



GREEN DRAGON GAS

Positioned for long-term growth

Green Dragon Gas Ltd
Annual Report 2015



A full-page photograph of a male worker in a green safety jacket, white hard hat, and safety glasses. He is looking upwards and to the right, operating a piece of industrial machinery. The machinery has a yellow and black warning sign with a gear icon and Chinese characters. The background consists of many vertical, rusted metal pipes. A semi-transparent dark green banner with a diagonal line pattern is overlaid on the top half of the image, containing the main title in white text.

China's leading independent gas company

Green Dragon Gas is the largest company involved in the production of coal bed methane gas and its distribution and sale in China.

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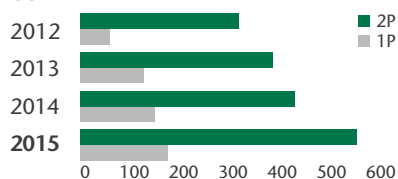
- Gross production capacity of 12.12 bcf per year
- 79% Increase in annual gas processing capacity at GSS
- 39% volume growth of gas sales at Green Dragon operated wells
- Net 2P reserves increased by 29% to 2,379 bcf
- Tenth consecutive year of increase in 1P and 2P reserve volumes
- US\$12.4 million in cash generated from operations
- Maiden profit

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

US\$37.7M

total revenue

Reserves growth bcf



STRATEGIC REPORT

COMPANY OVERVIEW



We are one of the first non-Chinese operators in the Chinese CBM industry, with a key commercial advantage in our foothold in the country's significant unconventional gas sector. Today Green Dragon Gas stands as one of the leading CBM independents in China, having overcome structurally complex difficulties in Chinese coal seams.



PRODUCTION AND EXPLORATION BLOCKS

Shizhuang South Block

Covers an area of 375km² in the southeastern part of the Qinshui basin, in the Shanxi Province. The Group's most advanced block, with exploration by CUCBM commencing in 1997, and commercial production in October 2008.

Chengzhuang Block

Covers an area of 67km² adjacent to the GSS Block in the southeastern part of the Qinshui basin, in the Shanxi Province. One of GDG's key areas of production and focus, part of the Shizhuang South PSC together with GSS.

Shizhuang North Block

The 375km² Shizhuang North Block lies on the eastern part of the Qinshui basin, in close proximity to the GSS Block. At an exploration stage, with Group as well as CUCBM investment ongoing. The continuation of Coal Seams 3 and 15 and its proximity to the GSS Block make GSN an extension of its more advanced neighbouring block.

Baotian-Qingshan Block

The 947km² Baotian-Qingshan Block is located 316km from Guiyang, in the Guizhou Province. The block has been the focus of exploration activity in 2015 and will continue to be a focus area going forward.

Qinyuan Block

The 3,665km² Qinyuan is located 185km from Taiyuan in Shanxi Province and roughly 30km northwest of the Shizhuang North Block. Given its rich resources, the Qinyuan Block will be one of the Group's key long-term areas of focus.

Panxie East Block

The Panxie East Block is a 584km² contracted area located approximately 90km from Hefei, in the Anhui Province. The block is at an early exploration stage, with ongoing investment from the Group and its partner, CUCBM.

Fengcheng Block

The block consists of 1,541km² of contracted area, intersecting several active coal mining operations 74km from Nanchang, in Jiangxi Province. The Fengcheng Block has responded extremely positively to horizontal drilling and further development is expected using LiFaBriC technology.

UPSTREAM OPERATIONS



- First LiFaBriC well drilled in Coal Seam 15 and successfully completed
- Cost recovery reached by CNPC on GCZ Block
- Annual processing in capacity at GSS increased by 79% to 22.7 bcf per annum

RESERVES



- Net increase in 1P reserves of 17% to 173 bcf, NPV10 USD 1.2 billion
- Net increase in 2P reserves of 29% to 549 bcf, NPV10 USD 4.0 billion
- Tenth consecutive year of reserves growth

DOWNSTREAM OPERATIONS



- Net gas sales of 3.7 bcf
- Weighted average sales price achieved of US\$10/mcf

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CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT



MR. RANDEEP S. GREWAL

FOUNDER AND CHAIRMAN

In 2015 we continued to build on the solid foundations laid down since we entered China over 20 years ago, foundations that were reinforced following the Framework and Cooperation agreements signed with our partners, CNPC and CNOOC, in 2014. We have delivered a consistent operational performance focused on realising investments already made. This, in turn, has translated to a stable financial performance and has provided the platform for growth in our business. This year marks our pivotal year of firmly moving from pure exploration and development into production and sales.

We have an exceptional portfolio of assets that we have continually developed and de-risked since the inception of our operations in China. Our industry continues to enjoy support of the Chinese Government that we are grateful for and that provides the bedrock to underpin the continued growth of the Group. The Chinese Government's commitments embedded in our Production Sharing Contracts since 1999, continue to be honored 17 years later demonstrating the benefits of a stable governing body through several leadership changes.

The energy sector has faced a challenging year globally, characterised by uncertainty and volatility in commodity prices. Against this backdrop the CBM industry in China has benefitted from consistent Government policy and price stability that has enabled us to deliver a solid performance both operationally and financially. In a year where headlines were dominated by the fall out of the oil price and its impact on forward investment internationally, Green Dragon has continued to judiciously deploy capital in production and gas sales infrastructure to deliver value for shareholders.

China is not wholly immune to the global commodity markets. In late 2015 we saw pricing pressure in the downstream sector where city-gate prices for non-residential gas were adjusted to encourage gas consumption, as the price of substitute fuels fell following a significant decrease in world oil prices. The reduction in the regulated price for non-residential gas is rightly aimed at increasing the use of gas in China as a cleaner alternative to both coal and fuel oil. While reduced end-user pricing will support gas demand in the medium term it could potentially

bring a degree of pressure on upstream pricing. Reflecting this and reaffirming its commitment to the CBM industry in China, the Chinese Government recently confirmed its support for CBM in China and announced a 50% increase in subsidy rates for upstream CBM producers as part of the 13th Five Year Plan – a move that was followed by provincial governments with similar increases to local subsidy. Furthermore, CBM continues to be the only energy source under free market principles.

Given the strong margins historically for CBM in China and the increased Chinese Government support through subsidy, we expect margins to remain robust for CBM production even if medium-term price pressure comes to bear. The net margins within the natural gas sector are certainly the best globally in CBM and we are uniquely structured to avail this opportunity.

Operational performance in 2015

We saw our exit-rate production capacity increase by 36% to 12.12 bcf per annum by providing the basis for future gas sales as infrastructure is built, out particularly on the GSS Block. During the year our partner, CNOOC, completed and commissioned two further gathering stations bringing processing capacity in GSS to 22.7 bcf per annum as part of the programme to increase the total processing capacity in the block to 53.4 bcf per annum in the next 18 to 24 months.

We continued our own focus on infrastructure in GSS through the connection of existing drilled wells to production infrastructure and the optimisation of the gathering system by strategically adding compression to wellheads and gathering circuits. In the GDG-operated areas of GSS this has yielded a 26% increase in the sales to production ratio compared to year end 2014.

Significantly, we also saw success in our inaugural well drilled into Coal Seam 15, that was completed successfully and is now exhibiting casing pressure consistent with gas production. The successful completion of our first well in this seam is a significant step forward in de-risking and proving the potential of Coal Seam 15 and one that was matched by CNPC, our partner in GCZ.

Continued de-risking of our assets

2015 was marked by our tenth consecutive increase in both 1P and 2P

reserves, with net 1P reserves increasing by 17% to 173 bcf and net 2P reserves up 29% to 5,498 bcf. Importantly, 2015 saw the initial booking of 1P and 2P reserve volumes on GSN, reflecting the delivery by CNOOC on its investment commitment made as part of the framework agreement entered in 2014.

Our exploration focus in 2015 has largely been on the GGZ block in Guizhou Province where we drilled and successfully completed six exploration wells during the year. Two of the six wells are currently producing gas and three are showing casing pressure consistent with gas desorption.

The positive results of these wells are particularly encouraging as we move toward certified reserves in 2016 as the first step toward developing an Overall Development Programme for this block. The investment in GGZ demonstrates our commitment to continually de-risk our significant acreage position and to provide line of sight to a credible pipeline of development opportunity. The decade we spent developing technology and knowledge of the Chinese coal seams accelerates the timeline to commerciality for all the remaining blocks in exploration, our activities in GGZ is such a demonstration.

Liquidity and capital resources

The Group closed the year with US\$26.9 million of cash on hand. Cash from operations increased significantly in the year to US\$12.4 million reflecting the continued strong sales performance from GSS and the commencement of cash receipt on GCZ. Our partner on GCZ, CNPC, reached cost recovery in September 2015, since which time we have been regularly receiving our 47% share of GCZ gross sales proceeds and separately settling cash calls for our share of costs, yielding net cash monthly. We expect our cash performance in 2016 will be enhanced as we continue to receive cash proceeds from GCZ and GSS profitable gas sales.

People

We have made a number of key management appointments in 2015 and into 2016. We have strengthened our operational and finance teams to support the business as it continues to grow in the coming years. Enhancing our management team not only provides important bandwidth to our organisation at a time of production growth but has also brought additional skill sets on managing commercial operations

rather than purely development. We succeeded in the timely organisation of this management transition to support the growth trajectory.

In 2015 we also continued to focus on our future leaders programme aimed at developing and nurturing key talent within the Group to build a sustainable management team, providing personal and professional development opportunities to our young leaders and give a clear path to succession planning within our business.

In addition to professional development, I am particularly proud that the focus of our future leaders programme has extended to community-based projects with our future leaders team devoting time to a school for orphans, giving English lessons to students and organising a range of group activities for the children. As an international Company operating in China, we have a consistent long track record of working closely with our communities and enhancing them.

I wish to thank all of our tireless employees that continue to achieve higher accomplishments through a passionate commitment to working hard in delivering on the Group's business plan.

Looking forward

I am genuinely excited about what the future holds for Green Dragon with the excellent team we have assembled. From the exploration and production teams in the field, to our gas stations, through to the administrative support teams and management, we continue to strengthen in key areas with a focus on developing our people and Group organisation.

The Group has succeeded in its transition from an explorer and CBM technology developer into a commercial gas producing, profitable company. Green Dragon has succeeded in de-risking a 25 tcf gas resource across 7,600 km² over the last 15 years and can now focus on ways to expand our production profile and generate incremental cash. The emerging market challenges have been well overcome.

With the assets successfully de-risked, and cooperative partnerships with CNPC, Petrochina and CNOOC, we are poised to provide our shareholders returns on their long committed investments and support. The transition from an explorer and CBM technology developer into a commercial gas producing, profitable company was particularly successful.

The bandwidth and skill was added to the organisation timely for the next phase of Green Dragon's growth.

We have continually de-risked our asset base through hard work and the application of deep CBM knowledge and experience. Our growth trajectory has been steady and consistent and I believe we are truly poised to deliver the full potential from our world-class asset portfolio.

Our maiden profit in 2015 initialises the trajectory of rewards we have worked so hard to achieve.

I look forward to continuing to report on our well managed and disciplined growth in future years.

Mr. Randeep S. Grewal
Founder and Chairman

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REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

A photograph of an oil pumpjack (jack) in a desert environment. The pumpjack is painted yellow and green. The yellow counterbalance arm has the number '22' and a green arrow pointing left. The green frame has the number '11' and some Chinese text. The background shows a clear blue sky and a hilly, arid landscape. A dark green diagonal-hatched rectangular box is overlaid on the upper left portion of the image, containing the text 'Delivering value from our substantial asset base' in white.

Delivering value from our substantial asset base

The upstream operational focus for 2015 was on the further development and optimisation of production and gathering infrastructure in the GSS Block. The current focus on infrastructure reflects the Group's commitment to deliver value from investments through increased production and sales volumes.



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UPSTREAM

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During 2015 the gross production exit-rate across all licence areas increased by 36% to 12.12 bcf per annum (2014: 8.91 bcf per annum) with gross production in the period increasing by 24% to 10.3 bcf (2014: 8.2 bcf). These increases reflect the Group's focus on GSS and follow the delivery of significant investments made by our partner, CNOOC, which were agreed as part of the Framework Agreement in 2014. At the end of the year 1,097 wells were on line out of a total well stock of 2,037 across all licence areas. Of the wells on line, 678 wells were producing gas.

In 2015 the Group continued its exploration programme focused on the GSN and GGZ licence areas. This programme saw significant drilling progress on the GGZ Block as it moves toward submission of the Chinese Reserves Report (CRR). In addition, 2015 was marked by the initial bookings of both 1P and 2P reserves volumes on the GSN Block.

A significant exploration milestone was reached on GSS where the Group booked 1P and 2P reserve volumes in respect of the deeper and technically challenging Coal Seam 15 for the first time. This seam is present in all of the Group's Shanxi Province licence areas. Our success on Coal Seam 15 in GSS was matched by that of our partner in the GCZ licence area, where CNPC successfully completed an initial well in the seam recording commercial volumes of gas production. These successes raise the tangible prospect of future gas production from multiple seams in both GSS and GCZ.



Shizhuang South (GSS)

GDG: 60% (op)			
CNOOC: 40%	2015	2014	
389 km ²	Net, bcf	Net, bcf	+/-
1P	173	148	16%
2P	549	427	27%

Location: Shanxi Province

Our primary focus in our operated GSS area in 2015 was the continued development of infrastructure to deliver gas volumes from investments already made. The infrastructure programme is aimed at increasing the number of well connections and making specific enhancements to surface production facilities to optimise the recovery of gas.

In 2015, 27 new LiFaBriC connections were made on GSS, increasing the number of producing LiFaBriC wells to 46 at the year end. In total, 35 new well connections (all types) were completed against a target of 22. This brings the total number of wells connected to infrastructure and producing gas for sale in the GDG operated area of the block to 94 from a total stock of 123 wells.

As part of the infrastructure programme we have also commenced a compression upgrade project for the gathering system. The compression project is focused on realising the full production potential of the connected wells and improving the sales to production ratio by optimising gas flow and pressures across the gathering network. In the first phase of the project a total of 16 new compressors have been installed resulting in an improvement in the sales to production ratio at year-end of approximately 26% compared to year-end 2014. The compression project will continue into 2016.

During 2015, our partner, CNOOC, has completed the construction and commissioning of two additional gathering stations in the GSS Block. This increases the total gas processing capacity at GSS to 22.7 bcf per annum (2014: 10.1 bcf per annum). Three further stations will be completed in the next 18 to 24 months to provide total gas processing capacity of 53.4 bcf per annum. In addition to supporting the GSS development activities, the installation of further pipeline and processing infrastructure across GSS is important for the development of the contiguous GSN Block situated directly north of GSS.



Coal Seam 15

In 2015 we successfully drilled the GSS 036-R well into Coal Seam 15. The well is the first LiFaBriC well drilled into the seam. Coal Seam 15 lies deeper than Coal Seam 3, at approximately 890 metres below the surface. Where Coal Seam 3 is capped by non-permeable shale rock, Coal Seam 15 is situated directly beneath a significant water-bearing limestone cap. The 036-R well encountered a four-metre thick section of coal and was successfully completed with no penetration of the limestone cap. Intersecting the limestone while drilling could cause water ingress into the coal section of the well, significantly hampering gas recovery. GSS 036-R is currently showing well head casing pressure consistent with gas desorption. Applying in-house drilling experience and proprietary technologies, we were able to successfully navigate in the lateral portion of the well, avoiding the limestone layer. This is a key success in terms of the future development of Coal Seam 15.

The successful drilling result in Coal Seam 15 is an important step in the development of GSS and brings forward the prospect of developing this seam concurrently with Coal Seam 3. Significant production infrastructure already exists across the GSS Block and it is expected that this will reduce the full cycle development cost of Coal Seam 15.

We continued to strengthen our relationships with our partner CNOOC, with the establishment of the Joint Operations Team (JOT) collocated in the Jincheng field office. The team comprises technical and financial representatives of both parties. The JOT is focused on the joint development of operations in the GSS Block. Together with our partner we intend to seek Overall Development Plan (ODP) approval during 2016. Approval of ODP is expected to widen available debt funding opportunities.

Shizhuang North (GSN)

GDG: 50% CNOOC: 50% (op) 375 km ²			
	2015 Net, bcf	2014 Net, bcf	+/-
1P	5	–	n/a
2P	10	–	n/a

Location: Shanxi Province

A significant milestone was reached on GSN in 2015 with the first-time booking of 1P and 2P reserves. GSN is an important block for the Group given its geographic position relative to GSS. Coal Seams 3 and 15, present in GSN, are a continuous extension of the same coal seams in GSS. The nature and behavior of Coal Seam 3 has been well defined through the extensive exploration and development work undertaken by the Group and its partner on GSS, experience which can be transferred to the development of GSN.

In addition, the pipelines and production facilities in place at GSS can be used to evacuate gas for sale from the GSN Block. The GSN area is currently being developed by CNOOC under the terms of the 2014 Framework Agreement where we exchanged a 10% interest for an additional US\$100 million investment commitment from CNOOC.

Chengzhuang (GCZ)

GDG: 47% CNOOC: 53% (op) 67 km ²			
	2015 Net, bcf	2014 Net, bcf	+/-
1P	15	16	-6%
2P	31	29	7%

Location: Shanxi Province

GCZ is the smallest of our acreage, positions at 67 km² and has been on production for the longest period. In 2015 CNPC successfully drilled an initial lateral well into Coal Seam 15 and after routine de-watering, the well is now producing gas at commercial rates. This is an important milestone on the route to full development of the GCZ Block, as all required infrastructure is already in place. Using the same infrastructure in a Coal Seam 15 development scenario will result in significant capex efficiencies.

We continue to work together with CNPC through the GCZ Joint Operations Team, focusing on potential infill drilling in Coal Seam 3 and the continued exploitation of Coal Seam 15.

Boatian-Quingshan (GGZ)

GDG: 60% (op) CNPC: 40% 947 km ²	
	2015 Net, bcf
Unrisked prospective resources, best estimate	416

Location: Guizhou Province

The GGZ Block was a major area of exploration focus in 2015, with six wells drilled and successfully completed across the acreage during the year. Three of these wells are exhibiting casing pressure consistent with gas desorption, and a further two are producing gas. The objective of the exploration work undertaken in 2015 was to better define and understand the coal resource in place. Exploration wells were targeted to give sufficient well coverage and production data over the seam in preparation for the submission of the Chinese Reserve Report (CRR) planned for 2016. Submission of the CRR is an important exploration milestone and a precursor to the ODP.

While still at a relatively early stage, the Group sees significant potential in GGZ, which forms an important part of our strategy to develop the exploration portfolio into fully producing assets. This is building a tangible route to further long-term organic growth.

Other Exploration

A further two wells were drilled across the other exploration areas in the period, one each in the GFC and GPX Blocks. There was no drilling activity on GQY in 2015.

