



**2018 STRATEGIC REPORT
WITH SUPPLEMENTARY
FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

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STRATEGIC REPORT

The Directors present the Strategic report with consolidated Supplementary financial information of Gazprom Marketing & Trading Limited ("GM&T" or the "Company") and its subsidiary undertakings (collectively referred to as the "Group") for the year ended 31 December 2018.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the Group and Company is the marketing and trading of energy products including natural gas, power, liquefied natural gas ("LNG"), liquefied petroleum gas ("LPG"), helium and oil products. The Group is active across global energy market hub locations; however it is primarily focussed in the Continental European and Asian energy markets. Alongside trading of energy products, the Group is also engaged in the retail energy market, and in the charter and sub-charter of vessels as part of the Group's shipping and logistics activities supporting the LNG business. As part of the ongoing restructure of the GPG Group, during 2018 the Group increased its activity in providing market access and risk management services to other entities in the GPG Group. There have been no significant changes in the Group's or Company's principal activities in the year.

The ultimate parent undertaking is PAO Gazprom, a company incorporated in Russia which, together with the Group and PAO Gazprom's other subsidiary undertakings, form the "Gazprom Group".

Introduction

During the year, the Group has continued to focus on its core global trading and marketing activities. The international reach of the Group is reflected in the consolidated Financial Statements of the Group, which comprise the consolidated results of nine (2017: nine) individual legal entities covering the UK, Continental Europe, North America and Asia (see note 5).

Financial results

The Group results in 2018 reflect a general improvement in market conditions, particularly for the Global LNG, Oil & Shipping business. After a prolonged period of oversupply, oil prices have continued to increase during the year due to increased demand driven by a resurgent global economy and reduced supply caused by OPEC production restrictions and other geopolitical factors. The consolidated Statements of comprehensive income for the year are set out on page 05. The Group's profit for the financial year was £299.9m (2017: £158.9m), an increase of 89% from the prior year. The Group's total equity as at 31 December 2018 was £503.8m (2017: £876.3m), representing a decrease of 43% when compared to 31 December 2017.

During 2018 the Company declared dividends totalling £624.3m to its immediate parent company Gazprom Germania GmbH ("GPG"), representing 393% (2017: 100%) of the Group net profit after tax for the year ended 31 December 2017.

The Group's core European gas business, which accounted for 60% (2017: 79%) of the Group's net income, reported improved year-on-year performance. The performance of specific business units is discussed in further detail over the following pages.

Business activities and environment

During 2018, the Group's strategic business units and reporting lines were structured in alignment with its commercial activities and global scope. These strategic business units were 1) Global Gas, Power & Derivatives, 2) Global LNG, Oil & Shipping, and 3) Global Retail.

As part of a strategic review undertaken in the year, the Group has decided to explore opportunities to dispose of its Global Retail business in order to focus on its core trading and marketing activities and has been engaged in talks with potential buyers regarding a sale of the business. As at 31 December 2018, no deal has been concluded and commercial discussions are ongoing with potential buyers.

Global Gas, Power & Derivatives ("GGPD")

GGPD has reported an increase of 8% in net income compared to 2017. The strategic business unit is responsible for the trading and optimisation of gas supplied by OOO Gazprom Export and its affiliates, as well as providing risk management services to the Gazprom Group and third parties. This is achieved through creation and optimisation of supply and geographical optionality within the European gas portfolio, and utilising integrated assets across Western Europe to take advantage of available seasonal time spreads and market volatility.

As the gas and power markets continue to become more competitive and sophisticated the business will continue to invest in and develop more flexible and innovative products to meet these challenges. In 2018 the Group has undertaken a project to develop and expand its capabilities in digital and algorithmic trading in an attempt to take advantage of fast-moving market conditions and also to reduce risk in the portfolio.

The gas business has outperformed 2017 with the marketing of OOO Gazprom Export gas into North West European markets and as a result of effective optimisation of optionality within the gas portfolio. The business has taken advantage of strong trading and optimisation opportunities that have arisen from price spread volatility across the UK and continental Europe throughout 2018, but particularly the market volatility on "Balance of the Month" positions in Q1 2018. Gas storage and associated transport capacity strategies continued to contribute to the performance of the business in the year, taking advantage of time spreads and price volatility. The Gas business also continued to develop its structured trading offering and market presence.

The power business had another strong performance in 2018, again largely due to strong trading and optimisation opportunities arising from continental transmission spread volatility and intraday trading. The business has continued to develop an integrated power business and consolidate its power origination business with strategic partnerships with new independent suppliers.

Global LNG, Oil & Shipping

Global LNG, Oil & Shipping performance significantly improved in 2018, emphasising its continued strategic importance for the Group. The business accounted for 31% of the Group's gross margin in 2018 (2017: 9%) with an increase in net income of 393% compared to 2017. The performance was largely driven by higher margins on physical cargoes due to global gas hub price divergence. The LNG market saw a continued recovery of prices in Asia largely driven by growing demand from China. The number of LNG cargoes traded within the year increased compared to 2017 (2018: 61 cargoes, 2017: 48 cargoes). Despite a delay to the scheduled start of the commissioning period on a significant long-term purchase contract, the Group started taking delivery of cargoes during the year.

The LNG business continues to focus on securing mid-term and long-term sale and purchase agreements in order to maximise the portfolio value and to secure markets for Gazprom's new LNG projects. During 2018, the Group has continued to successfully manage the existing long-term LNG purchases from Sakhalin in Eastern Russia, which is located in close proximity to the Group's key strategic markets in Asia. The growth of the physical portfolio also creates additional optimisation opportunities through location and time swaps as well as volume optimisation. During May and June 2018, GM&T delivered the first LNG cargoes of the Yamal and Perenco purchase agreements respectively.

Shipping operated 11 vessels during 2018 (2017: 7) both in support of increased internal requirements from the LNG trading desk and short/mid-third-party charters continuing from the previous year.

Global Retail

Global Retail has maintained its position as the largest gas supplier to UK industrial and commercial customers ("I&C"), with its market share increasing year on year to 21.8% at 31 December 2018 (2017: 21.3%). The Company's UK I&C power market share decreased to 0.5% (2017: 0.6%), after supplying 1,170 GWh of power to end users (2017: 1,396 GWh).

In France, the Group supplied 11,156 GWh of gas to end users (2017: 10,435 GWh) across 12,195 live sites (2017: 12,988). Despite a reduced portfolio the volume delivered increased primarily due to colder weather in Q1.

In the Netherlands, the Group supplied 1,991 GWh of gas to end users (2017: 1,202 GWh) and has increased the number of live gas sites to 15,901 (2017: 11,916 sites). The Group also supplied 335 GWh of power to end users (2017: 233 GWh) and has increased the number of live power sites to 11,281 (2017: 8,936 sites).

