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## NORTHERN POWERGRID HOLDINGS COMPANY

# HALF-YEARLY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

#### **INTERIM MANAGEMENT REPORT**

#### **Cautionary Statement**

This interim management report has been prepared solely to provide additional information to shareholders to assess the business and strategies of Northern Powergrid Holdings Company (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (together the "Group") and should not be relied on by any other party or for any other purpose.

#### **Business Model**

The Company's main subsidiary companies are Northern Powergrid (Northeast) plc and Northern Powergrid (Yorkshire) plc (together "Northern Powergrid"), Integrated Utility Services Limited ("IUS"), CalEnergy Resources Limited ("CE Resources") and Northern Powergrid Metering Limited ("Metering").

Northern Powergrid (Northeast) plc and Northern Powergrid (Yorkshire) plc are distribution network operators ("DNOs") and distribute electricity to approximately 3.9 million customers connected to their electricity distribution networks, IUS provides engineering contracting services, CE Resources holds interests in hydrocarbon permits and renewables in Australia, Poland and the United Kingdom and Metering rents meters to energy suppliers.

#### **Results for the six months ended 30 June 2024**

During the period ended 30 June 2024, the Group made a profit after tax of £176.1 million; this was £22.1 million higher than the 6 months ended 30 June 2023 and was mainly driven by an increase in tariffs in 2024/25 price control year.

#### Revenue

Revenue at £614.1 million was £52.3 million higher than for the six months ended 30 June 2023 mainly due to higher distribution revenue due to higher tariffs and increased metering revenues.

#### **Cash flow**

Cash and cash equivalents as at 30 June 2024 were £89.6 million, representing an increase of £55.4 million when compared with the position at 31 December 2023. This compares with a decrease of  $\pm 10.7$  million in the comparative six-month period, primarily due to higher revenues from an increase in DUoS tariffs.

The Group has access to a £200 million revolving credit facility provided by Barclays Bank plc, Lloyds Bank plc, HSBC UK Bank plc and Royal Bank of Canada. The facility was executed in December 2021 for a period of three years expiring in 2024, with two 1-year extension options, the second of which was exercised in 2023.

In addition, the Group has access to short-term borrowing facilities provided by Yorkshire Electricity Group plc, a related party, and to a £42.0 million overdraft facility provided by Lloyds Bank plc.

#### Dividends

No dividends were paid during the period resulting in £176.3 million being transferred to reserves.

#### **Related party transactions**

Details of the related party transactions entered into by companies in the Group and changes therein are included in Note 8 to this half-yearly financial report.

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

Information on the principal long-term risks and uncertainties and the internal control system are included in the Group's latest annual reports and accounts for the year to 31 December 2023, which is available at <u>www.northernpowergrid.com</u>.

It is anticpated that these risks will continue to be the principal risks facing the business for the remaining six months of 2024.

#### **Going concern**

In the Group's latest annual reports and accounts for the year to 31 December 2023 the directors set out a number of factors they took into account when they considered continuing to adopt the going concern basis in preparing those annual reports and accounts. The directors confirm that no events have occurred during the six months to 30 June 2024, which alter the view expressed in the annual reports and accounts to 31 December 2023.

#### Future strategy and objectives

The Company will continue to develop its business as a holding company in a manner that concentrates on the Group's principal activities of electricity distribution, engineering contracting, hydrocarbon exploration and the rental of meters to energy suppliers.

#### Subsequent balance sheet events

On 24 May 2024 a subsidiary undertaking, CalEnergy Resources (Operator) Limited, exchanged on a sale and purchase agreement to acquire the entire share capital of IOG North Sea Limited, IOG UK Limited, IOG Infrastructure Limited and certain assets of IOG PLC. IOG PLC and its subsidiary entities own and operate gas production facilities and a pipeline in the South North Sea, which are jointly owned by a subsidiary of Northern Powergrid Holdings Company. CalEnergy Resources (Operator) Limited has paid a consideration of £13.4m on completion on 30 August 2024. The revenues associated with the business disclosed in the IOG plc annual report and accounts (the last published annual report and accounts) were £75m in 2022 and included a decommissioning liability of £30m. Reflecting the timing of the agreement the acquisition accounting and any fair value adjustments are still being considered as at the date of signing of these financial statements.

