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Our vision is to be the most trusted partner for our customers by consistently delivering excellence – bringing together the knowledge, expertise and skills of our people from across our global network

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Performance highlights

2015 was a year of contrasting forces

Revenue ¹ £m					Adjusted profit before tax ^{1,2,3} £m	323	327	332	317	334	
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015		2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Revenue ¹ £m	4,088	3,974	3,993								
	3,133										
Profit/(loss) before tax ^{1,2} £m	264	254	255		155		Adjusted diluted EPS ^{1,2,4} p	872			
							73.2	78.6	79.5		677
2011	2012	2013	2014		2015						
						(235)	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Dividend per share ⁵ p/c	30.5p [47.4c]	36.5p [59.3c]	42.0p [69.6c]	43.3p [67.5c]	29.0p [42.7c]		1	Continuing operations			
							2	Figures for 2012 and 2011 have been restated to reflect the reclassification in 2013 of the UK conventional power business as a discontinued operation and the adoption of IAS 19 (Revised 2011) Employee Benefits			
2011	2012	2013	2014		2015		3	Adjusted profit before tax represents profit before tax before exceptional items the amortisation and impairment of intangible assets asbestos related costs and interest expense (net of insurance recoveries) and the Group's share of tax on the results of joint ventures			
							4	Adjusted diluted earnings per share represents profit for the year before exceptional items the amortisation and impairment of intangible assets asbestos related costs and interest expense (net of insurance recoveries) and the tax effect of those items divided by the diluted number of ordinary shares			
Key performance indicators							5	The dividend values disclosed in cents were calculated at the following year end exchange rates			
We use a variety of other key performance indicators to track our progress towards our goals These relate to the elements of our business model and can be found in the strategic report on pages 12 and 13								31 December 2015 – 14739			
Adjusted performance measures used by the Group are explained and reconciled to the equivalent IFRS measures in the section entitled Performance measures on pages 172 to 174								31 December 2014 – 15593			
								31 December 2013 – 16563			
								31 December 2012 – 16255			
								31 December 2011 – 15541			
								This represents an estimate and no representation can be made that the dividend could have been converted into US dollars at this rate and as a result these figures have been included in square brackets in the table above			

Amec Foster Wheeler at a glance

Amec Foster Wheeler operates across the whole of the oil & gas value chain – from production to refining, processing and distribution of derivative products – in mining, clean energy and the environment & infrastructure markets, employing around 40,000 people in more than 55 countries



Total revenue 2015

£5.5bn

Office locations



32

Employees 2015

40k

41

Delivering ground breaking energy-related projects around the world

Our operations

Our operations are structured into four business units – three with geographic remits and one with a global remit (see overviews below)

This structure has been designed to further enable collaboration and promote greater growth opportunities

Americas

The largest of our business units with around 16,000 employees and approximately 150 offices in 10 countries across North and South America

The business is balanced across our markets. In oil & gas we are delivering world scale projects across a portfolio of upstream, midstream and downstream business, with a leadership position in the oil sands of Canada, a strong US position onshore and in the Gulf of Mexico and a growing presence in Mexico. We provide a full-service solution in the mining market from our leading position in consulting, project delivery and remediation. In clean energy we have a strong renewables business supporting the development of solar and wind projects, a robust nuclear position and a growing development of gas power. Throughout our geographies we are a leading environmental consultancy.

Northern Europe & CIS (NECIS)

Northern Europe & the Commonwealth of Independent States has around 12,500 employees operating in more than 120 locations across 20 countries with its expertise extending into many more

The unit has broad-based customer reach across three of our markets in environment & infrastructure, clean energy – notably in the nuclear industry including asset support, decommissioning and new-build programmes and oil & gas – across the value chain and lifecycle for projects onshore and offshore from pre-feasibility consulting to late-life management and decommissioning

Asia, Middle East, Africa and Southern Europe (AMEASE)

The Asia, Middle East, Africa & Southern Europe (AMEASE) unit has over 8,000 employees spread across more than 40 locations with strong capabilities and customer reach across each of our oil & gas environment & infrastructure and mining markets

In addition to our regional locations we also have our E&I and clean energy group which works across all markets and is focused on delivering major construction projects and specialty consulting services across key geographies throughout AMEASE and beyond

Global Power Group

Operating three manufacturing facilities, two cogeneration plants, 10 engineering and service centres in seven countries and employing around 2,500 employees, this business unit designs, supplies and erects steam generating auxiliary and air pollution control equipment as well as a wide range of aftermarket products and services

Delivering projects and services virtually anywhere in the world, we enable utilities, independent power producers and industrial customers to achieve their power, process, steam and environmental goals

Amec Foster Wheeler at a glance continued

Our customers include		Our four markets
BP	KOC	Oil & Gas
ConocoPhilips	Kuwait National Petroleum Co	We are involved in every part of the project delivery phase across the oil & gas value chain but we specifically do not operate in early cycle exploration or drilling
Duke Energy	Louisville Gas & Electric Co	
EDF	Newmont	
Enterprise Products Operating LLC	Owens Corning	
Equistar Chemicals LP	PEMEX	
ExxonMobil	Sempra	
Georgia Pacific	Shell	
Georgia Power	Talisman Sinopec	
K&S Potash Canada	Zadco	
Order book	6	Clean Energy
%	27	In renewables we provide a full-service engineering, procurement and construction solution on wind, solar, biomass and biofuels projects. We also support the full lifecycle of nuclear energy and are a respected leader in the design and supply of combustion and steam generation equipment
Americas	31	
NECIS		
AMEASE		
Global Power Group		
Order book	£6.6bn	Mining
		We offer mining consultancy (including ore resource estimation, mine planning and feasibility studies), design, project and construction management services
		Environment & Infrastructure (E&I)
		We are a leading consulting engineering and project management firm with strong market positions especially in the water transportation and infrastructure, government services and industrial sectors
A diversified customer proposition in four distinct, yet complementary markets		

Our sectors

Upstream
Full lifecycle for the upstream oil & gas industry – offshore and onshore

Midstream
Providing transportation for the midstream oil & gas industry

Downstream
Executing downstream projects in refining, chemicals and petrochemicals

Mining
Expertise and delivery from concept to closure

Nuclear
Expertise spanning the entire lifecycle of complex nuclear assets

Renewables/Bioprocess
A century of experience supporting today's renewable energy

Conventional Power
High-value services, equipment and technology for power plants

Transmission & Distribution
Innovative and high-value added solutions

Water
Global expertise in every aspect of water, from source to ocean

Government
Comprehensive environmental engineering services and design

Industrial/Pharmaceutical
Offering a whole world of technical expertise and full lifecycle services

Transportation & Infrastructure
Innovative solutions for complex transportation needs

Chairman's statement

John Connolly
Chairman

The last year has been one of significant challenge and change in your company

Having completed the acquisition of Foster Wheeler at the end of 2014 the group tackled the task of integrating the two companies to create the new Amec Foster Wheeler. This took place during a year when the significant oil price decline and consequent actions across the oil & gas sector produced extremely turbulent and challenging markets for our business. Whilst we will continue for some time to operate in these harsh markets, your board remains confident that the strategic rationale for the Amec Foster Wheeler combination remains sound.

As we announced Samir Brikho stepped down from the Chief Executive role on 17 January and left the company with Ian McHoul appointed interim CEO from that date. Samir was Chief Executive for nine years and made a significant contribution to the development of the group during that period and on behalf of the board, I want to thank him for his commitment and contribution during his tenure. I also want to thank Ian McHoul for stepping into this role to steer the company forward in the period ahead. The board has progressed the search for a new CEO, supported by Korn Ferry and we anticipate making an announcement on this in due course.

In the Chief Executive's statement on page 7, Ian McHoul reports on progress and our near term priorities. As already announced your board concluded that an appropriate action in these markets is to lower the dividend (see below). A priority was to execute a refinancing and in March 2016 we announced that the new financing for the company's medium term was in place with total facilities of £1.7 billion which gives us substantial headroom and marks another important step towards further strengthening our balance sheet. The executive team continue to execute a clear strategic plan to optimise the group's performance during these challenging market conditions.

Your board

There have been a number changes to your board since the start of 2015:

- ▶ Kent Masters, formerly the Chief Executive Officer at Foster Wheeler AG was appointed a non-executive director on 13 February 2015 for an initial term of three years, which will end at the 2018 AGM.
- ▶ Neil Carson was appointed Senior Independent Director and Chairman of our Remuneration Committee on 14 May 2015 following the previously-announced retirement from the board of Simon Thompson at the close of the annual general meeting, having served two three-year terms as a Director.

▶ Roy Franklin, currently Chairman of Keller Group plc, deputy chairman of Statoil ASA and a non-executive director of Santos Ltd, was appointed an independent non-executive director and member of the nominations committee, with effect from 1 January 2016.

▶ As reported above, Samir Brikho stepped down from his position as Chief Executive on 17 January 2016. Ian McHoul was appointed interim CEO in addition to his role as Chief Financial Officer with effect from 17 January 2016.

Full biographical details of your board can be seen on pages 41 to 43.

Diversity remains another key area of focus for your board and your company has made great strides in this area – not just the diversity of human capital (individual characteristics skills and gender) but also, as I have mentioned previously, in thought diversity, collaboration, teamwork and respect for each other combined with an assiduous attention to health, safety, security and the environment will ensure that we remain at the top of our game, despite competitive pressures and market conditions. And here again we see further benefits from the merged operating practices following our acquisition of Foster Wheeler where we have created a best of both approach.

I also want to comment on health and safety, which remains an absolute priority throughout the organisation. The Chief Executive reports to the board on this at every meeting and our Health, Safety, Security, Environmental & Ethics Committee (see page 63) has an increasingly key role to ensure we protect our people, our customers and everyone associated with our projects. Your company will benefit from our best-in-class approach, which is clearly understood and upheld throughout the group.

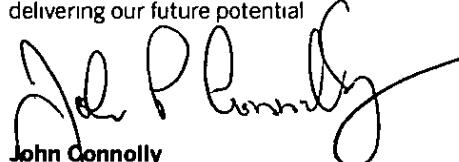
Your Company's performance

The tough market conditions will continue for longer than originally expected and these have been reflected in the performances of your company across our four markets – oil & gas, mining & metals, clean energy and environment & infrastructure (more details can be seen on pages 24 to 25). Our 2015 trading profit¹ was £374m and our proposed final dividend is 14.2p per share, making a total of 29.0p per share for the year. If approved at your Company's annual general meeting on 27 April 2016, it will be paid on 4 July 2016 to those shareholders on the register at close of business on 27 May 2016.

Conclusion

My fellow directors and I remain strongly convinced of Amec Foster Wheeler's potential. We believe that your company's strategy, strength & depth of customer relationships and breadth of skills & capabilities will enable us to optimise our performance in these down markets and position your company to take advantage of better markets when they return.

Difficult times call for strong leadership and I would like to thank our leadership team and everyone in Amec Foster Wheeler for their valued contribution to date and their commitment to delivering our future potential.



John Connolly
Chairman
10 March 2016

¹ Non IFRS measure (see Performance measures on pages 172 to 174)

Chief Executive's statement

Ian McHoul
Chief Financial Officer and interim CEO

Dividend per share for the year

29.0p

Adjusted diluted EPS for 2015

67.7p

Order book

£6.6bn

Following a board meeting on 17 January, the Company announced the departure of Samir Brikho on 18 January 2016, since when I have fulfilled the dual roles of Chief Financial Officer and interim CEO. My finance report can be found on page 28 and I would, for the record, like to wish Samir all the best for the future.

2015 was a year of contrasting forces. We successfully launched our new operating model on 1 January so creating the platform from which to develop and grow our business. However market conditions and commodity prices continue to dictate the flow of multiple projects on which we have been working.

Despite the market downturn and the industry-wide mantra about the conditions being 'tougher for even longer', we have achieved notable successes in helping our customers achieve greater efficiencies – and we have continued to win projects and contracts across all of our four business units.

In November in recognition of the harsh environment and future outlook, we announced our intention to reduce our future dividend payments – thereby bringing them back in line with our existing policy of around two times earnings cover.

Tough times call for tough actions and we continue to reduce costs – raising our synergy targets, streamlining our business, focusing our offering, creating greater efficiencies through innovation and partnership and being more flexible to even better support the needs of our customers.

The Group Leadership Team and I are working on creating the most efficient platform for growth in both the current and hopefully more positive market conditions in the mid- to near term future.

2015 results

The challenging backdrop of economic uncertainty continued into 2015 and was exacerbated by the continuing price decline in many of our core commodities. We have delivered a trading profit¹ of £374m on reduced revenues of £5,455m and proposed a final dividend of 14.2p per share – in line with our November 2015 guidance.

Our cash conversion rate¹ was 104% and adjusted earnings per share¹ of 67.7p. As I am also Chief Financial Officer I will give more depth and insight into our financial performance in the Financial Review on pages 28 to 37.

We have continued to win interesting and exciting projects in each of our four key markets and across our four business units, resulting from increased collaboration, skills transfer and knowledge sharing.

A year of contrasting forces

Chief Executive's statement continued

Delivering on promises

We operate throughout the oil & gas value chain, from production and transportation through processes that go beyond simple separation and dehydration, to refining or processing crude oil into finished fuel products. This remains the major part of our business accounting for 54% of our revenues and so the low price of crude oil has had a dramatic impact on our business.

In 2015 we have concentrated on developing innovative ways of working and providing more cost-efficient solutions for our customers who are also feeling the pain. Our More4Less initiative which established more momentum during the year is just one example of how our lean and scalable engineering processes and integrated delivery approach has been proven to deliver notable savings.

During 2015, we won more than 1,000 new projects with a mix of new and existing customers however the start dates of a number of these contracts have been delayed by market conditions. Our order book, at £6.6bn, is up on 2014, but does not take into account work won with no confirmed start date.

Our employees continue to work on many of the more interesting and ground-breaking work in our chosen markets, as befits the talent and skills we have. More detail can be found on pages 24 to 25.

In oil & gas we have strengthened our relationship with BP winning North Sea contracts, have won work in Texas, US with D'Arcinoff, and been awarded projects with SKS Orpic and the Government of Timor-Leste in Malaysia, Oman and Timor-Leste respectively.

Our clean energy business has seen us win a range of contracts from steam generating and air pollution control to nuclear assessment and solar generation. We have been recognised as a key supplier and strategic player for Mexico's growing heat recovery steam generator market with four project wins during 2015 and have won nuclear projects in Canada, France, Japan, UK and USA.

We have seen notable innovation in our environment & infrastructure markets winning further work for the US Air Force with the Contract Augmentation Program IV in the US and for the design and construction of special facilities in Guam.

Our mining business has been impacted by commodity prices but notable wins included providing front-end engineering services for the expansion of the Çöpler Gold Mine in Turkey and an engineering procurement and construction contract with Petra Diamonds for its Cullinan Mill Extension Project in South Africa.

The industry is now saying 'tougher – for even longer'

Tough environments provide opportunities for diverse thought leaders

Challenges create a platform from which to showcase our best work.

Developing full potential

We have blended the skills within our organisation to benefit the needs of our customers and created a platform for long-term growth which while the slings and arrows of commodity prices may temporarily hurt us is the right approach for our business in the long term

Our company has been delivering ground-breaking energy-related projects and improving the lives of billions of people since 1848

Operating in over 55 countries our approach is to forge strong working partnerships with our customers – which include governments, multi-national businesses and communities – to create some of the world's leading industrial projects

Our 40,000-strong skilled workforce ranges from archaeologists to zoologists and almost every profession in between

And we are good at what we do – designing, delivering and maintaining strategic and complex assets to time and budget. For example despite the challenging conditions, our Danjing 4 biomass power plant project in South Korea reached commercial operation two weeks ahead of schedule

We have embedded the concept of using our specifically resourced offices in India as further support for the businesses and we have added greater risk management protocols through our Identify, Acquire, Deliver process

We deliberately maintain our strong and established positions in mining, clean energy, power generation, environment & infrastructure alongside the oil & gas market to develop complementary skills and services as well as to provide revenue diversification and a form of hedging against market trends

Diversity is also evident in our approach to life in the methodology we apply to solving our customers' problems and in our business strategy

We have to empower our employees and maintain their career paths and excitement about our future and as a part of the integration process we have introduced new systems to further harness our combined potential in living our values and creating a culture of safety, honesty and collaboration – with customer needs at the heart of everything we do

The Academy which provides our people with development opportunities towards reaching their full potential, also shifted towards delivering more free and accessible solutions globally supporting the business need for improved efficiency

Doing the right thing

Without ethical or safe behaviour we would be just another company, so we aspire to be the best at both

During the year we introduced our new Code of Business Conduct by which we operate and accompanying online programmes for Code of Business Conduct and anti-bribery and corruption training

Both are mandatory for all staff to ensure that all our employees, and those working on our behalf are aware of the laws applicable to us and act in accordance with those laws

Safety is at the heart of all that we do and we successfully launched our Beyond Zero initiative – meaning zero harm every minute of every day whatever we do at work or at home

It includes the tools to enable all our employees to help us achieve a world-class Health, Safety, Security and Environmental performance and includes preparing the ground for a new programme for 2016

Designed to enable our safety leaders to effectively identify hazard and intervene when they consider safety is being compromised, we call it HEART (for Harm Elimination and Recognition Training)

HEART will equip our safety leaders at supervisory and management levels of our organisation with the confidence and skills to use the technique

Outlook

Current thinking indicates that low commodity prices will continue to be the largest disruptive factor in our markets for the immediate future – especially in our oil & gas and mining operating units – so we see another tough year ahead in some markets

However, I have taken great heart from the way our people have buckled down to the challenges set across our business as the 'tougher for even longer' mantra continues to have a major impact on customer decision-making, capital expenditure and project implementation

In particular, I believe the benefits of our diverse model are already differentiating us with good opportunities in downstream oil & gas renewables, government work and UK T&D

We have almost sixty years' experience in decommissioning highly complex nuclear assets and the expertise we have can be used to benefit other areas such as retiring UK North Sea oil and gas platforms

We will continue to partner with our customers to deliver the most innovative, efficient and effective results possible and are looking to put our global resources, people and thinking to work even harder to achieve this

Our business platform is in place, our operating model is embedded, we are reviewing underperforming assets, we plan to halve our debt by mid 2017 and we are looking to build our business by doing the right thing, delivering on promises and delivering full potential

Ian McHoul

Chief Financial Officer and interim CEO
10 March 2016

¹ Non IFRS measure (see Performance measures on pages 172 to 174)

Connected

excellence

through deep
customer
knowledge

Long-term client relationships help to safeguard the future of our business. Our work with EDF Energy, under a lifetime enterprise agreement, provides technical support and expertise for EDF Energy Generation's current UK nuclear reactor fleet.

EDF Energy operates 15 reactors at eight nuclear power plants across the UK. Amec Foster Wheeler was chosen to provide services because of our unique range of skills and capabilities in nuclear engineering, combined with a long-standing relationship between the two organisations.

The services we provide will enable EDF Energy to continue delivering the secure, reliable, low-carbon electricity the UK needs now and into the future.

Jo Skelton, Section Lead – Remote Operations, fits a cowl in the gap between fuel guide tubes on Amec Foster Wheeler's Hot Box Dome rig at Birchwood, Warrington, UK. The Hot Box Dome project is one of the projects within EDF's fleet-critical programme.

Our business model

We convert the talents of our people and their customer relationships into a low-risk business

To succeed we need to deliver excellence to our customers

Delivering excellence

People are our principal asset

Read more on page 14

What this means

Our employees are clever people. Their skills are a scarce resource

Our highly skilled engineers, project managers, consultants and scientists deliver for our customers, creating long-term customer relationships and a strong reputation for excellence

We are investing in our High-Value Execution Centres (HVECs) to increase our capability and capacity to take on work cost effectively

We are customer focused

Read more on page 15

We have a wide range of customers around the world

They include some of the largest international oil companies such as ExxonMobil and BP, chemical companies such as Dow, miners such as Rio Tinto, utility companies such as EDF and government bodies such as US DoD

Customers rely on our services and solutions

Read more on page 16

We provide high-value services – consulting, engineering, project and construction management and supply chain management

These skills are critical to the successful development and operation of our customers' assets – right across their lifecycle

We have a particularly strong reputation for delivering engineering solutions for complex projects

We have a flexible and low-risk business model

Read more on page 17

The majority of our contracts reimburse us for our people's time. We often also get additional payments by achieving pre-agreed performance measures. Many of these are long-term contracts

In selected circumstances we take on fixed-price work

The breadth of our market and customer exposure gives us great growth opportunities and reduces the impact during lower levels of activity in one market

Our values	
Delivering on promises	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ► We listen, understand and respond ► We agree on clear expectations ► We aspire to consistent excellence
Developing full potential	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ► We invest in our people ► We embrace diversity and inclusion ► We connect globally as one team
Doing the right thing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ► We put safety first ► We act ethically and with integrity ► We care about our communities
Managing the challenges	How we measure success
<p>Our future success relies on attracting developing and retaining the best people We need to be flexible using our people as cost effectively and efficiently as possible We maintain the highest standards of safety and ethics</p> <p>We are committed to encouraging and providing mechanisms for employees to become shareholders in Amec Foster Wheeler and our SAYE share option schemes (Sharesave) allow employees to participate in Amec Foster Wheeler's share price growth Sharesave is open to employees in all major countries of operation who meet a minimum service qualification Offers to participate are currently being made on a regular basis</p> <p>We win business because of our reputation for delivery and the strength of our long-term customer relationships</p> <p>Our diversified customer base limits our dependence on any one customer</p>	<p>We look at the utilisation rate of employees, gender diversity and employee-instigated turnover</p> <p>We measure the engagement of our people and the development activity that has taken place and a number of safety measures</p> <p>Read more on page 14</p> <p>We track levels of customer satisfaction and look to improve our win-to-bid ratio</p> <p>Read more on page 15</p>
<p>We are adaptable to ensure we offer our customers the right services when and where they need them</p> <p>We must be able to deliver these services in a cost-effective way</p> <p>We work across a range of cyclical markets which can impact demand for our services</p>	<p>We track our revenue growth and our margin progression</p> <p>We also look at the mix of services we provide and where they sit in the lifecycle of our customers assets</p> <p>Read more on page 16</p>
<p>Our reputation for delivery is very important to our continued success</p> <p>We take fixed-price work when we know the customer and the project well</p> <p>We have a good track record predicting earnings from each project and contract</p>	<p>Our profit margin and cash conversion reflect the quality of project delivery</p> <p>We also have a range of non-financial measures including greenhouse gas emissions and completion of project and peer reviews</p> <p>Read more on page 17</p>

Delivering excellence

People are our principal asset

Our success depends upon our people delivering projects successfully for our customers

To foster the right culture in which our people can succeed, our values (see page 13) are entrenched throughout our business

We perpetuate the very highest standards of safety mutual respect and ethical behaviour that we can and this combined with caring for the environment in which we operate, underpins our approach to being a sustainable people business (read more about our commitment to sustainability on page 22 and on our dedicated sustainability microsite on amecfw.com)

Operating model

On 1 January 2015 we introduced our new operating model

Key principles include global standards for execution of projects, creating centres of excellence and multi-office delivery

Investing in talent

We have developed both technical and leadership training to ensure we maintain a pipeline of skilled talent to meet our growth aspirations

Group-wide training is led by the Academy our in-house development programme

Adapting to dynamic markets

Delivering a project for our customers requires us to put together teams of people to match the needs of the project and the customer

During 2015 we recruited approximately 12,000 people the vast majority into project teams Of these new hires, more than 90% were recruited directly We have also seen a similar number of people leave as projects finish, or their roles change Together this means that our utilisation rates remain very high

Diversity and inclusion

The business case is clear An organisation that enjoys diversity enjoys a richness of ideas that leads to better solutions for the customer

Gender is just one part of this Of our directly employed workforce 23% (or 8,247 people) is made up of women and 77% (or 27,610) is made up of men of our executive grade employees, 10% (41) are women and 90% (369) are men of our Group Leadership Team one person (10%) is a woman and nine people (90%) are men and of our board 25% (two people) are women and 75% (six people) are men

Age gender and ethnicity are all important and assessed but diversity of thought for instance cannot be measured as accurately Our approach is to survey our employees, to ask how they feel and feed the findings into the Group Leadership Team

We are committed to providing a safe and secure workplace where people are free from harassment and where diversity and inclusion are the norm, with equal opportunities for progression and development for all

Our Code of Business Conduct highlights our commitment to human rights and we respect those of any individual or community, with whom we are involved and we support the elimination of child labour

Participation

We are committed to encouraging and providing mechanisms for employees to become shareholders in Amec Foster Wheeler and our savings-related share option schemes (Sharesave) allow employees to participate in Amec Foster Wheeler share price growth Sharesave is open to all employees in all major countries of operation who meet a minimum service qualification Offers to participate are currently being made on a regular basis

Priorities for 2016

As usual the most important priority remains that our people are safe at work and that we continue to attract develop and retain skilled employees

Split of employees	%	21	6
Americas			
NECIS			
AMEASE			
Global Power Group			
		32	

41

We are customer focused

We have a wide range of customers and work for some of the world's largest corporations and government bodies, designing and maintaining critical assets. Our customers expect us to deliver excellence every day. We are very proud of the high proportion of repeat business we generate.

Our customers include some of the largest international oil companies such as ExxonMobil and BP, chemical companies such as Dow, miners such as Rio Tinto, utility companies such as EDF, and government bodies, such as the US Department of Defense.

Our top 10 customers accounted for approximately 31% of revenue.

Diversified customer base	59
%	
Top 10	31
11-20	10
Others	

Strategic customer management

Developing long-term and worldwide relationships with key customers is a priority.

With additional service offerings and new customers across a broader geographic footprint, there are much greater opportunities to cross-sell and a strategic approach to managing our customer relationships is no longer a nice-to-have – it is a necessity. We now have three tiers of customer relationship: global, regional and local.

Global accounts are managed centrally by the business development team. We expect to expand this over the coming years.

By utilising strategic account management and global accounts we are 'upping our game' to expand and deepen our relationships with our most significant customers.

Our goal is to get closer to our customers and be their trusted partner. Regional and local account management will remain an important component.

Achievements in 2015

Despite the challenging conditions in our end markets we are pleased that the customer satisfaction scores have remained high.

During 2015 work has continued on a number of significant projects for customers such as BP, ExxonMobil, K+S, Sempra, EDF and Honeywell.

We have also begun new projects for customers such as:

- ▶ Maersk Oil in the UK North Sea – where our cost-effective approach (More4Less) was key in winning a new contract.
- ▶ Yuhuang Chemicals in Louisiana – where we are utilising the breadth of our US-based engineering and construction capabilities, combined with a strong relationship with Air Liquide to win a major contract to build a new methanol plant.
- ▶ Petra Diamonds in South Africa – where we have begun work at the Cullinan diamond mine mill extension.
- ▶ UK Power Networks – where we have begun a 12-year partnership to upgrade electricity infrastructure in the UK.

Priorities for 2016

The development of long-term and worldwide customer relationships will continue to be our key priority.

Integrating the former AMEC and Foster Wheeler relationships will provide us with significant new opportunities particularly in the mid- and downstream oil & gas market.

For example we can offer enhanced project delivery to our combined upstream and downstream customers across new-build and brownfield projects. We are now offering environmental services to former Foster Wheeler customers for the first time too.

We are also planning to expand the geographic reach of our services for instance by offering brownfield services in new countries.

Delivering excellence continued

Customers rely on our services and solutions

In each market or sector, the range of services provided to our customers is similar

We are experts in designing, delivering and maintaining strategic and complex assets, offering total life of asset support from feasibility planning right through to decommissioning

Our diversified service offering partially offsets the cyclical nature of our customers' capital expenditure plans and reduces our dependence on any one part of the energy mix

Core services	45 %
Project delivery	2
Professional services	
Other	

53

Core services

Our core services include engineering, project management, construction and construction management, hook-up and commissioning, decommissioning and related consultancy work

We have a reputation for delivering engineering solutions for complex projects and operating in remote and harsh locations

Our clean energy offering also includes Circulating Fluidised Bed (CFB) and heat recovery steam generators, condensers and emission control equipment for improved environmental performance

Working through the lifecycle

We provide high-value services across the lifecycle of our customers' assets and the range of services we are able to provide is similar in each of our four markets

Many of our services are provided through long-term contracts, giving us the opportunity to provide critical services in partnership with our customers. For instance we have been supporting the current fleet of UK nuclear reactors for more than 50 years. Some of these contracts have been renewed several times

Project delivery team

Our operating model has an enhanced project delivery function with responsibility for ensuring the identification and management of project risks, driving the use of common systems and tools, supporting the development and mobilisation of our teams and ultimately helping us to deliver excellence on all our projects

Achievements in 2015

Contract wins announced in 2015 include

- ▶ Algeria Consultancy project to de-bottleneck Hassi R Mel gas field (Sonatrach)
- ▶ Belgium Detailed engineering for Zeebrugge LNG terminal expansion (Felguera)
- ▶ Canada Remediation work at Port Granby long-term waste management facility (Canadian Nuclear Laboratories)
- ▶ China Three-year project management contract at a coal-chemical complex (Shenhua Ningxia Coal)
- ▶ Guam Design and construction of specialist facilities (U.S. Air Force)
- ▶ Malaysia Consultancy services to a new refinery and pet-chem complex in Kedah (SKS)
- ▶ Oman Three-year technical services contract for refinery and polypropylene facilities (Orpic)
- ▶ Philippines Design and supply two 150MW CFB boilers in Cebu (Hyundai)
- ▶ Poland Design, supply, construction and commissioning of 220MW CFB boiler in Zabrze (Fortum Zabrze)
- ▶ Turkey Initial phase reimbursable EPC for the Çöpler Gold Mine (Anagold Madencilik)
- ▶ UAE Three-year extension to project management consultancy (PMC) services contract on Upper Zakum project (Zadco)
- ▶ UK Five-year integrated services contract in the UK North Sea (Maersk)
- ▶ UK Three-year contract to supply regulatory, technical and training services to MoD nuclear safety authority (UK MoD)
- ▶ USA Engineering and logistics support worldwide AFCAP IV (U.S. Air Force)
- ▶ USA Early stage EPC for new methanol plant in Louisiana (Yuhuang Chemicals)
- ▶ Vietnam Front-end engineering design (FEED) for Dun Quat refinery upgrade (Vietnam National Oil and Gas Group)

Priorities in 2016

Our main priority is to continue to adapt our services so that customers choose us to deliver and maintain their projects – safely and cost effectively

We have a flexible and low-risk business model

We have a flexible and low-risk business model, the majority of our contracts are on a cost-plus basis

When we agree fixed-price work we take the time to get to know the customer and the project first

By using common systems we can deliver work consistently and share work across offices and time zones

We are also able to adapt the type of work we do as our customers' plans change – offering a mix of engineering, project management and full-scope project delivery packages

As a result, our business is more flexible and sustainable, and our financial performance less volatile than others'

In the majority of our contracts our customers reimburse us for our people's time and any materials we consume. We often arrange to get additional payments if we achieve pre-agreed performance measures

In selected circumstances we take on fixed-price work. Typically we will do this where we know the customer and the project well

Where this is not possible we may look to partner with others to gain access to projects which would otherwise be unavailable to us

Each year we do work on numerous contracts – some of which are multi-year. This together with the breadth of our market and customer exposure reduces the impact of lower levels of activity in any one area of our business

Revenue by contract style

%	291
Reimbursable	70
Fixed price	29
Other	1%

Flexibility

The Global Power Group has a different business model to our engineering and project management business

In addition to engineering and project delivery, it includes fabrication in its typical scope of activities

Enhanced risk management

This plays a vital role in ensuring that we win projects with the greatest possible opportunity for success, maximising the value we get for our resources and addressing risks that are part of contracting in our industry

We use a detailed workflow system which addresses the risks associated with tenders (for both lump sum and reimbursable contracts) in areas such as technical challenges, financial and pricing terms, joint venture/partner risks, as well as a full range of governance issues, such as human rights, safety and environmental risks

Achievements in 2015

Our order book finished 2015 at £6.6bn and we have successfully adapted to lower levels of upstream oil & gas work by increasing our exposure to downstream and clean energy projects

In April we announced the completion of Copper Mountain solar 3 project in Nevada where we provided EPC services for one of the largest photovoltaic (PV) solar plants in the US, ahead of schedule and under budget

In December we entered into a joint venture with Khan Offshore to deliver commissioning services for facilities as they are being constructed in South Korean yards – creating an opportunity to expand the addressable market for commissioning services which has been growing well since we acquired Qedi in 2011

Priorities for 2016

Despite some tough market conditions we want to win new contracts which will maintain our low-risk and flexible business model

We will continue to increase collaboration across the Group – between teams from different sectors and countries as well as substantially increasing the share of work carried out through multi-office delivery

Principal risks and uncertainties

Amec Foster Wheeler operates in more than 55 countries, serving a broad range of markets and customers. As such, the Group is subject to certain general and industry specific risks. Where practicable, the Group seeks to mitigate exposure to all forms of risk through effective risk management and risk transfer practices.

The board has overall responsibility for risk management for determining the risk appetite in relation to the principal risks for implementation of the risk management policy and for reviewing the effectiveness of the risk management systems.

Risk management process

A global mandatory procedure detailing the risk management process is used at project, operating unit, business unit and group levels to identify the key risks that could have a significant impact on Amec Foster Wheeler's ability to achieve its objectives. These are recorded in risk registers and evaluated to determine the likely impact and probability of occurring.

Control actions are developed to mitigate or eliminate risks that are considered unacceptable. Risk owners are identified and given responsibility for ensuring actions are implemented with appropriate review dates.

The risk registers are reviewed and updated at least quarterly with the relevant risk owners.

Reporting and monitoring

The risk committee is chaired by the Chief Executive and meets at least twice each year to:

- ▶ review and advise the board on Amec Foster Wheeler's risk appetite in relation to the principal strategic risks taking account of the current and prospective macro-economic, financial, political, business and sector environments
- ▶ review and approve the risk management strategy, policies, procedures and processes
- ▶ review and report to the board on the effectiveness of the risk management systems
- ▶ review the Amec Foster Wheeler plc risk register and make recommendations as appropriate
- ▶ review any new or emerging risks and any potential impact they may have on risk appetite and the ability of Amec Foster Wheeler to manage such risks
- ▶ review any issues raised by other committees of the board that impact on the risk profile of Amec Foster Wheeler
- ▶ review and consider reports on key risk issues such as new business and geographical locations for operations or projects
- ▶ consider any internal or external risk trends and concentrations

The terms of reference of the risk committee have been amended to reflect the requirements of the UK Corporate Governance Code 2014.

Roles and responsibilities

Board				Risk oversight
plc	Chief Executive/risk committee	Group function heads	Head of Risk Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ ensure appropriate risk management processes are in place▶ ensure management is positioned to identify and respond to risk▶ ensure relevant information is raised to the appropriate level
Business units	Business unit presidents	Leadership teams/function heads	Business Unit Head of Commercial/Head of Project Delivery	Risk owner/risk manager <ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ participate in the identification of risk▶ participate in the identification of risk management action plans▶ ensure action plans are implemented▶ monitor and report on risk status
Operating unit	Operating unit heads	Leadership teams/function heads	Operating Unit Head of Commercial/Head of Project Delivery	Risk co-ordinator <ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ ensure risk management process is followed▶ facilitate risk management reviews▶ collate and issue risk management reports/registers▶ promote learning and consistency
Projects	Project manager	Project team	Project risk owners	Group internal audit

Principal business and strategic risks

The table below shows Amec Foster Wheeler's principal business and strategic risks. Each is specific to the Group and could have a material impact on it. Actions have been taken to mitigate these risks and these are also shown.

Other financial risks that may impact the Group are shown on pages 136 to 141 – note 19 Capital and financial risk management

Risk	Mitigation
Geopolitical and economic conditions Amec Foster Wheeler expects to derive the majority of its revenues from Europe, the US and Canada and is therefore particularly affected by political and economic conditions in those markets	Amec Foster Wheeler seeks to maintain a balanced geographic presence and through acquisitions and organic growth will continue to increase its exposure to other attractive regions of the world
Changes in general economic conditions may influence customers' decisions on capital investment and/or asset maintenance which could lead to volatility in the development of Amec Foster Wheeler's order intake. These may also lead to change in the customer base, competition and in the way customers procure the services we provide. An increase in competition for new contracts may lead to different, less favourable contract terms and conditions	The risk associated with economic conditions resulting in a downturn and affecting the demand for Amec Foster Wheeler's services has been addressed as far as practicable by seeking to maintain a balanced business portfolio in terms of geographies, markets, clients and service offering/business model
Continuing and escalating unrest and insurgency activity in the Middle East may have a negative impact on existing and future opportunities in the region	In light of continuing global economic uncertainties, steps have been taken to assess and monitor any potential impact on Amec Foster Wheeler's business opportunities and address potential increased supply chain and more broadly counterparty risk
Changes in commodity prices A sustained and significant reduction in oil & gas or commodity prices would have an adverse impact on the level of customer spending in Amec Foster Wheeler's markets and consequently represents a risk to organic growth	The strategy and business development function is focused on realising the synergies across our customers' markets, geographies, service offerings and relationships
The fall in oil prices has had an impact on the investment behaviour of Amec Foster Wheeler customers in this sector, with pressure on capital expenditure leading to a greater focus on smaller projects and operating expenditure and an increase in competition for new contracts	This risk is mitigated by maintaining a balanced business portfolio of geographies, markets, clients and service offerings
Project delivery Failing to maintain discipline and meet customer expectations on project delivery could result in damage to reputation, loss of repeat business and potentially lead to litigation and/or claims against Amec Foster Wheeler	Improved efficiencies through increased workflow between offices and the effective use of centres of excellence and HVEC
Lump sum contracts Lump sum contracts carry different risks than reimbursable contracts, with the contractor agreeing the contract price at the start of the contract and accepting the risk of cost overruns in completing the project	The project delivery function provides assurance, drives project execution and supports the development, training and mobilisation of personnel to enhance execution competencies
Staff recruitment and retention An inability to attract and retain sufficient high calibre employees could become a barrier to the continued success and growth of Amec Foster Wheeler	In addition, the system of globally applied policies and procedures, combined with comprehensive management oversight, the risk management process, project reviews, internal audit, peer reviews and customer feedback, mitigate the risk to successful project delivery
Senior management departures or prolonged absences could also adversely affect our ability to implement our strategy and manage our operations efficiently	This risk is mitigated by having skills and competencies fully aligned with the project scope. It is further mitigated by having a clear delegated authority structure in place, combined with the formal global mandatory procedures relating to contracting principles and the tender review process. In addition, the project delivery function referred to in the project delivery risk above performs reviews, provides assurance and drives project execution
	This risk is mitigated with a clear HR strategy, which is aligned to the business strategy and focused on attracting, developing and retaining the best people for the Group, with succession planning as appropriate. It is underpinned by an employee framework which describes how we manage our people consistently
	In addition, there is a continual review of compensation and benefits to ensure sector and geographic competitiveness and there are localised recruitment teams capable of recruiting large numbers into Amec Foster Wheeler
	Amec Foster Wheeler Academy delivers development activities to enhance delivery and prepare employees for more advanced roles

Principal risks and uncertainties continued

Risk	Mitigation
Health, safety, security and environment Amec Foster Wheeler is involved in activities and environments that have the potential to cause serious injury to personnel or damage to property or the environment and damage to our reputation These activities may involve operations such as design, construction, commissioning and decommissioning which have potential to cause serious environmental damage, pollution and habitat destruction	In order to control risk and prevent harm, Amec Foster Wheeler is focused on achieving the highest standards of health, safety and security management. This is achieved through setting of an effective policy and putting in place clear standards which underpin our health, safety, security and environmental management systems. We have put in place processes to assure that our systems work effectively throughout the organisation and health and safety performance is regularly reviewed against agreed targets to facilitate continual improvement. Amec Foster Wheeler employs environmental and engineering specialists to support projects in implementing comprehensive project management planning at all stages of a project. These processes are governed by appropriate quality management systems and are supported by risk identification tools aimed at identifying and managing all aspects of project environmental risk.
Environmental licences Amec Foster Wheeler's build/own/operate facilities and fabrication/manufacturing sites rely on maintaining environmental licences to operate which includes protecting the environment and achieving legally enforceable operating parameters. Failure to maintain these standards may result in the revocation of all or part of the licence and the suspension of operation resulting in criminal or civil action and/or financial risk to the business. Failure to maintain assets and/or pollution abatement equipment may result in a failure to meet legally binding objectives and targets for the operation	Environmental management systems are in place to monitor and mitigate this risk. Planned preventative maintenance schedules are in place to further mitigate this risk.
Information technology (IT) Amec Foster Wheeler is exposed to the risk that the IT systems on which it relies fail and/or that sensitive data held by the Group is lost due to ineffective data governance or as a result of unauthorised access to Amec Foster Wheeler systems or malware attacks	Appropriate controls are in place to mitigate the risk of systems failure and data loss, including systems back up procedures, data security breach response plan, disaster recovery plans and globally distributed data centres providing a secure and reliable environment for hosting critical applications. There is also appropriate virus protection, malware detection and remediation, network security controls and penetration testing and encryption of mobile devices.
Ethical breach A substantive ethical breach and/or non-compliance with laws or regulations could potentially lead to damage to Amec Foster Wheeler's reputation, fines, litigation and claims for compensation	Amec Foster Wheeler has a number of measures in place to mitigate the risk of a substantive ethical breach and/or non-compliance with laws or regulations, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ embedded policies and procedures ▶ Code of Business Conduct ▶ segregation of duties ▶ management oversight ▶ financial and operational controls ▶ independent whistle blowing mechanism ▶ appointment of ethics and compliance officers ▶ anti-fraud and other internal audits ▶ legal team advice ▶ training programmes supporting the Code of Business Conduct and anti-bribery and corruption ▶ oversight by the ethics committee of the board (now the HSSEE committee – see pages 63 and 64)
Pensions Amec Foster Wheeler operates a number of defined benefit pension schemes where careful judgement is required in determining the assumptions for future salary and pension increases, discount rate, inflation, investment returns and member longevity. There is a risk of underestimating this liability	This risk to Amec Foster Wheeler's pension schemes is mitigated by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ maintaining a relatively strong funding position over time ▶ taking advice from independent qualified actuaries and other professional advisers ▶ agreeing appropriate investment policies with the trustees ▶ close monitoring of changes in the funding position with reparatory action agreed with the trustees in the event that a sustained deficit emerges <p>See note 14 on page 128 for further details on our pension schemes.</p>

Risk	Mitigation
Legacy risks Litigation and business claims from divested and non core businesses remain a risk to Amec Foster Wheeler Managing non core legacy assets until divestment may require skills that are not common to the rest of the Company Ground contaminants remain at some former Amec Foster Wheeler operational localities where the pollutant may have been as a result of the Company's operations or the Company is responsible for its clean up. There is a risk that pollution may result in a risk to human health or the environment. There is potential for civil and/or criminal action against the Company for such pollutants	The established legacy team manages these claims with internal and external legal advice. The aim is to seek cost-effective management of litigation and promote commercially sensible settlements where appropriate Amec Foster Wheeler has made provisions for the legacy issues that are believed to be adequate and is not aware of any other current issues relating to disposed businesses which are likely to have a material impact. Specialist teams with the appropriate knowledge are brought in as required In the case of any known contaminated land, strategies have been developed to minimise the risk posed by such contaminated land, including asset management and land remediation projects and they remain under continuing review
Asbestos liability The legacy Foster Wheeler business is exposed to significant numbers of claims relating to alleged exposure to asbestos. The quantum of these claims is actuarially forecast each year and provisions are held against these loss projections. However there is a risk that these loss projections will be exceeded and the provisions could be inadequate to meet the liabilities	There is a dedicated in-house finance and legal resource including a team of specialist asbestos lawyers who manage the claims assisted by National Co-ordinating Counsel (NCC) and local counsel. A claims strategy has been developed with the NCC and regular reviews are undertaken The team monitors legal developments in these claims and the strategy to deal with them on a regular basis The quantum of these claims is actuarially forecast each year and provisions are held against the ultimate loss projections

Viability statement

In accordance with provision C 2.2 of The UK Corporate Governance Code (September 2014 revision) the directors have performed a robust assessment of the principal risks detailed on pages 19 to 21 for the next three years and have concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that Amec Foster Wheeler will be able to continue in operation and meet its liabilities as they fall due over this three-year period.

The directors have selected a three-year period for this assessment, in line with the three-year business planning process and this also reflects the average duration of the larger customer contracts entered into by the Company.

In making this assessment the directors have taken into account the Company's current trading performance and prospects, the stated strategy concerning the review of underperforming assets and the board's appetite for risk. The Company refinanced its banking facilities in early March 2016 and the assessment confirms that we are compliant with the covenants and undertakings contained within these new facilities over the three-year period.

The approach adopted for this assessment was a detailed review of the principal risks by a senior management team with representatives from finance, commercial, legal, tax and treasury, strategy, internal audit and risk to consider which of these risks might threaten the Group's viability. The assessment of these risks included modelling them in severe but plausible scenarios taking account of:

- ▶ varying impacts of specific risks across business units or market sectors as appropriate
- ▶ any potential risk interdependencies
- ▶ the risk mitigation measures currently in place

The analysis of the principal risks has been weighted towards downside risk and a sensitivity analysis has been used to stress test the risk events most likely to negatively impact the company. Specific scenarios have been tested and include:

- ▶ a further fall in oil prices, increasing pressure on customer spending and impacting prospects for future projects
- ▶ project delivery failure resulting in delayed payments, settlement payments, reputational damage and reduced future work
- ▶ risk of cost overruns on lump sum contracts
- ▶ a substantive ethics breach and/or non-compliance with laws or regulation which could result in reputational damage, fines, litigation and claims for compensation
- ▶ a serious environmental incident causing third party damage and/or injury and reputational damage

Sustainability

Sustainable development is shaping our business every day. It is at the heart of our values.

Greenhouse gas emissions

Year ended 31 October	2015 CO ₂ e emissions in tonnes	2014 CO ₂ e emissions in tonnes
Combustion of fuel and operation of facilities	838,073	24 355
Electricity heat steam and cooling purchased for own use	59,682	35,434
Per employee	22.83	2 17
Per £1m revenue*	164.57	15.74*

*Based on AMEC revenue only for 2014

The figures show scope one and two emissions from our global business where we have operational control

The 12-month period to 30 September (the carbon reporting year) rather than the calendar year has been used

This ensures actual data can be reported, even for those regions where energy/fuel usage is more difficult to access. By reducing reliance on estimation, a more accurate footprint can be provided in a timely manner

We have used accepted methods of calculation based on the Greenhouse Gas Protocol A Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard (revised edition). We have used national conversion factor guidelines (eg Environmental Protection Agency Environment Canada) where appropriate

Our 2015 footprint is markedly different from previous year due to the inclusion of emissions from two power generation facilities which came as part of the Foster Wheeler acquisition. Our 2014 data represents the AMEC business only. The 2015 footprint represents the Amec Foster Wheeler business (with Foster Wheeler data being incorporated into the carbon report from 1 January 2015)

Our approach to sustainable business

Our growth aspirations will only be achieved by focusing on our customers and how we deliver our projects safely and sustainably

In 2015 we developed and launched our sustainability strategy for Amec Foster Wheeler – Resilient World where natural resources are cleaner and more efficient and we work in partnership with others to respond to changing demands for a stable and secure supply of natural resources. Our strategy focuses on the opportunities to work with others to help solve these challenges, as well as manage our risks, to deliver value to Amec Foster Wheeler and its customers. Our strategy focuses on three key areas:

People

Investing for tomorrow by developing a diverse, inclusive and talented workforce which exhibits our values and behaviours to drive sustainability

Growth in demand drives the competition for skills and expertise within the industry that we need to deliver a resilient world. We will resource for a diverse and inclusive workforce, introducing new people (both experienced and new entrants) to the resource pools in order to create a business with genuine diversity of thought

Innovation

Delivering innovative technologies, solutions and services that add business value for our customers whilst minimising environmental impacts

We will drive long-term growth for Amec Foster Wheeler by developing and encouraging a growing portfolio of innovative environmental technologies, solutions and services which add value to our customers and our business

Delivery

Being a trusted partner by embedding a consistent sustainability standard across our projects

Our customers demand high standards and sustainability is a fundamental part of this. We will ensure a consistent approach to inherently embedding sustainability into the core of our projects, and implement a value-add sustainability framework to be used for those clients with advanced sustainability objectives

We want to ensure that sustainability is integrated into the very core of our business and within our decision-making processes. We want to be acknowledged as a leader in sustainable business practice, continually validating our social licence to operate by ensuring employees' behaviours and actions are in line with our values. Further details on our approach and our strategy can be found on our dedicated sustainability site at www.amecfw.com/sustainability

Additionally we

- ▶ developed and launched our Resilient World sustainability strategy
- ▶ launched an online interactive sustainability report on our new sustainability website
- ▶ re-committed to the UN Global Compact principles as Amec Foster Wheeler
- ▶ continue to support SOS Children as our global strategic charity – in 2015 we raised just over £140 000 for them, reaching 5,568 beneficiaries. We also developed a new memorandum of understanding with the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), to support them in designing transitional shelters to be used in disaster situations
- ▶ collated and reported a new carbon footprint baseline for the Amec Foster Wheeler business from which future reduction targets will be set
- ▶ became a partner of 100 Resilient Cities (100RC) – pioneered by the Rockefeller Foundation to give urban centres across the world access to ground-breaking tools allowing them to better plan for potentially destructive weather events
- ▶ convened a working group to address the due diligence and operational processes required to address the Modern Slavery Act

Global market trends

With nearly \$400bn of projects in the oil & gas industry cancelled in the past 12 months, we are facing an unprecedented upheaval in our largest market

The fundamentals for energy consumption and infrastructure investment remain positive in the long term

In the short term we will need to continue to adapt to customers' needs

Our asset-light business model and mix of end markets and services has provided us with some protection from commodity market volatility

Short-term challenges

At the time of writing in early 2016 the oil price has fallen to \$40, and has recently been below \$30. At this price research shows that more than 10% of current production cannot cover its operating costs

We have also seen hundreds of new projects cancelled or deferred as our clients cut costs and capital commitments

Despite this, the global oil market remains over-supplied and stocks have continued to grow

This situation looks set to continue for a while yet – with forecasts for the market to re-balance in 2017 at the earliest

During 2016 we also expect to see Iran begin exporting more oil as international sanctions are lifted. Estimates vary from 250,000 to 500,000 extra barrels of oil entering the market during the first few months. While this may increase the over-supply of oil in the short term, the opening up of Iran is also an opportunity for us. In September 2015 we joined a British government delegation in Tehran to meet with potential Iranian customers

Oil price At year end \$ per barrel	107.38	111.11	110.80
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57.33
36.61

Source Factset Brent (USD/barrel)	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
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Long-term outlook

Despite the current weakness long-term forecasts for global energy demand and supply have not changed significantly over the past year. The International Energy Agency (IEA) World Energy Outlook 2015 predicts a 37% increase by 2040.

Long-term oil demand is expected to increase more than 20% from just over 90 to 110 million barrels of oil per day by 2035

Changing hydrocarbon production mix

A change from today's production mix is still expected with crude oil falling and a greater share being taken by natural gas liquids and unconventional sources

In recent years the rapid increase in tight oil production – mainly from the oil sands in Canada and shale oil in the US – together with huge investments in liquefied natural gas projects has changed the nature of the energy market and created regional trade imbalances

In 2005 the US imported more than 12 million barrels of oil per day, and it is now forecast to be self-sufficient during the 2030s. Over the same period China is expected to import more than 13 million barrels per day, and to become the largest importer

Changing energy mix

Concerns around resource depletion, dangerous emissions, stricter regulation and consumer preference are driving renewable forms of energy including nuclear, to increase their share of total energy production. Amongst fossil fuels, gas is expected to grow its share, with oil and coal reducing

Energy mix %	71
Oil & Gas	3
Coal	28
Renewable	
Nuclear	
Hydro	
Other	

Source: BP energy outlook 2016 summary tables

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The nuclear industry remains a fragmented market with a consequence that our opportunities vary significantly. We expect to see new build in the UK, Eastern Europe and in some countries in Asia, reactor life extensions in the UK, Europe and North America, and decommissioning work in the UK, Europe and North America. Overall, the IEA forecasts nuclear will be used to generate around 12% of electricity in 2035, slightly above today's level.

Emissions controls and the need for greater efficiency are also driving change. Today many renewable technologies benefit from local and regional subsidies which is currently supporting their growth.

World leaders gathered in Paris at the end of 2015 to agree on a pact to cut carbon emissions. We remain well placed to benefit from these developments – with our increased exposure to gas and LNG since the acquisition of Foster Wheeler, and our long-standing market positions in renewable and nuclear energy markets.

Strong resource fundamentals remain

More than 1.5bn people in emerging markets are expected to become urbanised in the period to 2035, a key underlying driver of long-term growth for the mining industry.

However, lower commodity prices and general economic uncertainty have caused the postponement or cancellation of some projects in the near term.

In addition, a number of major mining companies have announced delays to projects and cost reduction programmes.

Our markets

We operate in more than 55 countries, focusing on four markets.

- Oil & Gas
- Clean Energy
- Mining
- Environment & Infrastructure

We provide similar services in each of our markets

We win work through strong customer relationships and our proven ability to deliver projects successfully

Many of our services are transferable across markets

We have benefited from our ability to operate across many markets – focusing our efforts on retaining a diverse adaptable and scalable business model

We have also shifted resources between markets – for instance offsetting the weakness in upstream with significant growth in downstream oil & gas

In the UK we have transferred some senior project management staff from the oil & gas market into nuclear – allowing us to expand our role on a nine-year contract with EDF

In the US we have created a combined project delivery team – which can work across the oil and gas and clean energy markets to ensure we execute to the highest standards possible every time

Business review

In November 2015 we announced a review of our market positions. Our aim is to identify a path to improved performance, or to sell businesses if this is not likely. We are making good progress on this plan and expect to update shareholders later in 2016

Competitive environment

There is no one competitor operating in all the same markets with the same geographic footprint and with a similar approach to risk as Amec Foster Wheeler

2015 revenue by end market

%	12
Oil & Gas	27
Mining	
Clean Energy	
Environment & Infrastructure	

Oil & Gas

We do not operate in early cycle exploration or drilling, but we are involved in every part of the project delivery phase across the oil & gas value chain

In the upstream market the majority of our activity is for offshore assets, where we support fixed platforms and floating production units largely above the waterline

We are a market leader in UK North Sea brownfield services and provide integrated solutions to new entrant operators in the region

We also support onshore oil & gas fields booster stations gathering centres tank farms, gas-oil separation plants and pipelines

Oil & Gas revenue %

Upstream
Midstream
Downstream

48

4 48

Recent advances in the extraction of gas reserves in onshore locations around the world have made gas monetisation one of the fastest growing sectors in the global oil & gas industry, where we hope to build on our extensive experience

In the downstream market we work on new-builds and major expansions and revamps including clean fuels projects to meet new legislation and residue upgrading to produce higher-value products

We have more than 60 years of experience in the chemicals industry encompassing plants producing olefins, aromatics fertilizers and a wide range of specialty and fine chemicals

In the downstream/petrochemical markets we provide a full service EPC offering

Clean Energy

In renewables our focus is on delivering projects for our customers most of which are local utilities. We provide a full service EPC solution on wind, solar, biomass and biofuels projects. This is mostly in North America, however we also plan to expand our positions in the Middle East.

Over the past three years we have seen strong growth in the US for solar power spurred on by subsidies which have recently been extended to at least 2019.

Our nuclear capability has been developed over 60 years, positioning us to support the full lifecycle of nuclear energy from new-build and reactor support (including lifetime extension) to nuclear decommissioning and waste management. We have experience of a wide range of nuclear technology.

Our nuclear customers include major utilities, governments, national regulators, reactor suppliers and other significant stakeholders. We have a particularly strong presence in the UK and Canada, a growing business in the US, a good presence in Central and Eastern Europe and South Africa, and nascent propositions in Asia.

We also have a long-standing relationship in the UK and a growing presence in Canada with the transmission and distribution system owners.

We offer a full range of steam generator equipment, clean air technologies, aftermarket products and services to the power, industrial and waste-to-energy sectors. In addition to engineering and procurement, we offer fabrication facilities located in Europe and Asia to deliver our products.

Our experience comes from designing, servicing and improving fossil generating plants that come from over 200 million hours of successfully and reliably logged operation.

Mining

We support our customers' projects in a diverse range of commodities including potash, iron ore, copper and gold.

We offer mining consultancy (including ore resource estimation, mine planning and feasibility studies), design, project and construction management services and have whole-life service capabilities.

We are a leading international consultancy, with a leading position in the North and South American EPCM markets.

In addition to our established position in Australia, we are growing our African business.

Environment & Infrastructure (E&I)

The environmental consulting and engineering market includes services provided to all four of our markets with skills that are easily transferable across customers.

By positioning ourselves as a trusted partner right at the beginning of a project – often the early site development and permitting stage – we can deliver comprehensive solutions across the lifecycle of our customers' assets.

We are currently operating predominantly in the US, Canada and the UK, with an emerging presence in the Middle East, Africa and Australasia.

Our E&I market alone consists of four sectors:

Water

Our primary areas of focus are water resource management, water policy, coastal management, asset planning and management, and wastewater collection and treatment.

Water services are also commonly provided to customers in our other markets, including mining and oil & gas.

Transportation/Infrastructure

We provide programme management, planning and design, project and construction management, asset development and long-term asset support. Our customers include government transportation agencies, national and local customers and private developers in Canada and the US. We have over 50 years' experience in the sector.

Government

We provide a broad range of services to various clients, including the US Federal Government, which is the largest procurer of environmental services in the world. Customers also include various branches of the military and state/provincial agencies. Services range from remediation programmes to design and delivery of infrastructure facilities, including airfield facilities, housing and site improvements at installations globally.

Industrial/Pharmaceutical

We provide compliance and due diligence services ranging from geotechnical and environmental to materials and water resources consulting.

Florida's springs and rivers have tremendous ecological value. Our work with the St Johns River Water Management District to investigate and evaluate the health of 14 different spring systems in North and Central Florida, supports the shaping of a safe, sustainable future for the area.

The scientific diving taking place on the project requires high levels of skill, focus and determination. Ensuring we have the right people in place to take on complex projects like these, is key to the success of our business.

Our evaluation of the ecosystem will help create data-driven solutions to protect the Florida Springs, through collecting aquatic flora and fauna and measuring water velocity.

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Financial review

Ian McHoul
Chief Financial Officer and Interim CEO

Reported under IFRS

£m unless stated	2015	2014	Change
Continuing operations			
Revenue	5,455	3 993	+37%
(Loss)/profit before net financing expense	(205)	148	-
(Loss)/profit before tax	(235)	155	-
Cash flow from operations	220	200	+10%
Diluted earnings per share	(66.1)p	35.1p	-
Dividend per share	29.0p¹	43.3p	-33%

¹ Includes the proposed final dividend for 2015 of 14.2p per ordinary share

Adjusted measures

£m unless stated	2015	2014	Change	Underlying change ⁷
Continuing operations				
Revenue	5,455	3 993	+37%	-7%
Trading profit ¹	374	321		-19%
Trading margin ²	6.9%	8.0%	-110bps	
Adjusted profit before tax ³	334	317		+5%
Trading cash flow ⁴	388	283	+37%	
Cash conversion ⁵	104%	88%		
Adjusted diluted earnings per share ⁶	67.7p	79.5p		-15%

¹ Trading profit represents profit before net financing expense before the amortisation and impairment of intangible assets asbestos related costs (net of insurance recoveries) and exceptional items but including the Group's share of the trading profit of joint ventures

² Trading margin represents trading profit expressed as a percentage of revenue

³ Adjusted profit before tax represents profit before tax before exceptional items the amortisation and impairment of intangible assets asbestos related costs and interest expense (net of insurance recoveries) and the Group's share of tax on the results of joint ventures

⁴ Trading cash flow represents cash generated from operations before cash flows arising from exceptional items asbestos-related payments (net of insurance recoveries) the difference between retirement benefit contributions and the current service cost legacy settlements and discontinued operations and currency translation differences on working capital but including dividends received from joint ventures

⁵ Cash conversion represents trading cash flow expressed as a percentage of trading profit

⁶ Adjusted diluted earnings per share represents profit for the year from continuing operations before exceptional items the amortisation and impairment of intangible assets asbestos related costs and interest expense (net of insurance recoveries) and the tax effect of those items divided by the diluted number of ordinary shares

⁷ Underlying change excludes the effect of flow-through procurement acquisitions and disposals of businesses and currency exchange rate movements

Basis of preparation

Accounting policies

The Group's consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015 have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted for use in the EU and those parts of the Companies Act 2006 that are applicable to companies reporting under IFRS. From the Group's perspective there are no differences between IFRS as adopted for use in the EU and IFRS as issued by the IASB.

The Group's principal accounting policies during 2015 were unchanged compared with 2014.

Critical accounting estimates and judgements

As outlined in note 1 to the consolidated financial statements management considers that the most significant areas of judgement and estimation made in preparing the consolidated financial statements arise in relation to the accounting for long-term contracts, business combinations, defined benefit pensions and other retirement benefits, the estimation of liabilities in respect of uncertain tax positions and provisions (including asbestos-related liabilities) and in assessing the recoverability of goodwill and other intangible assets.

Restatement

On 13 November 2014 (the acquisition date) the Group acquired 95.3% of the issued share capital of Foster Wheeler AG. Due to the relatively short period of time between the acquisition date and 31 December 2014, management had not finalised its assessment of the fair values of certain of Foster Wheeler's assets and liabilities at the time that the 2014 financial statements were completed and as a result, the 2014 financial statements reflected the provisional assessment of the fair values as at the acquisition date.

During 2015 management has completed the fair value assessment and the comparative amounts shown in the Balance Sheet, Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity and Cash Flow Statement have been restated to reflect changes made to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities recognised on the acquisition of Foster Wheeler details of which are set out in note 24.

As the acquisition of Foster Wheeler AG in November 2014 represented more than 90% of Foster Wheeler's issued share capital the acquisition qualifies for merger relief under section 612 of the Companies Act 2006 from crediting the share premium that arose on the new shares issued in consideration for Foster Wheeler to a share premium account. The balance sheet as at 31 December 2014 has been restated to present the excess of the nominal value of the shares issued of £877m as a merger reserve.

Adjusted performance measures

We report adjusted performance measures because they provide both management and investors with useful additional information about the underlying trading performance of the business.

The adjusted performance measures that we reported excluded the amortisation and impairment of intangible assets and exceptional items and, where relevant the tax effects of those items.

Adjusted performance measures used by the Group are explained and reconciled to the equivalent IFRS measures in the section entitled Performance measures on pages 172 to 174.

Continuing operations

Revenue

Following the acquisition of Foster Wheeler revenue for the period at £5 455m was 37% higher than last year (2014 £3 993m). Following its acquisition in November 2014, Foster Wheeler contributed £274m to the Group's revenue in 2014.

Revenue increased by £462m in the Americas by £199m in NECIS and £534m in AMEASE and in addition there was a full year's revenue in the Global Power Group of £364m (2014 £53m).

On a pro-forma basis and excluding the effect of currency movements and bolt-on acquisitions underlying revenue decreased by 7%. Underlying revenue from E&I was up 14% underpinned by growth in US government work and clean energy was up 2% but oil & gas was down 8% with mining and GPG down 24% and 20% respectively.

Scope revenue at £5 176m was 6% lower than last year (2014 £5 493m). This includes scope revenue of £2 577m in the Americas £1 448m for NECIS and £884m for AMEASE.

Seasonality

The Group's revenue is generally higher in the second half of the year principally because weather conditions in the northern hemisphere are typically more conducive to project activity.

Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses were £872m (2014 £354m), including exceptional items intangibles amortisation and impairment and asbestos-related costs (net of insurance recoveries) of £538m (2014 £135m).

Administrative expenses before intangibles amortisation and impairment, exceptional items and asbestos-related items increased by £115m following the Foster Wheeler acquisition, the impact of which was partly offset by the impact of cost savings achieved to date.

Corporate costs which comprise the costs of operating central corporate functions and certain regional overheads were £23m higher at £54m (2014 £31m) reflecting the enlarged group.

(Loss)/profit before net financing expense

There was a loss before net financing expense of £205m (2014 profit of £148m) as the profit generated by Foster Wheeler has been offset by an impairment charge of £308m in the Global Power Group business and higher intangible amortisation resulting from the intangible assets recognised on the acquisitions of Foster Wheeler and Scopus in 2014.

Financial review continued

Amortisation and impairment of intangible assets

Intangible assets principally comprise goodwill and identifiable intangible assets that were recognised in relation to acquired businesses. Goodwill is not amortised but is subject to an annual impairment test.

The results of the Global Power Group for 2015 and forecasts for 2016 and beyond are well down on earlier expectations giving rise to an impairment in goodwill of £308m. In addition there has been a £7m impairment to the order backlog intangible asset arising on the Foster Wheeler acquisition. No impairments were recognised in 2014.

Intangibles amortisation was £129m (2014 £49m) reflecting the full-year amortisation of intangible assets recognised on the acquisitions of Foster Wheeler and Scopus completed in 2014.

Exceptional and asbestos-related items

Net exceptional and asbestos-related costs totalling £115m (2014 £107m) were recognised in arriving at profit before tax from continuing operations, as follows:

- ▶ costs of £97m relating to the integration of Foster Wheeler and AMEC (including internal staff costs associated with identifying and achieving cost synergies)
- ▶ a £5m loss incurred following an unauthorised payment made from the Australian business and not expected to be recovered
- ▶ £13m amortisation of facility fees associated with the acquisition of Foster Wheeler
- ▶ During the year ended 31 December 2015, the Group recognised net asbestos-related income of £6m (2014 costs of £9m) in profit before net financing expense which related to the movement in the discount rate applied to the net asbestos-related liabilities assumed on the acquisition of Foster Wheeler of £5m and exceptional gains of £9m as the liability is reassessed on an annual basis. In addition, there was an asbestos-related interest expense of £7m related to the unwinding of the discount applied to the liability and costs of £1m associated with managing the liability

Trading profit and trading margin

£m unless stated	2015	2014	Change	Underlying change
Revenue ¹	5,455	3,993	+37%	-7%
(Loss)/profit before net financing expense	(205)	148		
– Amortisation and impairment of intangibles	444	49		
– Net asbestos-related (income)/costs	(13)	8		
– Exceptional items	108	94		
– Share of trading profit of joint ventures	40	22		
Trading profit ¹	374	321	+17%	-20%
Trading margin ¹	6.9%	8.0%	-110bps	-100bps
Order book	£6.6bn	£6.3bn		+5%

1 Non IFRS measure (see Performance measures on pages 172 to 174)

Trading profit increased by 17% to £374m (2014 £321m)

Trading margin decreased by 110 basis points to 6.9% (2014 8.0%)

On a proforma basis and excluding the effect of currency movements and bolt on acquisitions, trading profit was £83m lower than 2014 with reductions in the Americas and NECIS were partly offset by growth in AMEASE. Within the Americas trading profit fell by 36% on an underlying basis as a result of pricing pressure in the oil & gas market and trading margin was down by 350 basis points compared with 2014, due to an increased proportion of EPC in our scope, particularly in downstream oil & gas and clean energy.

Within NECIS trading profit decreased by 5% but trading margin was 9.0% up 100 basis points compared with 2014 with less procurement favourable contract settlements and cost savings initiatives boosting the margin.

In AMEASE trading profit rose by 18% reflecting higher contributions from oil & gas and E&I. Trading margin was 6.5% up 130 basis points compared with 2014 due to the early benefits of cost saving initiatives and favourable contract settlements.