As mentioned previously, the Group has taken the decision to explore opportunities to dispose of its Global Retail business in order to focus on its core trading and marketing activities. Commercial discussions with potential buyers to sell the business are currently ongoing.

Infrastructure

The Group is committed to continually review, monitor and improve systems that support its maturing and complex business and will invest further in systems that will improve the controls around data, risk management and the provision and quality of information available to external stakeholders.

Strategy

In February 2018, Gazprom Group announced its decision to transform the operational structure of its gas export activities including marketing and trading. Consequently, the Group is undergoing the integration with its immediate parent, GPG, along with other fellow Group companies within the GPG Group, notably Wingas GmbH ("Wingas"). The Group will be the main instrument to deliver the trading component of the integrated business. In recognition of the more integrated approach to operations within the GPG Group, the principal risks facing the Group are now managed centrally at the GPG Group level, utilising common tools and expertise with those employed within the GMT Group historically.

The Group recognises the importance of its physical trading operations to the upstream production companies and continues to market and optimise all contracted gas purchase volumes from OOO Gazprom Export safely, without interruption of supply.

The Gazprom Group is actively seeking to develop international trading capability within the Russian Federation. The Group, being the single source of the relevant expertise in the Gazprom Group, plays a key role in this process. In 2018 the Company established its branch in St. Petersburg that will serve as a platform to develop the local talent pool, establish best practices of international trading within the Russian Federation and explore

solutions to the potential problems on this route. Leveraging its expertise, the Group will continue to be a crucial interface with the traditional European and growing Asian markets.

Likely future developments

In addition to supporting the Gazprom Group in its integration of its gas export activities, the Group will continue to focus on the efficiency and control of its operations. This focus will allow the Group to risk manage its current level of business, while providing a robust platform for managing future growth. The Group expects its future prospects to develop significantly based on the following:

- Delivering a material contribution to the financial performance of the Gazprom Group;
- Focusing on the Group's core energy commodities;
- Investment in people, systems and processes; and
- Continued operational efficiency.

Except for the planned sale of the Group's Retail activities, the Directors do not anticipate the principal activities of the Group will change.

Principal risks and uncertainties facing the Group

The Directors of GM&T Group are committed to embedding a culture of enterprise-wide risk management throughout the organisation. The risk management process is the coordinated set of activities that are implemented to manage the risks that may affect the ability of the organisation to achieve its objectives. The risk management process, together with the documented policies, procedures and specific methodologies for the identification, assessment and management of risk, comprise the Risk Management Programme (the "Risk Programme").

Implementation and oversight of all elements of the Risk Programme, in addition to its responsibility for ensuring the Group meets its strategic, financial and operational objectives, is stewarded by the Executive Committee of GPG Group which includes Director representation from GM&T.

The "Global Risk Management Policy" defines the scope, objectives, policy and strategies for the management of risks within the GPG Group Companies. GPG's Risk Oversight Committee ("ROC") provides recommendations and support to the Executive Committee on risk-related matters. The Risk function of GPG Group, which has a significant physical presence within GM&T, provides advice, control and oversight independent from the Commercial and other Support Functions.

Risk is defined as the potential events, circumstances, internal and/or external factors that could affect the achievement of defined goals. In pursuit of its strategic, financial and operational objectives GM&T seeks to retain exposure to some risks, and avoid, minimise or eliminate others where possible and cost effective.

The principal risks can be aggregated under the following broad categories:

Strategic Risk: The risk that the Company is unable to achieve its strategic objectives as a result of actions by governments, regulators and competitors as well as risks associated with strategic long-term decision making within the Company.

Market Risk: The risk of negative financial impact due to changes in market factors. Market factors include (but are not limited to) commodity and derivative prices, interest rates, foreign exchange rates and volumes.

Credit Risk: The risk of negative financial impact due to a counterparty's failure to meet its contractual obligations in accordance with agreed terms. This includes failure to make payment(s), or general non-performance of the full contract terms.

Liquidity Risk: The risk that a company of the GPG Group cannot satisfy the financial obligations that arise during the course of business due to insufficient funding lines or available cash reserves.

Operational Risk: The risk of negative impact due to inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems, or from external events.

Brexit – the withdrawal of the United Kingdom (“UK”) from the European Union (“EU”)

Due to the high level of uncertainty on the outcome of Brexit negotiations and the issue of whether the UK will leave the EU on 29 March 2019 as the result of a “hard” Brexit, GPG Group has been closely monitoring and working on mitigation of the associated risks. The following key risks for the Group were identified:

- Access to European energy markets and ability to fulfil its obligations under existing transactions beyond 29 March 2019;
- Risk of non-compliance with the European regulatory framework, such as financial service regulations; and
- Other notable risks include the impact of GBP currency volatility on operations and tax impact resulting from Brexit and associated mitigation steps.

GPG Group established a cross-functional group including GM&T management to develop contingency plans and mitigate the identified risks. We are undertaking our mitigation plans in close cooperation with Transmission System Operators (“TSOs”), energy ministries, exchanges and national regulators. The process is sponsored and monitored by Excom who provide decisions on the most efficient actions for risk mitigations.

Key performance indicators

The Group, along with its parent company, has identified a series of key performance indicators (“KPIs”) it believes are useful in assessing the Group’s performance against its strategic aims. These are set out below.

Indicator type	Key performance indicator	2018	2017	Change
Profitability	Net Income (£m)	549.7	383.6	43%
Profitability	EBITDA (£m)	359.4	197.7	82%

EBITDA is defined as Earnings before Interest, Tax, Depreciation and Amortisation

Profitability	Net profit after tax (£m)	299.9	158.9	89%
Profitability	Return on Equity	43%	18%	25%

Return On Equity is calculated as annual net profit after tax divided by average equity expressed as a percentage.

Efficiency	Net profit after tax/Net income	55%	41%	14%
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Liquidity	Dividends declared (£m)	624.4	115.4	441%
Liquidity	Current ratio	1.09	1.34	-19%

Approved by and signed on behalf of the Board of Directors, in accordance with section 414 of the Companies Act 2006.



A V Mikhalev
14 March 2019

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' STATEMENT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF GAZPROM MARKETING AND TRADING LTD

We have examined the supplementary financial information included within the Strategic Report with Supplementary Financial Information for the year ended 31 December 2018, which comprises the Summary group and parent company statement of financial position as at 31 December 2018; the Summary group and parent company statements of comprehensive income; the Summary group and parent company statement of cash flows; the Summary group and parent company statement of changes in equity for the year then ended; and the summary notes to the supplementary financial information.

Respective responsibilities of the directors and the auditors

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report with Supplementary Financial Information, in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, which includes information extracted from the full Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of Gazprom Marketing & Trading Ltd for the year ended 31 December 2018.

Our responsibility is to report to you our opinion on the consistency of the summary financial information, included within the Strategic Report with Supplementary Financial Information, with the Consolidated Financial Statements.