#### **Responsibility Statement**

The board of directors confirm that to the best of their knowledge:

- (a) the condensed set of financial statements, which has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34, gives a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit of the Company and the undertakings included in the consolidation as a whole for the six months to 30 June 2024; and
- (b) the interim management report contains a fair review of the important events that have occurred during the first six months of the year and their impact, if any, on the condensed set of financial statements and a description of the principal risks and uncertainties for the remaining six months of the year.

By order of the board

T H France Director

30 September 2024

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS - SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

|   | 6 Months<br>ended 30<br>June 2024<br>Unaudited<br>£m | 6 Months<br>ended 30<br>June 2023<br>Unaudited<br>£m |
|---|--|--|
| Revenue<br>Cost of sales                          | 614.4<br>(50.9)                                      | 561.9<br>(85.3)                                      |
| Gross profit                                      | 563.2  | 476.6  |
| Operating expenses                                | (279.0)  | (266.6)  |
| Operating profit                                  | 284.2  | 210.0  |
| Other gains<br>Finance income<br>Finance costs    | 2.5 (53.6)   | 0.1<br>0.9<br>(49.0)                                 |
| Profit before tax                                 | 233.1  | 162.0  |
| Income tax expense                                | (57.0)   | (8.0)  |
| Profit from ordinary activities after tax         | 176.1  | 154.0  |
| Owners of the parent<br>Non-controlling interests | 174.7<br>1.4   | 152.5<br>1.5   |
|   | 176.1  | 154.0  |

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS - SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

|  | 6 Months<br>ended 30<br>June 2024<br>Unaudited<br>£m            | 6 Months<br>ended 30<br>June 2023<br>Unaudited<br>£m |
|--|---|--|
| PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD  | 176.1   | 154.0  |
| <b>OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME</b><br><b>Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:</b><br>Employee benefit obligation<br>Income tax relating to items of other comprehensive income       | $\frac{7.3}{(1.8)}$ 5.5   | 6.4<br>(1.6)<br>4.8                                  |
| <b>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:</b><br>Exchange difference on translation of foreign operations<br>Cash flow hedge<br>Income tax relating to items of other comprehensive income | $ \begin{array}{r} (5.6) \\ 2.3 \\ (0.6) \\ (3.9) \end{array} $ | (7.6)7.5(1.8)(1.9)                                   |
| OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR,<br>NET OF INCOME TAX  | 1.6   | 2.9  |
| TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR  | 177.7   | 156.9  |
| Owners of the parent<br>Non-controlling interests  | 176.3<br><u>1.4</u><br>177.7                                    | 155.4<br><u>1.5</u><br>156.9                         |

### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

|                                | 30 June 2024 | 31 December<br>2023 |
|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
|                                | Unaudited    |                     |
|                                | £m           | £m                  |
| ASSETS                         |              |                     |
| NON-CURRENT ASSETS<br>Goodwill | 248.8        | 248.8               |
| Intangible assets              | 52.0         | 55.1                |
| Property, plant and equipment  | 7,740.9      | 7,648.6             |
| Right of use assets            | 27.3         | 27.3                |
| Investments                    | 4.0          | 3.6                 |
| Pension asset                  | 160.7        | 148.6               |
| Derivative asset               | 26.7         | 27.6                |
| Tax asset                      | 0.3          | 0.1                 |
| Trade and other receivables    | 4.2          | 6.5                 |
|                                | 8,264.9      | 8,166.3             |
| CURRENT ASSETS                 |              |                     |
| Inventories                    | 35.4         | 37.0                |
| Trade and other receivables    | 233.3        | 200.8               |
| Contract assets                | 15.2         | 7.1                 |
| Derivative asset               | 8.0          | 6.5                 |
| Tax receivables                | 3.9          | 0.6                 |
| Cash and cash equivalents      | 89.6         | 34.2                |
| Restricted cash                | 6.4          | 3.1                 |
|                                | 391.8        | 289.4               |
| TOTAL ASSETS                   | 8,656.7      | 8,455.6             |
| EQUITY                         |              |                     |
| SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY           |              |                     |
| Share capital                  | 354.6        | 354.6               |
| Share premium account          | (0.8)        | (0.8)               |
| Hedging reserves               | 12.7         | 11.0                |
| Foreign exchange reserves      | (14.9)       | (9.3)               |
| Retained earnings              | 3,048.5      | 2,868.4             |
|                                | 3,400.1      | 3,223.9             |
| Non-controlling interest       | 43.1         | 42.4                |
| TOTAL EQUITY                   | 3,443.2      | 3,266.2             |

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

|  | 30 June<br>2024 | 31<br>December<br>2023 |
|--|-----------------|------------------------|
|  | Unaudited       | C                      |
| I LADIL PTIEC                          | £m              | £m                     |
| LIABILITIES<br>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES |                 |                        |
| Deferred revenue                       | 1 512 1         | 1 5 2 1 2              |
|  | 1,513.1         | 1,531.3                |
| Borrowings                             | 2,535.6         | 2,707.5                |
| Lease liabilities                      | 19.4            | 19.4                   |
| Derivative Liability                   | -               | -                      |
| Deferred tax                           | 367.3           | 327.9                  |
| Trade and other payables               | -               | -                      |
| Provisions                             | 49.2            | 52.3                   |
|  | 4,484.6         | 4,638.4                |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES                    |                 |                        |
| Trade and other payables               | 325.8           | 298.7                  |
| Deferred revenue                       | 68.0            | 69.0                   |
| Borrowings                             | 315.2           | 161.8                  |
| Lease liabilities                      | 6.0             | 6.3                    |
| Derivative liabilities                 | _               | _                      |
| Tax payable                            | -               | 0.4                    |
| Provisions                             | 13.9            | 14.8                   |
|  | 728.9           | 551.0                  |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES                      | 5,213.5         | 5,189.4                |
| TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES           | 8,656.7         | 8,455.6                |

The interim financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 30 September 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

T H France Director

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY - SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

|  | Share<br>Capital<br>£m | Share<br>Premium<br>Account<br>£m | Other<br>Reserves<br>£m | Retained<br>Earnings<br>£m             | Total<br>£m           |
|--|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Balance at 1 January<br>2024   | 354.6                  | (0.8)                             | 1.7                     | 2,868.4                                | 3,223.9               |
| Profit for the period (unaudited)  | -                      | -                                 | -                       | 174.7                                  | 174.7                 |
| Other comprehensive<br>income (unaudited)  | -                      | -                                 | 1.7                     | 5.5                                    | 7.2                   |
| Foreign exchange<br>translation adjustment<br>(unaudited)<br>Acquisition of non-<br>controlling interest | -                      | -                                 | (5.6)                   | -                                      | (5.6)                 |
| without a change in<br>control (unaudited)<br>Balance at 30 June   |                        |                                   |                         | <u> </u>                               |                       |
| 2024   | 354.6                  | (0.8)                             | (2.2)                   | 3,048.5                                | 3,400.1               |
|  |                        |                                   |                         | Non-<br>Controlling<br>Interests<br>£m | Total<br>Equity<br>£m |
| Balance at 1 January<br>2024   |                        |                                   |                         | 42.4                                   | 3,266.2               |
| Profit for the period<br>(unaudited)   |                        |                                   |                         | 1.4                                    | 176.1                 |
| Other comprehensive<br>income (unaudited)<br>Foreign exchange  |                        |                                   |                         | -                                      | 7.2                   |
| translation adjustment<br>(unaudited)<br>Acquisition of non-<br>controlling interest                     |                        |                                   |                         | -                                      | (5.6)                 |
| without a change in control (unaudited)  |                        |                                   |                         | (0.7)                                  | (0.7)                 |
| Balance at 30 June<br>2024   |                        |                                   |                         | 43.1                                   | 3,443.2               |

