruments have been included within the Business' combined statement of earnings.

Allocated costs and expenses have generally been considered to have been paid by the Business to Ball in the year in which the costs were incurred. Current income taxes are considered to have been remitted, in cash, by or to Ball in the year the related income taxes were recorded. Amounts receivable from or payable to Ball have been classified in the combined balance sheet within net investment. We reflected the cash generated by certain of our operations and expenses paid by Ball on behalf of our operations as a component of net investment in the accompanying combined balance sheets, combined statements of changes in net investment, and net contributions (to)/from Parent on the accompanying combined statements of cash flows. A discussion of the relationship with Ball, including a description of the costs that have been allocated to the Business, is included in Note 15 to the combined financial statements.

Cash and bank overdrafts held locally and specifically related to the operations of the Business have been included in the combined balance sheets.

**2. Critical and Significant Accounting Policies**

Our combined financial statements include the activities of the Business. The assets and liabilities in the accompanying combined financial statements have been reflected on a historical basis. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions within the carve-out operations are eliminated upon combination. The preparation of the combined financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. These estimates are based on historical experience and various assumptions believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Management evaluates these estimates on an ongoing basis and adjusts or revises the estimates as circumstances change. As future events and their impacts cannot be determined with precision, actual results may differ from these estimates. In the opinion of management, the financial statements reflect all adjustments necessary to fairly present the results of the periods presented.

**Critical Accounting Policies**

The Business considers certain accounting policies to be critical, as their application requires management's judgment about the impacts of matters that are inherently uncertain. Detailed below is a discussion of the accounting policies the Business considers critical to our combined financial statements.

*Exit and Other Closure Costs (Business Consolidation Costs)*

The Business estimates its liabilities for business closure activities by accumulating detailed estimates of costs and asset sale proceeds, if any, for each business consolidation initiative. This includes the estimated costs of employee severance, pension and related benefits; impairment of property and equipment and other assets, including estimates of net realizable value; accelerated depreciation; termination payments for contracts and leases; contractual obligations; and any other

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**2. Critical and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

qualifying costs related to an exit plan. These estimated costs are grouped by specific projects within an overall exit plan and are then monitored on a monthly basis. Such costs represent management's best estimates, but require assumptions about the plans that may change over time. Changes in estimates for individual locations and other matters are evaluated periodically to determine if a change in estimate is required for the overall restructuring plan. Subsequent changes to the original estimates are included in current earnings and identified as business consolidation gains or losses.

*Recoverability of Goodwill and Intangible Assets*

On an annual basis, and at interim periods when circumstances require, the Business tests the recoverability of its goodwill. The Business utilizes the two-step impairment analysis and has elected not to use the qualitative assessment or "step zero" approach. In the two-step impairment analysis, the Business compares the carrying value of each identified reporting unit to its fair value. If the carrying value of the reporting unit is greater than its fair value, the second step is performed, where the implied fair value of goodwill is compared to its carrying value. The Business recognizes an impairment charge for the amount by which the carrying amount of goodwill exceeds its implied fair value. The Business estimates fair value for each reporting unit using either an income approach or based on the weighted average of the estimated fair values using market and income approaches. Under the market approach, the Business uses available information regarding multiples used in recent transactions, if any, involving transfers of controlling interests as well as publicly available trading multiples based on the enterprise value of companies in the packaging industry. The appropriate multiple is applied to forecasted EBITDA (a non-GAAP item defined by the Business as earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization) of each reporting unit to estimate fair value. Under the income approach, fair value is estimated as the present value of estimated future cash flows of each reporting unit. The projected cash flows incorporate various assumptions related to weighted average cost of capital (WACC) and growth rates specific to each reporting unit.

Amortizable intangible assets are tested for impairment, when deemed necessary, based on undiscounted cash flows and, if impaired, are written down to fair value based on either discounted cash flows or appraised values.

*Defined Benefit Pension Plans and Other Employee Benefits*

The Business has defined benefit plans that cover certain of our European salaried and hourly employees. The relevant accounting guidance requires that management make certain assumptions relating to the long-term rate of return on plan assets, discount rates used to determine the present value of future obligations and expenses, salary inflation rates, health care cost trend rates, mortality rates and other assumptions. The Business believes that the accounting estimates related to our pension plans are critical accounting estimates, because they are highly susceptible to change from period to period based on the performance of plan assets, actuarial valuations, market conditions and contracted benefit changes. The selection of assumptions is based on historical trends and known economic and market conditions at the time of valuation, as well as independent studies of trends performed by the Business' actuaries. However, actual results may differ substantially from the estimates that were based on the critical assumptions.

The Business recognizes the funded status of each defined benefit pension plan in the combined balance sheets. Each overfunded plan is recognized as an asset, and each underfunded plan is recognized as a liability. Pension plan liabilities are revalued annually, or when an event occurs that



**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**2. Critical and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

requires remeasurement, based on updated assumptions and information about the individuals covered by the plan. For pension plans, accumulated actuarial gains and losses in excess of a 10 percent corridor and the prior service cost are amortized on a straight-line basis from the date recognized over the average remaining service period of active participants or over the average life for plans with significant inactive participants. The majority of costs related to defined benefit plans are included in cost of sales; the remainder is included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

*Income Taxes*

The Business' operating results have been included in Ball's tax filings for non-U.S. jurisdictions. Amounts presented in these combined financial statements related to income taxes have been determined on a separate tax return basis. These amounts may not reflect tax positions taken or to be taken by Ball or the Business and have been available for use by Ball, and may remain with Ball after the separation from Ball.

Deferred income taxes reflect the future tax consequences of differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their financial reporting amounts at each balance sheet date, based upon enacted income tax laws and tax rates. Income tax expense or benefit is provided based on earnings reported in the financial statements. The provision for income tax expense or benefit differs from the amounts of income taxes currently payable because certain items of income and expense included in the combined financial statements are recognized in different time periods by taxing authorities.

Deferred tax assets, including operating loss, capital loss and tax credit carryforwards, are reduced by a valuation allowance when, in the opinion of management, it is more likely than not that any portion of these tax attributes will not be realized. In addition, from time to time, management must assess the need to accrue or disclose uncertain tax positions for proposed adjustments from various U.S. and foreign tax authorities who regularly audit the Business' income tax returns. In making these assessments, management must often analyze complex tax laws of multiple jurisdictions, including many foreign jurisdictions. The accounting guidance prescribed a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The Business records the related interest expense and penalties, if any, as tax expense in the tax provision.

*Derivative Financial Instruments*

The Business uses derivative financial instruments for the purpose of hedging commercial risk exposures to fluctuations in currency exchange rates and raw material costs. The Business' derivative instruments are recorded in the combined balance sheets at fair value. The Business values each derivative financial instrument either by using a single valuation technique based on observable market inputs performed internally or by obtaining valuation information from a reliable and observable market source. For a derivative designated as a cash flow hedge, the effective portion of the derivative's mark to fair value is initially recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive earnings and subsequently reclassified into earnings when the hedged item affects earnings, unless it is probable that the forecasted transaction will not occur. The ineffective portion of the mark to fair value associated with all hedges is recorded in earnings immediately. Derivatives that do not qualify for hedge accounting are marked to fair value with gains and losses immediately recorded in earnings. In the combined statements of cash flows, derivative activities are classified based on the items being hedged.

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**2. Critical and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

Realized gains and losses from hedges are classified in the combined statements of earnings consistent with the accounting treatment of the items being hedged. Upon the early dedesignation of an effective derivative contract, the gains or losses are deferred in accumulated other comprehensive earnings until the originally hedged item affects earnings. Any gains or losses incurred after the dedesignation date are recorded in earnings immediately.

*Contingencies*

The Business is subject to various legal proceedings and claims, including those that arise in the ordinary course of business. The Business records loss contingencies when it determines that the outcome of the future event is probable of occurring and when the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Gain contingencies are recognized in the financial statements when they are realized.

The determination of a reserve for a loss contingency is based on management's judgment of probability and estimates with respect to the likelihood of an outcome and valuation of the future event. Liabilities are recorded or adjusted when events or circumstances cause these judgments or estimates to change. In assessing whether a loss is probable, management may consider the following factors, among others: the nature of the litigation, claim or assessment; available information, opinions or views of legal counsel and other advisors; and the experience gained from similar cases by the Business and others. We provide disclosures for material contingencies when there is a reasonable possibility that a loss or an additional loss may be incurred. Actual amounts realized upon settlement of contingencies may be different than amounts recorded and disclosed and could have a significant impact on the Business' combined financial statements. See Note 17 to the combined financial statements for further details.

**Significant Accounting Policies**

*Principles of Combination*

Our combined financial statements include the accounts of the Business. The assets and liabilities in the accompanying combined financial statements have been reflected on a historical basis. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions within the carve-out operations are eliminated upon combination.

*Cash and Cash Equivalents*

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

*Inventories*

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market using either the first-in, first-out (FIFO) cost method of accounting or the average cost method. Inventory cost is calculated for each inventory component taking into consideration the appropriate cost factors including fixed and variable overhead, material price volatility and production levels.

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**2. Critical and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

*Depreciation and Amortization*

Property, plant and equipment are carried at the cost of acquisition or construction and depreciated over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Repairs and maintenance costs, including labor and material costs for major improvements such as annual production line overhauls, are expensed as incurred, unless those costs substantially increase the useful lives or capacity of the existing assets. Assets are depreciated and amortized using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, generally 5 to 40 years for buildings and improvements and 2 to 20 years for machinery and equipment. Finite-lived intangible assets are generally amortized over their estimated useful lives of 3 to 23 years. The Business periodically reviews these estimated useful lives and when appropriate, changes are made prospectively.

Deferred financing costs are amortized over the life of the related loan facility and are reported as part of the interest expense. When debt is extinguished prior to its maturity date, the write-off of the remaining unamortized deferred financing costs, or a pro rata portion thereof, is also reported in the combined statement of earnings.

For certain business consolidation activities, accelerated depreciation may be required over the remaining useful life for assets designated to be scrapped or abandoned. The accelerated depreciation related to such activities is disclosed as part of business consolidation and other activities in the appropriate period.

*Revenue Recognition*

The Business recognizes sales of products when the four basic criteria of revenue recognition are met: delivery has occurred; title has transferred; there is persuasive evidence of an agreement or arrangement and the price is fixed or determinable; and collection is reasonably assured. Shipping and handling costs are reported within cost of sales in the combined statements of earnings. Net sales to major customers, as a percentage of consolidated net sales, were as follows:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Heineken N.V. . . . .	14%	13%	13%
Coca-Cola Bottlers' Sales & Services Company LLC . . . . .	11%	12%	13%

*Research and Development*

Research and development costs are expensed as incurred in connection with the Business' programs for the development of products and processes. Costs incurred in connection with these programs, which are included in cost of sales, amounted to \$3.9 million, \$5.9 million and \$4.6 million for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

*Currency Translation*

Assets and liabilities of foreign operations with a functional currency other than the U.S. dollar are translated using period-end exchange rates, and revenues and expenses are translated using average exchange rates during each period. Translation gains and losses are reported in accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss) as a component of net investment.

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**2. Critical and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

*Fair Value Measurements*

U.S. GAAP defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or be paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (exit price) and establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs used to measure fair value using the following definitions (from highest to lowest priority):

- Level 1—Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities.
- Level 2—Observable inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, including quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets and liabilities in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.
- Level 3—Prices or valuation techniques requiring inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable.

*Net Parent Investment*

In the accompanying combined balance sheets, net parent investment represents our Parent's historical investment in us, our accumulated net earnings, and the net effect of transactions with, and allocations from our Parent. See Principles of Combination and Basis of Presentation above for additional information.

*Impairment of Long-lived Assets*

We review long-lived assets for impairment when circumstances indicate the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable based on the undiscounted future cash flows of the asset. We review long-lived assets for impairment at the individual asset or the asset group level for which the lowest level of independent cash flows can be identified. If the carrying amount of the asset is determined not to be recoverable, a write-down to fair value is recorded. Fair values are determined based on quoted market values, discounted cash flows, or external appraisals, as applicable. We determined there were no long-lived held for use asset impairments in 2015, 2014, or 2013.

*Accounts Receivable and Allowances for Doubtful Accounts*

Accounts receivable represent valid claims against customers for products sold or services rendered, net of allowances for doubtful accounts. We assess the creditworthiness of our counterparties on an ongoing basis and require security, including prepayments and other forms of collateral, when appropriate. We establish provisions for losses on accounts receivable due from customers if we determine that it is probable we will not collect all or part of the outstanding balance. Outstanding customer receivables are regularly reviewed for possible nonpayment indicators, and allowances for doubtful accounts are recorded based upon management's estimate of collectability at each balance sheet date. As of December 31, 2015 and 2014, our allowances for doubtful accounts were \$2.3 million and \$1.5 million, respectively.

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**3. Accounting Pronouncements**

*New Accounting Guidance*

In February 2016, lease accounting guidance was issued which, for operating leases, requires a lessee to recognize a right-of-use asset and a lease liability, initially measured at the present value of the lease payments, in its balance sheet. The guidance also requires a lessee to recognize a single lease cost, calculated so that the cost of the lease is allocated over the lease term, on a generally straight-line basis. The guidance is effective for public companies for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted. Management is currently assessing the impact the adoption of this standard will have on its combined financial statements.

In November 2015, accounting guidance was issued that requires classification of all deferred tax assets and liabilities, along with any related valuation allowance, as noncurrent on the balance sheet. As a result, each tax jurisdiction will now only have one net noncurrent deferred tax asset or liability. The guidance, however, does not change the existing requirement that only permits offsetting within a tax jurisdiction, that is, companies are still prohibited from offsetting deferred tax liabilities from one jurisdiction against deferred tax assets of another tax jurisdiction. The guidance will be applied prospectively on January 1, 2016. Current deferred tax assets and current deferred tax liabilities were \$3.6 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, at December 31, 2015.