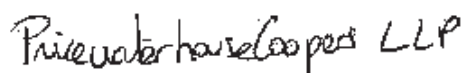
This statement, including the opinion, has been prepared for and only for the Gazprom Marketing and Trading Ltd's shareholders as a body and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this statement is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

Basis of opinion

Our examination involved agreeing the balances disclosed in the summary financial information to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Our audit report on the Group and Company's Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements describes the basis of our opinion on those financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the supplementary financial information is consistent with the Consolidated Financial Statements of Gazprom Marketing & Trading Ltd for the year ended 31 December 2018.



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STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

	Note	Group		Company	
		2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Revenue		3,262,720	2,346,684	878	1,559
Cost of sales		(2,995,527)	(2,251,422)	–	–
Gross profit:		267,193	95,262	878	1,559
Trading activities:					
Net trading income		282,546	288,314	294,412	252,438
Net income		549,739	383,576	295,290	253,997
Administrative expenses	4	(215,948)	(218,662)	(151,514)	(151,306)
Net impairment losses on financial and contract assets		(9,363)	–	(9)	–
Operating profit		324,428	164,914	143,767	102,691
Interest income		3,864	1,856	4,159	2,163
Interest expense		(9,152)	(9,424)	(11,538)	(18,637)
Income from subsidiaries		–	–	459,931	109,415
Other income		10,909	4,290	10,909	4,290
Gain on disposal of non-current assets		1,147	2,834	1,137	2,936
Profit before tax		331,196	164,470	608,365	202,858
Tax		(31,330)	(5,564)	(25,204)	(15,928)
Profit for the financial year		299,866	158,906	583,161	186,930
Cash flow hedges:					
Fair value gains recognised during the year		7,938	16,001	–	–
Tax on items taken directly to equity		(11,625)	(4,127)	–	–
Transferred to profit or loss on cash flow hedges		(47,746)	(47,181)	–	–
Tax on items transferred from equity		9,935	11,163	–	–
Loss on foreign currency translation		(1,913)	(57,494)	–	–
Total other comprehensive expense*		(43,411)	(81,638)	–	–
Total comprehensive income		256,455	77,268	583,161	186,930
Total comprehensive income attributable to:					
Equity owners of the parent		256,455	77,268	583,161	186,930

* All amounts are subsequently reclassified to profit and loss when specific conditions are met.

All operations were continuing in the current and prior year.

The notes on pages 09 to 33 form an integral part of the Supplementary Financial Information.

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

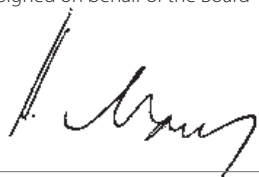
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018

	Note	Group		Company	
		2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Assets					
Non-current assets					
Intangible assets		56,038	59,451	34,974	41,318
Property, plant and equipment		17,887	15,857	12,086	10,873
Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss	11	445,306	219,622	589,448	227,095
Investments in subsidiaries	5	–	–	428	428
Deferred tax assets		31,743	28,553	2,474	1,023
Trade and other receivables	7	2,653	4,790	1,920	3,967
		553,627	328,273	641,330	284,704
Current assets					
Inventories	6	344,601	152,531	293,636	143,977
Trade and other receivables	7	2,605,912	1,820,480	2,382,431	1,463,680
Contract assets		204,498	–	–	–
Prepayments		55,517	49,238	15,063	10,402
Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss	11	1,436,785	861,775	1,503,791	902,780
Current tax assets		268	2,925	–	4,397
Cash equivalents receivable with related parties	7	–	–	111,256	72,486
Cash at bank and in hand	7	94,680	171,285	75,270	144,978
		4,742,261	3,058,234	4,381,447	2,742,700
Total assets		5,295,888	3,386,507	5,022,777	3,027,404
Liabilities					
Current liabilities					
Trade and other payables	7	2,736,133	1,448,085	2,408,824	1,137,403
Contract liabilities		10,497	–	–	–
Accruals		71,105	48,157	51,866	32,578
Financial liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss	11	1,439,893	809,243	1,568,149	901,583
Provisions	8	1,241	9,562	1,301	–
Current tax liabilities		24,839	5,298	16,848	–
Loans and overdrafts	7	67,277	–	297,464	545,095
		4,350,985	2,320,345	4,344,452	2,616,659
Non-current liabilities					
Trade and other payables	7	1,525	813	315	813
Financial liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss	11	419,118	172,694	519,176	207,319
Provisions	8	1,808	1,500	1,500	1,500
Deferred tax liabilities		18,639	14,864	–	–
		441,090	189,871	520,991	209,632
Total liabilities		4,792,075	2,510,216	4,865,443	2,826,291
Net assets		503,813	876,291	157,334	201,113
Equity					
Ordinary share capital		20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Cash flow hedge reserve		22,734	67,594	–	–
Foreign currency translation reserve		71,469	73,382	–	–
Retained earnings		389,610	715,315	137,334	181,113
Equity attributable to:					
Owners of the parent		503,813	876,291	157,334	201,113
Total equity		503,813	876,291	157,334	201,113

The notes on pages 09 to 33 form an integral part of the Supplementary Financial Information.

The full Consolidated Financial Statements of Gazprom Marketing & Trading Limited (registered number 3768267) and of the Company were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 14 March 2019 and signed by the Directors as a consistent extract thereof as part of the Strategic report with Supplementary Financial Information on 14 March 2019.

Signed on behalf of the Board



A V Mikhalev

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

Group	Note	Ordinary share capital £'000s	Cash flow hedge reserve £'000s	Foreign currency translation reserve £'000s	Retained earnings £'000s	Total equity £'000s
Balance at 1 January 2017		20,000	91,738	130,876	671,837	914,451
Profit for the year		–	–	–	158,906	158,906
Other comprehensive expense:		–	(24,144)	(57,494)	–	(81,638)
Total comprehensive (expense)/income		–	(24,144)	(57,494)	158,906	77,268
Transactions with owners:						
Dividends paid		–	–	–	(115,428)	(115,428)
Balance at 31 December 2017		20,000	67,594	73,382	715,315	876,291
Adjustment on adoption of IFRS9		–	–	–	(1,228)	(1,228)
Balance at 1 January 2018		20,000	67,594	73,382	714,087	875,063
Profit for the year		–	–	–	299,866	299,866
Other comprehensive (expense)/income:						
Fair value gain on hedging contracts		–	7,938	–	–	7,938
Deferred tax related to fair value loss on hedging contracts recognised in equity		–	(11,625)	–	–	(11,625)
Loss on fair value hedging contracts transferred to income		–	(47,746)	–	–	(47,746)
Deferred tax related to loss on fair value hedging contracts transferred to income		–	9,935	–	–	9,935
Loss on foreign currency translation		–	–	(1,913)	–	(1,913)
Total comprehensive income		–	(41,498)	(1,913)	299,866	256,455
Less: Amount included in the initial cost of inventory		–	(3,362)	–	–	(3,362)
Transactions with owners:						
Dividends provided for or paid		–	–	–	(624,343)	(624,343)
Balance at 31 December 2018		20,000	22,734	71,469	389,610	503,813