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY - SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2024 (CONTINUED)

|                        |         | Share   |          |          |         |
|------------------------|---------|---------|----------|----------|---------|
|                        | Share   | Premium | Other    | Retained |         |
|                        | Capital | Account | Reserves | Earnings | Total   |
|                        | £m      | £m      | £m       | £m       | £m      |
| Balance at 1 January   |         |         |          |          |         |
| 2023                   | 354.6   | (0.8)   | 16.1     | 2,897.5  | 3,267.4 |
| Profit for the period  |         |         |          |          |         |
| (unaudited)            | -       | -       | -        | 152.5    | 152.5   |
| Other comprehensive    |         |         |          |          |         |
| income (unaudited)     | -       | -       | 5.7      | 4.8      | 10.5    |
| Foreign exchange       |         |         |          |          |         |
| translation adjustment |         |         |          |          |         |
| (unaudited)            | -       | -       | (7.6)    | -        | (7.6)   |
| Balance at 30 June     |         |         |          |          |         |
| 2023                   | 354.6   | (0.8)   | 14.2     | 3,054.8  | 3,422.8 |

|                        | Non-<br>Controlling<br>Interests<br>£m | Total<br>Equity<br>£m |
|------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Balance at 1 January   |  |                       |
| 2023                   | 40.7                                   | 3,308.1               |
| Profit for the period  |  |                       |
| (unaudited)            | 1.5                                    | 154.0                 |
| Other comprehensive    |  |                       |
| income (unaudited)     | -                                      | 10.5                  |
| Foreign exchange       |  |                       |
| translation adjustment |  | (7.6)                 |
| Balance at 30 June     |  |                       |
| 2023                   | 42.2                                   | 3,465.0               |
|                        |  |                       |

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY - SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2024 (CONTINUED)

|                             |         | Share   |          |          |         |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|----------|----------|---------|
|                             | Share   | Premium | Other    | Retained |         |
|                             | Capital | Account | Reserves | Earnings | Total   |
|                             | £m      | £m      | £m       | £m       | £m      |
| <b>Balance at 1 January</b> |         |         |          |          |         |
| 2023                        | 354.6   | (0.8)   | 16.1     | 2,897.5  | 3,267.4 |
| Profit for the year         | -       | -       | -        | 178.8    | 178.8   |
| Other comprehensive         |         |         |          |          |         |
| income                      | -       | -       | (14.4)   | (8.0)    | (22.4)  |
| Dividends                   | -       | -       | -        | (200.0)  | (200.0) |
| Balance at 31               |         |         |          | ,,       |         |
| December 2023               | 354.6   | (0.8)   | 1.7      | 2,868.4  | 3,223.9 |

|                      | Non-<br>Controlling<br>Interests<br>£m | Total<br>Equity<br>£m                     |
|----------------------|--|---|
| Balance at 1 January |  |   |
| 2023                 | 40.7                                   | 3,308.1                                   |
| Profit for the year  | 1.7                                    | 180.5                                     |
| Other comprehensive  |  |   |
| income               | -                                      | (22.4)                                    |
| Dividends            | -                                      | (200.0)                                   |
| Balance at 31        |  | <u>,                                 </u> |
| December 2023        |  |   |
|                      | 42.4                                   | 3,266.2                                   |

# CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

| <b>Cash flows from operating activities</b><br>Profit for the year                        | 6 Months<br>ended<br>30 June 2024<br>Unaudited<br>£m<br>176.1 | (As restated)<br>6 Months<br>ended<br>30 June 2023<br>Unaudited<br>£m<br>135.7 |
|---|---|--|
| Depreciation and amortisation   | 170.1   | 172.5  |
| Amortisation of deferred revenue  | (33.4)  | (33.4)   |
| Profit on disposal of property, plant & equipment   | -   | (0.1)  |
| Retirement benefit obligation<br>Finance income   | (2.9)<br>(2.5)  | (3.6)<br>(0.9)   |
| Finance costs   | 53.6  | 49.0   |
| Income tax expense  | 57.0  | 26.3   |
|   | 419.6   | 345.5  |
| (Decrease)/increase in inventories  | 1.0   | (1.7)  |
| (Increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables  | (28.5)  | 16.5   |
| Increase in contract assets   | (8.1)   | (1.4)  |
| Decrease in trade and other payables  | (3.6)   | (23.3)   |
| Increase/(decrease) in provisions   | (3.4)   | (6.4)  |
| Cash inflow from operating activities   | 377.0   | 329.2  |
| Receipt of customer contributions*  | 68.3  | 68.2   |
| Net interest paid   | (50.7)  | (52.5)   |
| Tax paid  | (23.8)  | (40.1)   |
| Net cash from operating activities  | 370.8   | 304.8  |
| <b>Investing activities</b><br>Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and<br>equipment | -   | 0.1  |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment   | (285.6)   | (256.6)  |
| Purchase of intangible assets   | (2.5)   | (5.8)  |
| Investment in associate   | (0.3)   | (0.7)  |
| Net cash used in investing activities   | (288.4)   | (263.0)  |
| Financing activities<br>Issue of long-term borrowings                                     |   |  |
| Repayment of long-term borrowings   | (22.3)  | (31.4)   |
| Movement of short-term borrowings   | 3.0   | (17.4)   |
| Lease payment   | (4.4)   | (3.7)  |
| Movement in restricted cash   | (3.3)   |  |
| Net cash (used in)/generated from financing activities                                    | (27.0)  | (52.5)   |
| Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash<br>equivalents                                   | 55.4  | (10.7)   |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period  | 34.2  | 31.0   |

#### CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

#### Cash and cash equivalents at end of period

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\*Following a review of sector general practice and to align with the accounting treatment of customer contributions within revenue these amounts have been presented within operating activities rather than investing activities with the comparatives restated. Accordingly, this has resulted in an increase in cash from operating activities and increase in cash used in investing activities in the comparative period by £68.3m. There has been no other impact on the financial statements from this change.

#### NOTES TO THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The information included within these condensed financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 does not constitute statutory accounts as defined in section 434 of the Companies Act 2006. A copy of the statutory accounts for that year has been delivered to the Registrar of Companies. The auditor reported on those accounts and that report was unqualified, did not draw attention to any matters by way of emphasis and did not contain a statement under section 498(2) or (3) of the Companies Act 2006.

#### 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of preparation**

The annual financial statements of the Group are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"). The condensed set of financial statements included in this half-yearly financial report has been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34, 'Interim Financial Reporting', as adopted by the IASB.

#### **Going concern**

In the Group's latest annual reports and accounts for the year to 31 December 2023 the directors set out a number of factors they took into account when they considered continuing to adopt the going concern basis in preparing those annual reports and accounts. The directors confirm that no events have occurred during the six months to 30 June 2024, which alter the view expressed in the annual reports and accounts to 31 December 2023.

#### **Changes in accounting policy**

The Group's accounting policies and methods of computation are the same as the accounting policies which are described in the Group's financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023, with the only changes being outlined below.

#### Application of new and revised IFRS

None of the standards, interpretations and amendments which are effective for periods beginning 1 January 2024 has had a material effect on the financial statements:

- Amendments to IAS 1: Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current
- Amendments to IFRS 16: Lease Liability on a Sale and Leaseback
- Amendments to IAS 7 and IFRS 7: Supplier Finance Agreements

#### 3. SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS

The Group operates in the principal area of activity of the distribution of electricity in the United Kingdom.