Net financing expense

The net financing expense was £58m (2014 £5m). Of this expenses of £20m (2014 £5m) have been presented separately on the income statement relating to £13m amortisation of the facility fees associated with the Foster Wheeler acquisition and £7m (2014 £1m) due to the unwinding of the discount on asbestos-related liabilities (net of insurance recoveries)

Of the remaining £38m there was bank interest payable of £31m (2014 £7m), net foreign exchange losses of £1m (2014 £nil), and a net interest expense on pension assets and liabilities of £2m (2014 income of £1m) and other costs classified as financing of £4m (2014 £1m)

A net currency exchange loss of £3m (2014 £4m) was recognised in the translation reserve in respect of foreign currency borrowings and derivatives held in designated net investment hedging relationships

Share of results of joint ventures

The Group's share of joint ventures' profit for the year was £28m (2014 £12m)

(Loss)/profit before tax

Loss before tax was £235m (2014 profit of £155m) after intangibles amortisation and impairment of £444m (2014 £49m), exceptional and asbestos-related items of £115m (2014 £107m) and the Group's share of joint ventures' tax expense of £10m (2014 £6m)

Adjusted profit before tax was 5% higher at £334m (2014 £317m)

Taxation

Our tax policy is to manage our obligations in compliance with all relevant tax laws, disclosure requirements and regulations. We seek to ensure that our approach to tax and the tax payments that we make in all territories in which we have operations are fully consistent with local requirements taking into account available tax incentives and allowances and are aligned with the group's wider business strategy. We seek to develop good, open working relationships with tax authorities and to engage with them proactively recognising that tax legislation can be complex and may be subject to differing interpretations

The group's effective tax rate on continuing operations (including its share of joint ventures' income tax expense but before exceptional items, intangibles amortisation and impairment and asbestos-related items) reduced to 22.0% (2014 23.0%)

We expect the effective tax rate to remain below 25%

During 2015 there was a tax credit on exceptional items of £18m (2014 tax credit of £6m) and a tax credit of £27m on intangibles amortisation and impairment (2014 £12m)

The group's share of joint ventures' income tax expense was £10m (2014 £6m)

(Loss)/profit for the year from continuing operations

The loss for the year from continuing operations was £253m (2014 profit of £106m) after intangibles amortisation and impairment of £444m (2014 £49m), the net asbestos-related income of £6m (2014 expense of £9m) net exceptional items of £121m (2014 £98m), and an income tax credit on those items of £45m (2014 charge of £18m)

Adjusted profit for the year from continuing operations was 7% higher at £261m (2014 £244m)

Non-controlling interests

During 2015 there was a loss of £1m attributable to non-controlling interests (2014 loss of £3m)

Earnings per share

The diluted loss per share was (672)p (2014 EPS 26.5p), comprising a loss per share of (66.1)p (2014 EPS 35.1p) from continuing operations and a loss of (1.1)p (2014 8.6p) from discontinued operations

Adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations was 677p (2014 79.5p) the reduction being due to the decline in the profit for the year from continuing operations and the increase in the number of shares in issue as a consequence of the acquisition of Foster Wheeler

Dividend

The Board recommends a final dividend of 14.2p per share which together with the interim dividend of 14.8p per share, results in a total dividend of 29.0p per share (2014 43.3p) a reduction of 33%. Subject to approval by shareholders at the AGM on 27 April 2016, the final dividend will be payable on 4 July 2016 to shareholders on the register at the close of business on 27 May 2016

Dividend cover for 2015 is 2.3 times (2014 1.8 times) based on adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations

As announced in November 2015 it is the current intention of the board that ordinary dividends in 2016 will be approximately half that declared in 2014 with approximately one-third paid at the interim and two-thirds as a final dividend

Financial review continued

Results by operating segment (presented on a pro forma basis)

Americas

£m unless stated	2015	2014	Change	Underlying change ¹
Revenue	2,646	2,705	-2%	-3%
Profit before net financing expense	94			
– Intangibles amortisation and impairment	46			
– Exceptional items	22			
– Share of trading profit of joint ventures	(1)			
Trading profit ¹	161	258	-38%	-36%
Trading margin ¹	6.1%	9.6%	-350bps	
Order book	£2.0bn	£2.0bn	–	

1 Non IFRS measure (see Performance measures on pages 172 to 174)

Revenue in Americas was £2,646m (2014 £2,705m), a decrease of 2%. Excluding the effect of bolt-on acquisitions and currency movements, underlying revenue was down 3%. Growth in underlying revenue in the downstream oil & gas, clean energy and E&I was offset by declines in upstream oil & gas and mining.

Trading profit fell by 38% to £161m (2014 £258m), as a result of pricing pressure in the oil & gas market. Trading margin was 6.1%, down by 350 basis points compared with 2014 due to an increased proportion of EPC in our scope, particularly in downstream oil & gas and clean energy.

Northern Europe and CIS (NECIS)

£m unless stated	2015	2014	Change	Underlying change ¹
Revenue	1,492	1,705	-12%	-13%
Profit before net financing expense	60			
– Intangibles amortisation and impairment	41			
– Exceptional items	13			
– Share of trading profit of joint ventures	20			
Trading profit ¹	134	137	-2%	-5%
Trading margin ¹	9.0%	8.0%	+100bps	
Order book	£2.4bn	£2.3bn	+4%	

1 Non IFRS measure (see Performance measures on pages 172 to 174)

Revenue in NECIS fell by 12% to £1,492m (2014 £1,705m), primarily due to a downturn in oil & gas project activity. Excluding the effect of bolt-on acquisitions and currency movements, underlying revenue was also down 13%.

Trading profit decreased by 2% to £134m (2014 £137m). Trading margin was 9.0%, up 100 basis points compared with 2014. Less procurement favourable contract settlements and cost savings initiatives boosted the margin.

Asia, Middle East Africa and Southern Europe (AMEASE)

£m unless stated	2015	2014	Change	Underlying change ¹
Revenue	1,050	1,031	+2%	+2%
Profit before net financing expense	13			
– Intangibles amortisation and impairment	23			
– Exceptional items	28			
– Share of trading profit of joint ventures	4			
Trading profit ¹	68	53	+27%	+18%
Trading margin ¹	6.5%	5.2%	+130bps	
Order book	£1.8bn	£1.6bn	+6%	

1 Non IFRS measure (see Performance measures on pages 172 to 174)

Revenue in AMEASE was up 2% year on year at £1,050m (2014 £1,031m) driven by an increase in US government work and reduction in mining work. Excluding the effect of bolt-on acquisitions and currency movements, underlying revenue was up 2%.

Trading profit rose by 27% to £68m (2014 £53m) reflecting higher contributions from oil & gas and E&I. Trading margin was 6.5%, up 130 basis points compared with 2014, due to the early benefits of cost saving initiatives and favourable contract settlements.

Global Power Group

£m unless stated	2015	2014	Change	Underlying change ¹
Revenue	364	454	-20%	-20%
Profit before net financing expense	(302)			
- Intangibles amortisation and impairment	334			
- Exceptional items	4			
- Share of trading profit of joint ventures	15			
Trading profit ¹	51	69	-26%	-31%
Trading margin ¹	14.0%	15.2%	-120bps	
Order book	£0.4bn	£0.4bn	-	

¹ Non IFRS measure (see Performance measures on pages 172 to 174)

Revenues in GPG fell by 20% to £364m (2014 £454m) primarily driven by a decline in project activity. On an underlying basis, revenue was also down 20%

Trading profit fell by 26% to £51m (2014 £69m). Trading margin was 14.0%, down 120 basis points, driven by pricing pressure in weak market conditions and lower resource utilisation and reflecting the non-recurrence of £20m one-off income from a license settlement in 2014.

Investment Services

During the periods under review, Investment Services principally comprised the Incheon Bridge PPP project in Korea and the Lancashire Waste project (which the group exited in 2014), the Group's insurance captive, the Group's wind development activities and a range of other non-core activities.

Revenue in Investment Services was £15m (2014 £6m). Investment Services made a profit before net financing expense of £10m (2014 loss of £16m) after deducting an exceptional loss on disposal of businesses of £2m (2014 £21m). Trading profit was £14m (2014 £9m) of which £2m (2014 £3m) was derived from joint ventures.

Discontinued operations

Discontinued operations represent the residual assets and retained obligations of businesses sold in prior years together with the UK conventional power business that was classified as a discontinued operation during 2013.

Discontinued operations generated a trading loss before tax of £6m (2014 loss of £10m) and after a tax credit of £1m (2014 £2m) generated a loss for the year of £5m (2014 loss of £8m). During 2014 negative revenue of £13m was recognised due to the settlement of final accounts and additional provisions on certain contracts within the UK conventional power business.

Discontinued operations included a profit on disposals of £1m (2014 loss £23m) arising from movements in indemnity provisions and costs associated with businesses sold in prior years. In 2014, the loss on disposals included a provision of £11m in respect of a new claim received in the year related to a contract completed by the built environment business which was sold in 2007.

Discontinued operations generated an overall loss for the year of £4m (2014 £27m).

Acquisitions

There were no acquisitions during 2015.

Acquisition of Foster Wheeler in 2014

On 13 November 2014 the Group acquired a 95.3% interest in Foster Wheeler AG by way of a public tender offer. Consideration payable for the interest acquired totalled £1.915m, of which £979m was settled in cash. £919m was settled by the issue of approximately 85m of the Company's ordinary shares and £17m was settled by the grant of replacement share options and awards.

During 2015 management completed its assessment of the net identifiable assets of Foster Wheeler as at the acquisition date. This resulted in the recognition of goodwill of £1,726m on the acquisition of Foster Wheeler.

In January 2015, the Group acquired the remaining 4.7% interest in Foster Wheeler AG by way of a 'squeeze-out merger' under Swiss law for consideration of £85m of which £51m was paid in cash and £34m was settled by the issue of 4.3m of the Company's ordinary shares and ADSs.

Further details of the acquisition of Foster Wheeler are set out in note 24 to the accompanying financial information.

Liquidity and capital resources

Trading cash flow

Trading cash flow of £388m was £105m higher than last year (2014 £283m) principally due to the increase in trading profit following the acquisition.

Cash conversion was 104% (2014 88%).

Cash generated from operations

Cash generated from operations was £220m (2014 £200m) a increase of £20m which was largely with the £105m increase in trading cash flow partly offset by an increase of £41m in the cash outflow on exceptional items (principally integration-related costs).

Purchases of property plant and equipment

Purchase of property plant and equipment and intangible assets were £36m (2014 £31m). Additionally, in 2014 purchases of computer software amounting to £33m were financed using deferred payment arrangements.

Financial review continued

Acquisitions and disposals

During 2015 there was a cash outflow of £5m in respect of deferred consideration arrangements on prior year acquisitions. There was a cash outflow of £54m from the acquisition of the non-controlling interests in Foster Wheeler and Kromav. This is presented within financing activities in the cash flow statement.

During 2014 consideration paid on the acquisition of businesses was £1,049m which comprised £982m for Foster Wheeler (including a currency hedging loss of £3m) and £67m for Scopus. The net cash outflow on acquisitions was £781m after deducting cash and cash equivalents of £268m (2014 £nil) held by the acquired businesses.

Movement in net (debt)/cash

The movement in net (debt)/cash may be analysed as follows:

Year ended 31 December	2015 £m	2014 £m
Trading cash flow	388	283
Write off of finance arrangement fees	(12)	–
Net asbestos-related payments	(22)	(5)
Excess of retirement benefit contributions over current service cost	(3)	(2)
Cash outflow on exceptional items	(72)	(58)
Legacy settlements and discontinued operations	(36)	(9)
Dividends received from joint ventures	(42)	(14)
Exchange rate movements	19	5
 Cash generated from operations	 220	 200
Income taxes paid (net)	(79)	(54)
Interest paid (net)	(35)	(3)
Capital expenditure (net of disposals)	(36)	(31)
Acquisitions and disposals (net)	(51)	(876)
Ordinary dividends	(167)	(124)
Net share movements	10	6
Dividends received from joint ventures	42	14
Exchange and other movements	33	(7)
 Cash movement in net debt	 (63)	 (875)
Non-cash movements	(80)	(49)
 Movement in net debt	 (143)	 (924)
Opening net debt	(803)	121
 Closing net debt	 (946)	 (803)

Net debt comprised

As at 31 December	2015 £m	2014 £m
Cash and cash equivalents	307	377
Cash deposits	33	118
Cash deposits >3m	23	21
Financial derivatives	14	–
Bank loans (net of facility fees)	(1,264)	(1,258)
Finance lease obligations	(59)	(61)
 Net debt	 (946)	 (803)

Cash balances

We manage our cash balances such that there is no significant concentration of risk in any one bank or other financial institution. We monitor closely the credit quality of the institutions that hold the Group's deposits. Similar consideration is given to the Group's portfolio of derivative financial instruments.

As at 31 December 2015 the Group had cash balances totalling £363m (2014 £516m) of which 63% was held in institutions with a long term credit rating of at least A- (or equivalent) by at least two of Standard & Poor's, Moody's or Fitch.

Borrowings

Borrowing facilities

We seek to maintain a balanced capital structure comprising a mix of debt and equity, which is determined by considering the Group's business profile and strategy, financial policies and the availability and cost of funding. We target the Group's long-term net debt to be no more than two times trading profit.

As at 31 December 2015 the Group had committed banking facilities of £1,768m (2013 £1,863m).

In February 2014 the Group entered into a US\$2,160m credit facility agreement with a syndicate of lenders. In July 2014 the facility agreement was amended to among other things increase the financing available under the facility to US\$2,260m. As at 31 December 2015 the facilities available under the agreement were as follows:

- ▶ Facility B, a US\$830m bridge facility maturing August 2016 (with a six-month extension available at the Group's option)
- ▶ Facility C, a US\$830m term loan maturing in equal instalments in 2017, 2018 and 2019
- ▶ Facility D, a US\$350m revolving credit facility maturing May 2016

Facilities B and C were for the purpose of financing the acquisition of Foster Wheeler including the payment of all fees, costs and expenses associated with the acquisition and the repayment of the Group's £100m 12-month term loan that matured in April 2014. Facility D is available for general corporate purposes but may not be used for the same purposes as Facilities B and C. Facility D is currently utilised only for providing bank guarantees. We also have a five-year £377m multi-currency revolving credit facility that matures in July 2017.

On 1 March 2016 the Group entered into a new syndicated facility comprising of three tranches, a three-year £650m term loan, a five-year £650m term loan and a five-year £400m revolving credit facility. This new facility replaces the company's existing £377m revolving credit facility and the Foster Wheeler acquisition facility of \$2,260m.

As at 31 December 2015 the Group had committed borrowing headroom of £442m (in addition to cash, cash equivalents and bank deposits of £363m)

	Facility £m	Drawings £m	Headroom £m
Credit facility agreement			
- Facility B	563	563	0
- Facility C	563	563	0
- Facility D	237	62	175
Revolving credit facility	377	110	267
Project debt	26	26	-
Other	2	2	-
Finance leases	59	59	-
Committed facilities	1,827	1,385	442

Interest rate profile

The majority of the Group's borrowings are denominated in US dollars and bear interest at floating rates.

Our policy is to maintain between 30% and 70% of the Group's borrowings at fixed rates of interest. We achieve this by using interest rate swaps and other interest rate derivatives. As at 31 December 2015 only 28% of the Group's borrowings were effectively at fixed interest rates due to the ongoing refinancing activity in 2015. This will be reviewed in Q1 2016 following the completion of the refinancing.

As at 31 December 2015, the weighted average effective cost of the Group's outstanding borrowings was 3.4% and the effective interest maturity was 11 months.

Borrowing covenants

We are subject to customary covenants, representations and warranties in relation to our borrowing facilities. Our debt financing facility contains certain financial covenants as defined in the facility agreement including:

- the ratio of consolidated net total borrowings to adjusted consolidated EBITDA must not exceed 3.25 times EBITDA
- the ratio of consolidated EBITDA to consolidated net finance costs must not be less than 3.0 times

We satisfied these financial covenants by a comfortable margin for the year ended 31 December 2015.

Currency profile of debt

We aim to maintain the currency of the Group's debt in proportion to the currencies in which the net assets of the Group's businesses are denominated. We achieve the desired currency profile of the Group's debt by borrowing in the relevant currency and also by entering into currency derivative contracts.

As at 31 December 2015 the effect of our hedging activity on the currency profile of the Group's debt was as follows:

	Debt before hedges £m	Effect of hedges £m	Debt after hedges £m
Currency			
- Sterling	137	23	160
- US dollar	1,160	(448)	712
- Euro	26	207	233
- Canadian dollar	0	218	218
	1,323	0	1,323

Other assets and liabilities

Goodwill and other intangibles

As at 31 December 2015, the carrying amount of goodwill was £2,192m (2014 £2,516m), with the reduction during the year principally an impairment of £308m recognised against the goodwill attributable to the Global Power Group business. See note 12 for further details.

As at 31 December 2015 the carrying amount of other intangibles was £833m (2014 £927m), which comprised acquired identifiable intangible assets of £753m (2014 £849m) and computer software of £80m (2014 £78m).

There was an impairment charge of £7m recognised against the order backlog intangible asset arising as part of the Foster Wheeler acquisition.

Amortisation of £129m (2014 £49m) reflects a full year's amortisation of the intangible assets arising on the Foster Wheeler and Scopus acquisitions, both in 2014.

Research and development

Our engineering project management and consultancy businesses seek to develop advanced engineering solutions for our customers targeted towards the achievement of new or improved functions and performance of their assets. Our businesses are involved in front-end and detailed engineering design and implementation and testing activities across a broad range of markets including the Oil & Gas, Mining and Clean Energy sectors.

GPG also conducts research and development activities in the areas of combustion, solid, fluid and gas dynamics, heat transfer materials, and solid mechanics. GPG licenses its technology to a limited number of third parties in select countries or markets.

In the UK, the US and Canada the Group claims research and development government credits. Research and development expenditure net of amounts recoverable from customers and government credits claimed is not material to the Group's operating results.

Financial review continued

Property plant and equipment

As at 31 December 2015, property, plant and equipment amounted to £127m (2014 £150m), with a reduction of £23m during the year due as the additions of £16m were more than offset by depreciation of £26m and other smaller movements

We hold the majority of the properties through which the Group operates under operating leases which are for varying periods and on differing terms. The Group has a network of over 350 offices worldwide, which range from regional hubs with a headcount of between 1 000 and 2 500 employees to smaller offices with more local focus. It is expected that the number of properties that are occupied by the Group will be reduced following the integration of Foster Wheeler's businesses.

Due to the geographical spread of the Group's operations there is no individual facility the loss of which would have a material adverse impact on the Group's operations. Equally there are no plans to construct, expand or improve facilities that would, on completion or cancellation, significantly affect the group's operations.

Post-retirement benefits

The Group has a number of defined benefit pension plans in a number of countries. There are three principal plans, two in the UK and one in the US. Each of these plans is closed to new entrants and the two legacy Foster Wheeler plans are also closed to future service accruals. Following an employee consultation exercise at the end of 2015 the Company has now confirmed its intention to close its UK Staff and Executive Defined Benefit pension schemes to future accrual from 1 April 2016 and replace them with a new Defined Contribution arrangement. Subject to gaining the necessary Trustee approvals, all legacy Defined Contribution plans in the UK will be merged into the new arrangement by 30 June 2016. As at 31 December 2015, there was a net surplus of £63m on the Group's defined benefit pension plans (2014 deficit of £86m) principally due to actuarial gains in the defined benefit liability. During 2015, the Group contributed £36m (2014 £32m) to defined benefit pension plans and expects to contribute £36m in 2016 including special contributions of £6m.

Further information on the Group's retirement benefit plans is provided in note 14 to the accompanying financial information.

Provisions

Provisions held at 31 December 2015 amounted to £664m (2014 £756m), with the substantial reduction during the year arising principally due to the utilisation of brought forward provisions of £64m. Otherwise additional provisions of £33m were created and unutilised provisions amounting to £38m were released during 2015. In addition, there was an exchange movement of £22m on the opening balances.

Provisions may be summarised as follows:

	2015 £m	2014 £m
As at 31 December		
Asbestos-related litigation	378	400
Legal claims and actions	154	217
Obligations relating to disposed businesses	78	86
Property-related provisions	19	19
Other provisions	35	34
	664	756

Asbestos-related obligations

The Group is subject to claims by individuals who allege that they have suffered personal injury from exposure to asbestos primarily in connection with equipment allegedly manufactured by certain of their subsidiaries during the 1970s or earlier.

As at 31 December 2015, the Group recognised:

- an asbestos-related provision of £414m (after the effect of discounting of £74m), which included estimates of indemnity amounts and defence costs for open and yet to be asserted claims expected to be incurred in each year in the period to 2050
- insurance recoveries of £118m (after discounting of £4m).

Management expects that there will be a net cash outflow of £22m during 2016 due to the excess of forecast indemnity payments and defence costs over insurance proceeds.

Details of the provisions held by the group are set out in note 21 to the accompanying financial information.

Non-controlling interests

As at 31 December 2015, non-controlling interests in equity amounted to £9m (2014 £22m), with the reduction during the year being principally due to the acquisition via a squeeze out merger, of the 4.7% non-controlling interest in Foster Wheeler AG that existed when the Group took control of Foster Wheeler in November 2015 and was subsequently acquired by the Group in January 2016.

Distributable reserves

As at 31 December 2015, the Company's distributable reserves stood at £564m (2014 £726m).

	£m
As at 31 December 2014	726
Dividends paid during 2015	(167)
Dividends received from subsidiaries	100
Impairment charges	(14)
Integration costs	(30)
Other costs	(51)
As at 31 December 2015	564

In total there was a write down of £351m against the investments in subsidiary undertakings. Of this, £337m was charged against the merger reserve, and so has no impact on distributable profits, and £14m against the profit and loss account reserve.

During 2012 the Company generated a significant profit from a Group restructuring which becomes distributable as qualifying consideration is received by the Company in settlement of the associated loan. There were no repayments of this loan during 2015 or 2014.

Contractual obligations

As at 31 December 2015 the Group's contractual obligations were as follows

	Total £m	Less than one year £m	Between one and two years £m	Between two and five years £m	Earliest period in which payment due After more than five years £m
Bank and other loans					
- Principal	1 264	679	192	386	7
- Interest ¹	47	16	15	16	-
Derivative financial instruments^{1,2}	25	21	1	3	-
Finance leases	59	4	18	24	13
Operating leases	385	86	80	144	75
Post-retirement benefits³	36	36	-	-	-
Total⁴	1,816	842	306	573	95

1 Floating rate interest payments and payments on the floating rate legs of interest rate derivatives are estimated based on market interest rates as at 31 December 2015

2 Payments on foreign currency derivatives are estimated based on market exchange rates as at 31 December 2015

3 Post employment benefit obligations represent contributions to which the Group is committed and are not subject to potential future adjustment to reflect investment performance and other actuarial factors

4 Future payments relating to the Group's uncertain tax positions are not included because it is not practicable to estimate reliably the timing of these cash outflows

Off-balance sheet arrangements

At 31 December 2015 the Group had no off-balance sheet arrangements that have or are reasonably likely to have a current or future effect on the Group's financial condition revenues or expenses results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources that is material to investors

Details of the Group's operating lease commitments are set out in note 25 to the consolidated financial statements

Outlook for 2016

2016 is expected to be another year of challenging market conditions across upstream Oil & Gas and Mining. However, our exposure to a number of end markets including downstream Oil & Gas renewables and government work means we expect to see only a slight fall in like-for-like revenue and a reduction in trading margins significantly less than the decline in 2015

Going concern

Based on internal forecasts and projections that take into account reasonably possible changes in the Group's trading performance, the directors consider that the Company and the group have adequate financial resources to continue in operation. Accordingly, the directors continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the Company's and the group's financial statements

We outline on pages 18 to 21 the principal risks and uncertainties that may affect the Group's results cash flows and financial position

Directors' approval statement

The strategic report as set out on pages 1 to 37 has been reviewed and approved by our board of directors

Ian McHoul
Chief Financial Officer and interim CEO
10 March 2016

Connected

excellence

through sharing
skills across
our markets

The proposed nuclear power station at Moorside in Cumbria will supply 3.4GW of electricity – 7% of the UK's requirements – when it begins operating in 2024.

Our Analytical Services Laboratories are some of the largest in the UK, carrying out radiochemical analysis for a wide range of clients

In 2015 our E&I division announced two separate contracts with Nugeneration Ltd (NuGen) on its Moorside project in West Cumbria

E&I has engaged specialist radiological protection support and commissioned radiochemistry work from our clean energy colleagues during the course of the project, collaborating effectively across the business to deliver the best results for the client

Chairman's governance overview

Good corporate governance helps to underpin long-term effective company performance. Your board is responsible for the governance structure at Amec Foster Wheeler and is committed to delivering the highest standards for the benefit of all of the Group's stakeholders.

Dear shareholder,

The objective of this report is to set out what we believe to be essential to ensure that our strong governance frameworks are applied throughout your Company. This section of the report specifically examines the details of the work of your board over the past 12 months and the processes we implemented.

I mentioned in my letter last year that we support current best practice for boards to engage an external specialist to review their activity every three years. Following the 2014 engagement of Lintstock to assist us in this I am pleased to report that during 2015 every director had in-depth assessment interviews with one of their external facilitators.

In September 2014, the UK Financial Reporting Council issued a revised version of the UK Corporate Governance Code and we are reporting against this framework for the first time in respect of our 2015 financial year. Designed to strengthen our focus on and enhance the quality of information around long-term health strategy and sustained value creation the revised code includes significant changes including the introduction of a viability statement and a requirement for the board to report on the effectiveness of risk management in your Company.

2015 is also the first year when your Company needed to be compliant with provisions of the US Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 on management's assessment of internal control over financial reporting which we successfully achieved, on target by 31 December 2015. This process has added additional requirements to your board's committee activities.

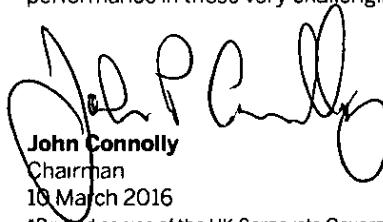
In my Chairman's report on page 6, I outline the board changes which have occurred since the start of 2015. Ian McHoul was appointed interim CEO on 17 January 2016 following Samir Brikho stepping down as Chief Executive. The search for a new CEO with which Korn Ferry has been appointed to assist us, is progressing well and an announcement will be made in due course once a decision has been reached.

Since my last report Simon Thompson retired from the board and Neil Carson took on the roles of Senior Independent Director and Chairman of the Remuneration Committee. Roy Franklin joined the board on 1 January 2016.

In addition to filing an annual report in the UK, we are required to also file our annual report in the US on Form 20-F which complies with the reporting requirements of the New York Stock Exchange US securities laws and the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission applicable to foreign private issuers. We have produced for the second time a combined annual report and annual report on Form 20-F to ensure consistency in the information provided to our UK and US investors.

In the UK, the UK Corporate Governance Code* (the Code) is the standard against which we are required to measure our corporate governance practices and provides the framework for our governance report. In the opinion of the directors your Company has complied with the provisions of the September 2014 edition of the Code in respect of the year ended 31 December 2015. The governance report examines how we have applied these provisions. As required by the SEC a summary outlining the significant differences between the Company's corporate governance practices as a UK listed company and those followed by US companies can be found on page 191.

In 2016 the board will continue to apply the highest standards of governance to assure your Company achieves optimal performance in these very challenging markets.



John Connolly
Chairman
10 March 2016

*Printed copies of the UK Corporate Governance Code can be obtained from www.frcpublications.com

Leadership and effectiveness

Our board of directors

Our board members are selected to ensure and maintain an effective balance of skills, experience, independence and knowledge of the areas in which Amec Foster Wheeler operates and in the duties and responsibilities associated with being a director of a listed company

John Connolly

Chairman of the board Chairman of the nominations committee and a member of the remuneration committee

A chartered accountant John spent his career until May 2011 with global professional services firm Deloitte John joined the firm in 1980 serving in various roles of increasing responsibility During his time at Deloitte he held a wide range of senior leadership positions in the United Kingdom and internationally He was Global Chairman between 2007 and 2011 and Global Managing Director from 2003 to 2007 He was Senior Partner and CEO of the UK Partnership from 1999 until his retirement from the Partnership in 2011

John is chairman of G4S plc and also of a number of private companies

Beyond commercial business roles John is Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Great Ormond Street Hospital Charity and a member of the CBI President's Advisory Council

Term of office

John was appointed as non executive Chairman on 1 June 2011 and was considered to be independent on appointment in accordance with the requirements of the Code

His term of office was extended in March 2015 for a second three-year term to the date of the 2018 AGM

Leadership and effectiveness continued

Our board of directors continued

Ian McHouli

Chief Financial Officer and interim CEO Ian qualified as a Chartered Accountant with KPMG in 1984 His early career was spent in the brewing industry Between 1985 and 1995 he held various positions with the Foster's Brewing Group including General Manager Strategy He was Finance & Strategy Director of the Inntrepreneur Pub Company Limited from 1995 to 1998 and then served at Scottish & Newcastle plc from 1998 to 2008 first as Finance Director of Scottish Courage and later as Group Finance Director of Scottish & Newcastle plc Ian holds a BSc in Mathematics from the University of Bristol

Term of office

Ian was appointed interim CEO on 17 January 2016 and Chief Financial Officer on 8 September 2008 and has no fixed term of office His service contract is terminable on six and twelve months notice by him and the Company respectively

External appointments

Ian has been a non executive director of Britvic plc since March 2014 and was a non executive director of Premier Foods plc from July 2004 to April 2013

Linda Adamany

Non executive Director Chairman of the health safety security environmental and ethics (HSSEE) committee and a member of the audit remuneration and nominations committees Linda has over 40 years business experience with 27 in the international energy sector Between 1980 and 2007 Linda held a number of executive positions at BP plc in the UK and US During that time she held various executive roles in refining and marketing exploration and production and petrochemicals including Chief Executive of BP Shipping and Group Vice President and Commercial Director BP Refining & Marketing

In March 2013 Linda was appointed a non executive director of Coeur Mining Inc a US based publicly quoted primary silver producer where she serves as chairman of the audit committee and is a member of the environmental health safety and social responsibility committee In March 2014 Linda was appointed to the board of directors of Leucadia National Corporation a US based NYSE-listed diversified holding company engaged through its consolidated subsidiaries in a variety of businesses where she is a member of the audit and the nominating and corporate governance committees From 2006 to 2012 prior to joining Amec Foster Wheeler Linda was a non executive director of National Grid plc and a member of their audit nominations and safety environment and health committees Linda is a qualified accountant (CPA) with a BSc in Business Administration from John Carroll University Ohio and has also undertaken post graduate non degree executive programmes at Harvard Cambridge and Tsinghua universities

Term of office

Linda was appointed a non executive director on 1 October 2012 In January 2016 her term of office was extended for a second three year term to the date of the 2019 AGM

Neil Carson

Senior Independent Director Chairman of the remuneration committee and a member of the audit and health safety security environmental and ethics (HSSEE) committees Neil was Chief Executive of Johnson Matthey Plc the FTSE 100 speciality chemical company from 2004 to June 2014 and stepped down as a member of the board in September 2014 He joined the company in 1980 after completing an engineering degree and held a number of senior management positions in both the UK and US including Managing Director of Catalysts & Chemicals from 1999 to 2004 and Division Director of Catalytic Systems from 1997 to 1999

In July 2014 Neil became a non executive director of PayPoint plc where he also serves as chairman of the remuneration committee and senior independent director In May 2015 Neil joined the board of TT Electronics plc as Chairman He is currently Honorary President of the Society for Chemical Industry (SCI) and co chair of the Chemistry Growth Partnership which is working with the government to stimulate growth in the industry in the United Kingdom Neil was previously a founding member of the Prince of Wales Corporate Leaders Group on Climate Change Neil received an engineering degree from Lanchester Polytechnic (now Coventry University) and has been awarded an Honorary Doctor of Business Administration from Anglia Ruskin University

Term of office

Neil was appointed a non executive director on 31 August 2010 His term of office was extended in February 2014 for a second three year term to the date of the 2017 AGM

Colin Day

Non executive Director Chairman of the audit committee and a member of the remuneration and nominations committees Colin has more than 25 years of experience of blue chip companies including Aegis Group Plc ABB Group De La Rue Group Plc and British Gas Colin was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Essentra plc (formerly Filtrona plc) on 1 April 2011 prior to which he was Chief Financial Officer of Reckitt Benckiser Group plc from 2000 to 2011 Between 1995 and 2000 he served as Group Finance Director of Aegis Group plc He spent six years in a number of divisional finance director positions with ABB Group and served as Group Finance Director of ABB Kent Instrumentation and ABB Kent plc from 1988 to 1994 Colin started his career in 1973 as a trainee accountant at Kodak He is a Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and holds an MBA from Cranfield School of Management UK

Colin has been a director of FM Global since January 2014 and was appointed as a non executive director and chairman of the audit committee of Meggit plc on 1 October 2015 He was previously a non-executive director of WPP plc from 2005 to June 2015 Colin was appointed to the FRC Audit Advisory Group on 3 July 2014

Term of office

Colin was appointed a non executive director on 14 October 2010 His term of office was extended in February 2014 for a second three year term to the date of the 2017 AGM

Roy A Franklin

Non executive Director and member of the nominations committee Roy has more than 40 years experience as an executive in the oil & gas industry He spent 18 years at BP latterly as Head of M&A BP Exploration after which he was Group MD of Clyde Petroleum and then CEO of Paladin Resources until its acquisition by Talisman Energy in 2005 Since then Roy has served on a number of international energy boards in non executive roles

Roy is currently chairman of Keller Group plc deputy chairman of Statoil ASA and a non executive director of Santos Ltd He is also currently chairman of privately owned Cuadrilla Resources Holdings Ltd and a member of the advisory board of Kerogen Capital LLC

Term of office

Roy was appointed a non executive director on 1 January 2016 for an initial term of three years which will end at the 2019 AGM

In accordance with the Company's articles of association Roy will retire from office at the forthcoming AGM and offer himself for election

Kent Masters

Non executive Director and member of the health safety security environmental and ethics committee (HSSEE) Kent was the Chief Executive Officer of Foster Wheeler AG from 2011 until the completion of the acquisition by AMEC in November 2014 Prior to joining Foster Wheeler he served as a member of the Executive Board of Linde AG a world leading gases and engineering company from 2006 to 2011 At Linde Kent had responsibility for the Americas Africa the South Pacific the global business unit Healthcare and the business area Merchant and Packaged Gases He was employed by BOC Group plc from 1984 until the acquisition of BOC by Linde in 2006 Kent served in roles of increasing responsibility at BOC including as Chief Executive Industrial and Special Products from 2005 to 2006 and as President Process Gas Solutions Americas from 2002 to 2005 He also served on the board of directors of BOC from 2005 to 2006 Kent served as the non executive chairman of African Oxygen Limited from 2005 to 2011 Kent joined the board of Albemarle in January 2015 following its acquisition of Rockwood Holdings Inc where he had served as a director since 2007 Kent is a member of the compensation committee at Albemarle and served on the audit and compensation committees at Rockwood

Term of office

Kent was appointed a non executive director on 13 February 2015 for an initial term of three years which will end at the 2018 AGM

Stephanie Newby

Non executive Director member of the audit and health safety security environmental and ethics (HSSEE) committees Stephanie is the Chief Executive Officer of Crimson Hexagon a big data social analytics company Prior to Crimson Hexagon she founded Golden Seeds in 2004 an investment company that provides investment capital to early stage high growth companies Previously she spent 20 years working in the financial services industry in Sydney London and New York with the majority of her career spent with J P Morgan where she headed several global businesses serving as Global Head of Futures and Options Head of International Private Banking Chief Operating Officer of Global Equities and Head of eCommerce

Appointed in 2004 Stephanie was a member of the Foster Wheeler AG board until the completion of the acquisition by AMEC serving on the audit and governance and nominating committees She also previously served as a non-executive director and member of the audit and compensation and HR committees of RiskMetrics Group Inc

Term of office

Stephanie was appointed a non executive director on 13 November 2014 for an initial term of three years which will end at the 2018 AGM

We will continue to seek to build upon and complement the board's existing skills set, including a focus on increased diversity whether this is through gender race, nationality or general background The review of the effectiveness of the board in 2014 identified the need for additional expertise in oil & gas markets and this led to Roy Franklin's appointment at the beginning of 2016

Independence of non-executive directors

The board considers that with the exception of Kent Masters whose previous employment by Foster Wheeler precludes him from meeting the required independence criteria the non executive directors are independent and free from any relationships or circumstances that could affect their independent judgement

Leadership and effectiveness continued Amec Foster Wheeler governance structure

Behaviours, vision, values,
Code of Business Conduct, global policies

Board
The board has ownership
of the global policies

Board committees
Support the board in its work with specific review and oversight

Audit
Provides independent scrutiny of the Company's financial and non-financial performance risks and audit functions

Nominations
Identifies and makes recommendations concerning the composition of the board and that of its committees

Health, Safety, Security, Environmental and Ethics
Assists in upholding our core value of integrity and maintaining our HSSEE commitments for a safe and secure working environment

Remuneration
Aims to attract and retain good management and to incentivise them to create shareholder value

Group Leadership Team
Responsible for implementation of the global policies

Chief Executive
Primarily responsible for running Amec Foster Wheeler's businesses with the objective of creating shareholder value

Management committees and groups
Deal generally with more operational matters

Share allotment

Pensions and retirement benefits

Risk

HSSE review

Corporate transactions

Tender review

Disclosure

Group project review

Global mandatory procedures

Chief Financial Officer

Business unit leaders

Functional leaders

Business unit teams

Functional teams

Local jurisdictional policies and procedures

Board role and responsibilities

The board is collectively responsible for delivering sustainable long-term shareholder value in line with its obligations to and the expectations of the Group's stakeholders

The board is responsible for setting the Company's strategic aims and providing the leadership and resources to achieve its objectives. The board's role is to be distinguished from overall operational management which is the responsibility of the Chief Executive who in turn delegates authorities to the Chief Financial Officer business unit and functional leaders. They have in turn further delegated authorities to their teams.

In order to ensure it retains appropriate overall control of the Group, a number of key matters are not delegated to management and as such the board maintains a schedule of matters reserved for its approval. These include:

- ▶ annual strategic and short-range plans
- ▶ financial and treasury policies
- ▶ risk identification, risk appetite, risk management and internal control systems
- ▶ high-value potentially high-risk projects
- ▶ major acquisitions and disposals
- ▶ Code of Business Conduct
- ▶ full and half-year accounts
- ▶ dividend policy
- ▶ succession planning for directors and senior executives
- ▶ group-wide policy framework
- ▶ ensuring the effectiveness of governance practices
- ▶ appointment and removal of the Company Secretary

This schedule is reviewed for continued acceptability on an annual basis. In March 2015 the schedule was reviewed and a number of changes were made to take account of various matters including the UK Corporate Governance Code and the Company's new operating model. In July 2015 a further change was made to include a requirement for board approval of high value potentially high risk projects.

High quality corporate governance helps to underpin long-term company performance and the board is responsible for maintaining strong governance practices and regularly reviewing the Company's governance structure as illustrated on page 44.

During the year, to take account of Amec Foster Wheeler's new values and expected working behaviours the board launched new versions of fundamental documents in the Company's governance framework including a new Code of Business Conduct. The Code of Business Conduct is the cornerstone of the Company's approach to governance and is applicable to all employees including the Chief Executive, Chief Financial Officer and other senior financial professionals. The Code of Business Conduct is the responsibility of and is upheld by the board. It acts as a guide for our day-to-day working life, providing a practical application of Amec Foster Wheeler's values and ensuring all those who work for and under Amec Foster Wheeler's direction understand the behaviour that is expected of them. The Code of Business Conduct, which is available to employees in 14 different languages complies with relevant UK and US regulations and is available on the Company's website at amecfcw.com/ethics.

A global policies document works in conjunction with the Code of Business Conduct providing further detail and elaboration on matters affecting all of Amec Foster Wheeler's businesses. The global policies document describes the key policies for directing and managing the Group's businesses consistently in accordance with our vision and values. These global policies are supported by a set of mandatory procedures which further explain how the policies are to be applied. Together the global policies and procedures set the framework within which business functional and local policies and procedures are set. The board approves the group-wide policy framework. On a day-to-day basis, the board has delegated responsibility for implementation of the global policies and ownership of the procedures to the Group Leadership Team. The board considers the global policies to be part of the risk-based approach to corporate governance and the maintenance of sound internal controls.

In order to discharge its role, the board is also responsible for maintaining sound risk management and internal control systems. The board has a rigorous and comprehensive risk management approach to protect the Group's assets and the interests of its stakeholders and create an environment for business success. The board regularly reviews the effectiveness and adequacy of the Group's financial, operational, compliance and risk management systems.

The board is supported in its work by four board committees (nominations, audit, HSSEE and remuneration) chaired by either the board Chairman or another non-executive director and a number of management committees and groups chaired by executive directors (or other senior individuals), to which specific responsibilities have been delegated. You can find out more about the membership, duties, responsibilities and work of these committees in the dedicated reports that follow. Full written terms of reference for each board committee can also be found online at amecfcw.com/aboutus/corporate-governance.

The directors believe that the board leads and controls the Group effectively and that all directors act in accordance with what they consider to be the best interests of the Company consistent with their statutory duties under the Companies Act 2006 and other legislation.

Leadership and effectiveness continued

Board composition

As at 31 December 2015 the board comprised the non-executive chairman, two executive directors (the Chief Executive and the Chief Financial Officer), and five non-executive directors. Roy Franklin was appointed as a non-executive director on 1 January 2016.

The Company announced on 18 January 2016 that Samir Brikho had stepped down as Chief Executive. Upon Mr Brikho's departure Ian McHoul was appointed to the role of interim CEO which he has agreed to fulfil alongside his role as Chief Financial Officer until the search for a new CEO is concluded.

Directors' tenure as at 31 December 2015

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	
John Connolly											4 yrs 7m
Samir Brikho											9 yrs 3m
Ian McHoul											7 yrs 3m
Linda Adamany											3 yrs 3m
Neil Carson											5 yrs 4m
Colin Day											5 yrs 2m
Kent Masters											10m
Stephanie Newby											1yr 1m

Details of the directors, including their biographies, other significant commitments and committee memberships can be found on pages 41 to 43. Details of the directors' service contracts, emoluments and share interests are set out in the remuneration report on pages 67 to 80.

The Company's articles of association require all directors to seek election by shareholders at the AGM following their initial appointment and re-election every three years thereafter. However, in line with the recommendations of the Code, our practice is that all directors submit themselves for re-election on an annual basis. All of the directors wishing to continue serving, and considered eligible by the board, will offer themselves for re-election at the 2016 AGM. Roy Franklin will also seek election at the forthcoming AGM having been appointed on 1 January 2016.

The independence of the non-executive directors is continually monitored and formally assessed as part of the board's annual evaluation process. The board considers that, with the exception of Kent Masters whose previous employment by Foster Wheeler precludes him from meeting the required independence criteria, the non-executive directors are independent and free from any relationships or circumstances that could affect their independent judgement.

Membership of the board

Non executive Chairman	6
Executive director	1
Non executive director	

The balance of executive and non executive directors provides continuity on the board while ensuring no one individual, or group of individuals, dominates the decision-making process.

Experience of the board

Financial management and corporate finance	8
Corporate governance	
International experience	7
Experience in business sectors relevant to Amec Foster Wheeler	4
HSSE Strategy	5

Number of board directors with experience in each topic

The varied backgrounds and commercial experience of the non-executive directors, and their independence from management ensures rigorous debate at meetings and constructive challenge and oversight of the executive directors in relation to the strategic direction and performance of the group.

Gender diversity of the board

%	75
Female	
Male	

25

As part of the company's broader diversity initiative, it supports the recommendations of the final report in the Davies Review series. We are pleased to say that two out of our eight directors are female, representing 25% of our board. Candidates for board appointments are evaluated on merit in light of the requirements of the role, having due regard to the group-wide commitment to diversity and inclusion. The board recognises the importance of diversity, including but not limited to gender balance across the group more generally. In 2015, Amec Foster Wheeler's diversity initiatives have continued to focus on implementing its group-wide commitment to achieving a more diverse workforce and inclusive working environment, including encouraging and enabling greater diversity of thinking. During the year a global mandatory procedure on diversity and inclusion was introduced to drive associated action plans with measurable objectives for monitoring progress. The gender diversity of the Company and its senior management is shown on page 14.

The Chairman and Chief Executive

The Company does not combine the roles of Chairman and Chief Executive. There is a clear and well-defined division of accountability and responsibility between the roles of the Chairman and Chief Executive and these are set out in writing and have been agreed by the board. The consequence of this clear division of responsibility at the head of the Company is such that no individual has unrestricted powers of decision. The Chairman and Chief Executive are committed to ensuring the development and maintenance of an effective and trusting relationship with the appropriate balance between challenge and support.

The Chairman is primarily responsible for the leadership and effectiveness of the board. He is accountable for promoting effective board relationships and the participation of all board members so as to encourage a culture of openness and debate and enable the board to fulfil all aspects of its role. The Chairman has undertaken to ensure that the board discharges its duties to promote the success of the Company for the benefit of all stakeholders and to guide Amec Foster Wheeler's business and conduct in accordance with the highest ethical standards.

Each year the Chairman produces a board plan intended to summarise the board's activities in executing its duties during the year. The plan highlights the priorities the board has identified for the year, and those of the Chief Executive, and can be modified to take account of any unscheduled developments. In chairing and setting the agenda for board meetings the Chairman ensures sufficient time is available for discussion and meaningful challenge in areas such as strategy, performance, value creation and accountability.

Subject to matters reserved to the board, the Chief Executive is responsible for the leadership of Amec Foster Wheeler's businesses with the primary objective of creating shareholder value. Consistent with this objective, overall operational management is delegated to the Chief Executive who, together with the Group Leadership Team, is responsible for the proposal, development and implementation of the Group's overall strategy, driving execution, growing markets and customers and developing our people. The building and maintenance of an effective executive management team, and the allocation of responsibility therein, are key components of and essential to the performance of the Chief Executive's role.

The Chief Executive also takes the lead role in the promotion of Amec Foster Wheeler, setting the tone in the realisation of the Company's vision and values and encouraging the highest standards of health, safety, security, environmental and ethical performance.

Senior Independent Director

Neil Carson has acted as the board's Senior Independent Director since the conclusion of 2015 AGM, following the retirement of Simon Thompson. Neil was selected for the role on account of his significant knowledge of Amec Foster Wheeler and its operations and his experience as a director of international companies. Both the nominations committee and the board considered that Neil Carson best met the criteria required for the role. The Senior Independent Director is responsible for:

- ▶ providing additional support to and acting as a sounding board for the Chairman on board-related matters
- ▶ acting as an additional channel of communication between the Chairman and the other directors where necessary
- ▶ being available to shareholders for concerns they may have that have not been resolved through the normal channels of the Chairman, Chief Executive or other executive directors, or which are not appropriate to raise through these channels
- ▶ acquiring an objective understanding of the issues and concerns of Amec Foster Wheeler's shareholders through attendance at a sufficient number of meetings with the company's major shareholders and financial analysts
- ▶ at least annually establishing the views of the non-executive directors as to the performance of the Chairman
- ▶ following completion of the above evaluation exercise, providing feedback to the Chairman on his performance
- ▶ overseeing the search for a new Chairman as required

Leadership and effectiveness continued

Non-executive directors

The non-executive directors are crucial in bringing an external perspective and wide range of skills, experience expertise and diversity of views to the board's deliberations and the development of strategy. They constructively challenge and scrutinise the performance of management against agreed objectives and provide an invaluable contribution to the work of the board's committees. In January 2015, the membership of each of the board committees was restructured to ensure the most effective use of each non-executive director's time and to more appropriately reflect their skills and experience. The board benefits greatly from the contribution and balance they bring. To ensure this continues, the Chairman holds meetings with the non-executive directors, without the executive directors present, immediately following most scheduled board meetings.

The board's policy is that non-executive director appointments are normally for three consecutive three-year terms, subject to assessment by the nominations committee after the end of each term. The committee makes recommendations on reappointments to the board.

To ensure independence and constructive challenge, prior to appointment and on any material changes the external commitments of each non-executive director, including those of the Chairman, are reviewed. During the year, Neil Carson joined the board of TT Electronics plc as chairman and Colin Day was appointed as a non-executive director and chairman of the audit committee of Meggitt plc. In accordance with the board's policy to ensure that non-executive directors are not conflicted and are able to commit sufficient time to meet their duties and responsibilities to Amec Foster Wheeler, the prospective appointments were disclosed to the board for approval. In neither case was it considered that the external appointment would have a detrimental effect. Each director's undertaking as to their ongoing commitment to the role, together with an assessment of their continued independence, is reviewed as part of their annual performance evaluation.

Amec Foster Wheeler's non-executive directors are not employed by the Company in any capacity. Kent Masters was the former Chief Executive Officer of Foster Wheeler AG and Stephanie Newby was formerly an independent non-executive director of Foster Wheeler AG.

The letters of appointment of the non-executive directors are available for inspection at the Company's registered office by request to the Company Secretary and will be available for inspection at the company's forthcoming AGM.

Board meetings

The board holds a minimum of six regular meetings throughout the year scheduled in accordance with an annual timetable. Additional board meetings and telephone conference calls are held as required to deal with specific issues. In 2015 there were seven scheduled meetings and six unscheduled meetings.

Directors are expected to attend all scheduled board and relevant committee meetings, unless they are prevented from doing so by unavoidable prior business commitments or other valid reasons. All directors are provided with full papers in advance of each meeting. Where a director is unable to attend a meeting, they are encouraged to discuss any issues arising with the Chairman or Chief Executive as appropriate.

Number of meetings attended

	Scheduled	Unscheduled
John Connolly	7/7	6/6
Samir Brikho	7/7	5/6
Ian McHoul	7/7	6/6
Linda Adamany	7/7	5/6
Neil Carson	7/7	3/6
Colin Day	7/7	4/6
Kent Masters (from 13 February 2015)	6/6	5/6
Stephanie Newby	7/7	4/6
Simon Thompson (to 14 May 2015)	3/3	1/1

Unscheduled meetings were convened throughout the year to consider such matters as trading updates and director appointments. As these were not scheduled, members were not always able to attend but were provided with full packs of information and were invited to make comments.

At least one scheduled meeting each year takes place away from Amec Foster Wheeler's head office in London. This provides the board with an opportunity to understand more about Amec Foster Wheeler's business and to meet employees based locally. The July 2015 board meeting took place in our offices in Houston, Texas, US, where the board met with local management and also visited a client project site in the Southern US.

The October 2015 board meeting and board strategy discussions took place at our offices in Reading, UK, which were particularly significant given the challenging market conditions facing the sectors in which the Group operates.

In addition to the matters reserved for the board, certain items are considered at every scheduled board meeting. The Chief Executive provides a report on business performance, strategy execution and emerging issues and the Chief Financial Officer updates the board on financial results and progress against the short-range plan. Reports are also received on investor relations and market issues, HR and HS&SE matters. In addition, the Chairman and the General Counsel and Company Secretary provide an update on legislative, regulatory and governance matters and twice yearly the General Counsel and Company Secretary provides updates on material claims and disputes.

Business unit management is regularly invited to present at board meetings and, led by the Group Presidents, provides 'deep dive' reviews of each business unit. In addition to standing items discussed at each meeting, the board considers a regular schedule of financial and planning matters including the approval of financial results and dividends, special matters including the review and approval of strategy, the determination of major risks and risk appetite and transaction and competitor reviews. The board receives an annual presentation from the Group Human Resources Director on senior management succession planning and management development. In 2015 this took place in July and the board was also provided with updates on leadership development assurance and on performance management. The board has also identified a range of topic reviews that are addressed annually and these include the strategies followed by the Group's functions eg Tax, Treasury and IT, as well as the board effectiveness and composition reviews.

The board also holds a separate additional meeting each year to perform a full strategic review of the Group. On account of the timing of the acquisition of Foster Wheeler, the strategy event originally scheduled for October 2014 was held in April 2015 following completion of the acquisition. The board undertook a further review of strategy in October 2015, which considered amongst other things what improvements could be made to the Group's activities to better meet client requirements in the current challenging market conditions.

The Company Secretary is fundamental in ensuring the efficiency and effectiveness of the board and its committees and is responsible for ensuring that the directors have timely access to full, accurate and relevant information and whatever resources they need to undertake their duties. Agendas and supporting papers for board and committee meetings are circulated approximately one week prior to the meeting date to allow sufficient time for review and enable informed debate and challenge at meetings. Monthly interim reports are prepared, including a report from the Chief Executive and the business unit presidents and these are circulated to the board if a meeting is not scheduled in the month.

Leadership and effectiveness continued

Board meetings continued

Where the directors, particularly non-executive directors, require further insight on an issue the Company Secretary will facilitate this from the business or relevant members of the senior management team. Members of senior management are regularly invited to attend board meetings to present on specific projects and issues. The Company Secretary also ensures that the correct board procedures are followed from both a legal and a regulatory perspective.

In addition to the advice and services of the Company Secretary a formal process exists for the directors to obtain independent professional advice at the Company's expense, where appropriate and necessary to discharge their responsibilities. The Company Secretary is responsible for the organisation and co-ordination of access to such advice. The Company Secretary ensures that a timely and accurate record of all meetings of the board and its committees is taken and circulated. In addition the chairman of each board committee reports fully to the board following each meeting and minutes are made available to the board.

If a director had a concern about the running of the Company or a proposed action that could not be resolved, this would be recorded in the minutes. In addition upon resignation, should a director have any such outstanding concerns, they would be invited to provide the Chairman with a written statement for circulation to the board. No such statements were received during 2015.

Conflicts of interest

The board has procedures in place for the disclosure and review of conflicts of interest. No material conflicts of interest arose in 2015. Prior to appointment, prospective directors provide information on any conflicts of interest, and thereafter any potential conflicts of interest are considered at the start of each board meeting. Accordingly, each director is aware of their responsibility to avoid a situation where they have an actual or potential conflict of interest, the requirement to keep the same under review and inform the Chairman and Company Secretary of any change in their situation. An effective procedure is in place for the board to authorise conflict situations, should they arise in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and the Company's articles of association. In other cases the conflict is managed by excluding the relevant director from the discussion.

The Company Secretary is responsible for keeping appropriate records, including the scope of any authorisations granted by the board, and ensures the board undertakes regular reviews of conflict authorisations. Such matters are normally recorded in the minutes of the relevant meetings.

Executive directors are not permitted to accept external appointments without the prior approval of the board. The board will review the nature, scope and complexity of any proposed external appointments, to ensure they will not adversely impact a director's ability to devote such time and energy to their role as is necessary to discharge their responsibilities effectively or create any potential conflicts.

Professional development

The Company Secretary assists the Chairman in the co-ordination of director induction upon appointment and ongoing training. A comprehensive induction programme is in place for all new directors which takes into account their previous experience, background and role on the board. The programme is tailored accordingly to:

- ▶ provide an understanding of the duties and responsibilities of a director and their particular role
- ▶ build an understanding of how the board operates within Amec Foster Wheeler's structure
- ▶ further their knowledge and understanding of Amec Foster Wheeler's culture, its business and operations and the markets and countries in which it operates
- ▶ establish a link with Amec Foster Wheeler's management and people
- ▶ establish an understanding of the Company's main relationships

New directors are provided with key board operational and financial information and relevant legislative and regulatory guidance. The programme is designed so as to prioritise and vary the delivery of materials to optimise its effectiveness and facilitate completion in a timely manner. The programme involves a combination of documentation, accessible via the portal used by the board to communicate and share documents electronically, meetings with other members of the board, senior management and their extended teams, key external parties including the Company's advisers and, where appropriate, major shareholders, and site visits where possible. Where a new director is to serve on a board committee, induction material relevant to the committee is also provided. Progress against the induction programme is reviewed with the director midway through the process to ensure a smooth transition into director training and ongoing development.

Ongoing training relevant to each director's individual development needs continues after appointment. The Chairman endeavours to review the training and development needs of the directors at least annually. The aim is to ensure the further enhancement of their skills and knowledge of the business, so that they continue to fulfil their role effectively on the board and its committees.

Internally facilitated training is arranged by the Company Secretary on topics and issues relevant to the operation of the board and the responsibilities of the directors. The board receives presentations from management on changes and significant developments in the business. Updates on changes in legislation and communications from the Company Secretary's office on key developments in corporate governance are also provided. In addition, use is made of external auditor and adviser training programmes. During the year the board received presentations from internal and external experts on such matters as health and safety, legal requirements and changes to the UK Corporate Governance Code, including risk management, internal control and going concern requirements, the new viability statement, executive remuneration and relations with shareholders. From time to time the directors individually attend seminars and conferences related to their areas of expertise and responsibility.

To further develop the directors' understanding of the Group's businesses and culture, the board undertakes visits to various places of Amec Foster Wheeler business. As previously mentioned, during the year the board visited the Group's Houston US and Reading UK operations.

Leadership and effectiveness continued Evaluation

In line with the recommendations of the Code, each year a formal performance evaluation review is undertaken of the board, its committees and the directors individually. In 2015, the performance evaluation was externally facilitated by Lintstock, a third-party service provider. Lintstock have been the provider of the Company's insider list management software since 2011 but other than this, and the performance evaluation, have not undertaken any other work of any kind for the board or the Company.

This year, the review process involved both one-to-one interviews and the completion by each director of an in-depth survey designed to establish their perceptions in areas such as the current composition and expertise of the board, board dynamics and the interaction between board members and the board and senior management, the board's management of time and the scope of board agendas, the quality of both internal and external support to the board including information presented at meetings and updates on major developments between meetings, and the board's role in setting strategy and strategic oversight. Opinions were also sought on the effectiveness of the April 2015 board strategy event (which both the board and Group Leadership Team attended), the appropriateness of the board's risk appetite and approach to risk management and internal controls and succession planning and human resource management.

Lintstock's report on the findings of this survey of board effectiveness was tabled for discussion at the board's December 2015 meeting. In summary, the results were very positive and engagement and interaction amongst board members continue to be very strong.

The size of the board was considered appropriate and with regard to composition, the appointment of Roy Franklin as a non-executive director was identified as a valuable addition of oil & gas sector experience. The board was seen to have appropriate knowledge of the markets in which the company operates and a good understanding of shareholders' and stakeholders' views. There was considered to be good support and challenge provided to management. The frequency and quality of management presentations were highly rated.

The board was seen to use its time effectively although it was suggested that more time might be spent on market dynamics, the structure by which clients are supported, major projects, technology and succession planning considerations.

The Company's strategy was considered to be clear with broad consensus as to the principal strategic issues and the April 2015 strategy review day was highly rated.

The risk appetite was considered to be clear and it was felt that risk management was a strength and had improved.

A number of areas for improvement were identified and these will continue to be addressed over the coming year as part of the board plan and include continued focus on succession planning, management of human resources and on the strategic objectives of the Group in the context of the market dynamics and challenges facing the sector.

In addition and as required by the Code during the year, the Senior Independent Director, having taken the views of the non-executive and the executive directors, reviewed the performance of the Chairman. The Senior Independent Director met with the Chairman in December 2015 to review his performance during 2015. The Chief Executive conducts annual performance development reviews with his direct reports.

In 2016, the board performance evaluation review will again be externally facilitated by Lintstock.

Nominations committee

The nominations committee is primarily focused on evaluating the board of directors and on examining the skills, characteristics and dynamics that are needed to run an effective board

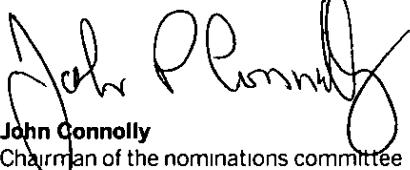
Dear shareholder,

The Group has undergone transformational changes over the past year and more than ever the role of the nominations committee is a key one

In 2015, Kent Masters and Roy Franklin were appointed to the board bringing with them valuable oil & gas experience Succession and evolutionary change remain our key priorities taking into account our commitment to diversity and inclusion

You will be aware that Ian McHoul was appointed into the role of interim CEO following Samir Brikho's departure. The board has mandated Mr McHoul to continue to drive forward the Company's previously stated priorities and he will continue to fulfil this dual role until a new CEO is appointed. I am leading the succession process on behalf of the nominations committee and we will make an announcement as soon as we have made a decision

You can see from the charts on page 46 that we have a strong blend of skills, experience and length of service amongst your board of directors and I see no reason that this should not be maintained as your company rises to the challenges we will inevitably face in 2016 and beyond.



John Connolly

Chairman of the nominations committee
10 March 2016

Members

During 2015 the nominations committee comprised the Chairman, Linda Adamany and Colin Day. The quorum for the committee is two members. There were five committee meetings held in the year

Membership and attendance of the nominations committee up to 31 December 2015

	Meeting attendance
John Connolly (Chairman)	5/5
Linda Adamany	5/5
Colin Day	4/5

Meetings of the committee are usually called at short notice to consider matters as they arise. This means that members may not always be available but they are always fully apprised of matters to be discussed and their views sought and taken into account. Colin Day was unable to attend one meeting called at short notice due to a prior commitment

At its meeting on 2 December 2015 the board approved minor amendments to the terms of reference for the committee. These are available to review on amecfw.com

With effect from 1 January 2016, the membership of the committee now comprises John Connolly (Chairman), Colin Day, Linda Adamany and Roy Franklin

Key responsibilities

The committee is mindful of the board's desire to maintain an appropriately diverse and balanced membership in terms of skills, experience, independence and knowledge of the Group taking into account the benefits of diversity, so as to ensure the delivery of the Group's strategy and performance. The committee regularly reviews the board's structure, size and composition against these criteria and the board selection criteria referred to on page 54.

Together with the board, the committee also considers board succession planning in conjunction with reports from the Chief Executive and Group Human Resources Director on senior management succession planning, so as to ensure that an appropriate balance of skills is maintained both within the senior management team and on the board.

As part of the externally conducted board effectiveness review undertaken in 2015, the performance of the committee was also evaluated and this was overall rated highly. As an area for further improvement it was suggested that the committee ought to periodically review the Business Unit Group President succession plans.

Leadership and effectiveness continued Nominations committee continued

Activities of the committee

Prior to Simon Thompson's retirement in May 2015 the committee considered potential replacements for his role as Senior Independent Director and as Chairman of the remuneration committee. After careful consideration the committee concluded that Neil Carson best met the required criteria and a recommendation was made to the board accordingly.

At the same time, the committee considered the reappointment of the Chairman for a second three-year term of office as his first three-year term ended at the 2015 AGM. His significant experience and his excellent chairmanship during a period of significant change resulted in a recommendation being made to the board to reappoint him for a second three-year term.

The committee also considered and recommended the appointment of Linda Adamany as a new member of the remuneration committee with effect from 30 April 2015.

In July 2015 the committee reviewed and recommended the adoption by the board of amended board selection criteria, to be used to identify any gaps in the overall experience and knowledge of the board as a whole and to assist appropriately in the future board selection process.

In early 2016 the committee considered the reappointment of Linda Adamany as a non-executive director for a second three-year term of office as her first three-year term will end at the 2016 AGM. On the basis of her significant relevant international experience and her knowledge of the activities of the Group, the committee recommended that she should be reappointed for a second three-year term.

During 2015, the committee commenced a search for a new non-executive director to replace Simon Thompson. The committee used the executive search firm The Zygos Partnership (Zygos), to assist with the process. After due and careful consideration, due to his significant relevant experience, particularly in the oil & gas sector a recommendation was made to the board to appoint Roy Franklin as a non-executive director with effect from 1 January 2016. Zygos had previously worked with the company to assist with the search for a new Chairman in 2011 and with the process that led to Linda Adamany's appointment in 2012. Other than this they have not undertaken any other work of any kind for the board or the Company.

Following Samir Brikho's departure on 17 January 2016 a key focus for the committee will be to find his successor. The Company has appointed the executive search firm Korn Ferry, to assist the Company in its search for a new CEO, which will consider both internal and external candidates. A role specification has been prepared to assist in distilling a long list of candidates against the role requirements. Both internal and external candidates will be interviewed by the Chairman and Group Human Resources Director and the resulting shortlist of candidates will be interviewed by all board members. Full details of the process will be disclosed in next year's report. Korn Ferry also assisted the board with an exercise to strengthen the senior executive pipeline in 2014 and have, from time to time assisted with searches for other senior management roles. Other than this they have not undertaken any other work of any kind for the board or the Company.

