

# **AFFINITY WATER FINANCE (2004) PLC**

UNAUDITED HALF-YEARLY FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE SIX MONTH PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2016

(Registered Number 05139236)

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# **Affinity Water Finance (2004) PLC**

## **Interim management report**

### **Introduction**

The sole activity of Affinity Water Finance (2004) PLC (the 'company') is to raise finance on behalf of its immediate parent undertaking, Affinity Water Limited. During 2004 the company issued £200.0m of guaranteed notes, maturing in July 2026 with an annual coupon of 5.875%. The company completed a tap issue of £50.0m on the same terms as the existing £200.0m notes on 16 July 2014 (together, the 'Bond'). The proceeds of this tap issue were lent to Affinity Water Limited on the same terms.

No significant events occurred during the period.

### **Principal risks**

As the Bond has a fixed coupon rate, the company faces limited risk or uncertainty. Affinity Water Limited, and the wider Affinity Water group, are responsible for the financing strategy and treasury policies of the company. The aim of this strategy is to assess the on-going capital requirement of the group and to raise funding on a timely basis, taking advantage of any favourable market opportunities.

Surplus funds are invested based upon forecast cash requirements in accordance with the company's treasury policy.

Interest rates earned on, and the currency of denomination of, the company's financial assets are matched against those of the company's financial liabilities. Accordingly, these assets and liabilities act as a natural hedge for each other, and the company has no net exposure to movements in interest or foreign exchange rates.

The condensed interim financial statements do not include all financial risk management information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements; the former should be read in conjunction with the company's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2016 (in particular the strategic report, as well as note 12 to the financial statements).

The principal risks and uncertainties remain unchanged from those reported at 31 March 2016. The Board anticipates that these will remain unchanged for the remaining six months of the financial year.

### **Going concern**

The directors consider it appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the condensed interim financial statements. This is based on assessment of the principal risks of the company and consideration of the company's budgeted cash flows, long term forecasts and related assumptions, as well as available debt facilities, and support of the company's immediate parent undertaking.

### **Related parties**

Details of significant related party transactions can be found in note 8 to the condensed interim financial statements. There has been no change to the nature of related party transactions in the first six months of the financial year which has materially affected the financial position or performance of the company.

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## **Interim management report (continued)**

### **Forward-looking statements**

Certain statements in this interim management report are forward-looking. Although the company believes that the expectations reflected in these forward-looking statements are reasonable, it can give no assurance that these expectations will prove to have been correct. Because these statements involve risks and uncertainties, actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements.

The company undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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### Condensed interim income statement for the six months ended 30 September 2016

	Note	30 September 2016 £000 Unaudited	30 September 2015 £000 Unaudited
<b>Operating profit</b>		-	-
Finance income	5	7,180	7,170
Finance costs	5	(7,179)	(7,169)
<b>Profit on ordinary activities before income tax</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Income tax expense on ordinary activities		-	-
<b>Profit for the period</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

All profits of the company in the current period and prior period are from continuing operations.

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the results above; therefore a statement of comprehensive income has not been presented.

The notes on pages 6 to 11 are an integral part of these condensed interim financial statements.

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## Condensed interim statement of financial position as at 30 September 2016

	Note	30 September 2016 £000 Unaudited	31 March 2016 £000 Audited
<b>Current assets</b>			
Loan receivable falling due after more than one year	6	254,872	255,045
Trade and other receivables		3,183	10,517
Cash and cash equivalents		50	50
		<b>258,105</b>	265,612
<b>Creditors - amounts falling due within one year</b>		<b>(3,179)</b>	(10,514)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>254,926</b>	255,098
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>254,926</b>	255,098
<b>Creditors - amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	7	<b>(254,872)</b>	(255,045)
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>54</b>	53
<b>Equity</b>			
Ordinary shares		50	50
Retained earnings		4	3
<b>Total shareholder's funds</b>		<b>54</b>	53

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### Condensed interim statement of changes in equity for the six months ended 30 September 2016

	Share capital £000	Retained earnings £000	Total equity £000
	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited
Balance as at 31 March 2016	50	3	53
Profit for the period	-	1	1
Balance as at 30 September 2016	<b>50</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>54</b>
Balance as at 31 March 2015	50	2	52
Profit for the period	-	1	1
Balance as at 30 September 2015	<b>50</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>53</b>

The notes on pages 6 to 11 are an integral part of these condensed interim financial statements.

# **Affinity Water Finance (2004) PLC**

## **Notes to the condensed interim financial statements**

### **1. General information**

The sole activity of Affinity Water Finance (2004) PLC is to raise finance on behalf of its immediate parent undertaking, Affinity Water Limited.