There has been no change in the basis of segmentation or in the basis of measurement of segment profit or loss in the period.

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by reportable segment in the six months ended 30 June 2024 (unaudited):

|                                  | Distribution | Other | Consolidation<br>adjustment | Total  |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                                  | £m           | £m    | £m                          | £m     |
| REVENUE                          |              |       |                             |        |
| External sales                   | 525.9        | 88.2  | -                           | 614.1  |
| Inter-segment sales              | 28.3         | 10.1  | (38.4)                      |        |
| Total Revenue                    | 554.2        | 98.3  | (38.4)                      | 614.1  |
| SEGMENT RESULTS                  |              |       |                             |        |
| Operating profit                 | 267.0        | 14.0  | 3.2                         | 284.2  |
| Other gains                      |              |       |                             | -      |
| Finance income                   |              |       |                             | 2.5    |
| Finance costs                    |              |       |                             | (53.6) |
| Profit before tax                |              |       |                             | 233.1  |
| OTHER INFORMATION                |              |       |                             |        |
| Capital additions                | 268.3        | 19.2  |                             | 287.5  |
| Depreciation and amortisation    | 124.9        | 43.3  |                             | 168.2  |
| Amortisation of deferred revenue | (33.4)       |       |                             | (33.4) |

External sales to the E.ON group in the six months ended 30 June 2024 represented 20.76% of revenue within the Distribution segment.

External sales to British Gas Ltd in the six months ended 30 June 2024 represented 12.48% of revenue within the Distribution segment.

## 3. SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by reportable segment in the six months ended 30 June 2023 (unaudited):

|  | Distribution | Other | Consolidation<br>adjustment | Total                |
|--|--------------|-------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
|  | £m           | £m    | £m                          | £m                   |
| REVENUE  |              |       |                             |                      |
| External sales                                 | 462.1        | 99.8  | -                           | 561.9                |
| Inter-segment sales                            | 23.9         | 6.8   | (30.7)                      |                      |
| Total Revenue                                  | 486.0        | 106.6 | (30.7)                      | 561.9                |
| SEGMENT RESULTS                                |              |       |                             |                      |
| Operating profit                               | 188.7        | 15.8  | 5.5                         | 210.0                |
| Other gains<br>Finance income<br>Finance costs |              |       |                             | 0.1<br>0.9<br>(49.0) |
| Profit before tax                              |              |       |                             | 162.0                |
| OTHER INFORMATION                              |              |       |                             |                      |
| Capital additions                              | 227.5        | 53.8  | -                           | 281.3                |
| Depreciation and amortisation                  | 114.8        | 48.8  | -                           | 163.6                |
| Amortisation of deferred revenue               | (33.4)       |       | -                           | (33.4)               |

External sales to the E.ON group in the six months ended 30 June 2023 represented 22.38% of revenue within the Distribution segment.

External sales to British Gas Ltd in the six months ended 30 June 2023 represented 13.54% of revenue within the Distribution segment.

#### **3.** SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies which are described in the Group's latest annual financial statements. The segment results represent the profit earned by each segment without allocation of the share of profits of joint ventures, associates, finance income and finance costs and income tax expense

| Segment net assets                    | 30 June<br>2024<br>Unaudited<br>£m | 31<br>December<br>2023<br>£m |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Distribution                          | 5,971.6                            | 5,365.1                      |
| Other                                 | 755.4                              | 629.2                        |
| Total net assets by segment           | 6,727.0                            | 5,994.3                      |
| Unallocated net corporate liabilities | (3,283.8)                          | (2,728.1)                    |
| Total net assets                      | 3,443.2                            | 3,266.2                      |

#### 4. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

Tax for the six-month period ended 30 June 2024 is charged at 24.5% (six months ended 30 June 2023: 4.9%. This is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK and represents the best estimate of the average annual effective tax rate expected for the full year, as applied to the pre-tax income of the six-month period.

|                          | 6 months<br>ended 30            | 6 months ended 30               |  |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
|                          | June<br>2024<br>Unaudited<br>£m | June<br>2023<br>Unaudited<br>£m |  |
| Current tax              | 19.9                            | 42.8                            |  |
| Deferred tax             | 37.1                            | (34.8)                          |  |
| Total income tax expense | 57.0                            | 8.0                             |  |

The Finance (No.2) Act 2024 maintained the rate of corporation tax of 25%. Deferred tax balances are therefore measured at 25% at 30 June 2024 (six months ended 30 June 2023: 25%).