PSC	Location (province)	Area km ²	GDG share (op)	Unrisked prospective resource – best estimate Net, bcf
GFC	Jiangxi	1,228	49%	137
GPX	Anhui	590	60%	16
GQY A GQY B	Shanxi	3,388	60% 10%	800

STRATEGIC REPORT

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

Providing gas to China's consumers



The downstream operations of the Group are conducted by our Gas Distribution division, which is responsible for the management of the Group's downstream assets and all downstream sales and marketing activities. The distribution division also purchases third-party gas to compliment sales of own production volumes from the Group's retail gas station network.



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DOWNSTREAM



The downstream operations of the Group are conducted by our Gas Distribution division, which is responsible for the management of the Group's downstream assets and all downstream sales and marketing activities. The distribution division also purchases third-party gas to complement sales of own production volumes from the Group's retail gas station network. Gross sales in 2015, including our 47% share of GCZ sales, were 3.71 bcf (2014: 3.62 bcf) of which 1.41 bcf (2014: 1.12 bcf) represented sales of GSS production and 0.47 bcf (2014: 0.58 bcf) representing retail sales made from market purchases of gas for sales.

The primary sales routes for the distribution division are:

- pipeline natural gas (PNG)
- compressed natural gas (CNG) for retail and industrial use
- sales for power generation

The Group's production operations are in close proximity to major pipeline infrastructure. PNG sales from GSS and GCZ are directly produced into the East-West pipeline. In addition a number of customers operate in the area around the GSS processing facility and the CNPC processing facility at GCZ. The commercial focus of the downstream business in 2016 will be on the diversification of the customer base and routes to market to provide a variety of additional sales channels as production increases. We consider that the Group's diversified sales channels represent a strategic advantage in a competitive marketplace and we intend to exploit that advantage further in future.

PNG

PNG sales are made directly into the national transmission network at both GSS and GCZ on a volume metered basis. The Group sells PNG gas at GSS under contract and invoices directly for sales. Sales at GCZ are managed by our partner, CNPC, with our share gross revenue distributed under normal joint operating procedures. There are de-minimis delivery quantities in the sales contracts in place for either GSS or GCZ.

Total PNG sales for 2015 amounted to 3.23 bcf (2014: 3.04 bcf) representing 87% of gross production (2014: 83%). PNG sales from the Group's operated property on GSS were 1.07 bcf (2014: 0.94 bcf) representing an increase of 14% over 2014, reflecting the new well connections made in the year and the continued improvement in our sales to production ratio.

CNG

Bulk CNG sales are made to customers directly at our GSS IPF, which includes CNG compression and loading facilities. Total bulk CNG sales for 2015 amounted to 0.12 bcf (2014: 0.03 bcf).

Retail CNG sales are made from our own network of retail gas stations located in Henan Province and proximate to Zhengzhou. Customers comprise fleet users and mass market private customers. The Group currently owns eight retail gas stations including the Sanmenxia station, that was in construction at year-end and is due to be completed in spring 2016. In addition, we are actively working with the airport authorities regarding the relocation of our airport station following significant redevelopment of the area around Zhengzhou airport.

CBM pricing is unregulated, with prices set on a market or negotiated basis. The exception to this is retail CNG pricing that follows the city-gate pricing levels set by the Central Government. In November 2015 the Central Government announced a reduction in the retail city-gate pricing structure resulting in a reduction in our forecourt prices from 4.2 RMB/m³ to 3.6 RMB/m³. Nevertheless, retail CNG continues to provide the highest margins of our available sales channels for equity gas.

Total retail CNG sales for 2015 amounted to 0.51 bcf (2014: 0.59 bcf). Of the total 2015 retail sales volume, 0.04 bcf (2014: 0.01 bcf) was sourced from equity production.

Sales for own power generation

The distribution division also sells gas to Greka Technology and Manufacturing Limited (GTM), a related company under common control that operates and maintains the IPF facility and production infrastructure on behalf of the Group. Sales of gas for in-field power generation comprised 12% (2014: 13%) of total sales from the Group's operated property on GSS.




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Moving resources into reserves



The Group updated its estimates of gas reserves and resources at 31 December 2015 for each of the eight blocks that it is participant to. The estimates of reserves and resources have been provided by Netherland and Sewell and Associates Inc., an independent reservoir engineering firm. The estimates of reserves and resources have been prepared in accordance with definitions and guidelines set out in the 2007 Petroleum Resources Management System (PRMS) approved by the Society of Petroleum Engineers. The report includes all 2,037 wells operated by Green Dragon, CNOOC, CNPC and PetroChina across all blocks in which the Group has an equity interest.

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RESERVES MIGRATION



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Highlights from the reserves report include:

- Net 1P reserves increase of 17% to 173 bcf (2014: 148 bcf).
- Net 2P reserves increase of 29% to 549 bcf (2014: 427 bcf).
- Net 3P reserves increase of 4% to 2,379 bcf (2014: 2,290 bcf).
- Total Original Gas In Place of 25.6 tcf across all blocks.

The results of the reserve report represent the tenth consecutive increase in 1P and 2P reserve volumes and include the initial booking of reserves volumes on the GSN Block. Also included in the report for the first time are reserve volumes related to Coal Seam 15 in both the GSS and GCZ Blocks.

The summary reserves report at 31 December 2015, with associated NPV 10 valuations, is below:

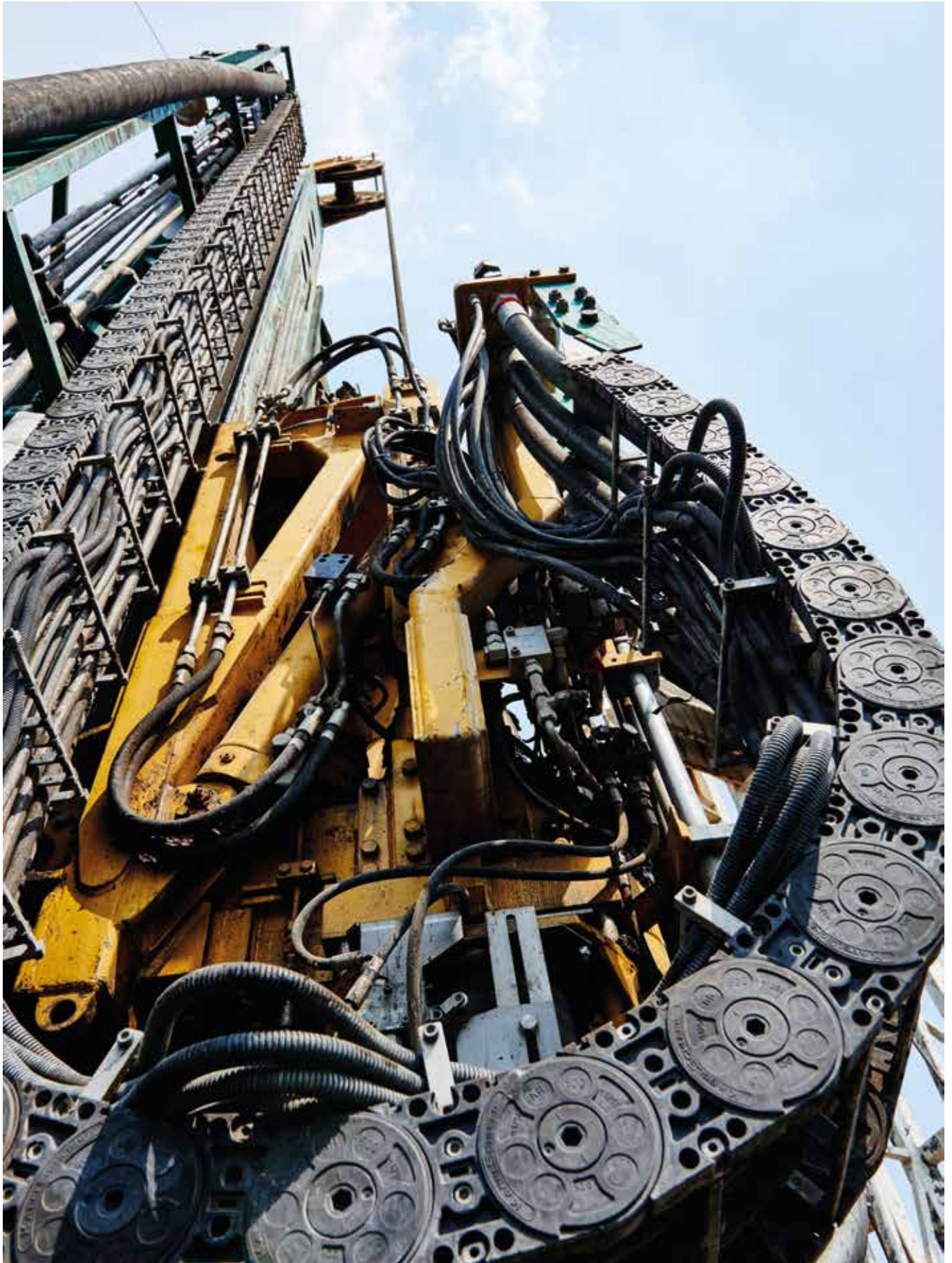
PSC (Block)	31 December 2015 (Net, bcf)			31 December 2014 (Net, bcf)		
	1P	2P	3P	1P	2P	3P
Chengzhuang (GCZ)	15	31	52	16	29	45
Shizhuang South (GSS)	153	473	1,379	132	371	1,299
Shizhuang North (GSN)	5	18	721	–	–	706
Fengcheng (GFC)	–	26	228	–	27	240
Total*	173	549	2,379	148	427	2,290

PSC (Block)	31 December 2015 (Net NPV 10, USD \$ million)			1 December 2014 (Net NPV 10, USD \$ million)		
	1P	2P	3P	1P	2P	3P
Chengzhuang (GCZ)	124	238	362	186	313	462
Shizhuang South (GSS)	1,068	3,344	9,429	1,278	3,636	12,166
Shizhuang North (GSN)	36	121	3,754	–	–	5,623
Fengcheng (GFC)	–	319	2,666	–	347	2,930
Total*	1,228	4,022	16,213	1,464	4,296	21,181

The decrease in NPV 10 value year-on-year primarily reflects the impact of currency conversion resulting from the devaluation of the RMB as compared to the US dollar in the period and reduced development capex forecasts. It should be noted that the devaluation in the RMB has no operational effect on the Company as the majority of costs are settled in-country in RMB.

31 December 2015 PSC (Block)	Contingent Gas Resources Net, 2C, bcf	Un-risked prospective gas resources Net, best estimate, bcf
Quinyuan (GQY)	17	800
Fengcheng (GFC)	–	137
Panxie East (GPX)	–	16
Boatian-Quingshan (GGC)	–	416
Total*	17	1,369

* Totals may not add due to rounding.



STRATEGIC REPORT

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF 20

A CHAT WITH MR. RANDEEP S. GREWAL



Q. The number 20 is a significant one as you approach your second decade in China. Why there?

In 2017 the Company will have been operational in China for almost 20 years. My arrival in the country dates back to 1992, when foreign investment was being encouraged and I had the engineering experience, the oil and gas industry credentials and the technological platform that were pertinent to China's energy needs. Undoubtedly it was the fusion of timing and experience meeting opportunity.

That was not to say we did not face considerable challenges in developing a business at that time. There were years of demonstrating proof of concept, gaining trust, understanding the culture and the etiquette behind negotiation, the acceptance of disappointment, and then the euphoria when licences were granted and the green light given.

There were many things that drove me other than stubbornness. It was our utter commitment to deliver on agreements we entered into and the expectations we accepted from the Chinese central government. We take our commitments seriously. Our commitment to succeed drove us to the technology we developed, and we became one of the first non-Chinese entities involved in the coal bed methane space. We are delighted, and proud, to say we are now one of the leading independent CBM producers in China.

Q. So what potential did you envisage then and what is the potential now?

Accurate data for proven coal reserves, and thus the potential for coal bed methane exploitation, was scant in the early nineties compared to the statistics we have now. Our initial research and exploration however augmented the existing analysis which proved the gas content in China's coal was higher than the US, Russia, Australia and India. We knew the potential was enormous and it was hard not to use the word 'exponential'. What was a certainty was that our Chinese partners needed our expertise to assist in the extraction of the gas.

Roll on to the end of last year and we had drilled over 2,000 wells with our partners and the productive capacity of our wells exceeded 12 bcf of gas a year. This is enough to power 2.3 million Chinese homes.

In 2106 we intend to increase production capacity by 33% to 16 bcf and we're targeting about 50 bcf of gas a year by 2018 – approximately 9.4 million Chinese homes. Even this increase is but a drop in the ocean of the energy needs for China, such is the insatiable demand of the largest population, which is continually urbanising.

Of course we have been the beneficiaries of an industry which is protected by the government due to its commitment to clean energy and determination to increase the proportion of gas within its energy mix to 10% or more by 2020. It is clear that the Government is encouraging as much of the energy as possible to be produced domestically, as became evident early in 2016 when it increased the CBM subsidy for domestic producers.

Q. Are China's pledges to reduce carbon emissions by 40-45% by 2020 achievable with your industry's help?

As you're probably aware, China is facing a major challenge. It is evolving, industrialising and urbanising, and part of that process has been enabled through coal-fired power plants. This evolution mirrors most industrialised nations like the UK and the US that weren't under the same environmental scrutiny that, quite rightly, the world places on governing bodies today.

Coal currently accounts for 70% of power generation in China. To address the resulting pollution levels caused by this concentration, China is actively reducing its reliance on coal and switching to alternative fuels including natural gas.

And again that timing, expertise and opportunity mix presented Green Dragon Gas as part of the solution. We hadn't created our technology retrospectively in response to Chinese government directives. We were already established and generating revenue with a proof of concept and technology adept at extracting value from China's complex geology.

So yes, we are helping. The synergies are there and the symbiosis between policy, product and being industry pioneers is an unrivalled combination throughout the world.

Q. And what about your own 2020 vision from a company and personal perspective?

The two are categorically intertwined. Obviously it's about driving growth commercially, but at the heart of my vision is the investment in human capital.

Progress for me hinges on attracting the people that care about the business who will hopefully stay with the enterprise until the end of their careers. Many of my employees didn't join Green Dragon Gas via traditional recruitment methods. They came on board after a serendipitous conversation, a chance encounter at an industry event or after I observed and then approached someone working in a different and smart way at both grassroots and management level.

Over the past 12 months the leadership team has been beefed up and the next generation of leaders identified, nurtured and empowered. Millennial engineers have been hired and the Company has secured world-class geologists and CBM experts, one of whom holds more than 80 patents for technology in the industry.

Everyone has contributed to the knowledge bank of the business and this in turn is translating into the turnover I'm targeting over the next four to five years.

So there is the people, the progress and, of course, the purpose of Green Dragon Gas, which apart from returning value is to operate in a socially and environmentally responsible manner.

Q. Explain more about your responsible mantra

We supply clean energy. In doing so we don't use any harmful chemicals. When drilling we use air and water, and when we do use mud it is biodegradable. We don't frack our LiFaBriC wells and a beautiful by-product of our process is the production of clean, recycled water which we give to the farmers for their crops.

We're looking after the community where our wells are located. Our engineers in the field have superb accommodation and a canteen that is the gold standard that any organisation in any industry would be proud of.

As I speak to you in April 2016 there's real substance to this Company. Looking at the people that I work alongside, I am confident the Company is in safe hands and being overseen by the great minds that will ensure this business thrives, performs and prospers.

STRATEGIC REPORT

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Income statement

Total revenue increased by 6% in 2015 to US\$37.7 million (2014: US\$35.5 million) as a result of a near threefold increase in subsidy income offsetting a 3% decline in underlying revenue driven wholly by changes in forex. Total sales volumes are stable year-on-year with revenue in 2015 impacted by a 6% devaluation of the RMB in the year.

Sales volumes by channel in 2015 compared to 2014 were as follows:

	2015 bcf	2014 bcf
PNG	2.9	2.9
CNG – Industrial	0.1	0.0
CNG – Retail	0.5	0.6
Power	0.2	0.1

PNG sales volumes from our operated GSS area were 13% higher in 2015 than in 2014 as a result of the increase in new well connections during 2015 and the initial results from the compression upgrade. This activity is entirely aimed at increasing sales volumes from investments already made. Offsetting the increase in PNG sales from GSS, our share of sales volumes (47%) from GCZ was 5% lower than in 2014 reflecting the relative maturity of the GCZ area. The sales price per m³ achieved on GCZ is higher than that on GSS due to the higher compression ratio of sales-gas that means it can be directly injected into the main east-west gas pipeline. This modest price differential results in a slight decrease in total sales revenue after the effect of currency exchange.

CNG industrial sales resumed in 2015 following the re-permitting of the compression facility late in the year. CNG retail sales volumes were lower than 2014 primarily due to the suspension of operations at the Zhengzhou Airport CNG station during the year. Operations at the station were suspended pending its relocation to a new site following a significant redevelopment of the airport campus.

Subsidy revenue has increased by 184% compared to 2014 as a result of the collection in 2015 of an amount of subsidy related to 2013 and 2014 and an increase in rates compared to previous years. Subsidies are calculated at a flat rate based on sales volumes and hence are presented as a component of revenue.

Cost of sales has fallen by 25% in 2015 to US\$15.5 million (2014: US\$20.9 million). In 2014, GSS was treated as an exploration area with revenue earned from the area treated as 'test revenue'. The margin earned on test revenue in 2014 was not recognised in income but was treated as a reduction in the carrying value of the associated exploration and appraisal assets with a corresponding charge to cost of sales. In 2014, a charge of US\$1.0 million was recorded in cost of sales in respect of the margin on test revenue. In 2015, the Group determined that a portion of GSS is now in commercial production and as such no adjustment is made to cost of sales in the current year.

Total cost of sales for GCZ in 2015 is 2.5% lower than in 2014, reflecting a fall in the absolute production processing cost associated with the slight decline in sales. Production processing and associated power cost are variable in nature, with other costs being relatively fixed in nature.

The majority of the underlying items included in cost of sales are denominated in RMB. The devaluation of the RMB as compared to the US Dollar in the period has resulted in an approximate 6% reduction in the reported cost of sales figure.

Selling and distribution costs were US\$1.6 million (2014: US\$1.8 million) and relate wholly to the retailing gas station sales segment. Selling and distribution costs comprise the costs associated with the operation of the CNG retail stations. The underlying costs are consistent year-on-year with eight stations in operation in both periods. The costs are incurred wholly in RMB with the decline in reported cost being almost entirely due to the devaluation of the RMB in the period.

Other administrative costs are US\$8.4 million lower in 2015 at US\$5.5 million (2014: US\$13.9 million) due to the capitalisation of directly attributable costs as part of exploration and appraisal assets in the current year. The reassessment of administrative costs followed a review of the nature of underlying costs and the allocation of management time to projects.