In September 2015, amendments to existing accounting guidance were issued to simplify the accounting for adjustments made to provisional amounts recognized in business combinations. Under the previous guidance, companies were required to retrospectively revise comparative financial statements for changes made to provisional amounts. The amended guidance eliminates the requirement to retrospectively account for these adjustments. The guidance will be applied prospectively to adjustments to provisional amounts that occur on or after January 1, 2016. The guidance is not expected to have a material effect on the Business' combined financial statements.

In July 2015, amendments to existing accounting guidance were issued to modify the subsequent measurement of inventory. Under existing guidance, an entity measures inventory at the lower of cost or market, with market defined as replacement cost, net realizable value (NRV), or NRV less a normal profit margin. An entity uses current replacement cost provided that it is not above NRV (ceiling) or below NRV less a normal profit margin (floor). Amendments in the new guidance require an entity to subsequently measure inventory at the lower of cost or net realizable value and eliminates the need to determine replacement cost and evaluate whether it is above the ceiling or below the floor. NRV is defined as the estimated selling prices in the ordinary course of business, less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal and transportation. The guidance will be effective for the Business on January 1, 2017, and early adoption is permitted. The guidance is not expected to have a material effect on our combined financial statements.

In May 2015, amendments to the existing accounting guidance were issued to remove the requirement to categorize net asset value per share, currently utilized as a practical expedient, by investment within the fair value hierarchy based on redeemable dates. This amendment also removes the requirement to make certain disclosures for all investments that are eligible to be measured at fair value using the net asset value per share expedient. The guidance will be applied prospectively on January 1, 2016. The guidance is not expected to have a material effect on the company's consolidated financial statements.

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**3. Accounting Pronouncements (Continued)**

In April 2015, amendments to existing accounting guidance were issued to provide explicit guidance related to a customer's accounting for fees paid in a cloud computing arrangement. Under the guidance, cloud computing arrangements that include a software license would be accounted for consistent with the acquisition of other software licenses. Conversely, cloud computing arrangements that do not include a software license would be accounted for as a service contract. The guidance will be effective for the Business on January 1, 2016, and early adoption is permitted. The guidance is not expected to have a material effect on our combined financial statements.

In April 2015, accounting guidance was issued to change the balance sheet presentation for debt issuance costs. Under the new guidance, debt issuance costs related to a recognized debt liability will be presented as a direct deduction from the carrying amount of that debt liability, consistent with debt discounts, rather than as a deferred charge. The guidance does not affect the recognition and measurement of debt issuance costs; hence, amortization of debt issuance costs would continue to be reported as interest expense. In August 2015, subsequent clarification guidance was issued permitting companies to defer and present debt issuance costs related to line-of-credit arrangements as an asset and amortize them over the terms of these arrangements, regardless of whether there are any amounts outstanding under those arrangements. This guidance will be applied retrospectively on January 1, 2016. The guidance will not have a material effect on our combined financial statements.

In August 2014, accounting guidance was issued to define management's responsibility to evaluate whether there is substantial doubt about an entity's ability to continue as a going concern and to provide related footnote disclosure in certain circumstances. Under the new guidance, management is required to evaluate, at each annual and interim reporting period, whether there are conditions or events that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date the financial statements are issued and to provide related disclosures. The guidance will be effective for the Business on January 1, 2017, and is not expected to have a material effect on our combined financial statements.

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") and International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") jointly issued new revenue recognition guidance which outlines a single comprehensive model for entities to use in accounting for revenue arising from contracts with customers. The new guidance contains a more robust framework for addressing revenue issues and is intended to remove inconsistencies in existing guidance and improve comparability of revenue recognition practices across entities, industries, jurisdictions and capital markets. The guidance will supersede the majority of current revenue recognition guidance, including industry-specific guidance. In July 2015, the FASB approved the deferral of the effective date of the new revenue recognition guidance by one year. The guidance will be effective on January 1, 2018 and 2019, for public and private companies, respectively. Early adoption is permitted; however, entities are not permitted to adopt the standard earlier than the original effective date of January 1, 2017. Entities have the option of using either a full retrospective or modified retrospective approach for the adoption of the standard. Management is currently assessing the impact that the adoption of this standard will have on its combined financial statements.

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**4. Business Consolidation and Other activities**

The Business recognized \$9.8 million, \$8.7 million, and \$10.6 million of business consolidation and other activity charges in the combined statements of earnings for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013, respectively.

**2015**

During 2015, the Business recorded a charge of \$4.7 million for the write down of property held for sale to fair value less cost to sell. The Business also recognized charges of \$5.1 million for individually insignificant items.

**2014**

The Business recorded charges of \$4.1 million, primarily for headcount reductions, cost-out initiatives and the relocation of the Business' European headquarters from Germany to Switzerland.

The Business recorded charges of \$1.1 million related to business reorganization activities in the Business' metal beverage packaging, Europe, operations. Also included in 2014 were charges of \$3.5 million related to the write off of previously capitalized costs associated with the Business' Lublin, Poland, facility, and for other insignificant activities.

**2013**

The Business recorded charges of \$10.6 million, primarily for headcount reductions, cost-out initiatives and the relocation of the Business' European headquarters from Germany to Switzerland.

**5. Receivables**

(\$ in millions)	December 31,	
	2015	2014
Trade accounts receivable . . . . .	\$174.3	\$176.6
Less allowances for doubtful accounts . . . . .	(2.3)	(1.5)
Net trade accounts receivable . . . . .	172.0	175.1
Other receivables . . . . .	59.7	77.7
	<u>\$231.7</u>	<u>\$252.8</u>

Other receivables include sales tax receivable, vendor rebate receivables and other miscellaneous receivables.

The Parent has entered into several regional uncommitted accounts receivable factoring programs with various financial institutions for certain receivables of the European portion of the Business. The programs are accounted for as true sales of the receivables, without recourse to the Business. Receivables of \$190.4 million and \$83.8 million were sold under these programs as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively.



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**6. Inventories**

(\$ in millions)	December 31,	
	2015	2014
Raw materials and supplies . . . . .	\$ 93.5	\$105.6
Work-in-process and finished goods . . . . .	143.9	148.7
Less inventory reserves . . . . .	(14.9)	(15.5)
	<u>\$222.5</u>	<u>\$238.8</u>

**7. Property, Plant and Equipment**

(\$ in millions)	December 31,	
	2015	2014
Land . . . . .	\$ 23.6	\$ 25.8
Buildings . . . . .	300.8	306.0
Machinery and equipment . . . . .	1,252.1	1,212.2
Construction-in-progress . . . . .	62.9	92.8
	<u>1,639.4</u>	<u>1,636.8</u>
Accumulated depreciation . . . . .	(845.4)	(847.0)
	<u>\$ 794.0</u>	<u>\$ 789.8</u>

Property, plant and equipment are stated at historical or acquired cost. Depreciation expense amounted to \$74.2 million, \$74.4 million and \$98.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

**8. Goodwill**

(\$ in millions)	Total
Balance at December 31, 2013 <sup>(a)</sup> . . . . .	\$1,037.2
Effects of currency exchange rates . . . . .	(123.3)
Balance at December 31, 2014 <sup>(a)</sup> . . . . .	913.9
Effects of currency exchange rates . . . . .	(97.3)
Balance at December 31, 2015 <sup>(a)</sup> . . . . .	<u>\$ 816.6</u>

(a) This balance is net of accumulated impairment losses of \$44.4 million.

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**9. Intangibles and Other Assets**

(\$ in millions)	December 31,	
	2015	2014
Intangible assets (net of accumulated amortization of \$10.7 million and \$10.3 million at December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively) . . . . .	\$15.1	\$ 17.7
Capitalized software (net of accumulated amortization of \$27.3 million and \$25.8 million at December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively) . . . . .	21.7	22.2
Long-term deferred tax assets . . . . .	26.6	37.9
Other . . . . .	28.4	43.8
	<u>\$91.8</u>	<u>\$121.6</u>

Total amortization expense of intangible assets and capitalized software amount to \$7.9 million, \$7.9 million and \$6.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Based on intangible asset and capitalized software values and currency exchange rates as of December 31, 2015, total annual amortization expense is expected to be \$7.8 million, \$7.1 million, \$6.4 million, \$5.5 million and \$4.2 million for the years 2016 through 2020, respectively, and \$5.7 million combined for all years thereafter.

**10. Leases**

The Business leases warehousing and manufacturing space and equipment for its operations. Certain of the Business' leases in effect at December 31, 2015, include renewal options and/or escalation clauses for adjusting lease expense based on various factors. Total noncancelable operating leases in effect at December 31, 2015, require rental payments of \$9.6 million, \$5.2 million, \$3.2 million, \$1.5 million and \$1.5 million for the years 2016 through 2020, respectively, and \$2.9 million combined for all years thereafter. Lease expense for all operating leases was \$19.3 million, \$23.0 million and \$23.2 million in 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

**11. Debt and Interest Costs**

Long-term debt and interest rates in effect consisted of the following:

(\$ in millions)	December 31,	
	2015	2014
<b>Senior Credit Facilities, due June 2018 (at variable rates)</b>		
Term C Loan, euro denominated (2014–1.65%) . . . . .	\$ —	\$92.9
<b>Other</b> . . . . .	0.9	1.2
Less: Current portion of long-term debt . . . . .	(0.3)	(9.2)
	<u>\$ 0.6</u>	<u>\$84.9</u>

In February 2015, the Business extinguished its \$92.9 million Term C loan. In connection with this extinguishment, the Business recorded a charge of \$1.3 million, which is included in total interest expense, in the combined statements of earnings. There were no similar charges or costs recognized in the combined statements of earnings for the years ended December 31, 2014, and 2013.

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**11. Debt and Interest Costs (Continued)**

The Business also had approximately \$121.7 million of short-term uncommitted credit facilities available at December 31, 2015, of which \$23.5 million was outstanding and due on demand. At December 31, 2014, the Business had no significant amounts outstanding under short-term uncommitted credit facilities. The weighted average interest rate of the outstanding short-term facilities was 0.39 percent at December 31, 2015.

The fair value of the long-term debt was estimated to be \$0.9 million at December 31, 2015, which approximated the carrying value. The fair value of the long-term debt was estimated to be \$93.2 million at December 31, 2014, which approximated the carrying value. The fair value reflects the market rates at each period end for debt with credit ratings similar to the Business' ratings and is classified as Level 2 within the fair value hierarchy. Rates currently available to the Business for loans with similar terms and maturities are used to estimate the fair value of long-term debt based on discounted cash flows.

Long-term debt obligations outstanding at December 31, 2015, have maturities of \$0.3 million, \$0.3 million, \$0.2 million and \$0.1 million in the years ending December 31, 2016 through 2019, respectively, and no maturities thereafter.

Interest payments (net of capitalized interest) were \$0.8 million, \$4.6 million and \$6.1 million in 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

**12. Taxes on Income**

The Business' operating results have been included in Ball's tax filings for non-U.S. jurisdictions. Amounts presented in these combined financial statements related to income taxes have been determined on a separate tax return basis. Certain of our tax attributes may be retained by Ball after the separation from Ball. These amounts may not reflect tax positions taken or to be taken by Ball or the Business and have been available for use by Ball and may remain with Ball after the separation from Ball. All of the Business' earnings are foreign.

The provision for income tax expense is:

(\$ in millions)	Years Ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
Current .....	\$42.7	\$41.9	\$ 54.5
Deferred .....	(5.7)	1.6	(14.0)
<b>Tax provision .....</b>	<b>\$37.0</b>	<b>\$43.5</b>	<b>\$ 40.5</b>

These combined financial statements reflect certain metal beverage packaging operations that are based in various jurisdictions outside of the United States. As the Business is owned by Ball, which is subject to the U.S. federal statutory tax rate of 35%, the Business applied the U.S. federal statutory rate in reconciling the effective tax rate.

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**12. Taxes on Income (Continued)**

The income tax provision recorded within the combined statements of earnings differs from the provision determined by applying the U.S. statutory tax rate to pretax earnings as a result of the following:

(\$ in millions)	Years Ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
Statutory U.S. federal income tax . . . . .	\$ 57.8	\$ 71.2	\$ 58.9
Increase (decrease) due to:			
Foreign tax rate differences . . . . .	(22.4)	(28.7)	(13.3)
Uncertain tax positions, including interest . . . . .	1.6	1.0	(5.1)
Provision for taxes . . . . .	<u>\$ 37.0</u>	<u>\$ 43.5</u>	<u>\$ 40.5</u>
Effective tax rate expressed as a percentage of pretax earnings . . . . .	<u>22.4%</u>	<u>21.4%</u>	<u>24.1%</u>

The 2015 full year effective income tax rate was 22.4 percent compared to 2014 of 21.4 percent. The higher tax rate in 2015 compared to 2014 was primarily due to a higher foreign tax rate differential in 2014.

The 2014 full year effective income tax rate was 21.4 percent compared to 2013 of 24.1 percent. The lower tax rate in 2014 was primarily the result of a higher foreign tax rate differential.

Ball's Serbian subsidiary was granted an income tax holiday that applies to only a portion of its earnings and expired at the end of 2015. In addition, the Serbian subsidiary was granted tax relief equal to 80 percent of additional local investment for a ten-year period that will expire in 2022. The tax relief may be used to offset tax on earnings not covered by the initial tax holiday and has \$18.8 million remaining as of December 31, 2015. The Business' Alagoinhas plant was granted a tax holiday which expires in 2023. Under the terms of the holiday, a certain portion of the plant's earnings receive up to a 19 percent tax exemption from Brazilian income taxes. One of the Business' Polish subsidiaries was granted a tax holiday in 2014 based on new capital investment. The holiday provides up to \$33.9 million of tax relief over a ten year period.