Company	Note	Ordinary share capital £'000s	Retained earnings £'000s	Total equity £'000s
Balance at 1 January 2017		20,000	109,611	129,611
Profit for the year and total comprehensive income		–	186,930	186,930
Dividends paid		–	(115,428)	(115,428)
Balance at 31 December 2017		20,000	181,113	201,113
Adjustment on adoption of IFRS9		–	(2,597)	(2,597)
Balance at 1 January 2018		20,000	178,516	198,516
Profit for the year and total comprehensive income		–	583,161	583,161
Dividends provided for or paid		–	(624,343)	(624,343)
Balance at 31 December 2018		20,000	137,334	157,334

The notes on pages 09 to 33 form an integral part of the Supplementary Financial Information.

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

	Note	Group		Company	
		2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Operating activities					
Operating profit		324,428	164,914	143,767	102,691
Depreciation of property, plant & equipment		4,717	6,832	3,588	3,965
Amortisation of intangible assets		18,189	18,949	16,205	18,350
Unrealised fair value movements on trading contracts at fair value		(169,605)	203,279	(129,570)	(67,496)
Other unrealised movements		(47,878)	(53,438)	(6,817)	912
(Decrease)/increase in provisions	8	(8,013)	8,651	1,301	–
Other income		10,898	4,290	10,909	4,290
Management income from subsidiaries		–	–	9,931	22,516
Operating cash flows before movements in working capital		132,736	353,477	49,314	85,228
(Increase)/decrease in inventories		(148,703)	244,082	(144,377)	210,581
Increase in receivables		(993,374)	(228,157)	(925,759)	(135,662)
Increase in payables		1,217,842	147,446	1,188,507	65,491
Increase/(decrease) in financial contracts measured at fair value through profit or loss		202,926	(271,672)	144,628	(6,154)
Cash generated from operations		411,427	245,176	312,313	219,484
Interest and banking charges paid		(9,144)	(9,424)	(11,237)	(18,670)
Income taxes paid		(4,936)	(21,412)	–	(21,168)
Net cash generated from operating activities		397,347	214,340	301,076	179,646
Investing activities					
Investment income received		–	–	450,000	86,899
Interest received		4,067	1,833	4,257	2,140
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(6,906)	(4,737)	(4,801)	(2,141)
Proceeds from disposal of property		158	6,586	–	6,586
Purchases of intangible assets		(14,776)	(11,982)	(9,883)	(8,590)
Proceeds from sale of subsidiary	5	1,158	–	1,158	–
Net cash (used in)/generated from investing activities		(16,299)	(8,300)	440,731	84,894
Financing activities					
Repayment of loan from subsidiaries	9	–	–	(248,403)	(38,972)
Drawdown of loan from Group	9	66,683	–	–	–
Dividends paid		(524,343)	(115,428)	(524,342)	(115,428)
Net cash used in financing activities		(457,660)	(115,428)	(772,745)	(154,400)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(76,612)	90,612	(30,938)	110,140
Exchange gain on cash and cash equivalents		7	–	–	–
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		171,285	80,673	217,464	107,324
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		94,680	171,285	186,526	217,464

The notes on pages 09 to 33 form an integral part of the Supplementary Financial Information.

NOTES TO THE SUPPLEMENTARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

1 CORPORATE INFORMATION

Gazprom Marketing & Trading Limited is incorporated and domiciled in England and Wales at 20 Triton Street, London, NW1 3BF. The principal activities of the Group and Company are referred to in the Strategic report on page 01.

2 BASIS OF PREPARATION

Statement of compliance

The Group's Annual Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) as adopted by the European Union (EU) and interpretations issued by the IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRS IC) and with those parts of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies reporting under IFRS and IFRS interpretations. The primary statements in this Annual Report and Financial Statements are presented in accordance with International Accounting Standards (IAS) 1 'Presentation of financial statements'.

The Strategic report with Supplementary financial information does not constitute statutory accounts within the meaning of section 434(3) of the Companies Act 2006. Audited statutory accounts for the year ended 31 December 2018 are delivered to the Registrar of Companies in England and Wales in accordance with section 441 of the UK Companies Act 2006. The Auditors' report on those accounts was unqualified, did not include a reference to any matters to which the Auditors drew attention by the way of emphasis without qualifying the report and did not contain a statement under section 498(2) or (3) of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis of measurement

The Financial Statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, modified by certain financial instruments and inventories measured at fair value, and on the going concern basis as disclosed in the Directors' statement of going concern as set out in the Directors' Report.

Consolidation

The consolidated Financial Statements incorporate the Financial Statements of the Company and its subsidiaries made up to 31 December each year. Subsidiaries are all entities over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when the Group (i) has power over the entity, (ii) is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and (iii) has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity.

The results of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated Statements of comprehensive income from the effective date of acquisition or up to the effective date of disposal, as appropriate. Where necessary, adjustments are made to the Financial Statements of subsidiaries to bring the accounting policies used into line with those used by the Group. All intra-Group transactions, balances, income and expenses are eliminated on consolidation. The Financial Statements of overseas subsidiaries are translated into Sterling as described in note 3 in the foreign currency accounting policy.

3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented with the exception of the application of IFRS9 and IFRS15, as described above, where the Company took advantage of the exemption from restating comparative information.

Revenue recognition

Revenues consist of amounts recognised in relation to the Group's retail gas and electricity supply contracts, gas storage contracts, as well as physical LNG and LPG activities. Revenue is recognised on an accruals basis as performance obligations are satisfied, either at a point in time or over time.

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and the revenue can be reliably measured. Given the straightforward nature of the contractual terms within the respective revenue streams, the Group does not expect significant uncertainty over the timing or amount of revenue.

The transaction price is the contractually agreed price for the satisfaction of their respective performance obligations. There is no variable price element in the performance obligations. This is the amount of consideration the Group expects to receive, net of discounts, rebates, VAT and other sales taxes or duty.

Performance obligations for retail gas and electricity supply contracts, and gas storage and transportation contracts, are satisfied over time, as the goods or services are supplied over the term of the contract, and control is transferred. Progress is measured using either the input method or the invoiced amount when applicable, when it reflects the value to the customer of the Group's performance completed to date.

For retail gas and electricity supply contracts, the performance obligation is to deliver the respective products over the life of the contract. The contractually agreed unit price is the transaction price allocated to the performance obligation.