The company is a private company and is incorporated and domiciled in the United Kingdom. The address of its registered office is Tamblin Way, Hatfield, Hertfordshire, AL10 9EZ.

Refer to note 9 for details of the company's ultimate parent.

These condensed interim financial statements were approved for issue on 29 November 2016.

These condensed interim financial statements do not comprise statutory accounts within the meaning of section 434 of the Companies Act 2006. Statutory accounts for the year ended 31 March 2016 were approved by the Board of directors on 27 June 2016 and delivered to the Registrar of Companies. The report of the auditor on those accounts was unqualified, did not contain an emphasis of matter and did not contain any statement under section 498 of the Companies Act 2006.

These condensed interim financial statements have not been reviewed or audited by the independent auditor.

### **2. Summary of significant accounting policies**

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these condensed interim financial statements are set out below.

#### **2.1 Basis of preparation**

These condensed interim financial statements were prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with the Disclosure and Transparency Rules ('DTR') of the Financial Conduct Authority and with Financial Reporting Standard ('FRS') 104: 'Interim financial reporting' ('FRS 104') as issued by the Financial Reporting Council, adopting the recognition and measurement requirements of EU-adopted International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRS').

The company prepared its statutory financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2016 in compliance with the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 101: 'Reduced disclosure framework' ('FRS 101'). Those financial statements were the first financial statements prepared by the company in accordance with FRS 101.

Under FRS 101, the company applies the recognition and measurement requirements of IFRS, but makes amendments where necessary in order to comply with the Companies Act 2006 and The Large and Medium-sized Companies and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 (SI 2008/410).

The condensed interim financial statements should be read in accordance with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2016.



# **Affinity Water Finance (2004) PLC**

## **Notes to the condensed interim financial statements (continued)**

### **2. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

#### **2.2 Going concern**

The directors consider it appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the condensed interim financial statements. This is based on assessment of the principal risks of the company and consideration of the company's budgeted cash flows, long term forecasts and related assumptions, and available debt facilities.

#### **2.3 Loan receivable**

The loan receivable is stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any provision for impairment.

#### **2.4 Borrowings**

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value plus directly attributable transaction costs. The carrying amount is increased by the finance cost determined by the effective interest rate in respect of the accounting period and reduced by any payments made in the period. The finance cost recognised in the income statement is allocated to periods over the term of the debt at an effective interest rate on the carrying amount.

The Affinity Water group is subject to a number of covenants in relation to its borrowings, which would result in its loans becoming immediately repayable if breached. These covenants specify certain limits in terms of key ratios such as net cash flow to debt interest and net debt to regulatory capital value. At the period end the group was not in breach of any financial covenants.

#### **2.5 Trade and other receivables**

Trade and other receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment.

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## Notes to the condensed interim financial statements (continued)

### 3. Critical accounting estimates and judgments

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The company makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are addressed below.

#### *Impairment of loan receivable*

Determining whether the company's loan receivable from Affinity Water Limited is impaired requires consideration of factors including Affinity Water Limited's credit rating and ability to generate positive cash flows from its operating activities going forward. The carrying amount of the loan receivable at the balance sheet date was £254,872,000 with no impairment losses recognised in the six month period ended 30 September 2016 (2015: nil) (refer to note 6).

### 4. Financial risk management and financial instruments

The company's activities primarily expose it to liquidity risk. Interest rates earned on, and the currency of denomination of, the company's financial assets are matched against those of the company's financial liabilities. Accordingly these assets and liabilities act as a natural hedge for each other, and the company has no net exposure to movements in interest rates.

The condensed interim financial statements do not include all financial risk management information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements; the former should be read in conjunction with the company's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2016 (refer to note 12 to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2016).

There have been no changes in any risk management policies since 31 March 2016.

#### **Fair value of financial assets and liabilities measured at amortised cost**

Between 1 April 2016 and 30 September 2016, market interest rates decreased, increasing the fair value of the company's Bond and related loan receivable as follows:

	<b>30 September 2016 £000</b>	31 March 2016 £000
	<b>Unaudited</b>	Audited
Non-current	<b>351,876</b>	317,659

The remaining financial assets and liabilities of the company approximate to their carrying amount.