Management's intention is to indefinitely reinvest undistributed foreign earnings of the Business and, as a result, no deferred taxes have been provided on these earnings. Retained earnings for the Business totaled \$1,638 million as of December 31, 2015. It is not practical to estimate the additional taxes that may become payable upon the eventual remittance of the undistributed foreign earnings; however, repatriation of these earnings could result in a material increase in the Business' effective tax rate.

Net income tax payments made by the Business were \$18.2 million, \$32.9 million and \$53.5 million in 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

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**12. Taxes on Income (Continued)**

The significant components of deferred tax assets and liabilities were:

(\$ in millions)	December 31,	
	2015	2014
<b>Deferred tax assets:</b>		
Accrued employee benefits . . . . .	\$ 47.3	\$ 58.3
Inventory and other reserves . . . . .	1.4	1.5
Net operating losses and other tax attributes . . . . .	10.7	13.1
Other . . . . .	6.1	4.7
Total deferred tax assets . . . . .	65.5	77.6
Valuation allowance . . . . .	(9.7)	(13.1)
Net deferred tax assets . . . . .	55.8	64.5
<b>Deferred tax liabilities:</b>		
Property, plant and equipment . . . . .	(34.7)	(38.4)
Intangible assets . . . . .	(4.6)	(5.3)
Other . . . . .	(8.8)	(5.4)
Total deferred tax liabilities . . . . .	(48.1)	(49.1)
<b>Net deferred tax asset (liability) . . . . .</b>	<b>\$ 7.7</b>	<b>\$ 15.4</b>

The net deferred tax asset (liability) was included in the combined balance sheets as follows:

(\$ in millions)	December 31,	
	2015	2014
Deferred taxes and other current assets . . . . .	\$ 3.6	\$ 1.7
Intangibles and other assets, net . . . . .	26.6	37.9
Other current liabilities . . . . .	(0.5)	(0.4)
Deferred taxes and other liabilities . . . . .	(22.0)	(23.8)
<b>Net deferred tax asset (liability) . . . . .</b>	<b>\$ 7.7</b>	<b>\$ 15.4</b>

At December 31, 2015, the Business had net operating loss carryforwards in various foreign locations, primarily with no expiration date, of \$37.6 million with a related tax benefit of \$10.7 million.

Valuation allowances have been established on deferred tax assets which the Business believes are not more likely than not to be realized. For the years ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively, valuation allowances of \$9.7 million and \$13.1 million have been established against the net operating loss carryforwards of our European subsidiaries. During the period ended December 31, 2015, valuation allowances decreased by \$3.4 million due to the expiration of net operating loss carryforwards.

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**12. Taxes on Income (Continued)**

A rollforward of the unrecognized tax benefits related to uncertain income tax positions at December 31, as recorded in other liabilities, follows:

(\$ in millions)	2015	2014	2013
Balance at January 1 . . . . .	\$44.0	\$49.9	\$52.8
Additions based on tax positions related to the current year . . . . .	—	—	0.2
Additions for tax positions of prior years . . . . .	0.2	1.3	—
Reductions for settlements . . . . .	(5.9)	—	(5.0)
Reductions due to lapse of statute of limitations . . . . .	(0.4)	(2.1)	—
Effect of foreign currency exchange rates . . . . .	(3.9)	(5.1)	1.9
Balance at December 31 . . . . .	<u>\$34.0</u>	<u>\$44.0</u>	<u>\$49.9</u>

The annual provisions for income taxes included tax expense and interest, related to uncertain tax positions, of \$1.6 million and \$1.0 million for 2015 and 2014, respectively and a tax benefit, including interest, of \$5.1 million for 2013.

At December 31, 2015, the amount of unrecognized tax benefits that, if recognized, would reduce tax expense was \$38.9 million. No reductions in unrecognized tax benefits are expected within the next 12 months from settlements with taxing authorities. The Business' significant tax return filings are in Switzerland, Germany, France, the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Poland, and Brazil. With limited exceptions, the Business is no longer subject to examinations by foreign tax authorities for years prior to 2008. At December 31, 2015, the Business is either under examination or has been notified of a pending examination by tax authorities in Germany and the United Kingdom.

The Business recognizes the accrual of interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits in income tax expense. The Business recognized \$0.9 million of tax benefit in 2015 and \$1.7 million and \$1.1 million of additional income tax expense in 2014 and 2013, respectively, for potential interest on these items. At December 31, 2015 and 2014, the accrual for uncertain tax positions included potential interest expense of \$4.9 million and \$6.2 million, respectively. No penalties have been accrued.

**13. Employee Benefit Obligations**

(\$ in millions)	December 31, 2015	2014
Underfunded defined benefit pension liabilities . . . . .	\$330.8	\$406.3
Less current portion and prepaid pension assets . . . . .	(17.5)	(20.1)
Long-term defined benefit pension liabilities . . . . .	313.3	386.2
Deferred compensation plans . . . . .	2.8	3.1
Other . . . . .	6.1	7.3
	<u>\$322.2</u>	<u>\$396.6</u>

The Business' pension plans cover European employees meeting certain eligibility requirements. The defined benefit plans for certain salaried and hourly employees in Germany, the United Kingdom, and Switzerland, provide pension benefits based on employee compensation and years of service. While

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**13. Employee Benefit Obligations (Continued)**

the German plans are not funded, the Business maintains book reserves, and annual additions to the reserves are generally tax deductible. With the exception of the German plans, our policy is to fund the plans in amounts at least sufficient to satisfy statutory funding requirements taking into consideration what is currently deductible under existing tax laws and regulations.

**Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

All defined benefit pension plans are foreign. An analysis of the change in benefit accruals for 2015 and 2014 follows:

(\$ in millions)	December 31,	
	2015	2014
<b>Change in projected benefit obligation:</b>		
Benefit obligation at prior year end . . . . .	\$696.6	\$655.7
Service cost . . . . .	14.9	13.4
Interest cost . . . . .	16.9	23.8
Benefits paid . . . . .	(24.3)	(28.3)
Net actuarial (gains) losses . . . . .	(37.1)	101.0
Effect of exchange rates . . . . .	(57.1)	(69.0)
Plan amendments and other . . . . .	(0.2)	—
Benefit obligation at year end . . . . .	<u>609.7</u>	<u>696.6</u>
<b>Change in plan assets:</b>		
Fair value of assets at prior year end . . . . .	290.3	228.1
Actual return on plan assets . . . . .	9.0	62.0
Employer contributions . . . . .	1.2	23.8
Contributions to unfunded		
German plans <sup>(a)</sup> . . . . .	18.1	22.2
Benefits paid . . . . .	(24.3)	(28.3)
Effect of exchange rates . . . . .	(15.4)	(17.5)
Fair value of assets at end of year . . . . .	<u>278.9</u>	<u>290.3</u>
<b>Underfunded status . . . . .</b>	<u><u>\$330.8</u></u>	<u><u>\$406.3</u></u>

(a) The German plans are unfunded and the liability is included in the Business' combined balance sheets. Benefits are paid directly by the Business to the participants. The German plans represented \$317.1 million and \$393.9 million of the total underfunded status at December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Amounts recognized in accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss) consisted of:

(\$ in millions)	December 31,	
	2015	2014
Net actuarial loss . . . . .	\$116.5	\$166.5
Net prior service cost (credit) . . . . .	(1.6)	(1.8)
Tax effect and currency exchange rates . . . . .	(30.6)	(45.9)
	<u>\$ 84.3</u>	<u>\$118.8</u>



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**13. Employee Benefit Obligations (Continued)**

The accumulated benefit obligation for all defined benefit pension plans was \$555.5 million and \$628.5 million at December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively. Following is the information for defined benefit plans with an accumulated benefit obligation in excess of plan assets:

(\$ in millions)	December 31,	
	2015	2014
Projected benefit obligation . . . . .	\$329.8	\$403.1
Accumulated benefit obligation . . . . .	309.3	377.1
Fair value of plan assets <sup>(a)</sup> . . . . .	6.9	4.9

(a) The German plans are unfunded and, therefore, there is no fair value of plan assets associated with them. The unfunded status of those plans was \$317.1 million and \$393.9 million at December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Components of net periodic benefit cost were:

(\$ in millions)	December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
Service cost . . . . .	\$ 14.9	\$ 13.4	12.1
Interest cost . . . . .	16.9	23.8	21.9
Expected return on plan assets . . . . .	(18.1)	(14.9)	(14.3)
Amortization of prior service cost (credit) . . . . .	(0.4)	(0.5)	(0.4)
Recognized net actuarial loss . . . . .	6.5	5.1	3.1
Curtailement and settlement losses . . . . .	—	—	1.6
Total net periodic benefit cost . . . . .	<u>\$ 19.8</u>	<u>\$ 26.9</u>	<u>\$ 24.0</u>

The estimated net actuarial gain (loss) and prior service cost (credit) for the defined benefit pension plans that will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss) into net periodic benefit cost during 2016 are a loss of \$4.5 million and a gain of \$0.4 million, respectively.

Contributions to the Business' defined benefit pension plans, not including the unfunded German plans, are expected to be insignificant in 2016. This estimate may change based on changes in actual plan asset performance and available cash flow, among other factors. Benefit payments related to these plans are expected to be \$7.0 million, \$7.1 million, \$7.3 million, \$7.4 million and \$7.6 million for the years ended December 31, 2016 through 2020, respectively, and a total of \$40.3 million for the years 2021 through 2025. Payments to participants in the unfunded German plans are expected to be approximately \$16.0 million to \$17.6 million in each of the years 2016 through 2020 and a total of \$75.0 million for the years 2021 through 2025.

Weighted average assumptions used to determine benefit obligations at December 31 were:

	United Kingdom			Germany		
	2015	2014	2013	2015	2014	2013
Discount rate . . . . .	3.75%	3.75%	4.50%	2.25%	1.75%	3.25%
Rate of compensation increase . . . . .	3.00%	3.00%	4.25%	2.50%	2.50%	2.75%
Pension increase . . . . .	3.15%	3.15%	3.40%	1.75%	1.75%	1.75%

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**13. Employee Benefit Obligations (Continued)**

The discount and compensation increase rates used above to determine the benefit obligations at December 31, 2015, will be used to determine net periodic benefit cost for 2016. A reduction of the expected return on pension assets assumption by one quarter of a percentage point would result in an approximate \$0.7 million increase in the 2016 pension expense, while a quarter of a percentage point reduction in the discount rate applied to the pension liability would result in estimated additional pension expense of \$1.8 million in 2016.

Weighted average assumptions used to determine net periodic benefit cost for the years ended December 31 were:

(\$ in millions)	United Kingdom			Germany		
	2015	2014	2013	2015	2014	2013
Discount rate . . . . .	3.75%	4.50%	4.50%	1.75%	3.25%	3.25%
Rate of compensation increase . . . . .	3.00%	4.25%	3.75%	2.50%	2.75%	2.75%
Pension increase . . . . .	3.15%	3.40%	2.90%	1.75%	1.75%	1.75%
Expected long-term rate of return on assets	6.50%	6.50%	7.00%	N/A	N/A	N/A

Current financial accounting standards require that the discount rate used to calculate the actuarial present value of pension benefit obligations reflect the time value of money as of the measurement date of the benefit obligation and reflect the rates of return currently available on high quality fixed income securities whose cash flows (via coupons and maturities) match the timing and amount of future benefit payments of the plan. In addition, changes in the discount rate assumption should reflect changes in the general level of interest rates.

In the United Kingdom and Germany, the Business and its actuarial consultants considered the applicable iBoxx 15+ year AA corporate bond yields for the respective markets and determined a rate consistent with those expectations. The discount rates selected for December 31, 2015, were based on the range of values obtained from cash flow specific methods, together with the changes in the general level of interest rates reflected by the benchmarks.

The assumption related to the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets reflects the average rate of earnings expected on the funds invested to provide for the benefits over the life of the plans. The assumption was based upon the Business' pension plan asset allocations, investment strategies and the views of investment managers and other large pension plan sponsors. Some reliance was placed on historical asset returns for our plans. An asset return model was used to project future asset returns using simulation and asset class correlation. The analysis included expected future risk premiums, forward-looking return expectations derived from the yield on long-term bonds and the price earnings ratios of major stock market indexes, expected inflation and real risk-free interest rate assumptions and the fund's expected asset allocation.

For pension plans, accumulated actuarial gains and losses in excess of a 10 percent corridor and the prior service cost are amortized over the average remaining service period of active participants or over the average life for plans with significant inactive participants.

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**13. Employee Benefit Obligations (Continued)**

**Defined Benefit Pension Plan Assets**

*Policies and Allocation Information*

Investment policies and strategies for plan assets in the United Kingdom are established by pension investment committees of the Business and include the following common themes: (1) to provide for long-term growth of principal without undue exposure to risk, (2) to minimize contributions to the plans, (3) to minimize and stabilize pension expense and (4) to achieve a rate of return above the market average for each asset class over the long term. The pension investment committees are required to regularly, but no less frequently than annually, review asset mix and asset performance, as well as the performance of the investment managers. Based on their reviews, which are generally conducted quarterly, investment policies and strategies are revised as appropriate.

Assets contributed to the United Kingdom plans are invested using established percentages. Following are the established percentages as of December 31, 2015:

	<b>United Kingdom<sup>(a)</sup></b>
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	4%
Equity securities . . . . .	20%
Fixed income securities . . . . .	64%
Absolute return investments . . . . .	9%
Alternative investments . . . . .	3%

(a) The percentages provided reflect the asset allocation percentage at December 31, 2015. The portfolio mix is expected to be adjusted over time toward more fixed income securities.

*Fair Value Measurements of Pension Plan Assets*

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for pension assets measured at fair value:

*Commingled funds:* The shares held are valued at the net asset value (NAV) at year end.

*Alternative investments including limited partnerships:* Certain of the partnership investments receive fair market valuations on a quarterly basis. Certain other partnerships invest in market-traded securities, both on a long and short basis. These investments are valued using quoted market prices.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Business believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The Business' assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment and may affect the valuation of the fair value of assets and liabilities and their placement within the fair value hierarchy levels.