Our Group Leadership Team

Distinct from the executive director (shown on page 42), the Group Leadership Team comprises the following senior operational and functional management

Simon Naylor
Group President Americas
Simon was appointed Group President Americas in October 2012 Prior to that Simon had been President Natural Resources Americas since 2007 where he led the growth and successful development of the Company's leading positions in the core market sectors of mining oil & gas and oil sands In his 23 years with the company Simon has worked across the project lifecycle in consulting engineering and project management A natural resources professional his experience includes project development asset support strategy customer relationship management and operations leadership

Simon has an MBA from Cranfield School of Management and a BSc from University College London in Chemical Engineering

Gary Nedelka
Group President Global Power Group (GPG)
Gary was appointed Group President Global Power Group on 1 January 2015 having served as Chief Executive Officer of Foster Wheeler's Global Power Group since January 2009 Prior to this he served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Foster Wheeler North America Corp an indirect wholly owned subsidiary within the Global Power Group Previously he was President and General Manager of operating companies in China and he held a variety of positions of increasing responsibility in commercial operations and engineering management He joined Foster Wheeler in 1979 and is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers

Gary holds a BSc in Mechanical Engineering from Clarkson College of Technology

Jonathan Nield
Group Project Delivery Director
Jon was appointed Group Project Delivery Director on 13 November 2014 immediately prior to which he served as Vice President Project Risk Management of Foster Wheeler – a position he held since May 2011 Previously he was a director of Foster Wheeler Energy Limited and he has served in various executive positions with that company He was a member of the Foster Wheeler team for more than 25 years

Jon has a BSc in Mechanical Engineering from Newcastle University an MSc in Project Management from Cranfield School of Management He currently serves as a director of the Engineering & Construction Risk Institute

John Pearson
Group President Northern Europe & CIS (NECIS)
Before taking the role of Group President Northern Europe & CIS on 1 January 2015 John was Group President of Europe and prior to that he was Managing Director of the oil & gas business in Europe and West Africa He joined the Company in 1990 and has worked in a variety of roles in engineering and project management In the past John has led the Company's oil & gas projects and asset support business streams globally Prior to joining the business John worked for Chevron and has worked around the world having spent time based in Aberdeen San Francisco Baku and London John is currently contractor co chair of Oil & Gas UK and sits as a member of MER UK the Fiscal Forum and the OGA stakeholder board

John holds a BSc Honours Engineering degree from Aberdeen University

Roberto Penno
Group President Asia Middle East Africa and Southern Europe (AMEASE)
Roberto was appointed Group President AMEASE on 1 January 2015 immediately prior to which he was CEO of Foster Wheeler's Global E&C Group – a position he held since 2013 Previously he was CEO of the Global E&C Group's Asia-Pacific Region A 27-year veteran of Foster Wheeler he has held a variety of positions with the Company including managing director of global sales marketing and strategic planning director of commercial operations for Foster Wheeler Asia Pacific and other senior roles in operating unit management sales and commercial management in Europe Asia and the US

Roberto has a degree in Mechanical Engineering from University Politecnico Milan

Jeff Reilly
Group President Strategy & Business Development
Jeff has 30 years industry experience and was appointed Group President Strategy & Business Development on 28 April 2014 He started his career with Stone & Webster Engineering Corp as a Chemical Process Design Engineer and developed his career there and at ABB Lummus Global Inc becoming company Vice President at both engineering and construction organisations He joined ConocoPhillips in 2005 led upstream and downstream major project portfolios globally and was ultimately appointed Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) When Phillips 66 was spun off as an independent corporation he led the company's global projects organisation as well as being its initial CPO

Jeff has a BS Chemical Engineering from The University of Texas at Austin an MBA in Finance and International Business from the University of Houston

Will Serie
Group Human Resources Director
Will was appointed Group Human Resources Director on 1 May 2011 having previously held the position of Human Resources Operations Director since 2009 Will is also responsible for sustainability at Amec Foster Wheeler He joined the Company in 2000 as Human Resources Director for the oil & gas business moving to the Natural Resources role in 2006

Will holds a Master's degree in Human Resources from The Robert Gordon University and is a Fellow of CIPD

Alison Yapp
General Counsel and Company Secretary
Alison was appointed General Counsel and Company Secretary on 1 December 2012 Immediately prior to joining the Company she was Company Secretary and General Legal Counsel of Hays plc previous to which she was Company Secretary and Group Legal Adviser of Charter plc She is a solicitor and has more than 20 years' experience as a senior lawyer in industry She began her career in private practice at Turner Kenneth Brown advising corporate and commercial clients in M&A before moving in-house to Johnson Matthey plc where she held various senior legal roles

Alison holds an LLB (Hons) from Bristol University and is a qualified solicitor

Leadership and effectiveness continued Management committees

The board has also created a number of management committees and groups that deal generally with more operational matters

These are chaired by executive directors or other senior individuals and members are drawn from senior management within the Group. The minutes of each of these meetings are circulated to each board meeting. The terms of reference of all these committees have been reviewed and updated following the acquisition of Foster Wheeler

Corporate transactions committee

Members¹
Chief Executive (chairman) Chief Financial Officer General Counsel and Company Secretary Head of Mergers and Acquisitions

Responsibilities

The corporate transactions committee considers mergers, acquisitions and disposals and approves transactions where the consideration or assumption of liabilities, as appropriate, is £5m or less and above this level it submits recommendations to the board for approval. In addition it determines transaction guidelines that are in line with Group policies and procedures

Disclosure committee

Members
Group Financial Controller (chairman) General Counsel and Company Secretary Head of Risk Management and Insurance Chief Corporate Compliance Officer Head of Internal Audit Director of Tax and Treasury Group Corporate Affairs Director Head of Investor Relations

Responsibilities

The disclosure committee assists the audit committee with regard to verifying the information that is required to be disclosed in the company's material public disclosures and in its periodic reports. This is intended to ensure such disclosures are in compliance with all relevant laws, rules and regulations, including the UK Listing Authority, the London Stock Exchange, the New York Stock Exchange and the US Securities and Exchange Commission

Group project review meetings

Attended by
Group Leadership Team Commercial Director

Responsibilities

The group project review meetings evaluate project execution and financial performance on higher risk, higher value projects that could have a material effect on overall group performance

Pensions and retirement benefits committee

Members
Chief Financial Officer (chairman) Group Human Resources Director Head of Pensions General Counsel and Company Secretary

Responsibilities

The pensions and retirement benefits committee reviews and recommends the establishment of any new or replacement pension arrangements, any material amendments to existing pension schemes and the discontinuance, winding up or merger of any existing arrangement. It also agrees with the trustees of those pension arrangements appropriate funding plans to secure the benefits promised

Risk committee

Members¹
Chief Executive (chairman) Chief Financial Officer General Counsel and Company Secretary Group Commercial Director Head of Risk Management and Insurance Group Project Delivery Director

Responsibilities

The risk committee performs an integral role in the governance of risk within Amec Foster Wheeler by providing advice and assistance to the board enabling it to fulfil its responsibilities in determining the risk appetite of the Group and the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems that support it. It also reviews the Amec Foster Wheeler plc risk register and the potential impact of any issues on the risk appetite and the risk profile of the Group. It reports on key risk issues such as new business and geographical locations and also makes recommendations on the insurance programme for the Group

Share allotment committee

Members
Any two directors or a director and the General Counsel and Company Secretary or the Deputy Company Secretary (the chairman to be appointed from those directors present)

Responsibilities

The share allotment committee approves the allotment of new shares or the issue of existing shares held in treasury following the exercise of options under the Savings Related Share Option Scheme

HSSE review committee

Members
Chief Executive (chairman) Group Human Resources Director General Counsel and Company Secretary

Responsibilities

The HSSE review committee's key responsibility is to provide effective oversight of the Company's performance and management of HSSE issues across the group. This includes the evaluation of the effectiveness of the Group's policies and management systems in respect of managing health, safety, security and environmental risk in both current and future operations associated with the Company's growth strategy

Tender review committee

Members¹
Chief Executive (chairman) Chief Financial Officer General Counsel and Company Secretary Head of Risk Management and Insurance Group Commercial Director Group Project Delivery Director

Responsibilities

The tender review committee primarily reviews and approves proposed tender submissions for contracts to be undertaken by the business units that are outside the delegated authority of the Group Presidents. Higher risk contracts with an estimated revenue in excess of US\$750m also require the approval of the board

¹Whilst the search for a new Chief Executive is undertaken, the terms of reference of the committee have been amended to allow Mr McHoul to act as chair in his capacity as interim CEO. In addition, the Group Financial Controller has been appointed as a member of the committee in lieu of the Chief Financial Officer.

Accountability

Risk management and internal control systems

The board has overall responsibility for setting Amec Foster Wheeler's risk appetite, and for maintaining sound risk management and internal control systems. Responsibility for risk management activities and practices, and internal control systems, is undertaken on behalf of the board by the audit committee and risk committee both of which provide reports to the board on their work. Regular reviews of the effectiveness and adequacy of the Group's financial operational, compliance and risk management systems are undertaken and considered by the board. These systems can, however, only provide reasonable assurance against material misstatement or loss, as they are designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives.

The internal control processes are complemented by an annual control self-assessment exercise carried out by the principal businesses. This covers health, safety and environment, legal, commercial and contractual financial, information technology and human resources. The results are reviewed by the board through the audit committee, as part of the ongoing internal control monitoring process.

Amec Foster Wheeler has interests in a number of joint arrangements where controls may not be reviewed as part of the Group's formal corporate governance process because of the joint management responsibilities. Responsibility for such reviews rests with the joint venture and joint operations boards and these are reviewed from time to time as part of Amec Foster Wheeler's normal internal audit process. Details of the company's related undertakings can be found on pages 194 to 201.

The board and its committees have an ongoing process that is reviewed regularly by the board for identifying, evaluating and managing the principal risks faced by Amec Foster Wheeler, including strategy, major projects to be undertaken, significant acquisitions and disposals, as well as entry into and exit from different markets. This process and the associated internal control systems accord with the September 2014 Financial Reporting Council Guidance on Risk Management, Internal Control and Related Financial and Business Reporting.

Where appropriate, business decisions are reached following a structured and documented review of potential opportunities and threats taking steps designed to manage or mitigate any risk exposure.

The threats and opportunities associated with tender submissions are reviewed by commercial review boards at various levels in the Group in line with the delegated authorities. Tenders that are outside the delegated authority of the business units are also reviewed by the tender review committee and, in addition, tenders for entering into high-risk contracts with an estimated revenue in excess of \$750m are approved by the board. The most significant issues in terms of risk require the approval of the relevant business unit lead and the Group Commercial Director.

As a result of its ongoing involvement in and overview of risk management and internal control systems across the Group, the board is satisfied that the systems in place remain effective. Further details of the Group's risk management process, including reporting and monitoring and roles and responsibilities can be found on page 18.

Following the acquisition of Foster Wheeler in 2014, work was undertaken in the year to integrate the control framework and risk and control systems with those of the wider group. Pursuant to section 302 of the US Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (SOX), we have carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) under the supervision and the participation of the Group Leadership Team, which is responsible for the management of the internal controls and which includes the CEO and the CFO. There are inherent limitations to the effectiveness of any system of disclosure controls and procedures, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of the controls and procedures. Accordingly, even effective disclosure controls and procedures can only provide reasonable assurance of achieving their control objectives. Based upon our evaluation as at 31 December 2015, we have concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures (i) were effective at a reasonable level of assurance as of the end of the period covered by this annual report in ensuring that information required to be recorded, processed, summarised and reported in the reports that are filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarised and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms and (ii) were effective at a reasonable level of assurance as of the end of the period covered by this annual report in ensuring that information to be disclosed in the reports that are filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the Group Leadership Team, including the Chief Executive and the Chief Financial Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Pursuant to section 404 of SOX, under the supervision and the participation of the Group Leadership Team, which includes the CEO and CFO, management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. We have carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) based on the Internal Control – Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organisations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on this evaluation, we have concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as at 31 December 2015.

Ernst & Young LLP has audited the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015 and has also assessed the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. Their attestation report can be found on page 95.

During the period covered by this annual report, we have not made any changes to our internal control over financial reporting that have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect our internal control over financial reporting.

Accountability continued

Audit committee

The main objectives of the audit committee are to provide independent scrutiny of the company's financial and non-financial performance, the adequacy of the risk management framework and internal controls, and the performance of both the external and internal audit functions. This is of particular importance given the added responsibilities of conforming to the SOX requirements. The wide diversity of experience and knowledge of the committee members helps to achieve these objectives, and constructive challenge and guidance continue to be provided to the leadership team.

Dear Shareholder

Your audit committee had another demanding year during which management implemented its integration plans and a new operating model for the combined businesses of AMEC and Foster Wheeler. Bringing two companies together, each with a diverse range of policies, procedures, computer systems and processes, was always going to be challenging, particularly as each had its own operating model that reflected its respective market sector strengths. Fittingly your committee and the board focused strongly on the quality of the revised policies, procedures, systems and internal controls being implemented by management to successfully manage the new company.

The committee also took on additional responsibilities during the year, in particular overseeing the exacting compliance effort that management had to undertake to implement the requirements of the US Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (SOX). An in-house compliance team supported comprehensively by external SOX specialists, was established by management. The Chief Compliance Officer reported directly to the committee at each of its meetings providing detailed status reports on the project and its achievements. As committee chairman, I also met separately on a regular basis with the Chief Compliance Officer and the external SOX specialists to be briefed on progress. As you might expect, both the internal and external auditors were also involved with the SOX process throughout the year.

As management continued throughout 2015 with the integration process across numerous geographies, the committee continued its vital role of scrutinising the integrity and relevance of the Group's financial reporting, the appropriateness and quality of the internal control environment and the continued suitability of the Group's system of risk management. In addition, the committee examined material projects, focusing on the key features, risks and opportunities these present and paid particular attention to contract provisioning and quality of earnings. Your committee has also been engaged with management's process for meeting the new UK corporate governance requirement of providing a viability statement which is now a feature of this year's annual report.

As reported to you last year management detected a fraud in one of its overseas operations during the latter part of 2014. The fraud was not material at the group level although it was significant at the local entity level. I can now confirm that a criminal case against two former employees is presently before the courts, the outcome of which is yet to be determined.

The committee continued to oversee the internal and external audit activities. Given the increased size and complexity of the combined businesses, management and the committee endorsed the recommendation to increase the size of the internal audit team to strengthen the available resources for the future.

Our goal continues to be one of being proactive and to provide constructive challenge over the information we receive. Throughout the year the committee has received timely and quality information from management and from the internal and external auditors. Their reports have been relevant, succinct, and clear, which has enabled your committee to discharge its duties effectively.



Colin Day
Chairman of the audit committee
10 March 2016

Members

The committee meets at least three times each year and the quorum for the committee is two members

Membership and attendance of the audit committee up to 31 December 2015

	Scheduled	Unscheduled
Colin Day (Chairman)	3/3	1/1
Linda Adamany	3/3	0/1
Neil Carson	3/3	1/1
Simon Thompson (up to 14 May 2015)	0/1	1/1
Stephanie Newby	3/3	0/1

There were three scheduled audit committee meetings in 2015 and one unscheduled meeting. The unscheduled meeting was arranged at very short notice and two members had prior commitments.

Colin Day has relevant and recent experience in auditing and accounting and the board considers that he has sufficient financial experience and qualifications to satisfy the criteria under US rules for an audit committee financial expert. Biographies of all committee members can be found on pages 41 to 43.

The membership of the committee currently comprises Colin Day (Chairman), Linda Adamany, Neil Carson and Stephanie Newby.

The Company Chairman, the executive directors, the General Counsel and Company Secretary, the Group Financial Controller, the Head of Internal Audit, the Group Commercial Director, the Chief Compliance Officer and representatives of the external auditor also attended meetings throughout the year.

During 2015, the committee met separately with the external auditor, the Head of Internal Audit and the CFO, in each case without others being present.

During the year the committee's terms of reference were reviewed and updated to reflect additional committee requirements relating to the appropriateness of the going concern assumptions, the viability statement, internal controls over financial reporting, the disclosure committee and SOX requirements. These are available to view at amecfw.com.

Following the acquisition of Foster Wheeler, a disclosure committee was established in November 2014. This is a management committee that reports to the audit committee and assists the committee with regard to verifying the information that is required to be disclosed in the company's material public disclosures and in its periodic reports. This ensures that such disclosures are in compliance with all relevant laws, rules and regulations, including the UK Listing Authority, the London Stock Exchange, the New York Stock Exchange and the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

Key responsibilities

- ▶ Reviewing the annual and half-yearly financial statements with particular focus on key accounting and audit judgement and making recommendations to the board for their approval
- ▶ Monitoring the clarity of disclosures, the going concern assumptions, the viability statement and compliance with IFRS
- ▶ Reviewing and monitoring the internal controls and risk management systems, in particular internal controls over financial reporting
- ▶ Overseeing the relationship with the external auditor, including the approval of the engagement letter, letter of representation and statutory audit fees, with particular focus on independence and rotation in accordance with UK and US rules or requirements
- ▶ Promoting an effective internal audit function
- ▶ Overseeing the Company's compliance with the London and New York stock exchanges, FCA and SEC requirements
- ▶ Reviewing arrangements whereby staff may raise concerns about any suspected or known improprieties and ensuring that such matters are investigated and appropriate actions taken
- ▶ Monitoring and reviewing UK corporate governance and US SOX compliance
- ▶ Receiving the reports of the disclosure committee

Activities of the committee

Training provided to the committee in the year included an update by the Chief Compliance Officer on SOX requirements and information from Ernst & Young LLP (EY) on risk management, internal control, going concern requirements and the viability statement.

In 2015, as part of the external review of board effectiveness, respondents were asked about the perceived performance of the audit committee. This was very highly rated overall. One area identified for improvement was in relation to the balance of work undertaken between the Chairman and the committee members, to ensure collective responsibility of the activities of the committee. Other areas identified included a need for greater detail on revenue recognition decisions and continued vigilance on SOX requirements.

In preparation for each meeting, the CFO prepares an extensive report covering all material financial, tax and treasury matters. Particular areas of focus in 2015 included:

- ▶ consideration of revenue recognition, which is by necessity based on management estimates and assumptions, particularly with regard to timing and consideration of the Group's policy for aged work in progress and receivables. In conjunction with the external auditor, these judgements were challenged, especially with regard to end-life forecast estimates
- ▶ with regard to the provisions and estimates (including litigation) within the accounts, the committee, in conjunction with the external auditor, spent time focusing on these areas and on satisfying itself as to their appropriateness, particularly for legacy liabilities

Accountability continued

Audit committee continued

- ▶ contract risks and material contracts (those above £10m in contract value) showing a deteriorating position over time including the monitoring of management's early warning system to increase visibility of underperforming material contracts
- ▶ the Foster Wheeler allocation of goodwill and impairment testing arising from the acquisition in respect of which the committee continued to challenge and stress test the assumptions that were being made in the process
- ▶ reviews of the performance of the GPG business and the challenging of the inputs into the impairment testing calculations where the deteriorating performance has resulted in a significant impairment of £308m
- ▶ the classification of exceptional items where costs excluding intangible amortisation and impairment, of £114m have been charged in the year principally due to restructuring and integration costs
- ▶ the Foster Wheeler purchase price allocation exercise, in respect of which the committee undertook a thorough review of the process and challenged the appropriateness and the judgements made on the reduction in the net assets acquired of around US\$245m and the corresponding increase in goodwill
- ▶ adequacy of legacy liabilities including the accounting for asbestos and environmental liabilities
- ▶ accounting for taxation including the recognition of deferred tax and assets relating to research and development government credits and monitoring the outcome of recent EU cases on tax rulings and the assessment of disclosing this as a contingent liability
- ▶ the assessment of the basis of the Group's going concern assumptions with particular emphasis on the refinancing process and the assessment of the Group's viability statement in accordance with the change to the UK Corporate Governance Code
- ▶ the ongoing quality and acceptability of the Group's accounting policies, procedures, systems and internal controls
- ▶ SOX programme oversight and the establishment of risk and control matrices and the identification of key controls to meet the SOX control objectives. This was the first year that attestation has been required on the Group's internal control environment and the committee was pleased to note that no material weaknesses had been identified
- ▶ a review of the audit procedures required in order to meet the requirements of the SEC and Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB) in the US
- ▶ as part of the CFO's report the committee received details of all breaches of treasury policy. This enabled the committee to see how relatively minor issues are identified and addressed to ensure they do not become more significant matters. In the year, minor breaches were identified in relation to bank counterparty limits, but none was considered to be material

In its reviews of the full and half-year results particular emphasis was placed on contractual issues where the reported financial position was analysed and discussed in the CFO's report and the findings validated by means of in-depth questioning

At the request of the board the committee also reviewed and provided advice on whether the annual report and accounts when taken as a whole, are fair, balanced and understandable to enable the Company's shareholders to assess the Company's performance business model and strategy

In coming to its view that it was satisfied with the overall fairness balance and clarity of the document, the committee took into account

- ▶ its own knowledge of the group and its strategy and performance in the year
- ▶ the comprehensive guidance provided to all contributors to the annual report and accounts
- ▶ a thorough internal verification of the factual content within the document
- ▶ the comprehensive reviews undertaken at different levels in the group to ensure consistency and overall balance
- ▶ a detailed review by senior management

Internal controls and risk management

The committee reviews the processes by which the Company's control environment is evaluated. A control risk self-assessment is undertaken every year, with comprehensive integrity checks and the exercise in 2015 again identified no significant areas of concern. The Group's senior management is formally required to confirm compliance within their businesses with the Group's Code of Business Conduct its policies and procedures and any areas of concern need to be fully explained and addressed. A revised Code of Business Conduct was introduced in 2015

The Head of Internal Audit reports to the committee on any alleged or suspected wrongdoings reported through the independently operated helplines or otherwise. All such incidents in the year were investigated and did not reveal any significant internal control failures or have a material financial impact at group level although improvement in oversight and in the application of existing controls have been put in place following a fraud identified in Australia, (see note 5 on page 116)

In a few instances disciplinary action was taken against employees, which led to dismissal where warranted

The committee's primary responsibilities in relation to risk management are in ensuring that robust processes are in place for managing risk throughout the Group. The acquisition of Foster Wheeler was completed in the fourth quarter of 2014 and the control framework was reviewed and the risk and control systems were integrated with those of the wider group

The group's principal business and strategic risks are shown in the strategic report on pages 19 to 21 and the approach to managing risk is shown in more detail on pages 18 and 57

Internal audit

In 2015, the committee continued to monitor and review the operation of the internal audit function, receiving a full report at each meeting from the Head of Internal Audit. The Head of Internal Audit formally reports to the committee chairman.

The findings of each internal audit review are summarised and the committee focuses its discussions on unsatisfactory findings and on the action plans in place to address them. Particular areas of focus during 2015 included a number of identified frauds and the application of the agents/sponsors process particularly within the former Foster Wheeler businesses. Concerns were also raised about an increase in the number of control-related issues and the reasons for this.

A review of the staffing levels of the internal audit function was undertaken and a recommendation was made by the committee to increase the number of staff to meet the increased workload requirements. This was endorsed by the board.

External audit

During 2015, the committee continued to oversee the relationship with the external auditor, Ernst & Young LLP (EY). The committee reviews both the procedure for the engagement of the external auditor and the procedure for the appointment of the external auditor every year. In 2015 both procedures met both UK and US requirements.

Each year the relevant audit risks are assessed and EY's views are presented to the committee. During the year, the significant risks identified by EY were appropriateness of revenue recognition on contracts, adequacy of contract-related provisions and legacy liabilities (including asbestos and environmental), purchase price allocation adjustments relating to the acquisition of Foster Wheeler, goodwill impairment, impact of tax planning, recognition of deferred tax assets and R&D tax credits and risk of fraud and management override. Other risk areas included appropriate disclosure and treatment of exceptional items.

Throughout the year and in conjunction with EY the committee challenged management and assured itself that the risks were being addressed and that reporting on the matters was balanced. Examples of these challenges included the judgements taken on a waste energy project in Western Europe, the assessment of Mount Polley as a contingent liability, accounting for a UK fuel storage contract and an oil and gas related project in South America. Other challenges included the judgements taken in the Group's goodwill testing issues with impairment (in particular GPG), purchase price allocation including the accounting recorded in respect of a contract in the Southern US and the appropriateness of the accounting for the Group's asbestos liability of £414m. The committee also discussed and debated the appropriateness of the Group's effective tax rate and recognition of deferred tax

The audit differences and quality of earnings schedule for the year ended 2015 was presented by EY at the February 2016 meeting. The value of unadjusted differences and the quality of earnings high-level review of the impact of items that could be considered non-recurring in nature were discussed in detail. The audit differences were not considered to be material and the quality of earnings was considered appropriate overall.

On behalf of the committee, the Head of Internal Audit undertakes an annual assessment of the effectiveness of the external auditor. The views of senior members of the finance teams throughout the Group are sought, as well as qualitative feedback. Responses are measured and directly compared with previous surveys, so that progress can be monitored.

The external auditor effectiveness review for 2015 will be undertaken after the year-end process has been completed and the results will be presented to the committee in August 2016. The results of the review will be reported in next year's report.

EY were appointed as Amec Foster Wheeler's external auditor in 2010 following a formal tender process. As the audit partner responsible for the Group audit had been in place for five years, a new audit partner (Colin Brown) was appointed for the 2015 audit. The committee takes account of and endorses the relevant provisions of the UK Corporate Governance Code with regard to the appointment of the external auditor which means that the external audit contract will be put out to tender at the latest by 2020 subject to any further regulatory change. The committee also considers that the process complies with the provisions of the Competition and Markets Authority (CMA) Order for UK audit market published on 26 September 2014.

Amec Foster Wheeler has formal procedures relating to its relationship with the external auditor including for the provision of non-audit services to ensure that such work does not impair the external auditor's objectivity and independence. This procedure clearly outlines the category of work the external auditor is permitted to carry out and the rules governing what is not permitted. The procedure follows the guidelines and requirements set out by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales and has been amended to take account of the requirements of SOX and the PCAOB. The committee now delegates authority to the Chairman of the audit committee to pre-approve all non-prohibited services undertaken by the external auditor. In addition, all non-audit services performed by the external auditor will be disclosed to investors in the company's periodic reports.

The process is continually monitored by the Head of Internal Audit and details of all 'other services' performed are formally presented to the audit committee twice a year. It is the responsibility of the audit committee to monitor the overall level of non-audit fees relative to audit fees from an independence point of view and to confirm that auditor independence has been safeguarded. If there are any concerns about this for the avoidance of doubt, the undertaking of such work would not be permitted.

Accountability continued

Audit committee continued

Fees payable by the Group to the Company's statutory auditor EY, and its associates were as follows

	2015 £m	2014 £m
Audit fees		
Audit of the Company's accounts	4.1	3.9
Audit of the accounts of the Company's subsidiaries	1.4	1.5
	5.5	5.4
Tax fees		
Tax compliance services	0.9	0.4
Tax advisory services	-	-
	0.9	0.4
All other fees		
Corporate finance transactions	0.9	6.4
Other non-audit services	0.2	0.1
	1.1	6.5
	75	12.3

Fees for the audit of the Company's accounts relate to the audit of the parent company's accounts and the consolidated financial statements

All EY's fees for non-audit work in 2015 were approved in accordance with the Company's policy covering non-audit services. As a result of the application of this policy and additional discussions with them, the directors do not believe that EY's independence has been compromised because of this additional work on behalf of the Company.

The level of non-audit fee awarded to EY in 2014 was considerably higher than would normally be the case, as shown in the table above as a result of work undertaken on the Foster Wheeler acquisition.

During 2014, EY was paid non-audit fees of £2.7m by Foster Wheeler prior to the acquisition date.

Health, safety, security, environmental and ethics (HSSEE) committee

The core role of the HSSEE committee is to assist the board in upholding the Company's principal value of doing the right thing, to review the HSSE policy statement and to satisfy itself that all significant health, safety, security, environmental and ethics risks are identified and controlled

Dear shareholder

On 1 January 2015 the board created the HSSEE committee to replace the ethics committee and its terms of reference were extended to include health, safety, security and environmental matters (full details of which can be found on amecfw.com). The purpose of the HSSEE committee is to provide an additional level of governance in respect of Amec Foster Wheeler's health, safety, security, environmental and ethics activities.

Our employees have the right to work in a safe and secure environment, which is particularly important in a group that has over 40 000 people working in more than 55 countries. Over the course of 2016 we will be refreshing our Beyond Zero initiative which aims to deliver first-class protection from harm for our people, our assets, our environment and our customers.

There is a strong framework in place that has supported Amec Foster Wheeler as it has become a more global business following the Foster Wheeler acquisition. This ensures that our employees and those who work with and for us act with integrity wherever they are based. Our employees have access to a third-party reporting system to enable them to report any concerns in complete confidence. All such calls are investigated and actions taken where appropriate.

This year the committee has overseen the launch of a new Code of Business Conduct and successful Code of Business Conduct and anti-bribery and corruption training across the Group, with very high completion rates being achieved. Further training programmes are scheduled for roll-out in 2016 to further raise awareness and assure compliance.



Linda Adamany

Chairman of the Health, Safety, Security, Environmental and Ethics Committee
10 March 2016

Members

The HSSEE committee comprises only independent non-executive directors. The quorum for the committee is two members. In 2015 there were three scheduled committee meetings held, and no unscheduled meetings.

The company Chairman, the executive directors, the General Counsel and Company Secretary, the Chief Compliance Officer and the Global Head of HSSE also attend each meeting by invitation.

The membership of the committee is detailed below:

Membership and attendance of the HSSEE committee during 2015

	Meeting attendance
Linda Adamany (Chairman)	3/3
Neil Carson	3/3
Stephanie Newby	3/3
Kent Masters (from 14 February 2015)	3/3

Key responsibilities of the HSSEE committee

The committee reviews Amec Foster Wheeler's HSSE policy at least annually to ensure it remains fit for purpose and meets legal and regulatory requirements in all respects. It also examines the processes in place to satisfy itself that all significant health, safety, security and environmental risks are identified and mitigated.

The committee oversees the operations and activities of the HSSE review committee which is a management committee, details of which are outlined on page 56.

The committee reviews and monitors business ethics within the Group, including compliance with relevant legislation, regulation and current best practice. It also reviews and approves the Group's Code of Business Conduct at least annually.

It considers and reviews the scope and planning of all ethical compliance activity within the Group and reviews the extent and effectiveness of the Group's internal training and external reporting of compliance and ethics matters.

In the event of an actual or suspected material breach of the Code of Business Conduct or any other serious matter, a member of the committee will normally take responsibility for and manage any investigation into the relevant matter with the support of the General Counsel and Company Secretary.

Accountability continued

Health, safety, environmental and ethics (HSSEE) committee continued

Activities of the HSSEE committee

The committee reviewed the revised Amec Foster Wheeler Code of Business Conduct in March 2015 and endorsed its content. This document combined the codes of business conduct of the former AMEC and Foster Wheeler businesses into one new code.

The separate ethics reporting systems for the AMEC and Foster Wheeler businesses were combined into a single system during the second half of the year. During the year a total of 104 concerns were raised in Amec Foster Wheeler in respect of alleged or suspected ethical breaches, most of which were reported through the independent third-party reporting systems. Each report was taken seriously and investigated. The outcome of these investigations resulted in disciplinary action where appropriate as well as enhancements to the existing control environment where necessary.

Over the course of the year the number of matters reported has increased which we see as a positive outcome emanating from the increased publicity and the independent nature of the reporting process.

The Global Head of HSSE attends each committee meeting and gives a full report and update on HSSE matters. Areas of focus during the year included risk mitigation and high potential incidents, particularly those that occurred within joint ventures. The committee was pleased to note the deep dive reviews that were undertaken in respect of each incident and that the outcomes and lessons learned were taken on board throughout the business.

As part of the externally conducted board effectiveness review undertaken in 2015, the performance of the committee was assessed and was rated highly. Improvements to the safety reporting process for the committee and the board identified in the review, are being implemented.

The committee also reviewed its terms of reference in December 2015 and recommended to the board that the terms of reference continued to be fit for purpose and to meet the requirements of the group.

Remuneration Remuneration committee

The remuneration committee's aim is to design and apply a reward policy that promotes the long-term success of the Company

Dear shareholder

Board changes

On 17 January 2016 Samir Brikho stepped down from the board and his role of Chief Executive. He left the Company on 31 January 2016. In accordance with his contract, Samir received a payment in lieu of 12 months base salary benefits and pension. Further details are provided on page 71.

Our CFO, Ian McHoul has been appointed interim CEO while we recruit a new Chief Executive. Ian will receive an acting up allowance of £20 000 per month for the period he undertakes the acting role. This temporary uplift will also be reflected in his pension allowance for this period but other benefits will be unchanged. His maximum bonus opportunity for 2016 will be at the higher level of 150% of salary (including the acting up allowance) for the period he fulfils the role of interim CEO and revert to 125% thereafter. His LTIP opportunity will remain unchanged. Further details are provided on page 67. The committee considers that is a fair and reasonable package to reflect the additional responsibilities being undertaken.

Remuneration for 2015

The committee's work this year has taken place against the backdrop of the very sharp slowdown in the company's major markets which has resulted in performance being lower than anticipated going into the year. We have also taken into account the major shift in the net debt position and the decision to rebase the dividend.

In the light of this the committee has also determined that no annual bonus payments will be made to executive directors in respect of 2015 notwithstanding that some of the targets that were set at the start of the year principally those relating to the successful integration of the two legacy businesses, were achieved. None of the long-term incentive awards made three years ago have vested. Overall remuneration levels for executive directors have accordingly reduced significantly year on year in line with business performance.

Remuneration for 2016

There will be no increase in base salary for the CFO for the third year in a row although he will receive an acting up allowance for the time he undertakes the role of interim CEO, as described above.

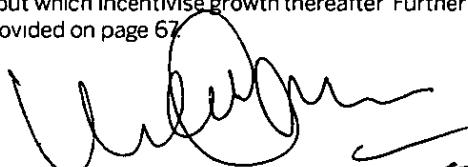
In order to reflect the changed priorities, we are making several changes to the operation of our incentive arrangements within the flexibility allowed for by our existing policy:

In relation to annual bonus, in line with our overall strategy we are giving greater priority to the need to reduce net debt by making 25% of the annual bonus opportunity dependent on cash and debt management. 50% of bonus will remain dependent on delivery of the 2016 planned EBITA target and 25% will be based on other KPIs. In line with our past practice the actual targets and outcomes will be disclosed at the end of the year.

In relation to 2016 LTI awards we plan to introduce a third performance condition related to the implementation and execution of our strategy. The exact nature of these measures and targets will be finalised following the recruitment of our new CEO. This is to ensure that they have an opportunity to input into the chosen measures so that they are fully aligned with our strategy going forwards. It is likely that such measures will focus on reshaping the portfolio, growing the core activity and driving efficiency. The committee intends to consult with shareholders regarding the chosen measures and details of these measures will be disclosed in next year's report.

This strategic scorecard will apply to 40% of the award with the remainder continuing to be split evenly between relative TSR and EPS performance measures.

This year we have expressed the EPS target as a pence per share range for 2018. This reflects both expectations for the macro market environment, particularly for oil & gas and our internal projections which point to a continuing downturn in 2016 but which incentivise growth thereafter. Further details are provided on page 67.



Neil Carson
Chairman of the remuneration committee
10 March 2016

Remuneration continued

Remuneration committee continued

Membership and attendance of the remuneration committee up to 31 December 2015

	Scheduled	Unscheduled
Neil Carson (Chairman from 14 May 2015)	3/3	0/0
Simon Thompson (Chairman up to 14 May 2015)	1/1	0/0
Linda Adamany (from 30 April 2015)	2/2	0/0
John Connolly	3/3	0/0
Colin Day	3/3	0/0

The quorum for the committee is two members. There were three scheduled and no unscheduled meetings held in 2015.

The Chief Executive, the Group Human Resources Director and other members of management attend meetings by invitation.

Simon Thompson retired as a director at the conclusion of the 2015 AGM and was succeeded as committee chairman by Neil Carson and on 30 April Linda Adamany was appointed to the committee.

In considering the matters within its remit, the committee takes account of recommendations from the Chairman in respect of the Chief Executive and from the Chief Executive in respect of the other executive directors and designated executives.

The committee is advised independently by Deloitte who took over the role from New Bridge Street (NBS) during the year following a retender process.

During the year Deloitte also provided advice to management in relation to the interpretation of the Remuneration Reporting Regulations and below board remuneration. Separate teams within Deloitte provided unrelated advisory services in respect of business model integration, research, development and innovation taxation, treasury taxation, corporate finance and treasury services to the Group during the year.

Deloitte is one of the founding members of the Remuneration Consultants Code of Conduct and adheres to this Code in its dealings with the committee. The committee is satisfied that the advice provided by Deloitte is objective and independent. The committee is comfortable that the Deloitte LLP engagement partner and team that provide remuneration advice to the committee do not have connections with the Company that may impair their independence. The committee reviewed the potential for conflicts of interest and judged that there were appropriate safeguards against such conflicts.

NBS did not undertake any material additional work for the Company. NBS is wholly owned by Aon plc and while other companies within the Aon group do undertake material work for the Company, this is not in the area of executive remuneration and arrangements were in place within the Aon group to ring-fence NBS from other services provided.

Deloitte was paid £11 250 and NBS was paid £23 328 during the year for the advice provided to the committee on the basis of time expended and seniority of individuals providing the advice.

The committee is also supported by the Company's human resources department who may from time to time use third parties to provide data and technical advice.

The committee normally meets three times a year and has an established annual agenda of items that it considers at the various meetings the major elements of which are summarised below.

March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Confirmation of short- and long-term incentive outcomes ▶ Approval of Directors' remuneration report ▶ New long-term incentive awards
August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Shareholder feedback/consultation ▶ Remuneration policy and practice ▶ Committee processes and appointment of consultants
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Review of individual base salaries and total remuneration ▶ Incentive plan targets

In order to fully take account of the impact of the Foster Wheeler acquisition and the changed market outlook the decisions that would normally have been made at the December 2014 meeting were largely deferred to the meeting in March 2015.

Directors' remuneration report

Annual report on remuneration

Remuneration policy

There are no changes proposed to remuneration policy for 2016 from that approved by shareholders at the AGM on 14 May 2015. For reference the policy is set out in full on pages 75 to 80.

Application of remuneration policy for 2016

Changes to base salaries for executive directors

The base salary of the CFO is not being increased in 2016. His salary last increased on 1 January 2014. In respect of his role of interim CEO Ian will receive an acting up allowance equivalent to £240,000 per annum pro-rated to reflect the months or part-months he fulfils the interim CEO role giving him an effective annualised salary as shown below.

	2016	2015	% change
Ian McHoul as CFO	£530,000	£530,000	n/c
Ian McHoul as interim CEO	£770,000	n/a	n/a
Samir Brikho (up to date of leaving)	£954,000	£954,000	n/c

Annual bonus measures and targets

The following bonus measures and their weightings (maximum opportunity as a percentage of base salary) have been agreed by the committee for 2016. The measures for 2016 have been changed from 2015 to reflect the challenging environment in which we are currently operating and our evolving strategic priorities in this context. The cash/debt measure replaces the previous operating cash measure and has been given a significantly increased weighting to reflect the greater focus that this is being given as part of our strategic priorities for the next 12 months. The largest part of the bonus continues to be based on EBITA reflecting the importance of a continued focus on profitability.

For the period he is fulfilling the interim CEO role Ian McHoul's bonus will be at the higher maximum of 150% of base salary and will be based on his interim CEO salary. Samir Brikho has not been included in the 2016 bonus plan.

Measure	Acting CEO role	CFO role
EBITA	75%	62.5%
Cash/debt	37.5%	31.25%
Other strategic objectives	37.5%	31.25%
Totals	150%	125%

The specific targets against these measures are commercially sensitive and may be subject to revision. They will be disclosed retrospectively in next year's report to the extent that they do not remain commercially sensitive at that time.

Long-term incentive awards

Awards with a face value equivalent to 250% of base salary are being made to Ian McHoul in 2016 in line with previous years. For this purpose, base salary will not include the temporary acting up allowance. 30% of the award will be subject to a comparative TSR measure, 30% to an EPS performance measure and 40% to a strategic scorecard measure. For each measure 25% of that part of the award is paid for threshold achievement and 100% for maximum achievement with straight-line vesting in between.

TSR will be measured against a peer group comprising Amec Foster Wheeler and UK and international companies against which Amec Foster Wheeler competes directly. The comparator group is the same as for the 2015 awards as described on page 71 with the exception that Akastor has been removed because its business mix was considered by the committee to be less relevant and has been replaced by Tecnicas Reunidas, a Spanish competitor. Threshold vesting occurs at median ranking and maximum at upper quartile ranking or higher.

The EPS target range will be 67.8 pence per share in 2018 for threshold vesting and 73.8 pence per share for maximum vesting. The targets have been set to reflect both expectations for the macro market environment, particularly for oil & gas, and our internal projections which point to a continuing downturn in 2016 but which incentivise growth thereafter. In line with policy the targets and actual EPS will be adjusted to reflect any corporate transactions and certain other defined items.

The strategic scorecard measure will relate to the implementation and execution of our strategy. The exact nature of these measures and targets will be finalised following the recruitment of our new CEO. This is to ensure that they have an opportunity to input into the chosen measures so that they are fully aligned with our strategy going forwards. It is likely that such measures will focus on reshaping the portfolio, growing the core activity and driving efficiency and will be distinct from the short-term targets for annual bonus. The committee intends to consult with shareholders regarding the chosen measures and details of these measures and targets will be disclosed in next year's report.

Remuneration continued

Directors' remuneration report continued

Annual report on remuneration continued

Pensions

Mr McHoul receives a cash allowance of 20% of salary in lieu of pension benefit. For the period when he is interim CEO this will be paid on his higher salary including the acting up allowance. He also has life assurance benefit of four times his normal annual salary.

Changes to Chairman's and non-executive directors' fees

The fees for the Chairman and non-executive directors are not being increased for 2016

	2016	2015	% change
Chairman	£318,000	£318,000	n/c
Board fee	£60,500	£60,500	n/c
Audit committee chairman	£30,000	£30,000	n/c
Remuneration committee chairman	£13,000	£13,000	n/c
HSSEE committee chairman	£6,000	£6,000	n/c
Senior Independent Director	£5,500	£5,500	n/c
Non-UK director (additional travel time)	£12,100	£12,100	n/c

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The information from this point onwards up to and including the statement of directors' share interests and shareholding on page 72 is subject to audit

Single total figure of remuneration for 2015

The following table shows a single total figure of remuneration in respect of qualifying services for the 2015 financial year for each director, together with comparative figures for 2014

	Salary/fees £ 000		Taxable benefits £ 000		Bonus £ 000		LTIP £ 000		Sharesave £ 000		Pension £ 000		Total £ 000	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014
Executive														
Samir Brikho*	954	954	53	43	0	594	–	–	3	–	255	246	1,265	1,837
Ian McHoul	530	530	18	18	0	268	–	–	–	–	106	106	654	922
Non-executive														
John Connolly	318	318	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	318	318
Neil Carson	72	61	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	72	61
Colin Day	91	79	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	91	79
Linda Adamany	79	77	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	79	77
Stephanie Newby*	73	13	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	73	13
Kent Masters*	61	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	61	–
Simon Thompson*	29	76	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	29	76
Aggregate directors emoluments													2,642	3,383

*Samir Brikho stepped down from the Board and his role of Chief Executive on 17 January 2016. Stephanie Newby and Kent Masters joined the board in November 2014 and February 2015 respectively. Simon Thompson left the Board in May 2015. Stephanie Newby's fees include an amount paid in relation to her ongoing post acquisition service as a director of Foster Wheeler AG from 13 November 2014 to 19 January 2015.

Taxable benefits for the executive directors comprise disability and healthcare insurance, car/travel allowance, working lunches and tax return preparation assistance. Mr Brikho's 2015 figure includes an amount of £5,000 invoiced during the year but which actually related to assistance provided in respect of 2014.

The 2015 Sharesave figure for Samir Brikho is the gain made on exercising an option over 1,335 shares made under the Savings-related Share Option Scheme (Sharesave) at an option price of £6.74. The closing share price on the date of exercise 9 March 2015 was £9.09, resulting in a gain on exercise of £3,137.

Samir Brikho is a member of the advisory board of Stena AB and a non-executive director of Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB. He received fees of SEK 644,315 during the year in relation to the first appointment and SEK 803,333 in relation to the second. Ian McHoul is a director of Britvic plc and received fees of £61,181 during the year in relation to this appointment. Such appointments are subject to prior approval of the board. Directors are permitted to retain fees. (These amounts are not subject to audit and are not included in the single total figure table above.)

Total pension entitlements

The pension amount shown in the 2015 'single total figure of remuneration' above comprises the following

	Accrued DB pension at 31/12/15 £ 000	Value of DB benefit £ 000	Cash allowance £ 000	Total pension benefit £ 000
Samir Brikho	48	96	159	255
Ian McHoul	–	–	106	106

Samir Brikho had an historic arrangement that provided for a pension payable from age 60 made up of 4.17% of final pensionable salary in respect of service to 31 December 2007 and one-thirtieth of career averaged revalued earnings in respect of service thereafter. Salary and earnings for pension purposes are subject to a cap, currently £161,000 pa for the tax year 2015/16. Mr Brikho has also received a cash allowance in respect of salary above this cap in lieu of further pension benefit.

Mr McHoul received a cash allowance in lieu of pension.

The cash allowance in the case of Mr Brikho represented 20% of salary above the pension scheme cap and in the case of Ian McHoul represented 20% of full salary.

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Annual bonus

The bonus targets and outcomes against the various performance elements, together with the proportion of overall bonus opportunity that related to each, were as follows

Measure	Target range	Actual	Weighting
EBITA*	£422-475m	£374m	60%
Cash conversion	72 – 85%	>85%	10%
Cost synergies	£25-40m	>£40m	10%
Use of High Value Execution Centre (HVEC)	18 – 21%	>21%	10%
Embedding new company values and behaviours	n/a	n/a	10%

*For bonus purposes EBITA (after exceptional items which may be disallowed for bonus purposes at the committee's discretion) is normalised for exchange rate movements and cost of share-based payments the target and actual figures shown above are before any such adjustments

The target for the 'Use of HVEC' measure was based on the percentage of addressable man-hours for company as a whole executed through the HVEC

In the light of overall performance the committee has determined that no annual bonus payments will be made to executive directors in respect of 2015 notwithstanding that some of the targets that were set at the start of the year, principally those relating to the successful integration of the two legacy businesses were achieved

Performance Share Plan

The LTIP amount shown in the 2015 single total figure of remuneration is the award made under the Performance Share Plan in 2013. Vesting is due to take place on 28 March 2016 and is subject to two performance conditions each measured over three-year periods (i) earnings per share (EPS*) growth for 2015 compared to a base of 85.7p (being the adjusted EPS for 2012) and (ii) total shareholder return (TSR) relative to a comparator group based on average share prices in final quarter of 2015 compared to those in the corresponding period in 2012. The two performance conditions operate independently on different parts of the award half of the basic award is dependent on EPS and the other half on TSR the matched award depends solely on EPS

*EPS for this measure means the diluted earnings per share expressed to one decimal place of Amec Foster Wheeler plc before goodwill and intangible amortisation the charge or credits associated with executive share awards and exceptional items Real growth means in excess of the change in the UK Retail Prices Index for December 2015 compared to December 2012

The performance achieved against the EPS target and the TSR outcome are as follows

2011 awards performance measure	Threshold – 25% vesting	Maximum – 100% vesting	Outcome	Percentage of max achieved
Real annual compound growth in EPS	5%	12%	<5%	0%
Total shareholder return ranking	Median	Upper quartile	19th out of 25	0%

Accordingly no shares will vest from these awards

Details of share awards during year

Awards over a value of 250% of base salary were made on 22 May 2015 under the new Long-Term Incentive Plan approved at the 2015 AGM. The face value of the awards is based on the share price at the date of award which was £9.38. Awards in the form of nil-cost options may normally be exercised up to 18 months after vesting

Type of interest awarded	Face value £'000	Percentage vesting at threshold performance	Number of shares	End of performance period
Samir Brikho	Nil-cost options	2,385	25%	254,264
Ian McHoul	Nil-cost options	1,325	25%	141,257

The awards granted to Samir Brikho lapsed when he left the Company. The award granted to Mr McHoul will vest in March 2018 subject to the outcome against the performance conditions measured over the three years 2015 to 2017 and will then be subject to a two-year post-vesting holding period in line with policy. Half of the award is subject to a TSR performance condition and the other half is subject to an EPS performance condition.

The TSR measure is based on Amec Foster Wheeler's ranking against the comparator group set out below based on the average share price over the final quarter of 2017 compared to the corresponding period in 2014. The threshold for any vesting to occur is that Amec Foster Wheeler needs to be ranked at median or higher. If upper quartile ranking is achieved full vesting will occur. Vesting is on a straight-line basis between these threshold and maximum targets.

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Comparator group in respect of 2015 awards

Aecom Technology	USA	KBR	USA
Akastor	Norway	McDermott International	USA
Aker Solutions	Norway	Petrofac	UK
Amec Foster Wheeler	UK	Saipem	Italy
Babcock International	UK	Schlumberger	USA
Cameron International	USA	SNC-Lavalin Group	Canada
Chicago Bridge & Iron	USA	Technip	France
Fluor	USA	Tutor Perini	USA
Granite Construction	USA	Wood Group (John)	UK
Halliburton	USA	Worley Parsons	Australia
Jacobs	USA		

The committee has discretion to make further adjustments to the list when necessary to take account of mergers acquisitions or other such events

The EPS measure is based on the compound annual growth (CAGR) to 2017 from an adjusted 2014 base of 76.6p which is the pro forma figure if the Foster Wheeler acquisition had been in place for the full year. EPS for this purpose is defined as the diluted earnings per share expressed to one decimal place of Amec Foster Wheeler plc before goodwill and intangible amortisation, the charge or credits associated with executive share awards and exceptional items (at the committee's discretion). Threshold (25%) vesting will occur if CAGR is 5% and maximum (100%) vesting will occur if CAGR is 10% or higher with straight-line vesting for a result between these targets.

The number of shares vesting as determined by the performance conditions outcomes will be increased to take account of reinvested dividends including the UK tax credit in the period between award and vesting.

Details of the specific companies included in the TSR comparator groups for both the 2013 and 2014 awards were included in the directors' remuneration reports for those years and may be obtained on request from the Company Secretary.

Payments to former directors

No payments (including payments for loss of office) were made to former directors during 2015.

Leaving arrangements for Samir Brikho

On 17 January 2016, Samir Brikho ceased to be a director of Amec Foster Wheeler plc ('the Company') and on 31 January 2016 Mr Brikho's employment with the Company terminated. Mr Brikho received the following payments which are in accordance with his service agreement and/or the Company's remuneration policy as set out on pages 75 to 80 of this report.

- salary pension and contractual benefits up to 31 January 2016
- a payment in lieu of notice equal to 12 months' salary and contractual benefits (£1,253,063) paid as a lump sum and consisting of
 - base salary - £954,000
 - pension entitlements - £254,813
 - payment in lieu of the value of contractual benefits - £44,250

Up to £25,000 (plus VAT) may be paid directly to Mr Brikho's tax advisers for tax return preparation assistance in 2015/16. This is in part, a contractual benefit not included in the amount above and in part in respect of advice provided in connection with his termination of employment. Additionally £19,150 (plus VAT) has been paid directly to Mr Brikho's solicitors for legal services provided in connection with his termination of employment.

As described earlier in this report, no payments in respect of 2015 or 2016 annual bonus will be made. Outstanding awards under the Long-Term Incentive Plan, the Performance Share Plan and the Sharesave Plan lapsed on leaving employment.

Mr Brikho did not receive any payments in respect of loss of office as a director.

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Directors' remuneration report continued

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Directors' share interests and shareholding requirements

As at 31 December 2015 (or in the case of Simon Thompson as at the date he ceased to be a director) the beneficial interests in the share capital of the Company of the directors and their connected persons were as follows

	Legally owned shares	Vested but unexercised share options	Unvested share options subject to performance conditions (LTIP and PSP awards)	Unvested share options not subject to performance conditions (Sharesave)
John Connolly	87 380	–	–	–
Samir Brikho	1 975 674	–	688,729	2 192
Ian McHoul	329,432	–	382 626	2,206
Neil Carson	5 000	–	–	–
Colin Day	22,558	–	–	–
Linda Adamany	3,100	–	–	–
Stephanie Newby	21 899*	–	–	–
Kent Masters	70 000*	–	–	–
Simon Thompson	4 744	–	–	–

*Held as ADSs

Details of the unvested options for Samir Brikho and Ian McHoul included in the table above were as follows

	Date of award	Type of award	Number of shares	Exercise price	Exercise period
Samir Brikho	March 2013	PSP	218 630	Nil	March 2016 to September 2017
	March 2014	PSP	215 835	Nil	March 2017 to September 2018
	October 2014	Sharesave	1,032	£8.72	January to June 2018
	May 2015	LTIP	254,264	Nil	March 2018 to September 2019
	October 2015	Sharesave	1 160	£6.795	January to June 2019
Ian McHoul	March 2013	PSP	121,461	Nil	March 2016 to September 2017
	October 2013	Sharesave	1,046	£8.60	January to June 2017
	March 2014	PSP	119 908	Nil	March 2017 to September 2018
	May 2015	LTIP	141 257	Nil	March 2018 to September 2019
	October 2015	Sharesave	1 160	£6.795	January to June 2019

All of Mr Brikho's unvested options lapsed on 31 January 2016 due to the cessation of his employment. The PSP award made to Mr McHoul in March 2013 will lapse on 28 March 2016 due to the minimum performance requirements not having been met.

Details of the options exercised by Samir Brikho and Ian McHoul during the 2015 financial year are as follows

	Date of award	Type of award	Number of options exercised	Number of shares withheld for tax	Exercise price	Gain on option exercise	Date option exercised
Samir Brikho	October 2011	Sharesave	1 335	0	£6.74	£3,137	9 March 2015
	April 2012	PSP	37015	7 404	Nil	£270 950	5 October 2015
Ian McHoul	April 2012	PSP	20,575	9,671	Nil	£150,609	5 October 2015
Total							£424,696

No other directors exercised options during the 2015 financial year.

On 5 January 2016 Messrs Connolly and McHoul acquired 2 911 and 57 shares respectively and on 11 January 2016 Mr Day acquired 752 shares, all of these were in lieu of the interim dividend paid on 5 January 2016.

There were no other changes in the directors' interests in the share capital of the Company between 31 December 2015 and 8 March 2016 (or 31 January 2016, in the case of Mr Brikho). As at 8 March 2016, the shareholdings of each of the directors was less than 1% of the total shares outstanding. No director has used any of their shareholdings in hedging arrangements or as collateral for loans.

Guidelines are in place requiring executive directors and members of the Group Leadership Team to build up and retain a holding of Amec Foster Wheeler shares received from incentive plans or purchased by them. The level of targeted shareholding is 250% of salary for executive directors and 125% for other senior executives.

Based on the average share price and salaries during December 2015, the legally-owned shares shown above represented the following percentages of base salary which were both in excess of the shareholding requirement:

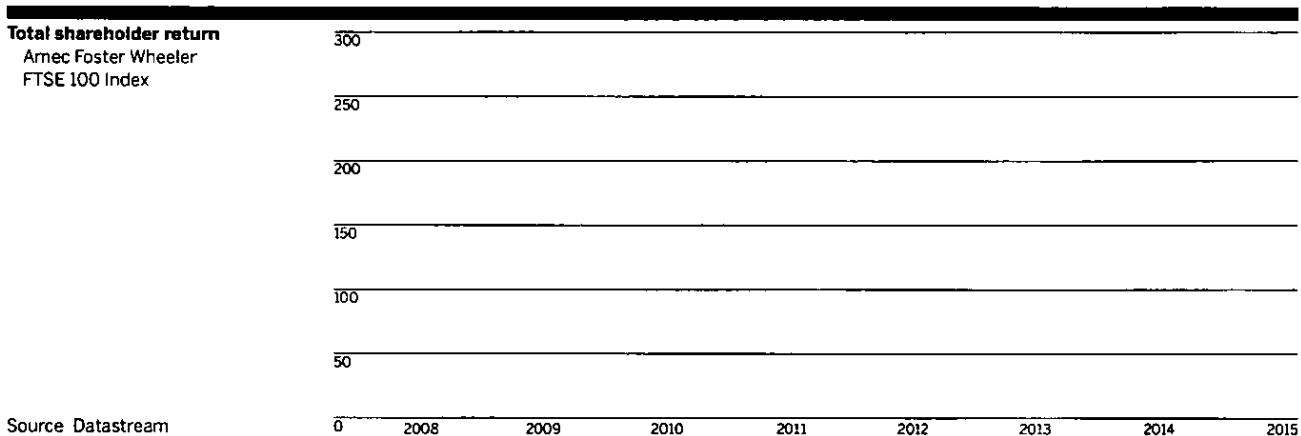
Samir Brikho	855%
Ian McHoul	256%

There is no shareholding requirement for the Chairman or non-executive directors.

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Total shareholder return

This graph compares the TSR performance of Amec Foster Wheeler plc assuming dividends are re-invested, with the TSR performance of the FTSE 100 over the period 31 December 2008 to 31 December 2015



Source Datastream

Chief Executive's pay in the last seven years

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Single total figure of remuneration £'000	4,103	9,295	4,590	3,092	2,370	1,837	1,265
Bonus awarded as % of maximum	58%	97%	64%	57%	52%	41%	0%
LTIP vesting as % of maximum	100%	80%	71%	50%	19%	0%	0%

Percentage change in Chief Executive's remuneration

The table below shows how the percentage change between 2014 and 2015 in the Chief Executive's salary, benefits and bonus compares with the percentage change in the average of each of those elements of pay for a comparator group of employees. The committee has selected employees in the UK as the comparator group as they have broadly the same structure of remuneration and to eliminate the impact of exchange rate movements if employees in other countries were included

	Salary			Taxable benefits			Bonus		
	2015	2014	% change	2015	2014	% change	2015	2014	% change
Chief Executive	954	954	0%	48	48	0%	0	594	-100%
UK staff			+13%			+11%			+4%

The taxable benefit figures for the Chief Executive have been adjusted compared to those shown in the single figure of remuneration table to correct for the period to which payments actually relate. The year-on-year change for UK staff taxable benefits is based on data for tax years ending in 2015 and 2014 averaged over the number of employees in receipt of those benefits. The year-on-year changes for UK staff salary and bonus are based on the aggregate amounts paid in each year divided by the average number of employees in that year. 2014 figures do not include the former Foster Wheeler employees.

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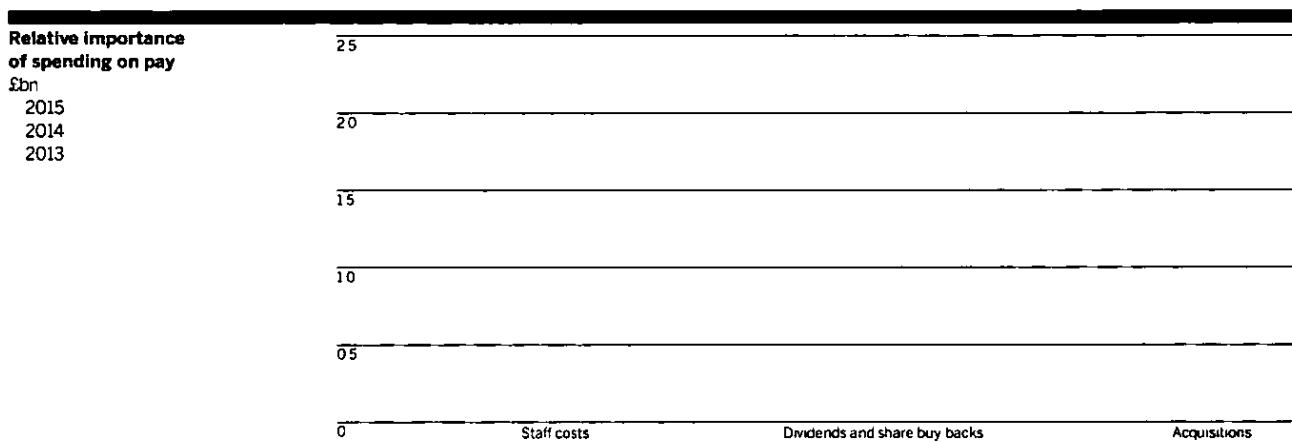
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Relative importance of spending on pay

The table and chart below illustrate the relative importance of spending on pay compared to distributions to shareholders (dividends and share buy-back) and other disbursements from profit or cash flow that are considered by the directors to be the most material expenditures in relation to the Company's strategy

	2015 £'000	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Staff costs (see page 118)	2,137	1,642	1,639
Dividends and share buy-backs	167	124	153
Acquisitions (see pages 150 to 153)	85	1,983	22



Shareholder voting on remuneration policy and report at last AGM

At the annual general meeting held on 14 April 2015 votes were cast as follows

Resolution	Shares for (including discretionary)	% in favour	Shares against	% against	Shares withheld
To approve the remuneration report	255,630,210	99.56	1,119,538	0.44	1,801,294
To approve the remuneration policy	253,956,672	98.90	2,824,184	1.10	1,770,186
To approve the Long-Term Incentive Plan	230,053,912	89.05	28,275,209	10.95	221,920

The committee do not consider that the votes against any resolution were substantial requiring any specific explanation or action in response

Remuneration policy

Introduction

The following sets out the policy that was approved by shareholders at the 2015 AGM

Remuneration policy table

This table sets out the components of the directors' remuneration package (except on recruitments or promotions which are described separately). It is also part of this policy that we will honour payments or awards crystallising after the effective date of this policy (14 May 2015) but arising from commitments entered into prior to that date or at a time when the relevant individual was not a director of the Company.

Executive directors

Component and how this supports strategy	How this operates	Maximum
Salary Enables the business to attract and retain individuals with the personal attributes skills and experience required to deliver our strategy. This also applies to the other elements of fixed remuneration below (pension and other benefits)	Reviewed annually from 1 January. Interim reviews only in case of significant changes of responsibility	Salary increases for executive directors will not normally exceed the average increase awarded to other employees based in the same country. Increases may be above this level if there is an increase in the scale scope complexity or responsibility of the role or to allow the base salary of newly appointed executives to move towards market norms as their experience and contribution increase
Pension and related benefits	Normally through a fixed allowance some or all of which can be paid in the form of a company contribution to a defined contribution pension plan with any balance paid as a cash supplement. Where the plan permits individuals may also sacrifice on a like for-like basis part of base salary in return for an enhanced company contribution. Pension plan membership is available on the same basis as for senior employees generally in the country in which the individual is based and there are no special arrangements for directors. Life assurance is also provided	To allow for the fluctuating value of defined benefit pension accrual and cost of life assurance the aggregate value of those arrangements company contribution to a defined contribution arrangement and cash supplement will not exceed 50% of annual salary
Other benefits	Standard benefits typically include disability and healthcare insurance (including cover for eligible dependants) car/travel allowance working lunches and tax return preparation assistance Additional benefits may be paid where an individual is required by the Company to relocate. This can include temporary housing prior to full relocation and a one off payment to cover specific costs of moving home or an allowance of an equivalent amount paid for a fixed number of years Where individuals are required to work in another country on a temporary basis housing travel tax equalisation and cost of living adjustments may also be paid in line with the Company's normal policy for employees generally Other benefits may be provided from time to time where the committee feels it appropriate and in line with market practice to do so in the country in which the director is based The Company may from time to time operate other arrangements that are open to employees in a particular country (for example relating to savings discounted purchase salary sacrifice holiday buy and sell service recognition awards) that executive directors may participate in on the same basis as other employees in the country in which they are based	The actual value of these benefits will vary from time to time depending among other things on the cost of insuring them. The intention is that the aggregate cost would be in line with market practice and will not exceed 100% of annual salary where there is a relocation/ expatriate element and 20% of annual salary otherwise

Remuneration continued

Directors' remuneration report continued

Remuneration policy continued

Component and how this supports strategy	How this operates	Maximum
Annual bonus Rewards the achievement of annual financial and delivery of other strategic business targets	<p>Calculated by reference to a mix of financial and other strategic objectives set by the remuneration committee that vary from year to year and may vary between individuals to reflect the business priorities associated with each role. Profit-based measures will have a weighting of not less than 50%.</p> <p>The committee will determine for each year threshold and target levels of bonus that will be payable for meeting predefined performance levels against the objectives set for the year. Target bonus will not exceed two thirds of maximum.</p> <p>25% of any bonus earned is paid in the form of Amec Foster Wheeler shares deferred for three years during which it is subject to claw back in the event that the accounts for the year for which the shares were earned are required to be restated for a correction of a prior period error or at the committee's discretion for personal misconduct.</p> <p>The balance of the bonus is normally paid as a cash allowance following the end of the year to which the payment relates. However to facilitate higher levels of executive share ownership the bonus may at the director's option and subject to the committee's agreement be in the form of nil cost options over company shares of equivalent value instead of cash payment. The vesting is deferred for three months during which it is forfeit if the individual is a bad leaver. Such options have a six month exercise window.</p> <p>The committee has discretion to amend performance measures and targets or adjust bonus pay outs to take account of exceptional items, unbudgeted acquisitions or disposals and other aspects of performance which have not been specifically identified in the targets.</p>	The maximum opportunity is 150% of annual salary for the Chief Executive and 125% for other executive directors
Long-Term Incentive Plan Incentivises directors to achieve long term value creation and alignment with long term returns to shareholders	<p>Annual awards of conditional awards or nil cost options (with an 18 month exercise period after vesting). Following vesting and where relevant exercise all shares (net of tax) will be held in trust for two years from the original vesting date. During this period shares will not normally be able to be transferred and may be subject to claw back in the event that the accounts for any year over which the shares were earned are required to be restated for correction of a prior period error. There is further provision to reduce leaver awards retrospectively on an individual basis as set out below.</p> <p>Awards are subject to EPS growth and relative TSR measured over a three year period with equal weighting on each measure and any additional strategic measures that the committee may consider appropriate for any particular set of awards. Additionally awards are subject to a provision that allows the committee to reduce vesting in the event of a materially adverse misstatement of results for any year of the performance period to correct errors or for personal misconduct. The number of shares vesting from these awards is increased to take account of reinvested dividends.</p> <p>The committee will determine the applicable EPS range for each set of awards with 25% of the relevant portion of the awards vesting if the bottom of the range is achieved and 100% if the top is achieved with straight line vesting between. EPS is adjusted for certain defined items and calculated on a consistent basis between base and final years.</p> <p>The committee will determine the TSR comparator group for each set of awards with 25% of the relevant portion of the awards vesting if Amec Foster Wheeler's ranking is at median and 100% if it is at upper quartile with straight line vesting between. The committee at its discretion may reduce or eliminate the portion of the LTIP determined by reference to relative TSR if it is not satisfied with the underlying financial performance of the business during the performance period.</p> <p>The committee may amend the performance conditions if an event happens which the committee considers to be of a genuine exceptional nature so that amended performance condition(s) would be a fairer measure of performance and would be materially neither easier nor more difficult to satisfy.</p> <p>In the event of a change of control and in the absence of an exchange of awards being agreed awards will normally vest to the extent that the performance conditions have been met at that time. The committee has discretion to measure performance based solely against one of the performance conditions.</p>	Award of shares with a face value at the time of award of up to 250% of annual salary (ignoring dividend equivalents)
Sharesave Provides alignment with shareholders interests	<p>Sharesave is an employee share plan under which discounted options over Amec Foster Wheeler shares are granted linked to a savings arrangement with the options becoming exercisable at the end of the savings period. The exercise price can be up to a 20% discount to the share price at the time of offer and the number of shares is that which can be bought at the exercise price with the expected proceeds of the savings contract. Executive directors are eligible to participate in this plan on the same basis as other employees in the country in which they are located. Invitations to participate may be made annually.</p> <p>Sharesave is not subject to performance conditions as the terms of the plan are subject to tax legislation in the UK and certain other countries including the US that preclude this.</p> <p>Sharesave options become exercisable to the extent of savings made in the event of a change of control.</p>	The maximum monthly savings level under any concurrent Sharesave plans is in line with the limit set by the UK government from time to time for such plans (currently £500 per month or the equivalent in other currencies)

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Chairman and non-executive directors

Note The remuneration of non-executive directors is set by the Chairman and Chief Executive under delegated authority from the board rather than by the remuneration committee

Component and how this supports strategy	How this operates	Maximum
Fees To attract and retain individuals with the personal attributes skills and experience required to determine strategy and governance to apply executive oversight and to represent shareholders interests	<p>Non executive directors receive only fees for their services and do not participate in any of the incentive or benefit schemes of the group. Fee structure comprises a base fee and additional fees to reflect time commitment and responsibility of specific roles (for example SID and committee chair). Additional fees may also be paid to directors not resident in the UK to recognise the additional travelling time in attending meetings</p> <p>The Chairman whilst a non executive director will not participate in any of the incentive or benefit schemes of the group</p> <p>Directors (including the Chairman) are reimbursed for expenses relating to performing their duties and any tax thereon</p>	<p>Increases in the Chairman's fee will not normally exceed the average increase awarded to executive directors</p> <p>The company's articles currently set an aggregate limit of £600 000 for base fees for non executive directors. Total fees will not exceed market norms</p>

Selection of performance targets

Financial performance targets under the annual bonus plan are set so that the target level of bonus is paid normally for achieving the Company's short-range plan. To achieve maximum bonus, higher targets have to be met. In determining targets, the committee takes account of the general business circumstances including the perceived difficulty inherent in the short-range plan and the need to balance stretch against risk. Profit is chosen as the most appropriate measure of the Company's short-term performance and the cash measures are chosen to reflect the conversion of profit to cash across the year. Strategic targets are set to reflect other key business objectives during the year.

EPS targets under the Long-Term Incentive Plan are set to reflect the Company's longer-term growth objectives at a level where the maximum represents genuine outperformance against expectations. EPS is chosen as the most appropriate measure of absolute growth in line with the Company's strategy. TSR is chosen to measure relative long-term performance against a peer group comprising UK and international companies against which Amec Foster Wheeler competes directly. Other strategic targets may be set to reflect other key business objectives during the particular three-year cycle.