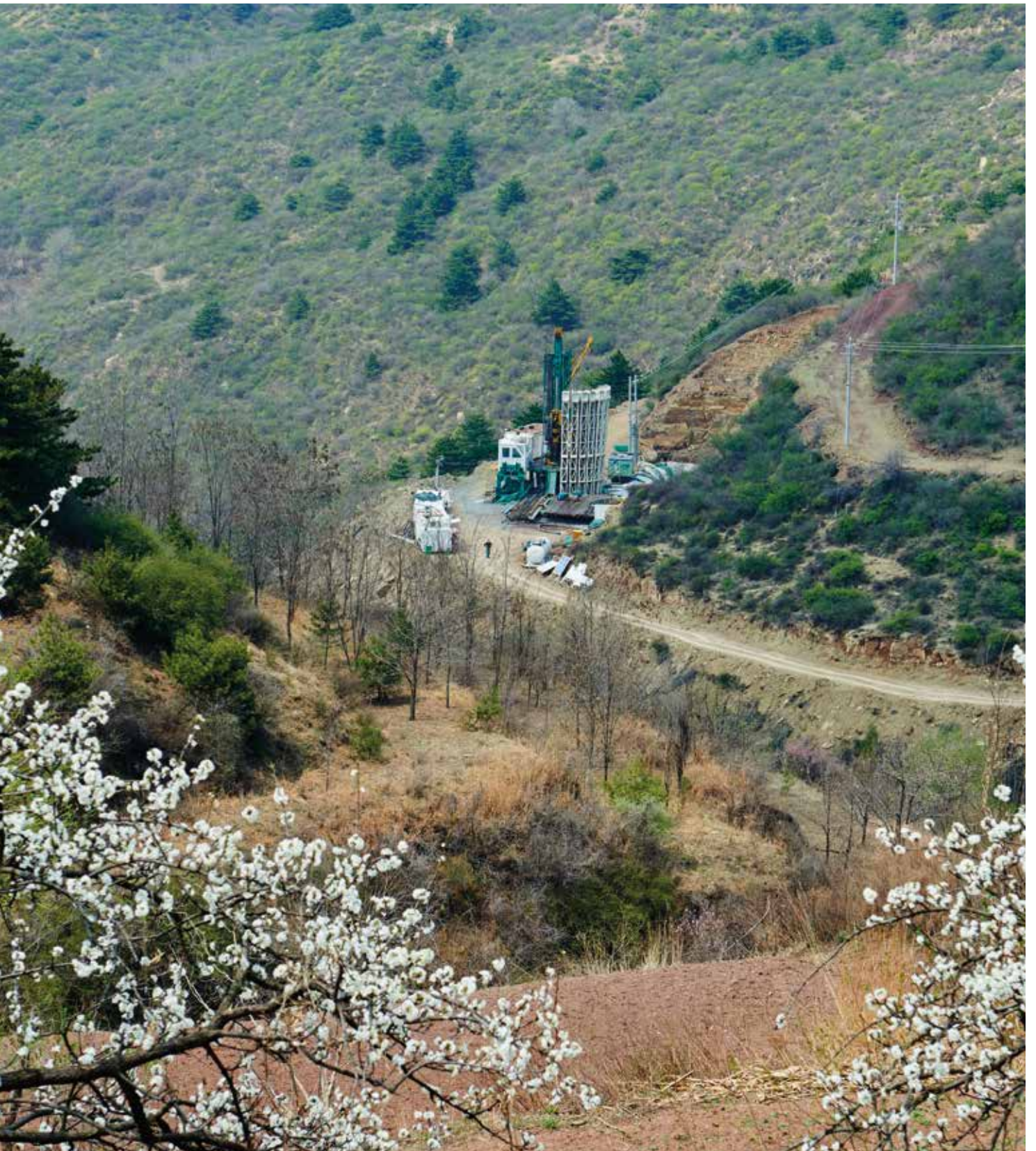
Liquidity and capital resources

The Group closed the year with US\$26.9 million (2014: US\$80.0 million) of cash on hand and US\$2.0 million (2014: Nil) of restricted cash related to a performance bond given to PetroChina in relation to the Group's exploration activities on the GGZ Block. During the year, US\$12.4 million (2014: US\$0.7 million) was generated from operations with US\$44.7 million (2014: US\$53.1 million) invested in the exploration and production acreage. The decrease in investment in exploration and production acreage is largely due to lower investment in the mature GCZ area in 2015.

The increase in cash used for debt service in 2015 reflects the interest paid in respect of the US\$88.0 million bond entered in late 2014 and carrying a coupon of 10% together with the convertible bond also taken out in late 2014, with principal of US\$50.0 million and a coupon of 7%.

Capital additions

Total additions to upstream CBM assets in 2015 amounted to US\$45.4 million (2015: US\$40.6 million). Of the total additions, US\$3.3 million (2014: US\$13.3 million) related to capex additions in respect of the GCZ production block. Additions to exploration assets totalled US\$42.3 million (2014: US\$27.3 million) primarily related to the GSS Block and GGZ. In 2015, due to the substantive nature of operations and the cash generation from GSS, a portion of this asset was transferred from exploration and appraisal assets to property plant and equipment. An amount of US\$121.0 million was transferred to property, plant and equipment in respect of GSS. On transfer to property plant and equipment the elimination of margin on test revenue was ceased and depreciation was recognised in respect of this area in accordance with the Group's accounting policies.



STRATEGIC REPORT

SUSTAINABILITY



HSE report

As a Group we are committed to working to the highest standards of HSE in all of our operations. Our teams work in a potentially hazardous environment and we are committed to safety at all times. Reflecting this commitment, 2015 represented yet another year for the Group where we recorded no lost time incidents.

In the field we implement HSE procedures to western standard. All of our operational personnel undertake intensive training on joining the Group, including sessions on safe operating practices, personal safety, environmental matters and the proper maintenance and safeguarding of assets. We have a structured programme for the ongoing training and development of staff both when they move to new roles and as a matter of course related to their current duties.

All operational staff and visitors to our facilities are issued with appropriate HSE equipment including head protection, safety glasses, overalls and boots. Non-compliance with basic safety principles is taken very seriously.

Our operational processes have been designed with the safety of personnel and the protection of assets and the environment in mind. For instance, the drilling rigs that are operated on our sites all have fully automated drilling floors with automatic pipe handling systems. This means the operator of the rig can carry out drilling operations entirely from the drill cab with no need for manual intervention in the loading and pushing of pipe.

In downstream, we adhere to strict safety-permitting rules at our production facility and gas stations. We carry out independent safety checks on third party trucks and trailers before allowing access to our sites.

Our employees are the Group's greatest asset and their safety and well being – both while on site and travelling to and from our locations – is of paramount importance to us. Our obligation in this regard is one that we take very seriously.

Environment

We are very aware of the environment that we operate in. The areas where our production operations are based are rural, mountainous and picturesque. The mountains we operate in have been farmed by the local population for generations, long before Green Dragon arrived. The preservation of the natural environment and respect for the local community is important in our operations.

In our operations we seek to have as low an impact on our surroundings as possible and, to this end, we drill our LiFaBriC wells using principally air and water for circulation. Where drilling fluids are required we use only biodegradable drilling mud. In addition, we undertake our drilling on compact sites often using a single drilling pad to drill a number of wells and thereby reducing our physical footprint on the landscape. Where we do need to remove some trees to gain access to sites we commit to replanting more trees than have been removed. In 2015 alone, we sponsored the planting of more than 12,000 new trees in the GSS area.

When our wells are first put on production they produce clean water as the de-watering process takes place. Because we don't use chemicals in our drilling operations the water that is produced at the well head is fresh and perfectly drinkable. Indeed, this water that we produce when wells are initially put on line is provided to the local farmers for crop irrigation.

In addition to reducing our environmental footprint we also commit to give back. We work closely with village leaders to support the communities we work in and have sponsored the construction of a children's play park in the village adjacent to our GSS facilities.

Community

In 2012 we launched our future leaders programme. The programme is aimed at identifying key young talent in our team and providing both professional and personal development opportunities and support to these individuals to help them grow to be the future leaders of our businesses.

The activities of the future leaders programme also include community projects. The team recently entered a relationship with Li Jiang Ethnic Orphan School located in Li Jiang city, in Yunnan Province. The school was established after a disastrous earthquake in Lijiang in 1996. This school is the only orphan school in Yunnan Province providing shelter and schooling to 270 orphans aged 1 to 9. The orphans resident at the school are from minority nationalities in China including Tibet, Sinkiang, Guangxi, Yunnan and Sichuan.

As part of the relationship with the school our team visited the orphanage and provided English lessons for the children, and arranged a number of group activities with them. In addition to teaching the children, the school's resident English teaching staff were able to participate and learn from our team, a number of whom have studied languages and translation at university level.



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BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Randeep S. Grewal
Chairman and CEO
Year of appointment: 2006

Skills and experience

Mr. Grewal has extensive experience in the oil and gas industry and is the founder of the Greka Group of Companies.

From April 1997 to September 1997, Mr. Grewal served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer for Horizontal Ventures, Inc., an oil and gas horizontal drilling technology company that became a subsidiary of Greka in September 1997. From 1993 to 1996, Mr. Grewal was Corporate Vice President for the Rada Group with principal responsibility for its global expansion and diversification to a commercial organisation from its defence roots and operations. He has also been involved in various joint ventures, acquisitions, mergers and reorganisations since 1986 in the United States, Europe and the Far East with a range of businesses.

External appointments

Chairman and CEO, Greka Group of companies
Chairman and CEO, Grewal Family Office

Qualifications

BSc Mechanical Engineering,
Northrop University

Board Committees

Remuneration Committee



David Turnbull
Non-Executive Director
Year of appointment: 2006

Skills and experience

Mr. Turnbull worked for the Swire Group for 30 years from 1976 to 2006 where he was the immediate past Chairman of Swire Pacific Ltd, Cathay Pacific Airways Ltd (January 2005 – January 2006) and Hong Kong Aircraft Engineering Company Ltd (HAECO) (March 1995 – August 2006).

He also served as a Non-Executive Director of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC) (January 2005 – Dec 2005), Hysan Development Co Ltd (May 2005 – Jan 2006) and Air China Ltd (May 2005 – Dec 2005).

He was appointed a Director of Cathay Pacific in 1994 and took up the positions of Deputy Managing Director in 1994, Managing Director in 1996 and Deputy Chairman and Chief Executive in 1998 before his appointment to Chairman in January 2005.

External appointments

Executive Chairman, Pacific Basin Shipping Limited
Chairman, Seabury Aviation and Aerospace – Asia

Qualifications

MA Economics Cambridge University

Board Committees

Audit Committee (chair)



Wayne Roberts
Non-Executive Director
Year of appointment: 2012

Skills and experience

Mr. Roberts was VP Exploration and Production for Africa at Galp Energia until 2015. Prior to that, he spent 12 years with BG Group in several senior roles, including serving as Senior Vice President for Asia, Middle-East and Africa, with responsibility for growth assets, business development and all commercial activities in that geography.

Earlier, he was based in Singapore as President of BG Southeast Asia & China and Chairman of BG Asia Pacific. In these roles, he had responsibility for BG's E&P, power and LNG businesses in Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, China and the Philippines. His earlier career also involved several international assignments in asset management of M&A, and corporate finance with both BG Group and ARCO.

External appointments

None

Qualifications

Chartered Chemical Engineer
MBA, INSEAD France

Board Committees

Audit Committee



Stewart John, OBE
Non-Executive Director
Year of appointment: 2006

Skills and experience

Mr. John has over 50 years of experience in the aviation industry, almost half of which was gained in Hong Kong. He worked for British Airways for 22 years (from 1955 to 1977) in a senior engineering position, and joined Cathay Pacific as Deputy and then Engineering Director for 16 years (from 1977 to 1993).

Mr. John was Deputy Chairman of Hong Kong Aircraft Engineering Company Ltd (from 1987 to 1993) and has served as Non-Executive Director of Rolls-Royce Commercial Aero Engines (from 1994 to 1998), British Aerospace Aviation Services (from 1994 to 1998), Airlines of Britain Holdings and British Midland Engineering (from 1994 to 2000), HK Aero Engine Services Ltd (from 1996 to 1998), Aviation Exposure Management (from 1995 to 2005) and Newall Aerospace (from 1993 to 1996). He was a founder and Non-Executive Director of Taikoo Aircraft Engineering Co, in Xiamen for 23 years until 2014.

External appointments

Trustee, Brooklands Museum
Chairman, Brooklands Ltd

Qualifications

Chartered Engineer
Fellow, Royal Academy of Engineering
Fellow, Royal Aeronautical Society

Board Committees

Audit Committee
Remuneration Committee (chair)



Gong Da Bing
Non-Executive Director
Year of appointment: 2006

Skills and experience

Madam Gong has 27 years of international business experience.

From 1992 to 1999, she was Managing Director of the Chinese office of Frontanic Co, a private international trading organisation. From 1989 to 1992, she was the Chief Representative in China of Koor Trade Limited. From 1978 to 1989, she was the manager for joint venture operations and import and export business for Machinery & Equipment Import & Export Corporation. From 1975 to 1978, she was a business negotiator for the Beijing Foreign Trade Bureau, Department of Machinery Import & Export.

External appointments

None

Qualifications

English, Beijing Second Foreign Language University
Masters Comparative Law, University of Illinois

Board Committees

Remuneration Committee

GOVERNANCE

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

Green Dragon Gas is committed to maintaining the highest standards of business conduct and ethics, as well as full compliance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations, corporate reporting and disclosure, and all other matters deemed to protect the best interests of the Company's shareholders.

As an LSE quoted company with a standard listing, Green Dragon Gas is not required to comply with the UK Corporate Governance Code (the "Code") and has not elected to voluntarily comply with the Code. However, the Board fully supports the principles on which the Code is based. Effective corporate governance is a priority of the Board and outlined below are details of how the Company has applied the principles of corporate governance as set out in the Code, as far as they are relevant to Green Dragon Gas.

As the Group continues to grow, the Board carries out regular reviews of its corporate governance policy and practices, with the objective that these will continue to evolve and be enhanced in line with the Group's increasing size and stature. Integral to these reviews are appraisals of the Group's system of internal controls, including financial, operational and compliance controls and risk management systems.

Board of Directors

Role of the Board

The Board's primary role is the protection and enhancement of long-term shareholder value. To fulfil this role, the Board is responsible for the overall corporate governance of the Group, including (but not limited to) formulating the Group's strategic direction, setting remuneration, appointing Directors and senior management, establishing goals for management and monitoring the achievement of these goals; approving and monitoring annual financial and operating budgets and capital expenditure; and ensuring the integrity of internal control and management information systems. The Board is also ultimately responsible for approving and monitoring financial and other reporting.

Board process

The full Board meets formally at regular intervals throughout the year and at such other times as may be necessary to address any significant matters that may arise. The Board communicates regularly between these meetings. On a regular basis the Board is provided with appropriate and timely information relating to all aspects of the Group. In addition, the Directors are free to seek any further information or request specific presentation on matters that they consider necessary in order to discharge their duties effectively. The collective responsibility of the Board ensures that all Directors are involved in the process of arriving at significant decisions.

How the Board operates

A detailed schedule of matters reserved for the Board has been established and is periodically reviewed. The key matters reserved are the consideration and approval of:

- The Group's overall strategy and objectives.
- Material acquisitions and disposals and major expenditure commitments.
- Borrowing and hedging arrangements where relevant.
- The issuance of equity and options.
- Annual work programmes and budgets.
- The Group's annual and half-yearly financial statements.
- Board appointments, remuneration and roles.
- Corporate policies and corporate governance arrangements.

Through the publication of regular announcements, corporate presentations posted to the Company website, and face to face meetings, the Board has sought to communicate its strategy, objectives and performance to all shareholders on a timely basis. When shareholders raise concerns with the Board over the Group's strategy, objectives or performance, the Board endeavours to actively engage with the shareholders in dialogue.

Composition of the Board

The Board of Directors is composed of five members, one Executive Director, who is also the Executive Chairman and four Non-Executive Directors. The Board has established Audit and Remuneration Committees with formally delegated duties, responsibilities and written terms of reference. From time to time, separate committees may be set up by the Board to consider specific issues as and when the need arises.

Independent professional advice and access to Company information

Each Director has the right of access to all relevant Company information and to the Company's senior management.

The Executive and Non-Executive Directors have access to advice from the Company's retained auditors, legal advisers as well as to other independent professional advisers (as appropriate), at the expense of the Company, if considered necessary in the performance of their duties. Directors are expected to bring independent judgement to bear on issues of strategy, performance and standards of conduct.

Director education

On an ongoing basis the Group educates Directors about the nature of the business, current issues, the corporate strategy and timeline for key objectives to be met, and the expectations of the Group concerning the performance of the Directors. Directors also have the opportunity to visit Group facilities and meet with the operational management to gain a better understanding of the Group's business operations. Directors are given access to continuing education opportunities to update and enhance their skills and knowledge. The Group provides comprehensive education to new directors both prior to and following appointment consistent with the principles of continuing education outlined above.

Committees of the Board:

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee helps the Board discharge its responsibilities regarding financial reporting, external and internal audits and controls as well as reviewing the Group's annual and half-year financial statements, other financial information and internal Group reporting. The Audit Committee meets with the external auditors prior to the publication of the annual and half-year financial statements. It also assists by reviewing and monitoring the extent of non audit work undertaken by external auditors, advising on the appointment of external auditors and reviewing the effectiveness of the Group's internal audit activities, internal controls and risk management systems. The ultimate responsibility for reviewing and approving the Annual Report and financial statements and the half-yearly reports remains with the Board. The Audit Committee comprises David Turnbull (Chairman), Stewart John and Wayne Roberts.

Remuneration Committee

The Remuneration Committee assists the Board in determining its responsibilities in relation to remuneration. This includes making recommendations to the Board on the Group's policy on executive remuneration, determining the individual remuneration and benefits package of the Executive Directors and recommending and monitoring the remuneration of senior management below Board level. The Remuneration Committee comprises the Executive Director and two Non-Executive Directors being Stewart John (Chairman), Gong Da Bing and Randeep S. Grewal.

Nominations Committee

The Board has not formally established a Nominations Committee. The Board considers this to be appropriate given the size of the Group, the straightforward nature of current operations and the single geographic focus of the Group. Reflective of this, the Board composition has been stable. As required, the responsibilities that would otherwise fall to the Nominations Committee are undertaken by the Remuneration Committee. The Board continues to evaluate the requirement for a separate Nominations Committee.

Internal Controls and Risk Management in relation to financial reporting

The Board is responsible for the Group's system of internal control environment over the financial reporting process and for reviewing its effectiveness. It should be recognised that such a system can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss, as it is designed to manage rather than eliminate those risks that may affect the Company in achieving its business objectives.