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**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**13. Employee Benefit Obligations (Continued)**

The following is a summary of plan assets as of December 31:

(\$ in millions)	December 31,	
	2015	2014
U.K. pension assets, at fair value (all Level 2):		
Cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	\$ 10.9	—
Equity commingled funds . . . . .	54.4	71.3
Fixed income commingled funds . . . . .	174.0	174.1
Absolute return funds . . . . .	24.5	17.2
Alternative investments . . . . .	8.2	22.8
Net UK assets . . . . .	272.0	285.4
Switzerland pension assets, at fair value (all Level 2) . . . . .	6.9	4.9
	<u>\$278.9</u>	<u>\$290.3</u>

**14. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)**

The activity related to accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss) was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Foreign Currency Translation	Pension Benefits (Net of Tax)	Effective Derivatives (Net of tax)	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)
December 31, 2013 . . . . .	\$ 146.2	\$ (99.4)	\$ (34.7)	\$ 12.1
Other comprehensive earnings (loss) before reclassifications . . . . .	(175.7)	(22.8)	2.5	(196.0)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss) . . . . .	—	3.4	31.2	34.6
December 31, 2014 . . . . .	(29.5)	(118.8)	(1.0)	(149.3)
Other comprehensive earnings (loss) before reclassifications . . . . .	(134.4)	30.2	(6.0)	(110.2)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss) . . . . .	—	4.3	0.3	4.6
December 31, 2015 . . . . .	<u>\$(163.9)</u>	<u>\$ (84.3)</u>	<u>\$ (6.7)</u>	<u>\$(254.9)</u>

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**14. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss) (Continued)**

The following table provides additional details of the amounts recognized into net earnings from accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss):

(\$ in millions)	December 31,	
	2015	2014
Gains (losses) on cash flow hedges:		
Commodity contracts and currency exchange contracts recorded in cost of sales . . .	\$ (1.8)	\$(34.0)
Currency exchange contracts recorded in SG&A expense . . . . .	1.7	—
Total before tax effect . . . . .	(0.1)	(34.0)
Tax benefit (expense) on amounts reclassified into earnings . . . . .	(0.2)	2.8
Recognised gain (loss) . . . . .	<u>\$ (0.3)</u>	<u>\$(31.2)</u>
Amortization of pension benefits <sup>(a)</sup> :		
Prior service income (cost) . . . . .	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.5
Actuarial gains (losses) . . . . .	(6.5)	(5.1)
Total before tax effect . . . . .	(6.1)	(4.6)
Tax benefit (expense) on amounts reclassified into earnings . . . . .	1.8	1.2
Recognised gain (loss) . . . . .	<u>\$ (4.3)</u>	<u>\$ (3.4)</u>

(a) These components are included in the computation of net periodic benefit cost included in Note 13.

**15. Related Party Transactions and Net Investment**

The combined financial statements have been prepared on a stand-alone basis and have been derived from the consolidated financial statements and accounting records of Ball.

*Allocation of General Corporate Expense*

During 2015, 2014 and 2013, we were allocated \$21.1 million, \$24.6 million and \$12.8 million, respectively, of net general corporate expenses incurred by Ball which are included within selling, general and administrative expenses in the combined statements of earnings.

The expense allocations have been determined on a basis management considers to be a reasonable reflection of the utilization of services provided or the benefit received by us during the periods presented. The allocations may not, however, reflect the expense we would have incurred as an independent company for the periods presented. Actual costs that may have been incurred if we had been a standalone company would depend on a number of factors, including the chosen organizational structure, what functions were outsourced or performed by employees and strategic decisions made in areas such as information technology and infrastructure.

*Net Parent Investment*

The Business' European operations have historically participated in Ball's centralized cash management and funding system. Our working capital and capital expenditure requirements have historically been part of the corporate-wide cash management program for Ball. As part of this program, Ball maintains all cash generated by the Business' operations and cash required to meet the

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**15. Related Party Transactions and Net Investment (Continued)**

Business' operating and investing needs is provided by Ball as necessary. Net cash generated by or used by our operations is reflected as a component of net parent investment on the accompanying combined balance sheets and as Net contributions (to)/from Parent on the accompanying combined statements of cash flows.

The Business has various intercompany amounts due to and from the Parent and other Parent businesses. These intercompany amounts resulted from various capital and other operating transactions of the Business and of the Parent to which the Business was either a party or was an intermediary and are included in net parent investment in the combined balance sheets. The related net intercompany interest is included in interest expense in the combined statements of earnings.

All significant intercompany transactions between the Business and Ball have been included in these combined financial statements and are considered to be transacted through net parent investment in the accompanying combined financial statements at the time the transaction is recorded. The total net effect of the settlement of these intercompany transactions represents capital contributions from or distributions to the Parent and therefore is reflected in the accompanying combined statements of cash flows as a financing activity, in the accompanying combined statements of changes in net investment as Net contributions/(distributions) from/(to) Parent and in the accompanying combined balance sheets as net parent investment.

*Noncontrolling Interest*

A wholly-owned subsidiary of Ball owned an interest in a joint venture company (Latapack-Ball), organized and operating in Brazil, a portion of which is included in the Business. The Business recorded our Parent's 60.1 percent ownership interest in Latapack-Ball and the corresponding noncontrolling interest in our combined financial statements. In December 2015, Ball acquired the remaining interests in its Latapack-Ball joint venture, \$117.9 million of which relates to the Business. This transaction has been recorded as an increase in net parent investment and as reduction of noncontrolling interest, with no impact on cash. Since this acquisition did not result in a change of control, it was treated as a transaction within net investment and resulted in the elimination of the noncontrolling interest of the Business.

**16. Financial Instruments and Risk Management**

The Business employs established risk management policies and procedures, which seek to reduce the Business' commercial risk exposure to fluctuations in commodity prices and currency exchange rates. However, there can be no assurance that these policies and procedures will be successful. Although the instruments utilized involve varying degrees of credit, market and interest risk, the counterparties to the agreements are expected to perform fully under the terms of the agreements. The Business monitors counterparty credit risk, including lenders, on a regular basis, but the Business cannot be certain that all risks will be discerned or that its risk management policies and procedures will always be effective. Additionally, in the event of default under Ball's master derivative agreements, the non-defaulting party has the option to set-off any amounts owed with regard to open derivative positions.

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**16. Financial Instruments and Risk Management (Continued)**

**Commodity Price Risk**

*Aluminum*

The Business manages commodity price risk in connection with market price fluctuations of aluminum ingot through two different methods. First, the Business enters into container sales contracts that include aluminum ingot-based pricing terms that generally reflect the same price fluctuations under commercial purchase contracts for aluminum sheet. The terms include fixed, floating or pass-through aluminum ingot component pricing. Second, the Business uses certain derivative instruments such as option and forward contracts as economic and cash flow hedges of commodity price risk where there are material differences between sales and purchase contracted pricing and volume.

At December 31, 2015, the Business had aluminum contracts limiting its aluminum exposure with notional amounts of approximately \$97.3 million, which received hedge accounting treatment. The aluminum contracts, which are recorded at fair value, include cash flow hedges that offset sales and purchase contracts of various terms and lengths. Cash flow hedges relate to forecasted transactions that expire within the next three years. Included in net investment at December 31, 2015, within accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss) is a net after-tax loss of \$8.3 million associated with these contracts. A net gain of \$5.2 million is expected to be recognized in the combined statement of earnings during the next 12 months, the majority of which will be offset by pricing changes in sales and purchase contracts, thus resulting in little or no earnings impact to the Business.

*Steel*

Most sales contracts involving our steel products either include provisions permitting the Business to pass through some or all steel cost changes incurred, or they incorporate annually negotiated steel prices.

**Currency Exchange Rate Risk**

The Business' objective in managing exposure to currency fluctuations is to limit the exposure of cash flows and earnings to changes associated with currency exchange rate changes through the use of various derivative contracts. In addition, at times the Business manages earnings translation volatility through the use of currency option strategies, and the change in the fair value of those options is recorded in the Business' net earnings. The Business' currency translation risk results from the currencies in which we transact business. The Business faces currency exposures in our global operations as a result of various factors including selling our products in various currencies, purchasing raw materials and equipment in various currencies and tax exposures not denominated in the functional currency. Sales contracts are negotiated with customers to reflect cost changes and, where there is not an exchange pass-through arrangement, the Business uses forward and option contracts to manage currency exposures. At December 31, 2015, the Business had outstanding exchange forward contracts and option contracts with notional amounts totaling approximately \$288.7 million. Approximately \$1.7 million of net after-tax gain related to these contracts is included in accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss) at December 31, 2015, of which no gain or loss is expected to be recognized in the combined statement of earnings during the next 12 months. The contracts outstanding at December 31, 2015, expire within the next five years.



**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**16. Financial Instruments and Risk Management (Continued)**

**Collateral Calls**

The Business' agreements with its financial counterparties require the Business to post collateral in certain circumstances when the negative mark to fair value of the derivative contracts exceeds specified levels. Additionally, the Business has collateral posting arrangements with certain customers on these derivative contracts. The cash flows of the margin calls are shown within the investing section of the Business' combined statements of cash flows. As of December 31, 2015, the aggregate fair value of all derivative instruments with credit-risk-related contingent features that were in a net liability position was \$7.4 million and no collateral was required to be posted. As of December 31, 2014, the aggregate fair value of all derivative instruments with credit-risk-related contingent features that were in a net liability position was \$5.6 million and no collateral was required to be posted.

**Fair Value Measurements**

The Business has classified all applicable financial derivative assets and liabilities as Level 2 within the fair value hierarchy as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and presented those values in the table below. The Business' assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment and may affect the valuation of assets and liabilities and their placement within the fair value hierarchy levels.

(\$ in millions)	December 31, 2015			December 31, 2014		
	Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments	Derivatives not Designated as Hedging Instruments	Total	Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments	Derivatives not Designated as Hedging Instruments	Total
<b>Assets:</b>						
Commodity contracts . . . . .	\$1.2	\$ —	\$1.2	\$2.6	\$ —	\$2.6
Foreign currency contracts . . . . .	1.9	—	1.9	0.8	—	0.8
Total current derivative contracts . . . . .	<u>\$3.1</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$3.1</u>	<u>\$3.4</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$3.4</u>
Commodity contracts . . . . .	<u>\$0.5</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$0.5</u>	<u>\$2.0</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$2.0</u>
Total noncurrent derivative contracts . . . . .	<u>\$0.5</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$0.5</u>	<u>\$2.0</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$2.0</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>						
Commodity contracts . . . . .	\$2.2	\$ —	\$2.2	\$1.7	\$ —	\$1.7
Foreign currency contracts . . . . .	—	0.1	0.1	1.6	0.1	1.7
Total current derivative contracts . . . . .	<u>\$2.2</u>	<u>\$0.1</u>	<u>\$2.3</u>	<u>\$3.3</u>	<u>\$0.1</u>	<u>\$3.4</u>
Commodity contracts . . . . .	<u>\$6.1</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$6.1</u>	<u>\$6.8</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$6.8</u>
Total noncurrent derivative contracts . . . . .	<u>\$6.1</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$6.1</u>	<u>\$6.8</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$6.8</u>

The Business uses closing spot and forward market prices as published by the London Metal Exchange, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, Reuters and Bloomberg to determine the fair value of any outstanding aluminum and currency spot and forward contracts. Option contracts are valued using a Black-Scholes model with observable market inputs for aluminum and currency. We value each of our financial instruments either internally using a single valuation technique or from a reliable observable market source. The Business does not adjust the value of its financial instruments except in determining the fair value of a trade that settles in the future by discounting the value to its present value using 12-month LIBOR as the discount factor. The Business performs validations of our

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**16. Financial Instruments and Risk Management (Continued)**

internally derived fair values reported for our financial instruments on a quarterly basis utilizing counterparty valuation statements. The Business periodically evaluates counterparty creditworthiness and, as of December 31, 2015, has not identified any material circumstances requiring that the reported values of our financial instruments be adjusted.

The following table provides the effects of derivative instruments in the combined statements of earnings and on accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss):

**Impact on Earnings from Derivative Instruments**

		Years ended December 31,					
		2015		2014		2013	
		Cash Flow Hedge- Reclassified Amount From Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives Not Designated As Hedge Instruments	Cash Flow Hedge- Reclassified Amount From Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives Not Designated As Hedge Instruments	Cash Flow Hedge- Reclassified Amount From Other Comprehensive Earnings (Loss)	Gain (Loss) on Derivatives Not Designated As Hedge Instruments
(\$ in millions)	Location of Gain (Loss) Recognized in Earnings on Derivatives						
Commodity contracts— manage exposure to supplier pricing . . . .	Cost of sales	\$(1.7)	\$ 1.3	\$(34.2)	\$(2.3)	\$(12.6)	\$(1.5)
Interest rate contracts—manage exposure for outstanding debt . . . .	Interest expense	—	—	—	—	(0.4)	—
Foreign currency contracts—manage exposure to sales of products . . . . .	Cost of sales	(0.1)	1.3	0.2	(0.9)	(0.5)	—
Foreign currency contracts—manage exposure for transactions with Parent . . . . .	Selling, general and administrative	1.7	(1.3)	—	—	—	—
Total . . . . .		<u>\$(0.1)</u>	<u>\$ 1.3</u>	<u>\$(34.0)</u>	<u>\$(3.2)</u>	<u>\$(13.5)</u>	<u>\$(1.5)</u>

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**16. Financial Instruments and Risk Management (Continued)**

The changes in accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss) for effective derivatives were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Years ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
<b>Amounts reclassified into earnings:</b>			
Commodity contracts . . . . .	\$ 1.7	\$34.2	\$ 12.6
Interest rate contracts . . . . .	—	—	0.4
Currency exchange contracts . . . . .	(1.6)	(0.2)	0.5
<b>Change in fair value of cash flow hedges:</b>			
Commodity contracts . . . . .	(10.1)	1.8	(46.3)
Currency exchange contracts . . . . .	3.8	—	2.4
Foreign currency and tax impacts . . . . .	0.6	(2.1)	1.0
	<u>\$ (5.6)</u>	<u>\$33.7</u>	<u>\$(29.4)</u>

**17. Contingencies**

The Business is subject to numerous lawsuits, claims or proceedings arising out of the ordinary course of business, including actions related to product liability; personal injury; the use and performance of its products; warranty matters; patent, trademark or other intellectual property infringement; contractual liability; the conduct of its business; tax reporting in domestic and foreign jurisdictions; workplace safety; and environmental and other matters. Some of these lawsuits, claims and proceedings involve substantial amounts, and some of the environmental proceedings involve potential monetary costs or sanctions that may be material. Ball and the Business have denied liability with respect to many of these lawsuits, claims and proceedings and are vigorously defending such lawsuits, claims and proceedings. Ball carries various forms of commercial, property and casualty, and other forms of insurance; however, such insurance may not be applicable or adequate to cover the costs associated with a judgment against Ball or the Business with respect to these lawsuits, claims and proceedings. The Business does not believe that these lawsuits, claims and proceedings are material individually or in the aggregate. While management believes the Business has established adequate accruals for expected future liability with respect to pending lawsuits, claims and proceedings, where the nature and extent of any such liability can be reasonably estimated based upon then presently available information, there can be no assurance that the final resolution of any existing or future lawsuits, claims or proceedings will not have a material adverse effect on the liquidity, results of operations or financial condition of the Business.