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Directors' remuneration report continued

Remuneration policy continued

Recruitment pay policy

Item	External hire	internal promotion to the board
Base salary	Take account of current terms and any premium required to secure high calibre appointment	Take account of current terms relativities with other board members and whether any previous plc board experience If initial salary is below market benchmark for role would expect to move progressively to that level over next 24 months based on performance in role
Pension and related benefits	Existing arrangements may be continued otherwise in line with standard policy	Existing arrangements may be continued otherwise in line with standard policy
Other benefits	Normally in line with standard policy but may include special transitional arrangements eg overseas hire where dependants remain outside the UK	Existing arrangements may be continued otherwise in line with standard policy
Annual bonus	Inclusion in annual bonus for year of hire based on pro rated salary Maximum opportunity (as a percentage of salary) no greater than that for Chief Executive	Where relevant increase existing bonus opportunity to level applicable to new role and apply pro rata from date of promotion including any amendment to performance measures Maximum opportunity (as a percentage of salary) no greater than that for Chief Executive
Long-Term Incentive plan	Inclusion in LTIP for year of hire subject to same performance conditions as others but with three year vesting period running from date of joining Maximum opportunity in line with standard policy	Maximum opportunity in line with standard policy allowing for an additional award to be made in year of appointment to reflect the timing of the appointment and the extent of other enhancements to remuneration terms Previous awards will continue on their original terms
Sharesave	Inclusion in next offer subject to meeting any qualifying period of service that applies for new employees generally	Inclusion in next offer subject to any restrictions as a result of savings limits
Notice periods	Where it is necessary to secure the services of a particular individual the remuneration committee has discretion to agree initial notice periods of not more than 24 months reducing to normal policy level over a period not more than 12 months	Apply standard policy immediately including if relevant reducing any more favourable existing terms
One-off arrangements	Where individuals forfeit bonus or long term incentive payments from their former employer as a result of resigning to join Amec Foster Wheeler then the committee has the discretion to make additional one-off awards in the form of cash and/or shares and subject to performance and/or other conditions including holding periods as appropriate The maximum amounts to be awarded would be based on an estimate of actual loss discounted for any accelerated payment and the extent to which the loss is otherwise compensated for by the new terms overall Individuals may be compensated for actual expenses including temporary accommodation in the event that they are required to relocate to take up the new role Alternatively a temporary cash allowance may be paid for a limited period of time which equates to the estimated relocation cost that would otherwise have been reimbursed These amounts will include any grossing up for tax	Individuals may be compensated for actual expenses including temporary accommodation in the event that they are required to relocate to take up the new role Alternatively a temporary cash allowance may be paid for a limited period of time which equates to the estimated relocation cost that would otherwise have been reimbursed These amounts will include any grossing up for tax

Remuneration policy continued

Policy on notice and payment for loss of office

Newly appointed executive directors will be employed on contracts that include the following provisions

- the individual will be required to give six months notice if they wish to leave and the Company will give up to 12 months notice of termination other than for gross misconduct or other circumstances where employment may be terminated without notice
- at the Company's discretion the individual may be placed on garden leave for some or all of the period between the giving of notice and termination in which case the Company will continue to pay salary and benefits for the garden leave period but will not make new share or other incentive awards
- at any time, at the Company's discretion employment may be terminated before the end of the required notice period by making a payment in lieu of the balance and subject to mitigation as described more fully in the table below

In the event of long-term incapacity employment would not normally be terminated so long as the executive was entitled to payments under the Company's group income protection insurance arrangements but the executive would be required to stand down from their role and as a director

Payment for loss of office will be determined according to the following principles set out below and for the current executive directors, having regard to their existing contractual terms as described following the table

Notice	<p>The executive will receive base salary pension and other benefits for any part of the notice period worked (and any period of garden leave) On termination the executive will be entitled to payment for any accrued but untaken holiday pay</p> <p>The Company may elect to pay a sum in lieu of notice for all or any part of the notice period calculated by reference to the value of salary pension and other contractual benefits (excluding bonus) In determining the payments to be made and the structure of such payments the Company will have regard to the executive's ability to mitigate their loss In respect of any defined benefit pension rights an augmentation of benefits for the relevant part of the notice period may be made The committee has discretion to continue to provide certain benefits to the end of the notice period rather than including them in the payment in lieu</p> <p>Where the employment is being terminated by the Company for gross misconduct (or other circumstances entitling the Company to treat the contract as at an immediate end) termination will be immediate and no payment in lieu of notice will be made</p>
Annual bonus	<p>No bonus will be paid in the event of termination for gross misconduct</p> <p>In all other circumstances the committee will consider whether it is appropriate to make a bonus payment for the year in question taking into account all relevant circumstances including performance and conduct Payment will usually be determined and paid in cash at the normal time</p>
Deferred bonus from prior years	<p>In the event of termination due to misconduct by the individual the Remuneration Committee may determine that some or all at its discretion of the deferred shares will be forfeit</p> <p>In the case of death the shares will be released in full to the estate as soon as practicable thereafter</p> <p>In other circumstances they will continue to be subject to the deferral period and only released at the end of it providing no further claw back applies</p>
Long Term Incentive Plan	<p>All unvested awards will lapse on leaving in the event of termination for gross misconduct or other bad leaver circumstances An example of a bad leaver would be an individual resigning in order to take up a position with a competitor</p> <p>Awards will immediately vest in full in the event of death</p> <p>In other cases unvested awards will be pro rated for service which may include any period for which payment was made in lieu For pre 2015 awards provided the associated investment shares remain lodged matched awards will normally be retained in full unless the committee decide to pro rate for service A further reduction may be made at the committee's discretion to take account of relevant circumstances at the time of leaving The retained awards will vest in the normal way taking account of the relevant performance conditions and at the normal time subject to the committee being satisfied at that time that the individual remains a good leaver</p>
Other	<p>Redundancy pay in line with statutory provisions or those applying to employees generally in the country in which the director is based will be provided in the event of termination due to redundancy</p> <p>The cost of legal tax or other advice incurred by the individual in connection with the termination and/or support with seeking alternative employment may be met up to a maximum of £100 000</p> <p>Additional payments may be made where required to settle legal disputes or as consideration for new or amended post employment restrictions</p> <p>Where an individual is in receipt of relocation or expatriation benefits the costs of actual expenses incurred in relation to any arrangements that are subject to term contracts may continue to be reimbursed for up to six months or at the Company's discretion a one off payment made to cover the costs of premature cancellation The cost of repatriation will also be covered where this was part of the original expatriation terms</p> <p>Sharesave options lapse unless the director leaves because of specified good leaver reasons in which case they can be exercised for a limited period to the extent of savings made to the date of exercise</p>

Remuneration continued

Directors' remuneration report continued

Remuneration policy continued

Samir Brikho and Ian McHoul are both employed under contracts (dated April 2007 and September 2008 respectively) with notice periods of twelve months from the Company and which require them to give six months' notice of resignation. The contracts permit for payment to be made in lieu of all or part of the required notice period at the Company's discretion but there is no prescribed methodology for calculating such payment in lieu or applying mitigation. Should circumstances arise where notice is given and the executive is not required to work all or part of the notice period, the terms of the existing contracts would be honoured. The individuals may be placed on garden leave for part of the notice period in which case the committee may determine that it is appropriate to pay an element of bonus for that garden leave period.

Existing directors' service contracts

The notice provisions for Samir Brikho and Ian McHoul are described above. There are no specified change-of-control provisions.

The Chairman's engagement may be terminated on six months' notice on either side.

The contracts of non-executive directors may be terminated by the individual at any time. There are no specific provisions for compensation in the event of early termination by the Company. Our practice is that all directors submit themselves for re-election on an annual basis, in line with the recommendations in the UK Corporate Governance Code.

Consideration of conditions elsewhere in company and shareholder views

Our approach to the annual review of base salaries is to take account of personal performance, company performance and pay levels more broadly within the Company. External benchmarking is also taken into account, particularly for new appointments.

Any proposals to change remuneration policy are considered against the 'best practice' guidelines produced by shareholder bodies and major shareholders are consulted directly when formulating any proposals for significant changes.

The Chairman of the Company and the chairman of the remuneration committee make themselves available at any time and also at each annual general meeting to discuss any issues raised.

Differences in policy for directors compared to other employees

The structure of remuneration for executive directors is in line with other senior management. The primary differences compared to other employees are the structure of variable pay, which for senior management is in the form of performance-related incentives and for other employees is largely in the form of overtime and allowances reflecting the different emphases of the roles and in the level of accrual under defined benefit arrangements.

Illustrations of application of policy

The total remuneration for each of the executive directors that could result from the proposed remuneration policy in 2015 under three different performance levels is shown below.

Samir Brikho		Ian McHoul	
£m		£m	
Fixed pay	5	3	2 643
Annual bonus	4	2	50%
LTIP	3	1	1760
	3399	40%	25%
	37%		
	28%		
2	1 243	0 654	21%
1	100%	100%	39%
0	39%	39%	25%
0	25%		
Fixed element	On target	Maximum	Maximum

Notes

1 Fixed pay is base salary for 2015 plus the value of pension and benefits. The value of pension and benefits in kind is taken from the single total figure of remuneration for 2015.

2 On target performance is the level of performance required to deliver 66.67% of the maximum annual bonus and 50% of the full LTIP award.

3 Maximum performance would result in the maximum bonus and 100% vesting of LTIP award.

4 LTIP values ignore any change in share price or dividend equivalents.

Engagement Relations with shareholders

The executive directors undertake an extensive programme of meetings with institutional shareholders during each year. Our results presentations and investor education events are recorded and remain available on our website at amecfcw.com/investors for those unable to participate on the day.

Each year the Chairman and Senior Independent Director offer to meet with all major shareholders. Since the publication of the previous annual report 15 such meetings have taken place.

The Chairman attends full-year results presentations.

Ad-hoc requests from shareholders for meetings with members of the board are facilitated by the investor relations team.

The board also receives unedited feedback reports following shareholder meetings and all material brokers' research notes together with a report at each meeting including benchmark data within our peer group.

During 2015 we appointed Quantifire an independent service provider to update our shareholder contact base and provide us with regular feedback from our investor engagement activities. This information is used to help target potential new shareholders and improve the efficiency and quality of our investor communications.

Our 2016 AGM will be held at Painter's Hall, 9 Little Trinity Lane, London EC4V 2AD on 27 April 2016 at 11.00am. The notice of meeting which includes explanatory notes on the business to be transacted at the meeting, accompanies this report and is also available on our website.

Separate resolutions will be proposed at the AGM to receive the annual report and accounts, to declare a final dividend, to approve the remuneration report, to re-elect each of the current directors who will retire in accordance with the provisions of the Code, to elect Roy Franklin as a director, to re-elect Ernst & Young LLP as auditor, and to authorise the directors to fix the auditor's remuneration.

Shareholders will also be asked to renew both the general authority of the directors to allot shares in the company and to allot such shares without the application of statutory pre-emption rights. In addition, shareholders will be requested to authorise the company to make market purchases of its own shares within prescribed limits and approve the resolution, to be repeated at each AGM going forward, to authorise the calling of general meetings, other than annual general meetings, on 14 clear days' notice.

The board views the AGM as an opportunity to directly communicate the group's progress and engage with shareholders. Where possible, the entire board will attend the AGM and will be available to answer questions from those shareholders present. The board encourages all shareholders to attend and participate where possible.

At last year's AGM a number of interesting questions were raised and all of the proposed resolutions passed by way of a poll vote. The percentage of the company's share capital voted in favour of each resolution ranged from 88.27% to 99.99%.

Find out more online

Visit our website at amecfcw.com/investors for further information regarding this year's AGM.

Directors' report

Our directors present their annual report and the audited accounts of Amec Foster Wheeler plc (the Company) and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the Group) for the year ended 31 December 2015

Achievements in 2015 and priorities for 2016

Disclosures relating to particulars of important events affecting the Group that have occurred since the last financial year, an indication of likely future developments in the business of the Group and research and development activities can be found in the strategic report on pages 1 to 37

Dividends

The directors are recommending a final ordinary dividend in respect of the year ended 31 December 2015 of 14.2 pence per share. This final dividend will be payable on 4 July 2016 to shareholders on the register at the close of business on 27 May 2016. An interim dividend for the year ended 31 December 2015 of 14.8 pence per share was paid on 4 January 2016. Further information on the payment of dividends to shareholders and the holders of American Depository Shares (ADSs) can be found on pages 180 to 181.

Dividends paid during 2015 comprised an interim dividend of 14.8 pence per share and a final dividend of 28.5 pence per share, both in respect of the year ended 31 December 2014.

Changes to the board of directors

Details of the directors of the company as at the date of this report, together with brief biographical details and board committee memberships are set out on pages 41 to 43.

Changes to the board since 1 January 2015

Samir Brikho	Chief Executive Officer	Stepped down as Chief Executive 17 January 2016
Roy Franklin	Non-executive director	Appointed 1 January 2016
Simon Thompson	Non-executive director	Retired 14 May 2015
Kent Masters	Non-executive director	Appointed 13 February 2015

Effective immediately upon Mr Brikho's departure, Mr McHoul was appointed to the role of interim CEO, which he has agreed to fulfil alongside his role as Chief Financial Officer until the search for a new Chief Executive is concluded.

Directors' indemnity arrangements

The Company maintains directors and officers' liability insurance cover. In addition throughout the financial year and at the date of this report qualifying third-party indemnity provisions within the meaning of Sections 232-234 of the Companies Act 2006 were in place for all of the directors and the Company Secretary.

In addition certain employees serving as directors of certain eligible subsidiaries at the Group's request have also received direct qualifying third-party indemnity provisions within the meaning of Sections 232-234 of the Companies Act 2006 in relation to such directorships.

Directors' interests

None of the directors is or was materially interested in any contract of significance to Amec Foster Wheeler's businesses during or at the end of the financial year. Details of directors' share interests and of their rights to subscribe for shares are shown in the remuneration report on page 72.

Corporate governance statement

The company's statement on corporate governance is set out on pages 40 to 84 and is incorporated into this report by reference.

Share capital

The primary market for Amec Foster Wheeler's ordinary shares is the London Stock Exchange where we have a premium listing and our shares are admitted to the main market. Following the acquisition of Foster Wheeler the company's shares were also successfully listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) and are traded in the form of American Depository Shares (ADS). Further information on the company's ADS programme can be found on pages 181 to 182.

The issued share capital of the company as at 31 December 2015 comprised a single class of ordinary share. The rights and obligations attaching to the shares are set out in full in the articles of association of the company and are described on pages 184 to 186. In summary, each share carries the right to one vote at general meetings of the company and no right to a fixed income. There are no restrictions on voting rights.

Pursuant to the Squeeze-Out Merger initiated on 8 December 2014, 4 255 970 shares were issued to Foster Wheeler shareholders on 19 January 2015 to acquire the remaining issued and to be issued Foster Wheeler voting rights. Details of movements in the company's issued share capital during the year are set out in note 22 on pages 146 to 148.

Authority was granted to the directors at the 2015 AGM to allot shares or grant rights to subscribe for or to convert any security to shares up to a nominal amount of £64,158 715 (Section 551 amount) of which up to £9 721 017 could be allotted for cash other than in connection with a pre-emptive offer (Section 561 amount).

Resolutions will be proposed at the forthcoming AGM to extend this authority to the end of the AGM in 2017 or 1 June 2017 whichever is earlier. The revised Section 551 amount will be £64 345 628 and the revised Section 561 amount will be £19 498 675. The directors have no present intention of issuing any shares other than in respect of the exercise of share options. No issue will be made that will effectively alter the control of the company without the prior approval of shareholders at a General Meeting.

Since the completion of the £400m share buy-back programme in February 2013 the company has not made any purchases of its shares in the market. At the 2015 AGM, authority was granted to the directors to make market purchases of up to 38 884,069 of the company's shares. A resolution will be proposed at the 2016 AGM to extend the authority of the directors to make market purchases of up to 10% of the company's shares within prescribed limits.

For further information on the above resolutions relating to the company's share capital, please refer to the notice of annual general meeting 2016 which includes explanatory notes on the business to be transacted at the meeting.

Major interests in shares

On the basis of notifications received under the Disclosure and Transparency Rules (DTR 5) and other notifications received by Amec Foster Wheeler plc from shareholders' shareholdings of 3% or more of the voting rights of the company as at 31 December 2015 were as follows:

	Number	%
BlackRock Inc	21,904,416	5.63
Mondrian Investment Partners Limited	20 253 855	5.28
Franklin Templeton Institutional LLC	19,712,142	5.05

The shareholding percentages reflect the company's issued share capital at the time of the notification. There were no other notifications received under DTR 5 from the above shareholders between 31 December 2015 and 8 March 2016.

There are no shareholdings that carry special rights relating to control of the company.

Financial instruments

Disclosures relating to the group's use of financial instruments can be found in note 19 on pages 136 to 141 and are incorporated into this report by reference.

Branches

As a global group our interests and activities are held or operated through subsidiaries, branches, joint arrangements or associates established in and subject to the laws and regulations of numerous different jurisdictions.

Details of the company's related undertakings can be found on pages 194 to 201.

Significant arrangements – change of control

The following significant agreements contain provisions entitling the counterparties to exercise termination or other rights in the event of a change of control of the company.

Under the £1 700m three- and five-year term loan and five year multi-currency revolving credit facility agreement dated 1 March 2016 between, amongst others, the company and Bank of America Merrill Lynch International Limited (as facility agent), the company must promptly notify the facility agent if it becomes aware of any change of control.

Following such notice the lenders under the relevant agreement are required to negotiate with the company for a period of 30 days with a view to agreeing terms and conditions acceptable to the company and all the relevant lenders for continuing the relevant facilities. If agreement is not reached by the relevant parties before the end of the 30-day period, if a lender so requires, the relevant facility agent must, by notice of not less than 30 days to the company, cancel the commitments of that lender under the relevant agreement and declare the participations of that lender in all outstanding loans under that agreement together with accrued interest and all other amounts accrued under that agreement to be immediately due and payable. If the company is subject to a change of control by one or more persons who are listed as having been the subject of a sanctions designation, then the banks do not need to fund any new debt drawdowns and their commitments can be cancelled within a 14 day period.

The service contracts of a small number of senior executives previously employed by Foster Wheeler provide for enhanced severance payments to be made in the event that their employment is terminated involuntarily and not for cause within the first two years of the acquisition. These provisions will cease to apply from November 2016.

Depending on the nature of the transaction, entitlements under the company's share plans may be triggered by a change of control. Further detail can be found in the directors' remuneration report.

In addition, a small number of contracts and agreements entered into by group companies in the ordinary course of business contain provisions under which the approval of the counterparty would be required in respect of a change of control. In the absence of such approval, the contracts could be terminated by the counterparties. Such contracts are however not considered to be material with respect to the results of the group as a whole.

A change of control occurs if any person or group of persons acting in concert gains control of the company.

Directors' report continued

Employees

Our employees embody our knowledge, brand and reputation and it is through their activities, day by day, that we deliver on our business objectives and commitments to shareholders, clients and the wider community. Information on employee development and training, how we engage with our employees to ensure they understand the direction in which the company is going and are committed to Amec Foster Wheeler's values the actions taken to share knowledge with our employees and keep them informed of developments, how we assess and act on employee opinion and encourage involvement in the company's performance and our commitment to cultural diversity and equal opportunities can be found on page 14 and is incorporated in this report by reference. As can be seen in our Code of Business Conduct, Amec Foster Wheeler is committed to providing a workplace which offers equal opportunity for promotion and advancement. As part of the integration of the two AMEC and Foster Wheeler businesses a revised Code of Business Conduct was implemented during the year that meets the needs of the wider Group.

As part of the company's equal opportunities policy procedures are in place that are designed to provide for full and fair consideration and selection of disabled applicants to ensure they are properly trained to perform safely and effectively and to provide career opportunities that allow them to fulfil their potential. Where an employee becomes disabled in the course of their employment Amec Foster Wheeler will actively seek to retain them wherever possible by making adjustments to their work content and environment or by retraining them to undertake new roles.

Sustainability

Summary details about our commitment to sustainability and its importance to our day-to-day activities are set out specifically on page 22 and in general throughout our strategic report. Further detail is available in our sustainability report and on our website.

Greenhouse gas emissions

Disclosures relating to the group's greenhouse gas emissions as required to be disclosed under the Companies Act 2006 (strategic report and directors' report) Regulations 2013, can be found in the strategic report on page 22.

Political donations

During 2015 Amec Foster Wheeler made no political donations in the UK or European Union including donations as defined for the purposes of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000. Amec Foster Wheeler Americas Limited, a subsidiary of the company in Canada, made contributions to non-EU political parties in Canada totalling C\$1 950 (£995).

Going concern

The directors, having made enquiries, consider that the group has adequate resources to operate for the foreseeable future and therefore it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the accounts. Further details of this review can be found on page 37.

Viability statement

In accordance with the new requirement in the 2014 UK Corporate Governance Code, the directors' first viability statement and accompanying basis of assessment can be found on page 21.

Auditor

A resolution will be proposed at the AGM for the re-appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as auditor of the company.

Disclosure of information to auditor

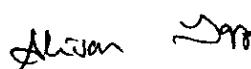
The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware and the directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as directors to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

The above statement is made in accordance with Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006.

Responsibility statements

The statement of directors' responsibilities including the fair, balanced and understandable statement in respect of the annual report and accounts can be found on page 85. The statement by the Company's auditor relating to their reporting responsibilities can be found on pages 92 and 93.

On behalf of the board

 Alison Yapp

Alison Yapp
General Counsel and Company Secretary
10 March 2016

Responsibility statements of the directors

Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the annual report and the accounts

The directors are responsible for preparing the annual report and the consolidated and parent company accounts in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the directors to prepare consolidated and parent company accounts for each financial year. Under that law the directors are required to prepare the consolidated accounts in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the EU and applicable law and have elected to prepare the parent company accounts in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

Under Company law the directors must not approve the consolidated and parent company accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the group and parent company and of their profit or loss for that period

In preparing each of the consolidated and parent company accounts the directors are required to

- ▶ select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- ▶ make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- ▶ for the consolidated accounts state whether they have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the EU
- ▶ for the parent company accounts state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the parent company accounts
- ▶ prepare the consolidated and parent company accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the consolidated and the parent company will continue in business

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the parent company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the parent company and enable them to ensure that its accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the group and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities

Under applicable law and regulations the directors are also responsible for preparing a strategic report, directors' report, directors' remuneration report and corporate governance statement that comply with that law and those regulations

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of consolidated and parent company accounts may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions

Responsibility statement of the directors in respect of the annual financial report

We confirm that to the best of our knowledge

- ▶ the accounts prepared in accordance with the applicable set of accounting standards give a true and fair view of the assets liabilities financial position and profit or loss of the company and the undertakings included in the consolidation taken as a whole
- ▶ the strategic report and directors' report includes a fair review of the development and performance of the business and the position of the issuer and undertakings included in the consolidation taken as a whole, together with a description of the principal risks and uncertainties that they face

In addition we confirm that the annual report and accounts, taken as a whole is fair balanced and understandable and provides the information necessary for shareholders to assess the position and performance, strategy and business model of the company

Signed on behalf of the board



Ian McHoul

Chief Financial Officer and interim CEO
10 March 2016

Independent auditor's report to the members of Amec Foster Wheeler plc

Our opinion on the financial statements

In our opinion

- Amec Foster Wheeler plc's Group financial statements and Parent company financial statements (the financial statements) give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's and of the parent company's affairs as at 31 December 2015 and of the Group's loss for the year then ended
- the Group financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRSs') as adopted by the European Union
- the parent company financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework'
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and, as regards the Group financial statements Article 4 of the IAS Regulation

What we have audited

Amec Foster Wheeler plc's (the Group's) financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015 comprise

Group	Parent company
Consolidated income statement	Balance sheet
Consolidated statement of comprehensive income	Statement of changes in equity
Consolidated balance sheet	Related notes 1 to 12 to the financial statements
Consolidated statement of changes in equity	
Consolidated cash flow statement	
Related notes 1 to 28 to the financial statements	

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of the Group financial statements is applicable law and IFRSs as adopted by the European Union. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of the Parent company financial statements is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) including Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework.

Overview of our audit approach

Risks of material misstatement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">► Appropriateness of revenue recognition on contracts and adequacy of contract related provisions► Purchase price allocation adjustments relating to the acquisition of Foster Wheeler► Goodwill impairment► Impact of tax planning, recognition of deferred tax assets and Research and Development tax credits► Adequacy of legacy liabilities including asbestos and environmental► Risk of fraud and management override
Audit scope	<ul style="list-style-type: none">► We performed an audit of the complete financial information of 4 components and audit procedures on specific balances for a further 24 components► The components where we performed full or specific audit procedures accounted for 90% of profit before tax adjusted for certain pre-tax exceptional items and 89% of Revenue
Materiality	<ul style="list-style-type: none">► Overall Group materiality of £10m which represents 5% of profit before taxes adjusted for certain pre-tax exceptional items

Our assessment of risk of material misstatement

We identified the risks of material misstatement described below as those that had the greatest effect on our overall audit strategy, the allocation of resources in the audit and the direction of the efforts of the audit team. In addressing these risks, we have performed the procedures below which were designed in the context of the financial statements as a whole and, consequently, we do not express any opinion on these individual areas.

Risk	Our response to the risk	What we concluded to the Audit Committee
Appropriateness of revenue recognition on contracts and adequacy of contract related provisions		
Refer to the Strategic Report (page 19) the Audit Committee Report (page 59) Critical accounting policies and the use of judgments, estimates and assumptions (page 105) and Note 3 of the Group financial statements	We tested internal financial controls over the calculation of revenue, including those used to determine the percentage of completion for fixed price contracts	Overall, we are satisfied that Amec Foster Wheeler's accounting policy for revenue recognition and contract related provisions are reasonable and have been appropriately applied. The valuation of contract risk provisions at 31 December 2015 is within an acceptable range
For the year ended 31 December 2015, and as detailed in Note 3 revenue recorded in the year was £5.5bn	For a sample of contracts, we challenged management in respect of the reasonableness of judgements made regarding the cost to complete estimate, the timing of the recognition of variation orders and the appropriateness of assumptions made in estimating warranty provisions	
We focused on this area because there is a risk that due to the complexity associated with accounting for long term contracts and the judgements involved in determining contract provisions Amec Foster Wheeler's financial statements could be misstated	We have also challenged management's assessment of the adequacy of contingency provisions against contract specific risks and their assessments around the potential for liquidated damages for projects with delays. For those contracts subject to claims we have made enquiries of internal and external legal counsel	
Specific risks over revenue recognition include inappropriate percentage of completion accounting, incorrect recognition of variation orders and inappropriate accounting for contract contingencies	We have challenged the recoverability of aged work in progress and receivables and assessed whether the Group's accounting policy has been appropriately applied	
Specific risks over contract related provisions include unrecorded liabilities for contractual disputes and inappropriate application of the Group's policy for aged work in progress and receivables	We have assessed whether management's policies and processes for making these estimates are appropriate in accordance with IAS 37 and consistently applied	
<i>The magnitude of the risk (i.e. the likelihood of occurrence and the size of an error should it occur) is consistent with the prior year</i>		
Purchase price allocation adjustments relating to the acquisition of Foster Wheeler		
Refer to the Audit Committee Report (page 60) Critical accounting policies and the use of judgments, estimates and assumptions (page 105) and Note 24 of the Group financial statements	We tested internal financial controls over the identification of adjustments to be made to the provisional fair value accounting of assets and liabilities acquired with Foster Wheeler. We also tested controls in place over the calculation of the final adjustments	The fair values of the assets and liabilities recognised on the acquisition of Foster Wheeler have been measured within an acceptable range
We focused on this area given the judgements involved in making final adjustments to the provisional fair values of assets and liabilities acquired	We challenged management over the assumptions and valuation techniques used in calculating the adjustments made to the provisional valuation of assets and liabilities acquired. This included corroborating the valuation to external sources such as settlement agreements as applicable	
These judgements include determination of whether the circumstance which gave rise to the final adjustment existed at the acquisition date and also whether the valuation methodology applied in making the adjustment is reasonable	We gained an understanding of the situation relating to each adjustment at the time of the acquisition to assess their appropriateness	
<i>The magnitude of the risk (i.e. the likelihood of occurrence and the size of an error should it occur) is higher than in the prior year</i>		

Independent auditor's report to the members of Amec Foster Wheeler plc continued

Risk	Our response to the risk	What we concluded to the Audit Committee
Goodwill impairment		
Refer to the Audit Committee Report (page 60) Critical accounting policies and the use of judgments estimates and assumptions (page 106) and Note 12 of the Group financial statements	We tested internal financial controls for the goodwill impairment process including the determination of assumptions used within the models to assess the recoverable amount of goodwill	The impairment recognised in respect of the goodwill allocated to GPG has been appropriately determined
The total carrying value of goodwill at the year end is £2.2bn. This is following an impairment of £308m which has been recorded in the Global Power Group ('GPG') segment. An impairment has arisen as the recoverable amount of GPG was less than the carrying value of the investment		
We focused on this area given the significant judgements and complexity of valuation methodologies used to determine whether the carrying value of goodwill is appropriate. These include the determination of the cash generating units used to assess goodwill for impairment, the allocation of goodwill to cash generating units and the assumptions used within models to support the recoverable amount of goodwill	We tested the integrity of the models and challenged the appropriateness of the cash generating units determined by management. We challenged the assumptions used in respect of forecast growth rates and involved our valuation specialists to corroborate the appropriateness of the discount and growth rates used. We have evaluated the profit forecasts used within the models against current trading conditions and challenged management on the key assumptions underpinning the forecasts. This included stress testing the models, to determine the degree to which the assumptions would need to move before an impairment would be triggered	The carrying value of goodwill post the impairment recorded at the year end is appropriate
<i>The magnitude of the risk (i.e., the likelihood of occurrence and the size of an error should it occur) is higher than in the prior year</i>		
Impact of tax planning, recognition of deferred tax assets and research and development tax credits		
Refer to the Audit Committee Report (page 60) and Notes 8 and 15 of the Group financial statements	We tested internal financial controls over the determination of tax risk provisions	We are satisfied that the provisions recorded in respect of tax risks are within an acceptable range
We focused on the risk arising from tax planning given the significant judgements involved in assessing uncertain tax positions including those relating to the financing structures the Group has in place in Canada and the United States	We also tested internal financial controls over the recognition of deferred tax and research and development assets	
We focus on the recognition of certain deferred tax assets and assets relating to research and development credits as both these areas involve judgement in the assessment of the recoverability of the associated tax asset. This includes assessment of the period over which taxable profits will be available to utilise the assets against	We challenged tax exposures estimated by management. Using our tax experts we evaluated the risk analysis associated with these exposures along with claims or assessments made by tax authorities to date. We have also reviewed documentation in relation to tax audits to ensure that any exposures the tax authorities are raising have been considered and provided for where necessary	The carrying value of assets relating to deferred tax and research and development tax credits are within an acceptable range at the year end
<i>The magnitude of the risk (i.e., the likelihood of occurrence and the size of an error should it occur) is consistent with the prior year</i>	We have challenged the profit forecasts used by management in determining the period over which deferred tax assets and assets held in respect of research and development tax credits will be recovered. We have also assessed if management's rationale over the length of time such assets will be recovered, is reasonable. We have evaluated the historical accuracy of forecasting taxable profits and the integrity of the models used	

Risk	Our response to the risk	What we concluded to the Audit Committee
Adequacy of legacy liabilities including asbestos and environmental		
Refer to the Strategic Report (page 21) the Audit Committee Report (page 60) Critical accounting policies and the use of judgments, estimates and assumptions (page 105) and Note 21 of the Group financial statements	We tested internal financial controls over the appropriate valuation of liabilities We assessed the judgements and accounting treatments made by management arising from contractual disputes and other risks We performed audit procedures on supporting calculations and assumptions	The valuation of legacy liabilities including asbestos and environmental liabilities at 31 December 2015 is within an acceptable range
The Group has risk relating to claims or potential claims resulting from the disposal of businesses in previous years and those relating to asbestos exposure and environmental contamination Total provisions relating to legacy businesses at the year end are £124m asbestos £378m and environmental £44m	Where appropriate we have held discussions with management's legal experts and also obtained and considered legal letters from external counsel and other supporting documentation	The disclosures made in respect to contingent liabilities are appropriate
We focused on this area as determining the impact and likely outcome of any litigation matters requires significant judgement There is also a risk that provisions are not made for claims which have been received	We have engaged our own actuarial specialists to support our audit procedures in respect of asbestos liabilities These procedures include assessment of the methodology used by management	
<i>The magnitude of the risk (i.e., the likelihood of occurrence and the size of an error should it occur) is consistent with the prior year</i>		
Risk of fraud and management override		
The risk of fraud exists in any business However fraud involving the manipulation of results to achieve performance targets are particularly harmful to shareholder value and the current economic environment has increased their risk of occurrence	We considered Transparency International's Corruption Perception Index 2014 when performing our scoping exercise Components with significant operations in countries which are high on the Index have been included in our in scope components	We have taken into account Transparency International's Corruption Perception Index 2014 when performing our scoping exercise
The evolution of the business and geographical footprint across new territories heightens the risk of fraud and bribery and corruption Business practice in emerging markets may expose Amec Foster Wheeler to financial, legal and reputational risk	We have tested entity level controls over the implementation of Group wide policies and procedures	As a result of procedures performed, we did not find any evidence of material management override or undetected fraud
The risk of fraud and management override could involve the manipulation of results to achieve performance targets or asset misappropriation particularly involving third party suppliers who may overbill for goods or services and facilitation payments to secure business	We performed audit procedures including analytical review and journal entry testing in order to identify and address the risk of management override of controls We designed testing procedures and thresholds for all balances in such a way as to ensure that the risk of fraud and error is mitigated	
<i>The magnitude of the risk (i.e., the likelihood of occurrence and the size of an error should it occur) is consistent with the prior year</i>	We challenged and corroborated the basis of management's key estimates such as those made in determining trading provisions	

In addition to the risks identified as part of our audit planning the size of and judgement involved in determining the Group's exceptional items affected the allocation of resources and the direction of our audit efforts and for which our audit response was as follows

Independent auditors' report to the members of Amec Foster Wheeler plc continued

Risk	Our response to the risk	What we concluded to the Audit Committee
Presentation of exceptional items		
Amec Foster Wheeler consider the separate reporting of exceptional costs helps to provide a better indication of the Group's underlying business performance	We have tested controls in place over the determination of items to be recorded as exceptional	Overall the disclosure of exceptional items are in accordance with the Group's disclosed accounting policy for exceptional items and is in accordance with the requirements of IAS 1, Presentation of Financial Statements
Continuing pre-tax exceptional costs including impairment and amortisation recorded in the current year are £559m (2014 £156m)	We have challenged management over whether the costs which have been recorded as exceptional are recorded in line with the Group's policy and have been appropriately excluded from trading profit. In particular, we have challenged whether the inclusion of internal labour costs on the basis of time spent on integration activities is reasonable and whether the inclusion of restructuring costs is reasonable. We have considered the Financial Reporting Council ('FRC') guidance on items being reported as exceptional	
There is judgement in determining whether the classification and measurement of items presented as exceptional is reasonable. There is also a risk that the Group's policy for such items is not applied consistently	We have assessed whether the level of disclosure provided in the financial statements appropriately reflects the assessment made by management in determining the classification of such items as exceptional	

The scope of our audit

Tailoring the scope

Our assessment of audit risk, our evaluation of materiality and our allocation of performance materiality determine our audit scope for each entity within the Group. Taken together, this enables us to form an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We take into account size, risk profile, the organisation of the Group and effectiveness of Group-wide controls, changes in the business environment and other factors such as recent Group Internal Audit result findings when assessing the level of work to be performed at each entity.

In assessing the risk of material misstatement to the Group financial statements and to ensure we had adequate quantitative coverage of significant accounts in the financial statements we selected 28 components covering entities within UK, US, Canada, Italy, China, Australia and Singapore, which represent the principal business units within the Group. The Primary Team performs audit procedures on those areas of accounting performed centrally such as goodwill and intangible asset impairment reviews and consolidation adjustments.

Of the 28 components selected we performed an audit of the complete financial information of 4 components ('full scope components') which were selected based on their size or risk characteristics. For the remaining 24 components ('specific scope components'), we performed audit procedures on specific accounts within that component that we considered had the potential for the greatest impact on the significant accounts in the financial statements either because of the size of these accounts or their risk profile. The audit risks disclosed above were subject to full scope audit procedures as appropriate.

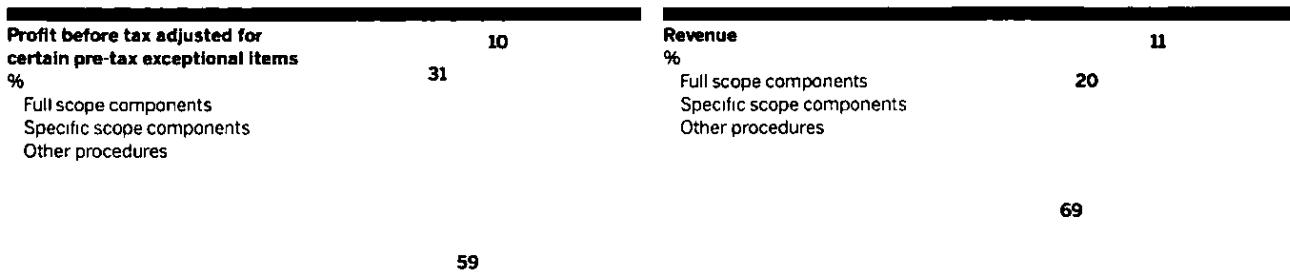
The reporting components where we performed full and specific audit procedures accounted for 90% (2014 90%) of the Group's profit before tax adjusted for certain pre-tax exceptional items and 89% (2014 92%) of the Group's Revenue.

For the current year the full scope components contributed 59% of the Group's profit before tax adjusted for certain pre-tax exceptional items and 69% of the Group's Revenue.

The specific scope component contributed 31% of the profit before tax adjusted for certain pre-tax exceptional items used to calculate materiality and 20% of the Group's Revenue. The audit scope of these components may not have included testing of all significant accounts of the component but will have contributed to the coverage of risks tested for the Group.

Of the remaining components that together represent 10% of the Group's profit before tax adjusted for certain pre-tax exceptional items, none are individually greater than 5% of the Group's adjusted profit before tax. For these components, we performed other procedures including analytical review, testing of consolidation journals, intercompany eliminations and foreign currency translation recalculations to respond to any potential risks of material misstatement to the Group financial statements.

The charts below illustrate the coverage obtained from the work performed by our audit teams



Changes from the prior year

The basis of our audit scoping has changed in the current year following a change to the Group's internal reporting structure. Our audit coverage in 2015 is consistent with that of 2014.

Involvement with component teams

In establishing our overall approach to the Group audit we determined the type of work that needed to be undertaken at each of the components by us, as the primary audit engagement team or by component auditors from other EY global network firms operating under our instruction. Of the 4 full scope components, audit procedures were performed on 1 of these directly by the primary audit team and 3 by component teams. For the 24 specific scope components, where the work was primarily performed by component auditors, we determined the appropriate level of involvement to enable us to determine that sufficient audit evidence had been obtained as a basis for our opinion on the Group as a whole.

The Group audit team continued to follow a programme of planned visits that has been designed to ensure that the Senior Statutory Auditor or his designate visits each of the key locations at both the interim and year end stages of the audit process. During the current year's audit cycle visits were undertaken by the primary audit team to the component teams in Canada, the United States and various sites in the UK, including some specific scope locations.

These visits involved co-developing the significant risk area audit approach, reviewing key local working papers and conclusions meeting with local and regional leadership team, getting an understanding of key control processes including centralised entity level control processes and attending closing meetings. The primary team interacted regularly with the component teams where appropriate during various stages of the audit, attended all full scope and certain specific scope closing meetings in person and all other specific scope close meetings via conference call, reviewed key working papers and were responsible for the scope and direction of the audit process. This, together with the additional procedures performed at Group level, gave us appropriate evidence for our opinion on the Group financial statements.

Our application of materiality

We apply the concept of materiality in planning and performing the audit, in evaluating the effect of identified misstatements on the audit and in forming our audit opinion.

Materiality

The magnitude of an omission or misstatement that, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of the users of the financial statements. Materiality provides a basis for determining the nature and extent of our audit procedures.

We determined materiality for the Group to be £10 million (2014 £14.4 million), which is 5% (2014 5%) of profit before tax adjusted for certain pre-tax exceptional items. We believe that profit before tax, adjusted for the items as described below, provides us with a consistent year on year basis for determining materiality and is the most relevant performance measure to the stakeholders of the entity. Detailed audit procedures are performed on material exceptional items.

Starting basis	£(235)m
	Loss before tax
Adjustments	£429m
	Adjust for certain pre tax exceptional items to determine adjusted profit before tax
Materiality	Totals £194m
	Materiality of £10m (5% of materiality basis)

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Performance materiality

The application of materiality at the individual account or balance level. It is set at an amount to reduce to an appropriately low level the probability that the aggregate of uncorrected and undetected misstatements exceeds materiality

On the basis of our risk assessments, together with our assessment of the Group's overall control environment and other qualitative considerations, our judgement was that overall performance materiality (i.e. our tolerance for misstatement in an individual account or balance) was 50% (2014 50%) of our planning materiality namely £5m (2014 £72m). We have set performance materiality at this percentage to ensure that the total uncorrected and undetected audit differences in all accounts did not exceed our materiality.

Audit work at component locations for the purpose of obtaining audit coverage over significant financial statement accounts is undertaken based on a percentage of total performance materiality. The performance materiality set for each component is based on the relative scale and risk of the component to the Group as a whole and our assessment of the risk of misstatement at that component. In the current year, the range of performance materiality allocated to components was £1m to £4m (2014 £1m to £7m).

Reporting threshold

An amount below which identified misstatements is considered as being clearly trivial

We agreed with the Audit Committee that we would report to them all uncorrected audit differences in excess of £0.5m (2014 £0.5m) which is set at 5% of planning materiality as well as differences below that threshold that, in our view, warranted reporting on qualitative grounds.

We evaluate any uncorrected misstatements against both the quantitative measures of materiality discussed above and in light of other relevant qualitative considerations in forming our opinion.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

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

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 85, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

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

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion

- the part of the Directors' Remuneration Report to be audited has been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006
- the information given in the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

Matters on which we are required to report by exception**ISAs (UK and Ireland) reporting**

We are required to report to you if, in our opinion, financial and non-financial information in the annual report is

- ▶ materially inconsistent with the information in the audited financial statements or
- ▶ apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, our knowledge of the Group acquired in the course of performing our audit or
- ▶ otherwise misleading

In particular, we are required to report whether we have identified any inconsistencies between our knowledge acquired in the course of performing the audit and the directors' statement that they consider the annual report and accounts taken as a whole is fair, balanced and understandable and provides the information necessary for shareholders to assess the entity's performance business model and strategy and whether the annual report appropriately addresses those matters that we communicated to the Audit Committee that we consider should have been disclosed

We have no exceptions to report

Companies Act 2006 reporting

We are required to report to you if, in our opinion

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

We have no exceptions to report

Listing Rules review requirements

We are required to review

- ▶ the directors' statement in relation to going concern set out on page 37 and longer-term viability set out on page 21
- ▶ the part of the Corporate Governance Statement relating to the company's compliance with the provisions of the UK Corporate Governance Code specified for our review

We have no exceptions to report

Statement on the directors' assessment of the principal risks that would threaten the solvency or liquidity of the entity**ISAs (UK and Ireland) reporting**

We are required to give a statement as to whether we have anything material to add or to draw attention to in relation to

- ▶ the directors' confirmation in the annual report that they have carried out a robust assessment of the principal risks facing the entity, including those that would threaten its business model, future performance, solvency or liquidity
- ▶ the disclosures in the annual report that describe those risks and explain how they are being managed or mitigated
- ▶ the directors' statement in the financial statements about whether they considered it appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing them and their identification of any material uncertainties to the entity's ability to continue to do so over a period of at least twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements
- ▶ the directors' explanation in the annual report as to how they have assessed the prospects of the entity over what period they have done so and why they consider that period to be appropriate and their statement as to whether they have a reasonable expectation that the entity will be able to continue in operation and meet its liabilities as they fall due over the period of their assessment, including any related disclosures drawing attention to any necessary qualifications or assumptions

We have nothing material to add or to draw attention to

Colin Brown (Senior statutory auditor)

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

10 March 2016

Report of independent registered public accounting firm on internal control over financial reporting

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of Amec Foster Wheeler plc

We have audited Amec Foster Wheeler plc's internal control over financial reporting as of 31 December 2015, based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organisations of the Treadway Commission 2013 framework (the COSO criteria). Amec Foster Wheeler plc's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorisations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorised acquisition, use or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, Amec Foster Wheeler plc maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of 31 December 2015 based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of Amec Foster Wheeler as of 31 December 2015 and 2014, and the related consolidated income statement, statement of comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flow statement for each of the three years in the period ended 31 December 2015 of Amec Foster Wheeler plc and our report dated 10 March 2016 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

Ernst & Young LLP
Ernst & Young LLP
London England

10 March 2016

Report of independent registered public accounting firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of Amec Foster Wheeler plc

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Amec Foster Wheeler plc as of December 31 2015 and 2014 and the related consolidated income statement, statements of comprehensive income, change in equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2015. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Amec Foster Wheeler at December 31 2015 and 2014, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2015, in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union and International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Amec Foster Wheeler plc's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31 2015, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework) and our report dated 10 March 2016, expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

Ernst & Young LLP
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London England

10 March 2016

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1 The maintenance and integrity of the Amec Foster Wheeler plc web site is the responsibility of the directors. The work carried out by the auditors does not involve consideration of these matters and accordingly the auditors accept no responsibility for any changes that may have occurred to the financial statements since they were initially presented on the web site.

2 Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Consolidated income statement
For the year ended 31 December 2015

		2015			2014			2013		
Note	Before amortisation, exceptional items and asbestos related items £m	Amortisation, exceptional items and asbestos related items (note 5) £m	Total £m	Before amortisation, exceptional items and asbestos related items £m	Amortisation, exceptional items and asbestos related items (note 5) £m	Total £m	Before amortisation and exceptional items £m	Amortisation and exceptional items (note 5) £m	Total £m	
Continuing operations										
Revenue	2 3	5,455	-	5,455	3 993	-	3 993	3,974	-	3 974
Cost of sales		(4,787)	-	(4,787)	(3 475)	-	(3,475)	(3,431)	-	(3,431)
Gross profit		668	-	668	518	-	518	543	-	543
Administrative expenses		(334)	(538)	(872)	(219)	(135)	(354)	(228)	(65)	(293)
Loss on business disposals and closures		-	(1)	(1)	-	(16)	(16)	-	(7)	(7)
Profit/(loss) before net financing expense	4	334	(539)	(205)	299	(151)	148	315	(72)	243
Financial income		16	-	16	11	-	11	12	-	12
Financial expense		(54)	(20)	(74)	(11)	(5)	(16)	(14)	-	(14)
Net financing expense	7	(38)	(20)	(58)	-	(5)	(5)	(2)	-	(2)
Share of post-tax results of joint ventures	2 13	28	-	28	12	-	12	14	-	14
Profit/(loss) before income tax	2	324	(559)	(235)	311	(156)	155	327	(72)	255
Income tax	8	(63)	45	(18)	(67)	18	(49)	(67)	(2)	(69)
Profit/(loss) for the year from continuing operations		261	(514)	(253)	244	(138)	106	260	(74)	186
(Loss)/profit for the year from discontinued operations	9	(5)	1	(4)	(8)	(19)	(27)	(8)	-	(8)
Profit/(loss) for the year		256	(513)	(257)	236	(157)	79	252	(74)	178
Attributable to										
Equity holders of the parent				(256)			82			179
Non-controlling interests				(1)			(3)			(1)
				(257)			79			178
Basic (loss)/earnings per share										
Continuing operations	10	68.1p	(1.3)p	(66.1)p	81.8p		36.1p	89.0p		63.8p
Discontinued operations					(2.6)p		(8.9)p	(2.7)p		(2.7)p
		66.8p		(67.2)p	79.2p		27.2p	86.3p		61.1p
Diluted (loss)/earnings per share										
Continuing operations	10	67.7p	(1.3)p	(66.1)p	79.5p		35.1p	87.2p		62.5p
Discontinued operations					(2.5)p		(8.6)p	(2.7)p		(2.7)p
		66.4p		(67.2)p	77.0p		26.5p	84.5p		59.8p

Consolidated statement of comprehensive income
For the year ended 31 December 2015

	Note	2015 £m	2014 (restated) £m	2013 £m
(Loss)/profit for the year		(257)	79	178
Other comprehensive income				
Items that may be reclassified to profit and loss				
Exchange movements				
- Exchange movements on translation of foreign subsidiaries		(46)	(4)	(70)
- Net (loss)/gain on hedges of net investment in foreign subsidiaries	19	(3)	(4)	(1)
- Tax on exchange movements		-	-	1
Cash flow hedges				
- Effective portion of changes in fair value		(2)	(1)	3
- Tax on effective portion of changes in fair value		2	-	(1)
- Transferred to the income statement		-	-	1
		(49)	(9)	(67)
Items that will not be reclassified to profit and loss				
Actuarial gains/(losses) on defined benefit pension schemes	14	150	(58)	40
Tax on actuarial gains/(losses)		(25)	11	(20)
		125	(47)	20
Other comprehensive income		76	(56)	(47)
Total comprehensive income		(181)	23	131
Attributable to				
Equity holders of the parent		(181)	26	133
Non-controlling interests		-	(3)	(2)
Total comprehensive income		(181)	23	131

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Consolidated balance sheet

As at 31 December 2015

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	Note	2015 £m	2014 (restated) £m
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property plant and equipment	11	127	150
Intangible assets	12	3,025	3,443
Interests in joint ventures	13	104	122
Derivative financial instruments	19	18	2
Retirement benefit assets	14	231	102
Other receivables	20	145	167
Deferred tax assets	15	50	56
Total non-current assets		3,700	4,042
Current assets			
Inventories	16	13	14
Trade and other receivables	17	1,455	1,469
Derivative financial instruments	19	16	12
Current tax receivable		25	12
Bank deposits (more than three months)	23	23	21
Cash and cash equivalents (excluding bank overdrafts)	23	340	495
Total current assets		1,872	2,023
Total assets		5,572	6,065
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	23	(683)	(710)
Trade and other payables	18	(1,459)	(1,438)
Derivative financial instruments	19	(21)	(14)
Current tax payable		(98)	(130)
Total current liabilities		(2,261)	(2,292)
Non-current liabilities			
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	23	(640)	(609)
Trade and other payables	20	(121)	(111)
Derivative financial instruments	19	(4)	(5)
Retirement benefit liabilities	14	(168)	(188)
Deferred tax liabilities	15	(106)	(108)
Provisions	21	(664)	(756)
Total non-current liabilities		(1,703)	(1,777)
Total liabilities		(3,964)	(4,069)
Net assets		1,608	1,996
EQUITY			
Share capital	22	197	194
Share premium account		133	101
Merger reserve		540	877
Hedging and translation reserves		(26)	24
Capital redemption reserve		34	34
Retained earnings		721	744
Total equity attributable to equity holders of the parent		1,599	1,974
Non-controlling interests		9	22
Total equity		1,608	1,996

The accounts on pages 96 to 156 were approved by the board of directors on 10 March 2016 and were signed on its behalf by

Ian McHoul
Chief Financial Officer and interim CEO

Consolidated statement of changes in equity
For the year ended 31 December 2015

	Share capital £m	Share premium £m	Merger reserve £m	Hedging reserve £m	Translation reserve £m	Capital redemption reserve £m	Retained earnings £m	Total £m	Non controlling interests £m	Total equity £m
As at 1 January 2015 (restated)	194	101	877	–	24	34	744	1,974	22	1,996
Loss for the year	–	–	–	–	–	–	(256)	(256)	(1)	(257)
Exchange movements on translation of foreign subsidiaries	–	–	–	–	(47)	–	–	(47)	1	(46)
Net loss on hedges of net investment in foreign subsidiaries	–	–	–	–	(3)	–	–	(3)	–	(3)
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges	–	–	–	(2)	–	–	–	(2)	–	(2)
Tax on effective portion of changes in fair value on cash flow hedges	–	–	–	2	–	–	–	2	–	2
Actuarial gains on defined benefit pension schemes	–	–	–	–	–	–	150	150	–	150
Tax on actuarial gains	–	–	–	–	–	–	(25)	(25)	–	(25)
Other comprehensive income for the year	–	–	–	–	(50)	–	125	75	1	76
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	–	–	(50)	–	(131)	(181)	–	(181)
Dividends	–	–	–	–	–	–	(167)	(167)	–	(167)
Dividends to non-controlling interests	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(4)	(4)
Equity-settled share-based payments	–	–	–	–	–	–	7	7	–	7
Acquisition of shares by trustees of the Employee Share Trust	–	–	–	–	–	–	(5)	(5)	–	(5)
Utilisation of treasury shares	–	–	–	–	–	–	15	15	–	15
Acquisition of non-controlling interests	–	–	–	–	–	–	(79)	(79)	(9)	(88)
Shares issued	3	32	–	–	–	–	–	35	–	35
Transfer of impairment losses to merger reserve	–	–	(337)	–	–	–	337	–	–	–
As at 31 December 2015	197	133	540	–	(26)	34	721	1,599	9	1,608

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	Share capital £m	Share premium £m	Merger reserve £m	Hedging reserve £m	Translation reserve £m	Capital redemption reserve £m	Retained earnings £m	Total £m	Non controlling interests £m	Total equity £m
As at 1 January 2014	152	101	–	1	32	34	802	1,122	2	1,124
Profit for the year	–	–	–	–	–	–	82	82	(3)	79
Exchange movements on translation of foreign subsidiaries	–	–	–	–	(4)	–	–	(4)	–	(4)
Net loss on hedges of net investment in foreign subsidiaries	–	–	–	–	(4)	–	–	(4)	–	(4)
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges	–	–	–	(1)	–	–	–	(1)	–	(1)
Actuarial losses on defined benefit pension schemes	–	–	–	–	–	–	(58)	(58)	–	(58)
Tax on actuarial losses	–	–	–	–	–	–	11	11	–	11
Other comprehensive income for the year	–	–	–	(1)	(8)	–	(47)	(56)	–	(56)
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	–	(1)	(8)	–	35	26	(3)	23
Dividends	–	–	–	–	–	–	(124)	(124)	–	(124)
Equity-settled share-based payments	–	–	–	–	–	–	25	25	–	25
Utilisation of treasury shares	–	–	–	–	–	–	6	6	–	6
Arising on business combinations	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	23	23
Shares issued	42	877	–	–	–	–	–	919	–	919
Transfer to merger reserve	–	(877)	877	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
As at 31 December 2014 (restated)	194	101	877	–	24	34	744	1,974	22	1,996

Consolidated statement of changes in equity continued
For the year ended 31 December 2013

	Share capital £m	Share premium £m	Hedging reserve £m	Translation reserve £m	Capital redemption reserve £m	Retained earnings £m	Total £m	Non controlling interests £m	Total equity £m
As at 1 January 2013	154	101	(2)	101	32	693	1,079	4	1,083
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	179	179	(1)	178
Exchange movements on translation of foreign subsidiaries	-	-	-	(69)	-	-	(69)	(1)	(70)
Net loss on hedges of net investment in foreign subsidiaries	-	-	-	(1)	-	-	(1)	-	(1)
Tax on exchange movements	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges	-	-	3	-	-	-	3	-	3
Tax on effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges	-	-	(1)	-	-	-	(1)	-	(1)
Cash flow hedges transferred to the income statement	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Actuarial gains on defined benefit pension schemes	-	-	-	-	-	40	40	-	40
Tax on actuarial gains	-	-	-	-	-	(20)	(20)	-	(20)
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	3	(69)	-	20	(46)	(1)	(47)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	3	(69)	-	199	133	(2)	131
Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	(108)	(108)	-	(108)
Equity-settled share-based payments	-	-	-	-	-	14	14	-	14
Tax on equity-settled share-based payments	-	-	-	-	-	(1)	(1)	-	(1)
Acquisition of shares by trustees of the Employee Share Trust	-	-	-	-	-	(2)	(2)	-	(2)
Utilisation of treasury shares	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	-	7
Acquisition of shares under the buyback programme	(2)	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
As at 31 December 2013	152	101	1	32	34	802	1,122	2	1,124

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Consolidated cash flow statement
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	Note	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Cash flow from operating activities				
(Loss)/profit before income tax from continuing operations		(235)	155	255
Loss before income tax from discontinued operations	9	(5)	(33)	(16)
(Loss)/profit before income tax		(240)	122	239
Financial income	7	(16)	(11)	(12)
Financial expense	7	74	16	14
Share of post-tax results of joint ventures	2 13	(28)	(12)	(14)
Intangible impairment and amortisation	5 12	444	49	47
Depreciation	11	26	16	12
(Profit)/loss on disposal of businesses	5	(1)	44	6
Difference between contributions to retirement benefit schemes and current service cost	14	(3)	(2)	–
Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment		(1)	–	(1)
Loss on disposal of intangible assets		–	1	–
Equity-settled share-based payments		7	8	14
		262	231	305
Decrease in inventories		1	–	1
Decrease in trade and other receivables		38	106	66
Decrease in trade and other payables and provisions		(81)	(137)	(80)
Cash generated from operations		220	200	292
Tax paid		(79)	(54)	(52)
Net cash flow from operating activities		141	146	240
Cash flow from investing activities				
Acquisition of businesses (net of cash acquired)	24	(5)	(781)	(20)
Investment in joint ventures		(1)	(1)	(7)
Purchase of property plant and equipment		(15)	(14)	(10)
Purchase of intangible assets		(23)	(17)	(13)
Movements in bank deposits (more than three months)		(2)	(3)	(1)
Disposal of businesses (net of cash disposed of)		(2)	(2)	(4)
Disposal of joint ventures		11	(21)	–
Disposal of property plant and equipment		2	–	1
Interest received		3	4	9
Dividends received from joint ventures	13	42	14	8
Amounts received/(paid) on maturity of net investment hedges		37	(7)	(3)
Net cash flow from investing activities		47	(828)	(40)
Net cash flow before financing activities		188	(682)	200
Cash flow from financing activities				
Proceeds from other borrowings		68	1,198	100
Repayments of other borrowings		(143)	(100)	(130)
Cash flows in respect of facility arrangement fees		(3)	(13)	–
Interest paid		(38)	(7)	(11)
Dividends paid		(167)	(124)	(108)
Acquisition of non-controlling interest	24	(54)	–	–
Cash received in respect of debt related cash flow hedges	23	12	–	–
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests		(4)	–	–
Acquisition of shares for cancellation		–	–	(45)
Cash flows in respect of treasury shares*		15	6	7
Acquisition of shares by trustees of the Employee Share Trust		(5)	–	(2)
Net cash flow from financing activities		(319)	960	(189)
(Decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(131)	278	11
Cash and cash equivalents as at the beginning of the year	23	495	223	232
Exchange losses on cash and cash equivalents	23	(24)	(6)	(20)
Cash and cash equivalents as at the end of the year	23	340	495	223

Consolidated cash flow statement continued
For the year ended 31 December 2015

	Note	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Cash and cash equivalents consist of				
Cash at bank and in hand	23	307	377	153
Bank deposits (less than three months)	23	33	118	79
Bank overdrafts	23	—	—	(9)
Cash and cash equivalents as at the end of the year				
Bank deposits (more than three months)	23	23	21	18
Bank loans	23	(1,264)	(1,267)	(120)
Fees capitalised against bank facilities	23	—	9	—
Derivatives classified as net debt	23	14	—	—
Finance leases	23	(59)	(61)	—
Net (debt)/cash as at the end of the year		(946)	(803)	121

*Cash received from SAYE option holders on exercise of options

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1 Significant accounting policies

Amec Foster Wheeler plc is a public limited company which is listed on both the London Stock Exchange and the New York Stock Exchange and incorporated and domiciled in the United Kingdom. The principal activities of the Company and its subsidiaries (the Group) are described in note 2.

Statement of compliance

The consolidated accounts include the accounts of Amec Foster Wheeler plc and all of its subsidiaries made up to 31 December each year, and the Group's share of the profit after interest and tax and net assets of joint ventures based on the equity method of accounting.

In accordance with EU law (IAS Regulation EC 1606/2002) the consolidated accounts of the Group have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) adopted for use in the EU as at 31 December 2015 (adopted IFRS). International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) interpretations and those parts of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies reporting under IFRS. The company has elected to prepare its parent company accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework (FRS 101), these are presented on pages 157 to 165.

From the Group's perspective there are no applicable differences between adopted IFRS and IFRS as issued by the IASB and therefore the financial statements also comply with IFRS as issued by the IASB.

Restatement

On 13 November 2014 (the acquisition date) the Group acquired 95.3 per cent of the issued share capital of Foster Wheeler AG. Due to the relatively short period of time between the acquisition date and 31 December 2014 management had not finalised its assessment of the fair values of certain of Foster Wheeler's assets and liabilities at the time that the 2014 financial statements were completed and as a result the 2014 financial statements reflected the provisional assessment of the fair values as at the acquisition date. The restatement had no impact on the 2014 income statement.

During 2015, management has completed the fair value assessment and the comparative amounts shown in the Balance Sheet, Statement of Comprehensive Income Statement of Changes in Equity and Cash Flow Statement have been restated to reflect changes made to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities recognised on the acquisition of Foster Wheeler details of which are set out in note 24.

In addition to the above the acquisition balance sheet as presented on page 151 has been restated to present liabilities of £65m in respect of onerous leases within trade and other payables. These liabilities had previously been presented within provisions.

As the acquisition of Foster Wheeler AG in November 2014 resulted in the Group securing more than 90% of Foster Wheeler's issued share capital, the acquisition qualifies for merger relief under section 612 of the Companies Act 2006 from crediting the share premium that arose on the new shares issued in consideration for Foster Wheeler to a share premium account. The balance sheet as at 31 December has been restated to present excess of the nominal value of the shares issued of £877m as a merger reserve.

Accounting standards adopted in the year

There are no IFRS, IAS amendments or IFRIC interpretations effective for the first time this financial year that have had a material impact on the Group.

New standards, amendments and Interpretations issued but not effective which have not been early adopted by the Group
IFRS 9 'Financial Instruments' replaces the existing guidance in IAS 39 'Financial Instruments - Recognition and Measurement'. IFRS 9 includes revised guidance on the classification and measurement of financial instruments including the new expected credit loss model for calculating impairment on financial assets and the new general hedge accounting requirements. It also carries forward guidance on recognition and derecognition on financial instruments from IAS 39. IFRS 9 is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018 with early application permitted.

IFRS 15 'Revenue from Contracts with Customers' will supersede the current revenue recognition guidance including IAS 18 'Revenue', IAS 11 'Construction Contracts' and the related Interpretations when it becomes effective. Under IFRS 15 an entity recognises revenue when (or as) a performance obligation is satisfied. That is when the control of goods or services underlying the particular performance obligation is transferred to the customer. The standard provides far more prescriptive guidance with regards to specific scenarios and requires extensive disclosures. IFRS 15 is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018 with early application permitted.

IFRS 16 'Leases' replaces the existing guidance in IAS 17 'Leases'. IFRS 16 eliminates the classification of leases as either operating leases or finance leases. The standard introduces a single lessee accounting model which requires a lessee to recognise assets and liabilities for all leases with a term of more than 12 months and depreciation of lease assets separately from interest on lease liabilities in the income statement.

The application of IFRS 9, IFRS 15 and IFRS 16 in the future may have a material impact on the amounts reported and disclosures made in the Group's accounts. However it is not practical to provide a reasonable estimate of the effect of IFRS 9, IFRS 15 and IFRS 16 until the Group performs a detailed review.

Other than as described above, there are no other IFRS, IAS amendments or IFRIC interpretations which are not yet effective that would be expected to have a material impact on the Group.

1 Significant accounting policies continued

Basis of preparation

The accounts are presented in Sterling rounded to the nearest million. All calculated numbers, for example earnings per share, are calculated on the underlying numbers to one decimal place precision. They are prepared on the historical cost basis except that derivative financial instruments and retirement benefit assets and liabilities are stated at fair value.

The preparation of accounts in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Amec Foster Wheeler believe some of these policies require a high level of judgement and the most critical accounting policies and significant areas of judgement and estimation arise from:

- ▶ acquisition accounting under IFRS 3 'Business Combinations'
- ▶ long-term contracts under IAS 11 'Construction Contracts'
- ▶ intangible assets including goodwill under IAS 38 'Intangible Assets' and IAS 36 'Impairment of Assets'
- ▶ provisions under IAS 37 'Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets'
- ▶ uncertain tax positions under IAS 12 'Income Taxes'
- ▶ defined benefit pension schemes under IAS 19 (revised) 'Employee Benefits'

In addition judgement has also been applied in the presentation of certain research and development government credits and in presenting the UK conventional power business as a discontinued operation in 2013.

IFRS 3 'Business Combinations'

During 2014, the Group acquired Foster Wheeler. The acquisition was accounted for as a purchase under IFRS 3. Determining the fair value of the assets and liabilities acquired involved significant judgement and estimates. This involved the use of valuation models to determine the fair value of the intangible assets acquired. Inputs to these models include estimates of the future cash flows of Foster Wheeler, the appropriate discount rate to apply to these future cash flows, estimates of the retention rates for key customers and the likelihood of renewal of significant service contracts. Further information about the assumptions used for calculating provisions and goodwill are documented below.

IAS 11 'Construction Contracts'

A significant amount of the Group's activities is undertaken via long-term contracts. These contracts are accounted for in accordance with IAS 11 'Construction Contracts' which requires estimates to be made for contract costs and revenues.

Management bases its judgements of contract costs and revenues on the latest available information which includes detailed contract valuations. In many cases the results reflect the expected outcome of long-term contractual obligations which span more than one reporting period. Contract costs and revenues are affected by a variety of uncertainties that depend on the outcome of future events and often need to be revised as events unfold and uncertainties are resolved. The estimates of contract costs and revenues are updated regularly and significant changes are highlighted through established internal review procedures. In particular, the internal reviews focus on the timing and recognition of incentive payments and the age and recoverability of any unagreed income from variations to the contract scope or claims. The impact of the changes in accounting estimates is then reflected in the ongoing results.

Principally there are two types of long-term contracts being cost reimbursable contracts and fixed price contracts. Due to the nature of these contracts the significant estimates tend to arise on fixed price contracts rather than cost reimbursable contracts.

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1 Significant accounting policies continued

Basis of preparation continued

IAS 38 Intangible Assets and IAS 36 'Impairment of Assets'

The Group has a significant amount of intangible assets on its balance sheet. Goodwill arising on acquisitions represents the excess of the fair value of the purchase consideration over the fair value of the assets and liabilities acquired. Goodwill is capitalised and subject to impairment review both annually and when there are indications that its carrying value may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised to the extent that the carrying value of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount.

The determination of carrying value involves significant judgements when allocating goodwill to the cash generating units ('CGUs') expected to benefit from the acquisition. The estimation of the recoverable amounts also requires significant judgements and estimates including the future cash flows of the CGU, terminal growth rates and the appropriate rate at which to discount those cash flows. See note 12 for further details of the impairment reviews performed during the year. The carrying amount of the Global Power Group CGU has been reduced to its recoverable amount through recognition of an impairment loss of £308m against goodwill.

Intangible assets, other than goodwill, are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses. The cost of an intangible asset acquired in a business combination is the fair value of the asset at the date of acquisition. Amortisation is charged to the income statement over the estimated useful lives of intangible assets.

IAS 37 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

When accounting for provisions for litigation and other items the Group has taken internal and external advice in considering known legal claims and actions made by or against the Group. It carefully assesses the likelihood of success of a claim or action. Appropriate provisions are made for legal claims or actions against the Group on the basis of likely outcome but no provisions are made for those which, in the view of management, are unlikely to succeed.

The Group has a significant asbestos related provision. Some of the Group's US and UK subsidiaries are defendants in numerous asbestos-related lawsuits and out-of-court informal claims pending in the US and UK. Plaintiffs claim damages for personal injury alleged to have arisen from exposure to or use of asbestos in connection with work allegedly performed by the Group's subsidiaries during the 1970s and earlier.