Risk profile – the Group has not established a separate Risk Management Committee. Instead, the Board, as part of its usual role and through direct involvement in the management of the Group's operations, ensures financial reporting risks are identified, assessed and appropriately managed. Where necessary, the Board will draw on the expertise of appropriate external consultants to assist in dealing with or mitigating risk. Major risks arise from such matters as actions by competitors, government policy changes, a significant fall in the price of gas, issues relating to the environment or occupational health and safety, financial reporting, and the purchase, development and use of information systems.

The Board's internal control processes are comprehensive and comprise:

- Operating unit controls – operating units confirm compliance with financial controls and procedures including information system controls.
- Functional speciality reporting – key areas subject to regular reporting to the Board include operations/production, finance, investor relations, technical, safety, human resources, corporate social responsibility, environment and legal matters.

Practices have been established to ensure:

- A comprehensive delegation of authority is in place that includes approval limits for Directors and senior management and specifically matters reserved for the Board.
- Capital expenditure and revenue commitments above a certain size obtain prior Board approval.
- Financial exposures are controlled, including the potential use of derivatives.
- Occupational health and safety standards and management systems are monitored and reviewed to achieve high standards of performance and compliance with regulations.
- Business transactions are properly authorised and executed.
- Financial reporting accuracy and compliance with the financial reporting regulatory framework.

In addition, the Board has adopted policies covering anti-corruption, bribery, conflict of interests and related-party transactions. The Group's legal and compliance departments assist the Board with monitoring of the application of the Group's policies.

Environment and sustainability

At Green Dragon Gas, the Board acknowledges the importance of our sustainability commitments. The Group's principles, business practices, and management decisions are driven by a full commitment to sustainable development and to create a sustainable business. Further details about environmental and sustainable development initiatives are on the Company's website www.greendragonogas.com.

Ethical standards

All Directors, managers and employees are expected to act with the utmost integrity and objectivity, striving at all times to enhance the reputation and performance of the Group. Every employee has a nominated supervisor to whom they may refer issues arising from their employment.

Relationship agreement

A relationship agreement is in place between the Company and the majority shareholder that includes, amongst others, provisions related to:

- The entry and approval of related-party transactions.
- Conflicts of interest.
- Amendments to the articles of association.
- Certain voting arrangements.

The agreement remains in place while the majority shareholder controls directly or indirectly or can influence the exercise of more than 25% of the voting rights attaching to the Ordinary Share capital of the Company.

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CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT CONTINUED

External auditors

The Board and the Audit Committee review the performance of the external auditors on an annual basis and normally meet with them during the year to:

- Discuss the external audit plans, identifying any significant changes in structure, operations, internal controls or accounting policies likely to impact on the financial statements and to review the fees proposed for the audit work to be performed.
- Review the periodic reports prior to lodgement and release, and any significant adjustments required as a result of the auditor's findings, and to recommend Board approval of these documents, prior to announcement of results.
- Review the results and findings of the auditor, the adequacy of accounting and financial controls, and to monitor the implementation of any recommendations made.
- Review the draft financial report and recommend Board approval of the financial report.
- As required, to organise, review and report on any special reviews or investigations deemed necessary by the Board.

The Board and Audit Committee specifically assess the independence of the Group's external auditors and in doing so consider the level and nature of non-audit services provided and associated fees, the auditors rotation arrangements for key audit personnel and areas of potential conflicts of interest.

Communication with shareholders and continuous disclosure

The Directors attach importance to the provision of clear and timely information to shareholders and the broader investment community. Information about the Company is available on its website (www.greendragongas.com).

Financial reporting – the Company reports to shareholders half-yearly and annually, as required by the LSE Rules. The Chairman states to the Board that the Company's financial reports present a true and fair view in all material respects of the Company's financial condition and operational results and are in accordance with relevant accounting standards.

Equal access policy – the Company has a policy, based on existing policies and practices as a company quoted on the LSE market, that all shareholders and investors have equal access to the Company's information, and has procedures to ensure that all price-sensitive information will be disclosed to the LSE in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the LSE Rules. These procedures include:

- A comprehensive process to identify matters that may have a material effect on the price of the Company's shares, notifying them to the LSE, posting them on the Company's website, and issuing media releases.
- All information provided to the LSE, and related information (including information provided to analysts and the media), being immediately posted to the Company's website www.greendragongas.com.
- The Annual Report is made available to all shareholders. The Board ensures that the Annual Report includes relevant information about the operations of the Group during the year, changes in the state of affairs of the Group and details of future developments, as well as all required disclosures.

News releases are issued throughout the year and the Company maintains a website (www.greendragongas.com) on which press releases, corporate presentations and the Annual Report and financial statements are available to view together with the half-yearly financial statements. Enquiries from individual shareholders on matters relating to the business of the Company are welcomed. Shareholders and other interested parties can subscribe to receive notification of news updates and other documents from the Company via email. In addition, the Executive Director meets with major shareholders to discuss the progress of the Company and provide periodic feedback to the Board following meetings with shareholders.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors of Green Dragon Gas Ltd. have pleasure in submitting their Report with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015.

Principal activities

Green Dragon Gas Ltd (the "Group") is the ultimate holding company and the indirect parent company of Greka Energy International B.V, a company incorporated in the Netherlands and the operating company through which the Group holds its Coal Bed Methane ("CBM") properties in China. The principal activities of the Group are the exploration for and development and production of CBM, and the distribution and sale of gas in China. Green Dragon Gas Ltd was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 28 March 2006 and was registered as a Public Company on 17 August 2006. It acts as a holding company and provides financing and management services to its subsidiaries. The Company is domiciled in the Cayman Islands.

Business review and future developments

A summary of the Group's main business developments for the year ended 31 December 2015 and potential future developments is contained within the Chairman's Statement, Operations Review and Financial Review.

Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (as adopted by the EU).

Share capital and reserves

Details of the Group's authorised and issued share capital and reserves as at 31 December 2015 are contained in the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity and in note 23 of the financial statements.

Results and dividends

An overview of the Group's results, covering the year ended 31 December 2015, is provided in the Financial Review on page 20. Detailed financial information is included from page 32 to page 63 of the report. The Directors do not propose the payment of dividends until the Group is in production and generating revenue and profit.

Events after the reporting date

There were no reportable events arising after the reporting date.

Directors remuneration

Directors remuneration for the year ended 31 December 2015 was as follows:

	Fees US\$'000	Salaries US\$'000	Bonuses US\$'000	Other emoluments (benefits) US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Executive Directors						
Randeep S. Grewal	–	1,000	1,000	1,024	3,024	1,517
Sub-total	–	1,000	1,000	1,024	3,024	1,517
Non-Executive Directors						
David Turnbull	56	–	–	–	56	61
Wayne Roberts	57	–	–	–	57	62
Stewart John	61	–	–	–	61	66
Gong Da Bing	57	–	–	–	57	61
Sub-total	231	–	–	–	231	250
Total	231	1,000	1,000	1,024	3,255	1,767

Directors and their interests

The table below sets out the interests of the Directors in Green Dragon Gas Ltd as at 31 December 2015.

	Number of Ordinary Shares	% of issued share capital
Randeep S. Grewal	87,169,631	55.85%
David Turnbull	8,000	0.001%
Wayne Roberts	–	–
Stewart John	3,000	0.00%
Gong Da Bing	800	0.00%

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DIRECTORS' REPORT CONTINUED

Share options

The Group operates a share option scheme pursuant to which the Directors and senior management may be granted options to acquire Ordinary Shares in the Company at a fixed option exercise price.

During the year ended 31 December 2015, no options were granted and no Director options were exercised. The interests of the Directors to subscribe for Ordinary Shares have expired at the year-end.

Further details of the above share option scheme can be found in note 9.

Directors' share options

The Directors who held office at the reporting date had the following interest in the share option scheme:

	Options held at 1 January 2015	Options granted in the year	Options exercised in the year	Options held at 31 December 2015	Exercise price	Exercisable from	Expiry date
Randeep S. Grewal	1,009,375	–	–	1,009,375	6.5	1 January 2011	31 December 2015
David Turnbull	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Wayne Roberts	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Stewart John	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Gong Da Bing	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	1,009,375	–	–	1,009,375	–	–	–

Substantial shareholdings

The Group is aware of the following beneficial shareholdings, representing 10% or more of the issued Ordinary Share capital of the Group, as at 31 December 2015:

	Number of Ordinary Shares	% of issued share capital
GDGH Limited and related holdings	87,169,631	55.85%
Claremont	36,031,759	23.09%

The Board

The Board of Directors is composed of five members, one Executive Director, who is also the Executive Chairman, and four Non-Executive Directors. The Board has established Audit and Remuneration Committees with formally delegated duties, responsibilities and written terms of reference. From time to time, separate committees may be set up by the Board to consider specific issues as and when the need arises.

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee helps the Board discharge its responsibilities regarding financial reporting, external and internal audits and controls as well as reviewing the Group's annual financial statements. It also assists by reviewing and monitoring the extent of non-audit work undertaken by external auditors, advising on the appointment of external auditors and reviewing the effectiveness of the Group's Internal Audit Activities, internal controls and risk management systems. The ultimate responsibility for reviewing and approving the annual report and financial statements and the half-yearly reports remains with the Board. The Audit Committee comprises David Turnbull, Stewart John and Wayne Roberts.

Remuneration Committee

The Remuneration Committee assists the Board in determining its responsibilities in relation to remuneration. This includes making recommendations to the Board on the Group's policy on executive remuneration, determining the individual remuneration and benefits package of the Executive Directors and recommending and monitoring the remuneration of senior management below Board level. The Remuneration Committee comprises the Executive Director and two Non-Executive Directors being Randeep S. Grewal, Stewart John and Gong Da Bing.

Relations with shareholders

The Directors attach importance to the provision of clear and timely information to shareholders and the broader investment community. Information about the Company is available on its website (www.greendragongas.com). The Group's Annual and Interim Reports will also be sent to shareholders and be made available through the Group's website.

Directors and officers liability insurance

The Group has in place a Directors and Officers insurance policy to cover relevant individuals against claims arising from their work on behalf of the Company. The cost of providing this cover is US\$25,000 (2014: US\$25,000). The Board intends to maintain the level of cover provided under annual or more frequent review, as appropriate.

Going concern

Based on the Group's budgets and cash flow projections for 2016, the Directors are satisfied that the Group has adequate resources to continue its operations and meet its commitments for the foreseeable future.

Annual General Meeting

Details of the 2016 Annual General Meeting, which will take place on 26 July 2016, will be announced in due course. The Notice of Meeting, together with an explanation of the items of special business, is to be provided separately to shareholders.

Auditors

BDO LLP has expressed its willingness to continue in office as auditors and a resolution for their reappointment will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

On behalf of the Board

Mr. Randeep S. Grewal

Founder and Chairman

26 April 2015

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT****TO THE MEMBERS OF GREEN DRAGON GAS LIMITED**

We have audited the financial statements of Green Dragon Gas Limited for the year ended 31 December 2015, which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity, the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and the notes forming part of the financial statements. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as adopted by the European Union.

This report is made solely to the Company's members, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of Directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the statement of Directors' responsibilities, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which 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 & Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the UK Financial Reporting Council's (FRC's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Group's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. 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.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's affairs as at 31 December 2015 and of the Group's profit for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with applicable law and IFRS as adopted by the European Union.

BDO LLP

Chartered Accountants
London
United Kingdom
26 April 2015

BDO LLP is a limited liability partnership registered in England and Wales (with registered number OC305127).

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Notes	Year ended 31 December 2015 US\$'000	Year ended 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Revenue	4	32,715	33,787
Revenue – subsidy income	4	5,000	1,761
Total revenue		37,715	35,548
Cost of sales		(15,549)	(20,865)
Gross profit		22,166	14,683
Selling and distribution costs		(1,639)	(1,829)
Litigation interest and penalty written back		–	6,937
Other administrative expenses		(5,530)	(13,935)
Total administrative expenses		(5,530)	(6,998)
Profit from operations	5	14,997	5,856
Other income and finance income	6	797	105
Change in fair value of financial derivative	22, 30	–	(30,096)
Other finance costs	7	(15,924)	(12,128)
Total finance costs		(15,924)	(42,224)
Loss before income tax		(130)	(36,263)
Income tax credit	11	212	450
Profit/(loss) for the year attributable to owners of the company		82	(35,813)
Other comprehensive expense, net of tax:			
– Exchange differences on translating foreign operations		(41,937)	(1,652)
Total comprehensive expense for the year attributable to owners of the company		(41,855)	(37,465)
Basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share	12	0.001	(0.229)

All results for the year relate to continuing operations.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Notes	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Assets			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	13	271,996	157,627
Gas exploration and appraisal assets	14	1,043,859	1,157,915
Other intangible assets	15	2,957	3,108
Non-current prepaid expenses		213	275
Deferred tax asset	16	2,169	2,241
		1,321,194	1,321,166
Current assets			
Inventories	17	109	112
Trade and other receivables	18	22,478	23,053
Cash and cash equivalents	19	26,866	80,037
Restricted cash	26	2,000	–
		51,453	103,202
Total assets		1,372,647	1,424,368
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	20	15,413	22,103
Current tax liabilities		13	143
		15,426	22,246
Non-current liabilities			
Convertible notes	21	48,398	47,243
Bonds	22	86,807	85,072
CUCBM provision	26, 31	370,217	367,027
Deferred tax liability	16	154,352	163,478
		659,774	662,820
Total liabilities		675,200	685,066
Total net assets		697,447	739,302
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	23	16	16
Share premium	24	808,981	808,981
Convertible note equity reserve	21	3,756	3,756
Share-based payment reserve	24	12,743	12,743
Foreign exchange reserve	24	22,016	63,953
Retained deficit	24	(150,065)	(150,147)
Total equity attributable to owners of the Parent		697,447	739,302
Total equity		697,447	739,302

The financial statements were authorised and approved by the Board on 26 April 2016 and signed on their behalf by

Mr. Randeep S. Grewal
Director

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Share capital US\$'000	Share premium US\$'000	Convertible note equity reserve US\$'000	Share-based payment reserve US\$'000	Foreign exchange reserve US\$'000	Retained deficit US\$'000	Equity attributable to owners of the Parent US\$'000
At 1 January 2014	14	681,031	1,746	12,743	65,605	(114,334)	646,805
Loss for the year	–	–	–	–	–	(35,813)	(35,813)
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations	–	–	–	–	(1,652)	–	(1,652)
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the year	–	–	–	–	(1,652)	(35,813)	(37,465)
Issue of share capital and share premium on exercise of warrants (note 23)	1	92,951	–	–	–	–	92,952
Issue of share capital and share premium on exercise of convertible (note 22)	1	34,999	(1,746)	–	–	–	33,254
Issue of convertible notes (note 22)	–	–	3,756	–	–	–	3,756
At 31 December 2014	16	808,981	3,756	12,743	63,953	(150,147)	739,302
Profit for the year	–	–	–	–	–	82	82
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations	–	–	–	–	(41,937)	–	(41,937)
Total comprehensive expense for the year	–	–	–	–	(41,937)	82	(41,855)
At 31 December 2015	16	808,981	3,756	12,743	22,016	(150,065)	697,447

Exchange differences on translating foreign operations may be recycled through profit in future periods if certain conditions or events arise.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Notes	Year ended 31 December 2015 US\$'000	Year ended 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Operating activities			
Profit/(loss) after tax		82	(35,813)
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation	13	4,172	4,867
Amortisation of intangible assets	15	945	713
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment		–	848
Other income and finance income	6	(797)	(4)
Change in fair value of derivative	22, 30	–	30,096
Other finance costs	7	15,924	12,128
Litigation interest and penalties written back	31	–	(6,937)
Taxation		(212)	(450)
Cash generated from operating activities before changes in working capital		20,114	5,448
Movement in inventory		3	(26)
Movement in trade and other receivables		1,600	2,015
Movement in trade and other payables		(9,265)	(6,655)
Net cash generated from operations		12,452	782
Income tax		(24)	(99)
Net cash generated from operating activities		12,428	683
Investing activities			
Payments for purchase of property, plant and equipment	13	(259)	(369)
Cash paid to settle provision	31	–	(40,000)
Payments for intangible assets – gas station licence	15	(794)	–
Payments for long-term prepaid expenses		192	(58)
Share of GCZ property plant and equipment purchases		(2,404)	(13,300)
Payments for exploration activities	14	(42,319)	(39,836)
Interest received		121	4
Deposits paid to PetroChina	27	(2,000)	–
Net cash used in investing activities		(47,463)	(93,559)
Financing activities			
Cash paid to redeem bonds and convertibles	22	–	(35,000)
Cash received from issuing convertible notes	21	–	50,000
Cash received from issuing bonds	22	–	84,042
Cash received from exercise of warrant	22	–	42,446
GCZ block finance provided by PetroChina		–	2,942
Other interest paid		(12,300)	(5,425)
Net cash generated (used in)/from financing activities		(12,300)	139,005
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(47,335)	46,129
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		80,037	34,642
		32,702	80,771
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes		(5,836)	(734)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	29	26,866	80,037

Refer to note 19 for significant non-cash items.

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 General

Green Dragon Gas Ltd. (the “Company”) was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 28 March 2006 as an exempted company with limited liability under Chapter 22 of the Cayman Islands Companies Law (2004 revision). The registered office and principal place of business of the Company are located at PO Box 472, Harbour Place 2nd Floor, 103 South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands and 28th Floor, Landmark Plaza, No.1 Business Outer Ring Road, Central Business District, Zhengzhou 450000, Henan Province, PRC, respectively.

The Company and its subsidiaries are hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Group”. The Company is an investment holding company while the principal activities of its subsidiaries are exploration, development and production of coal bed methane in the People’s Republic of China (“PRC”). The coal bed methane operations in the PRC are conducted through production sharing arrangements with China United Coal Bed Methane Corporation Ltd. (“CUCBM”), a subsidiary of China National Offshore Oil Company (CNOOC) and with PetroChina Company Limited (“PetroChina” or “CNPC”). CNOOC and CNPC are companies established in the PRC and indirectly controlled by the PRC Government. Under the production sharing contracts (“PSCs”) whereby the Group is entitled to a fixed percentage of production output in accordance with the respective PSCs into with CUCBM and CNPC. Further details in relation to these contracts are disclosed in note 27 to the financial statements.

The financial statements are presented in US dollars which is the same as the functional currency of the Company. The functional currency of the Group’s subsidiaries is primarily Renminbi (“RMB”).

2 Principal accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union (“IFRS”) that are effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015. The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements are set out below. The policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost basis modified for financial instruments carried at fair value through profit and loss.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group’s accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated financial statements are disclosed in note 3 to the financial statements. 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 only affects that period or in the period of revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Transactions under common control

The acquisition of Greka Gas China Ltd and its subsidiaries in the period ended 31 December 2006 was outside the scope of IFRS 3 “Business Combinations” because it was not considered to be a business combination (Green Dragon Gas Limited was a shell company at the time of the transaction) and all parties were under common control of Mr. Randeep S. Grewal before and afterwards.