The Business' Brazilian operations are involved in various governmental assessments, principally related to claims for taxes on the internal transfer of inventory, gross revenue taxes and tax incentives. The Business does not believe that the ultimate resolution of these matters will materially impact the results of operations, financial position or cash flows. Under customary local regulations, the Business may need to post cash or other collateral if the process to challenge any administrative assessment proceeds to the Brazilian court system; however, the level of any potential cash or collateral required would not be expected to significantly impact the liquidity of the Business.

**CERTAIN METAL BEVERAGE PACKAGING OPERATIONS OF BALL CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**18. Indemnifications and Guarantees**

*General Guarantees*

The Business or its appropriate consolidated direct or indirect subsidiaries have made certain indemnities, commitments and guarantees under which the specified entity may be required to make payments in relation to certain transactions. These indemnities, commitments and guarantees include indemnities to the customers of the subsidiaries in connection with the sales of their packaging products and services; guarantees to suppliers of subsidiaries of the Business guaranteeing the performance of the respective entity under a purchase agreement, construction contract or other commitment; guarantees in respect of certain foreign subsidiaries' pension plans; indemnities for liabilities associated with the infringement of third party patents, trademarks or copyrights under various types of agreements; indemnities to governmental agencies in connection with the issuance of a permit or license to the Business or a subsidiary. The duration of these indemnities, commitments and guarantees varies and, in certain cases, is indefinite. In addition, many of these indemnities, commitments and guarantees do not provide for any limitation on the maximum potential future payments the Business could be obligated to make. As such, the Business is unable to reasonably estimate its potential exposure under these items.

The Business has not recorded any liability for these indemnities, commitments and guarantees in the accompanying combined balance sheets. The Business does, however, accrue for payments under promissory notes and other evidences of incurred indebtedness and for losses for any known contingent liability, including those that may arise from indemnifications, commitments and guarantees, when future payment is both reasonably estimable and probable. Finally, the Ball carries general liability insurance policies that covers the locations included in the Business and has obtained indemnities, commitments and guarantees from third party purchasers, sellers and other contracting parties, which the Business believes would, in certain circumstances, provide recourse to any claims arising from these indemnifications, commitments and guarantees.

**19. Subsequent Events**

In March 2016, the Parent and certain entities of the Business entered into a \$1.5 billion multicurrency revolving credit facility with various outside financial institutions to provide liquidity for working capital needs, acquisitions, or other general corporate purposes. The multicurrency revolving credit facility bears interest at variable rates. This multicurrency revolving credit facility expires in March 2021.

Subsequent events were evaluated through March 31, 2016, the date on our financial statements were available to be issued for disclosure in the accompanying combined financial statements.

COMBINED CARVE OUT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
Certain Beverage Can Operations of Rexam PLC  
For the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013

## CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC

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## **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Directors of Rexam PLC

We have audited the accompanying combined carve out financial statements of Certain Beverage Can Operations of Rexam PLC, which comprise the combined balance sheet as at 31 December 2015, 2014 and 2013, and the related combined income statement, combined statement of comprehensive income, combined cash flow statement, combined statement of changes in net invested capital and the related notes to the combined carve out financial statements for the years then ended (the combined carve out financial statements).

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Combined Carve Out Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the combined carve out financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). This includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of combined carve out financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the combined carve out financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the combined carve out financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the combined carve out financial statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the combined carve out financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the Company's preparation and fair presentation of the combined carve out financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the combined carve out financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### ***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Certain Beverage Can Operations of Rexam PLC as at 31 December 2015, 2014 and 2013, and the results of the operations and cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the IASB.





## **Independent Auditor's Report (Continued)**

### ***Emphasis of matter—basis of preparation***

The basis of preparation and accounting policies used in preparing these combined carve out financial statements are each discussed in notes 1 and 3 to the combined carve out financial statements. This basis of preparation sets out the method used in identifying the financial position, performance and cash flows in relation to each of the plants which have been included in this set of combined carve out financial statements. These notes explain that the businesses included in the combined carve out financial statements have not operated as a single entity. These combined carve out financial statements are, therefore, not necessarily indicative of results that would have occurred if the businesses had operated as a single business during the year presented or of future results of the combined businesses. Our opinion is not modified with respect to these matters.

### ***Intended users and restriction on distribution and use***

This report, including the opinion, has been prepared for and only for the Company's directors as a body in accordance with our engagement letter dated 16 December 2015 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come, including without limitation under any contractual obligations of the company, save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP**  
**Chartered Accountants**  
**London, United Kingdom**  
**31 March 2016**

**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**COMBINED INCOME STATEMENT**  
For the years ended 31 December

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2015</u> £m	<u>2014</u> £m	<u>2013</u> £m
<b>Sales</b> . . . . .		900.4	894.6	984.9
Cost of sales . . . . .	4	(704.9)	(684.2)	(759.0)
<b>Gross profit</b> . . . . .		195.5	210.4	225.9
Selling and distribution costs . . . . .	4	(83.5)	(86.3)	(91.4)
Administrative expenses . . . . .	4	(31.2)	(34.5)	(35.7)
Research and development . . . . .	4	(2.3)	(2.7)	(3.0)
Exceptional items . . . . .	6	(11.2)	—	—
<b>Profit before tax</b> . . . . .		67.3	86.9	95.8
Tax . . . . .	7	(24.2)	(30.0)	(31.9)
<b>Profit for the year</b> . . . . .		<u>43.1</u>	<u>56.9</u>	<u>63.9</u>

The accompanying notes form part of the combined carve out financial statements.

**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**COMBINED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
For the years ended 31 December

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
<b>Profit for the year</b> . . . . .	43.1	56.9	63.9
<b>Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year:</b>			
<i>Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss:</i>			
Exchange differences . . . . .	<u>14.3</u>	<u>9.6</u>	<u>(4.0)</u>
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b> . . . . .	<u><u>57.4</u></u>	<u><u>66.5</u></u>	<u><u>59.9</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of the combined carve out financial statements.

**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**COMBINED BALANCE SHEET**  
**As at 31 December**

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2015</u> £m	<u>2014</u> £m	<u>2013</u> £m	<u>2012</u> £m
<b>Assets</b>					
<i>Non current assets</i>					
Goodwill . . . . .	8	303.3	293.0	287.4	290.0
Other intangible assets . . . . .	9	2.9	2.5	2.7	3.3
Property, plant and equipment . . . . .	10	180.4	173.5	181.8	181.2
Trade and other receivables . . . . .	12	23.9	10.7	11.5	16.7
Deferred tax assets . . . . .	7	—	0.2	0.2	—
		<u>510.5</u>	<u>479.9</u>	<u>483.6</u>	<u>491.2</u>
<i>Current assets</i>					
Inventories . . . . .	11	74.7	78.0	74.7	62.1
Trade and other receivables . . . . .	12	39.9	47.4	50.5	57.5
		<u>114.6</u>	<u>125.4</u>	<u>125.2</u>	<u>119.6</u>
<b>Total assets</b> . . . . .		<u>625.1</u>	<u>605.3</u>	<u>608.8</u>	<u>610.8</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>					
<i>Current liabilities</i>					
Trade and other payables . . . . .	13	(138.6)	(132.2)	(124.3)	(141.0)
Provisions . . . . .	15	(1.1)	—	—	—
		<u>(139.7)</u>	<u>(132.2)</u>	<u>(124.3)</u>	<u>(141.0)</u>
<i>Non current liabilities</i>					
Deferred tax liabilities . . . . .	7	(28.3)	(30.0)	(31.5)	(30.1)
Trade and other payables . . . . .	13	(4.7)	(3.5)	(4.9)	(7.5)
Provisions . . . . .	15	(0.6)	—	—	—
		<u>(33.6)</u>	<u>(33.5)</u>	<u>(36.4)</u>	<u>(37.6)</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b> . . . . .		<u>(173.3)</u>	<u>(165.7)</u>	<u>(160.7)</u>	<u>(178.6)</u>
<b>Net assets</b> . . . . .		<u>451.8</u>	<u>439.6</u>	<u>448.1</u>	<u>432.2</u>
<b>Net invested capital</b> . . . . .		<u>451.8</u>	<u>439.6</u>	<u>448.1</u>	<u>432.2</u>

The accompanying notes form part of the combined carve out financial statements.

**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**COMBINED CASH FLOW STATEMENT**

	<b>Notes</b>	<b>For the years ended 31 December</b>		
		<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
		<b>£m</b>	<b>£m</b>	<b>£m</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>				
Cash generated from operations . . . . .	16	102.5	123.5	107.3
Tax paid . . . . .	7	(27.2)	(33.1)	(30.1)
Net cash flows from operating activities . . . . .		<u>75.3</u>	<u>90.4</u>	<u>77.2</u>
<b>Cash flows used in investing activities</b>				
Capital expenditure . . . . .		(30.1)	(15.4)	(33.2)
Net cash flows used in investing activities . . . . .		<u>(30.1)</u>	<u>(15.4)</u>	<u>(33.2)</u>
<b>Cash flows used in financing activities</b>				
Net transfers to Rexam . . . . .		(45.2)	(75.0)	(44.0)
Net cash flows used in financing activities . . . . .		<u>(45.2)</u>	<u>(75.0)</u>	<u>(44.0)</u>
<b>Net change in cash and cash equivalents . . . . .</b>		<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>

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**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**COMBINED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET INVESTED CAPITAL**

	For the years ended 31 December		
	2015	2014	2013
	£m	£m	£m
Balance at 1 January . . . . .	439.6	448.1	432.2
Profit for the year . . . . .	43.1	56.9	63.9
Exchange differences . . . . .	14.3	9.6	(4.0)
Net transfers to Rexam . . . . .	(45.2)	(75.0)	(44.0)
Balance at 31 December . . . . .	<u>451.8</u>	<u>439.6</u>	<u>448.1</u>

The accompanying notes form part of the combined carve out financial statements.

**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**NOTES TO THE COMBINED CARVE OUT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**1. Nature of operations and basis of presentation**

The combined carve out financial statements reflect certain wholly owned beverage can operations (the Business) of Rexam PLC (Rexam), a publicly traded company on the London Stock Exchange based in London, UK. Rexam is a leading global beverage can maker. The Business manufactures aluminium and steel cans for a wide variety of beverages, including carbonated soft drinks, beer and energy drinks.

The Business comprises the following manufacturing plants in Europe and the United States:

- Europe: Valdemorillo, Spain and Enzesfeld, Austria;
- United States: Bishopville, SC; Chicago, IL; Fairfield, CA; Fremont, OH; Olive Branch, MS; Valparaiso, IN; Whitehouse, OH; Winston-Salem, NC.

The Business also comprises the assets and liabilities of the regional headquarters office in Chicago, IL.

The combined carve out financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. Rexam applies IFRS as endorsed by the European Union (EU) in its consolidated financial statements. For the purposes of the combined carve out financial statements, no differences exist between IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board and IFRS as endorsed by the EU. The combined carve out financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise determined by IFRS.

Under IFRS1, 'First Time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards', a number of exemptions are permitted to be taken in preparing the combined balance sheet at the date of transition to IFRS. For the purposes of the combined carve out financial statements, the Business has measured its assets and liabilities at the carrying amounts that were included in Rexam's consolidated financial statements, based on Rexam's date of transition to IFRS as endorsed by the EU on 1 January 2004. The Business has assumed a transition date to IFRS of 1 January 2013. All references to 2012 in the combined carve out financial statements relate to the transition date of 1 January 2013.

The results and financial position of the Business have historically formed a component of Rexam's consolidated financial statements as prepared under IFRS as endorsed by the EU. However the Business has not previously prepared or reported any combined financial information or financial statements, and therefore no reconciliations from previous financial information to IFRS have been presented.

The Business does not constitute a separate legal group. The combined carve out financial statements have been prepared specifically for the purpose of facilitating the divestment of the Business and on a basis that combines the results and assets and liabilities of each of the manufacturing plants, warehouses and operations constituting the Business by applying the principles underlying the consolidation procedures of IFRS10 'Consolidated Financial Statements'. The combined carve out financial statements have been prepared on a carve out basis from the consolidated financial statements of Rexam and include the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses that management has determined are attributable to the Business.