The provision for asbestos is the Group's best estimate of its obligation required to settle claims that is expected to continue up until 2050. The provision is discounted back to a net present value using a US Treasury yield curve discount rate.

See note 21 for further details of the Group's provisions.

IAS 12 Income Taxes

Significant judgement is required in determining liabilities related to uncertain tax positions, in particular those in respect of financing structures. There is also significant judgement required in assessing the recoverability of deferred tax assets.

IAS 19 (revised) 'Employee Benefits'

Defined benefit pension schemes are accounted for in accordance with the advice of independent qualified actuaries but significant judgements are required in relation to the assumptions for future salary and pension increases, discount rate, inflation and member life expectancy that underpin their valuations. For Amec Foster Wheeler, these assumptions are important given the relative size of the schemes that remain open for future accrual.

See note 14 for further details of the Group's retirement benefit schemes.

IFRS 5 'Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations'

In accordance with IFRS 5 'Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations' the post-tax results of discontinued operations are disclosed separately in the consolidated income statement.

Discontinued operations include the non-core Built Environment businesses which were sold during 2007 SPIE which was sold in 2006 and the UK conventional power business that was discontinued in 2013. The judgements applied in presenting the UK conventional power business as discontinued are explained in note 1 to the 2013 financial statements. The cash flows of discontinued operations are fully consolidated within Amec Foster Wheeler up to the date of sale. The results and other disclosures in respect of discontinued operations are shown in note 9.

Going concern

As at 31 December 2015 the group had net debt of £946m and committed and available banking facilities of £442m.

On 2 March 2016 the Group announced the completion of a refinancing of its main debt facilities by entering into a new facility with a syndicate of 20 banks. The new facility which has three tranches – a three-year £650 million term loan, a five-year £650 million term loan and a five-year £400 million revolving credit facility – replaces the Company's existing revolving credit facility and the Foster Wheeler acquisition facility.

The Group has assessed it will be able to meet expected mandatory interest and repayment of its banking facilities in place.

1 Significant accounting policies continued

Going concern continued

The Group will finance operations and growth from its existing cash resources and its committed banking facilities. The Group's policy aims to ensure the constant availability of an appropriate amount of funding to meet both current and future forecast requirements consistent with the Group's budget and strategic plans.

The directors consider it appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

If for any reason the Group is unable to continue as a going concern, it could impact the Group's ability to realise assets at their recognised values, in particular goodwill and other intangible assets and to extinguish liabilities in the normal course of business at the amounts stated in the consolidated accounts.

Accounting policies

The accounting policies set out below have, unless otherwise stated, been applied consistently to all periods presented in these consolidated accounts.

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated accounts comprise the accounts of the Group and its subsidiaries as at 31 December 2015. Control is achieved when the Group is exposed or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee. Generally there is a presumption that a majority of voting rights result in control.

The Group re-assesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate there is a change of control. Consolidation of a subsidiary begins when the Group obtains control over the subsidiary and ceases when the Group loses control of the subsidiary. Assets, liabilities, income and expenses of a subsidiary acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated accounts from the date the Group gains control until the date the Group ceases to control the subsidiary.

Profit or loss and each component of comprehensive income is attributed to the equity holders of the parent of the Group and to the non-controlling interests, even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance. When necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies into line with the Group's accounting policies. All intra-Group assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Group are eliminated in full on consolidation.

A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a loss of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction.

If the Group loses control over a subsidiary, it derecognises the related assets (including goodwill), liabilities, non-controlling interest and other components of equity while any resultant gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss. Any investment retained is recognised at fair value.

A joint venture is a type of joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the net assets of the joint venture. Joint control is the contractually agreed sharing of control of an arrangement, which exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

The considerations made in determining joint control are similar to those necessary to determine control over subsidiaries.

The Group's investments in its joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method. Under the equity method, the investment in a joint venture is initially recognised at cost. The carrying amount of the investment is adjusted to recognise changes in the Group's share of net assets of the joint venture since the acquisition date. The results of the joint ventures are included in the consolidated accounts from the date the joint control commences until the date that it ceases.

The aggregate of the Group's share of profit or loss of a joint venture is shown on the face of the income statement and represents profit or loss after tax and non-controlling interests in the joint venture.

Losses of a joint venture are recognised only to the extent of the Group's interest in the joint venture, unless the Group has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the joint venture.

A joint operation is a joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the assets and obligations for the liabilities, relating to the arrangement.

When a Group entity undertakes its activities under joint operations, the Group as a joint operator recognises in relation to its interest in a joint operation:

- its assets and liabilities, including its share of any assets and liabilities held jointly
- its revenue from the sale of its share of the output arising from the joint operation
- its share of the revenue from the sale of the output by joint operation
- its expenses, including its share of any expenses incurred jointly

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1 Significant accounting policies continued

Bid costs

Bid costs are expensed as incurred until the Group is appointed as the preferred bidder. Subsequent to appointment as preferred bidder, bid costs are capitalised and held on the balance sheet provided the award of the contract is virtually certain and it is expected to generate sufficient net cash flow to allow recovery of the bid costs. Where bid costs are reimbursed at financial close the proceeds are applied first against the balance of costs included in the balance sheet with any additional amounts treated as deferred income and released to profit over the period of the contract.

Business combinations and goodwill

The purchase method is used to account for all business combinations.

Goodwill represents the excess of the fair value of the purchase consideration over the fair value of the assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities acquired.

Goodwill arising on acquisitions since 1 January 2004 is capitalised and subject to an impairment review both annually and when there are indications that its carrying value may not be recoverable. Goodwill is not amortised.

Cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments

Cash comprises cash balances and deposits repayable on demand and available within one working day without penalty.

Cash equivalents are other deposits with a maturity period of three months or less from date of acquisition, convertible without an undue period of notice and not subject to a significant risk of changes in value.

Bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of Amec Foster Wheeler's cash management are included as a component of cash and cash equivalents for the purpose of the statement of cash flows.

In the consolidated balance sheet, bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

Deposits with a maturity period of more than three months at inception are classified as bank deposits (more than three months).

Development expenditure

Expenditure that is directly attributable to the development of wind farm projects is recognised as an intangible asset when the Group can demonstrate it is probable that the wind farm development will generate future economic benefits in excess of the amounts capitalised and other relevant criteria for capitalising such costs in accordance with IAS 38 'Intangible Assets' have been met.

Following initial recognition of the development expenditure as an asset the asset is carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation of the asset begins when the wind farm development is complete and the asset is available for use. It is amortised over the period of expected future benefit. During the period of development the asset is reviewed for impairment annually.

Discontinued operations and assets and liabilities held for sale

A discontinued operation is a separate major line of business or geographic area of operations that has either been disposed of, abandoned or is part of a plan to dispose of a major line of business or geographic area. An operation is classified as a discontinued operation in the year that the above criteria are met.

Certain legacy settlements and relevant provision adjustments are allocated to discontinued operations when those settlements and provisions arise from or are directly related to the discontinued operations.

Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

Employee benefits

Defined contribution plans

Obligations for contributions to defined contribution pension plans are recognised in the income statement as incurred.

Defined benefit plans

The Group's net obligation in respect of defined benefit pension plans is calculated separately for each plan by estimating the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods. That benefit is discounted to determine its present value, and the fair value of any plan assets (at bid price) is deducted. The liability discount rate is the yield at the balance sheet date on AA-rated corporate bonds that have maturity dates approximating to the terms of the Group's obligations. The calculation is performed by a qualified actuary using the projected unit credit method.

A net surplus from a defined benefit plan is recognised on the balance sheet when the asset would be recoverable as a result of an expected future refund after a gradual settlement of plan liabilities.

Net interest is calculated by applying the discount rate to the net defined benefit liability or asset.

Actuarial gains and losses are recognised in other comprehensive income in the year in which they arise.

1 Significant accounting policies continued

Exceptional items

As permitted by IAS 1 'Presentation of Financial Statements', certain items are presented separately as exceptional on the face of the consolidated income statement. In the opinion of the directors, these exceptional items require separate disclosure by virtue of their nature, size or incidence in order to obtain a clear and consistent presentation of the Group's underlying performance and to provide consistency with internal management reporting. Exceptional items may include, but are not restricted to, impairment charges, acquisition-related costs, restructuring costs, gains and losses on the disposal of fixed assets, and gains and losses on the disposal or closure of businesses. Acquisition-related costs may include transaction costs (including external advisory, legal valuation and other professional fees and attributable internal costs), the amortisation of acquisition-related facility fees, payments to selling shareholders that are accounted for as remuneration and changes in the fair value of contingent consideration.

Financial instruments

Financial instruments are initially recorded at fair value. Subsequent valuation depends on the designation of the instrument.

Cash, bank deposits, borrowings and trade receivables and payables are held at amortised cost.

Bank loans and similar borrowings are recognised initially at fair value (i.e. proceeds received) net of directly attributable transaction fees. Interest expense, including transaction fees, is recognised over the life of the bank loan using the effective interest method.

Derivative financial instruments are recognised initially and subsequently at fair value. The gain or loss on re-measurement to fair value is recognised immediately in the income statement. However, where derivatives qualify for hedge accounting, recognition of any resultant gain or loss depends on the nature of the item being hedged. The fair value of derivative financial instruments is determined by reference to market values for similar financial instruments or by discounting the expected future cash flows at prevailing interest rates.

The sale and purchase of derivative financial instruments are non-speculative.

Cash flow hedges

Where a derivative financial instrument is designated as a hedge against the variability in cash flows of a recognised asset or liability, or a highly probable forecast transaction, any gain or loss on the effective part of the derivative financial instrument is recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated within the hedging reserve. The gain or loss on any ineffective portion of the hedge is recognised immediately in the income statement.

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the hedging instrument no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting, expires or is sold, terminated or exercised. The cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in the hedging reserve remains there until the forecast transaction occurs. The cumulative gain or loss in the hedging reserve is transferred to the income statement in the same period that the hedged item affects profit or loss.

Net investment hedges

Foreign currency differences arising on the retranslation of financial instruments designated as a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation are recognised in other comprehensive income, to the extent that the hedge is effective. The gain or loss of any ineffective portion of the hedge is recognised immediately in the income statement. On disposal of the foreign operation, the cumulative value of gains and losses recorded in equity is transferred to the income statement.

Foreign currencies

The Group's consolidated accounts are presented in Sterling, which is also the parent company's functional currency. Each entity in the Group determines its own functional currency and items included in the accounts of each entity are measured using that functional currency. An entity's functional currency reflects the underlying transactions, events and conditions that are relevant to it.

At an individual entity level, transactions in a currency other than the functional currency of the entity are translated to the functional currency at the exchange rate ruling at the day of the transaction. Entities which have multiple foreign currency transactions apply the average rate for the month as an approximation of the exchange rate on the day of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date and any foreign exchange differences arising are recognised in the income statement, except those arising on intra-Group balances, settlement of which is neither planned nor probable to occur, which are recognised in other comprehensive income. Non-monetary assets and liabilities are measured in terms of historical cost and are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction.

On consolidation, the results of entities with a functional currency other than Sterling are translated into Sterling using a monthly average exchange rate. The net assets of such entities are translated into Sterling at the closing exchange rate.

Exchange differences arising on the translation of foreign currency net investments and any foreign currency borrowings, or forward contracts used to hedge those investments, are taken to a translation reserve. They are recycled and recognised as a profit or loss on the disposal or closure of a business. The cumulative translation difference for all foreign operations was deemed to be zero as at 1 January 2004, the date of transition to adopted IFRS.

Notes to the consolidated accounts continued

1 Significant accounting policies continued

Impairment

The carrying values of all of the Group's assets other than inventories, balances on long-term contracts and deferred tax assets are reviewed at each balance sheet date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If there are indications of an impairment in the carrying value then the recoverable amount is estimated and compared to the carrying amount.

For goodwill and assets not yet available for use, the recoverable amount is estimated at each balance sheet date. An impairment loss is recognised to the extent that the carrying value of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount.

Intangible assets other than goodwill

Intangible assets acquired by the Group, which include customer relationships, brands/trademarks, order backlog, patents and software, are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses. The cost of an intangible asset acquired in a business combination is its fair value at date of acquisition.

Amortisation is charged to the income statement on a straight line basis over the estimated useful lives of intangible assets, from the date they are available for use.

The estimated lives of intangible assets held at 31 December 2015 are as follows:

Customer relationships	Two to 18 years
Brand/trademarks	Up to 20 years
Order backlog	Three to five years
Patents	15 years
Software	Three to seven years
Other	Up to six years

Inventories

Inventories, including land held for and in the course of development, are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Development land and work in progress is included at cost less any losses foreseen in completing and disposing of the development. Cost includes cost of acquisition and development to date, including directly attributable fees and expenses, net of rental and other income attributable to the development.

Leases

The determination of whether an arrangement is (or contains) a lease is based on the substance of the arrangement at the inception of the lease. The arrangement is, or contains, a lease if 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 or assets, even if that right is not explicitly specified in an arrangement.

A lease is classified at the inception date as a finance lease or an operating lease. A lease that transfers substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership to the Group is classified as a finance lease.

Finance leases are capitalised at the commencement of the lease at the inception date fair value of the leased property or, if lower, at the present value of the minimum lease payments. Lease payments are apportioned between finance charges and reduction of the lease liability so as to achieve a constant rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability. Finance charges are recognised in finance costs in the income statement.

A leased asset is depreciated over the useful life of the asset. However, if there is no reasonable certainty that the Group will obtain ownership by the end of the lease term, the asset is depreciated over the shorter of the estimated useful life of the asset and the lease term.

Operating lease costs, including incentives received, are charged to the income statement on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Net financing expense

Net financing expense comprises interest receivable on funds invested, interest payable, pension financing income, the unwinding of discounted balances and foreign exchange gains and losses. Interest income and interest payable are recognised in the income statement as they accrue, using the effective interest method.

Directly attributable finance costs are capitalised in the cost of purchased and constructed property, plant and equipment until the relevant assets are brought into operational use.

1 Significant accounting policies continued

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment is measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. The cost of property, plant and equipment as at 1 January 2004, the date of transition to adopted IFRS, was determined by reference to its fair value at that date.

Depreciation is provided on all property, plant and equipment, with the exception of freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value of each asset on a straight line basis over its estimated useful life. Reviews are made annually of the estimated remaining lives and residual values of individual assets.

The estimated lives used are:

Freehold buildings	Up to 50 years
Leasehold land and buildings	The shorter of the lease term or 50 years
Plant and equipment	Mainly three to five years

Provisions for liabilities and charges

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The Group has taken internal and external advice in considering known and reasonably likely legal claims and actions made by or against the Group. It carefully assesses the likelihood of success of a claim or action. Appropriate provisions are made for legal claims or actions against the Group on the basis of likely outcome but no provisions are made for those which, in the view of management, are unlikely to succeed. These possible but not probable liabilities are disclosed in note 26 as contingent liabilities.

Research and development government credits

The Group claims research and development government credits in the UK, US and Canada. These are judged to have characteristics more akin to grants than income taxes and are offset against the relevant expenditure caption. Credits are recognised to the extent there is reasonable assurance they will be received which, given the necessary claims processes, can be some time after the original expense is incurred.

Revenue recognition and long term contracts

Revenue represents the amount received or receivable for goods and services supplied by the Group to its customers, including the Group's share of revenue from work carried out by jointly controlled operations. Revenue excludes intra-Group sales and value added tax and other sales taxes.

The Group's revenue is derived principally from service and construction-type contracts. Contract revenue is recognised over the term of the contract by reference to the stage of completion of the contract activity at the end of each reporting period.

Revenue from cost reimbursable contracts is based on the services provided, typically represented by man-hours worked and is measured by reference to agreed charge-out rates or to the estimated total contract revenue. Flow-through costs on cost reimbursable contracts typically consisting of materials, equipment or subcontractor services, are included as both contract revenue and contract costs.

Revenue from fixed price contracts is recognised using the percentage-of-completion method, measured by reference to physical completion or the ratio of costs incurred to total estimated contract costs. If the outcome of a contract cannot be estimated reliably, as may be the case in the initial stages of completion of the contract, revenue is recognised only to the extent of the costs incurred that are expected to be recoverable. If a contract is expected to be loss-making, the expected amount of the loss is recognised immediately in the income statement.

A variation is an instruction by the customer for a change in the scope of the work to be performed under the contract. Variations are included in contract revenue when it is probable that the customer will approve the variation and the related adjustment to the contract price can be measured reliably.

A claim is an amount that the contractor seeks to collect from the customer as reimbursement for costs whose inclusion in the contract price is disputed and may arise from, for example, delays caused by the customer, errors in specification or design and disputed variations in contract work. Claims are included in contract revenue when negotiations with the customer have reached an advanced stage such that it is probable that the customer will accept the claim and the amount of the claim can be measured reliably.

Notes to the consolidated accounts continued

1 Significant accounting policies continued

Revenue recognition and long term contracts continued

Incentive payments are additional amounts payable to the contractor if specified performance standards are met or exceeded. Incentive payments are recognised when the contract is sufficiently far advanced that it is probable that the required performance standards will be met and the amount of the payment can be measured reliably.

Gross amounts due from customers included in trade and other receivables represent the costs incurred plus recognised profits less provision for recognised losses and progress billings. Progress billings that have not been settled by customers (including retentions related to contracts in progress) are included in trade receivables where they are stated after allowance for any doubtful debts.

Trade receivables, which are generally of a short term nature, are recognised and carried at the original invoiced amount less an allowance for estimated irrecoverable amounts. Provision is made when there is objective evidence that the Group will not be able to recover balances in full. Balances are written off when the probability of recovery is assessed as being remote.

Gross amounts due to customers included in trade and other payables represent payments on account received from customers in excess of the gross amounts due from customers and advances. Advances are amounts received by the customer before the related work is performed.

Share-based payments

There are various share-based payment arrangements which allow Amec Foster Wheeler employees to acquire Amec Foster Wheeler shares. These awards are granted by Amec Foster Wheeler. The fair value of awards granted is recognised as a cost of employment with a corresponding increase in equity. The fair value is measured at grant date and spread over the period during which the employees become unconditionally entitled to the award. The fair value of the award is measured using a valuation model taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the awards were granted. The amount recognised as an expense is adjusted to reflect the actual number of shares that vest except where non-vesting is due to total shareholder return not achieving the threshold for vesting.

Taxation

Income tax expense comprises the sum of the current tax charge and the movement in deferred tax.

Current tax payable or recoverable is based on taxable profit for the year using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years. Taxable profit is different from accounting profit due to temporary differences between accounting and tax treatments and due to items that are never taxable or deductible.

Tax is recognised in the income statement except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or equity, in which case it is recognised in other comprehensive income or equity as appropriate.

A current tax provision is recognised when the Group has a present obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Group will be required to settle that obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. The provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the balance sheet date, taking into account risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Separate provisions for interest and penalties are also recorded if appropriate. Movements in interest and penalty amounts in respect of tax provisions are not included in the tax charge, but are disclosed within profit/(loss) before income tax.

Tax provisions are based on management's interpretation of country specific tax law and the likelihood of settlement. This involves a significant amount of judgement as tax legislation can be complex and open to different interpretation. Management uses in-house tax experts, professional firms and previous experience when assessing tax risks. Where actual tax liabilities differ from the provisions, adjustments are made which can have a material impact on the Group's profits for the year.

Deferred tax is provided on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the accounts and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences with deferred tax assets being recognised where it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilised. The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and adjustments made to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient profits will be available.

Assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary differences arise from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither accounting nor taxable profit.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and joint ventures except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax is calculated using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted to apply when the deferred tax asset is realised or the liability is settled.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and it is intended that they will be settled on a net basis.

2 Segmental analysis of continuing operations

Amec Foster Wheeler designs, delivers and maintains strategic and complex assets for its customers across the global energy and related sectors

Segment information is presented on a consistent basis with the information presented to the Group Leadership Team for the purposes of allocating resources within the Group and assessing the performance of the Group's businesses

Prior to the acquisition of Foster Wheeler in November 2014 the Group's continuing operations comprised of four operating segments Americas, Europe Growth Regions and Investment Services. For the short period between its acquisition and the end of 2014, Foster Wheeler's results were presented to the Group Leadership Team analysed by its existing operating segments E&C Services and Global Power Group.

With effect from 1 January 2015 the Group adopted three new geographical operating segments Americas, Northern Europe & CIS, and Asia, Middle East, Africa & Southern Europe, with Foster Wheeler's E&C Services segment being merged into these segments. Foster Wheeler's Global Power Group continues to be reported as a separate operating segment. Investment Services also continues to be reported separately. Details of the services offered by each segment and the end markets in which they operate are given on pages 3 to 5 and 24 to 25.

The Group Leadership Team uses trading profit as the measure of the profitability of the Group's businesses. Trading profit is, therefore the measure of the segment profit presented in the Group's segment disclosures. Trading profit represents profit before net financing expense excluding exceptional items, the amortisation and impairment of intangible assets and asbestos-related costs (net of insurance recoveries). Trading profit includes the Group's share of the trading profit of joint ventures.

Revenue and results

	Revenue			Profit/(loss)		
	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Americas	2,646	2 184	2 247	161	212	241
Northern Europe and CIS	1,492	1,293	1 227	134	105	93
Asia, Middle East, Africa and Southern Europe	1,050	516	536	68	25	33
Global Power Group	364	53	—	51	1	—
Investment Services	15	8	6	14	9	11
	5,567	4,054	4,016	428	352	378
Internal revenue	(112)	(61)	(42)	—	—	—
External revenue	5,455	3 993	3 974	—	—	—
Corporate costs ¹				(54)	(31)	(35)
Trading profit ²				374	321	343
Net financing expense ³				(40)	(4)	(11)
Adjusted profit before tax				334	317	332
Tax on results of joint ventures ⁴				(10)	(6)	(5)
				324	311	327
Intangible amortisation and impairment ⁵				(444)	(49)	(47)
Exceptional and asbestos-related items ⁵				(115)	(107)	(25)
(Loss)/profit before income tax				(235)	155	255

1 Corporate costs comprise the costs of operating central corporate functions and certain regional overheads

2 Trading profit is earnings from continuing operations before net financing expense tax, intangible amortisation and impairment, pre-tax exceptional items and asbestos related items of £334m (2014 £299m 2013 £315m) but including joint venture trading profit of £40m (2014 £22m 2013 £28m)

3 Net financing expense excludes exceptional and asbestos related items but includes Amec Foster Wheeler's share of net interest payable of joint ventures

4 The share of post tax results of joint ventures is further analysed as follows

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Trading profit	40	22	28
Net financing expense	(2)	(4)	(9)
Tax	(10)	(6)	(5)
	28	12	14

5 See note 5 for further details

Notes to the consolidated accounts continued

2 Segmental analysis of continuing operations continued

Transactions between reportable segments are conducted on an arm's length basis. Internal revenue arises in the segments as follows

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Americas	12	13	18
Northern Europe and CIS	35	23	17
Asia, Middle East, Africa and Southern Europe	65	24	7
Global Power Group	—	—	—
Investment Services	—	1	—
	112	61	42

Other information

	Share of post tax results of joint ventures			Depreciation			Intangible amortisation and impairment		
	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Americas	(1)	1	2	9	8	7	46	20	18
Northern Europe and CIS	15	8	7	6	5	3	41	19	17
Asia, Middle East, Africa and Southern Europe	3	2	2	4	2	2	23	6	12
Global Power Group	11	2	—	4	1	—	334	4	—
Investment Services	—	(1)	3	3	—	—	—	—	—
	28	12	14	26	16	12	444	49	47

Geographical origin

	Revenue			Non current assets		
	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m	2015 £m	2014 (restated) £m	2013 £m
United Kingdom	1,223	1,067	1,112	647	801	326
Canada	741	938	1,104	288	297	188
United States	1,873	1,218	1,070	1,302	1,175	284
Rest of the world	1,618	770	688	1,019	1,442	225
	5,455	3,993	3,974	3,256	3,715	1,023

The non-current assets analysed by geography include property, plant and equipment, intangible assets and interests in joint ventures

Revenue to external customers by region is based on the location of the group subsidiary which made the sale

3 Revenue

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Construction contracts	1,045	917	342
Services	4,410	3,076	3,632
	5,455	3 993	3 974

The revenue from construction contracts shown above is based on the definition of construction contracts included in IAS 11 and includes revenue from all contracts directly related to the construction of an asset even if Amec Foster Wheeler's role is as a service provider for example project management

4 Profit before net financing expense – continuing operations

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Depreciation of property plant and equipment	26	16	12
Minimum payments under operating leases	89	87	96
Research and development government credits	(15)	(23)	(22)

There are no material receipts from subleases

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Fees paid to the auditor and its associates			
The auditing of the accounts	4.1	39	0.3
The auditing of accounts of any subsidiaries of the company	1.4	15	11
Taxation compliance services	0.9	04	0.3
All taxation advisory services other than compliance	–	–	0.1
All services relating to corporate finance transactions entered into or proposed to be entered into by or on behalf of the company or any of its associates	0.9	64	16
All other non-audit services	0.2	01	0.1
	7.5	12.3	3.5

Notes to the consolidated accounts continued

5 Amortisation, impairment, exceptional and asbestos-related items

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Continuing operations			
Administrative expenses – exceptional and asbestos-related items	(94)	(86)	(18)
Administrative expenses – intangible amortisation and impairment	(444)	(49)	(47)
	(538)	(135)	(65)
Loss on business disposals and closures			
	(1)	(16)	(7)
Net financing expense			
	(20)	(5)	–
	(559)	(156)	(72)
Taxation credit/(charge) on exceptional and asbestos-related items of continuing operations			
	18	6	(6)
Taxation charge on restructuring			
	–	–	(16)
Taxation credit on intangible amortisation and impairment			
	27	12	20
	45	18	(2)
Post-tax amortisation impairment exceptional and asbestos-related items of continuing operations			
	(514)	(138)	(74)
Exceptional items of discontinued operations (post-tax)			
	1	(19)	–
Post-tax amortisation, impairment exceptional and asbestos-related items			
	(513)	(157)	(74)
Post-tax exceptional and asbestos-related items			
	(96)	(120)	(47)
Post-tax intangible amortisation and impairment			
	(417)	(37)	(27)
	(513)	(157)	(74)

The charge of £444m in respect of intangible amortisation and impairment comprises amortisation of £129m and impairments of £315m. The goodwill in the Global Power Group business has been written down by £308m and there was a £7m write down on the order backlog intangible asset. See note 12 for further details.

Post-tax exceptional and asbestos-related items for 2015 are further analysed as follows

	Profit on disposals £m	Loss in respect of business closures £m	Profit/(loss) on business disposals and closures £m	Asbestos-related items £m	Other exceptional items £m	Total £m
Continuing operations	–	(1)	(1)	6	(120)	(115)
Discontinued operations	1	–	1	–	–	1
Profit/(loss) before tax	1	(1)	–	6	(120)	(114)
Taxation on exceptional items	–	–	–	–	18	18
Profit/(loss) after tax	1	(1)	–	6	(102)	(96)

The pre-tax profit on disposal of £1m relates to costs and movements in indemnity provisions associated with businesses sold in prior years and classified as discontinued.

There was a credit of £5m relating to a change in the discount rate applied to the asbestos liability and experiential gains of £9m as the liability is reassessed on an annual basis. These credits were offset by a £7m charge in respect of unwinding the discount and £1m other costs of managing the liability.

Other exceptional items of £120m includes £97m relating to the costs of integrating the Amec and Foster Wheeler businesses, £13m amortisation of fees associated with the borrowings taken on to fund the acquisition, a £5m loss incurred following an unauthorised payment made from the Australian business and not expected to be recovered and other exceptional items totalling £5m.

Integration costs includes severance (£32m), professional and consultancy fees (£11m), costs of rationalisation of agents (£8m), property and office rationalisation (£27m) and staff costs (£11m) as well as IT rebranding and Sarbanes-Oxley Act implementation costs totalling £8m.

Of the £120m of other exceptional items, £72m was paid in cash during the year.

5 Amortisation, impairment, exceptional items and asbestos-related items continued

Post-tax exceptional and asbestos-related items for 2014 are further analysed as follows

	Loss on disposals £m	Profit in respect of business closures £m	Loss on business disposals and closures £m	Asbestos related items £m	Other exceptional items £m	Total £m
Continuing operations	(21)	5	(16)	(9)	(82)	(107)
Discontinued operations	(23)	–	(23)	–	–	(23)
(Loss)/profit before tax	(44)	5	(39)	(9)	(82)	(130)
Taxation on exceptional items	5	–	5	–	5	10
(Loss)/profit after tax	(39)	5	(34)	(9)	(77)	(120)

During the year ended 31 December 2014, the Group disposed of its investment in the Lancashire Waste project at a loss of £21m mainly arising from a reverse premium payable on exit. This combined with additional indemnity provisions and costs of £23m associated with businesses sold in prior years (and classified as discontinued) to give a pre-tax loss on disposal of £44m. This includes a provision £11m in respect of a new claim received in the year related to a contract completed by the DPS business which was sold in 2007.

There was a credit of £5m from the release of a provision no longer required in respect of a business closed in a prior year (and classified as continuing).

Other exceptional items of £82m includes transaction costs of £37m relating to the acquisition of Foster Wheeler AG, £35m costs of integrating the two businesses and £4m of fees associated with the borrowings taken on to fund the acquisition. Integration costs include consultancy and other costs of identifying cost synergies of £18m which includes associated internal labour plus £17m costs of achieving cost synergies (including £14m redundancy costs). In addition £6m was incurred in completing the previously announced restructuring into geographic business units. There was a charge of £8m relating to a change in the discount rate applied to the asbestos liability and £1m in respect of unwinding the discount. Out of the £82m of other exceptional items £58m was paid in cash during the year.

Post-tax exceptional items for 2013 are further analysed as follows

	Loss on disposals £m	Loss in respect of business closures £m	Loss on business disposals and closures £m	Other exceptional items £m	Total £m
Continuing operations	–	(7)	(7)	(18)	(25)
Discontinued operations	(6)	–	(6)	–	(6)
Loss before tax	(6)	(7)	(13)	(18)	(31)
Taxation charge on restructuring	–	–	–	(16)	(16)
Taxation on exceptional items	6	–	6	(6)	–
Loss after tax	–	(7)	(7)	(40)	(47)

Additional indemnity provisions of £10m and costs in respect of businesses sold in prior years (and classified as discontinued) were offset by the release of a £5m litigation provision and indemnity provisions no longer required, and give a pre-tax exceptional loss on disposals of £6m.

There were additional litigation provisions of £9m offset by releases of £2m in respect of businesses closed in a prior year and classified as continuing.

Exceptional costs of £18m in continuing operations includes £14m restructuring costs associated with the management reorganisation into geographic business units and transaction costs of £4m which, in line with IFRS 3 are charged to the income statement.

A tax provision of £16m has been established for potential withholding tax following a Group restructuring that resulted in a significant amount of cash being repatriated from foreign subsidiaries.

Notes to the consolidated accounts continued

6 Staff costs and employee numbers – continuing operations

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Wages and salaries	1,857	1 466	1 459
Social security costs	193	100	98
Equity-settled share-based payments (note 22)	7	8	14
Contributions to defined contribution schemes	42	37	36
Defined benefit pension scheme expense (note 14)	38	31	32
	2,137	1,642	1 639

	2015 number	2014 number	2013 number
The average number of people employed was as follows			
Americas	15,040	12 365	13,046
Northern Europe and CIS	9,232	7 898	7 216
Asia, Middle East, Africa and Southern Europe	7,086	3 376	3,070
Global Power Group	2,332	322	–
Investment Services/Centre	323	264	240
	34,013	24 225	23 572

The average number of people employed in 2014 includes AMEC staff for the full year and Foster Wheeler staff for the period following the acquisition

Details of directors remuneration are provided in the Directors' remuneration report on pages 67 to 80

The average number of employees as stated above excludes agency staff

7 Net financing expense – continuing operations

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Financial income			
Interest income on bank deposits	7	3	7
Other interest and similar income	3	5	3
Pension financing income	–	2	1
Foreign exchange gains	6	1	1
	16	11	12
Financial expense			
Interest payable on bank loans and overdrafts	(51)	(10)	(9)
Other interest and similar expense	(7)	(4)	(3)
Pension finance expense	(2)	–	–
Foreign exchange losses	(7)	(1)	(2)
Unwinding of the discount on the asbestos provision	(7)	(1)	–
	(74)	(16)	(14)
Net financing expense	(58)	(5)	(2)

The unwinding of the discount on the asbestos provision of £7m (2014 £1m) has been presented separately in the income statement and the amortisation of facility fees of £13m (2014 £4m) (included within interest payable on bank loans and overdrafts) has been presented as an exceptional item. There were no exceptional items included in net financing expense in the year ended 31 December 2013

8 Income tax – continuing operations

Income tax arises in respect of the different categories of income and expenses as follows

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Income tax expense on continuing operations before amortisation exceptional and asbestos related items	63	67	67
Income tax credit on amortisation	(27)	(12)	(20)
Income tax charge on restructuring	–	–	16
Income tax (credit)/charge in respect of other exceptional items	(18)	(6)	6
Total income tax expense from continuing operations in the income statement	18	49	69

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Current tax			
Current year	59	72	95
Adjustments in respect of prior years	(19)	(6)	(26)
	40	66	69
Deferred tax			
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	(19)	(13)	(2)
Adjustments in respect of prior years	(3)	(4)	2
	(22)	(17)	–
Total income tax expense for continuing operations	18	49	69

During the year effective from 1 April 2015, the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK changed from 21% to 20%. The rate is reduced to 19% with effect from 1 April 2017 with a further reduction to 18% from 1 April 2020. These changes were all substantively enacted prior to the end of the year.

Factors affecting the tax expense for the year are explained as follows

	2015 £m	2014 (restated) £m	2013 (restated) £m
(Loss)/profit before tax	(235)	155	255
Less share of net income from joint ventures	(28)	(12)	(14)
(Loss)/profit before tax from continuing operations (excluding joint ventures)	(263)	143	241
Expected income tax expense at UK tax rate	(53)	31	56
Non-deductible expenses – pre-exceptional	7	13	11
Non-deductible expenses – exceptional	3	11	–
Non-deductible impairments	62	–	–
Non-taxable income – pre-exceptional	(2)	–	–
Benefit from finance structures	(12)	(6)	(7)
Closure of HMRC enquiry into intragroup lending	(12)	–	–
Impact of providing deferred tax on pension surplus at 20.0%	–	–	(21)
Impact of changes in UK tax rate on deferred tax	(7)	–	–
Overseas income and expenses taxed at rates other than UK rate	5	8	26
Utilisation of tax assets not previously recognised	(1)	–	(6)
Recognition of tax assets not previously recognised	(3)	(8)	–
Current year tax assets not recognised	15	10	6
Write-off of previously recognised tax assets	26	–	28
Other adjustments in respect of prior years	(10)	(10)	(24)
Total income tax expense for the year for continuing operations	18	49	69

During the year HMRC's enquiry into the nature of the intercompany debt payable from the legacy Amec US group to the UK was concluded without tax adjustment. Accordingly, £12m of risk provision was released in full during the year.

Net income tax liabilities in the Group balance sheet include £105m (2014 £126m) relating to uncertain tax positions.

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8 Income tax – continuing operations continued

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Tax recognised directly in other comprehensive income			
Current tax	–	–	–
Deferred tax (note 15)	23	(11)	21
Tax charge/(credit) recognised directly in other comprehensive income	23	(11)	21

9 (Loss)/profit for the year from discontinued operations

Discontinued operations represent the residual assets and retained obligations in respect of businesses sold in prior years as well as the UK conventional power business which was discontinued in 2013

In accordance with IFRS 5, the post-tax results of discontinued operations are disclosed separately in the consolidated income statement

The results of the discontinued operations are all attributable to the equity holders of the parent and are as follows

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Revenue	–	(13)	15
Cost of sales and net operating expenses	(6)	3	(25)
Loss before exceptional items and income tax	(6)	(10)	(10)
Attributable tax	1	2	2
	(5)	(8)	(8)
Profit/(loss) on disposal	1	(23)	(6)
Tax on disposals	–	4	6
Loss for the year from discontinued operations	(4)	(27)	(8)

The loss before exceptional items and income tax in 2015 represents additional provisions on certain contracts within the UK conventional power business

The negative revenue of £13m and loss of £10m before exceptional items and income tax in 2014 related to the settlement of final accounts and additional provisions on the UK conventional power contracts

The loss on disposals of £23m in 2014 relates to additional indemnity provisions and costs associated with businesses sold in prior years

Net cash flows attributable to discontinued operations

The net cash flows attributable to discontinued operations during the year were as follows

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Net cash flow from operating activities	(1)	(3)	(12)
Net cash flow from investing activities	2	3	(2)
	1	–	(14)

10 Earnings per share

Basic and diluted earnings per share are shown on the face of the income statement. The calculation of the average number of shares in issue has been made having deducted the shares held by the trustees of the Employee Share Trust and those held in treasury by the company. As the Group has reported a basic loss per ordinary share from continuing operations, any potential ordinary shares are anti-dilutive and so excluded from the calculation of diluted loss per share.

	2015			2014			2013		
	Loss £m	Weighted average shares number million	Loss per share pence	Earnings £m	Weighted average shares number million	Earnings per share pence	Earnings £m	Weighted average shares number million	Earnings per share pence
Basic (loss)/earnings from continuing operations	(252)	383	(66.1)	109	302	36.1	187	293	63.8
Share options	-	-	-	-	2	(0.2)	-	2	(0.4)
Employee share and incentive schemes	-	-	-	-	7	(0.8)	-	4	(0.9)
Diluted (loss)/earnings from continuing operations	(252)	383	(66.1)	109	311	35.1	187	299	62.5
Basic loss from discontinued operations	(4)	383	(1.1)	(27)	302	(8.9)	(8)	293	(2.7)
Share options	-	-	-	-	2	0.1	-	2	-
Employee share and incentive schemes	-	-	-	-	7	0.2	-	4	-
Diluted loss from discontinued operations	(4)	383	(1.1)	(27)	311	(8.6)	(8)	299	(2.7)

Basic and diluted (loss)/profit from continuing operations is calculated as set out below

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
(Loss)/profit for the year from continuing operations	(253)	106	186
Loss attributable to non-controlling interests	1	3	1
Basic and diluted (loss)/profit from continuing operations	(252)	109	187

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10 Earnings per share continued

In order to appreciate the effects on the reported performance of intangible amortisation and impairment, exceptional and asbestos related items along with the impact of the potential ordinary shares additional calculations of earnings per share are presented

	2015			2014			2013		
	(Loss)/ earnings £m	Weighted average shares number million	Earnings per share pence	Earnings £m	Weighted average shares number million	Earnings per share pence	Earnings £m	Weighted average shares number million	Earnings per share pence
Basic (loss)/earnings from continuing operations	(252)	383	(66.1)	109	302	36.1	187	293	63.8
Exceptional and asbestos related items (post-tax)	97	-	25.3	101	-	33.4	47	-	16.0
Amortisation and impairment (post-tax)	417	-	108.9	37	-	12.3	27	-	9.2
Basic earnings from continuing operations before impairment, amortisation, exceptional and asbestos related items	262	383	68.1	247	302	81.8	261	293	89.0
Share options	-	-	-	-	2	(0.5)	-	2	(0.6)
Employee share and incentive schemes	-	2	(0.4)	-	7	(1.8)	-	4	(1.2)
Diluted earnings from continuing operations before impairment, amortisation and exceptional and asbestos related items	262	385	67.7	247	311	79.5	261	299	87.2
Basic loss from discontinued operations	(4)	383	(1.1)	(27)	302	(8.9)	(8)	293	(2.7)
Exceptional items (post-tax)	(1)	-	(0.2)	19	-	6.3	-	-	-
Basic loss from discontinued operations before exceptional items	(5)	383	(1.3)	(8)	302	(2.6)	(8)	293	(2.7)
Share options	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	-
Employee share and incentive schemes	-	2	-	-	7	0.1	-	4	-
Diluted loss from discontinuing operations before exceptional items	(5)	385	(1.3)	(8)	311	(2.5)	(8)	299	(2.7)

11 Property, plant and equipment

	Land and buildings £m	Plant and equipment £m	Total £m
Cost			
As at 1 January 2015 (restated)	78	172	250
Exchange and other movements	(3)	(4)	(7)
Reclassifications	(2)	(5)	(7)
Additions	4	12	16
Disposals	(2)	(4)	(6)
As at 31 December 2015	75	171	246
Depreciation			
As at 1 January 2015	24	76	100
Exchange and other movements	(1)	(2)	(3)
Provided during the year	7	19	26
Disposals	(1)	(3)	(4)
As at 31 December 2015	29	90	119
Cost			
As at 1 January 2014	30	95	125
Exchange and other movements	4	(1)	3
Acquired through business combinations	39	73	112
Additions	6	8	14
Disposals	(1)	(3)	(4)
As at 31 December 2014 (restated)	78	172	250
Depreciation			
As at 1 January 2014	17	69	86
Exchange and other movements	2	–	2
Provided during the year	6	10	16
Disposals	(1)	(3)	(4)
As at 31 December 2014	24	76	100
Net book value			
As at 31 December 2015	46	81	127
As at 31 December 2014	54	96	150
As at 1 January 2014	13	26	39
		31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 (restated) £m
The net book value of land and buildings comprised			
Freehold	24	29	
Short leasehold	22	25	
	46	54	

The carrying value of land and buildings held under finance lease at 31 December 2015 was £5m (2014 £6m). The amount acquired through business combinations was £nil (2014 £6m). Additions during the year include £nil (2014 £nil) under finance leases.

The balance as at 1 January 2015 has been restated following the finalisation of the purchase price allocation of the Foster Wheeler acquisition.

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12 Intangible assets

	Goodwill £m	Customer relationships £m	Brands/ trademarks £m	Order backlog £m	Patents £m	Software £m	Total £m
Cost							
As at 1 January 2015 (restated)	2,551	560	186	137	109	123	3,666
Exchange and other movements	(21)	1	8	–	8	–	(4)
Additions	1	–	–	–	–	21	22
Disposals and retirements	–	(31)	–	–	–	(6)	(37)
Reclassifications	–	–	–	–	–	7	7
As at 31 December 2015	2,531	530	194	137	117	145	3,654
Amortisation							
As at 1 January 2015 (restated)	35	107	21	14	1	45	223
Exchange and other movements	(4)	–	–	1	1	1	(1)
Impairment loss	308	–	–	7	–	–	315
Provided during the year	–	43	11	43	7	25	129
Disposals and retirements	–	(31)	–	–	–	(6)	(37)
As at 31 December 2015	339	119	32	65	9	65	629
Cost							
As at 1 January 2014	792	192	23	9	–	66	1,082
Exchange and other movements	(2)	4	1	–	(1)	2	4
Acquired through business combinations	1,761	367	162	129	110	5	2,534
Additions	–	–	–	–	–	51	51
Disposals and retirements	–	(3)	–	(1)	–	(1)	(5)
As at 31 December 2014 (restated)	2,551	560	186	137	109	123	3,666
Amortisation							
As at 1 January 2014	35	85	19	7	–	29	175
Exchange and other movements	–	2	–	–	–	1	3
Provided during the year	–	23	2	8	1	15	49
Disposals and retirements	–	(3)	–	(1)	–	–	(4)
As at 31 December 2014 (restated)	35	107	21	14	1	45	223
Net book value							
As at 31 December 2015	2,192	411	162	72	108	80	3,025
As at 31 December 2014 (restated)	2,516	453	165	123	108	78	3,443
As at 1 January 2014	757	107	4	2	–	37	907

The carrying value of software held under deferred payment arrangements which are similar to finance leases as at 31 December 2015 was £24m (2014 £30m). Additions during the year include £nil (2014 £33m) of software held under deferred payment arrangements.

The impairment loss of £315m relates to a £308m impairment of goodwill in relation to the Global Power Group and a £7m impairment of the order backlog intangible asset.

12 Intangible assets continued

The Group is required to test its goodwill and intangible assets for impairment at least annually or more frequently if indicators of impairment exist.

The review of goodwill for indications of impairment by management is performed at the operating segment level being the lowest level of cash-generating units (CGU) monitored for goodwill purposes. With effect from 1 January 2015 the Group adopted three new geographical operating segments Americas, Northern Europe and CIS and Asia Middle East, Africa and Southern Europe, with Foster Wheeler's E&C Services segment being merged into these segments. Goodwill on the legacy AMEC and Foster Wheeler E&C businesses was allocated between these segments on a relative fair value basis.

The table below shows the goodwill allocated to each CGU post recognition of any impairment losses.

	Goodwill 31 December 2015 £m	Pre tax discount rate 2015 %
Americas	1,054	11
Northern Europe and CIS	654	11
Asia, Middle East, Africa and Southern Europe	266	11
Global Power Group	218	13

The recoverable amount of all CGUs has been based on value-in-use calculations. These calculations use cash flow projections included in the financial budgets approved by the Board for 2016 and pre-tax discount rates as set out in the table above. For the purposes of the calculation of the recoverable amount the cash flow projections beyond the budgeted period include no growth in 2017 for the Americas, Northern Europe and CIS and Asia, Middle East, Africa and Southern Europe, and 10% growth in the Global Power Group. For all segments, no growth is included in 2018, 5% growth in 2019, 10% growth in 2020 and 3% growth per annum thereafter. The long-term growth rates are in line with long-term average growth rates for the regions in which the CGUs operate.

The financial budgets reflect management's judgement of the future cash flows which includes past experience and expectations of future performance. The most significant assumptions relate to trading profit margin and the conversion of trading profit into cash (cash conversion). Revenue is underpinned by a secure order book for each CGU and the order book remains strong at £6.6 billion as at 31 December 2015 (2014 £6.3 billion). The selection of trading profit margin takes into account the margins being generated on contracts in progress and management's view of the margin on orders received and is consistent with Amec Foster Wheeler's growth strategy. The cash conversion reflects past experience and current contract mix.

The value-in-use has been compared to the carrying value for each CGU and no impairment is required nor has been charged in respect of the Americas, Northern Europe and CIS, or Asia, Middle East, Africa and Southern Europe CGUs.

The carrying amount of the Global Power Group CGU has been reduced to its recoverable amount through recognition of an impairment loss of £308m against goodwill. This has been included in administrative expenses in the income statement. The recoverable amount of the Global Power Group CGU is £396m. The impairment loss arose due to difficult market conditions and a reduction in forecast future profits of the Global Power Group. Any adverse changes in the key assumptions would increase this impairment loss.

A sensitivity analysis has been performed in respect of these CGUs in order to review the impact of changes in key assumptions. The value-in-use calculations referred to above showed headroom of £400m in the Americas CGU and £307m in the Northern Europe and CIS CGU. However, applying zero terminal growth would eliminate the headroom and would result in an impairment to goodwill of £40m in the Americas CGU and £27m in the Northern Europe and CIS CGU. A zero growth rate would not result in an impairment in the Asia, Middle East, Africa and Southern Europe CGU.

Consideration was also given to the impact of a 10% decrease in volume, a 1% decrease in margin, or a 1% increase in discount rate, in each case holding other assumptions constant. This did not identify any impairments in these CGUs.

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13 Interests in joint ventures

Interests in joint ventures

Details in aggregate of the Group's interests in all joint ventures that are accounted for using the equity method are as follows

	£m
Net book value	
As at 1 January 2015	122
Exchange and other movements	2
Disposal of businesses	(9)
Additions	1
Reclassifications	2
Total comprehensive income	28
Dividends received	(42)
As at 31 December 2015	104
As at 1 January 2014	52
Acquired through business combinations	73
Disposal of businesses	(2)
Additions	1
Total comprehensive income	12
Dividends received	(14)
As at 31 December 2014	122

Group companies are listed on pages 194 to 201

Details of material joint ventures

Petropower Energia Limitada

The Group has an 85% interest in Petropower Energia Limitada, a joint venture alongside the state-owned oil company of the Republic of Chile which began commercial operation in November 1998. The Group's interest is accounted for using the equity method in the consolidated financial statements. Summarised financial information of the joint venture, based on its IFRS financial statements are set out below.

Summarised Balance Sheet of Petropower Energia Limitada

	2015 £m	2014 £m
Non-current assets	47	51
Current assets, including cash and cash equivalents of £19 583 000 (2014 £14,607,000)	35	41
Current liabilities	(30)	(29)
Non-current liabilities	(12)	(13)
Equity	40	50

Summarised Income Statement of Petropower Energia Limitada

	2015 £m
Revenue	43
Cost of sales	(20)
Administrative expenses	(2)
Profit before tax	21
Income tax expense	(5)
Profit for the year	16

Although the Group has an 85% interest in Petropower Energia Limitada, the profits are split according to the joint venture agreement. In the year the profit after tax received by the Group from Petropower Energia Limitada was £11m (2014 £2m) the carrying value of the investment was £53m (2014 £54m).

In 2014 the income received from Petropower Energia Limitada was immaterial as the Group only acquired the 85% interest following the acquisition of Foster Wheeler on 13 November 2014.

13 Interests in joint ventures continued

Nuclear Management Partners Limited

The Group has a 36% interest in Nuclear Management Partners Limited. The Group's interest is accounted for using the equity method in the consolidated financial statements. Summarised financial information of the joint venture, based on its IFRS financial statements are set out below.

Summarised Balance Sheet of Nuclear Management Partners Limited

	2015 £m	2014 £m
Non-current assets	10	30
Current assets including cash and cash equivalents of £4,635,000 (2014 £2 449 000)	8	8
Current liabilities	(6)	(5)
Non-current liabilities	–	(3)
Equity	12	30
Group's carrying value of investment	4	11

Summarised Income Statement of Nuclear Management Partners Limited

	2015 £m	2014 £m
Revenue	6	6
Cost of sales	(6)	(6)
Administrative expenses	(2)	(3)
Share of post tax results of associate	40	27
Profit before tax	38	24
Income tax expense	–	–
Profit for the year	38	24
Group's share of profit for the year	14	9

PPP service concessions

Details of the PPP service concessions are as follows

		Financial close	Equity stake	Concession period	Net equity invested
Transport	A13 Thames Gateway	2000	25%	30 years	–
	Incheon Bridge, Korea	2005	23%	30 years	£12m
Power	Petropower Energia Limitada Chile	1998	85%	20 years	£53m

Interests in joint operations

The Group does not hold any individual material interests in joint operations in either the current or prior year

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14 Retirement benefit assets and liabilities

Defined benefit schemes

The Group operates a number of pension schemes for UK and overseas employees

There are three principal defined benefit schemes. In the UK these are the AMEC Staff pension scheme (which also has an associated Executive top-up scheme) and the Foster Wheeler Pension Plan and in the US The Foster Wheeler Inc Salaried Employees Pension Plan. The AMEC Staff and Executive pension schemes are closed to new members but remain open to further accrual. The Foster Wheeler Pension Plan is a hybrid benefit arrangement with distinct defined benefit and defined contribution sections. The defined benefit section is closed to new members and further accrual but the defined contribution section remains open to further accrual. The Foster Wheeler Inc Salaried Employees Pension Plan is also closed to new members and further accrual. Contributions by the Group into defined contribution schemes are disclosed in note 6.

The AMEC Staff and Executive pension schemes are average salary plans for UK employees. The Foster Wheeler Pension Plan was a final salary pension plan. All three schemes require contributions to be made to a separately administered fund. These schemes are governed by the employment laws of the UK. The level of benefits provided depends on the member's length of service and salary each year. Once the benefits are in payment, the pension is adjusted each year relative to the UK's Retail Prices Index for the AMEC Staff and Executive pension schemes. The Foster Wheeler Pension Plan is adjusted each year relative to the UK's Consumer Price Index. Each scheme is established under trust law and are governed by a Board of Trustees which consists of employers' and employees' representatives. In addition the AMEC Staff and Executive pension schemes have two independent trustees. The Board of Trustees is responsible for the administration of the plan assets and for the definition of the investment strategy.

Every three years the Board of Trustees is required by legislation to review the level of funding in the pension plans. The Board of Trustees decides the contribution levels in consultation with the employers based on the results of this triennial review. In the event that there is a funding deficit the Trustees and the employer will agree a recovery plan to eliminate that deficit over as short a period as is reasonably affordable.

Due to the nature of the liabilities, the pension plans are exposed to inflation, interest rate risk and changes in the life expectancy for pensioners. As the plan assets include significant investments in quoted equities the Group is also exposed to equity market risk.

The valuations used have been based on the final valuations of the AMEC Staff pension scheme and AMEC Executive pension scheme as at 31 March 2014. The Foster Wheeler Pension Plan's most recent valuation took place as at 1 April 2013. These schemes have been updated by the schemes' actuaries for the requirement to assess the present value of the liabilities of the schemes as at 31 December 2015. The assets of the schemes are stated at their aggregate market value as at 31 December 2015.

The Foster Wheeler Inc Salaried Employees Pension Plan provides pension benefits to certain full-time employees. Under the pension plan retirement benefits are primarily a function of both years of service and level of compensation. The pension plan is closed to new members and further accrual.

Following an employee consultation exercise at the end of 2015, the Company has now confirmed its intention to close its UK Staff and Executive defined benefit pension schemes to future accrual from 1 April 2016 and replace them with a new defined contribution arrangement. Subject to obtaining the necessary Trustee approval all legacy defined contribution plans in the UK will be merged into the new arrangement by 30 June 2016.

14 Retirement benefit assets and liabilities continued

Defined benefit schemes continued

The principal assumptions made by the actuaries are as follows

	31 December 2015 %	31 December 2014 %	31 December 2013 %
The AMEC Staff pension scheme and the AMEC Executive pension scheme			
Rate of discount	3.9	36	46
Rate of inflation	3.0	30	33
Rate of increase in salaries	3.0	30	33
Rate of increase in pensions in payment (service before/after 1 January 2008)	2.8/1.9	2.9/2.0	3.2/2.2
The Foster Wheeler Pension Plan			
Rate of discount	3.9	37	-
Rate of inflation	3.0	30	-
Rate of increase in salaries	2.0	19	-
Rate of increase in pensions in payment (service before/after 5 April 2005, nil before 6 April 1997)	2.0/1.5	11	-
The Foster Wheeler Inc. Salaried Employees Pension Plan			
Rate of discount	3.9	36	-
Rate of inflation	2.3	25	-
Rate of increase in salaries	N/A	N/A	-
Rate of increase in pensions in payment	N/A	N/A	-

In addition the Group has a number of smaller overseas schemes. During the year the rate of discount ranged from 1.5% to 10.1% (2014 1.8% to 9.0% 2013 4.8% to 4.9%). The rate of increase in salaries ranged from 1.9% to 8.0% (2014 1.9% to 8.0%, 2013 2.8%).

For the three principal defined benefit schemes, the assumed life expectancy is as follows

	31 December 2015 Male years	31 December 2015 Female years	31 December 2014 Male years	31 December 2014 Female years	31 December 2013 Male years	31 December 2013 Female years
The AMEC Staff pension scheme and the AMEC Executive pension scheme						
Member aged 65 (current life expectancy)	22.4	24.6	22.5	24.6	22.9	24.4
Member aged 45 (life expectancy at 65)	24.1	26.5	24.2	26.5	24.7	26.3
The Foster Wheeler Pension Plan						
Member aged 65 (current life expectancy)	23.4	23.2	23.5	23.2	N/A	N/A
Member aged 45 (life expectancy at 65)	25.1	25.1	25.3	25.1	N/A	N/A
The Foster Wheeler Inc. Salaried Employees Pension Plan						
Member aged 65 (current life expectancy)	21.1	23.1	21.6	23.7	N/A	N/A
Member aged 45 (life expectancy at 65)	23.2	25.2	23.2	25.4	N/A	N/A

The assumptions used by the actuaries are the best estimates chosen from a range of possible actuarial assumptions which, due to the timescale covered, may not necessarily be borne out in practice.

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14 Retirement benefit assets and liabilities continued

Defined benefit schemes continued

The amounts recognised in the balance sheet are as follows

	31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 £m	31 December 2013 £m
Retirement benefit assets	231	102	102
Retirement benefit liabilities	(168)	(188)	(62)
Retirement benefit net asset/(liability)	63	(86)	40

The retirement benefit net asset/(liability) is analysed as follows

	31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 £m	31 December 2013 £m
The AMEC Staff and the AMEC Executive pension scheme	184	65	102
The Foster Wheeler Pension Plan	47	37	–
The Foster Wheeler Inc Salaried Employees Pension Plan	(59)	(57)	–
Other smaller pension schemes	(109)	(131)	(62)
	63	(86)	40

The retirement benefit liabilities of £168m (2014 £188m, 2013 £62m) reflect primarily the deficits on the smaller overseas schemes

The major categories of scheme assets as a percentage of total scheme assets are as follows

	31 December 2015 per cent	31 December 2014 per cent	31 December 2013 per cent
Equities	34.6	35.4	41.3
Bonds (including gilts)	51.8	52.6	47.6
Property	8.7	8.4	8.8
Other	4.9	3.6	2.3
	100.0	100.0	100.0

The equities and bonds as listed above are predominantly quoted investments. There is a small investment in privately held pooled fund investments and the property/other investments are unquoted

The amounts recognised in the income statement are as follows

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Current service cost, past service cost and administrative expenses	36	33	33
Interest cost	104	84	72
Interest income	(102)	(86)	(73)
Total amount recognised in the income statement and included within staff costs (note 6)	38	31	32
Settlement gain	(3)	(3)	–
Total amount recognised in the income statement	35	28	32
The total amount is recognised in the income statement as follows			
Cost of sales	22	20	19
Administrative expenses	11	10	14
Net financing expense/(income)	2	(2)	(1)
Total amount recognised in the income statement	35	28	32

14 Retirement benefit assets and liabilities continued

Defined benefit schemes continued

Changes in the present value of the defined benefit liability are as follows

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
As at 1 January	2,931	1,743	1,652
Exchange and other movements	(1)	3	(14)
Acquired through business combinations	-	898	-
Current and past service cost	32	29	31
Interest cost	104	84	72
Plan participants' contributions	11	12	12
Actuarial (gains)/charges arising from changes in financial assumptions and experience adjustments	(177)	278	58
Actuarial (gains)/charges arising from changes in demographic assumptions	(14)	(19)	7
Settlements	(31)	(12)	(4)
Benefits paid	(141)	(85)	(71)
Reclassifications	3	-	-
As at 31 December	2,717	2,931	1,743

The defined benefit obligation can be allocated to the plans' participants as follows

	2015 %	2014 %	2013 %
Active plan participants	20.5	22.0	25.2
Deferred plan participants	28.4	31.3	33.8
Retirees	51.1	46.7	41.0
	100.0	100.0	100.0

The weighted average duration of the defined benefit obligation at the end of the reporting period is 16 years

Changes in the fair value of scheme assets are as follows

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
As at 1 January	2,845	1,783	1,645
Exchange and other movements	-	3	(8)
Acquired through business combinations	-	826	-
Interest income	102	86	73
Actuarial (losses)/gains	(41)	201	105
Employer contributions	36	32	29
Plan participants' contributions	11	12	12
Administrative expenses	(4)	(4)	(2)
Settlements	(28)	(9)	-
Benefits paid	(141)	(85)	(71)
As at 31 December	2,780	2,845	1,783

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14 Retirement benefit assets and liabilities continued

Defined benefit schemes continued

The movement in the scheme net asset/(liability) during the year is as follows

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Scheme net (liability)/asset as at 1 January	(86)	40	(7)
Exchange and other movements	1	-	6
Acquired through business combinations	-	(72)	-
Total charge as per note 6	(38)	(31)	(32)
Employer contributions	36	32	29
Settlements	3	3	4
Actuarial gains/(losses) recognised in other comprehensive income	150	(58)	40
Reclassifications	(3)	-	-
Scheme net asset/(liability) as at 31 December	63	(86)	40

The impact on the defined benefit obligation of the principal pension schemes of changes in the most significant assumptions as at 31 December 2015 is shown below

	The AMEC Staff and the AMEC Executive pension schemes £m	The Foster Wheeler Salaried Employees Pension Plan £m	The Foster Wheeler Inc Salaried Employees Pension Plan £m
Discount rate			
-10 bps	(29)	(9)	(2)
+10 bps	29	9	2
Inflation			
-10 bps	27	4	-
+10 bps	(27)	(4)	-
Salary increase			
-10 bps	2	1	-
+10 bps	(2)	(1)	-
Mortality			
+1 year	(53)	(12)	(9)
-1 year	53	12	9

The sensitivity analysis above is based on a method that extrapolates the impact on the defined benefit obligation of reasonable changes in key assumptions occurring as at 31 December 2015

The defined benefit obligations of the other benefit schemes are significantly lower than those of the principal defined benefit schemes. Sensitivity analysis of reasonable changes in the key assumptions as at 31 December did not indicate any significant changes to the defined benefit obligations of those schemes.

Expected benefit payments from the defined benefit plans in future years are as follows

	£m
Year 1	139
Year 2	142
Year 3	145
Year 4	147
Year 5	150
Next five years	793
	1,516

The Group expects to contribute £36m to its defined benefit pension schemes in 2016. This includes special contributions of £6m

15 Deferred tax assets and liabilities

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are attributable to the following

Recognised deferred tax assets and liabilities

	Assets	Liabilities		
	31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 £m	31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 £m
Property plant and equipment	17	15	(10)	(9)
Intangible assets	4	14	(226)	(264)
Retirement benefits	43	67	(43)	(38)
Derivative financial instruments	2	-	(2)	(2)
Provisions	144	130	-	-
Employee share schemes	-	1	-	-
Other items	12	28	(29)	(37)
Tax losses carried forward	30	42	-	-
Tax credits carried forward	2	1	-	-
Deferred tax assets/(liabilities)	254	298	(310)	(350)
Offset of deferred tax assets and liabilities relating to income tax levied by the same taxation authority	(204)	(242)	204	242
Net deferred tax assets/(liabilities)	50	56	(106)	(108)

	As at 1 January 2015 £m	Exchange and other movements £m	Reclassifications £m	Recognised in income £m	Recognised in other comprehensive income £m	As at 31 December 2015 £m
Property, plant and equipment	6	-	-	1	-	7
Intangible assets	(250)	(6)	(1)	35	-	(222)
Retirement benefits	29	2	-	(5)	(26)	-
Derivative financial instruments	(2)	-	-	-	2	-
Provisions	130	1	-	12	1	144
Employee share schemes	1	-	-	(1)	-	-
Other items	(9)	1	1	(9)	(1)	(17)
Tax losses carried forward	42	(1)	(1)	(11)	1	30
Tax credits carried forward	1	-	1	-	-	2
	(52)	(3)	-	22	(23)	(56)

	As at 1 January 2014 £m	Exchange and other movements £m	Acquisitions £m	Recognised in income £m	Recognised in other comprehensive income £m	As at 31 December 2014 £m
Property, plant and equipment	13	-	(11)	4	-	6
Intangible assets	(33)	(3)	(222)	8	-	(250)
Retirement benefits	(12)	-	35	(5)	11	29
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	(2)	-	-	(2)
Provisions	46	2	84	(2)	-	130
Employee share schemes	3	-	-	(2)	-	1
Other items	(5)	-	(6)	2	-	(9)
Tax losses carried forward	3	-	28	11	-	42
Tax credits carried forward	-	-	-	1	-	1
	15	(1)	(94)	17	11	(52)

The deferred tax credit of £22m (2014 £17m) recognised in income consists of a credit of £22m (2014 £16m) relating to continuing operations and a £nil credit (2014 £1m) in respect of discontinued operations

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15 Deferred tax assets and liabilities continued

Factors affecting the tax charge in future years

There are a number of factors that may affect the Group's future tax charge including the resolution of open issues with tax authorities corporate acquisitions and disposals, the use of brought-forward losses and changes in tax legislation and tax rates

Unrecognised deferred tax assets

Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of the following items

	31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 £m
Deductible temporary differences	322	326
Tax losses	128	121
	450	447

During the year the Group withdrew claims made to HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) to offset German tax losses of approximately £79m against UK taxable profits. This follows a further change to HMRC's view of the conditions that need to be satisfied for a valid claim based on a ruling in the Court of Justice of the European Union. The point at issue concerns the date on which there is certainty that the losses could not be utilised in the country in which they originated. HMRC's position was that it would be necessary to litigate in order to pursue the claims. As the net UK tax benefit of the claims was no more than £10m, the decision to withdraw the claim was taken on the basis that there was no longer clear legal precedent on the point at issue and the costs of pursuing the claim would be substantial with no certainty of success.

As at 31 December 2015 the expiry dates of unrecognised deferred tax assets carried forward are as follows

	Tax losses £m	Deductible temporary differences £m	Total £m
Expiring within 5 years	3	37	40
Expiring within 6-10 years	10	80	90
Expiring within 11-20 years	46	–	46
Unlimited	69	205	274
	128	322	450

Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of these items because it is not probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the Group can utilise these assets

Unrecognised deferred tax liabilities

No deferred tax liability has been recognised in respect of £1,323m (2014 £1,440m) of unremitted earnings of subsidiaries and joint ventures because the Group is in a position to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference and it is not probable that such differences will reverse in the foreseeable future.

The amount of unrecognised deferred tax liabilities in respect of these unremitted earnings is estimated to be £28m (2014 £29m)

16 Inventories

	31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 £m
Raw materials	13	14
	13	14

17 Current trade and other receivables

	31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 (restated) £m
Amounts expected to be recovered within one year		
Gross amounts due from customers	552	542
Trade receivables	717	758
Amounts owed by joint ventures	13	10
Other receivables	63	60
Prepayments and accrued income	72	76
Asbestos related insurance recovery debtor (note 21)	14	13
	1,431	1 459
Amounts expected to be recovered after more than one year		
Gross amounts due from customers	2	-
Trade receivables	7	5
Amounts owed by joint ventures	1	1
Other receivables	14	4
	24	10
	1,455	1 469

Trade receivables expected to be recovered within one year include retentions of £34m (2014 £47m) relating to contracts in progress. Trade receivables expected to be recovered after more than one year include retentions of £7m (2014 £4m) net of £1m impairment (2014 £nil) relating to contracts in progress.

The aggregate amount of costs incurred plus recognised profits (less recognised losses) for all long-term contracts in progress for continuing businesses at the balance sheet date was £6 428m

Trade receivables, amounts owed by joint ventures and other receivables are classified as loans and receivables

18 Current trade and other payables

	31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 (restated) £m
Amounts expected to be settled within one year		
Trade payables	584	543
Gross amounts due to customers	328	361
Other taxation and social security costs	50	42
Other payables	225	190
Accruals	198	235
	1,385	1 371
Amounts expected to be settled after more than one year		
Trade payables	1	2
Gross amounts due to customers	5	5
Other taxation and social security costs	17	19
Other payables	47	40
Accruals	4	1
	74	67
	1,459	1,438

Gross amounts due to customers include advances received of £5m (2014 £nil)

Trade payables, other payables and accruals are classified as other financial liabilities

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19 Capital and financial risk management

Capital management

The objective of the Group's capital management is to ensure that it has a strong financial position from which to grow the business and to maximise shareholder value. The appropriate capital structure for the Group comprises of a mix of debt and equity. The mix is determined by considering business profile and strategy, financial policies and availability and cost of funding.

Following the acquisition of Foster Wheeler the Group is currently in a net debt position. The long-term net debt is targeted to be no more than two times trading profit. The Group may exceed this operating parameter should the business profile require it. However, it is expected that any increases would be temporary given the net operational cash flows of the Group.