There is no uncertainty over the acceptable income tax treatment. Should any uncertainties arise, the Group and Company will apply adopted amendments to IFRIC 23.

#### 5. DIVIDENDS

No dividends were distributed to the shareholders in the six-month period ended 30 June 2024 (six months ended 30 June 2023: £nil)

#### 6. **RETIREMENT BENEFIT SCHEMES**

The defined benefit obligation as at 30 June 2024 is calculated on a year-to-date basis, using the annual actuarial valuation as at 31 December 2023. The latest triennial valuation carried out by AON was concluded on the 2 February 2024. There have not been any significant fluctuations or one-time events since that time that would require adjustment to the actuarial assumptions made at June 2024.

#### 7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Except as detailed in the following table, the directors consider that the carrying value amounts of financial assets and financial liabilities are approximately equal to their fair values:

| infunctur ussets und infunctur i | Carrying value  |                        | Fair value      |                        |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
|                                  | 30 June<br>2024 | 31<br>December<br>2023 | 30 June<br>2024 | 31<br>December<br>2023 |
|                                  | Unaudited<br>£m | £m                     | Unaudited<br>£m | £m                     |
| Financial liabilities            |                 |                        |                 |                        |
| Short-term loans                 | 75.0            | 65.9                   | 75.0            | 65.9                   |
| Bond $2025 - 2.5\%$ (Northern    | 75.0            | 05.9                   | 75.0            | 03.9                   |
| Powergrid (Yorkshire) plc)       | 150.7           | 152.4                  | 150.9           | 147.7                  |
| Bond 2028 – 7.25% (Yorkshire     | 150.7           | 152.4                  | 150.7           | 14/./                  |
| Power Finance Limited)           | 199.2           | 192.7                  | 208.5           | 209.1                  |
| Bond 2032 4.375% (Northern       | 177.2           | 1,2.1                  | 200.5           | 209.1                  |
| Powergrid (Yorkshire) plc)       | 155.0           | 151.5                  | 148.1           | 150.0                  |
| Bond 2033 - 5.625% - Northern    | 10010           | 10110                  | 11011           | 10010                  |
| Powergrid (Yorkshire) plc        | 256.0           | 248.8                  | 266.2           | 269.7                  |
| Bond 2035 – 5.125% (Northern     |                 |                        |                 |                        |
| Electric Finance plc)            | 149.6           | 153.6                  | 148.4           | 158.5                  |
| Bond 2035 – 5.125% (Northern     |                 |                        |                 |                        |
| Powergrid (Yorkshire) plc)       | 199.4           | 204.7                  | 197.9           | 211.1                  |
| Bond 2049 – 2.750% (Northern     |                 |                        |                 |                        |
| Electric Finance plc)            | 148.1           | 150.2                  | 94.7            | 106.2                  |
| Bond 2052 – 3.250% (Northern     |                 |                        |                 |                        |
| Electric Finance plc)            | 349.3           | 355.0                  | 239.7           | 272.4                  |
| Bond 2059 – 2.250% (Northern     |                 |                        |                 |                        |
| Powergrid (Yorkshire) plc        | 299.0           | 295.5                  | 155.9           | 173.2                  |
| Bond 2062 – 1.875% (Northern     |                 |                        |                 |                        |
| Powergrid (Northeast) plc        | 295.0           | 297.7                  | 138.9           | 159.5                  |
| EIB loans 2027 – 2.564%          | 253.5           | 250.3                  | 234.1           | 232.7                  |
| EIB loans 2025 – 2.073%          | 50.6            | 50.1                   | 48.1            | 47.1                   |
| CalEnergy Resources Limited -    |                 |                        |                 |                        |
| 2025                             | 119.2           | 125.0                  | 119.4           | 124.9                  |
| Amortised loan 2026 – 3.3127%*   |                 |                        |                 |                        |
| (Northern Powergrid Metering     |                 |                        |                 |                        |
| Ltd)                             | 115.3           | 135.5                  | 117.2           | 137.5                  |
| Cumulative preference shares     | 34.1            | 34.1                   | 41.5            | 41.2                   |
| Bank overdraft                   | 2.0             | 6.2                    | 2.0             | 6.2                    |
|                                  | 2,850.8         | 2,869.3                | 2,386.5         | 2,512.9                |