To determine the assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses that are considered attributable to the Business, management have reassessed how Rexam has historically reported. This included reassessing Rexam's European supply chain and limited risk distributor arrangements in order to attribute revenue



**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**NOTES TO THE COMBINED CARVE OUT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**1. Nature of operations and basis of presentation (Continued)**

and costs based on place of production. A production based attribution method reflects arrangements whereby a sales transaction might be fulfilled with inventory produced by several plants. Therefore, each plant that produces and contributes inventory towards a sales transaction will record a portion of the sales transaction's revenue and also incur the associated costs. Additionally, revenue by plant is used to attribute trade receivables as at the balance sheet date. For the US plants, there is no equivalent supply chain and distributor arrangement and therefore no equivalent revenue and related cost assumption is required or applied. All US revenue and related costs are directly attributable to a specific plant.

The combined carve out financial statements reflect allocations of direct and indirect costs, related to the operations of the Business, made by Rexam to depict the Business on a stand alone basis. Indirect costs relate to certain support functions that are provided on a centralised basis within Rexam, including Rexam shared service centre locations. As certain expenses reflected in the combined carve out financial statements are allocated, the combined carve out financial statements may not be indicative of the financial position, results of operations and cash flows that would have been presented if the Business had been a stand alone entity. Therefore, the combined carve out financial statements may not necessarily be indicative of the future financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Business.

As Rexam uses a centralised cash management system, allocated costs and expenses have generally been deemed to have been paid by the Business to Rexam in the year in which the costs were incurred and assumed to be remitted to Rexam as reflected within the combined cash flow statement as net transfers to Rexam. Current income taxes are deemed to have been remitted in cash to Rexam in the year they were recorded in the combined income statement. A discussion of the relationship with Rexam, including a description of the costs that have been allocated to the Business, is included in Note 19.

All significant intercompany transactions within the Business have been eliminated.

Since the Business has not in the past constituted a separate legal group, it is not possible to show share capital or an analysis of reserves of the Business. The net assets of the Business are represented by the cumulative investment of Rexam in the Business, shown as net invested capital in the combined balance sheet. The year on year movement in net invested capital is shown in the combined statement of changes in net invested capital.

The combined carve out financial statements were authorised for issue by Rexam on 31 March 2016.

**2. Going concern**

The Business meets its working capital requirements through being a component of Rexam. Rexam has the resources to continue to enable the Business to meet its liabilities as they fall due. Based on this, management has a reasonable expectation that the Business has adequate resources to continue its operations for the foreseeable future while it remains a component of Rexam. The Business therefore has adopted the going concern basis in preparing the combined carve out financial statements.

**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**NOTES TO THE COMBINED CARVE OUT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**3. Principal accounting policies**

**Key estimates and assumptions**

The preparation of the combined carve out financial statements in accordance with IFRS requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of the amount, events or actions, actual results may ultimately differ from those estimates. The key estimates and assumptions used in the combined carve out financial statements are set out below.

*(i) Goodwill impairment testing*

Goodwill is tested for impairment at each year end and at any time where there is any indication that goodwill may be impaired. The recoverable amount of a cash generating unit (CGU) is based on the higher of fair value less costs of disposal or value in use. This calculation requires the use of estimates which include cash flow projections for each CGU and discount rates based on Rexam's weighted average cost of capital, adjusted for any business or geographic risk relevant to the particular CGU. For details of goodwill impairment testing for the Business and the key estimates used see Note 8.

*(ii) Allocation of costs*

The Business receives various administrative services from Rexam shared service providers. The combined carve out financial statements reflect allocated expenses associated with these centralised Rexam support functions and also include other allocated overhead costs related to the support functions. These allocations are based on a number of utilisation measures including revenue, headcount and IT users. The use of alternative measures could result in different allocated expenses. For details of cost allocations see Note 19.

*(iii) Revenue recognition*

Revenue from the sale of goods is measured at the fair value of the consideration, net of rebates and trade discounts. Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when the Business has transferred the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods to the buyer, when the amount of revenue can be measured reliably and when it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Business, typically on delivery of goods. Rexam enters into, and the Business participates in, long term contracts with both customers and suppliers. In certain cases the Business participates in up front payments in relation to these contracts which are charged against sales in respect of customers, and operating expenses in respect of suppliers, over their useful economic lives, typically being the related contract term. In addition, the Business recognises any rebates receivable or payable in accordance with the terms of these long term contracts, which are typically volume based. There is judgment in respect of some of the more complex long term contracts relating to the timing of revenue recognition, any related rebates and the period over which up front payments are recognised in the combined income statement.

**Retirement benefit obligations**

The combined carve out financial statements include costs in relation to retirement benefit obligations. Rexam operates, and the Business participates in, certain defined benefit pension plans in

**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**NOTES TO THE COMBINED CARVE OUT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**3. Principal accounting policies (Continued)**

the UK, US and Austria, and medical benefit plans in the US. The costs depend on factors such as life expectancy of the members, the salary progression of current employees, the returns that plan assets generate and the discount rate used to calculate the present value of the liabilities. The current service cost and administration costs are included in administrative expenses in the combined income statement. As the Business participates in, but is not the sponsoring entity for any defined benefit pension plans or medical benefit plans, the multi-employer exemption in IAS19 'Employee Benefits' has been taken with the result that all costs have been allocated to the combined income statement but no amounts are recorded in the combined balance sheet.

Rexam also operates, and the Business participates in, defined contribution pension plans. A defined contribution pension plan is one under which fixed contributions are paid to a third party and there are no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid. The allocated contributions are included in administrative expenses in the combined income statement.

**Share based payment**

Rexam operates, and the Business participates in, equity and cash settled share option schemes. As the Business participates in, but is not the sponsoring entity of these plans, all costs have been allocated to the combined income statement but no amounts are recorded in the combined balance sheet.

**Income taxes**

Tax in the combined income statement represents the sum of current tax and deferred tax. Income taxes are presented on a separate tax return basis as if the Business were a stand alone entity. The current tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax laws enacted or substantially enacted at the balance sheet date in countries where the Business operates and generates taxable income. The Business recognises deferred taxes using the liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognised for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets have been recognised where it is probable that they will be recovered. In recognising deferred tax assets, the Business has considered if it is more likely than not that sufficient future profits will be available to absorb all temporary differences. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are only offset in the combined balance sheet where there is a legally enforceable right of offset and there is an intention to settle the balance net. Additional taxes may arise following the proposed divestment of the Business by Rexam.

**Foreign currencies**

The combined carve out financial statements are presented in sterling. The balance sheets of non sterling operations are translated into sterling using the exchange rate at the balance sheet date and the income statements are translated into sterling using the average exchange rate for the year. The functional currencies of the Business are those of the primary economic environments in which it operates and in all cases are the local currencies.

**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**NOTES TO THE COMBINED CARVE OUT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**3. Principle accounting policies (Continued)**

The principal exchange rates against sterling used in the combined carve out financial statements are as follows:

	Average 2015	Closing 2015	Average 2014	Closing 2014	Average 2013	Closing 2013	Closing 2012
Euro . . . . .	1.38	1.36	1.24	1.28	1.18	1.20	1.23
US dollar . . . . .	1.53	1.48	1.65	1.56	1.56	1.65	1.62

**Exceptional items**

Items which are exceptional, being material in terms of size and/or nature, are presented separately in the combined income statement. The principal events which may give rise to exceptional items include restructuring, goodwill impairments, major asset impairments and disposals and employee incentive related costs with respect to the proposed acquisition of Rexam by Ball.

**Goodwill**

Goodwill, when initially recognised, represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the interest in the fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of the acquiree at acquisition. Goodwill is carried at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill in the combined carve out financial statements has been proportionally allocated to the plants included within the parameter relative to the total historic goodwill recognised at the date of acquisition. Goodwill is allocated to CGU's for the purposes of impairment testing. CGU's have been determined to be the US and Europe, which is consistent with the CGU's identified by Rexam. Internally generated goodwill is not recognised as an asset.

**Other intangible assets**

Other intangible assets are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation begins when an asset is available for use and is calculated on a straight line basis to allocate the cost of the asset over its estimated useful life as follows:

Computer software acquired . . . . .	2 to 3 years
Computer software developed . . . . .	Up to 7 years
Other . . . . .	Up to 17 years

The cost of separately acquired intangible assets, including computer software, comprises the purchase price and any directly attributable costs of preparing the asset for use. Computer software development costs that are directly associated with the implementation of major business systems are capitalised as intangible assets. Expenditure on research is recognised as an expense in the combined income statement as incurred.

**Property, plant and equipment**

Property, plant and equipment is carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost comprises purchase price and directly attributable costs. Assets under construction are not depreciated. For all other property, plant and equipment, depreciation is

**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**NOTES TO THE COMBINED CARVE OUT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**3. Principle accounting policies (Continued)**

calculated on a straight line basis to allocate cost, less residual value of the assets, over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Freehold buildings . . . . .	Up to 50 years
Manufacturing machinery . . . . .	7 to 20 years
Computer hardware . . . . .	Up to 8 years
Fixtures, fittings and vehicles . . . . .	4 to 10 years

Following an evaluation of the estimated useful lives of manufacturing machinery in 2015, the Business increased the useful lives to a maximum of 20 years from 17 years, effective 1 January 2015. The impact of this change was to reduce the 2015 depreciation charge by £1.5m and increase the tax charge by £0.5m. The evaluation was carried out by a third party appraiser.

Residual values and useful lives are reviewed at least each year end.

**Impairment of assets**

This policy applies to all assets except inventories, deferred tax assets and financial assets. At each balance sheet date the Business assesses whether there is any indication that an asset may be impaired. Where an indicator of impairment exists, the Business makes an estimate of recoverable amount. Where the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount the asset is written down to its recoverable amount. Recoverable amount is based on the higher of fair value less costs of disposal or value in use and is determined for an individual asset. If the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets, the recoverable amount of the CGU to which the asset belongs is determined. Discount rates reflecting the asset specific risks and the time value of money are used for the value in use calculation.

When an asset is written down to its recoverable amount, the impairment loss is recognised as an expense in the combined income statement in the year in which it is incurred. Impairment losses incurred in CGU's are applied against the carrying amount of goodwill allocated to the units. Should circumstances change which result in a reversal of a previous impairment, the value of the asset is increased and the reversal is recognised in the combined income statement in the year in which it occurs. The increase in the carrying amount of the asset is limited to the amount which would have been recorded had no impairment been recognised in prior years. Impairment losses applied to goodwill are not reversed.

**Inventories**

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on a first in first out basis. Cost comprises directly attributable purchase and conversion costs and an allocation of production overheads based on normal operating capacity. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price less estimated costs to completion and selling costs. Provisions against the value of inventories are made for slow moving or obsolete inventory.

**Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when a present obligation exists in respect of a past event and where the amount can be reliably estimated. Provisions for restructuring are recognised for direct expenditure on

**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**NOTES TO THE COMBINED CARVE OUT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**3. Principle accounting policies (Continued)**

business reorganisations where plans are sufficiently detailed and well advanced, and where appropriate communication to those affected has been undertaken on or before the balance sheet date. Provisions are discounted where the time value of money is considered to be material.

**Leases**

Payments made under operating leases are recognised as an expense in the combined income statement on a straight line basis over the lease term. The Business does not have any finance leases.

**Financial instruments**

Derivatives, comprising foreign currency contracts relating to capital expenditure that are specifically attributable to the Business, are measured at fair value. In addition, Rexam operates, and the Business participates in, certain aluminium and steel commodity contracts. As these contracts are not specific to the Business, no amounts are recorded in the combined balance sheet; however the combined income statement reflects full allocation of the related hedging results.

Trade and other receivables are initially measured at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost less any provision for impairment. They are discounted where the time value of money is considered material. Trade and other payables are measured at cost.

Derivatives are included in trade and other receivables and trade and other payables when considered not to be material.

**New accounting standards and interpretations**

The following accounting standards are effective for accounting periods beginning after 1 January 2015 and have not yet been adopted by the Business.

(i) IFRS9 “Financial Instruments”. The standard addresses the classification, measurement and recognition of financial assets and liabilities. The standard is effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018 and earlier adoption is permitted subject to EU endorsement. The Business has yet to assess the impact of IFRS9.

(ii) IFRS15 “Revenue from Contracts with Customers”. The standard addresses revenue recognition and establishes principles for reporting information about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from an entity’s contracts with customers. The standard is effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018 and earlier adoption is permitted subject to EU endorsement. The Business has yet to assess the impact of IFRS15.

(iii) IFRS16 “Leases”. The standard addresses the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases. The standard is effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019 and earlier adoption is permitted subject to EU endorsement and only for entities that apply IFRS15 at or before the date of initial application of this standard. The Business has yet to assess the impact of IFRS16.

There are no other IFRSs or IFRS Interpretation Committee interpretations not yet effective that would be expected to have an impact on the Business.

**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**NOTES TO THE COMBINED CARVE OUT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**4. Operating expenses**

The following operating expense items are included in the combined income statement.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Raw materials used . . . . .	(533.7)	(515.1)	(576.7)
Employee benefit expense (Note 5) . . . . .	(110.0)	(103.7)	(113.8)
Freight costs . . . . .	(61.1)	(59.5)	(63.2)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment . . . . .	(29.2)	(26.9)	(27.7)
Amortisation of intangible assets . . . . .	(0.7)	(0.4)	(0.5)
Operating lease rental expense . . . . .	(2.8)	(2.7)	(3.4)

Employee benefit expense and depreciation of property, plant and equipment in the above table include exceptional items.