At 31 December 2015 the Group had committed banking facilities of £1 768m (2014 £1 863m). This consists of a £27m project debt and a £377m multi-currency revolving facility that was taken out on 18 July 2012. The facility is committed for five years and is available for general corporate purposes. The Group has additional facilities totalling \$2 010m (£1 363m). This comprises of the following:

- ▶ \$830m (£563m) bridge facility maturing August 2016 with a further six month extension at the Company's option
- ▶ \$830m (£563m) term loan maturing in equal instalments in 2017 2018 and 2019
- ▶ \$350m (£237m) revolving credit facility maturing May 2016

As at 31 December 2015 £1 264m (2014 £1 267m) of the loans and facilities were utilised by way of debt and £62m (2014 £156m) was utilised by way of Letter of Credit. As at 31 December 2015, the undrawn portion of the Group's committed facilities was £442m.

In November 2014 as part of the acquisition of Foster Wheeler AG, the Group issued 85 million of ordinary shares. This increased share capital by £42m and generated a share premium of £877m, which is recorded on the balance sheet within the merger reserve.

On 1 March 2016, the Group entered into a new syndicated facility comprising of three tranches, a three-year £650m term loan a five-year £650m term loan and a five-year £400m revolving credit facility. This new facility replaces the company's existing £377m revolving credit facility and the Foster Wheeler acquisition facility of \$2 26bn.

Financial risk management

The principal financial risks to which the Group is exposed are foreign currency exchange risk, funding and liquidity risk, counterparty credit risk and interest rate risk. The board has approved policies for the management of these risks which are reviewed annually.

The Group's treasury department manages funding, liquidity, credit risk and risks arising from movements in interest and foreign currency rates within a framework of policies and guidelines approved by the board most recently in December 2015. The treasury department does not operate as a profit centre and the undertaking of speculative transactions is not permitted.

19 Capital and financial risk management continued

Foreign currency exchange risk

The Group publishes its consolidated accounts in Sterling. The majority of the Group's trading income is denominated in the local currency of the business operations which provides a natural hedge against the currency of its cost base. Where commercial contracts are undertaken which are denominated in foreign currencies, the Group seeks to mitigate the foreign exchange risk when the cash flow giving rise to such exposure becomes certain or highly probable. This is achieved through the use of forward currency arrangements which may include the purchase of currency options. There are currently no material transactional exposures which have been identified and remain unhedged. The Group has no reason to believe that any outstanding forward contract will not be able to be settled from the underlying commercial transactions.

A significant portion of the Group's earnings is generated in non-Sterling currencies. Such overseas profits are translated into Sterling at the average exchange rate prevailing throughout the year. There is currently no hedging in place for profits generated in non-Sterling currencies but the impact on Group profits is monitored on an ongoing basis. In addition, the Group has various assets denominated in foreign currencies, principally US Dollars, Canadian Dollars and Euros. With the introduction of the acquisition facilities detailed above, the Group hedges translation exposure wherever possible, by matching the currency of its borrowing (either directly or via derivatives) to the currency of its net assets and future free cash flow. As a result, the Group has designated a series of derivatives and financial instruments as hedging instruments in net investment hedge relationships. In specific circumstances, for example the planned repatriation of foreign assets, the Group may from time to time enter into additional net investment hedges to manage foreign exchange risks. The Group applies hedge accounting in respect of transactions entered into to manage the cash flow exposures of its borrowings. Forward foreign exchange contracts and cross currency interest rate swap contracts are held to manage the cash flow exposures of a portion of borrowings denominated in foreign currencies and are designated as cash flow hedges.

Based on the Group's net debt as at 31 December 2015, if Sterling were to weaken against all other currencies by 10%, the Group's net debt would increase by £46m (2014 £44m). This represents a £130m increase in foreign currency borrowings (2014 £134m), a £50m increase in derivative assets designated as cash flow hedges of Group borrowings (2014 £47m) and a £34m increase in foreign currency cash and cash equivalents (2014 £43m).

If Sterling were to weaken against all other currencies by 10%, then the fair value of forward foreign exchange contracts and cross currency interest rate swaps, other than those designated as cash flow hedges of foreign currency borrowings, as at 31 December 2015 would decrease by £51m (2014 £57m).

Movements in the fair value of forward foreign exchange contracts and cross currency interest rate swaps would be recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the hedging reserve or translation reserve.

Hedging of foreign currency exchange risk – cash flow hedges

The Group looks to mitigate the foreign exchange risk arising on foreign currency borrowings and where contracts are awarded in or involve costs in non-local currency. Forward foreign exchange contracts and foreign exchange swaps are used for this purpose and are designated as cash flow hedges. The notional contract amount, carrying amount and fair values of forward contracts and swaps designated as cash flow hedges are as follows:

	2015 Notional contract amount £m	2014 Notional contract amount £m	2015 Carrying amount and fair value £m	2014 Carrying amount and fair value £m
Non current assets – cash flow hedges of foreign currency borrowings	105	105	6	–
Total non current assets	105	105	6	–
Current assets – cash flow hedges of contracts in foreign currencies	57	15	1	–
Current assets – cash flow hedges of foreign currency borrowings	328	318	8	1
Total current assets	385	333	9	1
Current liabilities – cash flow hedges of contracts in foreign currencies	191	44	(9)	(1)
Total current liabilities	191	44	(9)	(1)
	681	482	6	–

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19 Capital and financial risk management continued

There was no charge for ineffectiveness recognised in either 2015 or 2014. A net foreign exchange loss for the year of £2m was recognised in the hedging reserve as a result of fair value movements on derivative financial instruments designated as cash flow hedging instruments (£1m) and amounts recycled to the income statement in line with underlying cash flows (£1m).

Hedging of foreign currency exchange risk – fair value through income statement

Certain forward foreign exchange contracts and foreign exchange swaps are not designated as cash flow hedges and changes in their fair value are recognised through the income statement. The notional contract amount, carrying amount and fair values of these forward contracts and swaps are as follows:

	2015 Notional contract amount £m	2014 Notional contract amount £m	2015 Carrying amount and fair value £m	2014 Carrying amount and fair value £m
Derivative financial instruments				
Current assets	241	229	5	2
Current liabilities	388	422	(5)	(12)
	629	651	–	(10)

Hedging of foreign currency exchange risk – net investment hedges

The Group has forward foreign exchange contracts which have been designated as hedges of the net investments in core subsidiaries in Canada, the US and Europe. The notional contract amount, carrying amount and fair values of swaps designated as net investment hedges are as follows:

	2015 Notional contract amount £m	2014 Notional contract amount £m	2015 Carrying amount and fair value £m	2014 Carrying amount and fair value £m
Derivative financial instruments				
Non current assets	105	105	12	2
Current assets	111	318	2	8
Current liabilities	168	–	(7)	–
	384	423	7	10

A net foreign exchange loss for the year of £3m (2014 £4m) was recognised in the translation reserve in respect of forward foreign exchange contracts, currency interest rate swaps and borrowings designated as net investment hedging instruments.

Other financial derivative assets and liabilities

The Group has other financial derivative assets of £nil (2014 £1m) and financial derivative liabilities of £4m (2014 £6m).

The following tables indicate the periods in which the cash flows associated with the derivative financial instruments are expected to occur and the periods in which they are expected to impact profit or loss.

	Carrying amount £m	Expected cash flows £m	12 months or less £m	1 to 2 years £m	2 to 5 years £m	2015
Derivative financial instruments						
Assets	34	948	726	12	210	
Liabilities	(25)	963	739	16	208	
	9	1,911	1,465	28	418	

	Carrying amount £m	Expected cash flows £m	12 months or less £m	1 to 2 years £m	2 to 5 years £m	2014
Derivative financial instruments						
Assets	14	1,090	877	2	211	
Liabilities	(19)	648	361	102	185	
	(5)	1,738	1,238	104	396	

19 Capital and financial risk management continued

Funding and liquidity risk

The Group's policy aims to ensure the constant availability of an appropriate amount of funding to meet both current and future forecast requirements consistent with the Group's budget and strategic plans. The Group will finance operations and growth from its existing cash resources and the £442m undrawn portion of the Group's committed banking facilities as at 31 December 2015. The requirement to enter into additional external facilities has been kept under review during the year. This includes discussions with the Group's main relationship banks to ensure additional bilateral lending capacity is available.

Appropriate facilities will be maintained to meet ongoing requirements for bank guarantees and letters of credit.

Counterparty credit risk

The Group is exposed to credit risk to the extent of non-payment by either its customers or the counterparties of its financial instruments. The effective monitoring and controlling of credit risk is a key component of the Group's risk management activities.

The maximum credit risk exposure on derivatives at 31 December 2015 was £35m being the total net debit fair values per derivative counterparty on forward foreign exchange contracts, currency swaps and interest rate swaps. The Group performs a Credit Value Adjustment (CVA) and Debit Value Adjustment (DVA) analysis to establish the credit risk inherent in the closing derivative portfolio. As at 31 December 2015, the result of this adjustment has no impact on the Group's income statement. In 2014, a similar analysis of a 60 basis point deterioration in the credit quality of the Group's derivative counterparties had nil impact on the Group's income statement. Credit risks arising from treasury activities are managed by a central treasury function in accordance with the board approved treasury policy. The objective of the policy is to diversify and minimise the Group's exposure to credit risk from its treasury activities by ensuring that surplus funds are placed with a diversified range of 25 to 30 mainstream banks and with each counterparty up to a pre-approved limit. These limits are set at prudent levels by the board and are based primarily on publicly available credit ratings of counterparties. Credit ratings are monitored continually by the Group treasury department.

The maximum credit risk exposure on cash and cash equivalents and bank deposits (more than three months) at 31 December 2015 was £363m (2014 £516m). The Group treasury department monitors counterparty exposure on a global basis to avoid an over-concentration of exposure to any one counterparty.

The credit risk associated with customers is considered as part of each tender review process and is addressed initially through contract payment terms. Where appropriate payment security is sought, credit control practices are applied thereafter during the project execution phase. A right to interest and suspension is normally sought in all contracts.

The ageing of trade receivables at the year-end was:

	Gross receivables 31 December 2015 £m	Impairment 31 December 2015 £m	Gross receivables 31 December 2014 £m	Impairment 31 December 2014 £m
Not past due	357	—	402	—
Past due 0 to 30 days	216	—	163	—
Past due 31 to 120 days	90	(3)	99	—
Past due 121 to 365 days	40	(18)	47	(6)
More than one year	88	(86)	100	(93)
	791	(107)	811	(99)

The above analysis excludes retentions relating to contracts in progress of £34m (2014 £47m) expected to be recovered within one year and £7m (2014 £4m) net of £1m impairment (2014 £nil) expected to be recovered after one year. Net receivables as at 31 December 2015 include £2m (2014 £7m) in respect of amounts overdue by more than one year.

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19 Capital and financial risk management continued

Counterparty credit risk continued

The movement in the allowance for impairment in respect of trade receivables during the year was as follows

	2015 £m	2014 £m
As at 1 January	(99)	(16)
Exchange movements	(1)	–
Increase in impairment allowance	(23)	(86)
Decrease in impairment allowance	16	3
As at 31 December	(107)	(99)

Based on past experience, the Group believes that no material impairment allowance is necessary in respect of trade receivables not past due

Trade receivable exposures are typically with large companies and government-backed organisations and the credit ratings of these organisations are monitored. Credit risks are minimised through the use of letters of credit, parent company guarantees, insurance instruments and forward funding where achievable.

The Group's most significant customer in 2015 accounted for around 8% (2014 8%) of continuing revenues and around 2% (2014 4%) of current trade and other receivables. The revenue was generated in both the Americas and AMEASE.

Interest rate risk

The £377m multi-currency revolving credit facility is subject to an interest rate of LIBOR plus a margin depending on leverage.

The \$830m (£563m) bridge facility is subject to an interest rate of LIBOR plus a margin which increases over time.

The \$830m (£563m) term loan is subject to an interest rate of LIBOR plus a margin depending on leverage.

The \$350m (£237m) revolving credit facility is subject to an interest rate of LIBOR plus a margin.

The €35m (£26m) project debt is subject to an interest rate of EURIBOR plus a margin.

The Group is exposed to interest rate risk on cash and borrowings. Cash is viewed as temporary with any longer term surplus used to repay credit facilities.

When required the Group uses interest rate swaps and cross currency interest rate swaps to meet its objective of protecting borrowing costs within parameters set by the Board. The Group's policy is to keep between 30% and 70% of its borrowings at fixed rates of interest. Movements in the fair value of interest rates swaps and cross currency interest rate swaps that are designated as cash flow hedges of the Group's borrowings resulting from changes in market interest rates are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the hedging reserve with the fair value recorded in the balance sheet. At 31 December 2015 after taking into account the effect of interest rate swaps and cross currency interest rate swaps approximately 28% of the Group's borrowings are at a fixed rate of interest (2014 23%). The year-end position was below the lower threshold due to the ongoing refinancing activity in 2015. This will be rectified in Q1 2016 following the completion of the refinancing activity.

Based on the Group's gross borrowings as at 31 December 2015, if interest rates were to increase by 100 basis points in all currencies then the annual net interest charge would increase by £9m (2014 £9m). A decrease in interest rates by 100 basis points in all currencies would have an equal but opposite effect.

19 Capital and financial risk management continued

Interest rate risk – contractual maturity and effective interest rates

In respect of interest-earning financial assets and interest-bearing financial liabilities the following table indicates their effective interest rates at the balance sheet date and the periods in which they mature

						2015
	Effective interest rate per cent	Total £m	Less than 1 year £m	1 to 2 years £m	2 to 5 years £m	Over 5 years £m
Bank deposits (more than three months)	0.47	23	14	4	5	–
Cash and cash equivalents (excluding bank overdrafts)	3.00	340	340	–	–	–
Bank loans	3.28	(1,264)	(679)	(192)	(386)	(7)
Finance leases	6.84	(59)	(4)	(18)	(24)	(13)
Derivatives classified as bank loans	–	14	8	–	6	–
		(946)	(321)	(206)	(399)	(20)

						2014
	Effective interest rate per cent	Total £m	Less than 1 year £m	1 to 2 years £m	2 to 5 years £m	Over 5 years £m
Bank deposits (more than three months)	0.80	21	18	2	1	–
Cash and cash equivalents (excluding bank overdrafts)	1.24	495	495	–	–	–
Fees capitalised against bank facilities	–	9	5	2	2	–
Bank loans	1.49	(1,267)	(706)	(5)	(545)	(11)
Finance leases	6.54	(61)	(9)	(9)	(26)	(17)
		(803)	(197)	(10)	(568)	(28)

Interest payments of £16m are expected to be paid within one year, £15m between one and two years, £16m between two and five years and £nil over five years

Group borrowing

The Group had no overdrafts as at the end of 2015 or 2014. The bank loans are denominated in Sterling and US Dollars (2014: Sterling and US Dollars)

All covenants attached to borrowings have been complied with throughout the current and prior years

Fair values

Fair values are determined using observable market prices (level 2 as defined by IFRS 13 'Fair Value Measurement') as follows

- ▶ The fair value of forward foreign exchange contracts is estimated by discounting the difference between the contractual forward price and the current forward price for the residual maturity of the contract using a risk-free interest rate
- ▶ The fair value of interest rate swaps and cross currency interest rate swaps are estimated by discounting estimated future cash flows based on the terms and maturity of each contract and using market rates

All derivative fair values are verified by comparison to valuations provided by the derivative counterparty banks. There are no material credit valuation adjustments (CVA) or debit valuation adjustments (DVA) required on the derivatives outstanding at 31 December 2015

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20 Other non-current receivables and payables

Other non-current receivables

	2015 £m	2014 (restated) £m
Asbestos related insurance recovery debtor (note 21)	104	108
Indemnities receivable	16	13
Insurance receivables	4	4
Lease incentives	17	28
Other non-current receivables	4	14
	145	167

Other non-current payables

	2015 £m	2014 (restated) £m
Deferred consideration on acquisition	-	2
Unfavourable leases	84	65
Lease incentives	8	7
Other payables	20	26
Other post employment benefits	9	11
	121	111

21 Provisions

	Asbestos related litigation £m	Project and environmental litigation £m	Obligations relating to disposed businesses £m	Property related provisions £m	Other £m	Total £m
As at 1 January 2015 (restated)	400	217	86	19	34	756
Exchange and other movements	18	6	(1)	1	(2)	22
Reclassification	1	(3)	2	2	(2)	-
Transfer out to trade payables	-	(47)	-	(2)	2	(47)
Utilised	(35)	(22)	(2)	(4)	(1)	(64)
Provided	1	10	12	3	7	33
Released	(9)	(7)	(19)	-	(3)	(38)
Change in discount rate	(5)	-	-	-	-	(5)
Unwinding of discount	7	-	-	-	-	7
As at 31 December 2015	378	154	78	19	35	664

The balance as at 1 January 2015 has been restated following the finalisation of the purchase price allocation of the Foster Wheeler acquisition

21 Provisions continued

Asbestos-related litigation

Certain of the Company's subsidiaries in the US and the UK are defendants in numerous asbestos-related lawsuits and out-of-court informal claims pending in the US and the UK. Plaintiffs claim damages for personal injury alleged to have arisen from exposure to asbestos primarily in connection with equipment allegedly manufactured by certain of our subsidiaries during the 1970s or earlier. We expect that these subsidiaries will be named as defendants in additional and/or similar suits and that new claims will be filed in the future. Whilst some of these claims have been and are expected to be made in the UK, the overwhelming majority have been and are expected to be made in the US.

We assumed the majority of our asbestos-related liabilities when we acquired Foster Wheeler in November 2014. Management worked with independent asbestos valuation experts, to measure the asbestos-related liabilities assumed. Asbestos-related liabilities recognised by the Group include estimates of indemnity amounts and defence costs expected to be incurred in each year in the period to 2050 beyond which time management expects that there will no longer be a significant number of open claims. Management's estimates were based on the following information and/or assumptions: the number of open claims, the forecasted number of future claims, the estimated average cost per claim by disease type – mesothelioma, lung cancer and non-malignancies, claim filings which result in no monetary payments (the 'zero pay rate'), as well as other factors.

Over the last several years, certain of our subsidiaries have entered into settlement agreements calling for insurers to make lump-sum payments, as well as payments over time, for use by our subsidiaries to fund asbestos-related indemnity and defence costs, and, in certain cases, for reimbursement for portions of out-of-pocket costs incurred. Asbestos-related insurance recoveries under executed settlement agreements are recognised in trade and other receivables together with our best estimate of actual and probable insurance recoveries relating to our liability for pending and estimated future asbestos claims in the period to 2050. Our actual insurance recoveries may be limited by future insolvencies among our insurers. We do not recognise insurance recoveries due from currently insolvent insurers unless they are subject to court-approved settlement in liquidation proceedings.

We have discounted the expected future cash flows with respect to the asbestos-related liabilities and the expected insurance recoveries using discount rates determined by reference to appropriate risk-free market interest rates.

Asbestos-related liabilities and assets recognised on the Group's balance sheet were as follows:

	2015			2014		
	US £m	UK £m	Total £m	US £m	UK £m	Total £m
Asbestos-related provision						
Gross provision	432	56	488	454	57	511
Effect of discounting	(74)	–	(74)	(76)	–	(76)
Net provision ¹	358	56	414	378	57	435
Insurance recoveries						
Gross recoveries	(68)	(54)	(122)	(71)	(54)	(125)
Effect of discounting	4	–	4	4	–	4
Net recoveries	(64)	(54)	(118)	(67)	(54)	(121)
Net asbestos-related liabilities	294	2	296	311	3	314

¹ The net asbestos provision of £414m (2014 £435m) is made up of £378m included in provisions (2014 £400m) and £36m (2014 £35m) in respect of asbestos provisions included in trade and other payables.

Estimation of asbestos-related liabilities and insurance recoveries is subject to a number of uncertainties that may result in significant changes in the current estimates. Among these are uncertainties as to the ultimate number and type of claims filed, the amounts of claim costs, the impact of bankruptcies of other companies with asbestos claims, uncertainties surrounding the litigation process from jurisdiction to jurisdiction and from case to case, as well as potential legislative changes.

Fluctuations in market interest rates could cause significant changes in the discounted amount of the asbestos-related liabilities and insurance recoveries.

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21 Provisions continued

Project litigation

As described in note 26 the Group is party to litigation involving clients and sub-contractors arising out of project contracts

Management has taken internal and external legal advice in considering known or reasonably likely legal claims and actions by and against the Group. Where a known or likely claim or action is identified, management carefully assesses the likelihood of success of the claim or action. Generally a provision is recognised only in respect of those claims or actions that management considers are probable of success. Additionally, however, the Group recognises provisions for known or likely claims against an acquired business if, at the acquisition date, it is possible that the claim or action will be successful and its amount can be reliably estimated.

Provision is made for management's best estimate of the future legal costs to be incurred in defending each claim or action and of the likely settlement costs and/or damages to be awarded for those claims and actions that management considers are likely to be successful. Due to the inherent commercial, legal and technical uncertainties underlying the estimation of our project claims the amounts ultimately paid or realised by the Group could differ materially from the amounts, if any, that are recognised in the financial statements.

As at 31 December 2015 there were two significant ongoing disputes. Both of these disputes involve Foster Wheeler and were ongoing at the acquisition date. Accordingly, in measuring Foster Wheeler's identifiable assets and liabilities at the acquisition date, management established provisions in respect of these disputes and made appropriate reductions to the carrying amount of the related receivables.

Power Plant Arbitration – US

Foster Wheeler has been involved in arbitration arising from its role in the construction of a power plant in West Virginia, US. Foster Wheeler contracted with its client Longview Power LLC ('Longview') the owner of the power plant, to supply the steam generation equipment. Separate contracts existed between Longview and Siemens Energy Inc ('Siemens') for the supply of the turbine electricity generator and other plant equipment and with Kvaerner North American Construction Inc (Kvaerner) for the erection of the plant.

Beginning in 2011, various claims and counterclaims were made between Foster Wheeler, Kvaerner, Siemens and Longview. In February 2014 Foster Wheeler reached a partial settlement with Longview. In December 2014, various settlement agreements were entered into involving the parties, leaving the claims between Foster Wheeler and Kvaerner the only claims to be resolved. Kvaerner's total claims against Foster Wheeler amounted to approximately US\$190m in relation to compensation for alleged delays, disruptions, inefficiencies and extra work associated with the construction of the plant allegedly caused by Foster Wheeler's performance under its steam generation equipment supply contract. Foster Wheeler claimed approximately US\$26m from Kvaerner in relation to claims for extra work, delays, scope disputes, and improperly assessed delay liquidated damages as well as the cost to perform certain ongoing rehabilitation work on the steam generation equipment due to erection failures by Kvaerner. Pursuant to the settlement agreements reached in December 2014, Foster Wheeler and Kvaerner exchanged parent guarantees securing their respective claims against each other. Foster Wheeler's parent guarantee was capped at US\$58m. The arbitration hearing of the dispute between Foster Wheeler and Kvaerner, conducted by the American Arbitration Association occurred in early 2015. In October 2015, the three-arbitrator tribunal rejected Foster Wheeler's claims in their entirety and awarded Kvaerner US\$74m, including interest and arbitration costs. Kvaerner commenced an action in New York state court to confirm the award. We opposed the action, seeking an order to vacate the award in whole or in part on various grounds. In early March 2016, the parties settled their dispute. We are to pay Kvaerner US\$70m in full and final settlement of the claims. The parties will exchange releases and the court action will be dismissed.

Refinery Project Arbitration – India

In November 2012, Foster Wheeler commenced arbitration in India against its client seeking collection of unpaid invoices arising from services performed on a reimbursable basis in connection with the construction of an oil refinery plant in north-eastern India. Our client rejected the claims and has submitted counterclaims totalling approximately 70 billion Indian rupees (approximately £740m) for damages, including claims for revenue loss and loss of tax benefits due to delay in the execution of the project. Our client has also withheld payment of our invoices on account of delay liquidated damages.

We strongly dispute our client's claims. Any liability for delay liquidated damages is capped under the contract at a specified percentage of the contract value currently equivalent to approximately £12m, an amount already retained by our client. Moreover, the contract also excludes liability for special damages and consequential damages, including lost profits or product, and contains an overall cap on liability for claims in the aggregate of up to a specified percentage of the contract value currently equivalent to approximately £29m.

21 Provisions continued

Refinery Project Arbitration – India continued

An arbitration panel was formed in 2013 and divided the parties' claims and counterclaims into two tracks. A number of hearings were held on the Track 1 claims during 2014. A first partial award was made to Amec Foster Wheeler in March 2014, but our client has petitioned the Delhi court for its annulment, which petition is still pending. In September 2015 the panel issued a further partial award on the Track 1 claims, awarding Amec Foster Wheeler approximately £54m on its invoice claims and dismissing our client's counterclaim allocated to the Track 1 proceedings. In February 2016, our client petitioned the Delhi court to set aside this award as well. The petition is pending.

The hearing on the Track 2 claims, which include our client's main counterclaims, was held in February 2015. The panel's decision on these remaining claims is likewise pending. Limited further proceedings in the arbitration remain pending with respect to continuing invoice claim amounts in the Track 1 proceedings as well as for interest and the costs of arbitration. We will continue to defend strenuously the claims made by our client and pursue the collection of unpaid invoices and enforcement of the awards made in our favour. As the project is nearing completion but still remained in execution as of the end of 2015, the unpaid amount that we are seeking to collect has increased to the equivalent of approximately £56m and may increase further should our client continue to withhold amounts from our invoices. Management have made appropriate allowances against these receivables.

Environmental risks

Certain of the jurisdictions in which the Group operates, in particular the US and the EU, have environmental laws under which current and past owners or operators of property may be jointly and severally liable for the costs of removal or remediation of toxic or hazardous substances on or under their property, regardless of whether such materials were released in violation of law and whether the operator or owner knew of or was responsible for the presence of such substances. Largely as a consequence of the acquisition of Foster Wheeler, the Group currently owns and operates, or owned and operated, industrial facilities. It is likely that as a result of the Group's current or former operations, hazardous substances have affected the property on which those facilities are or were situated. The Group have also received and may continue to receive claims pursuant to indemnity obligations from the present owners of facilities we have transferred, which claims may require us to incur costs for investigation and/or remediation. As at 31 December 2015, the Group held provisions totalling £44m (2014 £33m) for the estimated future environmental clean-up costs in relation to industrial facilities that it no longer operates. Whilst the timing of the related cash flows is typically uncertain, the Group expects that certain of its remediation obligations may continue for up to 60 years.

Indemnities and retained obligations

As described in note 26, the Group agreed to indemnify certain third parties relating to businesses and/or assets that were previously owned by the Group and were sold to them. As at 31 December 2015, we recognised indemnity provisions totalling £78m (2014 £86m). Indemnity provisions principally relate to the indemnification of the purchasers of SPIE in 2006 and the Built Environment and other peripheral businesses that were sold in 2007. During 2015 the Group recognised additional indemnity provisions of £12m in relation to businesses sold in previous years and released provisions of £19m that were no longer required following settlement of the underlying issues.

Property-related provisions

Property-related provisions related to dilapidations of leasehold buildings.

Other provisions

Other provisions include £7m (2014 £2m) in respect of the Group's legal and constructive obligations to fund loss-making joint ventures and to meet its share of certain of their obligations, and insurance provisions of £28m (2014 £28m) relating to the potential liabilities in the Group's captive insurance entity and provisions in relation to risks associated with insurance claims. These potential liabilities and risks relate predominantly to industrial disease of former employees. These are expected to unwind over the next 20 years.

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22 Share capital and reserves

Movements in share capital and reserves are shown in the consolidated statement of changes in equity on pages 99 to 101

Share capital

The share capital of the company comprises ordinary shares of 50 pence each. All the ordinary shares rank pari passu in all respects. To the company's knowledge and belief there are no restrictions on the transfer of shares in the company or on voting rights between holders of shares.

The movement in issued share capital during the year was as follows

	Number	£m
As at 1 January 2014	303 822 854	152
Issued during the year	85,052,989	42
As at 31 December 2014	388,875,843	194
Issued during the year	4 255 970	3
As at 31 December 2015	393,131,813	197

Reserves

As at 1 January 2015 there were 5 431 314 shares held in treasury (2014 6,186 965) during the year 2,273,004 shares were transferred to share scheme participants (2014 755,651) leaving a balance held in treasury as at 31 December 2015 of 3,158,310 (2014 5 431 314) £35m (2014 £57m) has been deducted from equity in respect of these shares

The hedging reserve comprises the effective portion of the cumulative net change in the fair value of cash flow hedging instruments related to hedged transactions that have not yet occurred

The translation reserve comprises all foreign exchange differences arising from the translation of the accounts of foreign operations as well as from the translation of liabilities and the cumulative net change in the fair value of instruments that hedge the company's net investment in foreign subsidiaries, that have arisen since 1 January 2004 being the date of transition to adopted IFRS

Share-based payments

Offers are made periodically in certain countries under the UK and International Savings-related Share Option Schemes which are open to all employees in those countries who meet minimum service criteria. Grants of share options are made to participating employees that entitle them to buy shares in the company normally after three years at up to 20% discount to the market price of the shares at the time of offer. In the US, to conform with the relevant tax rules options are granted at a maximum discount of 15% to the share price at the time of grant and are normally exercisable after two years

Under the new Long-Term Incentive Plan annual awards are made to directors and selected senior employees of nil-cost options or restricted shares. Below board level awards are split between a performance based element (half of which is based on a total shareholder return related performance condition and the other half on an earnings per share related performance condition) and a non-performance element. Awards are made in the form of nil-cost options other than in certain countries where they are made in the form of restricted shares. Awards to Executive Directors are as described in the Directors' remuneration report on pages 67 to 80

Under the Performance Share Plan, annual awards were made to directors and selected senior employees of restricted shares that are subject to both market and non-market based conditions calculated over a three-year period

Under the Restricted Share Plan awards were made to selected employees as restricted shares which vest in full after three years provided the employee has remained in continuous employment

Prior to the acquisition, Foster Wheeler's Compensation and Executive Development Committee administered the Foster Wheeler AG Omnibus Incentive Plan for Foster Wheeler's employees, non-employee directors and third-party service providers

Under the terms of the Implementation Agreement equivalent awards of AMEC shares were granted by AMEC in replacement of Foster Wheeler awards and the terms of those replacement awards are equivalent in all material respects to the terms of the Foster Wheeler Omnibus Plan. All employees of Foster Wheeler and its subsidiaries and/or affiliates, its non-employee directors and certain of its third-party service providers were eligible to participate in the Foster Wheeler Omnibus Plan. As at the date of acquisition, only Foster Wheeler options, Foster Wheeler RSUs and Foster Wheeler PRSUs were outstanding under the Foster Wheeler Omnibus Plan.

The share-based payment arrangements operated by the Group are predominantly equity settled and, other than in defined good leaver circumstances require participants to be still in employment with the Group at the time of vesting

Our current practice is to satisfy awards vesting or options being exercised under the executive plans with market-purchased shares held in the Amec Foster Wheeler Employee Share Trust and to satisfy Sharesave options being exercised by the transfer of shares held in treasury

22 Share capital and reserves continued

Share-based payments continued

The number and weighted average exercise price of share options under the Savings-related Share Option Scheme are as follows

	Weighted average exercise price 2015 pence	Number of options 2015	Weighted average exercise price 2014 pence	Number of options 2014
Outstanding on 1 January	819	7,711,995	794	6,691,883
Lapsed/cancelled	850	(1,920,215)	822	(777 995)
Exercised	675	(2,295,911)	777	(765,267)
Granted	683	4,674,510	874	2 563 374
Outstanding on 31 December	775	8,170,379	819	7711 995
Exercisable on 31 December	863	373,627	902	200 948

Options were exercised on a regular basis during the year and the average share price for the year was 780 pence (2014 1 102 pence)

Options outstanding on 31 December 2015 have weighted average remaining contractual lives as follows

	Weighted average remaining contractual life 2015 years	Number of options 2015	Weighted average remaining contractual life 2014 years	Number of options 2014
600 00 pence to 699 99 pence	3.0	3,965,570	–	2,391,513
700 00 pence to 799 99 pence	2.0	467,796	–	–
800 00 pence to 899 99 pence	1.3	2,710,501	11	3 807 935
Over 900 00 pence	–	1,026,512	02	1 512 547
		8,170,379		7711 995

The numbers of shares held under the Performance Share Plan and Restricted Share Plan are as follows

	Number of shares 2015	Number of shares 2014
As at 1 January	6,717,237	4,194,248
Lapsed	(1,361,021)	(1 110 559)
Vested	(1,674,001)	(250 328)
Granted	2,510,707	3 883 876
As at 31 December	6,192,922	6,717,237

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22 Share capital and reserves continued

Share-based payments continued

The fair value of services received in return for share options granted and shares awarded are measured by reference to the fair value of those instruments. For grants in either the current or preceding years, the pricing models used and inputs (on a weighted average basis where appropriate) into those models are as follows:

	Savings related Share Option Scheme (Black Scholes model)			Long Term Incentive Plan (Monte Carlo model)		Performance Share Plan (Monte Carlo model)		Restricted Share Plan (Monte Carlo model)		Foster Wheeler Omnibus plan
	2015	2014	2013	2015		2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
Weighted average fair value at measurement date	149p	198p	217p	789p	1,006p	948p	949p	960p	1,027p	
Weighted average share price at measurement date	769p	1,014p	1,061p	938p	1,105p	1,060p	1,082p	1,070p	1,081p	
Exercise price	683p	874p	866p	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Expected share price volatility	28%	27%	27%	27%	26%	28%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Option life	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.7	3.1	2.8	2.7	2.7	n/a	
years	years	years	years	years	years	years	years	years	years	
Expected dividend yield	3.6%	3.5%	4.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	3.5%	3.0%	3.5%	
Risk-free interest rate	1.2%	1.0%	1.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Comparator share price volatility	n/a	n/a	n/a	32%	32%	33%	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Correlation between two companies in comparator group	n/a	n/a	n/a	40%	50%	50%	n/a	n/a	n/a	

The expected share price volatility is based on the historical volatility of the company's share price.

The performance conditions attaching to the new Long-Term Incentive Plan and the Performance Share Plan involve a comparison of the total shareholder return of the company with that of its comparators and achievement of targeted earnings per share growth. The former is a market based test and as such is incorporated into the grant date fair value of the award. There are no performance conditions attached to the Restricted Share Plan.

Prior to the acquisition, Foster Wheeler had issued shares awards to employees, non-employee directors and certain third parties under the Foster Wheeler AG Omnibus Incentive Plan. Under the terms of the Implementation Agreement, equivalent awards of Amec Foster Wheeler shares were granted in replacement of these Foster Wheeler awards. On acquisition awards of 2,400,766 Amec Foster Wheeler shares were granted. There are no performance conditions attached to these awards.

Dividends

The directors are proposing a final dividend in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2015 of 14.2 pence per share, which will absorb an estimated £54m of equity. Subject to approval, it will be paid on 4 July 2016 to shareholders on the register of members on 27 May 2016. This dividend has not been provided for and there are no income tax consequences for the company. This final dividend together with the interim dividend of 14.8 pence (2014 14.8 pence, 2013 13.5 pence) per share results in a total dividend for the year of 29.0 pence per share (2014 43.3 pence, 2013 42.0 pence).

Dividend cover for 2015 is 2.3 times (2014 1.8 times) based on adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations.

As announced in November 2015, it is the current intention of the Board that ordinary dividends in 2016 will be approximately half that declared in 2014, with approximately one-third paid at the interim and two-thirds as a final dividend.

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Dividends charged to reserves and paid			
Interim dividend in respect of 2014 of 14.8 pence (2014 interim dividend in respect of 2013 of 13.5 pence, 2013 interim dividend in respect of 2012 of 11.7 pence) per share	56	40	36
Final dividend in respect of 2014 of 28.5 pence (2014 final dividend in respect of 2013 of 28.5 pence, 2013 final dividend in respect of 2013 of 24.8 pence) per share	111	84	72
	167	124	108

The amount waived by trustees of the Employee Share Trust in respect of the interim and final dividends was £1m (2014 £1m, 2013 £1m).

23 Analysis of net (debt)/cash

	As at 1 January 2015 £m	Cash flow £m	Exchange and other non cash movements £m	As at 31 December 2015 £m
Cash at bank and in hand	377	(46)	(24)	307
Bank deposits (less than three months)	118	(85)	—	33
Cash and cash equivalents (excluding bank overdrafts)	495	(131)	(24)	340
Bank overdrafts	—	—	—	—
Cash and cash equivalents	495	(131)	(24)	340
Bank deposits (more than three months)	21	2	—	23
Bank loans	(1,267)	64	(61)	(1,264)
Fees capitalised against bank facilities	9	3	(12)	—
Finance leases	(61)	11	(9)	(59)
Derivatives classified as net debt	—	(12)	26	14
Net debt as at the end of the year	(803)	(63)	(80)	(946)

	As at 1 January 2014 £m	Acquisition £m	Cash flow £m	Exchange and other non cash movements £m	As at 31 December 2014 £m
Cash at bank and in hand	153	239	(9)	(6)	377
Bank deposits (less than three months)	79	29	10	—	118
Cash and cash equivalents (excluding bank overdrafts)	232	268	1	(6)	495
Bank overdrafts	(9)	—	9	—	—
Cash and cash equivalents	223	268	10	(6)	495
Bank deposits (more than three months)	18	—	3	—	21
Bank loans	(120)	(39)	(1,102)	(6)	(1,267)
Fees capitalised against bank facilities	—	—	13	(4)	9
Finance leases	—	(32)	4	(33)	(61)
Net cash/(debt) as at the end of the year	121	197	(1,072)	(49)	(803)

The fair value of bank loans is £1,264m (2014 £1,268m) compared to a carrying value of £1,264m (2014 £1,267m). The fair value of finance leases is £59m (2014 £66m) compared to a carrying value of £59m (2014 £61m).

Cash and cash equivalents as at 31 December 2015 includes £47m (2014 £60m) that is held in countries from which prior approval is required to transfer funds abroad. There are restrictions on the use of £9m (2014 £7m) of cash held on behalf of joint venture arrangements and £17m (2014 £28m) held on behalf of customers and collateral against bank guarantees. In addition, there are restrictions on the use of a further £16m (2014 £16m) of cash and cash equivalents in respect of commitments of the Group's captive insurance subsidiary to certain insurers.

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24 Acquisitions and disposals

Acquisitions in 2015

On 5 October 2015 the Group acquired the remaining 49.9% shareholding in KROMAV Engenharia Ltda a company incorporated in Brazil for a consideration of £3m As a result of the transaction the non-controlling interest released was £1m resulting in a charge of £4m recognised in the consolidated statement of changes in equity

Mandatory purchase of minority Foster Wheeler shareholders

On 19 January 2015 Amec Foster Wheeler plc completed the squeeze-out merger under Swiss law (the Squeeze-Out Merger) of Foster Wheeler AG (Foster Wheeler) through its wholly owned subsidiaries AMEC International Investments BV and A-FW International Investments GmbH

All remaining Foster Wheeler shareholders received for each Foster Wheeler share held, a combination of \$16.00 in cash and either (i) 0.8998 Amec Foster Wheeler shares, if the shareholder's address on the books and records of Foster Wheeler was outside the United States or (ii) 0.8998 Amec Foster Wheeler American depositary shares ('ADSs') if the shareholder's address on the books and records of Foster Wheeler was in the United States

The cash portion of the consideration was increased by \$0.225 for each Amec Foster Wheeler share or Amec Foster Wheeler ADS received, in lieu of the Amec Foster Wheeler dividend of £0.148 (announced on 7 August 2014). This was calculated by converting the dividend amount to US\$ (at the European Central Bank's 5 January 2015 exchange rate of \$1.5223 per £1.00)

In aggregate Amec Foster Wheeler paid as consideration in the Squeeze-Out Merger £51m (\$77m) in cash and issued 4 255 970 Amec Foster Wheeler shares

The purchase consideration was allocated as follows

	Recognised value £m
Assets acquired	—
Liabilities assumed	—
Net identifiable assets and liabilities	—
Amount recognised in the consolidated statement of changes in equity	75
Non-controlling interest acquired	10
	85
Consideration	
Shares issued	34
Cash paid on completion	51
	85

Acquisitions in 2014

Foster Wheeler

Background

On 6 October 2014 the Group launched a public tender offer to acquire the entire issued share capital of Foster Wheeler AG the ultimate parent company of Foster Wheeler. Pursuant to the tender offer which closed on 13 November 2014 (the acquisition date) the Group acquired 95.3 per cent of the issued share capital of Foster Wheeler AG

Consideration payable for the interests in Foster Wheeler acquired by the Group amounted to £1.915m (measured at fair value at the acquisition date), of which £979m was settled in cash. £919m was settled by the issue of ordinary shares and ADSs and £17m was settled by the grant of replacement share options and awards to Foster Wheeler employees

Due to the relatively short period of time that elapsed between the acquisition date and the completion of the 2014 financial statements management had not finalised its assessment of the fair values at the acquisition date of certain of Foster Wheeler's property, plant and equipment, equity-accounted investments and property-related, legal and environmental obligations and a provisional allocation was reported in the 2014 financial statements. The fair value assessment was completed during 2015

24 Acquisitions and disposals continued

Acquisitions in 2014 continued

The purchase consideration has been allocated as follows

	£m
Identifiable assets acquired	
Property, plant and equipment	111
Identifiable intangible assets	742
Interests in joint ventures	73
Current tax receivable	13
Deferred tax assets	27
Inventories	11
Trade and other receivables	751
– Gross contractual amounts receivable	818
– Allowance for doubtful debts	(67)
Derivative financial instruments	(12)
Cash and cash equivalents	265
Liabilities assumed	
Bank loans	(39)
Finance lease obligations	(32)
Trade and other payables	(856)
Current tax	(65)
Retirement benefit liabilities	(72)
Deferred tax liabilities	(113)
Provisions	(592)
Net identifiable assets acquired	212
Non-controlling interests	(23)
Goodwill	1,726
Consideration	1,915

Non-controlling interests in Foster Wheeler were measured at their proportionate share of Foster Wheeler's identifiable assets and liabilities at the acquisition date

Goodwill of £1 726m has been recognised on the acquisition of Foster Wheeler. Management considers that the goodwill is attributable to the future strategic growth opportunities arising from the acquisition. Foster Wheeler's highly skilled, customer-oriented and collaborative assembled workforce, the significant cost synergies that are expected to result from the integration of Foster Wheeler with the Group's existing operations, and the potential for tax synergies. None of the goodwill is expected to be deductible for tax purposes.

Acquisition-related costs relating to the acquisition of Foster Wheeler totalling £33m were recognised within administrative expenses during 2014.

In the period from its acquisition to 31 December 2014, Foster Wheeler contributed £274m to the Group's revenue and £1m to the Group's trading profit. After amortisation, exceptional items and net asbestos related items, Foster Wheeler generated a loss of £44m in the period from acquisition to 31 December 2014.

Management estimated that if Foster Wheeler had been acquired on 1 January 2014, the Group's revenue for the year would have been £1 814m higher than reported at £5,800m. Management was unable to estimate reliably what the Group's profit or loss for the year would have been on this basis, principally because it is not practicable to retrospectively apply the significant purchase accounting adjustments that were made to the carrying amounts of the assets and liabilities of Foster Wheeler at its acquisition date and the tax effects of those adjustments.

Changes to the provisional fair value allocation

As discussed above, during 2015 management completed its assessment of the fair values of Foster Wheeler's assets and liabilities as at the acquisition date resulting in the recognition of an additional goodwill of \$245m. The most significant updates were as follows:

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24 Acquisitions and disposals continued

Acquisitions in 2014 continued

Longview

As previously disclosed, during 2015, the arbitration panel awarded Kvaerner approximately \$74m (approximately £48m) in respect of the arbitration with Kvaerner North American Construction Inc arising from GPG's role in the construction of the Longview power plant in West Virginia, US in 2011. As the contract was complete prior to the acquisition, this award has been fully reflected in the purchase price allocation.

Refinery project arbitration – India

As disclosed in the 2014 financial statements Foster Wheeler commenced arbitration in India against its client seeking collection of unpaid invoices in connection with the construction of an oil refinery plant in north-eastern India. Its client rejected the claim and submitted significant counterclaims. The provisional purchase price allocation included an allowance against the outstanding debts but, due to the ongoing risks and the passage of time, a further charge of £16m has been made. This represents full provision against the outstanding receivables.

Other project litigation

A provision of £33m has been established against costs expected to be disallowed and a potential alleged breach of warranty claim in respect of design work undertaken on a design, build and construct project based in the Southern US.

Management has performed a detailed review of the contracts in the GPG business and made provisions for defect rectification and damages claims totalling £19m across a number of contracts.

A number of smaller provisions (totalling £21m) have been established against specific contract risks.

Receivables and payables

Provision has been made against receivables and unbilled work in progress on a number of contracts (including £10m on one contract) that were outstanding as at the acquisition date and remained uncollected at the end of the hindsight period.

Provision has also been made against an employment tax risk associated with a permanent establishment overseas.

Uncertain tax positions

Management has reviewed the ongoing tax positions of Foster Wheeler and increased the provisions for uncertain tax positions in a number of jurisdictions. The most significant increases withholding tax on potential deemed distributions.

Property, plant and equipment

The carrying value of property, plant and equipment has been reviewed resulting in a £9m write down of two properties to their expected market value.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax liabilities reduced by £23m. This movement includes a potential tax liability on the future unwind of an overseas branch, as well as the deferred tax impact of the additional adjustments to the purchase price offset by the impact of the finalisation of the intangible asset allocation. The recognition of deferred tax on the purchase price allocation is restricted as a result of uncertainty over future profits and capacity constraints.

Restatement

In addition to the above, the acquisition balance sheet as presented on page 151 has been restated to present liabilities of £65m in respect of onerous leases within trade and other payables. These liabilities had previously been presented within provisions. As part of the finalisation of the acquisition accounting the acquired intangible assets have been allocated to the relevant jurisdictions resulting in a foreign exchange movement between the acquisition date and 31 December 2014. This is reflected in the restated consolidated statement of changes in equity for 2014.

Scopus

On 15 December 2014 the Group acquired the entire issued share capital of Scopus Group (Holdings) Limited (Scopus) for £68m with £67m paid on completion and £1m deferred for one year. Headquartered in Aberdeen, UK with bases in international oil and gas hubs, Scopus has around 200 employees who provide specialist engineering services to the global oil and gas, petrochemical and nuclear industries.

Due to the relatively short period of time that had elapsed between the acquisition date and completion of the 2014 financial statements management had not yet finalised its assessment of the fair values at the acquisition date of 15 December 2014 at the time that the 2014 financial statements were completed. The fair value assessment was completed during 2015 with only minor adjustments to the provisional assessment.

Goodwill of £35m has been recognised on the acquisition which management considers is principally attributable to its skilled workforce which did not meet the criteria for recognition as an intangible asset at the date of acquisition. This specialist expertise will complement Amec Foster Wheeler's existing project delivery capability across the lifecycle of a project.

24 Acquisitions and disposals continued

Acquisitions in 2014 continued

Summary of financial effect

Purchase consideration was provisionally allocated as follows

	£m
Intangible assets	31
Tangible assets	1
Trade and other receivables	7
Cash and cash equivalents	3
Trade and other payables	(3)
Deferred tax liability	(6)
Net identifiable assets and liabilities	33
Goodwill on acquisition	35
	68
Consideration	
Cash – paid on completion	67
– deferred	1
	68

Scopus did not make a material contribution to the Group's results for the year and would not have done so even if it had been acquired on 1 January 2014

Acquisitions in 2013

Automated Engineering Services Corp

On 15 November 2013, the Group acquired all of the shares in Automated Engineering Services Corp (AES) for up to US\$35m, of which US\$29m (£18m) was paid on completion and up to \$6m (£4m) will be paid after three years dependent on the achievement of certain performance targets

AES is a professional design engineering nuclear services firm based in Naperville Illinois US. It provides plant design/modification engineering, engineering analysis, safety licensing and regulatory services, and engineering programme support to existing nuclear utilities primarily in the US. We acquired AES to build on the Group's position in the nuclear industry in the US, allowing us to better serve our clients and providing a strong platform from which to achieve further growth in nuclear services. Goodwill of £12m was recognised on the acquisition of AES.

Purchase consideration was allocated as follows

	£m
Intangible assets	6
Trade and other receivables	6
Trade and other payables	(2)
Net identifiable assets and liabilities	10
Goodwill	12
Consideration	22

Notes to the consolidated accounts continued

25 Commitments

Operating lease commitments

The total obligations under non-cancellable operating lease rentals for continuing operations are as follows

	31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 £m
In one year or less	86	99
Between one and five years	224	249
Over five years	75	124
	385	472

Amec Foster Wheeler enters into the following types of lease short-term plant hires, leases for motor vehicles and office equipment with lease periods of two to five years and longer-term property leases None of the leases include any contingent rentals

Finance lease and hire purchase commitments

The Group has finance leases and hire purchase contracts for various items of property and deferred payment arrangements which are similar to finance leases for software These leases have terms of renewal but no purchase options and escalation clauses Renewals are at the option of the specific entity that holds the lease Future minimum lease payments under finance leases and hire purchase contracts together with the present value of the net minimum lease payments are as follows

	2015	2014		
	Minimum payments £m	Present value of payments £m	Minimum payments £m	Present value of payments £m
In one year or less	6	4	12	9
Between one and five years	49	42	47	35
Over five years	15	13	20	17
Total minimum lease payments	70	59	79	61
Less amounts representing finance charges	(11)	–	(18)	–
Present value of minimum lease payments	59	59	61	61

26 Contingent liabilities

Legal claims and actions

From time to time the Group is party to litigation involving clients and sub-contractors arising out of project contracts Such litigation includes claims or actions by and against the Group for cancelled contracts for additional costs incurred in excess of contract provisions, as well as for back charges for alleged breaches of warranty and other contract commitments We have recognised provisions for certain known or reasonably likely legal claims or actions against the Group We do not expect known and reasonably likely legal claims or actions for which a provision has not been established to have a material impact on the Group's financial position, results of operations or cash flows

Indemnities and retained obligations

We have agreed to indemnify certain third parties relating to businesses and/or assets that were previously owned by the Group and were sold to them Such indemnifications relate primarily to breach of covenants, breach of representations and warranties as well as potential exposure for retained liabilities environmental matters and third party claims for activities conducted by the Group prior to the sale of such businesses and/or asset We have established provisions for those indemnities in respect of which we consider it probable that there will be a successful claim We do not expect indemnities or retained obligations for which a provision has not been established to have a material impact on the Group's financial position, results of operations or cash flows

Guarantees

The Group has guaranteed certain performance obligations in respect of a refinery/electric power generation plant located in Chile in which we hold a non-controlling interest

26 Contingent liabilities continued

Mount Polley

The Mount Polley mine is owned and operated by Mount Polley Mining Corporation a subsidiary of Imperial Metals Corporation and is located near the town of Likely British Columbia, Canada. On 4 August 2014 a tailings pond facility at the mine failed releasing large quantities of water and mine tailings into the local environment. The dam was in the process of being raised at the time of the failure. One of our subsidiaries along with other parties had various design and quality assurance responsibilities associated with the expansion of this facility. Our subsidiary was providing engineering services at the time of the breach but did not perform the original design.

An Independent Review Panel issued a report on 30 January 2015 concluding that the cause of failure was shearing along a zone containing a weak soil layer along with other contributory factors. On December 17, 2015, the Chief Inspector of Mines for BC issued a report that for the most part agrees with the conclusions of the Independent Review Panel. At this time litigation has been threatened by the Owner of the Mine and its parent company Imperial Metals Corporation but no litigation has yet been commenced against the Group. Management's opinion is that its employees performed in a professional manner consistent with the standard of care for a competent engineer on a project of this nature. In addition, the contract between our subsidiary and Mount Polley Mining Corporation contains limitations of liability provisions that exclude claims for consequential damages and limit the subsidiary's liability to the amount of professional fees charged, which were less than CDN\$1m.

Amec Foster Wheeler is taking external legal advice on this matter. In light of both internal and external advice, and given the early stages of this matter, it is considered possible but not probable that there will be an outflow in respect of this issue.

Tax planning

The Group undertakes tax planning which is compliant with current legislation and accepted practice. Recent changes to the tax environment, including the OECD's project around Base Erosion and Profit Shifting have brought into question the legitimacy of tax planning previously undertaken by multinational entities. There have been several recent high profile tax cases against tax authorities and large groups. The European Commission has opened formal investigations to examine whether decisions by the tax authorities in certain European countries comply with European Union rules. We are monitoring the outcome of these cases in order to understand whether there is any risk to the Group. Based on the Group's current assessment of such issues, it is too early to speculate on any areas of challenge and potential liabilities and as a result it is not currently considered probable that there will be an outflow in respect of these issues.

27 Related party transactions

During 2015 there were a number of transactions with the senior management group, joint venture entities and subsidiary companies.

Transactions with the senior management group

Following the acquisition of Foster Wheeler in late 2014, the senior management group now consists of Amec Foster Wheeler plc board members and the presidents of the Americas, Northern Europe and CIS, Asia Middle East Africa and Southern Europe, and the Global Power Group.

The senior management group and relatives controlled 0.7% of the voting rights of the company as at 31 December 2015.

In addition to their salaries the company also provides non-cash benefits to executive directors and other senior managers and they receive share awards under the Performance Share Plan. The company also contributes to a defined benefit plan on behalf of certain executive directors. Details of their compensation are as follows:

	2015 £m	2014 £m
Short-term employee benefits	5	5
Pension costs	-	-
Equity-settled share-based payments	-	1
	5	6

Notes to the consolidated accounts continued

27 Related party transactions continued

Transactions and related balances outstanding with joint ventures

The transactions and related balances outstanding with joint venture entities are as follows

	Value of transactions in the year		Outstanding balance as at 31 December	
	2015 £m	2014 (restated) £m	2015 £m	2014 (restated) £m
Services received	1	-	-	-
Services rendered	28	29	12	12
Provision of finance	-	9	17	25

The 2014 restatement reflects changes to classifications of related party transactions

In September 2012, the UK government's Department for Business, Innovation and Skills announced a change to UK legislation with respect to the requirement for a UK company to be subject to annual audit. An additional audit exemption has been introduced, such that for a subsidiary of a parent established in a European Economic Area state, that subsidiary can be exempt from annual audit if certain conditions are met. The principal conditions are the requirement for the subsidiary's shareholders to agree to the exemption and a guarantee to be issued to the subsidiary by the parent undertaking guaranteeing all of the subsidiary's outstanding liabilities at the year end until they are satisfied in full.

The Group will be exempting the following companies from an audit in 2015 under Section 479A of the Companies Act 2006, all of which are fully consolidated in these accounts:

Amec Foster Wheeler Finance Asia Limited (Registered number 6205760)

AMEC Hedge Co 1 Limited (Registered number 07870120)

AMEC Kazakhstan Holdings Limited (Registered number 4530056)

Amec Foster Wheeler Property and Overseas Investments Limited (Registered number 1580678)

AMEC USA Finance Limited (Registered number 5299446)

AMEC USA Holdings Limited (Registered number 4041261)

AMEC USA Limited (Registered number 4044800)

AMEC Wind Developments Limited (Registered number 8781332)

Ard Ghaoth Wind Farm Limited (Registered number 7625013)

Auld Clay Wind Farm Limited (Registered number 7285550)

Castle Cary Wind Farm Limited (Registered number 7611293)

Hilton Wind Farm Limited (Registered number 7767187)

PI Energy & Emissions Limited (Registered number SC209704)

Sandiway Solutions (No 3) Limited (Registered number 5318249)

Sigma Financial Facilities Limited (Registered number 3863449)

28 Post balance sheet events

Refinancing

On 1 March 2016 the Group completed a refinancing of its main debt facilities by entering into a new facility with a syndicate of 20 banks. The new facility, which has three tranches – a three-year £650m term loan, a five-year £650m term loan and a five-year £400m revolving credit facility – replaces the company's existing revolving credit facility and the Foster Wheeler acquisition facility.

Longview

In early March 2016 the Group settled its dispute with Kvaerner as described in note 24. We have agreed to pay Kvaerner \$70m in full and final settlement of the claims.

Company balance sheet

As at 31 December 2015

	Note	2015 £m	2014 £m
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	2	33	31
Tangible assets	3	1	1
Investment in subsidiaries	4	4,219	4,480
		4,253	4,512
Current assets			
Debtors including amounts falling due after one year of £1 310 m (2014 £1 102 m)	5	1,378	1 149
Cash at bank and in hand		41	93
		1,419	1 242
Current liabilities			
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	6	(1,661)	(2 026)
Net current liabilities		(242)	(784)
Total assets less current liabilities		4,011	3 728
Creditors amounts falling due after one year	7	(2,091)	(1,324)
Net assets		1,920	2 404
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	8.9	197	194
Share premium account	9	133	101
Capital redemption reserve	9	34	34
Merger reserve	9	540	877
Profit and loss account	9	1,016	1,198
Equity shareholders' funds		1,920	2,404

The accounts on pages 157 to 165 were approved by the board of directors on 10 March 2016 and were signed on its behalf by

Ian McHoul
Chief Financial Officer and interim CEO

Company statement of changes in equity

For the year ended 31 December 2015

	Share capital £m	Share premium £m	Merger reserve £m	Capital redemption reserve £m	Profit and loss account £m	Total £m
As at 1 January 2015 (restated)	194	101	877	34	1,198	2,404
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	(368)	(368)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	(368)	(368)
Transfer of losses from the retained earnings to the merger reserve	-	-	(337)	-	337	-
Dividend	-	-	-	-	(167)	(167)
Equity-settled share-based payments	-	-	-	-	1	1
Utilisation of treasury shares	-	-	-	-	15	15
Shares issued	3	32	-	-	-	35
As at 31 December 2015	197	133	540	34	1,016	1,920

For the year ended 31 December 2014

	Share capital £m	Share premium £m	Merger reserve £m	Capital redemption reserve £m	Profit and loss account £m	Total £m
As at 1 January 2014	152	101	-	34	1,294	1,581
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	(3)	(3)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	(3)	(3)
Dividend	-	-	-	-	(124)	(124)
Equity-settled share-based payments	-	-	-	-	25	25
Utilisation of treasury shares	-	-	-	-	6	6
Shares issued	42	877	-	-	-	919
Transfer to merger reserve	-	(877)	877	-	-	-
As at 31 December 2014 (restated)	194	101	877	34	1,198	2,404

Notes to the company accounts

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework (FRS 101) and under the historical cost convention, except that derivative financial instruments are stated at fair value in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Companies Act 2006

The company has not presented its own profit and loss account as permitted by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006

The results of Amec Foster Wheeler plc are included in the consolidated accounts of Amec Foster Wheeler plc which are available from Booths Park Chelford Road Knutsford Cheshire WA16 8QZ

The accounts are presented in Sterling, rounded to the nearest million

As the acquisition of Foster Wheeler AG in November 2014 resulted in the Group securing more than 90% of Foster Wheeler's issued share capital the acquisition qualifies for merger relief under section 612 of the Companies Act 2006 from crediting the share premium account. As a result the balance sheet at 31 December 2014 has been restated to present the excess of the nominal value of the shares issued of £877m as a merger reserve

The company has transitioned to FRS 101 from previously issued UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice for all periods presented. Transition tables showing all material adjustments are disclosed in note 12. The accounting policies which follow set out those policies which apply in preparing the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015

The company has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions under FRS 101

- ▶ the requirements of paragraphs 45(b) and 46-52 of IFRS 2 'Share-based Payment' (details of the number and weighted-average exercise prices of share options and how the fair value of services received was determined)
- ▶ the requirements of IFRS 7 'Financial Instruments Disclosures'
- ▶ the requirements of paragraphs 91-99 of IFRS 13 'Fair Value Measurement'
- ▶ the requirement in paragraph 38 of IAS 1 'Presentation of Financial Statements' to present comparative information in respect of
 - paragraph 79(a)(iv) of IAS 1
 - paragraph 73(e) of IAS 16 'Property Plant and Equipment'
 - paragraph 118(e) of IAS 38 'Intangible Assets'
- ▶ the requirements of the following paragraphs of IAS 1 'Presentation of Financial Statements'
 - 10(d) (statement of cashflows)
 - 10(f) (a statement of financial position as at the beginning of the preceding period when an entity applies an accounting policy retrospectively or makes a retrospective statement of items in its financial statements or when it reclassifies items in its financial statements)
 - 16 (statement of compliance with all IFRSs)
 - 38A (requirement for minimum of two primary statements including cash flow statements)
 - 38B-D (additional comparative information)
 - 40A-D (requirements for a third statement of financial position)
 - 111 (cash flow statement information)
 - 134-136 (capital management disclosures)
- ▶ the requirements of IAS 7 'Statement of Cash Flows'
- ▶ the requirements of paragraphs 30 and 31 of IAS 8 'Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors' (requirement for the disclosure of information when an entity has not applied a new IFRS that has been issued but is not yet effective)
- ▶ the requirements of paragraph 17 of IAS 24 'Related Party Disclosures' (key management compensation)
- ▶ the requirements in IAS 24 'Related Party Disclosures' to disclose related party transactions entered into between two or more members of a group provided that any subsidiary which is a party to the transaction is wholly owned by such a member

Notes to the company accounts continued

1 Accounting policies continued

The preparation of accounts in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances the results of which form the basis of making judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Amec Foster Wheeler believe some of these policies require a high level of judgement, and the most critical accounting policies and significant areas of judgement and estimation arise from:

Impairment of investments in subsidiaries

Determining whether the company's investments in subsidiaries have been impaired requires estimations of the investments values in use. The value in use calculations require the entity to estimate the future cash flows expected to arise from the investments and suitable discount rates in order to calculate present values. The carrying amount of investments in subsidiaries at the balance sheet date was £4,219m (2014 £4,480m) with an impairment loss of £351m recognised in 2015 (2014 £nil).

Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

Financial instruments

Financial instruments are initially recorded at fair value. Subsequent valuation depends on the designation of the instrument and is as described in note 1 to the consolidated financial statements.

Foreign currencies

Transactions in a currency other than Sterling are translated to Sterling at the exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Sterling at rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date and exchange differences are taken to the profit and loss account in the year. Non-monetary assets and liabilities are measured in terms of historical cost and are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction.

Intangible assets

Intangible assets are measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses.

Amortisation is charged to the income statement on a straight line basis over the estimated useful lives of intangible assets, from the date they are available for use. The estimated useful lives of intangible assets held at 31 December 2015 are as follows:

Software	Three to seven years
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Interest

Interest is recognised in profit or loss on an accruals basis using the effective interest method.

Investments

Investments are stated at cost less impairment losses. Where equity-settled share-based payments are granted to the employees of subsidiary companies, the fair value of the award is treated as a capital contribution by the company and the investments in subsidiaries are adjusted to reflect this capital contribution.

Pensions

The company participates in the Amec Staff and Executive defined benefit pension schemes. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the company. As there is no contractual agreement or stated policy for charging the net defined benefit cost to individual Group entities, the company has recognised a cost equal to the contributions payable to the schemes in respect of the accounting period.

Details of the defined benefit schemes can be found in note 14 of the consolidated accounts.

Contributions to the defined contribution schemes are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they become payable.

Tangible assets

Property, plant and equipment is measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Depreciation is provided on all property, plant and equipment at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset on a straight line basis over its estimated useful life. The estimated useful lives as at 31 December 2015 are as follows:

Plant and equipment	Three to five years
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1 Accounting policies continued

Remuneration of auditors

The detailed information concerning auditors' remuneration is shown in note 4 of the consolidated accounts.

Share-based payments

There are share-based payment arrangements which allow Amec Foster Wheeler employees to acquire Amec Foster Wheeler shares, these awards are granted by Amec Foster Wheeler. The fair value of awards granted is recognised as a cost of employment with a corresponding increase in equity. The fair value is measured at grant date and spread over the period during which the employees become unconditionally entitled to the award. The fair value of the award is measured using a valuation model, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the awards were granted. The amount recognised as a cost is adjusted to reflect the actual number of shares that vest except where non-vesting is due to share prices not achieving the threshold for vesting.

Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the results for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of temporary differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes.

Deferred tax is recognised without discounting in respect of all temporary differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes which have arisen but not reversed by the balance sheet date except as otherwise required by IAS 12 Income Taxes.'

2 Intangible assets

	Software £m
Cost	
As at 1 January 2015	41
Additions	9
As at 31 December 2015	50
Amortisation	
As at 1 January 2015	10
Provided during the year	7
As at 31 December 2015	17
Net book value	
As at 31 December 2015	33
As at 1 January 2015	31

3 Tangible assets

	Plant and equipment £m
Cost	
As at 1 January 2015	4
Additions	—
As at 31 December 2015	4
Depreciation	
As at 1 January 2015	3
Provided during the year	—
As at 31 December 2015	3
Net book value	
As at 31 December 2015	1
As at 1 January 2015	1

Notes to the company accounts continued

4 Investments (non-current)

	Shares in subsidiaries £m	Amounts owed by subsidiaries £m	Total investment in subsidiaries £m
Cost			
As at 1 January 2015	4 062	464	4,526
Additions	90	–	90
As at 31 December 2015	4,152	464	4,616
Provisions			
As at 1 January 2015	46	–	46
Additions	351	–	351
As at 31 December 2015	397	–	397
Net book value			
As at 31 December 2015	3,755	464	4,219
As at 1 January 2015	4,016	464	4,480

Group companies are listed on pages 194 to 201

5 Debtors

	31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 £m
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year		
Amounts owed by subsidiaries	6	5
Derivative financial instruments	33	13
Corporation tax	21	24
Prepayments and accrued income	8	5
	68	47
Debtors: amounts falling due after one year		
Derivative financial instruments	19	2
Amounts owed by subsidiaries	1,291	1 100
	1,378	1 149

The deferred tax balance is analysed as follows

	31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 £m
Difference between accumulated depreciation and capital allowances	(1)	(1)
Tax losses	1	–
Share-based schemes	–	1
	–	–

In his budget speech on 8 July 2015 the UK Chancellor of the Exchequer announced reductions in the rate of UK corporation tax from 20% to 19% on 1 April 2017 and 18% on 1 April 2020

As at 31 December 2015 the reductions in the rate of corporation tax to 19% and 18% had been substantively enacted

6 Creditors amounts falling due within one year

	31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 £m
Bank overdrafts	12	8
Bank and other loans	673	693
Trade creditors	42	37
Derivative financial instruments	33	12
Amounts owed to subsidiaries	901	1 276
	1,661	2 026

The company has committed banking facilities of £1,741m (2014 £1 826m) This consists of a £377m multi-currency revolving facility that was taken out on 18 July 2012 The facility is committed for five years and is available for general corporate purposes In addition on 13 February 2014 the company entered into acquisition facilities totalling \$2 260m (£1 449m) This comprises of the following

- ▶ \$830m (£563m) bridge facility which matures 5 August 2016 with a further six month extension at the company's option
- ▶ \$830m (£563m) term loan maturing in equal instalments in 2017 2018 and 2019
- ▶ \$350m (£237m) revolving credit facility maturing May 2016

As at 31 December 2015, £1,236m (2014 £1 230m) of the loans and facilities were utilised by way of debt and £62m (2014 £159m) was utilised by way of Letter of Credit

On 1 March 2016, the Company entered into a new syndicated facility comprising of three tranches a three-year £650m term loan a five-year £650m term loan and a five-year £400m revolving credit facility The new facility replaces the Company's existing £377m revolving credit facility and the Foster Wheeler acquisition facility of \$2 26bn

7 Creditors amounts falling due after one year

	31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 £m
Amounts owed to subsidiaries	1,509	794
Bank and other loans	563	528
Derivative financial instruments	19	2
	2,091	1 324

8 Share capital

The share capital of the company comprises ordinary shares of 50 pence each All the ordinary shares rank pari passu in all respects To the company's knowledge and belief, there are no restrictions on the transfer of shares in the company or on voting rights between holders of shares

	31 December 2015 £m	31 December 2014 £m
Allotted called up and fully paid ordinary shares of 50 pence each	197	194

The movement in issued share capital during the year was as follows

	Number	£m
As at 1 January 2015	388 875 843	194
Shares issued	4,255,970	3
As at 31 December 2015	393,131,813	197

Share-based payment

Details of share-based payment schemes operated by the company are provided in note 22 to the consolidated accounts

Notes to the company accounts continued

9 Reserves

Movements in reserves are shown in the company statement of changes in equity on page 158

Details of dividends approved by the company and paid during the year are disclosed in note 22 to the consolidated accounts

During 2012 Amec Foster Wheeler plc generated a significant profit from an internal restructuring. This becomes distributable as qualifying consideration is passed to Amec Foster Wheeler plc. As at 31 December 2015, £564m of reserves are considered to be distributable

The company's loss for the year in 2015 was £368m

10 Contingent liabilities

Guarantees and indemnities

Guarantees given by the company in respect of borrowings of subsidiaries amounted to £nil as at 31 December 2015 (2014 £nil)

In addition the company is party to cross-guarantee arrangements relating to overdrafts for certain Group companies

The maximum gross exposure as at 31 December 2015 was £79m (2014 £94m)

The company will guarantee the debts and liabilities of the following UK subsidiaries in accordance with Section 479C of the Companies Act 2006

Amec Foster Wheeler Finance Asia Limited (Registered number 6205760)

Amec Foster Wheeler Property And Overseas Investments Limited (Registered number 1580678)

AMEC Hedge Co 1 Limited (Registered number 07870120)

AMEC Kazakhstan Holdings Limited (Registered number 4530056)

AMEC USA Finance Limited (Registered number 5299446)

AMEC USA Holdings Limited (Registered number 4041261)

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Hilton Wind Farm Limited (Registered number 7767187)

PI Energy Emissions Limited (Registered number SC209704)

Sandway Solutions (No 3) Limited (Registered number 5318249)

Sigma Financial Facilities Limited (Registered number 3863449)

The company has assessed the probability of loss under these guarantees as remote

11 Related party transactions

During the year the only related party transactions for which disclosure is required under IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures were with the senior management group. As allowed by IAS 24 transactions with wholly owned subsidiary undertakings are not disclosed.