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## Notes to the condensed interim financial statements (continued)

### 5. Finance income and costs

	Six months ended 30 September 2016 £000 Unaudited	Six months ended 30 September 2015 £000 Unaudited
<b>Finance income</b>		
Interest income on loan to parent company	7,179	7,169
Other finance income	1	1
Total interest income on financial assets not measured at fair value through profit and loss	<u>7,180</u>	<u>7,170</u>
<b>Total finance income</b>	<u><u>7,180</u></u>	<u><u>7,170</u></u>
<b>Finance expense</b>		
Interest expense on bonds	7,352	7,355
Amortisation of bond issue costs	(173)	(186)
Total interest expense on financial assets not measured at fair value through profit and loss	<u>7,179</u>	<u>7,169</u>
<b>Total finance expense</b>	<u><u>7,179</u></u>	<u><u>7,169</u></u>
<b>Net finance income</b>		
Finance income	7,180	7,170
Finance expense	(7,179)	(7,169)
<b>Net finance income</b>	<u><u>1</u></u>	<u><u>1</u></u>

### 6. Loan receivable falling due after more than one year

	30 September 2016 £000 Unaudited	31 March 2016 £000 Audited
Amounts owed by parent company	<u>254,872</u>	<u>255,045</u>

No provision for impairment has been recognised at 30 September 2016.

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## Notes to the condensed interim financial statements (continued)

### 7. Creditors – amounts falling due after more than one year

	30 September 2016 £000 Unaudited	31 March 2016 £000 Audited
5.875% Bond due 2026	<b>254,872</b>	255,045

### 8. Related party transactions

Interest payments totalling £14,687,500 were received from Affinity Water Limited in July 2016, in relation to a loan from the company of the issue proceeds of the Bond.

There are no other significant related party transactions which require disclosure.

### 9. Controlling parties

The immediate parent undertaking of the company is Affinity Water Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

Affinity Water Limited is majority owned by Affinity Water Acquisitions (Investments) Limited, a company registered in England and Wales. Affinity Water Acquisitions (Investments) Limited is the parent undertaking of the smallest and largest group to consolidate the statutory financial statements of the company.

The directors consider that Affinity Water Acquisitions (Investments) Limited is the ultimate holding and controlling company in the United Kingdom.

Copies of the group financial statements of Affinity Water Acquisitions (Investments) Limited for the year ended 31 March 2016 may be obtained from the Company Secretary, Tamblin Way, Hatfield, Hertfordshire, AL10 9EZ.

Affinity Water Acquisitions (Investments) Limited is owned by a consortium of investors led by Infracapital Partners II (consisting of Infracapital Partners II LP and Infracapital Partners (NT) II LP) and North Haven Infrastructure Partners LP. Veolia Environnement S.A. holds a 10% shareholding in Affinity Water Acquisitions (Holdco) Limited, the direct subsidiary of Affinity Water Acquisitions (Investments) Limited, through its subsidiary Veolia Water UK Limited. The directors consider Infracapital Partners II and North Haven Infrastructure Partners LP to be the company's ultimate controllers, as they are in a position to exercise material influence over the company's policy and affairs.

Infracapital Partners II is a European infrastructure fund managed by M&G Alternatives Investment Management Limited, a subsidiary of Prudential plc. Infracapital Partners II LP was established in 2010 and Infracapital Partners (NT) II LP was established in 2012, to make investments in income-generative infrastructure assets and businesses, including electricity and gas networks, water companies, transport infrastructure and renewable energy.

North Haven Infrastructure Partners is a leading global infrastructure investment fund. It is managed by Morgan Stanley Infrastructure Inc., part of the investment management division of Morgan Stanley. North Haven Infrastructure Partners targets core infrastructure assets that provide essential public goods and services to societies across the globe and seeks to improve asset performance using active management.

## **Affinity Water Finance (2004) PLC**

### **Notes to the condensed interim financial statements (continued)**

#### **10. Events after the reporting period**

There were no significant events after the end of the reporting period.

## **Affinity Water Finance (2004) PLC**

### **Statement of directors' responsibilities**

The directors confirm that these condensed interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 104 as issued by the Financial Reporting Council, adopting the recognition and measurement requirements of IFRS, and that the interim management report includes a fair review of the information required by DTR 4.2.7 and DTR 4.2.8, namely:

- an indication of important events that have occurred during the first six months and their impact on the condensed set of financial statements, and a description of the principal risks and uncertainties for the remaining six months of the financial year; and
- material related-party transactions in the first six months and any material changes in the related-party transactions described in the last annual report.

The directors of Affinity Water Finance (2004) PLC are listed in the company's annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2016. There have been no changes in the six month period to 30 September 2016.

The half-yearly financial report has not been reviewed or audited by the independent auditor.

By order of the Board

Duncan Bates

Director

29 November 2016