IAS 8 “Accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and errors” requires management to develop a relevant and reliable policy in the absence of transactions being in the scope of other IFRS standards. Management therefore chose to apply purchase accounting rules. As a result the consideration given and the assets and liabilities acquired were recorded at their fair value. The excess of fair value of the net assets acquired over the nominal value of the shares issued was recorded as share premium.

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NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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2 Principal accounting policies continued

New Accounting Standards

There were no new standards, interpretations and amendments to published standards effective in the year that had a significant impact on the Group.

The International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) has issued the following new and revised standards, amendments and interpretations to existing standards that are not effective for the financial year ending 31 December 2015 and have not been adopted early. The Group is currently assessing the impact of these standards on the financial statements.

	Effective date
New standards	
IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers*	1 January 2018
IFRS 9 Financial Instruments*	1 January 2018
IFRS 16 Leases	1 January 2019
Amendments to existing standards	
Defined Benefit Plans: Employee Contributions: Amendments to IAS 19	1 February 2015
Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2010-2012 Cycle	1 February 2015
Accounting for Acquisitions of Interests in Joint Operations: Amendments to IFRS 11	1 January 2016
Clarification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation and Amortisation: Amendments to IAS 16 and IAS 38	1 January 2016
Equity Method in Separate Financial Statements (Amendments to IAS 27)	1 January 2016
Annual Improvements to IFRSs (2012-2014 Cycle)	1 January 2016
Disclosure Initiative: Amendments to IAS 1	1 January 2016

* Not yet adopted by the European Union.

The Directors have not fully assessed the impact of all standards but do not expect them to have a material impact.

Basis of consolidation

The financial statements incorporate a consolidation of the financial statements of the Company and entities controlled by the Company (its subsidiaries) together with joint operations over which the Group has joint control. Control is achieved where the Company 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. The consolidated financial statements present the results of the Company and its subsidiaries and joint arrangements as if they formed a single entity. Inter-company transactions and balances between Group companies are therefore eliminated in full. The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the Group's financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases.

Subsidiaries and joint arrangements

A subsidiary is an entity over which the Company is able to exercise control. Control is achieved where the Company 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.

Joint arrangements are arrangements in which the Group shares joint control with one or more parties. Joint control is the contractually agreed sharing of control of an arrangement, and exists only when decisions about the activities that significantly affect the arrangement's returns require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

Joint arrangements are classified as either joint operations or joint ventures based on the rights and obligations of the parties to the arrangement. In joint operations, the parties have rights to the assets and obligations for the liabilities relating to the arrangement, whereas in joint ventures, the parties have rights to the net assets of the arrangement.

Joint arrangements that are not structured through a separate vehicle are always joint operations. Joint arrangements that are structured through a separate vehicle may be either joint operations or joint ventures depending on the substance of the arrangement. In these cases, consideration is given to the legal form of the separate vehicle, the terms of the contractual arrangement and, when relevant, other facts and circumstances. When the activities of an arrangement are primarily designed for the provision of output to the parties, and the parties are substantially the only source of cash flows contributing to the continuity of the operations of the arrangement, this indicates the parties to the arrangements have rights to the assets and obligations for the liabilities.

The Group accounts for its joint operations with PetroChina and CUCBM by recognising the assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses for which it has rights or obligations, including its share of such items held or incurred jointly. Further details of the joint operations with PetroChina and CUCBM are included in note 26. Cash flows arising in respect of the joint arrangements are recorded on a line by line basis in accordance with the nature of the underlying cash flows of the joint arrangement within the Group's cash flow. Where the Group has agreed to meet its share of historic expenditure incurred by a joint venture partner as part of a settlement agreement, the cash flows are recorded on a line-by-line basis in accordance with the nature of the underlying cash flows of the joint arrangement unless the settlement is considered to represent a non-cash financing arrangement with the joint venture partner.

2 Principal accounting policies continued

Foreign currency translation

Transactions entered into by any of the Group entities in a currency other than the currency of the primary economic environment in which it operates (the “functional currency”) are recorded at the exchange rates ruling when the transactions occur. Foreign currency monetary assets and liabilities are translated at the rates ruling at the reporting date. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated. Exchange differences arising on the retranslation of unsettled monetary assets and liabilities are recognised immediately in the statement of comprehensive income.

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items, and on the translation of monetary items, are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise with the exception of the retranslation exchange differences on inter-company loans considered to be permanent equity, which are defined as loans which are not expected to be settled in the foreseeable future. Exchange differences arising on the retranslation of non-monetary items carried at fair value are included in profit or loss for the period except for differences arising on the retranslation of non-monetary items in respect of which gains and losses are recognised in other comprehensive income, in which cases, the exchange differences are also recognised in other comprehensive income.

On consolidation, the results of foreign operations are translated into the presentation currency of the Group (the United States dollar) at the average exchange rates for the year/period, unless exchange rates fluctuate significantly during the year/period, in which case, a rate approximating to that ruling when the transaction took place is used. All assets and liabilities of foreign operations are translated at the rate ruling at the reporting date. Exchange differences arising on translating the opening net assets at opening rate and the results of foreign operations at actual rate are recognised in other comprehensive income (the “foreign exchange reserve”). Fair value adjustments arising on acquisition are initially recorded in the functional currency of the companies to which they relate and are retranslated at the rates ruling at each reporting date with exchange rate movements recognised in other comprehensive income (“foreign exchange reserve”).

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment other than construction in progress are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses.

Gas assets (development and production)

Gas assets include those assets for which the technical feasibility and commercial viability of extracting coal bed methane gas is demonstrable. Such assets are referred to as having achieved commercial production. Gas assets include the cost of developing such assets, together with the associated exploration and appraisal assets transferred from intangible exploration and appraisal assets on demonstration of technical feasibility and commercial viability.

Gas assets also include physical infrastructure in place during the exploration phase. Such assets start being depreciated on a units-of-production (“UOP”) basis once the associated assets enter commercial production.

The net book value of gas assets is depreciated using the UOP method. In applying the UOP method of depreciation a UOP rate is calculated where the numerator is the production associated with the block or area to which the assets relate and the denominator is reserves volume assessed as relating to that block or area. Reserves are those which are considered to be technically feasible and commercially viable for extraction and are considered to be either proved (1P) or proved and probable (2P) reserves. Future capital expenditure required to extract such reserves is included in the calculation of the UOP rate when applicable. Such future capital expenditure applies when additional expenditure is required to extract the gas reserves over which the assets are depleted. The depreciation charge for the year/period is calculated by multiplying the UOP rate by the production of the relevant assets. The depreciation charge reduces the carrying value of the assets reflecting their usage.

Other property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are depreciated so as to write off their costs net of expected residual value over their estimated useful lives on a straight-line basis. The useful lives and residual value are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date. The useful lives of property, plant and equipment are as follows:

Buildings and structures	20 to 30 years
Motor vehicles	5 years
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	3 to 10 years

Construction in progress represents pipelines, buildings, structures and other plant and equipment in the course of construction for production or for use by the Group on completion, and is stated at cost less impairment losses. Capitalisation of these costs ceases and the construction in progress is transferred to property, plant and equipment when the asset is substantially ready for its intended use. An asset may be substantially ready for its intended use prior to the issuance of the relevant commissioning certificates by the relevant PRC authorities. Such situations are assessed on a case by case basis.

No depreciation is provided in respect of construction in progress.

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NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS CONTINUED

2 Principal accounting policies continued

The carrying amount of property, plant and equipment is compared to the recoverable amount whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the net book value may not be recoverable during the development or production phase. The aggregate carrying value of the cash generating unit (assessed on a block-by-block or area-by-area basis as appropriate) is compared against the expected recoverable amount of the cash generating unit. The expected recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less cost to sell and value in use. Value in use is assessed by reference to the present value of future cash flows expected to be derived from production of reserves that are considered technically feasible and commercially viable for extraction, being 1P and 2P reserves. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in the statement of comprehensive income to the extent that the carrying amount is higher than the asset's estimated recoverable amount. Where the event or circumstance giving rise to an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount. The carrying amount of the assets following the reversal of an impairment loss cannot exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. The reversal of an impairment loss is recognised as income in the period in which the event or circumstance giving rise to the impairment is considered to have reversed.

The gain or loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment is the difference between the net sale proceeds and its carrying amount, and is recognised in profit or loss on disposal.

Gas exploration and appraisal assets

The Group applies the requirements of IFRS 6 "Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources" in respect of its exploration and appraisal expenditure. The requirements of IFRS 6 are not applied to expenditure incurred by the Group before legal title to explore for and evaluate coal bed methane gas resources in a specific area. Such costs are generally referred to as pre-licence expenditure. Likewise the Group does not apply the requirements of IFRS 6 after the point at which the technical feasibility and commercial viability of extracting coal bed methane gas is demonstrable.

The costs of exploring for and evaluating hydrocarbon resources are accumulated and capitalised as intangible assets by reference to appropriate cash generating units ("CGU") on a pooled basis. Such cost pools are based on geographic areas and are not larger than a segment. The Group currently has one exploration and evaluation cost pool being the PRC.

Capitalised exploration and appraisal expenditure may include the costs of licence acquisition, third party technical services and studies, seismic acquisition, exploration drilling and testing and a portion of directly attributable general and administrative expenditure. The expenditure does not include costs incurred prior to having obtained the legal rights to explore an area. Pre-licence expenditure is expensed directly to the statement of comprehensive income as incurred.

Property, plant and equipment acquired for use in exploration and appraisal activities is classified as property, plant and equipment. However, to the extent that such a property, plant and equipment is consumed in developing an intangible exploration and appraisal asset, the amount reflecting that consumption is recorded as part of the cost of the intangible asset.

Intangible exploration and appraisal assets are not depreciated and are carried forward, subject to the provisions of the Group's impairment of exploration and appraisal policy, until the technical feasibility and commercial viability of extracting coal bed methane gas are demonstrable. The Group's definition of technically feasible and commercially viable reserves ("commercial reserves") for such purpose are those which are classified as proven and probable reserves on an entitlement basis for which approval has been obtained from the PRC Government in respect of the overall development programme ("ODP") related to the relevant license/prospect. In certain circumstances, delays obtaining the overall development programme approval can be encountered. As a result, the Group also considers factors such as the extent to which infrastructure is in place to process the gas and the levels of production, the substantive nature of operations and cash generation from producing assets.

If commercial reserves have been discovered, the related exploration and appraisal assets are assessed for impairment as set out below and any impairment loss is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income. The carrying value, after any applicable impairment loss, of the relevant exploration and appraisal assets is then reclassified as development and production assets within property, plant and equipment. The costs reclassified include costs directly attributable to the relevant commercial reserves in the specific block being transferred, together with a proportion of non-directly attributable costs. Non-directly attributable costs include a portion of the original fair value uplift on acquisition of the licences, calculated with reference to the relative size and prospectivity of the licence area as a proportion of the total licence areas originally acquired.

In circumstances where third parties undertake exploration, evaluation, development or production on the Group's licence areas, the Group records its attributable share of results and assets associated with such activities when the parties have reached an agreement regarding the entitlements. Entitlements include the Group's attributable share of the production, results and assets, where that share can be reliably measured and meets IFRS criteria for recognition of revenue and assets respectively. Where the Group reaches agreement with a third party that costs associated with the construction of such assets can be recovered by the third party through surrender of an element of the Group's future production then an associated provision is recorded. The agreement for a third party to recover cost from future production is recorded as a provision because the ultimate settlement of the amount is made only from production volume from the specified area/wells and can be subject to uncertainties in terms of timing.

Intangible exploration and appraisal assets that relate to exploration and evaluation activities that have not yet resulted in the discovery of commercial reserves remain capitalised as intangible exploration and appraisal assets at cost less accumulated amortisation, subject to meeting a pool-wide impairment test.

2 Principal accounting policies continued

The Group's exploration and evaluation assets are assessed for impairment when facts and circumstances suggest that the carrying amount of the exploration and appraisal assets may exceed their recoverable amount. In accordance with IFRS 6 the Group considers facts and circumstances in their assessment of whether the Group's exploration and appraisal assets may be impaired.

These facts and circumstances include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Whether the period for which the Group has the right to explore in a specific area has expired during the period or will expire in the near future, and is not expected to be renewed.
- Whether substantive expenditure on further exploration for and appraisal of mineral resources in a specific area is neither budgeted nor planned.
- Whether exploration for and evaluation of coal bed methane gas in a specific area have not led to the discovery of commercially viable quantities of coal bed methane and the Group has decided to discontinue such activities in the specific area.
- Whether sufficient data exists to indicate that although a development in a specific area is likely to proceed, the carrying amount of the exploration and evaluation assets is unlikely to be recovered in full from successful development or by sale.

If any facts or circumstances are noted the Group performs an impairment test in accordance with the provisions of IAS 36. In such circumstances the aggregate carrying value of the exploration and appraisal assets is compared against the expected recoverable amount of the single cost pool CGU. The recoverable amount is the higher of value in use and the fair value less costs to sell.

Any impairment loss is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as additional depreciation and separately disclosed.

Farm outs

Under arrangements whereby the Group reduces its interest in a PSC in return for commitments by its partner to undertake additional future exploration expenditure on assets without proven reserves, the Group does not recognise any consideration in respect of the value of the work to be performed by the farmee and instead carries the remaining interest at the previous cost of the full interest reduced by the amount of any cash consideration received for entering the agreement. As a result, no gain recognised on the disposal unless the cash consideration received exceeds the carrying value of the entire asset held.

Decommissioning

Where a material liability for the removal of production facilities and site restoration at the end of an asset's productive life exists, a provision is made for decommissioning when the obligation is created. The amount recorded as a provision is the present value of estimated future expenditure based on local legislative requirements. Included in the relevant asset is an amount equal to the provision which is depreciated on a units UOP basis. Changes in estimates are recorded prospectively through the provision and asset carrying value. Unwinding of the effect of discounting on the provision is recorded in finance costs. Under the Group's PSC's, decommissioning costs are borne by the operator. Decommissioning in respect of PSCs for which the Group is the operator fall on the other party to the PSC if production ceases after the end of the Group's 20 year PSC production period. At present, decommissioning obligations are assessed as immaterial.

Other intangible assets acquired in a business combination

Other intangible assets acquired in a business combination are identified and recognised separately where they satisfy the definition of an intangible asset. Such intangible assets are recognised at their assessed fair value as of the date of acquisition.

Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets with finite useful lives are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation is calculated to write off the intangible asset over its useful life. Useful life is estimated to be 5 to 10 years for the Group's intangible assets.

Payments for leasehold land held for own use under operating leases

Payments for leasehold land held for own use under operating leases represent up-front payments to acquire long-term interests in lessee-occupied properties. These payments are stated at cost less any accumulated amortisation and impairment loss. They are amortised over the period of the lease on a straight-line basis to profit or loss.

Inventories

Inventories are initially recognised at cost, and subsequently measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Cost is calculated using the weighted average method. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

Segment reporting

Segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision-maker. The chief operating decision-maker has been identified as the Chief Executive Officer and the non-executive Board Members.

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2 Principal accounting policies continued

Taxation

Tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income, in which case it is recognised in other comprehensive income.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the period, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date together with any applicable adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognised where the carrying amount of an asset or liability in the statement of financial position differs from its tax base, except for differences arising on the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction which is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither accounting or taxable profit; and investments in subsidiaries and jointly controlled entities where the group is able to control the timing of the reversal of the difference and it is probable that the difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Recognition of deferred tax assets is restricted to those instances where it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the difference can be utilised.

The amount of the asset or liability is determined using taxation laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date and are expected to apply when the deferred tax liabilities or assets are settled or recovered respectively. The tax laws in the PRC may be subject to change in the future and could potentially result in the recognition of deferred tax and current tax liabilities/assets. Balances related to deferred taxes are not discounted.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when the Group has a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets and liabilities and the deferred tax assets and liabilities relate to taxes levied by the same tax authority on either:

- the same taxable Group company; or
- different Group entities which intend and expect to have the legal right either to settle current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis; or
- to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously, in each future period in which significant amounts of deferred tax assets or liabilities are expected to be settled or recovered.

Revenue recognition

Revenue from the sale of gas is recognised when the risks and rewards of ownership together with effective control are transferred to the customer and the amount of the revenue and associated costs incurred in respect of the relevant transaction can be reliably measured. Revenue is not recognised unless it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the sales transaction will flow to the Group. Revenue arising during pilot or test production, prior to commercial production being established, is recorded gross and a corresponding adjustment is made to cost of sales and the exploration and appraisal asset.

Revenue from sales of equipment is recognised on transfer of risks and rewards of ownership, which is at the time of delivery and the title is passed to customer.

Revenue generated from gas subsidies is recognised when there is reasonable certainty that the Group complies with the conditions for their receipt and that the subsidy will be received from the government. This is currently considered to be the point when revenue from the sale of gas is recognised.

Financial instruments

(i) Financial assets

Loans and receivables

The Group's loans and receivables comprise trade and other receivables.

These assets are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They arise principally through the sale of gas to customers (trade receivables), and also incorporate other types of contractual monetary asset. Loans and receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment.

A provision for impairment is established when there is objective evidence that the asset will not be collected in full according to the original terms of the instruments. Significant financial difficulties of the customers, probability that the customers will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation, and default or delinquency in payments are considered indicators that the loans and receivables are impaired. The amount of the provision is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account, and the amount of the loss is recognised in profit or loss. When loans and receivables are uncollectible, they are written off against the allowance account for loans and receivables. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited to the statement of comprehensive income, subject to a restriction that the carrying amount of the asset at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised.

Other receivables include items such as refundable deposits paid to acquire property plant and equipment.

2 Principal accounting policies continued

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash includes cash on hand and demand deposits with any bank or other financial institutions. Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash which are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.

(ii) Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities held at amortised cost

Trade payables and other short-term monetary liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Fair value through profit or loss

The Group does not have any liabilities designated as held for trading nor has it designated any financial liabilities as being at fair value through profit or loss.

(iii) Convertible debt and bonds

Convertible notes issued by the Group that contain both liability and equity conversion option components and include embedded early redemption options that are not closely related to the host contract are classified separately into respective items on initial recognition. A conversion option that will be settled by the exchange of a fixed amount of cash or another financial asset for a fixed number of the Company's own equity instruments is classified as an equity component.

On initial recognition, the fair value of the liability component is determined using the prevailing market interest rate of similar debt instruments without conversion options and early redemption options. The fair value of embedded early redemption options is determined by appropriate option pricing models. The difference between the proceeds of the issue of the convertible notes, and the fair value assigned to the liability component and the fair value of the embedded early redemption options, representing the conversion option for the holder to convert the loan notes into equity, is included in equity (convertible note equity reserve).