Contract assets arise when customers are invoiced in arrears, or when contract modifications are treated as a separate contract, where a customer extends the term of an existing supply contract at a lower market rate to the original contract and is charged at a blended rate of the original and new contract. This results in revenue being recognised at the contractual rate on the original contract for the original term period but invoiced at the comparatively lower blended rate. When the original contract expires, and the extension contract begins, revenue will be recognised at the new lower contractual rate, realising the contract assets as the customer is invoiced at the comparatively higher blended rate.

Contract liabilities arise when customers prepay for gas and power. Revenue is subsequently recognised when the performance obligations are satisfied when the products are supplied.

For gas storage contracts, the performance obligations are the provision of the storage facility, and injection and withdrawal of gas over the term of the contract. The transaction price allocated to each performance obligation is the relative stand-alone selling price stated of each service.

Revenue for energy supply activities in retail contracts includes an assessment of energy supplied to customers between the date of the last meter reading and the year end (unread). Unread gas and electricity is estimated using historical consumption patterns.

Performance obligations for physical LNG and LPG activities are satisfied at a point in time, when control of the goods is transferred to the customer, per the contractual Incoterms. The transaction price is allocated to this performance obligation.

There are no significant financing components in the Group's contracts with customers, as payment is usually due within 20 days.

Cost of sales

Cost of sales includes the cost of LNG, LPG, helium, retail gas and retail electricity purchased during the period and related transportation, distribution costs, balancing charges, bought-in materials and services. It also includes the net cost of chartering and sub-chartering of vessels.

Net trading income recognition

The Group undertakes significant activities which, for the purposes of disclosure in the Financial Statements of the Group, have been classified as "trading". The Group uses the net gains and losses generated from non-financial and financial instruments, classified as held for trading per IFRS9, as the basis for this categorisation.

Net income from trading activities is recognised on transactions that optimise the performance of the Group's energy portfolio. The Group routinely enters into sale and purchase transactions for commodities. These contracts, which are non-financial instruments, include pricing terms that are based on a variety of commodities and indices. Where required by IFRS9, these contracts are recognised in the Statement of financial position at fair value with movements in fair value recognised in the Statement of comprehensive income within 'Net trading income'.

'Net trading income' is attributable to the Group's principal activity.

In addition to net gains and losses from items classified as held for trading within the scope of IFRS9, gas and other energy product storage and gas transportation capacity revenues and costs related to underlying trading activities are recognised on an accrual basis within 'Net trading income'. Revenue in respect of gas storage and transportation is subject to the revenue recognition accounting policy set out above. Energy purchase and sale transactions entered into to optimise the performance of the storage facilities are also presented within 'Net trading income'.

3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

Inventory

The valuation approach for the Group's inventory is based on the Group's specific activities in relation to each product. Physical commodities principally acquired for the purpose of selling in the near future and generating a profit from fluctuations in price or broker-traders' margin are held at fair value less costs to sell. These commodities include physical gas, oil products and emission allowances. Movements in the fair value of inventory between reporting dates are recognised directly in the Statements of comprehensive income. The fair value is measured at the price for the soonest available delivery of gas, oil and emission allowances at the reporting date.

LNG, LPG and helium are held at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value is the price at which inventory can be sold in the ordinary course of business after allowing for the estimated costs of sale.

Bunker fuel and LNG heel for chartered vessels are recorded at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Financial and non-financial instruments within the scope of IFRS9

Trading contract assets and liabilities are recognised in the Statements of financial position when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or when the Group transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risk and rewards of ownership to another party.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or expires.

Financial assets within the scope of IFRS9 are classified as at amortised cost, fair value through profit or loss or fair value through other comprehensive income, on the basis of the business model within which they are held, and on their contractual cash flow characteristics. Financial liabilities within the scope of IFRS9 are classified as at amortised cost or fair value through profit or loss.

The Group determines the classification of its financial assets and financial liabilities at initial recognition and, where allowed and appropriate, re-evaluates this designation at each financial year end.

Trading contracts at fair value through profit and loss

Trading contract assets and liabilities are carried in the Statements of financial position at fair value with gains or losses recognised in the Statements of comprehensive income within 'Net trading income', except for certain financial instruments designated as hedging instruments. The determination of fair value and the treatment of financial instruments designated as hedging instruments are described below within the 'Financial instruments' policy.

The Group enters into contracts to buy or sell commodities for trading purposes and not for the purpose of receipt or delivery to meet the Group's expected own-use requirements. Even though the majority of these contracts are physically delivered, where such contracts are deemed to be capable of net settlement, for example where the commodity is deemed to be readily convertible to cash, they are treated as financial assets or liabilities and measured at fair value through profit and loss. These contracts are in the scope of IFRS9 and associated gains or losses are recognised directly in the Statement of comprehensive income within 'Net trading income'.

Financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss include financial assets and financial liabilities held for trading. Financial assets or financial liabilities classified as held for trading are recognised on trade date at fair value (as described in more detail below), usually being the transaction price excluding transactions costs. These transaction costs are included within 'Net trading income' in the Statements of comprehensive income.

Financial assets and liabilities at amortised cost

Financial assets held within a business model where the objective is to collect contractual cash flows, and where such contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest, are initially recognised on settlement date at fair value, plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent measurement is at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method, less an allowance for expected credit losses.

Financial liabilities which are not measured at fair value through profit are initially recognised on settlement date at fair value, less any directly attributable transaction costs, and subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

However, trade and other receivables, and short-term payables, for which the effect of discounting would be immaterial, are initially recognised at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Interest is recognised in the Statements of comprehensive income within Interest Income or Interest Expense as appropriate. The fair value on initial recognition includes directly attributable transaction costs.

Investment in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are carried in the Company Financial Statements at cost less provision for impairment.

3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

Financial and non-financial instruments within the scope of IFRS9 continued

Fair value

Movements in the fair value of assets and liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss are recognised within 'Net trading income' unless the instrument is designated in an effective hedge relationship. At the close of business on the reporting date, the fair value of assets traded in an active market is determined by reference to the mid-market prices where there are liabilities with offsetting risks; the bid price is applied to any net open asset positions and the ask price is applied to any net open liability positions. Where the instrument is not traded in an active market, fair value is determined using valuation techniques. These include using recent arm's length market transactions, reference to the current market value of another instrument which is substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis and option pricing models. Where one or more significant inputs into a valuation technique are based on inputs that are not observable, no gain or loss is recognised on initial recognition in respect of that instrument. Gains and losses are recognised after initial recognition to the extent that it arises from a change in a factor (including time) that market participants would consider in setting a price.

The Group endeavours to use the best available information by utilising valuation techniques that maximise the use of observable inputs and minimise the use of unobservable inputs.