\*2026 £218m Amortising Loan is 80% swapped at a fixed rate of 2.4455%, with the remaining 20% floating at SONIA plus 1.55%. Loan is secured by a Fixed and Floating charge over all assets of the Company (excluding smart meters) and limited recourse security over the issued share capital of the Company by the Shareholder.

# 8. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

#### Group

Transactions entered into with related parties and balances outstanding were as follows:

| Related party                                       | Sales to<br>related<br>parties<br>£m | Purchases<br>from<br>related<br>parties<br>£m | Amounts<br>owed to<br>related<br>parties<br>£m | Dividends<br>from/(to)<br>related<br>parties<br>£m |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Six months ended 30 June 2024:                      |                                      |   |  |  |
| Immediate Parent<br>Companies*                      | -                                    | -   | 1.0  | -  |
| Vehicle Lease and<br>Service Limited                |                                      | 5.1   |  |  |
|   |                                      | 5.1   | 1.0  |  |
| Six months ended 30 June 2023:                      |                                      |   |  |  |
| Immediate Parent<br>Companies*                      | -                                    | -   | 24.8   | -  |
| Vehicle Lease and<br>Service Limited                |                                      | 5.1   |  |  |
|   |                                      | 5.1   | 24.8   |  |
| Year ended 31 December 2023:                        |                                      |   |  |  |
| Immediate Parent<br>Companies*<br>Vehicle Lease and | -                                    | -   | 1.4  | (200.0)  |
| Service Limited                                     | 0.1                                  | 10.2  |  | 0.2  |
|   | 0.1                                  | 10.2  | 1.4  | (199.8)  |

Sales and purchases from related parties were made at commercial prices.

Interest on loans from Group companies is charged at a commercial rate.

## 8. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED)

#### Company

Transactions entered into with related parties and balances outstanding were as follows:

|                                | Amounts owed<br>from/(to)<br>related parties<br>£m | Interest<br>from/(to)<br>related<br>parties<br>£m | Dividends<br>from/(to)<br>related<br>parties<br>£m |
|--------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Related party                  |  |   |  |
| Six months ended 30 June 2024: |  |   |  |
| Immediate Parent Companies*    | (1.0)  | -   | -  |
| Subsidiary Companies           | 21.6   | 4.0   |  |
|                                | 20.6   | 4.0   |  |
| Six months ended 30 June 2023: |  |   |  |
| Immediate Parent Companies*    | (22.1)   | -   | -  |
| Subsidiary Companies           | 336.0  | 10.3  |  |
|                                | 313.9  | 10.3  |  |
| Year ended 31 December 2023:   |  |   |  |
| Immediate Parent Companies*    | (1.4)  | -   | (200.0)  |
| Subsidiary Companies           | 21.4   | 20.6  |  |
|                                | 20.0   | 20.6  | (200.0)  |

\* Immediate parent companies are BHE U.K. Electric, Inc., (35%), BHE U.K. Power, Inc. (35%) and BHE U.K. Inc. (30%).

Interest on loans to/from Group companies is charged at a commercial rate.