In subsequent periods, the liability component of the convertible note is carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The early redemption option components are measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss. The equity component, represented by the option to convert the liability component into Ordinary Shares of the Company, will remain in the convertible note equity reserve until the conversion option is exercised (in which case the balance stated in convertible note equity reserve will be transferred to share capital and share premium). Where the option remains unexercised at the expiry date, the balance stated in convertible note equity reserve will be released to retained earnings. No gain or loss is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income upon conversion or expiration of the conversion option.

Transaction costs that relate to the issue of convertible notes containing liability and equity components are allocated to the liability and equity components in proportion to the allocation of the proceeds. Transaction costs relating to the equity component are charged directly to convertible note equity reserve. Transaction costs relating to the liability component are included in the carrying amount of the liability portion and amortised over the period of the convertible note using the effective interest method.

Bonds issued by the Group are initially recorded at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Employee benefits

(i) Defined contribution pension plan

Contributions to defined contribution pension plan are recognised as an expense in profit or loss as the services giving rise to the Company's obligations are rendered by the employees.

The employees of the operations in the PRC are required to participate in a central pension scheme operated by the local municipal government. The Group is required to contribute a certain percentage of its payroll costs to the central pension scheme. The contributions payable are charged to profit or loss when they become payable in accordance with the rules of the central pension scheme and are disclosed under Employer's national social security contributions in note 8.

(ii) Other benefits

Other benefits, being benefits in kind, are charged to profit or loss in the period to which they relate.

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2 Principal accounting policies continued

Share-based payments

Where share options are awarded to employees, the fair value of the options at the date of grant is charged to profit or loss over the vesting period with a corresponding increase in the share-based payment reserve within equity. Non-market vesting conditions are taken into account by adjusting the number of equity instruments expected to vest at each reporting date so that, ultimately, the cumulative amount recognised over the vesting period is based on the number of options that eventually vest. Market vesting conditions are factored into the fair value of the options granted. As long as all other vesting conditions are satisfied, a charge is made irrespective of whether the market vesting conditions are satisfied. The cumulative expense is not adjusted for failure to achieve a market vesting condition.

Where the terms and conditions of options are modified before they vest, the increase in the fair value of the options, measured immediately before and after the modification, is also charged to profit or loss over the remaining vesting period.

Where equity instruments are granted to persons other than employees, profit or loss is charged with the fair value of goods or services received unless the goods or services qualify for recognition as assets. A corresponding increase in equity is recognised. For cash-settled share-based payments, a liability is recognised at the fair value of the goods or services received. At each reporting date, the liability is re-measured at its fair value until the liability is settled, with change in fair value recognised in income statement.

Leases

Where substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of a leased asset are retained by the lessor (an "operating lease"), the total rentals payable under the lease are charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

The land and buildings elements of property leases are considered separately for the purpose of lease classification.

Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs comprise interest payable and transaction costs on the issue of bonds, loan notes, convertible notes and other liabilities that are of the nature of a borrowing. Borrowing costs attributable directly to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets which require a substantial period of time to be ready for their intended use or sale, are capitalised as part of the cost of those assets. Income earned on temporary investments of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on those assets is deducted from borrowing costs capitalised. All other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred. No borrowing costs have been capitalised to date given the predominantly exploration and evaluation nature of the Group's historic capital expenditure.

Treasury shares

Consideration paid or received for the purchase or sale of treasury shares is recognised directly in equity. The cost of treasury shares held is presented as a separate reserve. Any excess of the consideration received on the sale of treasury shares over the weighted average cost of the shares is credited to retained earnings.

3 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The Group makes estimates and assumptions regarding the future. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated based on historical experiences and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. In the future, actual experience may deviate from these estimates and assumptions. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk or cause a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the period after the year/period are as follows.

CUCBM Framework Agreement

Judgement has been exercised in the recognition of the Group's share of the historic expenditure incurred by China United Coalbed Methane Gas ("CUCBM") on the Group's blocks. Further to the identification of drilling activities by third parties across several of the Group's blocks, the Group entered into a Framework Agreement signed with CUCBM in 31 March 2014 and as at 31 December 2014 had reached agreement with CUCBM regarding the historical exploration and infrastructure expenditure. CUCBM undertook significant historical exploration and infrastructure preparation work within several licence areas and incurred gross expenditure of \$611,300,000. Under the PSC, the Group had the right to enforce its PSC interests in the asset but agreed to reimburse CUCBM for the Group's share of the historic expenditure by allowing CUCBM to recover its costs from ring fenced cash flows associated with the relevant wells. A constructive obligation is considered to exist given the nature of the transaction and the negotiation between the parties. The amount to be reimbursed through future cash flows from the relevant wells is considered sufficiently certain given the extent of well development, the levels of in place infrastructure and reserves associated with the wells, although settlement remains dependent upon sufficient future production arising. Accordingly, the Group has recorded its share of the assets and a provision. The Group has exercised judgement in considering the arrangement to create an obligation and its assessment that there is a reasonable expectation that the relevant wells will generate sufficient cash flows. This transaction is considered to be a 2014 event as the Framework Agreement affirmed the Group's entitlement to the assets. Further details are provided in note 26.

The Group's arrangement with CUCBM represents a joint arrangement as the Group shares joint control with CUCBM. As with the PetroChina transaction, the Group accounts for the arrangement as a joint operation and therefore has recognised its share of the relevant assets and liabilities, which reflects the structure of the arrangement and the joint control conferred by the PSC and the Joint Management Committee.

3 Critical accounting estimates and judgements continued

Depreciation of the gas production assets

The Group has exercised judgement in depreciating its property, plant and equipment associated with its gas assets which have achieved commercial production. These assets have been depreciated on a units of production basis. Judgement was required in determining the reserves used in this calculation and the Group considers the economics and well performance of each individual fields to determine the suitable reserves basis. The Group considers 1P reserves for Area 4 GSS block and 2P reserves for the GCZ Block to be capable of extraction using the assets and therefore an appropriate estimate of the respective asset's life. It is noted that significant 3P reserves have been estimated to exist and such reserves would significantly extend the estimate useful life. However, 3P reserves are not included until such time as they are transferred to 2P reserves as part of the Group's independent reserves audit.

Determination of commercial production

Judgement has been exercised in determining whether the Group's exploration assets have achieved technical feasibility and commercial viability. The Group's definition of technically feasible and commercially viable reserves ("commercial reserves") for such purpose are those which are classified as proven and probable reserves on an entitlement basis for which approval has been obtained from the PRC Government in respect of the "overall development programme" related to the relevant license and thus commercial production commenced as defined in the production sharing agreements. In certain circumstances, delays obtaining the overall development programme approval can be encountered. As a result, the Group also considers factors such as the extent to which infrastructure is in place to process the gas and the levels of production. As such, in addition to the PetroChina operated GCZ block which has been in production since 2013, the Group considers the Area 4 block of the GSS licence area to be in commercial production for 2015 as technical feasibility and commercial viability has been established despite the pending approval of the overall development programme. The Group's remaining areas within the GSS block will be assessed for commercial production once the Group has reviewed production volumes being generated from the recently completed processing facilities by China National Offshore Oil Corporation ("CNOOC"). Therefore commercial production period has not yet commenced for the remaining blocks and licence areas under the Group's accounting policy.

Transfer of exploration and appraisal assets and depreciation of the gas production assets

The Group has exercised judgement in determining the relevant assets transferred from exploration and evaluation intangible assets to property, plant and equipment in respect of the producing Area 4 block. The costs transferred included a portion of the fair value uplift on acquisition of the Group's licence interests as a whole considered attributable to Area 4, based on the relative OGIIIP of the Area 4 block and the total licence areas. The property, plant and equipment Area 4 has been depreciated on units of production basis. Judgement was required in determining the reserves used in this calculation and the Group considers 1P reserves to be capable of extraction using the assets and therefore an appropriate estimate of the asset's life.

Impairment reviews

Exploration and appraisal costs are assessed for indicators of impairment using the criteria detailed in note 2. The assessment by the Board requires judgement and is dependent upon an assessment of the rights to the Group's assets and renewal of such rights, expected levels of expenditure, interpretation of exploration and appraisal activity in the year and future intentions. No impairment indicators were noted. These assessments are inherently judgemental and require estimation and therefore may change over time resulting in significant charges to the statement of comprehensive income.

The Group tests its property, plant and equipment assets, which include oil and gas development and production assets for impairment when circumstances suggest that the carrying amount may exceed its recoverable value and in accordance with the policy detailed in note 2. This assessment involves judgement as to the level of reserves that are capable of being extracted commercially and which are technically viable with reference to the Group's independent competent person's report, estimates of future gas prices, operating costs, capital expenditure necessary to extract those reserves and the discount rate to be applied to such revenues and costs for the purpose of deriving a recoverable value. The Group uses proven (1P) and probable (2P) reserves in such impairment tests.

Sensitivity and key judgements

Fair value of convertible notes

The fair value of the liability component on initial recognition is the present value of the stream of future cash flows (including both coupon payments and redemption) discounted at the market rate of interest that would have been applied to an instrument of comparable credit rating with substantially the same cash flows, on the same terms, but without the conversion option. The applicable rates of interest, which are a matter of judgement, are disclosed in note 30. The rates have been determined with reference to comparable market transactions for debt without conversion options.

Capitalisation of exploration costs

The Group exercises judgement in determining costs which are directly attributable to its exploration activities and therefore are capitalised as part of exploration and evaluation assets. In particular, judgement is applied in allocating directly attributable general and administrative overheads to the Group's exploration assets. In 2015, the Group has updated its capitalisation estimate to reflect the appropriate amount of time and effort expended by the Group's key operational and management staff on exploration assets. As such, administrative expenses in the income statement have decreased accordingly.

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4 Revenue and segment information

The Group's reportable segments are as set out below. The operating results of each of these segments are regularly reviewed by the Group's chief operating decision-makers in order to make decisions about the allocation of resources and assess the performance of each segment.

During the year revenue of US\$15,127,000 (2014: US\$17,279,000) was recognised by the Sale of CBM gas segment in respect of 1 (2014: 1) customer representing 10% or more of the Group's total revenue for the year.

The accounting policies of these segments are in line with those described in note 2.

	Sale of CBM gas US\$'000	Retailing gas station sales US\$'000	Corporate US\$'000	Sub-total US\$'000	Eliminations US\$'000	Consolidated US\$'000
Segment revenue:						
Sales to external customers	15,127	17,588	–	32,715	–	32,715
Inter-segment sales	10,874	–	25	10,899	(10,899)	–
Government subsidies	5,000	–	–	5,000	–	5,000
	31,001	17,588	25	48,614	(10,899)	37,715
Depreciation	(3,495)	(608)	(69)	(4,172)	–	(4,172)
Amortisation	–	(945)	–	(945)	–	(945)
Profit/(loss) from operations	18,473	(2,656)	(820)	14,997	–	14,997
Other income and financial income	–	113	684	797	–	797
Other finance costs	–	(469)	(15,455)	(15,924)	–	(15,924)
Income tax credit	123	89	–	212	–	212
Profit/(loss) for the year	18,596	(2,923)	(15,591)	82	–	82
Assets	1,338,275	23,844	857,023	2,199,142	(846,495)	1,372,647
Liabilities	533,374	4,958	626,548	1,164,880	(509,680)	655,200

Profit from operations generated from the sale of CBM gas have increased in FY15 as the Group has classified a portion of GSS as a producing gas asset. As result, the gross margins on sales from this area have been recognised in the income statement; which were capitalised in prior years. Further details are in note 3 and note 26.

These financial statements do not include the Group's share of CNOOC GSN transactions or operated GSS 1,388 wells' revenue, associated costs and resulting margins. During the year CNOOC has commissioned two additional gas gathering and sales stations in GSS. The sales revenues and volumes associated with the CNOOC operated areas of GSS and GSN will be reported in due course as they are currently being audited by independent auditors. The audit will complete the sales revenue since inception of the sales from all wells operated by CNOOC in GSS under the Framework Agreement. Under the Framework Agreement, while the Company will record its share of revenue, costs and resulting margins, the resulting cash flow will be offset with the cost recovery account. The Group has not recorded any estimated sales revenue from its interest in the CNOOC legacy wells until such time as the independent audit of sales revenues and associated volumes is concluded.

For the year ended 31 December 2014

	Sale of CBM gas US\$'000	Retailing gas station sales US\$'000	Corporate US\$'000	Sub-total US\$'000	Eliminations US\$'000	Consolidated US\$'000
Segment revenue:						
Sales to external customers	17,757	16,030	–	33,787	–	33,787
Inter-segment sales	6,048	–	–	6,048	(6,048)	–
Government subsidies	1,761	–	–	1,761	–	1,761
	25,566	16,030	–	41,596	(6,048)	35,548
Depreciation	(4,165)	(662)	(40)	(4,867)	–	(4,867)
Amortisation	–	(713)	–	(713)	–	(713)
Litigation interest and penalties written back	–	–	6,937	6,937	–	6,937
Profit/(loss) from operations	6,193	(1,065)	728	5,856	–	5,856
Other income and financial income	–	103	2	105	–	105
Change in fair value of derivative	–	–	(30,096)	(30,096)	–	(30,096)
Other finance costs	–	–	(12,128)	(12,128)	–	(12,128)
Income tax credit	293	157	–	450	–	450
Profit/(loss) for the year	6,486	(805)	(41,494)	(35,813)	–	(35,813)
Assets	1,321,850	15,799	1,081,985	2,419,634	(995,266)	1,424,368
Liabilities	554,014	5,497	636,476	1,195,987	(510,921)	685,066

5 Profit/(loss) from operations

Profit from operations is stated after charging/(crediting):

	Year ended 31 December 2015 US\$'000	Year ended 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Auditors' remuneration:		
Fees payable to the Company's auditors for the audit of the annual financial statements	385	360
Fees payable to the Company's auditors for the review of the interim results	40	39
Staff costs (note 8)	1,357	3,832
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	4,172	4,867
Operating lease expense (property)	370	1,231
Amortisation of intangible assets	945	713
Reversal of provision for ConocoPhillips interest and penalties	–	(6,937)

6 Other income and finance income

	Year ended 31 December 2015 US\$'000	Year ended 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Bank interest	121	4
Exchange gain	303	101
Sundry income	373	–
	797	105

7 Finance costs

	Year ended 31 December 2015 US\$'000	Year ended 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Convertible notes (coupon at 7% plus effective interest adjustments)	4,655	3,902
Bonds (coupon at 7% plus effective interest adjustments)	–	7,060
Bonds (coupon at 10% plus effective interest adjustments)	10,535	1,166
Exchange loss	734	–
	15,924	12,128

8 Staff costs

	Year ended 31 December 2015 US\$'000	Year ended 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Staff costs (including Directors' emoluments) comprise:		
Wages and salaries	5,841	7,125
Employer's national social security contributions	1,134	396
Other benefits	1,181	1,231
	8,156	8,752
Less: expenses capitalised as gas exploration and appraisal assets	(6,799)	(4,920)
Total staff costs charged to profit or loss (note 5)	1,357	3,832

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9 Share-based payments – prior years

Details of the Group's share options as follows:

Number of share options granted historically	3,408,750
Number of share options exercised historically	(2,029,375)
Number of share options outstanding at 1 January 2014, 31 December 2014	1,379,375
Number of share options outstanding at 31 December 2015	–

The share options granted under the Share Option Scheme are equity-settled.

The share options do not confer any rights on the holders to dividends or to vote at shareholders' meetings. The fair value of the share options granted was calculated using the Black-Scholes pricing model. The inputs into the model were as follows:

Share options granted on	25 January 2011	31 December 2009	28 February 2008	1 October 2008
Weighted average share price	US\$11.13	US\$6.67	US\$6.04	US\$8.25
Weighted average exercise price	US\$6.50	US\$6.50	US\$6.50	US\$6.50
Expected volatility	35%	25%	39%	44%
Risk free rate	0.27%	2.76%	3.08%	4.06%
Expected dividend yield	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

The volatility assumption, measured at the standard deviation of expected share price returns, was based on a statistical analysis of daily share prices over the year prior to grant.

The 1,379,375 outstanding share options since 1 January 2012, which had a weighted average exercise price of US\$6.5 fully expired on 31 December 2015.

10 Directors' and other key management remuneration

The remuneration of Directors for the year ended 31 December 2015 was as follows:

	Fees US\$'000	Salaries US\$'000	Bonuses US\$'000	Other emoluments (benefits) US\$'000	2015 US\$'000	2014 US\$'000
Executive Directors						
Randeep Grewal	–	1,000	1,000	1,024	3,024	1,517
Sub-total	–	1,000	1,000	1,024	3,024	1,517
Non-Executive Directors						
David Turnbull	56	–	–	–	56	61
Wayne Roberts	57	–	–	–	57	62
Steward John, OBE	61	–	–	–	61	66
Gong Da Bing	57	–	–	–	57	61
Sub-total	231	–	–	–	231	250
Total	231	1,000	1,000	1,024	3,255	1,767

Key management are considered to be the Directors.

11 Taxation

	Year ended 31 December 2015 US\$'000	Year ended 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Current tax – PRC Enterprise Tax		
Tax credit for the current year	(25)	(47)
Deferred tax		
Temporary timing differences (note 16 (b))	(9)	(581)
Previously unrecognised deferred tax assets assessed as recoverable at the end of the year (note 16 (a))	(178)	178
Total tax credit	(212)	(450)

Other comprehensive income includes a charge of US\$Nil (2014: credit, US\$396,000) in respect of deferred tax movements on exchange gains and on the retranslation of foreign subsidiaries.

The reasons for the difference between the actual tax charge for the year and the standard rate of corporation tax in the Cayman Islands applied to the loss for the period are as follows:

	Year ended 31 December 2015 US\$'000	Year ended 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Accounting loss before tax	(130)	(36,263)
Expected tax credit based on the standard rate of corporation tax in the PRC of 25% (2014: 25%)	(32)	(9,065)
Effect of:		
Different tax rates applied in overseas jurisdictions	57	9,112
Temporary differences applied in overseas jurisdictions at different tax rates	(237)	403
Income tax credit	(212)	450

Taxation for the Group's operations in the PRC is provided at the applicable current tax rate of 25% (2014: 25%) on the estimated assessable profits for the year.

12 Earnings and loss per share

The calculation of basic and diluted loss per share attributable to owners of the Company is based on the following data:

	Year ended 31 December 2015 US\$'000	Year ended 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Profit/(loss) for the year attributable to owners of the Company used in basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share	82	(35,813)
	Year ended 31 December 2015 Number	Year ended 31 December 2014 Number
Weighted average number of Ordinary Shares for basic and diluted earnings per share	156,072,289	156,072,289
	Year ended 31 December 2015	Year ended 31 December 2014
Basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share (US\$)	0.001	(0.229)

There have been no other transactions involving Ordinary Shares or potential Ordinary Shares between the reporting date and the date of approval of these financial statements.