Hedge accounting

The Group uses certain financial and non-financial instruments to hedge exposures to financial risks, such as commodity price risks and foreign exchange risks arising in the normal course of business. All such hedging instruments are measured at fair value upon initial recognition and re-measured to fair value at each subsequent reporting date.

For those instruments designated as hedges, the hedging relationship is documented at its inception. This documentation identifies the Group's risk management objective and strategy for undertaking the hedge. It also includes identification of the hedging instrument, the hedged item or transaction, the nature of the risk being hedged and how the Group will assess whether the hedging relationship meets the hedge effectiveness requirements, including an analysis of sources of hedge ineffectiveness and how the hedge ratio is determined.

For the purpose of hedge accounting, hedges are classified as:

- fair value hedges when hedging the exposure to changes in the fair value of a recognised asset or liability; or
- cash flow hedges when hedging the exposure to variability in cash flows that is either attributable to a particular risk associated with a recognised asset or liability or a highly probable forecast transaction.

The treatment of gains and losses arising from the revaluation of hedging instruments depends on the nature of the hedging relationship.

IFRS9 sets out the criteria for the application of hedge accounting. Among other things, the hedging relationship must be documented in detail and an economic relationship between the hedged item and hedging instrument be demonstrated.

Movements in the hedging reserve in equity are detailed in the Group Statements of changes in equity.

Cash flow hedges

Cash flow hedges are used to hedge the risk of variability in cash flows related to an asset or liability carried on the Statements of financial position or a highly probable forecast transaction.

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of instruments that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges are deferred in equity. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in 'Net trading income'.

Amounts deferred in equity are recycled to income in the periods during which the hedged item is recognised in the Statements of comprehensive income. However, when the forecast transaction that is hedged results in the recognition of a non-financial asset or a non-financial liability, the gains and losses previously deferred in equity are transferred from equity and included in the initial measurement of the cost of the non-financial asset or non-financial liability.

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the risk management objective for the hedge relationship has changed, the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated, or exercised or the hedge relationship no longer qualifies for hedge accounting. Any cumulative gain or loss deferred in equity at that time remains in equity and is recognised when the forecast transaction is ultimately recognised in profit or loss. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss that was deferred in equity is recognised immediately as described above.

3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued**Financial and non-financial instruments within the scope of IFRS9** continued**Treatment of “day-one” gains and losses**

In the normal course of its business, the Group will acquire non-financial and financial instruments where the fair value on initial recognition is the transaction price, being the fair value of the consideration given or received. However, for certain transactions the fair value on initial recognition will be based on other observable market data for the same instrument or calculated using a valuation technique, where all input variables are based on observable market data. When evidence from observable data exists, the Group recognises a “day-one” gain or loss at inception of the transaction within ‘Net trading income’ where the fair value is greater or less than the transaction price.

When significant unobservable market data is used to determine the fair value at the inception of the transaction, the difference between the transaction price and the fair value, calculated using valuation techniques as at the transaction date, is not recognised immediately. These “day-one” gains or losses are deferred and recognised in ‘Net trading income’ on a straight line or other appropriate basis, as observable market data becomes available.

Embedded derivatives

Derivatives embedded in other financial instruments or other non-financial host contracts are treated as separate derivatives when their risks and characteristics are not closely related to those of the host contracts and the host contracts are not carried at fair value, with gains or losses reported in ‘Net income’. The closely-related nature of embedded derivatives is reassessed when there is a change in the terms of the contract which significantly modifies the future cash flows under the contract. Where a contract contains one or more embedded derivatives, and providing that the embedded derivative significantly modifies the cash flows under the contract, the option to fair value the entire contract may be taken and the contract will be recognised at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in ‘Net trading income’.

Offsetting of balances

Financial and non-financial assets and liabilities are reported on a net basis only where there is an enforceable legal right of offset and there is an intention to settle on a net basis.

4 ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

	Group		Company	
	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Administrative expenses				
Staff costs	133,155	122,913	88,640	80,118
Other employee costs	11,745	14,446	8,809	11,294
Office costs	29,763	30,509	21,688	22,626
Rentals under operating leases	8,969	8,598	6,056	5,916
Travel expenses	4,640	6,322	2,932	3,387
Consultancy (excluding Auditors’ remuneration)	3,561	4,997	2,762	4,114
Auditors’ remuneration	1,209	1,704	834	1,229
Depreciation	4,717	5,893	3,588	3,965
Amortisation	18,189	18,949	16,205	18,350
Tangible asset impairment	–	939	–	–
Impairment losses	–	3,392	–	307
	215,948	218,662	151,514	151,306

As a result of the adoption of IFRS9 and the expected credit loss model, impairment losses are now disclosed as a separate line in the Statement of comprehensive income, as net impairment losses on financial and contract assets.

5 INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

Details of the Company's subsidiaries at 31 December 2018 are as follows:

Name of subsidiary	Registered address	Place of incorporation and operation	Business activity	Ordinary shares owned	Proportion of voting power
Gazprom Global LNG Ltd ("GGLNG")	20 Triton Street, London, NW1 3BF	United Kingdom	Energy trading	100%	100%
Gazprom Marketing & Trading Retail Ltd ("GM&T Retail")	20 Triton Street, London, NW1 3BF	United Kingdom	Energy supply	100%	100%
Gazprom Mex (UK) 1 Ltd	20 Triton Street, London, NW1 3BF	United Kingdom	Holding company	100%	100%
Gazprom Mex (UK) 2 Ltd	20 Triton Street, London, NW1 3BF	United Kingdom	Holding company	100%	100%
Gazprom Marketing & Trading France SAS ("GM&T France")	68 Avenue des Champs Elysées 75008, Paris, France	France	Energy supply	100%	100%
Gazprom Marketing & Trading USA, Inc. ("GM&T USA")	1675 S State Street, Dover, Kent County, State of Delaware, 19901 USA	USA	Energy trading	100%	100%
Gazprom Marketing & Trading Singapore Pte Ltd ("GM&T Singapore")	10 Collyer Quay, #10-01 Ocean Financial Centre, Singapore 049315	Singapore	Energy trading	100%	100%
Gazprom Marketing & Trading Mexico S. de R.L. de C.V.	Bosque de Ciruelos 180 PP 101, Bosques de las Lomas, Del. Miguel Hidalgo, Distrito Federal, 11700, Mexico	Mexico	Energy trading	100%	100%
Gazprom Marketing & Trading Switzerland AG ("GM&T Switzerland")	Poststrasse 2 Zug, 6300, Switzerland	Switzerland	Energy trading	100%	100%

All investments were held directly by the Company, except for the investment in Gazprom Marketing & Trading Mexico S.de R.L.de C.V. of whose equity Gazprom Mex (UK) 1 Ltd holds 99.99% and Gazprom Mex (UK) 2 Ltd holds 0.01%. In addition, Gazprom Mex (UK) 1 Ltd holds 100% of the equity of Gazprom Mex (UK) 2 Ltd. £450.0m dividend income was received by the Company in 2018 (2017: £86.9m).