**5. Employee benefit expense**

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Wages and salaries . . . . .	(90.1)	(84.6)	(89.4)
Social security . . . . .	(7.8)	(7.7)	(8.0)
Share based payment . . . . .	(1.4)	(2.4)	(6.3)
Defined benefit pension plans . . . . .	(8.2)	(6.7)	(6.9)
Medical benefit plans . . . . .	(0.9)	(0.8)	(1.2)
Defined contribution pension plans . . . . .	(1.6)	(1.5)	(2.0)
Total employee benefit expense . . . . .	<u>(110.0)</u>	<u>(103.7)</u>	<u>(113.8)</u>

The charge for share based payment relates wholly to corporate allocations. Defined benefit pension plans include corporate allocations of £4.7m for 2015 (2014: £3.2m, 2013: £2.5m). Medical benefit plans include corporate allocations of £nil for 2015 (2014: £0.1m, 2013: £0.1m). Defined contribution pension plans include corporate allocations of £0.8m for 2015 (2014: £0.6m, 2013: £0.9m).

The combined carve out financial statements do not include key management compensation as the Rexam Executive Leadership Team (ELT) does not form part of the Business. However, the combined income statement includes an allocation for employee benefit expense relating to the ELT.

**6. Exceptional items**

	<u>2015</u>
	<u>£m</u>
Conversion of the Valdemorillo plant from steel to aluminium . . . . .	(7.1)
Employee related incentive costs . . . . .	(4.1)
Exceptional items before tax . . . . .	(11.2)
Tax on exceptional items . . . . .	3.5
Exceptional items after tax . . . . .	<u>(7.7)</u>



**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**NOTES TO THE COMBINED CARVE OUT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**6. Exceptional items (Continued)**

Employee related incentive costs have been incurred as a consequence of the proposed acquisition of Rexam by Ball. There were no exceptional items in 2014 or 2013.

**7. Tax**

(i) Tax included in the combined income statement

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Current tax . . . . .	(27.2)	(33.1)	(30.1)
Deferred tax . . . . .	3.0	3.1	(1.8)
	<u>(24.2)</u>	<u>(30.0)</u>	<u>(31.9)</u>

(ii) Tax reconciliation

A reconciliation of the tax charge applicable to the profit before tax at the US rate of 35% with the tax charge in the combined income statement is set out below. The US tax rate is used as the majority of the Business is US based.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Profit before tax . . . . .	67.3	86.9	95.8
Tax charge at the US rate of 35% . . . . .	(23.6)	(30.4)	(33.5)
US state taxes net of federal benefit . . . . .	(1.9)	(2.0)	(2.2)
Spanish property, plant and equipment tax revaluation . . . . .	—	—	1.2
Lower domestic tax rates on non US earnings . . . . .	1.3	2.4	2.6
Tax charge in the combined income statement . . . . .	<u>(24.2)</u>	<u>(30.0)</u>	<u>(31.9)</u>
Effective tax rate . . . . .	36.0%	34.5%	33.3%

(iii) Analysis of deferred tax

The following table sets out the deferred tax assets and liabilities included in the combined balance sheet.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Deferred tax assets . . . . .	—	0.2	0.2	—
Deferred tax liabilities . . . . .	(28.3)	(30.0)	(31.5)	(30.1)
Net deferred tax liabilities . . . . .	<u>(28.3)</u>	<u>(29.8)</u>	<u>(31.3)</u>	<u>(30.1)</u>

**CERTAIN BEVERAGE CAN OPERATIONS OF REXAM PLC**  
**NOTES TO THE COMBINED CARVE OUT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**7. Tax (Continued)**

	<u>Accelerated tax depreciation</u>	<u>Other temporary differences</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
At 1 January 2015 . . . . .	(30.2)	0.4	(29.8)
Exchange differences . . . . .	(1.5)	—	(1.5)
Credit for the year . . . . .	2.9	0.1	3.0
At 31 December 2015 . . . . .	<u>(28.8)</u>	<u>0.5</u>	<u>(28.3)</u>
At 1 January 2014 . . . . .	(31.9)	0.6	(31.3)
Exchange differences . . . . .	(1.6)	—	(1.6)
Credit/(charge) for the year . . . . .	3.3	(0.2)	3.1
At 31 December 2014 . . . . .	<u>(30.2)</u>	<u>0.4</u>	<u>(29.8)</u>
At 1 January 2013 . . . . .	(31.7)	1.6	(30.1)
Exchange differences . . . . .	0.6	—	0.6
Charge for the year . . . . .	(0.8)	(1.0)	(1.8)
At 31 December 2013 . . . . .	<u>(31.9)</u>	<u>0.6</u>	<u>(31.3)</u>

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are presented as non current in the combined balance sheet. All deferred tax assets are recoverable within one year.

The following table sets out the gross amounts of deferred tax assets and liabilities in respect of each type of temporary difference.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Deferred tax assets:				
Other temporary differences . . . . .	3.4	3.1	2.5	3.2
Deferred tax liabilities:				
Accelerated tax depreciation . . . . .	(28.8)	(30.2)	(31.9)	(31.7)
Other temporary differences . . . . .	(2.9)	(2.7)	(1.9)	(1.6)
	<u>(31.7)</u>	<u>(32.9)</u>	<u>(33.8)</u>	<u>(33.3)</u>
Net deferred tax liabilities . . . . .	<u>(28.3)</u>	<u>(29.8)</u>	<u>(31.3)</u>	<u>(30.1)</u>

**8. Goodwill**

**(1) Summary**

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Cost and carrying value at the beginning of the year . . . . .	293.0	287.4	290.0
Exchange differences . . . . .	10.3	5.6	(2.6)
Cost and carrying value at the end of the year . . . . .	<u>303.3</u>	<u>293.0</u>	<u>287.4</u>

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**8. Goodwill (Continued)**

Goodwill is monitored at a CGU level, which is an allocation of goodwill attributable to equivalent CGU's within Rexam. The following table sets out the carrying value of goodwill that is allocated to CGU's as at 31 December.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
United States . . . . .	230.1	216.1	205.0	208.8
Europe . . . . .	<u>73.2</u>	<u>76.9</u>	<u>82.4</u>	<u>81.2</u>
	<u>303.3</u>	<u>293.0</u>	<u>287.4</u>	<u>290.0</u>

(ii) Impairment testing

The recoverable amounts of CGU's are determined based on value in use calculations at the end of each year. The cash flow projections used in these calculations are based on Rexam approved financial budgets and financial plans over a period from 2013 to 2018 and represent cash flows attributable directly to the CGU's included within the combined carve out financial statements. The calculation of value in use requires the use of estimates which, although based on management's best knowledge, may ultimately differ from actual results.

The key assumptions for the value in use calculations are:

(a) Discount rates. The pre tax discount rates used in the value in use calculations are set out in the table below. These discount rates are derived from Rexam's weighted average cost of capital, as adjusted for any business or geographic risk relevant to the CGU. Changes in the discount rates over the years are calculated with reference to latest market assumptions for the risk free rate, equity market risk premium and debt cost.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>
United States . . . . .	11	10	10	10
Europe . . . . .	11	10	10	10

(b) Growth rates. Cash flows beyond the planning horizon have been extrapolated using growth rates as set out in the table below. These growth rates used do not exceed the long term growth rates relating to each region and business in which the CGU's operate.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>
United States . . . . .	1.6	2.1	2.4	2.5
Europe . . . . .	1.2	1.6	2.0	1.6

(c) Sales and costs. Forecasts for sales and margins are based on analyses of sales, markets, costs and competitors. Consideration is given to past experience and knowledge of future contracts. Forecasts for aluminium and steel costs are based on forward prices and time projections after taking into account any pass through of costs. Forecasts for other raw materials and energy are based on inflation forecasts and supply and demand factors.

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**8. Goodwill (Continued)**

Management considers that no reasonably possible change in any of the key assumptions would cause the recoverable amount of goodwill attached to the United States and Europe CGU's to fall below their carrying value in any of the years reported.

**9. Other intangible assets**

	Computer software acquired	Computer software developed	Other	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Cost:				
At 1 January 2015 .....	4.2	17.8	1.4	23.4
Exchange differences .....	0.2	1.0	0.1	1.3
Disposals .....	—	(1.3)	—	(1.3)
Transfer from property, plant and equipment .....	—	1.0	—	1.0
At 31 December 2015 .....	<u>4.4</u>	<u>18.5</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>24.4</u>
Accumulated amortisation:				
AT 1 January 2015 .....	(4.0)	(16.6)	(0.3)	(20.9)
Exchange differences .....	(0.1)	(1.0)	—	(1.1)
Disposals .....	—	1.3	—	1.3
Other movements .....	(0.1)	(0.6)	(0.1)	(0.8)
At 31 December 2015 .....	<u>(4.2)</u>	<u>(16.9)</u>	<u>(0.4)</u>	<u>(21.5)</u>
Carrying value at 31 December 2015 .....	<u>0.2</u>	<u>1.6</u>	<u>1.1</u>	<u>2.9</u>
Cost:				
At 1 January 2014 .....	3.9	16.8	1.4	22.1
Exchange differences .....	0.1	1.0	0.1	1.2
Disposals .....	—	—	(0.1)	(0.1)
Transfer from property, plant and equipment .....	0.2	—	—	0.2
At 31 December 2014 .....	<u>4.2</u>	<u>17.8</u>	<u>1.4</u>	<u>23.4</u>
Accumulated amortisation:				
At 1 January 2014 .....	(3.9)	(15.2)	(0.3)	(19.4)
Exchange differences .....	(0.1)	(0.9)	—	(1.0)
Other movements .....	—	(0.5)	—	(0.5)
At 31 December 2014 .....	<u>(4.0)</u>	<u>(16.6)</u>	<u>(0.3)</u>	<u>(20.9)</u>
Carrying value at 31 December 2014 .....	<u>0.2</u>	<u>1.2</u>	<u>1.1</u>	<u>2.5</u>

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**9. Other intangible assets (Continued)**

	<b>Computer software acquired</b>	<b>Computer software developed</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£m</b>	<b>£m</b>	<b>£m</b>	<b>£m</b>
Cost:				
At 1 January 2013 . . . . .	4.6	17.1	2.7	24.4
Exchange differences . . . . .	—	(0.3)	—	(0.3)
Disposals . . . . .	(0.7)	(2.0)	(1.3)	(4.0)
Transfer from property, plant and equipment . . . . .	—	2.0	—	2.0
At 31 December 2013 . . . . .	<u>3.9</u>	<u>16.8</u>	<u>1.4</u>	<u>22.1</u>
Accumulated amortisation:				
At 1 January 2013 . . . . .	(4.6)	(14.9)	(1.6)	(21.1)
Exchange differences . . . . .	—	0.3	—	0.3
Disposals . . . . .	0.7	—	1.3	2.0
Other movements . . . . .	—	(0.6)	—	(0.6)
At 31 December 2013 . . . . .	<u>(3.9)</u>	<u>(15.2)</u>	<u>(0.3)</u>	<u>(19.4)</u>
Carrying value at 31 December 2013 . . . . .	<u>—</u>	<u>1.6</u>	<u>1.1</u>	<u>2.7</u>

The combined income statement includes allocated amortisation expense of £0.7m for 2015 (2014: £0.4m; 2013: £0.5m).

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**10. Property, plant and equipment**

	<u>Property</u> £m	<u>Plant and equipment</u> £m	<u>Assets under construction</u> £m	<u>Total</u> £m
Cost:				
At 1 January 2015 . . . . .	72.3	421.7	11.1	505.1
Exchange differences . . . . .	2.2	10.2	0.6	13.0
Additions . . . . .	—	—	31.7	31.7
Disposals . . . . .	(0.1)	(32.8)	—	(32.9)
Reclassifications . . . . .	1.8	9.3	(11.1)	—
Transfer to other intangible assets . . . . .	—	—	(1.0)	(1.0)
Other movements . . . . .	—	0.2	—	0.2
At 31 December 2015 . . . . .	<u>76.2</u>	<u>408.6</u>	<u>31.3</u>	<u>516.1</u>
Accumulated depreciation:				
At 1 January 2015 . . . . .	(31.6)	(300.0)	—	(331.6)
Exchange differences . . . . .	(1.0)	(6.7)	—	(7.7)
Depreciation for the year . . . . .	(2.2)	(26.2)	—	(28.4)
Disposals . . . . .	0.1	32.3	—	32.4
Other movements . . . . .	(0.3)	(0.1)	—	(0.4)
At 31 December 2015 . . . . .	<u>(35.0)</u>	<u>(300.7)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(335.7)</u>
Carrying value at 31 December 2015 . . . . .	<u>41.2</u>	<u>107.9</u>	<u>31.3</u>	<u>180.4</u>
Cost:				
At 1 January 2014 . . . . .	69.6	389.3	23.4	482.3
Exchange differences . . . . .	2.2	9.9	0.2	12.3
Additions . . . . .	—	—	15.9	15.9
Disposals . . . . .	(0.1)	(2.9)	(2.2)	(5.2)
Reclassifications . . . . .	0.6	25.4	(26.0)	—
Transfer to other intangible assets . . . . .	—	—	(0.2)	(0.2)
At 31 December 2014 . . . . .	<u>72.3</u>	<u>421.7</u>	<u>11.1</u>	<u>505.1</u>
Accumulated depreciation:				
At 1 January 2014 . . . . .	(28.6)	(271.9)	—	(300.5)
Exchange differences . . . . .	(0.8)	(6.1)	—	(6.9)
Depreciation for the year . . . . .	(2.1)	(24.5)	—	(26.6)
Disposals . . . . .	0.1	2.6	—	2.7
Other movements . . . . .	(0.2)	(0.1)	—	(0.3)
At 31 December 2014 . . . . .	<u>(31.6)</u>	<u>(300.0)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(331.6)</u>
Carrying value at 31 December 2014 . . . . .	<u>40.7</u>	<u>121.7</u>	<u>11.1</u>	<u>173.5</u>

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**10. Property, plant and equipment (Continued)**

	<u>Property</u> <u>£m</u>	<u>Plant and</u> <u>equipment</u> <u>£m</u>	<u>Assets under</u> <u>construction</u> <u>£m</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>£m</u>
Cost:				
At 1 January 2013 . . . . .	65.1	371.2	28.7	465.0
Exchange differences . . . . .	(0.8)	(3.2)	(0.1)	(4.1)
Additions . . . . .	—	0.7	33.1	33.8
Disposals . . . . .	(0.3)	(9.9)	—	(10.2)
Reclassifications . . . . .	5.6	30.7	(36.3)	—
Transfer to other intangible assets . . . . .	—	—	(2.0)	(2.0)
Other movements . . . . .	—	(0.2)	—	(0.2)
At 31 December 2013 . . . . .	<u>69.6</u>	<u>389.3</u>	<u>23.4</u>	<u>482.3</u>
Accumulated depreciation:				
At 1 January 2013 . . . . .	(26.7)	(257.1)	—	(283.8)
Exchange differences . . . . .	0.3	1.8	—	2.1
Depreciation for the year . . . . .	(2.1)	(24.9)	—	(27.0)
Disposals . . . . .	0.1	8.5	—	8.6
Other movements . . . . .	(0.2)	(0.2)	—	(0.4)
At 31 December 2013 . . . . .	<u>(28.6)</u>	<u>(271.9)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(300.5)</u>
Carrying value at 31 December 2013 . . . . .	<u>41.0</u>	<u>117.4</u>	<u>23.4</u>	<u>181.8</u>

The combined income statement includes allocated depreciation expense of £0.8m for 2015 (2014: £0.3m; 2013: £0.7m).