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13 Property, plant and equipment

	Gas assets US\$'000	Buildings and structures US\$'000	Construction in progress US\$'000	Motor vehicles US\$'000	Fixtures, fittings and equipment US\$'000	Total US\$'000
Cost						
At 1 January 2014	31,010	1,045	1,776	901	5,646	40,378
Additions	–	–	219	–	150	369
Interest in GCZ block assets	13,300	–	–	–	–	13,300
Share of CUCBM assets	121,484	–	–	–	–	121,484
Disposals	–	–	–	–	(1,207)	(1,207)
Exchange differences	–	(4)	(17)	(2)	(23)	(46)
At 31 December 2014	165,794	1,041	1,978	899	4,566	174,278
Additions	3,055	–	132	1,185	160	4,532
Transfer from gas exploration & appraisal assets (Note 3)	121,010	–	–	–	–	121,010
Exchange differences	(7,001)	–	–	–	–	(7,001)
At 31 December 2015	282,858	1,041	2,110	2,084	4,726	292,819
Depreciation						
At 1 January 2014	9,949	364	–	606	1,227	12,146
Provided for the year	4,165	41	–	113	548	4,867
Eliminated on disposals	–	–	–	–	(359)	(359)
Exchange differences	–	1	–	(2)	(2)	(3)
At 31 December 2014	14,114	406	–	717	1,414	16,651
Provided for the year	3,495	41	–	151	485	4,172
At 31 December 2015	17,609	447	–	868	1,899	20,823
Net book value						
At 31 December 2015	265,249	594	2,110	1,216	2,827	271,996
At 31 December 2014	151,680	635	1,978	182	3,152	157,627

The interest in the GCZ block of \$13,300,000 in 2014 refers upstream capital additions and the Group's share of PetroChina's downstream assets recognised as part of the Cooperation Agreement. The share of CUCBM assets of \$121,484,000 in 2014 represents the Group's share of historic infrastructure expenditure incurred by CUCBM as part of the Framework Agreement, which are yet to commence commercial production. Further details are in note 26.

During the year, the Group has transferred US\$121,010,000 from its gas exploration and appraisal assets to property, plant and equipment as these assets are considered to be in commercial production. Refer to note 3 for the significant judgements made in this regard and note 26 for further detail.

14 Gas exploration and appraisal assets

	US\$'000
Cost	
At 1 January 2014	902,537
Additions	25,699
Capitalisation of internal costs	1,647
Revenue adjustment	(1,036)
Partner contribution written back	(2,600)
Share of gas exploration and appraisal assets from CUCBM (note 3 and 26)	22,543
Exchange differences	(875)
At 31 December 2014	1,157,915
Additions	31,949
Capitalisation of internal costs	10,370
Share of gas exploration and appraisal assets from CUCBM (note 3 and 26)	23,012
Transfer to property, plant and equipment	(121,010)
Exchange differences	(58,377)
At 31 December 2015	1,043,859
Net book value	
At 31 December 2015	1,043,859
At 31 December 2014	1,157,915
At 1 January 2014	902,537

The revenue adjustment of US\$1,036,000 in the year ended 31 December 2014 represented the gross margin arising on blocks included in exploration and appraisal assets which were deemed to represent pre-commercial production pilot gas production. No such adjustment is required in the current year as these blocks are now in commercial production. As such, the Group has transferred the book value of relevant assets considered to be in commercial production, along with a portion of the fair value uplift at acquisition, to property, plant and equipment. Refer to note 3 for significant judgements made in this regard.

14 Gas exploration and appraisal assets continued

PSC partner contributions written back in the year ended 31 December 2014 related to the final litigation settlement reached with ConocoPhillips in 2014.

The share of gas exploration and appraisal assets from CUCBM of US\$232,543,000 in the year ended 31 December 2014 represented the Group's share of the cumulative capital expenditure by CUCBM in the GSS, GSN, GFC, GQY and GPX blocks and related to exploration activities. In respect of the GSS capital expenditure made by CUCBM and as part of the Framework Agreement concluded in 2014, the Group agreed that CUCBM can recover such expenditure the PSC cost recovery mechanism by way of a preferential cost recovery. This arrangement provides that the Group will pay for its share of such assets in kind by allowing CUCBM to take an enhanced share of gas production from the related wells (the CUCBM Legacy Wells) until such time as CUCBM has recovered the cost invested. Cost recovery will only be made from sales of in-kind gas from the CUCBM Legacy Wells. Further details are provided in notes 26 and 31.

15 Other intangible assets

	Gas station operation licence US\$'000
Cost	
At 1 January 2014	7,517
Additions	—
At 31 December 2014	7,517
Additions	794
At 31 December 2015	8,311
Accumulated amortisation	
At 1 January 2014	3,696
Charge for the year	713
At 31 December 2014	4,409
Charge for the year	945
At 31 December 2015	5,354
Net book value	
At 31 December 2015	2,957
At 31 December 2014	3,108

16 Deferred taxation

(a) Deferred tax assets

	US\$'000
At 1 January 2014	1,954
Exchange differences	465
Origination of temporary difference in respect of overseas tax losses (note 16)	(178)
At 31 December 2014	2,241
Exchange differences	(250)
Reversal of temporary difference in respect of overseas tax losses (note 16)	178
At 31 December 2015	2,169

(b) Deferred tax liabilities

	US\$'000
At 1 January 2014	163,876
Reversal of temporary difference	(581)
Exchange differences	183
At 31 December 2014	163,478
Reversal of temporary difference	(9)
Exchange difference	(9,117)
At 31 December 2015	154,352

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16 Deferred taxation continued

	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Recognised deferred tax (liabilities) and assets at PRC rate of 25%		
Deferred tax assets and liabilities are attributable to the following:		
Fair value adjustments on exploration and evaluation assets	(154,352)	(163,478)
Undistributed profits	–	–
	(154,352)	(163,478)
Tax losses – overseas	2,169	2,241
Unrecognised deferred tax assets		
Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of the following:		
Tax losses – overseas	888	934
Potential unrecognised tax benefit at PRC rate of 25%	222	233

The deductible temporary differences do not expire under current tax legislation. PRC tax losses expire after five years. Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of the full value these items because at this point in the Group's development it is not virtually certain that future taxable profits will be available against which the Group companies can utilise the benefits of these tax losses in the near future. The Group has not offset deferred tax assets and liabilities across different jurisdictions.

17 Inventories

	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Raw materials and consumables	48	4
Finished goods	61	108
	109	112

18 Trade and other receivables

	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Trade receivables	1,933	1,537
Prepayments	3,367	4,942
Other receivables	5,817	5,134
Amount due from related company (note 27)	11,361	11,440
	22,478	23,053

The Group's maximum exposure to credit risk is as disclosed in note 30 (d). The fair values of trade receivables and other financial assets approximate their respective carrying amounts at the reporting dates due to their short maturities. No impairment provisions are held against the receivables as credit quality is considered to be high.

19 Cash and cash equivalents

An analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents is as follows:

	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Cash and bank balances	26,866	80,037
	26,866	80,037

Significant non-cash transactions are as follows:

	Year ended 31 December 2015 US\$'000	Year ended 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Investing activities		
Reversal of COPC contributions on exploration activities	–	2,600
Share of CUCBM capital investment	23,012	354,027
Financing activities		
Movement in the fair value of warrants	–	30,096

20 Trade and other payables

	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Trade payables	10,654	6,302
Other current liabilities	3,319	7,505
Amounts due to related parties (note 28)	1,440	8,296
	15,413	22,103

Trade and other payables are expected to be settled within one year. Their fair values approximate their respective carrying amounts at the end of each reporting period due to their short maturities. The amounts due to the related parties are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.

21 Convertible notes

	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Brought forward from prior year	47,243	33,383
Accrued interest	4,655	3,902
Issue of share capital upon conversion of convertible notes	–	(33,253)
Issue of convertible notes	–	46,186
Repayments of convertible notes and interest	(3,500)	(2,975)
	48,398	47,243
	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Repayable over 1 year	48,398	47,243
	48,398	47,243

At 31 December 2015, the Company had one (2014: one) convertible note in issue.

Convertible loan note issued 2014

US\$50 million 7% coupon convertible note due 2017

On 2 June 2014 ("Issue Date"), the Company issued a three-year convertible note having a face value of US\$50,000,000 with a maturity date of 1 June 2017 ("Maturity Date"). The note bears interest at 7% per annum, payable on a semi-annual basis. At the Maturity Date, the total sum of 100% of the outstanding principal amount of the convertible note and the accrued interest shall become payable, unless previously converted or redeemed.

The convertible note can be converted into Ordinary Shares of the Company at the note holder's option at any time prior to the Maturity Date at US\$9.34 per share.

Accounting for convertible notes

On initial recognition, the fair value of the liability component of the convertible loan note was determined using the prevailing market interest rate of similar debts without conversion option and early redemption options. For the note issued during 2014, the rate considered to be comparable was 10%. The loan note is subsequently carried at amortised cost.

The equity element arising from the conversion option of their convertible notes, being the residual value at initial recognition, is presented in the equity heading "convertible note equity reserve", as disclosed in note 24 to the financial statements.

Convertible loan note issued 2013 converted in 2014

US\$35 million 7% coupon convertible note due 2015

On 11 December 2013 ("Issue Date"), the Company issued a two-year convertible note having a face value of US\$35,000,000 with a maturity date of 16 December 2015 ("Maturity Date"). The note bore interest at 7% per annum, payable on a semi-annual basis. The convertible note could be converted into 5,775,578 Ordinary Shares of the Company at the note holder's option at any time prior to the Maturity Date at US\$6.06 per share.

In June 2014 the convertible note was converted into Ordinary Shares of the Company. As a result of the conversion, Green Dragon Gas issued 5,775,578 new Ordinary Shares at US\$6.06 per share to GIC Private Limited.

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On initial recognition, the fair value of the liability component of the convertible loan note was determined using the prevailing market interest rate of similar debts without conversion and early redemption options. For the loan note issued during 2013, the rate considered to be comparable was 10%. The loan was subsequently carried at amortised cost and de-recognised on conversion.

The equity element arising from the conversion options of their two convertible notes, being the residual value at initial recognition, was presented in the equity heading "convertible note equity reserve", as disclosed in note 24 to the financial statements.

On conversion, the convertible note equity reserve was transferred to share premium.

22 Bonds and derivative financial instrument

On 8 December 2014, Green Dragon Gas issued a public corporate bond (the "Bond") in the amount of US\$88,000,000. The bond was issued at a discount of 2.5% and is senior secured three year paper due on 20 November 2017. The Bond carries a 10% coupon payable semi-annually and also carries a redemption premium of 2% at maturity. The Company has a right to redeem the Bond early at 107%, 105%, 103% of par at the 12, 18, and 24 month anniversaries. The Bond is secured by a pledge over the shares of Greka Gas China, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Green Dragon Gas. The bond was initially recorded at fair value and is subsequently carried at amortised cost. Issue fees of US\$1,893,000 were offset against the principal amount of the bond and will be amortised as part of the effective interest rate charge to the maturity date. The redemption premium is amortised as part of the effective interest rate charge to the maturity date. The following table summarises the movements in the bond:

	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Brought forward from prior year	85,072	–
Issue of bond	–	85,800
Accrued interest	10,535	1,165
Issue costs offset	–	(1,893)
Repayments of interest	(8,800)	–
	86,807	85,072

On 3 June 2013, the Company issued an 18-month bond of US\$35,000,000 with a maturity date of 3 December 2014 ("Maturity Date"). The bond bore interest at 7% per annum, payable semi-annually.

The Company issued 13,756,000 warrants at the same date to the bondholder under a separate warrant agreement with an exercise price fixed at GBP 1.97216.

On 3 December 2014, the bond was fully repaid at its principal amount. The warrant and the put option were exercised on 3 December 2014 at an exercise price of GBP 1.97216, which resulted in an increase in share capital of US\$1,257, an increase in share premium of US\$92,951,000 and a cash in-flow of US\$42,446,000 to the Group. The warrants were re-valued as at the exercise date of 3 December 2014 and subsequently derecognised from the statement of financial position, with the fair value movement of US\$30,096,000 being recognised as a finance expense in the income statement.

23 Share capital

	Authorised		Issued and fully paid	
	Number of shares	US\$	Number of shares	US\$
At 1 January 2014 Ordinary Shares of US\$0.0001 each	500,000,000	50,000	136,540,711	13,654
Issue of shares	–	–	19,531,578	1,953
At 31 December 2014 and 31 December 2015 Ordinary Shares of US\$0.0001 each	500,000,000	50,000	156,072,289	15,607

The issue of shares refer to the exercise of warrants and convertible loan notes.

24 Reserves

Nature and purposes of reserves

(i) Share premium

The amount relates to subscription for or issue of shares in excess of nominal value. The application of the share premium account is governed by the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands.

(ii) Convertible note equity reserve

The amount represents the value of the unexercised equity component of the convertible note issued by the Company recognised in accordance with the accounting policy adopted in note 2 to the financial statements.

(iii) Share-based payment reserve

The amount relates to the fair value of the share options that have been expensed through the income statement less amounts, if any, that have been transferred to the retained earnings/deficit upon exercise.

(iv) Foreign exchange reserve

The amount represents gains/losses arising from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operation the functional currency of which is different from the presentation currency of the Group. The reserve is dealt with in accordance with the accounting policy set out in note 2 to these financial statements.

(v) Retained deficit

The amount represents cumulative net gains and losses recognised in consolidated profit or loss less any amounts reflected directly in other reserves.

Distributable reserves

According to the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands and the Company's Articles, payment of dividends or distribution from the share premium account is permitted.

25 Subsidiaries

The principal subsidiaries of the Company, all of which have been included in these consolidated financial statements, are as follows:

Name	Place of incorporation	Principal activities	As at 31 December 2015 Percentage of ownership interest held		As at 31 December 2014 Percentage of ownership interest held	
			Directly	Indirectly	Directly	Indirectly
Greka Gas China Limited	Cayman Islands	Investment holding	100%	–	100%	–
Greka Energy (International) B.V.	Amsterdam, Netherlands	Exploration, development and production of coal bed methane	–	100%	–	100%
Greka Transport Limited	British Virgin Islands	Investment holding	–	100%	–	100%
Greka Integrated Products Ltd	British Virgin Islands	Investment holding	–	100%	–	N.A
Great Buy Investments Ltd	British Virgin Islands	Investment holding	–	100%	–	100%
Greka Gas Distribution Ltd	British Virgin Islands	Investment holding	–	100%	–	100%
Greka Shanxi Ltd	British Virgin Islands	Investment holding	–	100%	–	100%
Greka Exploration and Production Ltd	Cayman Islands	Investment holding	–	100%	–	100%
Greka LNG Ltd	British Virgin Islands	Not yet commence business	–	100%	–	100%
Zhengzhou Greka Gas Co., Ltd.	The PRC	Supply and distribution of natural gas	–	100%	–	100%
PingDingShan Greka Gas Co., Ltd	The PRC	Supply and distribution of natural gas	–	100%	–	100%
Gongyi Greka Transportation Co., Ltd	The PRC	Investment holding	–	100%	–	N.A
Greka Guizhou E&P Ltd	British Virgin Islands	Exploration, development and production of coal bed methane	–	100%	–	100%
YanjinChangda Gas Station	The PRC	Supply and distribution of natural gas	–	100%	–	100%

Note:

(1) The following subsidiaries' shares have been pledged to the bondholder in 2014 and 2015 (note 22): a Cayman Islands law governed first ranking equitable share mortgage over shares in Greka Gas China Ltd.

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26 Joint arrangements

The Group currently operates under five (2014:five) production sharing contracts ("PSCs") for the exploration and development of CBM gas in the PRC.

Background

On 8 January 2003, the Group entered into four PSCs with CUCBM to explore, develop and produce coal bed methane in five blocks comprising Shizhuang South ("GSS"), Chengzhuang ("GCZ"), Shizhuang North ("GSN"), Qinyuan ("GQY") and Panxie East ("GPX"). GSS, GCZ, GSN and GQY are located in Shanxi Province with Panxie East located in Anhui Province.

In 2003 the Group also obtained the rights as foreign contractor related to the Fengcheng ("GFC") PSC. This PSC, dated 13 August 1999, was originally entered between Saba Petroleum Inc. as foreign contractor and CUCBM. Saba Petroleum Inc. was a related company of the Group by way of the common controlling shareholder, Mr. Randeep S. Grewal. The GFC block is located in Jiangxi Province.

Under the terms of these five PSCs the Group, as operator, agreed to provide funds and apply its technology and managerial experience and to cooperate with CUCBM to explore, develop and produce coal bed methane from the licence areas. CUCBM as a state-owned enterprise is eligible to apply for the exclusive rights for the exploitation of coal bed methane in the areas as defined in the contracts.

The PSCs provide that all costs incurred in the exploration stage shall be borne by the Group. The terms of the PSCs require the Group to cooperate with the state partner to submit the Overall Development Plan to the relevant authorities. Upon approval of the ODP by the Chinese authorities, the PSC operation are determined to have entered the development stage. However, as detailed in note 3 in circumstances when the approval of ODP is delayed other factors, including the substantive nature of operations and cash generation, may be considered to determine whether the development stage has been reached regardless of formal ODP approval. Where it is determined that an asset is in the development stage based on facts and circumstances then the associated investment balance is reclassified from the exploration and appraisal category to the property, plant and equipment category of fixed assets. The responsibility for procuring approval of the ODP lies with the State partner. Once formally in the development stage the cost sharing mechanisms within the PSCs become effective and development and operating costs are borne by the partners in accordance with their respective equity interests in the relevant PSCs. Once production commences the cost recovery mechanism within the PSCs provides that the proceeds of production output (after deduction of value-added tax and any royalty payable to the Chinese tax authority) are allocated as follows:

- firstly towards operating costs recovery in the proportion above mentioned (the "Sharing Proportion");
- secondly to exploration cost recovery solely by the Group; and
- thirdly to development cost recovery (including deemed interest as appropriate).

Any unallocated revenue after cost recovery is allocated to the partners in accordance with their equity participation in the PSC after calculating a final royalty payable to the Chinese Authorities. The final royalty is based on a sliding scale from 0% to the maximum payable of 15% and calculated over total block production.

The five PSCs each have a term of 30 years, with a production period of not more than 20 consecutive years commencing on a date determined by the Joint Management Committee but aligned with the approval date of ODP. The JMC is established in accordance with the PSC between the Group and CUCBM to oversee the operations in the contracted area. Currently all the six blocks covered by these five production sharing contracts are formally in the exploration stage based on the Chinese requirement for ODP approval before transition to development. In 2015 the assets associated with area 4 within the GSS block were reclassified as property, plant and equipment due to the substantive nature of the production operations and associated cash generation from this area.

PSCs held with PetroChina (CNPC)

Chengzhuang block ("GCZ")

In August 2014, the Group finalised and signed the Cooperation Agreement with PetroChina in respect of the GCZ block in accordance with an memorandum of understanding previously entered in December 2013. GCZ lies within the GSS licence area and prior to the Cooperation agreement was governed by the GSS PSC. The Cooperation Agreement reaffirms the rights of the Group contained in the PSC over the GCZ block. The Cooperation agreement confirms the Group's 47% participating interest in the block and defines the term of the agreement as running from March 2010 to March 2033.