Gain on disposal of non-current assets of £1.1m relates to successful legal claims in relation to a subsidiary disposed in 2016.

Movements in the investments in subsidiaries during the year are as follows:

	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Balance at 1 January	428	428
Capital contribution to subsidiaries	–	–
Impairment of investments	–	–
Disposals during the year	–	–
Balance at 31 December	428	428

6 INVENTORIES

	Group		Company	
	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Gas in storage	225,018	102,645	221,778	100,130
Emission allowances	75,918	49,886	71,858	43,847
LNG inventories	40,048	–	–	–
Other inventories	3,617	–	–	–
	344,601	152,531	293,636	143,977

£1,285.1m of Group inventory was recognised as an expense in the year (2017: £893.5m). £44.1m of Company inventory was recognised as an expense in the year (2017: £9.3m).

The gas in storage balance for 2017 increased by £94.0m (Company: £94.0m) from the prior year's financial statements as a result of virtual gas storage contracts being reclassified into financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss.

7 FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

This note provides information about the Group's financial instruments, including:

- an overview of all the financial instruments held by the Group, including trading contracts to deliver non-financial items which are within the scope of IFRS9;
- specific information about each type of financial instrument; and
- information about determining the fair value of the instruments, including judgements and estimation of uncertainty involved.

The Group holds the following financial instruments:

	Note	Group		Company	
		2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Financial assets					
Financial assets at amortised cost:					
Trade and other receivables	7a	2,608,565	1,874,508	2,384,351	1,478,049
Cash equivalents receivable with related parties	7b	–	–	111,256	72,486
Cash and cash equivalents	7b	94,680	171,285	75,270	144,978
Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss:					
Trading contracts at fair value	11	1,705,242	1,029,118	1,916,390	1,077,596
Virtual gas storage contracts at fair value		176,849	52,279	176,849	52,279
		4,585,336	3,127,190	4,664,116	2,825,388
Financial liabilities					
Financial liabilities at amortised cost:					
Trade and other payables	7c	2,737,658	1,497,055	2,409,139	1,170,794
Loans and overdrafts	7d	67,277	–	297,464	545,095
Financial liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss:					
Trading contracts at fair value	11	1,633,852	835,673	1,862,166	962,638
Virtual gas storage contracts at fair value		225,159	146,264	225,159	146,264
		4,663,946	2,478,992	4,793,928	2,824,791

The Group's exposure to various risks associated with financial instruments and the maximum exposure to credit risk at the end of the reporting period and the carrying amount of each class of financial assets is discussed in note 10.

As per note 6, virtual gas storage contracts have been reclassified from inventory to financial assets and financial liabilities. This resulted in an increase of £52.3m (Company: £52.3m) in financial assets and an increase of £146.3m (Company: £146.3m) in financial liabilities from the prior year's financial statements.

a) Trade and other receivables

	Group		Company	
	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Due within one year				
Amounts receivable from sale of commodities:				
from third parties	2,462,261	1,571,534	2,038,431	1,200,724
from subsidiary companies	–	–	230,039	151,275
from affiliated companies	111,010	79,764	72,622	79,668
Amounts receivable under finance lease from affiliated companies	1,081	2,935	1,081	2,935
Other debtors	31,560	215,485	40,258	39,480
	2,605,912	1,869,718	2,382,431	1,474,082
Due after one year				
Amounts receivable under finance lease from affiliated companies	1,920	3,967	1,920	3,967
Other long-term receivables	733	823	–	–
	2,653	4,790	1,920	3,967

The Company provides IT services and related assets to an affiliated company. The arrangement in respect of the IT assets constitutes a finance lease as the affiliated company has use of the assets for the majority of their useful economic life and the present value of the minimum lease payments approximates the fair value of the leased assets. The difference between the gross investment in the lease and the present value of minimum lease payments receivable at the end of the reporting period is not material. All amounts are due under the finance lease arrangements are due within five years.

7 FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES continued**a) Trade and other receivables** continued

Unguaranteed residual values accruing to the benefit of the Group are immaterial and there is no allowance for uncollectible lease payments. No contingent rents have been recognised as income in this or prior years.

The Group holds trade and other receivables with the objective to collect the contractual cash flows and therefore measures them subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Details about the Group's impairment policies and the calculation of the loss allowance are provided in note 10.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the fair value of each class of receivable mentioned above. The estimated fair value of all classes of receivables is the same as their carrying amounts.

The below table shows the gross investment in the lease, which is the same as the present value of minimum lease payments receivable, at the end of the reporting period, for each of the following periods:

Group	Not later than 1 year	More than 1 year and not later than 5 years	Later than 5 years	Total
31 December 2018				
Amounts receivable under finance lease from affiliated companies	1,081	1,920	–	3,001
31 December 2017				
Amounts receivable under finance lease from affiliated companies	2,935	3,967	–	6,902

Company	Not later than 1 year	More than 1 year and not later than 5 years	Later than 5 years	Total
31 December 2018				
Amounts receivable under finance lease from affiliated companies	1,081	1,920	–	3,001
31 December 2017				
Amounts receivable under finance lease from affiliated companies	2,935	3,967	–	6,902

b) Cash and cash equivalents

	Group		Company	
	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Cash at bank and in hand	94,680	171,285	75,270	144,978
Cash equivalents with subsidiary companies	–	–	111,256	72,486
Total cash and cash equivalents	94,680	171,285	186,526	217,464

Cash equivalents with subsidiaries comprise balances held with subsidiaries under cash pooling arrangements.

The estimated fair value of all classes of cash and cash equivalents is the same as their carrying amounts. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the fair value of cash and cash equivalents mentioned above.

7 FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES continued**c) Trade and other payables**

	Group		Company	
	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Due within one year				
Amounts owed for purchase of commodities:				
to third parties	1,679,107	875,088	1,404,269	690,323
to subsidiaries	–	–	85,044	47,499
to affiliated companies	864,959	452,042	802,065	367,199
Other payables	192,067	169,112	117,446	64,960
	2,736,133	1,496,242	2,408,824	1,169,981
Due after more than one year				
Other long-term payables	1,525	813	315	813

Included within the Group's trade and other payables to third parties is an amount of £110.3m (2017: £nil) relating to gas commodity prepayments.

d) Loans and overdrafts

	Group		Company	
	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Amounts owed:				
to parents	67,277	–	67,277	–
to subsidiaries	–	–	230,187	545,095
	67,277	–	297,464	545,095

As at 31 December 2018 the Group had access to various uncommitted and committed rolling credit facilities. Details of the facilities of the Group are discussed in the liquidity risk section of note 10.

The estimated fair value of all classes of payables is the same as their carrying amounts.