Transactions with the senior management group

The senior management group of the company consists of Amec Foster Wheeler plc board members.

The senior management group of the company and their immediate relatives controlled 0.65% of the voting rights of the company as at 31 December 2015.

Details of directors' remuneration are provided in the Directors' remuneration report on pages 67 to 80.

12 Transition to FRS 101

For all years up to the year ended 31 December 2014, the company prepared its accounts in accordance with previously issued United Kingdom generally accepted accounting practice (UK GAAP). For the year ended 31 December 2015 the company has transitioned to FRS 101.

In preparing these accounts the company has started from an opening balance sheet as at 1 January 2014, the company's date of transition to FRS 101, and made those changes in accounting policies and other restatements required for the first-time adoption of FRS 101. This note explains the principal adjustments made by the company in restating its balance sheet as at 1 January 2014 prepared under previously issued UK GAAP and its previously published UK GAAP accounts for the year ended 31 December 2014.

On transition to FRS 101, the company has applied the requirements of paragraphs 6-33 of IFRS 1 'First time adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards'.

Restatements required on transition from UK GAAP to FRS 101

Reclassification of software assets

Previously under UK GAAP software development costs were capitalised as tangible assets. Under FRS 101 these costs meet the criteria for capitalisation as intangible assets under IAS 38 'Intangible Assets' and as such have been reclassified from tangible assets to intangible assets in the balance sheets as at 1 January 2014 (£26m) and 31 December 2014 (£31m).

History and development

Details of incorporation

Amec Foster Wheeler plc is a public limited company that is incorporated in England and Wales with the registered number 01675285

The Company's registered office is situated at Booths Park, Chelford Road Knutsford, Cheshire, WA16 8QZ, UK

The Company operates under English law

The Company's agent in the US is CT Corporation, whose contact address is 111 Eighth Avenue New York New York 10011 US

Origins

Amec Foster Wheeler plc (previously AMEC plc) was formed in 1982, when Fairclough Construction merged with William Press Group. The Matthew Hall Group of Companies was acquired in 1988. As a business, we can trace our history back over 150 years to the origins of these predecessor companies.

Subsequent transformation

In recent years, the Group's activities have been transformed by exiting from civil construction and becoming a consultancy, engineering and project management business. We have achieved this transformation through a combination of organic growth, acquisitions and divestment of non-core activities.

- ▶ In 2000, we acquired AGRA Inc., a North American environmental, engineering and construction services company and Ogden Environmental and Energy Services Co Inc, a US environmental consulting company
- ▶ In 2005 we acquired Paragon Engineering Services Inc., a Houston-based oil and gas engineering services company and NNC Holdings Limited, a UK nuclear consultancy and engineering business
- ▶ In 2007, we sold our UK-based civil construction businesses
- ▶ In 2008, we acquired Geomatrix Consultants Inc, a California-based technical consulting and engineering firm, Rider Hunt International Limited, a project services company to the oil, gas, chemical, energy and process industries and Bower Damberger Rolseth Engineering Limited
- ▶ In 2008 we sold our wind developments business
- ▶ In 2009 we acquired GRD Limited, an engineering and project delivery company based in Perth, Australia, specialising in the design, procurement and construction of mineral projects
- ▶ In 2010 we acquired Entec Holdings Limited, a UK-based environmental and engineering consultancy company
- ▶ In 2011 we acquired MACTEC Inc, a US engineering and environmental services company and QED International Limited or qedi, an oil and gas completions and commissioning services company

▶ In 2012, we acquired Energy Safety and Risk Consultants (UK) Limited, or ESRC, a UK-based nuclear technical services business Unidel Group Pty Limited or Unidel, a consulting engineering and technical services company serving Australia's energy, resources and infrastructure sectors and a 50% stake in Kromav Engenharia Ltda or KROMAV, a participant in the Brazilian oil and gas market, with an option to acquire the outstanding 50% stake

▶ In 2013 we acquired Automated Engineering Services Corp., a US design engineering nuclear services firm which provides support to existing nuclear utilities

▶ In 2014 we acquired Scopus Group (Holdings) Limited (Scopus). Headquartered in Aberdeen, UK, with bases in international oil and gas hubs. Scopus has around 200 employees who provide specialist engineering services to the global oil and gas, petrochemical and nuclear industries.

Between 1997 and 2006 we bought and sold interests in SPIE which provided electrical engineering, communications services and specialist activities in the energy and rail industries predominantly in France.

In November 2014 the Company acquired control of Foster Wheeler AG, a leading international engineering, construction and project management contractor and power equipment supplier by way of a public tender offer. Foster Wheeler AG was a Swiss-registered company that was listed on NASDAQ in the US. At 31 December 2014 the Company owned through a wholly-owned subsidiary 95.3% of the issued share capital of Foster Wheeler AG. At the time of the acquisition, Foster Wheeler had around 12 000 employees and operated in over 30 countries through two business groups.

Developments during 2015

During January 2015 the Company acquired the remaining shares in Foster Wheeler AG by way of a 'squeeze-out merger' conducted under Swiss law and Foster Wheeler AG merged with and into one of the Company's wholly-owned subsidiaries.

In October 2015, we exercised our right to acquire the remaining 50% stake in Kromav Engenharia Ltda.

In December 2015 we exercised our right to acquire the remaining 40% stake in S2V Consulting Pty Ltd, a company incorporated in Australia and providing specialised consulting services to our oil and gas customers including upstream/midstream, subsea and pipelines onshore/offshore and production and processing. During December 2015 we also sold our interest in Project Management Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in Ireland and providing engineering, architecture, and project management and construction services internationally.

Risk factors

We describe below those risks and uncertainties that we consider to be significant because their outcome may have a material adverse effect on the Group's business, financial condition results of operations or cash flows. We have not listed these risks and uncertainties in any particular order of priority. Other risks and uncertainties that are currently unknown to us, or that are known but not currently considered by us to be significant could become apparent to us or change and therefore may ultimately have such material adverse effects.

Adverse global economic conditions or other macro-economic developments in the geographic regions and markets in which we operate

We expect to derive the largest share of our revenue from the oil & gas market with a broad exposure from upstream to downstream. Over recent years the oil & gas industry has faced a number of challenges including continuing pressure on consumer demand costs and oil & gas prices. As a result of the continuing nature of these challenges, many oil & gas companies have reduced and may reduce further their capital expenditure in response to market and investor pressure.

In our other markets, such as clean energy, spending by customers will depend on cost developments for new technologies, support for government initiatives and the availability of funding for projects, whilst demand for raw materials from China may have a significant impact on mining projects. We have experienced increased competition for new contracts and some customers have requested different, less favourable contract terms due to these conditions.

We expect to derive the majority of our revenue from the combination of Europe, the US and Canada and will be exposed to the impact of global and local economic conditions affecting these regions. We may, therefore, be adversely affected if economic conditions in these regions deteriorate or become more uncertain.

Adverse or volatile economic conditions may also impact liquidity and the availability of credit to our customers as well as the demands of investors for greater returns in these markets, each of which may in turn influence customer spending on capital investment and/or asset maintenance and may result in delays or cancellation of projects.

If we are unable to successfully anticipate changing economic and political conditions affecting the jurisdictions and markets in which we operate, we may be unable to effectively plan for or respond to those changes.

Risks associated with operating in emerging markets.

We conduct a portion of our operations in emerging markets. Going forward, we expect that our operations will be more heavily focused in the Middle East, as well as in other emerging markets, such as Latin America and parts of Asia. Our operations in these markets are exposed to risks that may not be encountered in countries with more well-established economic and political systems, which include, to a greater or lesser extent, changes in governmental regulations, trade restrictions and laws, tariffs and other barriers, the potential for nationalisation of enterprises or government policies favouring local production, renegotiation or nullification of existing agreements, fluctuations in interest rates and currency exchange rates, the introduction of exchange controls and other restrictions by foreign governments, timeliness of client payments, differing protections for intellectual property and enforcement thereof and divergent environmental laws and regulations.

Continuing political and social unrest in the Middle East has had and may continue to have a negative impact on existing and future opportunities in the region.

Changes in commodity prices may adversely impact demand for our services.

As a general matter, commodity prices are volatile and are influenced by a number of external factors, including the supply of and demand for commodities, speculative activities by market participants, global political and economic conditions, the levels of production in major commodity-producing countries and the costs of exploring for, developing, producing and delivering the commodities. In particular, fluctuations in commodity prices related to the oil & gas, metals, mining and minerals industries may adversely impact our business since they may adversely affect customer spending on capital investment and asset maintenance and may result in delays or cancellation of projects.

The reduction in oil prices has adversely impacted investment in both oil and gas production by driving international oil companies to focus on ways in which they can be more capital efficient and this may continue if oil prices remain low. For example, such companies may choose to reduce overall levels of upstream capital expenditure and look at options to improve the efficiency of operating expenditure. Fluctuations in the price of metals and minerals, such as gold and copper, have also impacted mining customer spending.

Such declines in the levels of customer spending as a result of a reduction in commodity prices could negatively impact our operations. Any delay, deferral or size reduction in our customers' projects may restrict the opportunities available to us for organic growth and the achievement of our targets.

Risk factors continued

Adverse changes in macro-economic, market and other conditions could result in the impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets.

Goodwill is tested for impairment annually, or more often if an event or circumstance indicates that it may be impaired. Other intangible assets are tested for impairment whenever there is an indication of impairment. An impairment test is an assessment of whether the carrying amount of an asset can be supported by the net present value of the future cash flows that are expected to be derived from it, either by use in the business or from sale. An impairment test requires management to make certain critical assumptions including future sales volumes, profit margins and long-term growth rates and to determine an appropriate discount rate to apply to the estimated cash flows. Other factors that may affect revenue and profitability (for example, intensifying competition, pricing pressures, regulatory changes and other industry developments) are also considered. Discount rates are based on current yields on government bonds, the level of which may change substantially from period to period and which may be affected by political and economic developments which are beyond our control.

An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying value of the asset is not supported by net present value of the cash flows expected to be derived from it. Whilst an impairment loss does not in itself affect cash flows, it may be an indication that future cash flows will decline. Moreover any significant impairment in the carrying value of goodwill may indicate an associated impairment in the related investment held by the parent company. No assurance can be given that any such future impairment loss in the parent company would not affect the Company's distributable reserves and therefore our ability to pay dividends to our shareholders.

Failure to meet customer expectations on project delivery could result in damage to our reputation and/or loss of repeat business and potentially lead to litigation.

Many of the contracts which we enter into with our customers are long term and may contain liquidated damages clauses relating to on-time delivery and/or liquidated damages relating to performance and/or liability in respect of unliquidated damages. A number of factors including failure to follow best practice guidelines could mean that projects are not delivered to time, cost, quality or appropriate health safety and environmental standards and therefore do not meet customer expectations or the expectations of the relevant third party. Any failure to deliver in accordance with customer expectations could subject us to damages and/or reduce our margins on these contracts. Failure to meet customer expectations may also result in disputes or litigation, cancelled contracts, additional costs incurred in excess of current contract provisions, or back-charges for alleged breaches of warranty and other contract commitments.

Damage to reputation or loss of repeat business as a result of our failure to meet our customers' expectations could negatively impact our ability to win new contracts in the future.

Long-term contracts may be subject to early termination, variation or non-renewal provisions.

We enter into long-term contracts with customers which are performed over a period that may exceed two years. Such contracts may be terminated earlier than expected either within the relevant notice periods or upon default or non-performance by ourselves which may result in additional costs if adequate compensation is not received.

Projects included in our order book may be delayed or cancelled.

Changes in project scope or schedule create uncertainty as to the portion of orders that can be performed or the amount of revenue that will be recognised in any given year. Customers may also not be able to secure the necessary financing and approvals for their projects, which could result in a delay or cancellation of the proposed project. Even where a project proceeds as scheduled, it is possible that contracted parties may default and fail to pay amounts owed. Furthermore, fluctuations in currency exchange rates may affect the value of the order book. As a result of these uncertainties, the order book may not be a reliable indicator of our future revenue or profitability.

Lump sum contracts are more subject to unanticipated modifications, technical problems and delays.

Lump sum contracts carry different risks than reimbursable contracts because the selling price of the project is agreed based on estimates at the time the contractor enters into the contract and the contractor assumes a greater proportion of the risks associated with completing the project. In particular in the EPC contracts in which we engage, the contractor often assumes the risk of variations from original contract projections due to engineering design changes or project modifications that the contractor has to make after submitting its tender. There may also be unanticipated technical problems with the equipment being supplied or developed by the contractor, changes in the costs of components, materials or labour, difficulties in obtaining required governmental permits or approvals, changes in labour conditions and other unexpected delays or costs. We may incur a loss on contracts that are subject to these amendments if we are unable to obtain a variation of the contract or are not sufficiently reimbursed for the costs incurred as a result of these changes or modifications.

We may lose key management or face difficulty in attracting and retaining appropriately skilled personnel.

Our future success is dependent on our ability to attract and retain key management and suitably qualified people to execute our projects. Despite the change in market conditions in some of the markets in which we operate there is still a scarcity of resources for certain key positions and ongoing competition for suitably qualified and experienced personnel from other companies and organisations.

While we may have appropriately qualified and experienced personnel, we may find it difficult to move them between projects and regions and this could impact our ability to meet obligations under our contracts.

Senior management departures or prolonged absences, key personnel shortages and difficulties in relocating our personnel could adversely affect our ability to implement our strategy and manage our operations efficiently.

Failure to comply with health, safety and environmental laws may result in losses.

We are subject to numerous laws, regulations and policies concerning the protection of health, safety and the environment, such as those concerning the use and production of waste and by-products considered to be hazardous under the environmental laws and regulations of the jurisdictions in which we operate, including nuclear and other low-level radioactive materials, the remediation of environmental contamination, waste water and waste disposal or that otherwise relate to environmental protection. Failure to comply with such laws, regulations and policies could potentially lead to reputational damage, fines, litigation and claims for compensation, which can be substantial. Such failure may also result in the withdrawal or suspension of licences and permits or we may be forced to undertake extensive remedial clean-up action or to pay for government-ordered remedial clean-up actions, even in cases where such hazards have been caused by third parties.

We may be subject to liabilities for environmental contamination as an owner or operator (or former owner or operator) of a facility, or as a generator of hazardous substances without regard to negligence or fault. Our clean energy business is involved in providing services to operators and utilities in the full lifecycle of nuclear energy, from new build and reactor support to nuclear decommissioning and the management of radioactive and hazardous materials. We could therefore, be exposed to risks associated with the nuclear industry and the impact of nuclear regulation. As part of any contract involving work or services at or in connection with nuclear facilities, we typically require an indemnity in respect of nuclear liability from our customers. Where an indemnity is not provided, international nuclear conventions such as the Paris Convention and the Vienna Convention protect us against liability provided that our contracting entity is registered in a country which is a signatory of the relevant convention. In cases where our customers are not prepared to provide an indemnity of this nature and no protection is provided by international convention, we may be required to bear the cost of such liabilities in addition to any reputational damage.

Changes in environmental laws and regulations, remediation obligations, enforcement actions, stricter interpretations of existing requirements, future discovery of contamination or claims for damages to persons, property, natural resources or the environment could result in unanticipated material costs and liabilities.

Risk factors continued

A major safety incident could lead to reputational damage and increase potential liabilities.

We are involved in activities and environments that can be dangerous and that have the potential to cause serious injury to personnel or damage to property or the environment. Our projects are increasingly complex and place employees and others near large equipment, dangerous processes, highly regulated materials or in remote and challenging environments. We are responsible for the safety and security of our employees travelling on company business and while working at project sites and of third-party personnel while working at project sites under our supervision, and accordingly must implement safety procedures.

Failure to comply with such procedures may cause us to be subject to losses and liability under client contracts or statutory regulations. Any failure in health and safety performance which results in a major or significant health and safety or environmental incident is likely to result in additional costs in terms of potential liabilities or remediation costs. Such failure could generate significant adverse publicity resulting in employee turnover and damage to our reputation which may adversely impact our ability to win new business.

Failure or security breaches of our IT systems and/or data security may result in losses.

We are dependent on the efficient operation of our IT systems. Such systems may fail and/or sensitive data held by them may be lost. Information and communication systems are by their nature susceptible to internal and external security breaches, including computer hacker and cyber terrorist breaches, employee wilful breaches and the risk of employees succumbing to criminal scamming from external sources, and can fail or become unavailable for a significant period of time. A significant performance failure of the Group's IT systems could lead to loss of control over critical business, project information and/or systems (such as design tools, contract costs, invoicing, payroll management and/or internal reporting) resulting in an adverse impact on the ability to operate effectively or to fulfil contractual obligations. Such failure may in turn, lead to a loss of customers, revenue and profitability and the incurring of significant remedial costs.

Our operations are especially dependent on the use of internal data and customer data. We have incurred and will continue to incur expenses to comply with mandatory privacy and security standards and protocols imposed by law, regulation, industry standards or contractual obligations relating to the collection, use and security of personal information data. Failure to comply with such data privacy laws and regulations may result in fines, penalties, claims and reputational damage. Additionally, if data security controls fail, there is a risk that we will unintentionally disclose protected or sensitive data, including important intellectual property which could lead to the violation of client confidentiality agreements, reputational harm and the loss of critical data.

Failure to comply with anti-corruption laws and regulations, economic sanction programmes or other laws and regulations may result in us becoming subject to fines or penalties and the disruption of our business activities.

Many of the countries in which we operate have anti-corruption laws and regulations that restrict the offer or payment of anything of value to government officials or other persons with the intent of gaining business or favourable government action. We are subject to these laws and regulations, including the US Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 and the UK Bribery Act 2010. Additionally, economic sanctions programmes, including those administered by the United Nations, the EU and the US Office of Foreign Asset Control, restrict our business dealings with certain sanctioned countries. Many of these regulations and sanctions programmes establish record-keeping obligations.

We are exposed to the risk of violating anti-corruption laws and sanctions regulations applicable in those countries where we, our partners or agents operate. Some of the locations in which we currently operate lack a developed legal system, have high levels of corruption and have proven to be susceptible to the occurrence of fraud. Whilst we mandate compliance with relevant policies, laws and regulations (including anti-corruption laws) and have implemented procedures and controls to monitor internal and external compliance, there can be no assurance that our policies and procedures will be followed at all times or will effectively detect and/or prevent violations of the applicable laws or other fraudulent activity by one or more of our employees, consultants, subcontractors, agents or partners.

Violations of anti-corruption laws and sanctions regulations are punishable by civil penalties, including fines, denial of export privileges, injunctions, asset seizures, debarment from government contracts (and termination of existing contracts) and revocations or restrictions of licences, as well as criminal fines and imprisonment. In addition, any major violations of policy, law or regulation (including instances of fraud) could have a significant impact on our reputation and consequently on our ability to win future business.

Funding risks in relation to defined benefit pension schemes.

We operate a number of defined benefit pension schemes where careful judgement is required in determining the assumptions for future salary and pension increases (for those plans that are not frozen) discount rate inflation investment return and member longevity. We expect to continue to operate these schemes although the most significant schemes are now closed. Based on our current assumptions we expect that we will be able to fund these pension schemes without seeking recourse to additional external financing. Actual outcomes could, however, differ from our assumptions. For example a prolonged period of lower than expected asset returns and/or unexpected increases in longevity could create or worsen a funding shortfall on one or more of the schemes. In which circumstances we may agree or be required to make additional cash contributions to the schemes to eliminate the funding shortfall. If significant such additional contributions may constrain our ability to invest in acquisitions or undertake capital expenditure, thereby adversely impacting our growth and profitability.

If the actual number and/or cost to the Group of resolving asbestos-related claims is higher than expected, there may be an adverse effect on our cash flows and our results to the extent that the additional cost is not covered by insurance, or expected insurance recoveries are not, in fact, realised

Certain of the company's subsidiaries have been named as defendants in numerous lawsuits and out-of-court administrative claims in which the plaintiffs claim damages for alleged bodily injury or death arising from exposure to asbestos primarily in connection with asbestos placed by others on steam generating units and auxiliary equipment assembled installed and/or sold by those subsidiaries. In the US certain former Foster Wheeler subsidiaries have received claims alleging personal injuries due to contracting work performed by them and more rarely from exposure to asbestos-containing components installed in their steam generating units and auxiliary equipment. We expect that these subsidiaries will be named as defendants in additional and/or similar suits and that new claims will be filed in the future. Whilst some of these claims have been and are expected to be made in the UK, the overwhelming majority have been and are expected to be made in the US.

We have provided for the estimated indemnity amounts and defence costs that we expect to incur in relation to open and expected future asbestos-related claims in each year in the period to 2050. We have also recognised the estimated future recoveries under our insurance arrangements against the costs of resolving these claims.

It is possible that the actual number of future claims brought against us and the cost of resolving pending and future claims could be substantially higher than expected due to a number of factors which include:

- ▶ an increase in the rate at which new claims are filed and increases in the number of new claimants
- ▶ adverse changes in the mix of diseases alleged to be suffered by the claimants

- ▶ adverse changes in the mix of claimants making allegations
- ▶ increases in indemnity payments or defence costs associated with asbestos-related claims
- ▶ decreases in the proportion of claims dismissed with zero indemnity payments
- ▶ indemnity payments being required to be made sooner than expected
- ▶ adverse fluctuations in the discount rate (eg the 30-year US Treasury rate) used to discount the provision for asbestos-related claims and related insurance recoveries
- ▶ adverse changes to forecasting estimation or valuation assumptions or methodologies (whether related to potential liabilities, claims and/or associated costs)
- ▶ payment of damages in amounts greater than expected
- ▶ adverse changes in legislative or judicial standards governing the filing, handling or resolution of asbestos-related claims

Whilst certain of these claims are covered by insurance the settlements that we made with our insurers were sometimes for fixed monetary amounts and/or provide cover only for claims made before a specified future date. Accordingly a future increase in the Group's asbestos-related liabilities would not result in an equivalent increase in the amount recoverable from those insurers. It is also possible that insurance recoveries may not be realised in full and on time or at all due to insurer insolvency or for some other reason. To the extent that any defence and/or indemnity costs incurred by us for open and expected future asbestos-related claims are not covered by insurance proceeds we would be responsible for the payment of those costs, which would adversely affect our cash flows.

Obligations and liabilities relating to divested and non-core businesses.

We remain at risk to potential litigation and business claims in relation to divested and non-core businesses where we have provided customary warranties to the purchaser or have continuing obligations such as to carry out environmental remediation. Where appropriate we have made provision for these obligations but it is possible that the actual costs incurred in settling any claims will materially exceed those provisions.

We may face risks arising out of our ongoing portfolio review. In particular, we may be unable to find purchasers for assets or businesses to be disposed, and we may not be able to meet the targets associated with our disposal programme. Activities arising from the ongoing portfolio review and any subsequent disposals will require additional time of key management, as well as additional financial resources. To the extent that we are unable to proceed with the portfolio review and any disposals on the basis or the time frame we expect or further management or financial resources are required to carry out those activities it may have a negative impact on the Group.

Performance measures

We assess the financial performance of our businesses using a variety of measures. Certain of these measures are particularly important and we have termed them 'key performance indicators'. We refer to these measures in the strategic report and use them in presentations to investors. In this section, we explain the relevance to us of each of these measures and show how they are calculated.

Some of these measures are non-IFRS measures because they exclude amounts that are included in, or include amounts that are excluded from, the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with IFRS or are calculated using financial measures that are not calculated in accordance with IFRS. We do not regard these non-IFRS measures as a substitute for, or superior to, the equivalent measures calculated and presented in accordance with IFRS and it should be noted that they may not be comparable with similarly titled measures used by other companies.

Profitability measures

Management uses three measures of profitability that are not recognised measures under IFRS: trading profit, trading margin and adjusted profit before tax. Each of these measures is based on an IFRS measure of profit but excludes specific items whose inclusion in the IFRS measure hinders the comparison of the trading performance of our businesses from one period to another with each other or with those of our competitors.

Management has identified the following specific items that are excluded in arriving at these non-IFRS measures: exceptional items, the amortisation and impairment of intangible assets, and asbestos-related costs (net of insurance recoveries). Exceptional items are items of income and expense that are material by their size, incidence or nature and may include, but are not restricted to, acquisition-related costs, restructuring costs, gains and losses on the disposal of fixed assets, and gains and losses on the disposal or closure of businesses. Acquisition-related costs may include transaction costs (including external advisory, legal, valuation and other professional fees and attributable internal costs), the amortisation of acquisition-related facility fees, payments to selling shareholders that are accounted for as remuneration and changes in the fair value of contingent consideration. Exceptional items that were recognised in continuing operations are analysed in note 5 to the consolidated financial statements.

Trading profit, trading margin and adjusted profit before tax exclude items that can have a significant effect on the Group's profit or loss and should therefore, be used in conjunction with and not as a substitute for, the equivalent IFRS measures. Management compensates for these limitations by separately monitoring the items that are excluded from the equivalent IFRS measures in calculating these non-IFRS measures.

Trading profit

Trading profit represents profit before net financing expense excluding exceptional items, the amortisation and impairment of intangible assets, and asbestos-related costs (net of insurance recoveries). Trading profit includes the Group's share of the trading profit of joint ventures.

Trading profit is the measure used by management to assess the trading performance of the Group's individual businesses and is the measure of segment profit that we present under IFRS. Trading profit is a non-IFRS measure when presented on a consolidated basis.

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Continuing operations			
(Loss)/profit before net financing expense	(205)	148	243
Intangibles amortisation and impairment	444	49	47
Net asbestos-related (income)/costs	(13)	8	—
Exceptional items	108	94	25
Share of trading profit of joint ventures	40	22	28
Trading profit	374	321	343

Trading margin

Trading margin represents trading profit expressed as a percentage of revenue.

Trading margin is a non-IFRS measure that is used by management to measure the success of our businesses in managing their cost base and improving profitability.

£m unless stated otherwise	2015	2014	2013
Continuing operations			
Revenue	5,455	3,993	3,974
Trading profit	374	321	343
Trading margin	6.9%	8.0%	8.6%

Adjusted profit before tax

Adjusted profit before tax represents profit before tax before exceptional items, the amortisation and impairment of intangible assets asbestos-related costs and interest expense (net of insurance recoveries), and the Group's share of tax on the results of joint ventures

Adjusted profit before tax is a non-IFRS measure that is used by management to assess the trend in the Group's overall profitability

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Continuing operations			
(Loss)/profit before tax	(235)	155	255
Intangibles amortisation and impairment	444	49	47
Net asbestos-related expense (income)/costs	(6)	9	-
Exceptional items	121	98	25
Share of income tax of joint ventures	10	6	5
Adjusted profit before tax	334	317	332

Cash flow measures**Trading cash flow (previously operating cash flow)**

Trading cash flow represents cash generated from operations before cash flows arising from exceptional items asbestos-related payments (net of insurance recoveries), the difference between retirement benefit contributions and the current service cost, legacy settlements and discontinued operations and currency translation differences on working capital but including dividends received from joint ventures

Trading cash flow is a non-IFRS measure which is an indicator of the Group's ability to generate cash from its continuing operations before taking into account exceptional items and the servicing of long-term obligations and the settlement of legacy issues

	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m
Cash generated from operations	220	200	292
Net asbestos-related payments	22	5	-
Excess of pension contributions over current service cost	3	2	-
Cash outflow on exceptional items	72	58	21
Legacy settlements and discontinued operations	36	9	14
Currency translation differences	(19)	(5)	6
Amortisation of finance arrangement fees	12	-	-
Dividends received from joint ventures	42	14	8
Trading cash flow	388	283	341

Cash conversion

Cash conversion represents trading cash flow expressed as a percentage of trading profit. Cash conversion is a non-IFRS measure that we use as a measure of the efficiency of our businesses in converting their trading results into cash

£m unless stated otherwise	2015	2014	2013
Trading cash flow	388	283	341
Trading profit	374	321	343
Cash conversion	104%	88%	99%

Performance measures continued

Other measures

Underlying change in revenue

Management uses the underlying change in revenue to measure the organic growth of our businesses relative to each other to our markets and to our competitors

We define the underlying change as the year-on-year change excluding the effect of flow-through procurement acquisitions and disposals of businesses and currency exchange rate movements

Underlying change – 2015 compared with 2014

	2014 pro forma £m	Currency translation £m	Acquisitions £m	Underlying change £m	2015 £m	Underlying change %
Continuing operations						
Americas	2,705	34	–	(93)	2,646	-3%
NECIS	1,705	(2)	16	(227)	1,492	-13%
AMEASE	1,031	(29)	27	21	1,050	+1%
PGP	454	2	–	(92)	364	-20%
Investment Services	16	–	–	(1)	15	–
Intercompany eliminations	(111)	–	–	(1)	(112)	–
	5,800	5	43	(393)	5,455	-7%

Adjusted diluted EPS

Adjusted diluted earnings per share represents profit for the year from continuing operations before exceptional items, the amortisation and impairment of intangible assets asbestos-related costs and interest expense (net of insurance recoveries), and the tax effect of those items, divided by the diluted number of ordinary shares

Growth in adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations is an indicator of the underlying trend in the Group's ability to generate earnings and may be useful to investors in assessing the value of the Company's ordinary shares (for example by way of price earnings multiples)

Whilst IFRS does not define any adjusted EPS measures the presentation of such measures is permitted in financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS. Accordingly, reconciliations of adjusted diluted EPS to diluted EPS from continuing operations for each period presented are included in note 10 to the consolidated financial statements

Dividend cover

Dividend cover is a non-IFRS measure that represents adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations as a multiple of the dividend per ordinary share

Whilst dividend cover is an indicator of the sustainability of future dividend payments in the context of the Group's underlying trading performance we can only pay dividends to the extent of the Company's accumulated distributable reserves

	2015	2014	2013
Dividend per ordinary share	29.0p¹	43.3p	42.0p
Adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations	67.7p	79.5p	87.2p
Dividend cover	2.3x	1.8x	2.1x

¹ Includes the proposed final dividend for 2015 of 14.2p per ordinary share

Order book

Our order book represents the total remaining value of secured projects to be executed up to any break point in the relevant contracts. Contracts are included in our order book only when they are signed and we do not include contracts won by joint ventures

Our order book and order intake are significant indicators of our future revenues. As at 31 December 2015, our order book was £6.6bn (2014 £6.3bn). We discuss significant recent contract wins in the strategic report on page 16

Prior year operating results

Reported under IFRS

£m unless stated	2014	2013	Change
Continuing operations			
Revenue	3,993	3 974	0%
Profit before net financing expense	148	243	-39%
Profit before tax	155	255	-39%
Cash flow from operations	200	292	-32%
Diluted earnings per share	35.1p	62.5p	-44%
Dividend per share	43.3p¹	42.0p	+3%

¹ Includes the proposed final dividend for 2014 of 28.5p per ordinary share

Adjusted measures

£m unless stated	2014	2013	Change	Underlying change ⁸
Continuing operations				
Scope revenue ¹	3,920	3 854	+2%	+1%
Trading profit ²	321	343	-6%	
Trading margin ³	8.2%	8.9%	-70bps	
Adjusted profit before tax ⁴	317	332	-5%	
Trading cash flow ⁵	283	341	-17%	
Cash conversion ⁶	88%	99%	-110ps	
Adjusted diluted earnings per share ⁷	79.5p	87.2p	-9%	

¹ Scope revenue represents reported revenue less flow-through procurement revenue

² Trading profit represents profit before net financing expense before the amortisation of intangible assets asbestos related costs (net of insurance recoveries) and exceptional items but including the Group's share of the trading profit of joint ventures

³ Trading margin represents trading profit expressed as a percentage of scope revenue

⁴ Adjusted profit before tax represents profit before tax before exceptional items the amortisation of intangible assets asbestos related costs and interest expense (net of insurance recoveries) and the Group's share of tax on the results of joint ventures

⁵ Trading cash flow represents cash generated from operations before cash flows arising from exceptional items asbestos related payments (net of insurance recoveries) the difference between retirement benefit contributions and the current service cost legacy settlements and discontinued operations and currency translation differences on working capital but including dividends received from joint ventures

⁶ Cash conversion represents trading cash flow expressed as a percentage of trading profit

⁷ Adjusted diluted earnings per share represents profit for the year from continuing operations before exceptional items the amortisation of intangible assets asbestos related costs and interest expense (net of insurance recoveries) and the tax effect of those items divided by the diluted number of ordinary shares

⁸ Underlying change excludes the effect of flow-through procurement acquisitions and disposals of businesses and currency exchange rate movements

Revenue

Revenue for the year was broadly unchanged compared with last year at £3 993m (2013 £3,974m)

Revenue declined by £175m in the Americas and by £108m Europe but increased by £54m in the Growth Regions Revenue from Oil & Gas was down 13%, Mining was down 14% and E&I down 3%, but revenue from Clean Energy was up 11%. Revenue in all markets was adversely affected by the strength of sterling, particularly against the US dollar. Overall currency exchange rate movements reduced revenue by £238m in 2014 compared with 2013

Foster Wheeler contributed £274m to the Group's revenue during the last seven weeks of the year following its acquisition in November 2014

Flow-through procurement decreased by £47m to £73m (2013 £120m)

Excluding flow-through procurement the effect of acquisitions and currency movements underlying revenue increased by 1%. Underlying revenue from Oil & Gas was down 5% and that from Mining down 6% but Clean Energy was up 16% and E&I was up 5%

Seasonality

The Group's revenue is generally higher in the second half of the year principally because weather conditions in the northern hemisphere are typically more conducive to project activity

Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses were £354m (2013 £293m), including exceptional items, intangibles amortisation and asbestos-related costs (net of insurance recoveries) totalling £135m (2013 £65m)

Administrative expenses before intangibles amortisation exceptional items and net asbestos-related costs declined by 4% to £219m (2013 £228m), principally due to the impact of currency movements and reduced share-based payment charges. Also determined on this basis Foster Wheeler's administrative expenses following its acquisition were £26m

Corporate costs which comprise the costs of operating central corporate functions and certain regional overheads, were £4m lower at £31m (2013 £35m)

Profit before net financing expense

Profit before net financing expense was significantly lower at £148m (2013 £243m) largely due to exceptional costs incurred during 2014 in relation to the acquisition of Foster Wheeler

Prior year operating results continued

Amortisation and impairment of intangible assets

Intangible assets principally comprise goodwill and identifiable intangible assets that were recognised in relation to acquired businesses. Goodwill is not amortised but is subject to an annual impairment test. No impairment was recognised in either 2014 or 2013.

Intangibles amortisation was £49m (2013 £47m). Whilst an additional amortisation expense of £11m was recognised on the intangible assets acquired with Foster Wheeler and there was the full-year amortisation of intangible assets recognised in acquisitions completed in 2013 the year-on-year change was reduced because the amortisation expense in 2013 included the accelerated amortisation of certain intangible assets. We expect the full-year impact of the amortisation of intangible assets acquired with Foster Wheeler to be approximately £85m.

Asbestos-related costs (net of insurance recoveries)

During 2014 the Group recognised net asbestos-related costs of £8m (2013 £nil) in profit before net financing expense which largely related to the reduction between the acquisition date and the year-end date in the discount rate applied to the net asbestos-related liabilities assumed on the acquisition of Foster Wheeler. In addition the Group recognised an asbestos-related interest expense of £1m (2013 £nil).

Exceptional items

Net exceptional costs totalling £98m (2013 £25m) were recognised in arriving at profit before tax from continuing operations as follows:

- ▶ costs of £41m in relation to the acquisition of Foster Wheeler (including transaction costs of £37m within administrative expenses and acquisition-related facility fees amortisation of £4m within net financing expense)
- ▶ costs of £35m relating to the integration of AMEC and Foster Wheeler (including internal staff costs associated with identifying and achieving cost synergies)
- ▶ costs of £6m incurred in completing the restructuring of AMEC's business onto a geographical basis
- ▶ a net loss of £16m on the exit of businesses, comprising a loss of £21m on businesses sold in the year (principally the reverse premium payable on exit from the Group's investment in the Lancashire Waste project) which was partially offset by a gain of £5m on the release of a provision no longer required in respect of a business closed in a previous year

Trading profit and trading margin

£m unless stated	2014	2013	Change	Underlying change ¹
Revenue	3,993	3,974	0%	
Flow-through procurement	(73)	(120)		
Scope revenue ¹	3,920	3,854	+2%	+1%
Profit before net financing expense	148	243		
Intangibles amortisation	49	47		
Net asbestos-related costs	8	—		
Exceptional items	94	25		
Share of trading profit of joint ventures	22	28		
Trading profit ¹	321	343	-6%	
Trading margin ¹	8.2%	8.9%	-70bps	
Order book	£6.3bn	£4.1bn	+55%	

¹ Non IFRS measure (see Performance measures on pages 172 to 174)

Trading profit decreased by 6% to £321m (2013 £343m)

Trading margin decreased by 70 basis points to 8.2% (2013 8.9%)

In Americas, trading profit fell due to the impact of currency translation and lower levels of activity in Oil & Gas and Mining being partially offset by increased work in Clean Energy. Trading margin declined partially due to this change in market mix towards lower margin Clean Energy and because of the timing of large contract close-outs which were particularly favourable in 2013. In Europe, trading profit and trading margin both increased compared with 2013 largely as a result of the non-recurrence of the losses from the Teesside Gas Processing Plant contract. In the Growth Regions, trading profit fell due to the impact of currency translation and a lower contribution from Clean Energy and E&I. Compared with 2013, Growth Regions trading margin fell due to pricing pressure from customers and investment for growth.

Currency exchange rate movements reduced trading profit by £22m in 2014 compared with 2013.

Net financing expense

Net financing expense was £5m (2013 £2m) including net bank interest payable of £7m (2013 £2m) net foreign exchange losses of £nil (2013 £1m), and net interest income on pension assets and liabilities of £2m (2013 £1m). In 2014, net financing expense also included a net expense of £1m (2013 £nil) due to the unwinding of the discount on asbestos-related liabilities (net of insurance recoveries).

A net currency exchange loss of £4m (2013 loss of £1m) was recognised in the translation reserve in respect of foreign currency borrowings and derivatives held in designated net investment hedging relationships.

Share of results of joint ventures

The Group's share of joint ventures' profit for the year was £12m (2013 £14m)

Profit before tax

Profit before tax was £155m (2013 £255m) after intangibles amortisation of £49m (2013 £47m), net asbestos-related costs and interest expense of £9m (2013 £nil) exceptional items of £98m (2013 £25m) and the Group's share of joint ventures' tax expense of £6m (2013 £5m).

Adjusted profit before tax was 5% lower at £317m (2013 £332m) reflecting the overall decline in the Group's trading performance in 2014 compared with 2013.

Taxation

Our tax policy is to manage our obligations in compliance with all relevant tax laws, disclosure requirements and regulations. We seek to ensure that our approach to tax and the tax payments that we make in all territories in which we have operations are fully consistent with local requirements taking into account available tax incentives and allowances, and are aligned with the Group's wider business strategy. We seek to develop good, open working relationships with tax authorities and to engage with them proactively recognising that tax legislation can be complex and may be subject to differing interpretations.

During 2014 there was a tax credit on exceptional items of £6m (2013 tax charge of £6m), and a tax credit of £12m on intangibles amortisation (2013 £20m). In addition there was an exceptional tax charge of £16m in 2013.

The Group's share of joint ventures' income tax expense was £6m (2013 £5m).

The Group's effective tax rate on continuing operations (including its share of joint ventures' income tax expense but before exceptional items, intangibles amortisation and asbestos-related items) increased to 23.0% (2013 21.9%). The increase principally reflected reduced prior period credits which result from agreement of historical items with various tax authorities. In addition 2013 included a credit following a reduction in the tax rate applied to the UK pension surplus which was not repeated in 2014.

Profit for the year from continuing operations

Profit for the year from continuing operations was £106m (2013 £186m) after intangibles amortisation of £49m (2013 £47m) the net asbestos-related expense of £9m (2013 £nil) net exceptional items of £98m (2013 £25m), and an income tax credit on those items of £18m (2013 charge of £2m).

Adjusted profit for the year from continuing operations was 6% lower at £244m (2013 £260m).

Non-controlling interests

During 2014 there was a loss of £3m attributable to non-controlling interests (2013 loss of £1m).

Earnings per share

Diluted EPS was 26.5p (2013 59.8p), comprising earnings per share of 35.1p (2013 62.5p) from continuing operations and a loss of 8.6p (2013 2.7p) from discontinued operations.

Adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations was lower at 79.5p (2013 87.2p), due to the decline in the profit for the year from continuing operations and the increase in the number of shares in issue as a consequence of the acquisition of Foster Wheeler.

Dividend

The board recommends a final dividend of 28.5p per share, which, together with the interim dividend of 14.8p per share, results in a total dividend of 43.3p per share (2013 42.0p) an increase of 3%. Subject to approval by shareholders at the AGM on 14 May 2015, the final dividend will be payable on 2 July 2015 to shareholders on the register at the close of business on 29 May 2015.

Dividend cover for 2014 is 1.8 times (2013 2.1 times) based on adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations. Going forward, the board expects to maintain a progressive dividend policy whilst maintaining dividend cover at around two times adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations.

Prior year operating results continued

Results by operating segment

Americas

£m unless stated	2014	2013	Change	Underlying change ¹
Revenue	2,072	2 247		
Flow-through procurement	(73)	(120)		
Scope revenue ¹	1,999	2 127	-6%	+4%
Profit before net financing expense	195	211		
Intangibles amortisation	17	18		
Exceptional items	(6)	10		
Share of trading profit of joint ventures	1	2		
Trading profit ¹	207	241	-14%	
Trading margin ¹	10.2%	11.3%	-110bps	
Order book	£1.2bn	£1.4bn	-14%	

1 Non IFRS measure (see Performance measures on pages 172 to 174)

Revenue in Americas was £2 072m (2013 £2 247m) a decline of 8% Excluding flow-through procurement the effect of acquisitions and currency movements, underlying revenue was up 4% Growth in underlying revenue in Clean Energy and E&I was partially offset by declines in Oil & Gas and Mining

Trading profit fell by 14% to £207m (2013 £241m) largely as a result of the reduced levels of activities in Oil & Gas and Mining Trading margin was 10.2%, down by 110 basis points compared with 2013 Trading margin declined principally due to increased weighting of lower-margin Clean Energy in the product mix and due to the timing of large contract close-outs which were particularly favourable in 2013

Europe

£m unless stated	2014	2013	Change	Underlying change ¹
Revenue	1,119	1,227	-9%	-8%
Profit before net financing expense	70	63		
Intangibles amortisation	17	17		
Exceptional items	3	1		
Share of trading profit of joint ventures	11	12		
Trading profit ¹	101	93	+9%	
Trading margin ¹	9.1%	7.6%	+150bps	
Order book	£1.8bn	£1.7bn	+3%	

1 Non IFRS measure (see Performance measures on pages 172 to 174)

Revenue in Europe fell by 9% to £1,119m (2013 £1,227m), primarily due to the reduced level of Oil & Gas activity in the North Sea Underlying revenue declined by 8%

Trading profit increased by 9% to £101m (2013 £93m) Trading margin was 9.1%, up 150 basis points compared with 2013 largely as a result of the non-recurrence of losses from the Teesside Gas Processing Plant

Growth Regions

£m unless stated	2014	2013	Change	Underlying change ¹
Revenue	590	536	+10%	+18%
Profit before net financing expense	20	10		
Intangibles amortisation	4	12		
Exceptional items	2	7		
Share of trading profit of joint ventures	4	4		
Trading profit ¹	30	33	-9%	
Trading margin ¹	5.1%	6.2%	-110bps	
Order book	£0.9bn	£0.9bn		

1 Non IFRS measure (see Performance measures on pages 172 to 174)

Revenue in Growth Regions improved by 10% to £590m (2013 £536m) primarily driven by increased revenue from Oil & Gas activities in the Middle East and a partial recovery in Mining revenue in Australia Underlying revenue increased by 18% principally due to the exclusion of adverse currency exchange rate movements

Trading profit fell by 9% to £30m (2013 £33m), reflecting lower contributions from Clean Energy and E&I Trading margin was 5.1% down 110 basis points compared with 2013 due to pricing pressure from customers and investment for growth

E&C Services and Global Power Group

E&C Services and Global Power Group are Foster Wheeler business units and therefore contributed to the Group's performance only for the final seven weeks of the year following the acquisition of Foster Wheeler in November 2014.

E&C Services contributed revenue of £221m and a trading profit of £4m (before intangibles amortisation of £7m). As at 31 December 2014 the value of E&C Services' order book was £2.0bn.

Global Power Group contributed revenue of £53m and a trading profit of £2m (before intangibles amortisation of £4m). As at 31 December 2014, the value of Global Power Group's order book was £0.4bn.

Investment Services

During the periods under review Investment Services principally comprised the Incheon Bridge PPP project in Korea and the Lancashire Waste project (which the Group exited in 2014) the Group's insurance captive, the Group's wind development activities and a range of other non-core activities.

Revenue in Investment Services was £6m (2013 £6m). Investment Services incurred a loss before net financing expense of £16m (2013 £3m), after deducting an exceptional loss on disposals of businesses of £21m (2013 £nil). Trading profit was £8m (2013 £11m) of which £3m (2013 £7m) was derived from joint ventures.

Discontinued operations

Discontinued operations represent the residual assets and retained obligations of businesses sold in prior years together with the UK conventional power business that was classified as a discontinued operation during 2013.

Discontinued operations generated a trading loss before tax of £10m (2013 loss of £10m) and after a tax credit of £2m (2013 £2m) generated a loss for the year of £8m (2013 loss of £8m). During 2014 negative revenue of £13m was recognised due to the settlement of final accounts and additional provisions on certain contracts within the UK conventional power business.

Discontinued operations included a loss on disposals of £23m (2013 loss £6m) arising from additional indemnity provisions and costs associated with businesses sold in prior years. In 2014, the loss on disposals included a provision of £11m in respect of a new claim received in the year related to a contract completed by the Built Environment business which was sold in 2007.

Discontinued operations generated an overall loss for the year of £27m (2013 £8m).

Information for shareholders

Our website

Our website amecfw.com, is the best source of useful up-to-date information about Amec Foster Wheeler and its activities including annual reports AGM documents and other shareholder communications

All announcements made to the London Stock Exchange can be found on our website and you can arrange to receive email alerts of such announcements

Information made available on our website or on other websites mentioned in this annual report is not, and should not be considered as being part of or incorporated into this annual report or our annual report on Form 20-F

Financial calendar

The Group's full-year 2014 results and the 2014 annual report were published later than usual as a consequence of the acquisition of Foster Wheeler having completed so close to the Group's year-end date. As expected we are now moving back towards the Group's normal financial calendar during 2016 as follows

Annual General Meeting ¹	27 April 2016
Payment of final dividend for 2015 ²	4 July 2016
Half-year 2016 results issued	9 August 2016
Payment of interim dividend for 2016	January 2017
Full-year 2016 results issued	March 2017
2016 annual report published ³	March 2017

1 Information on the Company's AGM is provided in the governance report on page 81

2 Subject to approval by shareholders

3 Our annual report will be filed with the SEC on Form 20-F and periodic results announcements will be furnished to the SEC on Form 6-K

Where they have not yet been determined the exact dates of the above events will be finalised as the year progresses and can be found on our website

Share price

The latest price of the Company's shares can be found on our website and may also be obtained from the London Stock Exchange's website, www.londonstockexchange.com (in both cases the live share price is updated with a 15-minute delay)

Dividends

We usually announce our interim dividend for the year with our half-year results in August and it is paid in the following January. We propose our final dividend for the year with the full-year results and subject to shareholder approval at the subsequent AGM, it is paid in the following July.

Dividends can be paid directly into your bank or building society account and can also be paid in local currency in certain overseas territories. Shareholders should contact the Company's registrars to take advantage of these facilities

We have a DRIP to allow shareholders to acquire more of the Company's shares rather than receive cash dividends. The DRIP is only available to shareholders in certain countries. You can find out more on our website or by contacting the Company's registrars

Registrars

The Company's registrars are Capita Asset Services. They maintain the shareholder register on our behalf and handle all administration related to it. They should be your first port of call if you have any queries relating to your shareholding in Amec Foster Wheeler

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2 Calls cost 12 pence per minute plus your phone company's access charge. Calls outside the United Kingdom will be charged at the applicable international rate

Electronic shareholder communication

The majority of our shareholders now receive information from us electronically. If you have elected to do so and have provided an email address, you will receive an email from us whenever any new shareholder information is published. If you have not provided an email address, you will be sent a letter that includes details of where the information can be found on our website.

You can register for electronic shareholder communication and also manage your personal shareholding online at www.capitashareportal.com. You will need your Investor Code (IVC) which can be found on your proxy card, share certificate or dividend tax voucher.

Printed copies of the annual report

Shareholders may receive a printed copy of the Company's latest annual report on request by writing to our registered office or by contacting us on +1 908 730 4000.

Unauthorised brokers (boiler room scams)

Shareholders are advised to be wary if they receive any unsolicited calls or correspondence making claims of highly profitable investment opportunities. Typically these investments turn out to be worthless or simply do not exist. Such approaches are usually made by unauthorised companies and individuals and are commonly known as boiler room scams.

If you receive any unsolicited investment advice or offers to buy shares from a source that is unknown to you, we recommend that you obtain the name of the person and organisation that has contacted you and check whether they are properly authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority by visiting its website at www.fca.org.uk/register.

If you think that you have been approached by an unauthorised organisation you are advised to contact the Financial Conduct Authority's consumer helpline on +44 (0)800 111 6768 or email consumer.enquiries@fca.org.uk

Other information

American Depository Shares

ADSs and ADRs

The Company's ordinary shares are traded in the form of American Depository Shares (ADSs) on the NYSE. Each ADS represents one ordinary share.

The ADSs are evidenced by American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) issued by Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas as Depositary under a deposit agreement dated 2 October 2014. The ADRs are issued in respect of ordinary shares deposited with Deutsche Bank AG as custodian for the Depositary.

ADSs may be held directly by having an ADR (a certificate evidencing a specific number of ADSs) registered in your name or by holding ADSs in the Direct Registration System or indirectly through a broker or other financial institution. If you hold ADSs directly, you are an ADS holder. The Company's ADSs are issued through the Direct Registration System unless the investor specifically requests to receive certificated ADRs.

A registered holder is one whose name appears on the books of the Depositary. The registered holder is considered the owner of record. A beneficial holder is one whose holdings are registered in a name other than their own such as the name of a broker, bank or nominee.

ADS holders are not members of the Company but may instruct the Depositary on the exercise of voting rights relative to the number of ordinary shares represented by their ADSs.

Role of the Depositary

The Depositary performs the following roles for ADS holders:

- ▶ distributes company circulars and documents in relation to general meetings of the Company (including the AGM)
- ▶ distributes dividends in US dollars
- ▶ facilitates the voting process and the exercise of voting rights of ADS holders at any general meeting of the Company
- ▶ issues and cancels the Company's ADSs
- ▶ acts as the stock transfer agent
- ▶ records and maintains the register of ADS holders

The Company provides to the Depositary all notices of meetings of the Company's shareholders and other reports and communications that are made available to the Company's shareholders. The Depositary makes such notices, reports and communications available for inspection by recorded holders of ADSs and sends voting instruction forms by post to all recorded holders of ADSs.

Investors who are not registered with the Depositary because their ADRs are held through a nominee account may need to make arrangements with their nominee if they wish to receive such documents and to be able to exercise their vote through the Depositary at general meetings of the Company.

ADS holders may receive a printed copy of the Company's latest annual report on request by writing to our registered office or by contacting us on +1 908 730 4000.

Dividends

The Depositary will pay to ADS holders cash dividends or other distributions it or the custodian receives on the Company's shares after deducting its fees and expenses. ADS holders will receive these distributions in proportion to the number of the Company's shares the ADSs represent at the record date (which will be as close as practicable to the record date for the Company's ordinary shares) set by the Depositary with respect to the ADSs.

The Depositary will usually convert any cash dividend or other cash distribution on the Company's shares or any net proceeds from the sale of any ordinary shares, rights, securities or other entitlements into US dollars. Before making a distribution to ADS holders, any taxes or other governmental charges that must be paid together with the fees and expenses of the Depositary, will be deducted.

ADS enquiries

All enquiries regarding ADS holder accounts and payment of dividends should be addressed to the Depositary.

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DB Global Direct

US residents may enrol in DB Global Direct, enabling them to invest directly in the Company's ADSs with reduced brokerage commissions and service costs. Registered ADS holders may reinvest all or a portion of their dividends in the Company's ADSs through DB Global Direct.

For further information on DB Global Direct please contact Deutsche Bank (as above) or visit www.adr.db.com.

ADS price

The latest price of the Company's ADSs can be found on our website and may also be obtained from the NYSE's website www.nyse.com (in both cases the live ADS price is updated with a 15-minute delay).

Fees payable by ADS holders

ADS holders are required to pay certain service fees to the Depositary.

The Depositary collects its fees for delivery and surrender of ADSs directly from investors depositing shares or surrendering ADSs for the purpose of withdrawal or from intermediaries acting for them. The Depositary collects fees for making distributions to investors, including payment of dividends by the Company by deducting those fees from the amounts distributed or by selling a portion of distributable property to pay the fees. The Depositary may collect its annual fee for depositary services by deductions from cash distributions or by directly billing investors or by charging the book-entry system accounts of participants acting from them. The Depositary may generally refuse to provide fee-attracting services until its fees for those services are paid.

Other information continued

Service	Fees
To any person to whom ADSs are issued or to any person to whom a distribution is made in respect of ADSs pursuant to share dividends or other free distributions of shares bonus distributions, stock splits or other distributions (except where converted to cash)	Up to US\$0.05 per ADS issued
Cancellation of ADSs (including in the case of termination of the deposit agreement)	Up to US\$0.05 per ADS cancelled
Distribution of cash dividends	Up to US\$0.05 per ADS held
Distribution of cash entitlements (other than cash dividends) and/or cash proceeds including proceeds from the sale of rights securities and other entitlements	Up to US\$0.05 per ADS held
Distribution of ADSs pursuant to exercise of rights	Up to US\$0.05 per ADS held
Depository services	Up to US\$0.05 per ADS held on the applicable record date(s) established by the Depository

ADS holders are also responsible for paying certain fees and expenses incurred by the Depository such as

- ▶ fees for the transfer and registration of the Company's shares charged by the registrar and transfer agent for the shares in the UK
- ▶ expenses incurred for converting foreign currency into US dollars
- ▶ expenses for cable telex fax and electronic transmission and for delivery of securities

Since the Company's ADSs were first issued in November 2014 a fee of \$0.01 per ADS has been levied on the 2014 interim dividend that was paid in January 2015, on the 2014 final dividend that was paid in July 2015, and on the 2015 interim dividend that was paid in January 2016

Fees paid by the Depository to the Company
The Depository has agreed to reimburse the Company for a portion of certain expenses the Company incurs that are related to establishment and maintenance of the ADR programme including but not limited to investor relations expenses and expenses associated with being a company listed in the US There are limits on the amount of expenses for which the Depository will reimburse the Company Further, the Depository has agreed to reimburse the Company with certain fees payable to the Depository by ADS holders

On 4 December 2015 the Company received US\$1.79m (approximately £1.2m) from the Depository by way of reimbursement of costs incurred during the first year of the ADR programme which commenced on 2 October 2014

Share capital

As permitted by English law the Company has no authorised share capital The Company's share capital may be increased consolidated or sub-divided by ordinary resolution at a general meeting of the Company

As at 8 March 2016 the Company's issued share capital was £196 565,907 divided into 393,131,813 ordinary shares of 50 pence each Of this number, 3,158,310 ordinary shares were registered as treasury shares leaving a balance of 389 973,503 ordinary shares with voting rights

All of the Company's ordinary shares are fully paid or were issued as fully paid Accordingly no further contribution of capital may be required by the Company from the holders of those shares

The Company has neither authorised nor issued any conditional share capital and has not issued convertible or exchangeable bonds, warrants or other securities granting rights to the Company's shares other than securities granted to directors senior management and employees under the Company's share-based compensation plans Information on these plans is provided in note 22 to the consolidated financial statements

As at 8 March 2016 there were 7419,403 share options outstanding under the Company's UK and International SAYE schemes and 5 091 126 shares reserved for share awards under the Company's share-based compensation plans (in relation to which 1,245 569 shares were held in the Company's Employee Share Trust) Under the terms of the Trust Deed discretion is given to the Trustee to vote or abstain from voting shares in the Employee Share Trust as it sees fit

The Articles authorise the Company to purchase its own shares A resolution passed at the Company's Annual General Meeting on 14 May 2015 provided the directors with the authority to purchase up to 38 884 069 of the Company's ordinary shares in the market such authority to expire at the end of the Company's next AGM or 1 June 2016 whichever is earlier A resolution will be proposed at the Company's AGM in April 2016 to extend the authority of the directors to make market purchases of up to 10% of the Company's ordinary shares within prescribed limits The Company may repurchase shares only if the shares are fully paid and out of distributable profits or the proceeds of a new issue of shares made for the purpose of the repurchase The UKLA requires that purchase of 15% or more of any class of the Company's share capital must be by way of a tender offer to all shareholders of that class

The Company may reduce its share capital share premium account capital redemption reserve or any other undistributable reserve only by special resolution of its shareholders and having obtained the consent of the High Court of Justice in England and Wales

Markets

The primary trading market for the Company's ordinary shares is the London Stock Exchange on which they have been listed since the Company's formation in 1982 The Company has a premium listing on the London Stock Exchange and its ordinary shares are admitted to the main market The Company's SEDOL number is 0028262 (ISIS Code GB0000282623) and its trading symbol is AMFW

As at 8 March 2016 the Company's total market capitalisation was approximately £1.8bn and it was a constituent of The Financial Times Stock Exchange 250 Index (FTSE 250).

Since November 2014 the Company's ordinary shares have been traded in the form of ADSs on the NYSE. The Company's CUSIP code is 00167X205 (ISIN Code US00167X2053) and its ticker symbol is AMFW.

Share price history

For the periods indicated in the tables below the highest and lowest middle market quotation for the Company's ordinary shares on the London Stock Exchange and the highest and lowest sales price of its ADSs on the NYSE were as follows:

Year ended 31 December	£ per ordinary share		US\$ per ADS	
	High	Low	High	Low
2011	12.51	7.41	n/a	n/a
2012	11.72	9.23	n/a	n/a
2013	12.07	9.66	n/a	n/a
2014	12.62	7.89	16.97	14.47
2015	10.03	3.80	14.83	5.72

Source Factset

Quarter	£ per ordinary share		US\$ per ADS	
	High	Low	High	Low
2014				
First quarter	11.24	10.20	n/a	n/a
Second quarter	12.62	11.65	n/a	n/a
Third quarter	12.45	10.59	n/a	n/a
Fourth quarter	11.05	7.89	16.97	12.25
2015				
First quarter	10.03	7.75	14.83	11.75
Second quarter	9.89	8.16	14.75	12.74
Third quarter	8.60	6.86	13.29	10.49
Fourth quarter	8.44	3.80	12.75	5.72
2016				
First quarter ¹	5.01	3.32	7.28	4.57

Source Factset

Month	£ per ordinary share		US\$ per ADS	
	High	Low	High	Low
September 2015	8.29	6.86	12.74	10.49
October 2015	8.44	6.98	12.75	10.64
November 2015	7.72	4.17	11.73	6.27
December 2015	4.53	3.80	6.75	5.72
January 2016	4.51	3.41	6.69	4.92
February 2016	4.35	3.32	6.26	4.57
March 2016 ¹	5.01	3.79	7.28	5.44

Source Factset

¹ Up to and including 8 March 2016

Shareholdings

As at 8 March 2016 15 417 801 ADSs equivalent to 3.9% of the number of the Company's ordinary shares in issue were outstanding and were held by 1 281 registered holders.

As at 8 March 2016, 136 417 ordinary shares were held by 360 registered holders with a registered address in the US. Since certain of the ordinary shares were registered in the names of nominees the number of shareholders with a registered address in the US may not be representative of the number of beneficial owners of ordinary shares who are resident in the US.

In accordance with the DTRs of the UKLA major shareholders are considered to be those that have a beneficial interest in 3% or more of the Company's issued ordinary shares.

On the basis of notifications received under the Disclosure and Transparency Rules (DTR 5) and other notifications received by the Company from shareholders, shareholdings of 3% or more of the voting rights in the Company were as follows:

As at 31 December	Percentage of voting rights held			
	2015	2014	2013	2012
Artisan Partners Limited Partnership	n/a	n/a	5.20%	n/a
Mondrian Investment Partners Limited	5.28%	5.28%	5.15%	n/a
BlackRock, Inc	5.63%	5.01%	n/a	9.97% ¹
Legal & General Assurance	n/a	n/a	n/a	3.98%
Franklin Templeton Institutional, LLC	5.05%	n/a	n/a	n/a

¹ In response to a disclosure request under Section 793 of the Companies Act 2006 Blackrock Inc advised the Company on 19 December 2012 that their holding had reduced to 5.52%.

There were no notifications received under DTR 5 from the above shareholders between 31 December 2015 and 8 March 2016. The shareholding percentages reflect the company's issued share capital at the time of the notifications.

Each of the Company's ordinary shares including those held by major shareholders carries equal voting rights. The Company is not to the best of its knowledge directly or indirectly controlled.

Purchase of ordinary shares

During 2015 the Company did not purchase any of its own shares in the market and no purchases of the Company's shares were made by trustees of the Company's employee share schemes.

Options and awards made under the Company's employee share schemes that were exercised or vested during 2015 were satisfied by the transfer to the participants of the shares held by the Company in treasury or by the trustee of the relevant scheme. Details of the Company's employee share schemes are set out in note 22 to the consolidated financial statements.

Other information continued

Articles of Association

We summarise below certain provisions of the Articles and applicable English law. The summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Companies Act 2006 and the Articles. Please refer to documents on display on page 191 for information on where copies of the Articles can be obtained.

In the following description a 'shareholder' is the person registered in the Company's register of members as the holder of a share or shares.

Principal objects

The Articles of Association do not restrict the Company's objects or purposes.

Directors

The board

Under the Articles the board shall consist of not less than three nor more than 15 directors, who shall manage the business and affairs of the Company subject to the requirements of English law, the Articles and any resolutions of shareholders.

Appointment, retirement and re-election

Directors may be appointed by the board at any time. Any director appointed since the last AGM holds office only until the conclusion of the next AGM and then shall be eligible for election by shareholders.

Under the Articles all directors retire by rotation and are eligible for re-election every three years. However in line with the recommendations of the UK Corporate Governance Code, each of the directors who wishes to continue in office, and is considered eligible by the board actually offers himself or herself for re-election at every AGM.

Under the Articles, there are no age limits relating to a person's qualification to hold office as a director.

Restrictions on voting

Under the Articles a director may not vote in respect of any contract, arrangement, transaction or proposal in which he or she, or any person connected with him or her has any material interest other than by virtue of that person's interests in the Company's ordinary shares or other securities. However this restriction on voting does not apply to proposals:

- ▶ giving the director or a third party any guarantee, security or indemnity in respect of obligation incurred at the request of or for the benefit of the Company;
- ▶ giving any guarantee, security or indemnity to the director or a third party in respect of obligations of the Company for which the director has assumed responsibility under an indemnity or guarantee;
- ▶ relating to an offer of securities of the Company in which the director is entitled to participate as a holder of shares or other securities or in the underwriting of such shares or securities;
- ▶ concerning any other company in which the director (together with any connected person) is a shareholder or an officer or is otherwise interested provided that the director (together with any connected person) is not interested in 1% or more of any class of such other company's equity share capital or the voting rights available to its shareholders;
- ▶ relating to the arrangement of any employee benefit in which the director will share equally with other employees;
- ▶ relating to any insurance that the Company purchases or renews for its directors or any group of people including directors.

Compensation awarded to the executive directors is determined by the remuneration committee.

A director shall not vote nor be counted in any quorum present at a general meeting of the Company's shareholders in relation to a resolution on which he or she is not entitled to vote.

Borrowing powers

The directors are empowered to exercise all the powers of the Company to borrow money subject to the limitation that the borrowings of the Company and its subsidiaries may not exceed two times the adjusted capital and reserves (as defined in the Articles).

Shareholding requirements

Directors are not required under the Articles to hold any shares of the Company as qualification to act as a director.

Any director who is not a shareholder is entitled to attend and speak at general meetings of the shareholders.

Rights attaching to ordinary shares

In accordance with English law, the Company's ordinary shares rank equally in all respects

Dividends

The Company's ordinary shares carry the right to receive dividends and distributions that have been declared by the Company. Except in relation to dividends that have been declared and rights on a liquidation of the Company ordinary shareholders have no rights to share in the profits of the Company.

English law requires that dividends are paid only out of profits available for distribution, as determined in accordance with UK GAAP and by the Companies Act 2006, and additionally restricts a public company from making a distribution if that would reduce the net assets of the company below the aggregate amount of its called-up share capital and certain undistributable reserves.

Dividends are proposed by the directors. Dividends are declared following approval by ordinary resolution of the Company's shareholders at a general meeting of the Company. Shareholders may not declare a dividend in excess of the amount proposed by the directors. The directors may declare and pay interim dividends if they believe that the Company's financial position justifies such payments.

Any unclaimed dividend may be invested or otherwise applied for the benefit of the Company until the dividend is claimed. Any dividend that remains unclaimed for 12 years after the date on which it was declared or became due for payment, shall be forfeited and shall revert to the Company.

If authorised by ordinary resolution of the shareholders, the directors may offer to shareholders the right to elect to receive a dividend, in whole or in part, by way of an allotment of new ordinary shares credited as fully paid.