The Cooperation Agreement confirmed the Group's contribution to cumulative capital expenditure and its share of net revenue. The Cooperation Agreement also confirmed the Group's entitlement to its share of the downstream infrastructure assets in place, including the gas gathering station, together with the Group's funding obligation for those assets. The Group recorded US\$10,900,000 within property, plant and equipment in respect of its 47% share in these assets in 2014 based on the final agreement of the costs associated with the downstream infrastructure. The Group also elected to settle its obligation for all historic amounts due to PetroChina through its share of future production.

In 2015 PetroChina achieved cost recovery in respect of its historic investment in the GCZ block. Following cost recovery by PetroChina the Group is receiving its proportion of revenue in cash each month. As a result the billing arrangements for GCZ have moved to a full joint operations basis where the Group receives its share of revenue on the conclusion of each month and is separately cash-called for its share of opex and capex on a month-ahead basis. Cash calls are reconciled to actual expenditure quarterly.

26 Joint arrangements continued

The following table summarises the Group's share of the capital expenditure and net revenues arising from the GCZ block for the current and prior year. Depreciation figures have been excluded.

	2015 US\$'000
Capital expenditure	2,404
Revenue	15,126
Total operational costs and expenses	(3,248)
Net Profit	11,878
Amount due from/(to) PetroChina	
Balance as at 1 January 2015	(4,407)
Capital expenditure for GCZ block	(2,404)
Share of profit for GCZ block	11,878
Cash received	(3,293)
Balance as at 31 December 2015	1,774

The balance due from PetroChina is included within trade and other receivables, is unsecured and interest free.

Baotian-Qingshan block ('GGZ')

In addition, Greka Guizhou E&P Ltd, a subsidiary of the Company, is party to a PSC with PetroChina to explore for and develop coal bed methane resources in Guizhou Province. The Group is entitled to earn a 60% interest in GGZ by funding up to US\$8,000,000 in respect of an exploration pilot programme and has provided a performance bond against this commitment in the amount of US\$2,000,000. At 31 December 2015 the cumulative investment made by the Group in GGZ was US\$30,287,000, of which US\$7,382,000 was invested in 2015.

PetroChina is a subsidiary of state-owned China National Petroleum Corporation (CNPC), headquartered in Dongcheng District, Beijing.

PSCs held with CUCBM (CNOOC)

Framework Agreement with CUCBM

On 31 March 2014, and following the identification of unauthorised drilling activities across several of the Group's blocks by CUCBM, the Group entered a Framework Agreement with CUCBM the purpose of which was to amend and clarify the rights of both the Group and CUCBM in relation to the PSCs jointly held between the parties. Under the terms of the Framework agreement, the Group's percentage share in the relevant blocks were updated and confirmed as follows:

PSC	GDG share	CUCBM share	
Shizhuang South	60%	40%	GDG share increasing to 70% on payment of US\$13,000,000 to CUCBM
Shizhuang North	50%	50%	
Quinyuan Area A	10%	90%	
Quinyuan Area B	60%	40%	
Fengcheng	49%*	51%	
Panxie East	60%*	40%	

* Unchanged.

The Framework Agreement reaffirmed the status of the PSC's. Under the PSCs, the exploration costs were due to be incurred by the Group, with the Group carrying the exploration risk and the associated costs being recovered from future production. Notwithstanding the terms of the PSC, CUCBM undertook significant unauthorised exploration work within the licence area incurring gross expenditure of US\$611,300,000 related to the drilling of wells and the establishment of certain infrastructure across the PSC blocks.

Under the PSC, the Group had the legal right to enforce its interest in the asset as if it had been incurred 100% by the Group in the exploration phase and benefit accordingly from the costs incurred by CUCBM. However as part of the negotiation of the Framework Agreement the Group agreed to reimburse CUCBM for what otherwise would have represented the Group's share of the historic expenditure by allowing CUCBM to recover its historic costs in kind from an enhanced participation share (over and above CUCBM's equity interest in the PSC) in ring fenced gas production from the relevant wells. A constructive obligation related to the agreement to reimburse CUCBM in kind is considered to exist given the nature of the transaction and the substance of the negotiation between the parties.

The amount to be reimbursed through future production from the ring fenced wells is considered sufficiently certain given the status of well development, the extent of in-place infrastructure and estimated reserves associated with the wells. Accordingly the Group has recorded its proportionate share of the assets in accordance with its equity interest in the PSC. A provision representing the estimated value of production from the ring fenced wells that the Group will forgo in order to settle its share of the costs incurred has also been recorded.

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Settlement remains dependent upon sufficient future production arising from the ring fenced wells.

The following table summarises the CUCBM provision which also represents the Group's cumulative share of capital expenditure:

	31 December 2015 US\$'000	31 December 2014 US\$'000
Opening balance	367,027	13,000
Capital additions in the year	23,012	354,027
FX gain	(19,822)	–
Closing provision for amounts due to CUCBM	370,217	367,027

The cumulative expenditure by CUCBM across the PSCs, which the Group is reimbursing through future production, bears interest at 9%. No discounting of the provision applies given the interest bearing nature. No entries have been made in relation to the interest as the Group remains in discussions with CUCBM over accounting for the interest.

Under the original Shizhuang South PSC and as reaffirmed by the Framework Agreement US\$13,000,000 included within provisions (2014: US\$13,000,000) represent amounts payable to CUCBM in respect of exploration costs incurred by CUCBM on GSS prior to the original PSC between the parties. This amount is to be settled out of the Group's share of future revenue from the Shizhuang South Block. The balance is unsecured, interest-free and is not expected to be repayable within the next 12 months. Discounting is considered immaterial. On satisfaction of the payable to CUCBM, the Group's interest in the GSS PSC will be revised to 70%. The obligation is classified as a provision given the uncertain nature of its timing.

Shizhuang North PSC

Under the terms of the Framework Agreement, the Group agreed to reduce its interest in the GSN Block by 10% in return for CUCBM providing the Group with a carried interest of US\$100,000,000 related to exploration and development expenditure across the block. The Group has incurred US\$7,700,000 on the block which is currently held as exploration asset. No gain in respect of the committed future expenditure as compared to the 10% interest in the Group's existing assets has been recognised under the Group's accounting policy.

CUCBM is majority owned by China National Offshore Oil Corp and is headquartered in Dongcheng District, Beijing.

27 Related party transactions**Amounts due from/(to) related parties and corresponding transactions**

The related parties of the Group include:

- The Group's joint arrangement partners (PetroChina and CUCBM).
- Companies that are subsidiaries of Greka Drilling Limited and Greka Engineering and Technology Limited. These companies are under common management and control of Mr. Randeep S. Grewal.

As at 31 December 2015, the Group had the following balances due to/from its related parties under common control:

- Net receivable from the Greka Drilling Limited group of US\$9,587,000 (2014: US\$9,687,000).
- Net payable to the Greka Engineering and Technology group of US\$1,440,000 (2014: US\$2,135,000).

Details of transactions and year end balances with the Group's joint arrangement partners PetroChina and CUCBM have been provided in note 26.

During the year, the Group has incurred drilling costs of US\$23,912,000 (2014: US\$18,500,000) on services provided by wholly-owned subsidiaries of Greka Drilling Limited. The Group has also incurred infrastructure services costs of US\$4,957,000 (2014: US\$3,200,000) from wholly-owned subsidiaries of Greka Engineering and Technology Limited. The Group also completed its acquisition of the transportation business from Greka Engineering and Technology, acquiring net assets of US\$1,876,000 for consideration of the same amount. Both companies are under common control.

The Group has entered a master service contract with Greka Drilling Ltd, a company under common management and control, regarding the provision of drilling services to the Group. There is no minimum expenditure committed in the contract within the next 12 months.

Chandler Group was the holder of the Group's bonds and warrants detailed in note 21. The Group is considered to represent a related party by virtue of its shareholding which has increased due to the exercise of the warrants.

Subsidiary companies

Transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries, which are related parties of the Company, have been eliminated on consolidation and are not disclosed in this note. Details of transactions between the Group and other related parties are described above.

Key management personnel

Key management personnel of the Group are the Directors. Directors' remuneration is disclosed in note 10 to the financial statements.

28 Operating lease commitments

At the reporting dates, the Group had commitments, as lessee, for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating lease in respect of land and buildings which fall due as follows:

	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
No later than 1 year	3,546	1,406
Later than 1 year and no later than 5 years	2,421	953
More than 5 years	–	3,543
	5,967	5,902

29 Capital commitments

	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Capital expenditure contracted but not provided for in respect of		
– additions to exploration costs and appraisal assets	7,473	1,794
– acquisition of property, plant and equipment	77	195
	7,550	1,989

The above amount included the Group's proportionate share of the capital commitments of its jointly controlled entities as follows:

	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Capital expenditure contracted but not provided for in respect of – acquisition of property, plant and equipment	–	–

30 Financial instruments

	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Financial Assets		
Loans and receivables:		
Trade and other receivables	17,337	18,111
Cash and cash equivalents	28,866	80,037
Total financial assets	46,203	98,148
Financial Liabilities		
At amortised cost:		
Trade and other payables	15,413	17,696
Convertible notes	48,398	47,243
Bonds (Level 1 Valuation)	86,807	85,072
Total financial liabilities	150,618	150,011

The carrying value of the financial assets and liabilities is approximately equal to their fair value at 31 December 2015.

Interest rate risk

The Group's income and operating cash flows are substantially independent of changes in market interest rates. The Group's bond and convertible loan note bear fixed interest. The Group has not entered into any cash flow interest rate hedging contracts or any other derivative financial instruments for hedging purposes. However, the management closely monitors its exposure to future cash flow as a result of changes in market interest rates, and will consider hedging such changes should the need arise.

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The interest rate profile of the Group's financial assets at each year end was as follows:

		As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Cash			
US dollars	Non-interest bearing	2,000	–
US dollars	Floating rate	1,261	27,373
GBP	Floating rate	18,579	42,248
CAD	Floating rate	53	63
RMB	Non-interest bearing	19	–
RMB	Floating rate	6,863	9,865
HKD	Non-interest bearing	3	3
HKD	Floating rate	88	485
Other financial assets			
RMB	Non-interest bearing	16,874	18,111
HKD	Non-interest bearing	463	–
		46,203	98,148

The weighted average interest rate earned during the year was 0.12% (2014: 0.21%) on floating rate US dollar cash balances, 0.52% (2014: 0.0%) on floating rate GBP balances and 0.3% (2014: 0.5%) on floating rate RMB balances. At the year end, the Group had cash on short-term deposit for periods of between over-night and one week.

The interest rate profile of the Group's financial liabilities at each year end was as follows:

		As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Loans and borrowings, convertible notes and bonds and derivative financial liability			
US dollars	Fixed rate	135,205	132,315
Other financial liabilities			
US dollars	Non-interest bearing	1,635	516
RMB	Non-interest bearing	13,773	16,616
GBP	Non-interest bearing	–	350
HKD	Non-interest bearing	5	40
SGD	Non-interest bearing	–	174
		150,618	150,011

The interest rates payable during the year was 7% (2014: 7%) on US dollars convertible notes and 10% (2014: 10%) on US dollars bonds. If all interest rates had been 50 basis points higher/lower, with all other variables held constant, post-tax profit would have been US\$676,000 (2014: US\$320,000) higher/lower and there will be no impact on other components of equity.

30 Financial instruments continued

Foreign currency risk

While the Group continually monitors its exposure to movements in currency rates, it does not utilise hedging instruments to protect against currency risks. The main currency exposure risk to the Group has been in relation to the trade payable and other payables denominated in RMB. The Directors consider the foreign currency exposure to be limited. Receivables are generated in RMB, operational cash balances are held in RMB, revenues and future revenues from certain subsidiary operations will be generated in RMB.

As at 31 December 2015	In SGD US\$'000	In CAD US\$'000	In USD US\$'000	In RMB US\$'000	In GBP US\$'000	In HKD US\$'000	Total in USD US\$'000
Financial Assets							
Trade and other receivables	–	–	–	16,874	–	463	17,337
Cash and cash equivalents	–	53	3,261	6,882	18,579	91	28,866
	–	53	3,261	23,756	18,579	554	46,203
Financial Liabilities							
Trade and other payables	–	–	1,635	13,773	–	5	15,413
Convertible notes and bonds	–	–	135,205	–	–	–	135,205
	–	–	136,840	13,773	–	5	150,618
As at 31 December 2014							
	In SGD US\$'000	In CAD US\$'000	In USD US\$'000	In RMB US\$'000	In GBP US\$'000	In HKD US\$'000	Total in USD US\$'000
Financial Assets							
Trade and other receivables	–	–	–	18,111	–	–	18,111
Cash and cash equivalents	–	63	27,373	9,865	42,248	488	80,037
	–	63	27,373	27,976	42,248	488	98,148
Financial Liabilities							
Trade and other payables	174	–	516	16,616	350	40	17,696
Convertible notes and bonds	–	–	132,315	–	–	–	132,315
	174	–	132,831	16,616	350	40	150,011

The above RMB cash, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables and other financial liabilities balances are denominated in a currency other than US dollars. A 4% increase or decrease in the US dollar/RMB exchange rate would result in reported profits for the year ended 31 December 2015 being US\$379,000 higher or lower respectively (2014: US\$993,000).

Liquidity risk

The liquidity risk of each group entity is managed centrally by the group treasury function. The investment budgets and work plans are set by the operating teams in the PRC and agreed by the Board annually in advance, enabling the Group's cash requirements to be anticipated. Where facilities of group entities need to be increased, approval must be sought from the Board.

All surplus cash is held centrally to maximise the returns on deposits through economies of scale while required cash will be remitted to the PRC based on monthly cash-call basis.

The maturity profile of the Group's financial liabilities at the reporting dates based on contractual undiscounted payments are summarised below:

	Six months or less US\$'000	Six months to one year US\$'000	Within one to five years US\$'000	Over five years US\$'000	Undiscounted payments US\$'000 (note i)	Adjustments US\$'000 (note ii)	Carrying balance US\$'000 (note iii)
At 31 December 2015							
Trade and other payables	15,413	–	–	–	15,413	–	15,413
Convertible notes and bonds	6,150	6,150	150,300	–	162,600	(27,395)	135,205
	21,563	6,150	150,300	–	178,013	(27,395)	150,618
At 31 December 2014							
Trade and other payables	17,696	–	–	–	17,696	–	17,696
Convertible notes and bonds	6,150	6,150	162,610	–	174,910	(42,595)	132,315
	23,846	6,150	162,610	–	192,606	(42,595)	150,011

Notes:

- Undiscounted payments are drawn up based on the earliest date on which the Group can be required to pay. They include both principal and interest cash outflows.
- In the year ended 31 December 2015 and 2014, the adjustment to the convertible notes and bonds represents the impact of the unamortised transaction costs and future interest.
- Carrying balance represents the balance per consolidated statement of financial position at the end of each reporting period.

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Credit risk

The Group's maximum exposure to credit risk by class of individual financial instrument is shown below:

	31 December 2015		31 December 2014	
	Carrying value US\$'000	Maximum exposure US\$'000	Carrying value US\$'000	Maximum exposure US\$'000
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	28,866	28,866	80,037	80,037
Trade and other receivables	17,337	17,337	18,111	18,111
	46,203	46,203	98,148	98,148

In relation to its cash and cash equivalents, the Group has to manage its currency exposures and the credit risk associated with the credit quality of the financial institutions in which the Group maintains its cash resources. As at 31 December 2015 the Group holds approximately 11% (2014:34%) of its cash in US dollars and 64% (2014: 53%) in British Pound with Baa2 (2014: Baa2) or higher (Moody's) rated institutions. The Group continues to monitor its treasury management to ensure an appropriate balance of the safety of funds and maximisation of yield.

None of the other trade and other receivables had been impaired. Trade and other receivables are predominantly non-interest bearing. The Group does not hold any collateral as security and the Group does not hold any significant provision in the impairment account for trade and other receivables as they mainly relate to customers with no default history.

Capital risk management

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to ensure the ability of the entities in the Group to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for equity holders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital. In order to maintain the capital structure, the Group considers the macro economic conditions, prevailing borrowing rates in the market and adequacy of cash flows generated from operations and may adjust the amount of dividends paid or payable to equity holders, raise funding through capital market, adjust the amount of other borrowings as necessary. No changes were made to the objectives or policies during the year/period.

The Group monitors capital on the basis of the debt-to-equity ratio. This ratio is calculated as net debts divided by equity attributable to the Company's equity holders. Net debt includes current and non-current liabilities less cash and cash equivalents, as shown in the consolidated statements of financial position. Equity includes equity attributable to equity holders of the Company. Debt-to-equity ratios at 31 December 2015 and 2014 are as follows:

	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
Current liabilities	15,426	22,246
Non-current liabilities	659,774	662,820
Cash and cash equivalents	(28,866)	(80,037)
Net debt	646,334	605,029
Equity	697,447	739,302
Debt-to-equity ratio	0.92	0.82

Fair value

The carrying amounts of significant financial assets and liabilities approximate their respective fair values as at 31 December 2015 and 2014.

The carrying values of cash and bank balances, trade and other receivables, and trade and other payables approximate their respective fair values because of their short maturities. The carrying amounts of other liabilities approximate their fair value as the effect of discounting is immaterial. The carrying amounts of loan and borrowings and convertible notes approximate their fair values because the effective interest rates of the debts are approximate to the prevailing market interest rates at the reporting dates for similar borrowings available to the Group.

31 Provisions

	As at 31 December 2015 US\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 US\$'000
CUCBM provision	370,217	367,027

Details regarding the provision, along with movements in the year have been disclosed in Note 26. At 31 December 2015 US\$370,217,000 (2014: US\$367,072) represents the value of future production related to the enhanced cost recovery from the ring fenced CUCBM legacy wells that the Group has agreed in the Framework Agreement with CUCBM will be used to satisfy the Group's proportionate share of investment made by CUCBM in GSS. The balance will be paid in kind from future production. There is no constructive or substantive obligation on the Group to repay these amounts in cash should future production from the ring-fenced legacy wells be insufficient to recover the balance.

No discounting has been applied to the provision as it bears interest at 9.0%. The movement in the balance in the year relates entirely to exchange following the devaluation of the RMB.

The CUCBM provision also includes US\$13,000,000 (2014: US\$13,000,000) in respect of exploration costs incurred by CUCBM prior to the PSC period. This balance is to be settled from the Group's share of future production from Shizhuang South or could be paid in cash at any time. The amount is unsecured and does not bear interest. Discounting is considered to be immaterial. On satisfaction of the payable the Group's interest in the GSS PSC will be revised to 70% (currently 60%).

32 Subsequent events

There were no significant subsequent events that happened after 31 December 2015 up to the date of approval of the Group's Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2015.

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