**11. Inventories**

	<u>2015</u> <u>£m</u>	<u>2014</u> <u>£m</u>	<u>2013</u> <u>£m</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>£m</u>
Raw materials, stores and consumables . . . . .	19.7	18.3	15.2	11.7
Work in progress . . . . .	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.3
Finished goods . . . . .	54.8	59.6	59.3	50.1
	<u>74.7</u>	<u>78.0</u>	<u>74.7</u>	<u>62.1</u>

The following table sets out an analysis of provisions against inventories.

	<u>2015</u> <u>£m</u>	<u>2014</u> <u>£m</u>	<u>2013</u> <u>£m</u>
Balance at the beginning of the year . . . . .	(1.5)	(1.6)	(1.9)
Charge for the year . . . . .	(0.1)	—	(0.1)
Released in the year . . . . .	—	0.1	0.1
Utilised . . . . .	0.1	—	0.3
Balance at the end of the year . . . . .	<u>(1.5)</u>	<u>(1.5)</u>	<u>(1.6)</u>



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**12. Trade and other receivables**

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Non current assets:				
Prepayments . . . . .	23.9	10.7	11.5	16.7
Current assets:				
Trade receivables . . . . .	32.1	40.8	47.1	55.8
Provision for impairment . . . . .	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.5)	(1.4)
Net trade receivables . . . . .	31.9	40.6	46.6	54.4
Prepayments . . . . .	7.5	4.7	3.9	2.6
Derivatives . . . . .	0.1	0.1	—	—
Other receivables . . . . .	0.4	2.0	—	0.5
	<u>39.9</u>	<u>47.4</u>	<u>50.5</u>	<u>57.5</u>
Total trade and other receivables . . . . .	<u>63.8</u>	<u>58.1</u>	<u>62.0</u>	<u>74.2</u>

The following table sets out an analysis of provisions for impairment of trade and other receivables.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Balance at the beginning of the year . . . . .	(0.2)	(0.5)	(1.4)
Impairment in the year . . . . .	—	(0.1)	(0.1)
Released in the year . . . . .	—	0.2	0.9
Utilised . . . . .	—	0.2	0.1
Balance at the end of the year . . . . .	<u>(0.2)</u>	<u>(0.2)</u>	<u>(0.5)</u>

The following table sets out an ageing analysis of total trade and other receivables, including those which are past due but not impaired.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Not yet due . . . . .	61.5	53.9	54.4	66.4
Past due less than 3 months . . . . .	2.1	4.1	7.1	7.8
Past due between 3 and 6 months . . . . .	0.2	—	0.2	—
More than 12 months . . . . .	—	0.1	0.3	—
	<u>63.8</u>	<u>58.1</u>	<u>62.0</u>	<u>74.2</u>

The maximum amount of credit risk with respect to customers is represented by the carrying amount on the combined balance sheet. Customer credit facilities for new customers must be approved by management. Credit limits are set with reference to trading history and reports from credit rating agencies. Customer credit facilities are received at the sales order entry stage and at the time of shipment so as not to exceed customer limits. Overdue accounts are regularly reviewed and impairment provisions are created where necessary. As a matter of policy, all outstanding trade balances greater than three months are fully provided except as approved by management and with due regard to the

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**12. Trade and other receivables (Continued)**

historical risk profile of the customer. The Business has extremely low historical levels of customer credit defaults, due in part to the large multinational nature of many of its customers and the long term relationships it, and Rexam, has with them. For all years reported, there were no new major customers where the Business considered there was a risk of significant credit default. There are no trade and other receivables that would otherwise be past due or impaired whose terms have been renegotiated.

The carrying amounts of total trade and other receivables are denominated in the following currencies.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
US dollar . . . . .	48.6	38.8	43.7	52.0
Euro . . . . .	15.2	19.3	18.3	22.2
	<u>63.8</u>	<u>58.1</u>	<u>62.0</u>	<u>74.2</u>

**13. Trade and other payables**

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Current liabilities:				
Trade payables . . . . .	(98.1)	(94.4)	(85.7)	(94.9)
Social security and other taxes . . . . .	(3.4)	(2.7)	(3.3)	(3.5)
Accrued expenses . . . . .	(31.9)	(31.8)	(32.5)	(39.8)
Accrued capital expenditure . . . . .	(3.6)	(2.0)	(1.5)	(0.9)
Derivatives . . . . .	—	—	—	(0.5)
Other payables . . . . .	(1.6)	(1.3)	(1.3)	(1.4)
	<u>(138.6)</u>	<u>(132.2)</u>	<u>(124.3)</u>	<u>(141.0)</u>
Non current liabilities:				
Accrued expenses . . . . .	(4.4)	(3.1)	(4.6)	(7.1)
Other payables . . . . .	(0.3)	(0.4)	(0.3)	(0.4)
	<u>(4.7)</u>	<u>(3.5)</u>	<u>(4.9)</u>	<u>(7.5)</u>
Total trade and other payables . . . . .	<u>(143.3)</u>	<u>(135.7)</u>	<u>(129.2)</u>	<u>(148.5)</u>

The carrying amounts of total trade and other payables are denominated in the following currencies.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
US dollar . . . . .	(121.3)	(107.3)	(101.3)	(118.1)
Euro . . . . .	(20.8)	(28.3)	(27.9)	(30.3)
Sterling . . . . .	(1.2)	(0.1)	—	(0.1)
	<u>(143.3)</u>	<u>(135.7)</u>	<u>(129.2)</u>	<u>(148.5)</u>

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**14. Financial instruments**

The following table sets out the carrying value and the market value of financial assets and liabilities.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Financial assets:				
Trade and other receivables . . . . .	32.3	42.6	46.6	54.9
Derivatives . . . . .	0.1	0.1	—	—
	<u>32.4</u>	<u>42.7</u>	<u>46.6</u>	<u>54.9</u>
Financial liabilities:				
Trade and other payables . . . . .	(139.9)	(133.0)	(125.9)	(144.5)
Derivatives . . . . .	—	—	—	(0.5)
	<u>(139.9)</u>	<u>(133.0)</u>	<u>(125.9)</u>	<u>(145.0)</u>

Trade and other receivables exclude prepayments. Trade and other payables exclude social security and other taxes.

The carrying values of trade and other receivables and trade and other payables are assumed to approximate to their fair values due to their short term nature. The fair value of derivative contracts has been determined by marking those contracts to market at prevailing market prices.

In all years reported, all financial instruments are categorised as level 2 in the fair value measurement hierarchy, whereby the fair value is determined by using valuation techniques. The valuation techniques for level 2 instruments use observable market data where it is available, for example quoted market prices, and rely less on estimates.

Financial risk management of the Business is mainly exercised and monitored at a Rexam level. It is based on sound economic objectives and good corporate practice. Rexam treasury operations are carried out under policies and parameters approved by the Rexam board of directors. Central treasury activities include the investment of surplus cash, the issuance, repayment and repurchase of short term and long term debt and interest rate management. The Business is not exposed to significant market based currency, interest or commodity risk in any of the years reported. See Note 12 for information on liquidity based credit risk with respect to customers.

Capital risk management is exercised and monitored at a Rexam level. The objective is to minimise its cost of capital by optimising the efficiency of its capital structure, being the balance between equity and debt. Rexam views its ordinary share capital as equity. This objective is always subject to an overriding principle that capital must be managed to ensure Rexam's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders. Rexam is able to adjust its capital structure through the issue or redemption of either debt or equity and by adjustment to the dividend paid to equity holders. Rexam uses a range of financial metrics to monitor the efficiency of its capital structure, including its weighted average cost of capital and net debt to EBITDA and ensures that its capital structure provides sufficient financial strength to allow it to secure access to debt finance at reasonable cost. The Business is directly impacted by the objectives and decisions made by Rexam set out above.

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**14. Financial instruments (Continued)**

The following table sets out the undiscounted contractual maturities for financial liabilities.

	<u>Within one year</u> £m	<u>Between one and two years</u> £m	<u>Between two and five years</u> £m	<u>Total</u> £m
At 31 December 2015:				
Trade and other payables . . . . .	(135.2)	(1.4)	(3.3)	(139.9)
At 31 December 2014:				
Trade and other payables . . . . .	(129.5)	(2.3)	(1.2)	(133.0)
At 31 December 2013:				
Trade and other payables . . . . .	(121.0)	(2.2)	(2.7)	(125.9)
At 31 December 2012:				
Trade and other payables . . . . .	(137.0)	(1.7)	(5.8)	(144.5)
Derivatives:				
Gross payments . . . . .	(10.1)	(0.1)	—	(10.2)
Gross receipts . . . . .	9.6	0.1	—	9.7

**15. Provisions**

	<u>£m</u>
At 1 January 2015 . . . . .	—
Charge for the year . . . . .	(1.3)
Utilised in the year . . . . .	0.6
Other movements . . . . .	1.0
At 31 December 2015 . . . . .	(1.7)
Current liabilities . . . . .	(1.1)
Non current liabilities . . . . .	(0.6)
	<u>(1.7)</u>

Provisions at 31 December 2015 relate to severance and early retirement charges resulting from the conversion of the Valdemorillo plant from steel to aluminium.

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**16. Reconciliation of profit before tax to cash generated from operations**

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Profit before tax . . . . .	67.3	86.9	95.8
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment . . . . .	29.2	26.9	27.7
Amortisation of other intangible assets . . . . .	0.7	0.4	0.5
Loss on property, plant and equipment . . . . .	0.5	2.5	1.6
Loss on other intangible assets . . . . .	—	0.1	2.0
Movement in working capital . . . . .	4.6	6.7	(20.3)
Movement in provisions . . . . .	0.7	—	—
Other adjustments . . . . .	(0.5)	—	—
Cash generated from operations . . . . .	<u>102.5</u>	<u>123.5</u>	<u>107.3</u>

**17. Contingent liabilities**

There are no contingent liabilities in any of the years reported that require disclosure.

**18. Commitments**

(i) Operating lease commitments

The following table sets out the total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Property:				
Within one year . . . . .	2.1	2.1	2.4	1.9
Between one and five years . . . . .	2.7	3.2	2.6	2.2
Over five years . . . . .	—	—	0.5	0.5
	<u>4.8</u>	<u>5.3</u>	<u>5.5</u>	<u>4.6</u>
Plant and equipment:				
Within one year . . . . .	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.6
Between one and five years . . . . .	0.4	1.3	2.1	1.7
	<u>1.4</u>	<u>2.3</u>	<u>3.1</u>	<u>2.3</u>

(ii) Capital commitments

The following table sets out contracts placed for future capital expenditure not provided in the combined carve out financial statements.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Property plant and equipment . . . . .	<u>7.5</u>	<u>7.3</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>4.3</u>

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**19. Related parties**

The Business receives various administrative services from Rexam shared service providers. These services include a share of costs incurred in the European and US headquarters, plus central costs such as tax, treasury, accounting, HR and IT. The combined carve out financial statements reflect allocated expenses associated with these centralised Rexam support functions and also include allocated share based payment, retirement benefits, derivatives and overhead costs related to the support functions. These corporate allocations are based on a number of utilisation measures including revenue, headcount and IT users. Generally such amounts have been deemed to have been paid by the Business in the year in which the costs are recorded.

The following table sets out the expense for corporate allocations included in the combined income statement.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Corporate allocations included in:			
Selling and distribution costs . . . . .	(1.6)	(1.8)	(1.9)
Administrative expenses . . . . .	(28.9)	(32.8)	(33.8)
Research and development . . . . .	(2.3)	(2.7)	(3.0)
Exceptional items . . . . .	(3.9)	—	—
	<u>(36.7)</u>	<u>(37.3)</u>	<u>(38.7)</u>

The Business sells to other Rexam businesses. These sales are made on terms equivalent to those that prevail in arm's length transactions. The following table sets out sales to other Rexam businesses included in the combined income statement.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Sales to other Rexam businesses . . . . .	<u>26.2</u>	<u>20.3</u>	<u>21.6</u>

The following table sets out trading and other balances with other Rexam businesses included in the combined balance sheet.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Trade receivables . . . . .	3.1	1.2	2.0	1.9
Other payables . . . . .	<u>(0.3)</u>	<u>(0.3)</u>	<u>(0.2)</u>	<u>(0.3)</u>

All balances at the balance sheet date are unsecured and interest free and settlement occurs through net parent investment. There have been no guarantees provided or received.

**20. Post balance sheet events**

The Business performed an evaluation of post balance sheet events up to 31 March 2016, the date the combined carve out financial statements were authorised for issue. There are no events that would require adjustment or additional disclosure to the combined carve out financial statements in any of the years reported.

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