Interim Report

Period Ended

30 June 2021

Registered number 10933801

# Interim Report For the period ended 30 June 2021

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**Directors** 

Anna Dellis Simon Lees Paul Miles Adam Miller Kevin O'Connor

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# Secretary and registered office

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#### Company number

10933801

#### **Auditors**

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# Statement of comprehensive income For the period ended 30 June 2021

	6 month ended 30 June 2021 Unaudited £'000	6 month ended 30 June 2020 Unaudited £'000	Year ended 31 December 2020 Audited £'000
Turnover	<u> </u>	(2)	r <b>a</b> ti
Cost of sales	Ξ.	*	<i>≅</i> 0
Gross profit		72	
Administrative expenses	(4)	(138)	(218)
Group operating (loss) Other interest receivable and similar income Interest payable and similar charges Dividends from share in group undertakings	(4) 7,980 (4,943)	(138) 6,671 (4,731)	(218) 13,842 (9,547) 17,000
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	3,033	1,802	21,077
Profit for the financial period and total comprehensive income for the period	3,033	1,802	21,077

The statement of comprehensive income has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

### Balance sheet As at 30 June 2021

	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June	31 December	31 December
	2021	2021	2020	2020	2020	2020
	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited	Audited
Fired as a 4-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets Investments		620,118		620,094		620,106
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		620,118		620,094		620,106
Current assets						
Debtors	207,496		185,704		199,862	
Cash at bank and in hand	48,104		7,909		4,096	
	255,600		193,613		203,958	
Creditors: amounts falling due						
within one year	(16,010)		(28,015)		(27,993)	
Net current assets	-	239,590	s <del></del>	165,598		175,965
Total assets less current		1				
liabilities		859,708		785,692		796,071
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		(342,468)		(271,260)		(281,864)
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Net assets		517,240		514,432		514,207
Capital and reserves						
Called up share capital		141,705		141,705		141,705
Share premium account		369,999		369,999		369,999
Profit and loss account		5,536		2,728		2,503
		517,240		514,432		514,207

The interim report was approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 22 September 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

P Miles **Director** 

**ESPUG Finance Limited** 

Statement of changes in equity For the period ended 30 June 2021

Total Equity 31 December 2020 Audited £'000	515,630	21,077		(22,500)	(22,500)	514,207
Profit and loss account 31 December 2020 Audited	3,926	21,077		(22,500)	(22,500)	2,503
Share Premium 31 December 2020 Unaudited	369,999		<u> </u>	Ū		369,999
Share capital 31 December 2020 Audited £'000	141,705	6		1.)		141,705
Total Equity 30 June 2020 Unaudited £'000	515,630	1,802	8,000	(11,000)	(3,000)	514,432
Profit and loss account 30 June 2020 Unaudited	3,926	1,802	8,000	(11,000)	(3,000)	2,728
Share Premium 30 June 2020 Unaudited £'000	666'698			0	ę c	369,999
Share capital 30 June 2020 Unaudited £'000	141,705	() SA		19	To	141,705
Total Equity 30 June 2021 Unaudited £'000	514,207	3,033		*	L#E	517,240
Profit and loss account 30 June 2021 Unaudited	2,503	3,033		*	3.00	5,536
Share Premium 30 June 2021 Unaudited £'000	666'698	1		•		369,999
Share capital 30 June 2021 Unaudited	141,705			•	342	141,705
	1 January Comprehensive income for the period Profit for the period	Total comprehensive income for the period	Contributions by and distributions to owners Dividends received	Dividends paid	Total contributions by and distributions to owners	30 June

#### Notes forming part of the interim report For the period ended 30 June 2021

#### 1 Financial Information

The interim financial information for the 6 months ended 30 June 2021 does not constitute statutory accounts within the meaning of section 435 of the Companies Act 2006. It has been prepared using accounting policies and principles consistent with those applied in the preparation of the audited accounts of ESPUG Finance Ltd for the period ended 31 December 2020.

The interim financial information has been prepared in accordance with FRS 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £1,000.

#### 2 Comparatives

The comparatives in the interim financial information are the figures included in the audited financial statements for ESPUG Finance Limited for the period ended 31 December 2020.

#### 3 Debtors

	30 June 2021 Unaudited £'000	30 June 2020 Unaudited £'000	31 December 2020 Audited £'000
Amounts owed by Group undertakings Other debtors	207,496	185,704	199,855 7
	207,496	185,704	199,862

All debtors are due within one year.

The amounts owed by group undertakings relate to intercompany balances which do not bear interest and are repayable on demand by the Company when sufficient funds are available to do so.

## 4 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	30 June	30 June	31 December
	<b>2021</b> Unaudited	2020 Unaudited	2020 Audited
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Amounts owed to Group undertakings	14,000	26,000	26,000
Loan interest due	2,002	2,009	1,986
Accruals and deferred income	8	6	7
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	16,010	28,015	27,993

The amounts owed to group undertakings relate to intercompany balances which do not bear interest and are repayable on demand by the Company.

Notes forming part of the consolidated interim report For the period ended 30 June 2021 (continued)

### 5 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	30 June	30 June	31 December
	2021	2020	2020
	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Loan notes	312,468	251,260	251,864
Capex loan	30,000	20,000	30,000
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	342,468	271,260	281,864

The loan notes are secured by an All Assets charge over the assets of the Group, and are structured as follows:-

£54m at 2.69% Senior Secured Tranche A note due 6th October 2027 £85m at 3.05% Senior Secured Tranche B note due 6th October 2032 £30m at 2.116% Senior Secured note due 13 February 2035

£30m at 2.53% Senior Secured note due 30th June 2036

£85m at 3.35% Senior Secured Tranche C note due 6th October 2037

£30m at 2.736% Senior Secured note due 13 May 2041

The Capex loan is repayable in full in October 2022 and incurs interest at a rate of LIBOR plus 1.5%. The bank loans are secured by an All Assets charge over the assets of the Group

#### 6 Related party disclosures

The Company's immediate holding company is ESP Utilities Group Limited, a Company registered in England. The Company's ultimate holding company is Zoom Holding Limited, a Company registered in England and Wales.

The Company is ultimately controlled by 3i MIA LP, an English limited partnership, which is managed by 3i Investments plc. 3i Investments plc is wholly owned by 3i Group plc. The general partner of 3i MIA LP is 3i Managed Infrastructure GP (2017) LLP.

The largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by Zoom Holding Limited. The smallest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by ESP Utilities Group Limited.

Notes forming part of the consolidated interim report For the period ended 30 June 2021 *(continued)* 

#### 7 Covid-19

As a transporter of gas and electricity within the UK, the Group's ongoing business has continued without interruption during successive lockdowns within the UK. The Group has continued to provide uninterrupted energy to homes and businesses, adapting working practises while maintaining our commitment to providing the very best service.

New connections made during 2021 have been in line with budget, as construction activity in the UK continued during the winter lockdown. Despite connections being on track, the Group has noticed a slight drop in sites won this year due to Developers delaying new starts until current delays and price inflation in the supply chain improve. This is forecast to be a temporary slow-down. Underlying pressure for new housing supply within the UK remains strong.

Due to the mature nature of our regulated income streams, tied to the majority of revenue being generated from assets already in the ground, our levels of profitability and cash flow generation have not been impacted by Covid. These will continue to grow as we add new connections.