Voting rights

Holders of the Company's ordinary shares have the right to receive notice of and to attend and vote at, all general meetings of the Company.

Any shareholder who is entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to exercise all or any of his rights to attend, speak and vote at the meeting.

Voting at any general meeting is by a show of hands unless a poll is duly demanded and held. Under English law shareholders of a public company are not permitted to pass resolutions by written consent.

On a show of hands, each shareholder who is present in person at the meeting has one vote regardless of the number of shares held.

On a poll, every shareholder who is present in person or by proxy has one vote for each ordinary share held by him. A poll may be demanded by the following:

- ▶ the chairman of the meeting or
- ▶ not less than three members present or by proxy entitled to vote, or
- ▶ a member or members present in person or by proxy and representing not less than one-tenth of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at the meeting, or
- ▶ a member or members present in person or by proxy and holding shares in the Company conferring a right to vote at the meeting, being shares on which an aggregate sum has been paid up equal to not less than one-tenth of the total sum paid up on all the shares conferring that right.

Unless the directors determine otherwise, if any sum remains unpaid in relation to a member's shareholding, that member is not entitled to vote in relation to that holding.

Rights in a winding up

If the Company is liquidated (whether the liquidation is voluntary or court-supervised) the liquidator is obliged to realise the assets of the Company to its creditors and, subject to any special rights attaching to any other class of shares that may be in issue at the time, any surplus would be distributed to the ordinary shareholders according to the amounts paid up on the shares held by them.

Pre-emption rights

English law provides for statutory pre-emption rights that apply on an allotment of equity securities (which include the Company's ordinary shares or securities convertible into the Company's ordinary shares).

Pre-emption rights can be disapplyed by a special resolution passed by shareholders at a general meeting. Such a resolution was passed at the Company's 2015 annual general meeting on 14 May 2015 and provides the directors with the authority to allot equity securities or grant rights to subscribe for or to convert any security to shares up to a nominal amount of £64 158 715 of which up to £9 721 017 could be allotted for cash without offering the shares to existing shareholders, such authority to expire at the end of the Company's next AGM thereafter or 1 June 2016. If earlier Resolutions will be proposed at the Company's forthcoming AGM to extend this authority to the end of the AGM in 2017 or 1 June 2017 whichever is earlier.

Variation of rights

Whenever the share capital of the Company is divided into different classes of shares, the rights attached to any class can only be changed either:

- ▶ with the written consent of the holders of three-quarters in nominal value of the issued shares of that class (excluding shares held as treasury shares) or
- ▶ with the sanction of a special resolution passed at a separate meeting of the holders of the shares of that class.

The rights attached to any class of shares are not, unless otherwise expressly provided by the terms of issue, deemed to be varied by the creation or issue of further shares ranking equally with them.

Other information continued

General meetings

An AGM of the Company must be held each calendar year and within a period of six months of the day following the Company's accounting reference date (which is 31 December)

Otherwise the directors may call a general meeting whenever they think fit or where required to do so by shareholders holding at least 10% of the voting rights of the paid-up capital of the Company carrying voting rights (excluding shares held as treasury shares)

General meetings may be held at such place, date and time as may be decided by the directors

An AGM must be convened by giving not less than 21 days' notice. Other general meetings must also be convened by giving not less than 21 days' notice unless shareholder approval has been given for such meetings to be convened on giving only 14 days' notice (such approval has been given by the Company's shareholders and is effective until the next AGM when it is proposed that it should be renewed)

For the purposes of determining which persons are entitled to attend or vote at a meeting, and how many votes such persons may cast, the Company must specify in the notice of the meeting a time not more than 48 hours before the time fixed for the meeting by which a person must be entered on the register in order to have the right to attend or vote at the meeting

No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum is present at the time when the meeting proceeds to business. Two shareholders present in person or by proxy shall be a quorum

The directors may require attendees to submit to searches or put in place such arrangements or restrictions as they think fit to ensure the safety and security of attendees at a general meeting. Any member, proxy or other person who fails to comply with such arrangements or restrictions may be refused entry to or removed from the general meeting

Limitations on voting and shareholding

Neither English law nor the Articles impose any limitation on the rights of non-UK residents or foreign shareholders to own the Company's ordinary shares or ADSs, including the rights to hold or exercise voting rights on those shares or ADSs

Disclosure of interests in the Company's ordinary shares

Under the DTRs a person is required to notify the Company in writing within two days of becoming aware that the voting rights which he holds as a shareholder or through his direct or indirect holding of financial instruments reaches or exceeds 3% of the voting rights in the Company and reaches exceeds or falls below each 1% threshold thereafter

Under the Companies Act 2006, the Company may send a notice to any person whom it knows or believes to be interested in the Company's shares requiring such person to confirm whether he has such an interest and, if so, the details of the interest and any other interest in the Company's shares of which he is aware

Under the DTRs 'persons discharging managerial responsibilities' (primarily directors and some senior executives) and their connected persons are required to notify the Company in writing of the occurrence of all transactions conducted on their own account in the Company's shares or derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to those shares within four business days of the day on which the transaction occurred

Mandatory bids

The Articles contain no provisions that would have an effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control of the Company

However under the UK City Code on Takeovers & Mergers if an acquisition of the Company's shares increases the aggregate holding of an acquirer and its concert parties to shares carrying 30% or more of the voting rights in the Company, the acquirer and, depending on the circumstances, its concert parties would be required (except with the consent of the Panel on Takeovers & Mergers) to make a cash offer for the remainder of the Company's shares at a price not less than the highest price paid for the Company's shares by the acquirer or its concert parties during the previous 12 months. Such an offer would also be triggered by any acquisition of shares by a person holding (together with its concert parties) shares carrying between 30% and 50% of the voting rights in the Company if the effect of such acquisition were to increase that person's percentage of the voting rights

Amendments

Under English law, the Company's shareholders may, by special resolution, alter, delete, substitute, amend or add to the Articles

The directors are not authorised to change the Articles

Material contracts

During the last two years the Group entered into the following material contracts (other than contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business)

Acquisition of Foster Wheeler AG

Pursuant to an implementation agreement between AMEC and Foster Wheeler entered into on 13 February 2014 (as amended by the letter agreement dated 28 March 2014, the deed of amendment dated 28 May 2014 and the deed of amendment dated 2 October 2014, together, the Implementation Agreement) AMEC commenced an offer to acquire all outstanding Foster Wheeler AG shares on 6 October 2014 (the Offer). The Offer closed on 13 November 2014 and, upon completion of the Offer, AMEC had acquired 95.3% of the outstanding Foster Wheeler AG shares.

Following completion of the Offer on 8 December 2014, AMEC (through its subsidiaries) and Foster Wheeler entered into a merger agreement which provided for the squeeze-out merger of Foster Wheeler AG under Swiss law. The squeeze-out merger was subject to the approval of the merger agreement by at least 90% of the outstanding voting rights of Foster Wheeler AG which was received on 19 January 2015.

Agreements with Amec Foster Wheeler directors

Amec Foster Wheeler entered into a letter of appointment with Roy Franklin regarding his appointment as a non-executive director of Amec Foster Wheeler plc effective 1 January 2016. A modification in the form of a side letter has been made to Ian McHoul's service agreement reflecting the remuneration arrangements that will apply during his appointment as interim CEO.

Agreements with Foster Wheeler directors

Pursuant to the Implementation Agreement, AMEC entered into letters of appointment with Kent Masters and Stephanie Newby regarding their appointment as non-executive directors of Amec Foster Wheeler following the completion of the acquisition. Amec Foster Wheeler also entered into a co-ordination and settlement agreement with Kent Masters relating to his termination arrangements as CEO of Foster Wheeler.

Credit facility agreement

In February 2014, the Group entered into a US\$2,160m credit facility agreement with Bank of America Merrill Lynch International Limited as facility agent and Bank of America Merrill Lynch International Limited, Bank of Tokyo Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd., Barclays Bank PLC and The Royal Bank of Scotland plc as original lenders. In July 2014 the facility was amended to increase the financing available to US\$2,260m. The credit facility comprises three loan facilities totalling US\$1,910m and a multi-currency revolving credit facility of US\$350m.

In March 2016, the Group cancelled the above mentioned \$2,260m credit facility agreement (as amended and restated) together with the £377m revolving credit facility (as amended and restated) dated July 2012. These were replaced with a £650m term loan with a 3-year maturity, a £650m loan with a 5-year maturity and a £400m revolving credit facility with a 5-year maturity between, amongst others, the Company and Bank of America Merrill Lynch International Limited as facility agent. Further details of the terms and conditions of the credit facility agreement are set out in note 19 to the consolidated financial statements.

Exchange controls and other limitations affecting security holders

There are no UK government laws, decrees or regulations that restrict or affect the export or import of capital or that affect the payment of dividends, interest or other payments to non-UK resident holders of the Company's securities, except for certain restrictions imposed from time to time by the UK Treasury pursuant to legislation such as the United Nations Act 1964 and the Emergency Laws Act 1964, against the government or residents of certain countries.

There are no limitations either under the laws of the UK or under the Articles restricting the right of non-UK residents to hold or to exercise voting rights in respect of the Company's ordinary shares, except that where any overseas shareholder has not provided a UK address for the service of notices, the Company is under no obligation to send any notice or other document to an overseas address. It is however the Company's current practice to send every notice or other document to all shareholders regardless of the country recorded in the register of members with the exception of details of the Company's DRIP which are not sent to shareholders with recorded addresses in the US or Canada.

Taxation information for US holders

Background

A summary is provided below of the material US federal income tax and UK tax consequences for a US holder (defined below) of owning or disposing of ordinary shares or ADSs of the Company. This section addresses only the tax position of a US holder who holds ordinary shares or ADSs as capital assets.

This section does not consider the provisions of the IRC known as the Medicare Contribution tax or the tax consequences for holders subject to other special rules such as:

- ▶ certain financial institutions
- ▶ insurance companies
- ▶ dealers and traders in securities who use a mark-to-market method of tax accounting
- ▶ persons holding ordinary shares or ADSs as part of a straddle conversion or other integrated transaction or wash sale or persons entering into a constructive sale with respect to the ordinary shares or ADSs
- ▶ persons whose functional currency for US federal income tax purposes is not the US dollar
- ▶ partnerships or other entities classified as partnerships for US federal income tax purposes
- ▶ persons liable to the alternative minimum tax
- ▶ persons who hold ordinary shares or ADSs in individual retirement accounts or other tax deferred accounts
- ▶ persons who have ceased to be US citizens or lawful permanent residents of the US
- ▶ tax-exempt organisations
- ▶ persons who acquired the Company's ordinary shares or ADSs pursuant to the exercise of employee stock options or otherwise in connection with employment or
- ▶ persons who directly, indirectly or by attribution own 10% or more of the Company's voting stock

Except where expressly stated to the contrary, this section does not deal with the position of a US holder who is resident or domiciled in the UK for UK tax purposes or who is subject to UK taxation on income or capital gains by virtue of carrying on a trade, profession or vocation in the UK through a branch, agency or permanent establishment to which ordinary shares or ADSs are attributable, ie those who are referred to below as trading in the UK.

Other information continued

As used herein, a 'US Holder' is a person who, for the purposes of US federal income tax and UK tax, is a beneficial holder of ordinary shares or ADSs and is:

- a citizen or individual resident of the US
- a corporation (or other entity taxable as a corporation) created or organised in or under the laws of the US or any political subdivision thereof
- an estate whose income is subject to US federal income tax regardless of its source
- a trust, if a US court can exercise primary supervision over the trust's administration and one or more US persons are authorised to control all substantial decisions of the trust; or
- a trust that has validly elected to be treated as a domestic trust for US federal income tax purposes

This section is based on the IRC, its legislative history, existing and proposed regulations, published rulings and court decisions and on UK tax laws and the published practice of HMRC, all as at 25 March 2015. These laws and that practice are subject to change, possibly on a retroactive basis.

This section is further based in part upon the representations of the Depositary and assumes that each obligation in the deposit agreement and any related agreement will be performed in accordance with its terms. For US federal income tax purposes the owner of ADRs evidencing ADSs will generally be treated as the owner of the underlying shares represented by those ADSs. For UK tax purposes it is likely that HMRC will also regard holders of ADSs as the beneficial owners of the ordinary shares represented by those ADSs.

Generally exchanges of ordinary shares for ADSs and ADSs for ordinary shares, will not be subject to US federal income tax or UK taxation on capital gains, although UK stamp duty reserve tax may arise as described below.

The US Treasury has expressed concerns that parties to whom ADRs are pre-released may be taking actions that are inconsistent with the claiming of foreign tax credits by US Holders of ADSs. Such actions would also be inconsistent with the claiming of the preferential rates of tax, described below, for qualified dividend income. Accordingly the availability of preferential rates of tax for qualified dividend income could be affected by actions taken by parties to whom ADRs are pre-released.

The following discussion assumes that the Company is not, and will not become a PFIC. We outline below the consequences for US Holders should the Company become a PFIC in the future.

Investors should consult their own tax advisers regarding the US federal, state, and local, the UK and other tax consequences of owning and disposing of ordinary shares or ADSs of the Company in their particular circumstances.

Taxation of dividends

UK taxation

Under current UK tax law, the Company is not required to withhold tax at source from its dividend payments.

A US Holder who is not resident in the UK for UK tax purposes and who is not trading in the UK will generally not be liable for UK taxation on dividends received in respect of the Company's ADSs or ordinary shares.

US federal income taxation

A US Holder is subject to US federal income tax on the gross amount of any dividend paid by the Company out of its current or accumulated earnings and profits (as determined for US federal income tax purposes). Distributions in excess of the Company's current and accumulated earnings and profits will be treated as a return of capital to the extent of the US Holder's basis in the shares or ADSs and thereafter as a capital gain. Because the Company has not historically maintained and does not currently maintain books in accordance with US tax principles, the Company does not expect to be in a position to determine whether any distribution will be in excess of the Company's current and accumulated earnings and profits as determined for US federal income tax purposes. As a result, the Company expects that the amounts distributed will be reported to the IRS as dividends.

Subject to applicable limitations, dividends paid to certain non-corporate US Holders of ordinary shares or ADSs may be taxable at the favourable tax rates applicable to long-term capital gain if the dividends constitute qualified dividend income. A US Holder will be eligible for these rates only if it has held the ordinary shares or ADSs for more than 60 days during the 121-day period beginning 60 days before the ex-dividend date. The Company expects that the dividends paid by the Company with respect to its ordinary shares or ADSs will constitute qualified dividend income. US Holders should consult their own tax advisers to determine whether they are subject to any special rules that limit their ability to be taxed at these favourable rates.

Dividends must be included in income when the US Holder, in the case of shares or the Depositary in the case of ADSs, actually or constructively receives the dividend and will not be eligible for the dividends-received deduction generally allowed to US corporations in respect of dividends received from other US corporations. For foreign tax credit limitation purposes, dividends paid by the Company will be income from a source outside the US.

The amount of any dividend paid in pounds sterling will be the US dollar value of the sterling payments made determined at the spot sterling/US dollar exchange rate on the date the dividend is included in income for federal income tax purposes, regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted into US dollars. If the dividend is converted into US dollars on that date, a US Holder should not be required to recognise a foreign currency gain or loss in respect of the dividend income. Generally, any gain or loss resulting from currency fluctuations during the period from the date the dividend payment is included in income to the date the payment is converted into US dollars will be treated as ordinary income or loss from sources within the US.

Taxation of capital gains

UK taxation

A US Holder who is not resident in the UK for UK tax purposes and who is not trading in the UK will not generally be liable for UK taxation on capital gains, or eligible for relief for allowable losses realised or accrued on the sale or other disposal of the Company's ordinary shares or ADSs. A US Holder who is an individual and has temporarily ceased to be a resident in the UK or has been temporarily treated as non-resident in the UK for UK tax purposes for a period of not more than five years and who sells or otherwise disposes of ordinary shares or ADSs during that period may for the year of assessment when the individual becomes resident again in the UK be liable for UK tax on capital gains (subject to any available exemption or relief), notwithstanding the fact that the individual was not treated as resident in the UK at the time of the sale or other disposal.

US federal income taxation

A US Holder who sells or otherwise disposes of ordinary shares or ADSs will recognise a capital gain or loss for US federal income tax purposes equal to the difference if any between the amount realised on the sale or other disposal and the adjusted tax basis of the securities. Any capital gain or loss will be a long-term capital gain or loss where the holder has held the securities for more than one year. The capital gain or loss will generally be income or loss from sources within the US for foreign tax credit limitation purposes. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations.

PFIC status

Management believes that the Company was not a PFIC for US federal income tax purposes for its taxable year ended 31 December 2015. Management reviews the Company's PFIC status annually and it is subject to change.

If the Company were to be treated as a PFIC, any gain realised on the sale or other disposal of the Company's ordinary shares or ADSs would in general, not be treated as capital gain. Instead, any gain would be treated as if the US Holder had realised the gain rateably over the period during which the ordinary shares or ADSs were held. Any gain that is allocated to the taxable year of the disposal and to any taxable year before the Company became a PFIC would be taxed as ordinary income. Any gain allocated to each other taxable year would be taxed at the highest tax rate in effect for the taxable year to which the gain was allocated and an interest charge in respect of the tax attributable to each such year would also apply. Similar rules would apply to any 'excess distribution' (as determined for US federal income tax purposes) received on the ordinary shares or ADSs. The preferential rates for qualified dividend income received by certain non-corporate US Holders would not apply to dividends received in any year in which the Company was a PFIC or in any year immediately following a year in which the Company was a PFIC.

If the Company was to be treated as a PFIC certain elections may be available to US Holders that would result in alternative treatments of the ordinary shares or ADSs. If the Company were to be treated as a PFIC in any taxable year in which a US Holder held ordinary shares or ADSs, the holder may be required to file annual reports with the IRS containing such information as may be required by the US Treasury Department.

Inheritance and estate taxes

UK inheritance tax may apply to a deemed transfer which occurs on death and to gifts to individuals within the seven years preceding death. For UK inheritance tax purposes a transfer of shares at less than full market value may be treated as a gift and particular rules apply where the donor reserves or retains some benefit in the shares. Special UK inheritance tax rules also apply to companies and to trustees of settlements.

An individual who is neither domiciled nor deemed domiciled in the UK is only chargeable to UK inheritance tax to the extent the individual owns assets situated in the UK. Whilst UK tax law is unclear as to whether the Company's ADSs are considered to be situated in the UK for inheritance tax purposes, HMRC is likely to take the view that they as well as the Company's ordinary shares are situated in the UK.

However HMRC considers that the US/UK Double Taxation Convention on Estate and Gift Tax applies to inheritance tax. Consequently, a US Holder who is domiciled in the US for the purposes of the US/UK Double Taxation Convention and is not for such purposes a UK national will not be subject to UK inheritance tax on their death or on a lifetime transfer of the Company's ordinary shares or ADSs, provided that any applicable US federal gift or estate tax is paid unless the ordinary shares or ADSs are part of the business property of a permanent establishment of an enterprise situated in the UK or pertain to a UK fixed base used for the performance of independent personal services. Where the ordinary shares or ADSs have been placed into trust by a settlor, they may be subject to UK inheritance tax unless when the trust was created the settlor was domiciled in the US and was not a UK national.

A UK national who is domiciled in the US will be subject to both UK inheritance tax and US federal estate tax but will be entitled to a credit for US federal estate tax charged in respect of the Company's ordinary shares or ADSs in computing the liability to UK inheritance tax. Similarly a US citizen who is domiciled or deemed domiciled in the UK will be entitled to a credit for UK inheritance tax charged in respect of the Company's ordinary shares or ADSs in computing the liability for US federal estate tax.

Other information continued

US information reporting and back-up withholding

Payments of dividends and other proceeds to a US Holder with respect to the Company's ordinary shares or ADSs by a US paying agent or other US intermediary will be reported to the IRS and to the US Holder as may be required under applicable regulations.

Unless the US Holder is an exempt recipient back-up withholding tax may apply to these payments if the US Holder fails to provide an accurate taxpayer identification number or certification of exempt status or fails to comply with applicable certification requirements.

Any back-up withholding tax deducted may be credited against the US Holder's US federal income tax liability and where the back-up withholding tax exceeds the actual liability the US Holder may obtain a refund by timely filing the appropriate refund claim with the IRS.

Foreign financial asset reporting

US taxpayers that own certain foreign financial assets, including debt and equity of foreign entities with an aggregate value in excess of US\$50,000 at the end of the taxable year or US\$75,000 at any time during the taxable year (or, for certain individuals living outside the US and married individuals filing joint returns, certain higher thresholds) may be required to file an information report with respect to such assets with their US federal income tax returns.

The Company's ADSs or ordinary shares constitute foreign financial assets subject to these requirements unless they are held in an account at a financial institution (in which case the account may still be reportable if maintained by a foreign financial institution).

UK stamp duty and SDRT

UK stamp duty is charged on certain documents, including instruments for the transfer of registered ownership of ordinary shares. Transfers of ordinary shares are generally subject to UK stamp duty at the rate of 0.5% of the consideration (rounded up to the nearest £5).

SDRT is charged where there is an unconditional agreement to transfer shares in UK companies for consideration in money or money's worth. SDRT is generally charged at the rate of 0.5% of the agreed consideration (rounded up to the nearest penny). The charge to SDRT will be cancelled, and any SDRT already paid will be refunded, if within six years of the unconditional agreement an instrument of transfer is produced to HMRC and the appropriate stamp duty paid.

Neither stamp duty nor SDRT will be payable on any purchase or transfer of the Company's ADSs provided that the ADSs and any separate instrument or written agreement to transfer are executed and remain at all times outside the UK.

UK legislation does however provide for stamp duty or SDRT to be charged at the rate of 1.5% of the amount or value of the consideration (or, in some circumstances the value of the shares concerned) on a transfer or issue of ordinary shares to the Depositary or to certain persons providing a clearance service (or their nominees or agents) for the conversion into ADRs. In accordance with the deposit agreement any tax or duty payable on deposits of ordinary shares by the Depositary or by the custodian of the Depositary will be typically charged to the party to whom ADSs are delivered against such deposits.

Following litigation on the subject, HMRC has accepted that it will no longer seek to apply the 1.5% SDRT charge when new shares are issued to a clearance service or depositary receipt system on the basis that the charge is not compatible with EU law. In HMRC's view, however, the 1.5% SDRT or stamp duty charge will continue to apply to transfers of shares into a clearance service or depositary receipt system unless they are an integral part of the issue of share capital. HMRC's view is currently being challenged in further litigation.

Neither stamp duty nor SDRT will be payable on a transfer of ordinary shares where no beneficial interest passes including the transfer of underlying ordinary shares from the Depositary to a holder of the Company's ADSs.

Foreign currency translation

For the periods indicated in the tables below, the average exchange rate between sterling and the US dollar, calculated by using the average of the exchange rates at the close of business in London on the last trading day of each month in the period, were as follows:

Year ended 31 December	£1=US\$
2011	1.60
2012	1.59
2013	1.57
2014	1.65
2015	1.52

For the periods indicated in the table below the high and low exchange rate between sterling and the US dollar were as follows:

Month	£1=US\$	
	High	Low
September 2015	1.5587	1.5127
October 2015	1.5473	1.5128
November 2015	1.5418	1.5035
December 2015	1.5215	1.4738
January 2016	1.4743	1.4155
February 2016	1.4599	1.3868
March 2016 ¹	1.4263	1.3946

¹ Up to and including 8 March 2016.

At the close of business in London on 8 March 2016, the sterling/US dollar exchange rate was £1=US\$1.42.

Significant differences between corporate governance practices and NYSE listing standards

Background

Our corporate governance practices are designed to be compliant with the principles and provisions specified by the UK Corporate Governance Code. Our statement of compliance with the principles and provisions of the Code is set out on page 40.

We have also adopted the corporate governance requirements of the US Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and related listing standards of the NYSE to the extent that they are applicable to a foreign private issuer. We disclose below the significant differences between our corporate governance practices and those that are required of US companies that are listed on the NYSE.

Corporate governance guidelines

The Code contains a series of principles and provisions. It is not, however, mandatory for companies to follow these principles. Instead companies must disclose how they have applied them and, if applicable, must disclose and explain the reasons for any areas of non-compliance. By comparison the NYSE listing standards require US companies to adopt and disclose corporate governance guidelines.

Independence

Different tests of independence for directors are applied under the Code and the NYSE listing standards. The board has carried out an assessment based on the independence requirements of the Code and has determined that, in its judgement, each of the non-executive directors except Kent Masters, on account of his previous employment by Foster Wheeler, is independent within the meaning of those requirements. As the Company is a foreign private issuer the board is not required to take into consideration the definition of independence set out in the NYSE's listing standards.

Committees

NYSE listing standards require US companies to have a nominating/corporate governance committee, an audit committee and a compensation committee, each composed entirely of independent directors. Each of these committees is required to have a written charter which addresses the committee's purpose and responsibilities and the compensation committee must have sole authority and adequate funding to engage compensation consultants, independent legal counsel and other external advisers.

We have terms of reference for our nominations committee, audit committee and remuneration committee, each of which complies with the requirements of the Code and is available for inspection on our website. Whilst these terms of reference are generally consistent with the requirements of the NYSE listing rules, they may not address all aspects of those rules.

NYSE listing standards specify that the nominating/corporate governance committee is responsible for identifying individuals qualified to become members of the board and to recommend to the board a set of corporate governance principles. The Code requires companies to have a nominations committee but does not require a corporate governance committee. Our nominations committee is concerned only with the membership of the board. Corporate governance issues are discussed and decided upon at meetings of the board.

NYSE listing standards require the audit committee to comprise at least three independent directors. Whilst our Audit Committee comprises independent non-executive directors (and currently has four members), it should be noted that only two members of the committee need be present for there to be a quorum.

Compliance certification

NYSE rules require that the CEO of a US company must certify to the NYSE each year that he or she is not aware of any violation by the Company of any of the NYSE's corporate governance listing standards. As the Company is a foreign private issuer, the CEO is not required to make this certification. However, the CEO is required to notify the NYSE promptly in writing if any of the Company's executive officers become aware of any non-compliance with those NYSE corporate governance listing standards that are applicable to the Company.

Documents on display

The Company is subject to the information requirements of the US Securities Exchange Act of 1934 applicable to foreign private issuers. In accordance with these requirements, the Company files an annual report on Form 20-F and other related documents with the SEC. Certain other announcements made by the Company are furnished to the SEC on Form 6-K.

Information submitted by the Company to the SEC may be inspected at the SEC's public reference rooms located at 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549. Information on the operation of the public reference room can be obtained by calling the SEC's Office of Investor Education and Advocacy on +1 800 732 0330.

You may also access information submitted by the Company to the SEC through the SEC's website, www.sec.gov.

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We set out below details of all the Company's subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates. Except where indicated all subsidiaries listed below are wholly owned incorporated in England & Wales and carry on their activities principally in their countries of incorporation. Except where marked with an asterisk, the Company's shareholdings are held indirectly through subsidiaries. All of the active subsidiaries are included in the consolidation. Decisions made in the joint ventures concerning operating and financial policies essential to the activities and performance of the company are made in accordance with the relevant joint venture agreement.

Subsidiaries

Name	Jurisdiction	% interest	Class of shares
418750 Canada Inc	Canada	100	Common
4900 Singleton L P	United States	100	Partnership Interest
AFW E&C Holdings Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AFW Finance 2 Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AFW Finance 3 Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AFW Hungary Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
A FW International Investments GmbH	Switzerland	100	Quotas
AFW Investments 2 Limited	England & Wales	100	Preference Ordinary
AFW Investments Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AFW Luxembourg 1 S a r l	Luxembourg	100	Share Capital
AFW Luxembourg 2 S a r l	Luxembourg	100	Share Capital
AGRA Ambiental S A de C V	Mexico	100	Class of B
AGRA Argentina S A	Argentina	100	Ordinary
AGRA Foundations Inc	United States	100	Common
AGRA Holdings Inc	United States	100	Common
AMEC (AGL) Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC (BCS) Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC (Bermuda) Limited	Bermuda	100	Ordinary
AMEC (FCG) Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
AMEC (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	100	Ordinary
AMEC (MH1992) Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
AMEC (MHL) Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC (WSL) Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Architectural Inc	United States	100	Common
AMEC Asia Pacific Limited	Hong Kong	99	Ordinary
AMEC Australia Finance Company Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Redeemable Ordinary
AMEC Australia Finance No 2 Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
AMEC Australia Treasury Company Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
AMEC Australia Treasury LP	Australia	100	Capital
AMEC BDR Limited	Canada	100	Class of B Class of A
AMEC BKW Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Bravo Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
AMEC Building Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
AMEC CADE Ingeniería y Desarrollo De Proyectos Limitada	Chile	100	Normal
AMEC Canada Finance ULC	Canada	100	Common
AMEC Canada Holdings Inc	Canada	100	Common
AMEC Canada Investments Company Limited	Jersey	100	Ordinary
AMEC Canada Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary*
AMEC Capital Projects Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Chile Ingeniería y Construcción Limitada	Chile	100	Normal
AMEC Civil Engineering Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Civil Inc	United States	100	Common
AMEC Construction Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Construction Management Inc	United States	100	Common
AMEC Construction Scotland Limited	Scotland	100	Ordinary ^t
AMEC Contractors (W/A) Limited	Nigeria	100	Ordinary
AMEC Design and Management Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
AMEC Developments Inc	United States	100	Common
AMEC do Brasil Participações Ltda	Brazil	100	Quotas
AMEC E&E Caribe LLP	Puerto Rico	98	Class of A
AMEC Earth & Environmental Limited	Canada	100	Common Class of A
AMEC Earth & Environmental LLP	United States	100	Interest
AMEC Engineering and Consulting of United States Inc	United States	100	Common
AMEC Engineering Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
AMEC Engineering Limited	Hong Kong	100	Ordinary
AMEC Environment & Infrastructure SRL	Romania	100	Ordinary
AMEC Eurasia Limited	Russian Federation	100	Ordinary
AMEC Europe B V	Netherlands	100	Ordinary*
AMEC Executive Pensions Trustee Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
AMEC Facilities Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Focus Pensions Trustee Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
Amec Foster Wheeler & BBS Limited	Ghana	80	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler (B) SDN BHD	Brunei Darussalam	99	Ordinary

Name	Jurisdiction	% interest	Class of shares
Amec Foster Wheeler (Peru) S A	Peru	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler AES Inc	United States	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Americas Limited	Canada	100	Class of B Common Class of A
Amec Foster Wheeler Arabia Ltd	United States	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Asia K K	Japan	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Asia Pacific Pte Ltd	Singapore	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Australia Holding Company Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Australia Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Birmas Birlesik Insaat ve Muhendislik A S	Turkey	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Cameroun SARL	Cameroon	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Canada Ltd	Canada	100	Class of A
Amec Foster Wheeler Constructors Inc	United States	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Consulting Poland Sp z o o	Poland	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler E & I GmbH	Germany	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler E&C Services Inc	United States	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Earth and Environmental (UK) Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Energi Aktiebolag	Sweden	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Energia Mexico S de R L de C V	Mexico	100	Class of A
Amec Foster Wheeler Energia Oy	Finland	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Energia Polska Sp z o o	Poland	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Energia S L U	Spain	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Energie GmbH	Germany	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Energy Fakop Sp z o o	Poland	22.7 50 63.56	Group II Group III Group I
Amec Foster Wheeler Energy Limited	England & Wales	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Energy Management (Shanghai) Company Limited	China	100	Membership Interest
Amec Foster Wheeler Engineering & Construction Design (Shanghai) Co Ltd	China	100	Capital
Amec Foster Wheeler Engineering & Consulting (Shanghai) Co Ltd	China	100	Capital
Amec Foster Wheeler Engineering Holdings Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Non Class Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Engineering Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Class of D Class of Z
Amec Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure UK Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure Inc	United States	100	Common Preference
Amec Foster Wheeler Finance Asia Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
Amec Foster Wheeler Finance Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
Amec Foster Wheeler France S A	France	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Global E&C S r l	Italy	100	Capital
Amec Foster Wheeler Group Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
Amec Foster Wheeler Iberia S L U	Spain	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Inc	Canada	100	Class of B
Amec Foster Wheeler India Private Limited	India	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler International Ingenieria y Construcción Limitada	Chile	100	Normal
Amec Foster Wheeler International Trading (Shanghai) Company Limited	China	100	Membership Interest
Amec Foster Wheeler Italiana S r l	Italy	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Kamtech Inc	United States	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Martinez Inc	United States	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler NCL Limited	Canada	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler North America Corp	United States	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Nuclear Czech Republic a s	Czech Republic	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Nuclear France SAS	France	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Nuclear Holdings Limited	England & Wales	100	A Ordinary B Ordinary C Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Nuclear International Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Nuclear RO SRL	Romania	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Nuclear Slovakia s r o	Slovakia	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Nuclear UK Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Oil & Gas Inc	United States	100	Preference Class of A
Amec Foster Wheeler OPE Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	100	Redeemable Preference Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Operations Ghana Limited	Ghana	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Power Group Asia Limited	Hong Kong	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Power S r l	Italy	100	Quotas
Amec Foster Wheeler Power Systems Inc	United States	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Power Vietnam Limited Liability Company	Viet Nam	100	Membership Interest
Amec Foster Wheeler Properties (Pty) Limited	South Africa	100	Ordinary B Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Property and Overseas Investments Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
Amec Foster Wheeler s r o	Czech Republic	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Service (Thailand) Limited	Thailand	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler South Africa (PTY) Limited	South Africa	70	A Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Talcahuano Operaciones y Mantenciones Limitada	Chile	100	Equity Interest
Amec Foster Wheeler USA Corporation	United States	100	Common

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Name	Jurisdiction	% interest	Class of shares
Amec Foster Wheeler Ventures Inc	Florida	100	Common
Amec Foster Wheeler Zektin Architecture Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Amec Foster Wheeler Zektin Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
AMEC Geomatics Limited	Canada	49	Class of A
		100	Class of B
AMEC Global Renewables UK Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Global Resources Pte Limited	Singapore	100	A Ordinary B Ordinary C
		100	Ordinary
AMEC Global Services Pte Ltd	Singapore	100	Ordinary
AMEC GRD SA B V	Netherlands	100	Ordinary
AMEC Growth Regions Support FZ LLC	United Arab Emirates	100	Ordinary
AMEC Guatemala Engineering and Consulting Sociedad Anonima	Guatemala	99.96	Common
AMEC Hedge Co 1 Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Holdings (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	100	Ordinary
AMEC Holdings Inc	United States	100	Common
AMEC Holland B V	Netherlands	100	Ordinary
AMEC Industrial Programs LLC	United States	100	Interest
AMEC Infrastructure Limited	Canada	100	Common
AMEC Infrastructure Services Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ¹
AMEC International Investments B V	Netherlands	100	Ordinary ¹
AMEC International Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Investments B V	Netherlands	100	Ordinary
AMEC Investments Europe Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Kazakhstan Holdings Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ¹
AMEC King Wilkinson (Nigeria) Limited	Nigeria	100	Ordinary
AMEC Korea Limited	Korea Republic of	100	Ordinary
AMEC Kuwait Project Management and Contracting Company W L L	Kuwait	49	Ordinary
AMEC Liberia Inc	Liberia	100	Ordinary
AMEC Limited Liability Company	Azerbaijan	100	Ordinary
AMEC Limited Liability Partnership	Kazakhstan	100	Capital
AMEC LLC	Mongolia	100	Common
AMEC Manufacturing and Services Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Massachusetts Inc	United States	100	Common
AMEC Mechanical and Electrical Services Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Michigan Inc	United States	100	Common
AMEC Mining Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ¹
AMEC Minproc (Proprietary) Limited	South Africa	100	Ordinary
AMEC Minproc Bulgaria EOOD	Bulgaria	100	Ordinary
AMEC Minproc Projects (New Zealand) Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
AMEC Minproc UK Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC New Zealand Limited	New Zealand	100	Ordinary
AMEC Newco LLC	United States	100	Membership Interest
AMEC Nominees Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ¹
AMEC North Carolina Inc	United States	100	Common
AMEC NSS Limited	Canada	100	Common
AMEC Nuclear Consultants International Limited	Jersey	100	Ordinary
AMEC Nuclear M & O Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Nuclear Overseas Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Nuclear Projects Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Offshore (Nigeria) Limited	Nigeria	75	Ordinary
AMEC Offshore Developments Limited	Scotland	100	Ordinary ¹
AMEC Offshore Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ¹
AMEC Offshore Services Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Oil & Gas World Services Inc	United States	100	Common
AMEC Oil Gas and Process Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	100	Ordinary
AMEC Operations Limited	Guernsey	100	Ordinary
AMEC Operations S R L	Romania	100	Ordinary
AMEC Overseas (Cyprus) Limited	Cyprus	100	Ordinary
AMEC Partners Korea Limited	Korea Republic of	54	Ordinary
AMEC Petroleo e Gas Limitada	Brazil	100	Quotas
AMEC Power (Asia) Limited	Thailand	21.98	Preference
		100	Common
AMEC Process & Energy Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	100	Ordinary
AMEC Process and Energy International Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ¹
AMEC Process and Energy Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Programs Inc	United States	100	Common
AMEC Project Investments Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Projetos e Consultoria Ltda	Brazil	100	Ordinary
AMEC Services Limited	England & Wales	100	Preference Ordinary
AMEC South America Limited	Canada	100	Class of A
AMEC Spareco (12) Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary Class of E

Name	Jurisdiction	% interest	Class of shares
AMEC Spareco (14) Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Staff Pensions Trustee Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary†
AMEC Trustees Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary†
AMEC USA Finance Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC USA HOLDCO LLC	United States	100	Common
AMEC USA Holdings Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary†
AMEC USA Holdings Inc	United States	100	Common
AMEC USA Investments LLC	United States	100	Class of A Common
AMEC USA Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Utilities Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Wind Developments Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AMEC Zektn Group Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Amplemark Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary†
Applied Environmental Research Centre Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Aquenta Consulting (NZ) Limited	New Zealand	100	Ordinary
Aquenta Consulting Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Class of Z Ordinary
Ard Ghaoth Wind Farm Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Atlantic Services Limited	Bermuda	100	Ordinary
Atlantis Hedge Co 1 Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary†
Atlantis Hedge Co 2 Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary† Redeemable Preference*
Attric International FZ LLE	United Arab Emirates	100	Nominal
Attric Ltd	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Auld Clay Wind Farm Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
AYMEC de Mexico S A de C V	Mexico	100	Series I Series II
Barsotti's Inc	United States	100	Common
Bauunternehmung Kittelberger GrnbH	Germany	100	Ordinary*
Burman Griffiths Holdings Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Burman Griffiths Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Business Consultancy Group Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Camden County Energy Recovery Corp	United States	100	Common
Campro AGRA Limited	Canada	100	Common
Castleary Wind Farm Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
CK Temple Holdings Ltd	Canada	100	Class of A Class of C Class of E
Conequip S A	Spain	100	Common
Continental Finance Company Ltd	Bermuda	100	Common
Energia Holdings LLC	United States	100	Membership Interest
Energy Safety and Risk Consultants (UK) Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Entec Holdings Limited	England & Wales	100	A Ordinary B Ordinary C Ordinary
Entec Investments Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Equipment Consultants Inc	United States	100	Common
Exergy Engineering Services S A de CV	Mexico	100	Min Fixed Capital
Exergy Engineering S A de CV	Mexico	100	Min Fixed Capital
Fast Reactor Technology Limited	England & Wales	51	Ordinary
Financial Services S à r l	Luxembourg	100	Capital
Foster Wheeler (G B) Limited	England & Wales	100	Common
Foster Wheeler (Gibraltar) Holdings Limited	Gibraltar	100	Redeemable Preference Ordinary
Foster Wheeler (London) Limited	England & Wales	100	Common
Foster Wheeler (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	100	Class of A Class of B
Foster Wheeler (Nigeria) Limited	Nigeria	100	Common
Foster Wheeler (Philippines) Corporation	Philippines	100	Common
Foster Wheeler (Process Plants) Limited	England & Wales	100	Common
Foster Wheeler (QLD) Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Common
Foster Wheeler (Thailand) Limited	Thailand	100	Common
Foster Wheeler (WA) Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Foster Wheeler America Latina Ltda	Brazil	100	Quotas
Foster Wheeler Andes Inc	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Asia Limited	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Avon Inc	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Caribe Corporation C A	Venezuela	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Chile S A	Chile	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Colombia S A S	Colombia	100	Shares
Foster Wheeler Constructors de Mexico S de R L de C V	Mexico	100	Ordinary
Foster Wheeler Continental BV	Netherlands	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Development Corporation	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler E&C (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	70	Ordinary
Foster Wheeler E&C Argentina S A	Argentina	100	Registered
Foster Wheeler E&C Limited	England & Wales	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Eastern Private Limited	Singapore	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Energy Corporation	United States	100	Common

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Foster Wheeler Energy Manufacturing Inc	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Engineering A G	Switzerland	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Environmental (UK) Limited	England & Wales	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Environmental Company Nigeria Limited	Nigeria	87	Ordinary
Foster Wheeler Environmental Corporation	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Europe	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Foster Wheeler Europe B V	Netherlands	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Finance LLC	United States	100	Membership Interest
Foster Wheeler Hellas Engineering and Construction Societe Anonyme	Greece	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Holdings Ltd	Bermuda	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Hydrox Inc	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Inc	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Intercontinental Corporation	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler International Corporation	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Kazakhstan LLP	Kazakhstan	100	Shares
Foster Wheeler Limited	England & Wales	100	Common
Foster Wheeler LLC	United States	100	Membership Interest
Foster Wheeler Ltd	Bermuda	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Maintenance Inc	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Management AG	Switzerland	100	Ordinary
Foster Wheeler Management Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Foster Wheeler Middle East Corporation	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Operations Inc	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Petroleum Development Limited	England & Wales	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Petroleum Services S A E	Egypt	100	Ordinary
Foster Wheeler Real Estate Development Corp	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Realty Services Inc	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Santiago Inc	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Services Inc	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Trading Company Ltd	Bermuda	100	Common
Foster Wheeler US Power Group Inc	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Virgin Islands Inc	United States	100	Common
Foster Wheeler World Services Limited	England & Wales	100	Common
Foster Wheeler Zach Inc	United States	100	Common
FW (Gibraltar) Limited	Gibraltar	100	Ordinary
FW Chile Holdings 2 Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
FW Chile Holdings Ltd	Cayman Islands	100	Shares
FW Energie B V	Netherlands	100	Common
FW Europe B V	Netherlands	100	Common
FW Europe Financial Holdings S à r l	Luxembourg	100	Shares
FW European E & C Ltd	Bermuda	100	Common
FW Financial Holdings GmbH	Switzerland	100	Membership Interest
FW Holdings S à r l	Luxembourg	100	Shares
FW Hungary Licensing Limited Liability Company	Hungary	100	Ownership Interest
FW Investment Holdings S à r l	Luxembourg	100	Class of B Ordinary
FW Investments Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
FW Management Operations Ltd	Bermuda	100	Common
FW Netherlands C V	Netherlands	100	Partnership Interest
FW TURNA S r l	Italy	100	Common
FWPS Specialty Products Inc	United States	100	Common
Geosafe Australia Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Global Carbon Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Global Mining Projects and Engineering S A de C V	Mexico	100	Capital
GRA Technology Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Graf-Wulff US Corp	United States	100	Common
GRD Asia Holdings Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
GRD Asia Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
GRD Developments Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
GRD ESAP Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
GRD Investments Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
GRD New Zealand Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary Redeemable
GRD Normet Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
GRD Oil & Gas Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Class of A
GRD Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
GRD Renewables Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
GRD Waste Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Hilton Wind Farm Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Howe AGRA Limited	Canada	100	Common
IDC Property Investments Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Ingen Holdings Limited	Scotland	100	Ordinary
Ingen Ideas Limited	Scotland	100	Ordinary

Name	Jurisdiction	% interest	Class of shares
James Scott Engineering Group Limited	Scotland	100	Ordinary ^t Cumulative Preference ^t 2nd Cumulative Preference ^t
James Scott Limited	Scotland	100	Ordinary
KEC International Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
KIG Immobilien Beteiligungsgesellschaft mbH (internal KIG I GmbH)	Germany	100	Ordinary
KIG Immobiliengesellschaft mbH & Co KG (Internal KIG I KG)	Germany	100	Ordinary
King Wilkinson Inc	United States	100	Common
Kirfield Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Kromav Engenharia S A	Brazil	50	Ordinary
Lewis Wind Power Holdings Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Macraes New Zealand Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
MACTEC Architectural Services Inc	United States	100	Common
MACTEC Constructors Inc	United States	100	Common
MACTEC Consulting LLC	United States	100	Interest
MACTEC E&C International Inc	United States	100	Common
MACTEC E&C LLC	United States	100	Interest
MACTEC Engineering and Consulting Sociedad Anonima (Nicaragua)	Nicaragua	98	Common*
MACTEC Environmental Consultants Inc	United States	100	Common
MACTEC Mexico S A de C V	Mexico	100	Common
Martinez Cogen Limited Partnership	United States	99	Partnership Interest
MASA Ventures Limited	Canada	100	Common
MASA Ventures Inc	United States	100	Common
McCullough Associates Inc	United States	100	Common
MDIC Inc	United States	100	Common
MDM Africa Holdings (Pty) Ltd	South Africa	100	Ordinary
MDM Engineering (Pty) Ltd	South Africa	100	Ordinary
MDM Engineering Group Limited	British Virgin Islands	100	Shares
MDM Engineering Investments Ltd	Mauritius	100	Shares
MDM Engineering Projects Ltd	Mauritius	100	Shares
MDM Engineering SPRL	Belgium	100	Ordinary
MDM Projects Tanzania Limited	Tanzania	100	Common
MDM Technical Africa (Pty) Ltd	South Africa	100	Class of A
MDM UK Finance Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Metal and Pipeline Endurance Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
Minproc Engineers Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Minproc Group Superannuation Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Minproc Overseas Projects Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Minproc Projects (Ghana) Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Minproc Technology Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Monenco Jamaica Limited	Jamaica	100	Ordinary*
Monenco Nigeria Limited	Nigeria	60	Ordinary
Montreal Engineering (Overseas) Limited	Bahamas	100	Ordinary
Mossel Bay Energy IPP (proprietary) Limited (RF)	South Africa	90	Common
National Nuclear Corporation Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
NexDSS Inc	United States	100	Common
NorthAm Engineering S A de C V	Mexico	100	Class I Series A Class I Series B Class II Series A1 Class II Series B1
Nuclear Consultants International (Proprietary) Limited	South Africa	84.9	Ordinary
Nucleus Training Limited	England & Wales	100	B Ordinary
Octagon International Properties Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Class of A
OOO Amec Foster Wheeler	Russian Federation	100	Quota
OOO Foster Wheeler Energia	Russian Federation	100	Ordinary
OPE O&G Asia Pacific Pte Ltd	Singapore	100	Ordinary
Operations Analysis Inc	United States	100	Common
OS Marine Access UK Limited	Scotland	100	Ordinary
PE Consultants Inc	Mauritius	100	A Ordinary B Ordinary
Performance Improvements (PI) Group Limited	Scotland	100	Class of A Class of C
Performance Improvements (PI) Limited	Scotland	100	A Ordinary C Ordinary
Perryville Corporate Park Condominium Association Inc	United States	66.66	Unit Holder Interest
Perryville Service Company Ltd	Bermuda	100	Common
PI Energy & Emissions Limited	Scotland	100	Class of A Class of B
PI Gas Turbines Limited	Scotland	100	Ordinary
PI Group BV	Netherlands	100	Ordinary
PI TMC BV	Netherlands	100	Ordinary
Press Construction Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
Primat Recruitment Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
Process Consultants Inc	United States	100	Common
Process Industries Agency Limited	England & Wales	100	Common
Process Plants Suppliers Limited	England & Wales	100	Common
PT AGRA Monenco	Indonesia	100	Ordinary
PT Amec Foster Wheeler Indonesia	Indonesia	84.62	Class of A

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Related undertakings continued As at 31 December 2015

Name	Jurisdiction	% interest	Class of shares
PT Foster Wheeler O&G Indonesia	Indonesia	90	Ordinary
PT Simons International Indonesia	Indonesia	100	Ordinary
QED International (Kazakhstan) Limited Liability Partnership	Kazakhstan	100	Capital
QED International (UK) Limited	Scotland	100	Ordinary
QED International FZ LLC	United Arab Emirates	100	Capital
QED International LLC	United States	100	Membership Interest
QED International Ltd	Mauritius	100	Ordinary
QEDI Commissioning and Completions (Canada) Limited	Canada	100	Common
Qedi Completions & Commissioning Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Rider Hunt International (Alberta) Inc	Canada	100	Common Preference
Rider Hunt International (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	100	Ordinary
Rider Hunt International (Singapore) Pte Limited	Singapore	100	Ordinary
Rider Hunt International (USA) Inc	United States	100	Common
Rider Hunt International (WA) Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Rider Hunt International B V	Netherlands	100	Ordinary
Rider Hunt International Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
S2V Consulting Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Sandway Solutions (No 3) Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
Scopus Engineering Holdings Ltd	Scotland	100	Ordinary
Scopus Engineering Limited	Scotland	100	Ordinary
Scopus Group (Holdings) Limited	Scotland	100	A Ordinary B Ordinary C Ordinary
Sehold Inc	United States	100	Common
Sellafield Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary
SIE Siam Limited	Thailand	100	Common
Sigma 2 AFW Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
Sigma Financial Facilities Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
Simons International Engineering Ltd	Thailand	100	Common
Simons Pacific Services Pte Ltd	Singapore	100	Ordinary
Simons Eastern Consultants Inc	United States	100	Common
South Shore Nominees Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Specialist Equipment Solutions Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
Terra Nova Technologies Australia Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Ordinary
Terra Nova Technologies Inc	United States	100	Common
The IDC Group Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t
Thelco Co	United States	100	Common
Touchstone General Contracting Engineering Consultancy and Project Management LLC	Iraq	100	Ordinary
Tray (UK) Limited	England & Wales	100	Preference Ordinary
Tray Field Services Limited	England & Wales	100	Common
Tray Inc	United States	100	Common
William Ellis (Etchingham) Limited	England & Wales	100	Ordinary ^t Preference ^t
York Jersey Liability Ltd	Bermuda	100	Common

Joint ventures

Name	% interest	Address
ABV Consultants Ltd	50	Suite 400 111 Dunsmuir Street Vancouver BC V6B 5W3 Canada
ACM Health Solutions Limited	33.33	Carillion House 84 Salop Street Wolverhampton WV3 0SR England
AFWA DUBA Salina Cruz S de R L de C V	50	Carlos Salazar #2333 Colonia Obrera Monterrey Nuevo Leon Mexico
AMEC - Merrick Joint Venture LLC	60	Suite 100 780 Vista Blvd Sparks NV 89434 United States
AMEC - SAI Joint Venture LLC	50	Suite 180 751 Arbor Way Blue Bell PA 19422 1951 United States
AMEC BKW Arabia Limited	50	Al Khobar - Saudi Arabia Saudi Arabia
AMEC Black & McDonald Limited	50	11 Frazee Avenue Dartmouth NS B3B 1Z4 Canada
AMEC Black Cat LLC	49	5th Floor Al Aqaria Tower Building No 34 Museum Street Old Salata Area Street 970 Zone 18 PO Box No 24523 Doha Qatar
Armc Foster Wheeler Energy Ltd and Partners Engineering Company	50	Karawan Towers South Block King Faisal Road Al Khobar Saudi Arabia
Armc Foster Wheeler Power Machinery Company Limited	52	East Zone Jingzhou Xinhui District Phone # 86 750 6390311 Fax# 86-750 6391312 Jiangmen City China
AMEC Larastia Sdn Bhd	49	Suite 10 2 Level 10 East Wing Rohas Perkasa No 8 Jalan P Ramlee 50250 Kuala Lumpur Malaysia
AMEC Libya Engineering Consultancy JSC	65	MAPEL Compound KM 27 Ghaser Bengashir PO Box 83306 Tripoli Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
AMEC Samsung Oil & Gas LLC	49	10777 Clay Road Houston TX 77041 5497 United States
Beca AMEC Limited	50	Ground Floor Beca House 21 Pitt Street Auckland 1010 New Zealand
Boldt AMEC LLC	40	2525 North Roemer Road Appleton WI 54912 United States
CEJV Ingeniería y Construcción Limitada	50	Av Isidora Goyenechea 2800 Floor 32 Las Condes Santiago 7550647 Chile
Centro Energia Ferrara S p A	41.65	Pie Privato G Donegani 12 Ferrara Tel 0532 597757 Fax 0532 597766 Milan 44100 Italy
Centro Energia Teverola S p A	41.65	Via Andrea Doria 41/G Roma 00192 Italy
Clough AMEC Beca Ltd	33.33	Ground Floor Beca House 21 Pitt Street Auckland 1010 New Zealand

Name	% interest	Address
Clough AMEC Pty Ltd	50	Level 12 58 Mounts Bay Road Perth 6000 Australia*
Clough AMEC SEA Pte Ltd	50	991E Alexandra Road #01 25 119973 Singapore
Consorcio AMEC CADE / PSI Consultores Limitada	50	Av Jose Domingo Canas No 2640 Nunoa Santiago 7750164 Chile
Consorcio Consultor Systra / Cade Idepe / Geoconsult Limitada	40	Av Jose Domingo Canas No 2640 Nunoa Santiago 7750164 Chile
Consorcio de Ingeniería Geoconsult Cade Idepe Limitada	50	Av Jose Domingo Canas No 2640 Nunoa Santiago 7750164 Chile
Consorcio de Ingeniería Systra Cade Idepe Limitada	50	Av Jose Domingo Canas No 2640 Nunoa Santiago 7750164 Chile
Construcción e Ingeniería Chile F1 Limitada	50	Avenida Andrés Bello 2711 Piso 22 Comuna Las Condes Santiago Chile
Construcción e Ingeniería FIM Chile Limitada	33.33	Avenida Santa María 2810 Comuna de Providencia Santiago Chile
COPEL AMEC S/C Ltda	47.5	Rua Carneiro Lobo No 468 conjuntos 1301 a 1303 Centro Empresarial Champs Elysees Curitiba State of Paraná Brazil*
Core Tech Amec Foster Wheeler LLC	50	Suite 180 751 Arbor Way Blue Bell PA 19422 1951 United States
Enutek (Pty) Ltd	50	8 Wolseley Street Woodmead East 2157 South Africa
F & N E Limited	50	Croft Road Crossflatts Bingley West Yorkshire BD16 2UA
F & N E (1990) Limited	50	Croft Road Crossflatts Bingley West Yorkshire BD16 2UA
FluorAMEC LLC	49	2711 Centerville Rd Suite 400 Wilmington New Castle DE 19808 United States
FLUOR AMEC II LLC	45	100 Fluor Daniel Drive Greenville SC 29607-2770 United States
Foster Wheeler (Hebei) Engineering Design Co Ltd	49	CEFOC Information Mansion Zhongshan West Road No 356 Shijiazhuang China
Foster Wheeler Kentz Energy Services DMCC	50	PO Box 26593 Unit 3601 Tiffany Tower Cluster W Jumeirah Lakes Towers Dubai United Arab Emirates
Incheon Bridge Co Ltd	23	3 Incheondaegyo Expressway Jung gu Incheon Republic of Korea
Isgec Foster Wheeler Boilers Private Limited	49	Radarur Road Yamunagar 135001 Haryana India
Isolux Morenco Medio Ambiente S A	49	Calle Juan Bravo 3 C Madrid 28006 Spain
King Wilkinson (Saudi Arabia) Limited	50	PO Box 1110 Al Khobar 31952 Saudi Arabia
Lewis Wind Power Limited	50	EDF Energy GSO Business Park East Kilbride G74 5PG Scotland
Lomellina Energia S r l	39.2	Vecchia Strada Vicinale per Vigevano Parona Pavia 27020 Italy
MF Waste S r l	49	Via XXV Aprile 18 Rotvato 25038 Italy
Nari Amec Foster Wheeler LLC	50	98-1238 Kaahumanu St Suite 400 Pearl City HI 96782 United States
NorthEast Power Alliance LLC	47	1979 Lakeside Parkway Suite 400 Tucker GA 30084 United States
Northern Integrated Services Limited	50	Ledingham Chalmers Johnstone House 52 54 Rose Street Aberdeen AB10 1HA Scotland†
Nuclear Management Partners Limited	36	Booths Park Chelford Road Knutsford Cheshire WA16 8QZ England
OTEPI Foster Wheeler S A	50	Zona Rental Universidad Metropolitana Edificio Otepí Terrazas del Ávila Caracas 1070 Edo Miranda VE
Paragon Angola Engenharia e Serviços Limitada	60	Largo do Pescador no 8 Ilha de Luanda Luanda Angola
Petropower Energia Limitada	85	Milaflores Street No 222 24th Floor City and Commune of Santiago CL
PT AMEC Berca Indonesia LLC	50	Jl Cikini Raya No 95 CCM Building Floor 4 th Jakarta Pusat 10330 Indonesia
PWR Power Projects Limited	50	Booths Park Chelford Road Knutsford Cheshire WA16 8QZ England
Road Management Services (A13) Holdings Limited	25	Carillion House 84 Salop Street Wolverhampton WV3 0SR England
Road Management Services (A13) plc	25	Carillion House 84 Salop Street Wolverhampton WV3 0SR England
Runway Omega B V	50	Kosteniland 20 3981 AJ Bunnik Netherlands
Shanghai Zone Petrochemical Engineering Co Ltd	50	No 143 Jinji Road Jinshan District Shanghai 200540 China
Sigma 3 (North Sea) Limited	66.66	C/O CMS Cameron McKenna 6 Queens Road Aberdeen AB15 4ZT United Kingdom
Socar-Foster Wheeler Engineering LLC	35	88A Zardaby Avenue Baku Azerbaijan
South Kensington Developments Limited	50	Portland House Bickenhill Lane Solihull Birmingham B37 7BQ England United Kingdom
SSBV Consultants Inc	33.33	Suite 400 111 Dunsmuir Street Vancouver BC V6B 5W3 Canada
Teshmont Consultants Inc	50	1190 Waverley Street Winnipeg MB R3T 0P4 Canada
UK Nuclear Restoration Limited	50	Booths Park Chelford Road Knutsford Cheshire WA16 8QZ England
Voreas S r l	50	Via S Caboto 15 Corsico Milan 20094 Italy

Associates

Name	Jurisdiction	% interest	Class of shares
AMEC Al Turki LLC	Oman	35	Ordinary
Foster Wheeler Adibi Engineering	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	45	Class of B
Teshmont Consultants LP	Manitoba	30	Partnership Interest
Teshmont GP Inc	Manitoba	30	Common

*Directly held by Amec Foster Wheeler plc

†Class A B C D E F and G Redeemable Preference shares exist

‡In liquidation

Five-year record (unaudited)

Consolidated income statement data

	Year ended 31 December				
£m unless stated	2015	2014	2013	Restated ¹ 2012	Restated ¹ 2011
Continuing operations					
Revenue	5,455	3 993	3 974	4 088	3 133
Adjusted profit before tax ²	334	317	332	327	316
Exceptional items	(121)	(98)	(25)	(24)	(6)
Amortisation and impairment of intangible assets	(444)	(49)	(47)	(44)	(39)
Net asbestos-related income/(expense)	6	(9)	–	–	–
Share of tax of joint ventures	(10)	(6)	(5)	(5)	(7)
Profit before tax	(235)	155	255	254	264
Income tax	(18)	(49)	(69)	(47)	(53)
Profit from continuing operations	(253)	106	186	207	211
(Loss)/profit from discontinued operations	(4)	(27)	(8)	2	16
Profit for the year	(257)	79	178	209	227
Earnings per ordinary share					
Continuing operations					
– Basic	(66.1)p	36 1p	63 8p	65 2p	64 4p
– Adjusted diluted ³	67.7p	79 5p	87 2p	78 6p	71 6p
Total operations					
– Basic	(67.2)p	27 2p	61 1p	65 8p	69 2p
– Diluted	(67.2)p	26 5p	59 8p	64 6p	67 8p
Dividends per ordinary share ⁴	29.0p	43 3p	42 0p	36 5p	30 5p
Dividend cover ⁵	2.3x	1 8x	2 1x	2 2x	2 3x

Consolidated balance sheet data

	As at 31 December				
£m unless stated	2015	2014 (restated)	2013	2012	2011
Goodwill and other intangible assets	3,025	3 443	907	969	848
Other non-current assets	675	599	253	245	203
Current assets	1,872	2 023	1 224	1 304	1 404
Total assets	5,572	6,065	2,384	2,518	2,455
Current liabilities	(2,261)	(2 292)	(1 004)	(1 151)	(828)
Non-current liabilities	(1,703)	(1,777)	(256)	(284)	(253)
Net assets	1,608	1 996	1 124	1 083	1 374
Share capital	197	194	152	154	169
Other reserves	1,402	1 780	970	925	1 204
Equity attributable to holders of the parent	1,599	1,974	1,122	1,079	1,373
Non-controlling interests	9	22	2	4	1
Total equity	1,608	1 996	1 124	1 083	1,374
Number of ordinary shares in issue (millions)	393	389	304	308	338
Net working capital	167	75	99	54	55
Net (debt)/cash	(946)	(803)	121	99	521

¹ The selected financial data set out above has been extracted from the consolidated financial statements for the relevant year prepared in accordance with IFRS except that the income statement data for 2012 and 2011 has been restated to reflect the reclassification in 2013 of the UK conventional power business as a discontinued operation and the adoption of IAS 19 (Revised 2011) Employee Benefits. The 2014 balance sheet was restated following the completion of the fair value assessment on the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities recognised on the acquisition of Foster Wheeler

² Adjusted profit before tax represents profit before tax before exceptional items the amortisation and impairment of intangible assets asbestos-related costs and interest expense (net of insurance recoveries) and the Group's share of tax on the results of joint ventures

³ Adjusted diluted earnings per share represents profit for the year from continuing operations before exceptional items the amortisation of intangible assets asbestos-related costs and interest expense (net of insurance recoveries) and the tax effect of those items divided by the diluted number of ordinary shares

⁴ The dividend for 2015 includes the proposed final dividend for the year of 14.2p per ordinary share

⁵ Dividend cover represents the dividend per ordinary share as a multiple of adjusted diluted earnings per share from continuing operations

Glossary

ADSs	American Depository Shares, evidenced by ADRs the form in which the Company's ordinary shares are traded on the NYSE	Euro or €	the common currency used in the majority of the member countries of the EU
ADRs	American Depository Receipts, issued in respect of ordinary shares deposited with State Street Bank & Trust Company, as custodian for the Depositary	the FCA	the UK Financial Conduct Authority
AGM	Annual General Meeting of the Company's shareholders	Foster Wheeler	used for convenience to refer to Foster Wheeler AG and its subsidiaries unless the context requires otherwise
AMEC	used for convenience to refer to the Company and its subsidiaries prior to the acquisition of Foster Wheeler, unless the context requires otherwise	the FRC	the UK Financial Reporting Council
Amec Foster Wheeler	used for convenience to refer to the Company and its subsidiaries, unless the context requires otherwise	GPG	the Global Power Group, one of the Group's business units
the Articles	the Company's Articles of Association, which set out the Company's constitution	the Group	the Company and its subsidiaries
Basis point	one hundredth of one percentage point	HMRC	Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs, the UK taxation authority
the board	the collective term for the executive and non-executive directors of the Company	HVEC	High Value Execution Centre
CEO	Chief Executive	the IASB	the International Accounting Standards Board
CFO	Chief Financial Officer	IFRS	International Financial Reporting Standards, comprising accounting standards issued by the IASB
the Code	the UK Corporate Governance Code issued by the FRC (formerly the Combined Code)	the IRC	the US Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended
the Companies Act 2006	the Companies Act 2006 of England and Wales, as amended	the IRS	the Internal Revenue Service the US taxation authority
the Company	Amec Foster Wheeler plc, formerly AMEC plc	LIBOR	London Interbank Offered Rate a benchmark interest rate for instruments of the specified currency and maturity
the Depositary	Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, the Depositary for the Company's ADR programme	NASDAQ	the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations
Downstream	the refining or processing of crude oil into finished fuel products	the NYSE	the New York Stock Exchange
the DRIP	the Dividend Re-Investment Plan operated by the Company	a PFIC	a Passive Foreign Investment Company for US federal income tax purposes
the DTRs	the Disclosure & Transparency Rules of the UKLA	Pound sterling £, pence or p	the currency of the UK
E&C	Engineering & Construction	SDRT	Stamp Duty Reserve Tax
E&I	Environment & Infrastructure	the SEC	the US Securities and Exchange Commission
EPC	Engineering Procurement & Construction (conducted on a fixed price basis)	SOX	the US Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
EPCM	Engineering Procurement & Construction Management (conducted on a cost-reimbursable basis)	UK	the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
the EU	the European Union	UK GAAP	accounting practice generally accepted in the UK
		UKLA	UK Listing Authority
		Upstream	the exploration, production and transportation of oil and gas
		US	the United States of America
		US dollars US \$ cents or c	the currency of the US
		US GAAP	accounting principles generally accepted in the US

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Forward-looking statements

This annual report contains a number of 'forward-looking statements' with respect to the Group's financial condition results of operations and certain of the Group's plans and objectives

In particular such forward-looking statements include statements with respect to

- ▶ our expectations regarding the Group's financial and operating performance including statements contained within the strategic report on pages 1 to 39 of this document, including the Outlook statement on page 37, and the performance of joint ventures and newly-acquired businesses
- ▶ intentions and expectations regarding the contracts entered into by the Group or by third parties including new services such as the supply of consultancy engineering and project management services
- ▶ expectations regarding the global economy and the Group's operating environment, including future market conditions and trends
- ▶ revenue and growth expected from Amec Foster Wheeler's business and its expectations with respect to long-term shareholder value growth
- ▶ our ability to acquire new contracts, expected growth prospects and growth in our customer base generally
- ▶ expected benefits associated with the acquisition of Foster Wheeler

Forward-looking statements are sometimes but not always identified by their use of a date in the future or such words as 'will', 'anticipates', 'aims', 'could', 'may', 'should', 'expects', 'believes', 'intends', 'plans' or 'targets'. By their nature forward-looking statements are inherently predictive, speculative and involve risk and uncertainty because they relate to events and depend on circumstances that will occur in the future. There are a number of factors that could cause actual results and developments to differ materially from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. These factors include, but are not limited to, the following

- ▶ global economic conditions or other macro-economic developments in the geographic regions and markets in which the Group operates, including fluctuations in exchange rates
- ▶ changes in commodity prices which may impact demand for the Group's services
- ▶ the Group's exposure to the risks associated with operating in emerging markets

- ▶ the failure to meet customer expectations on project delivery which could result in damage to reputation and/or loss of repeat business and potentially lead to litigation
- ▶ long-term contracts which may be subject to early termination variation or non-renewal provisions
- ▶ projects included in the Group's order book which may be delayed or cancelled
- ▶ lump-sum contracts which are subject to the risks associated with unanticipated modifications, technical problems and delays
- ▶ the loss of senior management or difficulty in attracting and retaining appropriately skilled personnel
- ▶ the failure to comply with health, safety and environmental laws
- ▶ the possibility of major safety incidents that can lead to reputational damage and increase potential liabilities
- ▶ obligations and liabilities relating to the Group's divested and non-core businesses
- ▶ the failure or security breaches of its information technology systems and/or data security
- ▶ the failure to comply with anti-corruption laws and regulations, economic sanction programmes or other laws and regulations, which may result in the Group becoming subject to fines or penalties and the disruption of its business activities

A review of the reasons why actual results and developments may differ materially from the expectations disclosed or implied within forward-looking statements can be found under the heading 'Risk factors' on pages 167 to 171 of this document.

All subsequent written or oral forward-looking statements attributable to the Company or any persons acting on its behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the factors referred to above. No assurances can be given that the forward-looking statements in this document will be realised. Subject to compliance with applicable law and regulations, the Company does not intend to update these forward-looking statements and does not undertake any obligation to do so.

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