8 PROVISIONS

Group	Property	Onerous	Other	Total
	£'000s	contracts £'000s	£'000s	£'000s
At 1 January 2018	1,910	8,858	294	11,062
Additional provisions	683	–	220	903
Provisions utilised	(190)	(8,307)	(419)	(8,916)
At 31 December 2018	2,403	551	95	3,049
Company	Property	Onerous	Other	Total
	£'000s	contracts £'000s	£'000s	£'000s
At 1 January 2018	1,500	–	–	1,500
Additional provisions	–	–	1,301	1,301
Provisions utilised	–	–	–	–
At 31 December 2018	1,500	–	1,301	2,801

Property provisions represent the expected net present value of the future costs of reinstating leasehold improvements at the end of the lease term. These provisions will be released when the reinstatement obligations have been fulfilled. These provisions give rise to related assets which are included in 'Leasehold improvements' within 'Property plant and equipment'.

8 PROVISIONS continued

Onerous contract provisions relate to vacated leasehold property and shipping contracts where the unavoidable costs of meeting the obligations under the contract exceed the economic benefits expected to be received under it. The Group had certain shipping contracts under which it had an obligation to make specified charter payments that management considered to be in excess of any sub-charter income or LNG cargo margin expected to be generated from utilising the ships.

Other provisions include legal provisions. In the ordinary course of business, from time to time the Group becomes engaged in contractual disputes with trading counterparties which may result in litigation for which a provision is required. The provision at 31 December 2018 represents the best estimate of the amount required to settle such obligations.

There are no material uncertainties with regard to the amount or timing of the cash flows required to settle any of these obligations.

9 NET DEBT RECONCILIATION

The table below sets out an analysis of the movement in net debt during the year.

Group

	Cash £'000s	Loan from parent entity £'000s	Total £'000s
31 December 2018			
Net cash as at 1 January 2018	171,285	–	171,285
Cash flow	(76,611)	(66,683)	(143,294)
Foreign exchange adjustments	6	(594)	(588)
Net cash as at 31 December 2018	94,680	(67,277)	27,403

Company

	Cash £'000s	Loan from subsidiary entities £'000s	Total £'000s
31 December 2018			
Net debt as at 1 January 2018	217,464	(545,095)	(327,631)
Cash flow	(30,938)	248,403	217,465
Foreign exchange adjustments	–	(772)	(772)
Net debt as at 31 December 2018	186,526	(297,464)	(110,938)

Company

	Cash £'000s	Loan from subsidiary entities £'000s	Total £'000s
31 December 2017			
Net debt as at 1 January 2017	107,324	(584,068)	(476,744)
Cash flow	110,140	(12,923)	97,217
Foreign exchange adjustments	–	51,896	51,896
Net debt as at 31 December 2017	217,464	(545,095)	(327,631)

Group net debt disclosures have not been provided for 2017 as the Group had no external debt.

10 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The GPG Group's risk management system is an integral component of its business processes and activities. GPG's Executive Committee has overall responsibility for the Group-wide risk management system. This process is run on the principle of three lines of defence, with the risk owners (principally the Commercial Department) operating as the first line of defence; the Risk Co-ordinators (the independent Group Risk Department) operating as the second line of defence; and the Audit function (Controls Review Department) operating as the third line of defence.

The Gazprom Marketing & Trading commercial teams, as risk owners, are primarily responsible for managing the Group's risks. They are supported by Group Risk Management that provides an advisory, control and oversight function, independent of the Commercial and other Support functions. Group Risk Management is led by the GPG Director of Risk who is part of the GPG Executive Committee. The GPG Executive Committee is ultimately responsible for the implementation of an effective risk management strategy throughout the GPG Group. The GPG Executive Committee is further supported in its risk management responsibilities by the GPG Risk Oversight Committee ("ROC"). The ROC provides recommendations and advice to the Executive Committee on risk-related matters and consists of members from the PAO Gazprom Risk and Legal functions, as well as Gazprom Export Risk.

GPG's Global Risk Management Policy defines enterprise risk management throughout the GPG Group, setting out a unified framework of risk management throughout the Group companies. This policy is further supported by specific risk policies for credit, market and liquidity risk, as well as other risk management policies, frameworks and methodologies. GM&T follows the GPG's risk policies and related documentation and as the main trading entity for the GPG Group plays a key role in establishing the application of effective risk management throughout the GPG Group.

Capital management

The Group's objectives in managing its capital are to safeguard its ability to continue as a going concern, to generate long-term profitability and to meet the financial covenants attached to interest-bearing banking facilities. It achieves this through maintaining adequate reserves and utilising committed banking facilities and loans from related parties. Share capital and reserves at 31 December 2018 were £503.8m (2017: £876.3m). In addition the Group has an outstanding loan with parent company GPG of £67.3m (2017: none). The Group manages its liquidity to ensure that sufficient cash is available to meet all contractual commitments as they fall due and also to ensure that there is sufficient funding to withstand stressed market conditions or extreme or unplanned events. Liquidity is managed by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows and matching the maturity profiles of financial assets and financial liabilities.

Market risk

Market risk is the risk of loss that results from changes in market factors (e.g. commodity prices, foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates, volumes, etc). The Group's exposure to market risk is variable and is dependent on current market conditions, expectations of future prices or volatility and the current composition of the Group's assets and liabilities.

The Group maintains a relatively low level of exposure to market risk primarily by entering into offsetting contracts whereby the commercial terms are broadly matched. The Group however does hold some unhedged positions, subject to certain limits approved by the GPG's Executive Committee, largely in relation to its proprietary energy trading business. The proprietary energy trading business exposes the Group to commodity price risk and foreign currency risk.

The Group uses a Value-at-Risk ("VaR") measure to monitor and review its exposure to market risk. VaR is an estimate of the potential loss on a given position or portfolio of positions over a specific holding period, based on normal market conditions and within a given statistical confidence interval. The Group uses a Monte Carlo simulation methodology for computing VaR, with a confidence interval of 97.5% and an assumed holding period of one day.

Executive management has approved VaR limits for all trading activities and regularly reviews the limits and monitors performance against these limits. It is recognised that VaR cannot be relied upon solely to predict the size of potential losses and additional techniques are employed to monitor market risk such as stress testing and sensitivity analysis.

Based upon VaR and taking into account approved limits and other risk management techniques, the Group's senior management will determine the need to adjust the Group's market risk profile. The 97.5% trading VaR during the year was:

Group	2018		2017	
	Average £'000s	Year End £'000s	Average £'000s	Year End £'000s
Trading VaR	2,228	2,464	2,474	1,399

These VaR values are within the limits set by the GPG Group's Executive Committee.

10 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES continued**Market risk** continued**i. Commodity price risk**

The Group's cash flows and profitability are sensitive to the underlying price of a number of commodities, including natural gas, electricity, LNG, LPG and oil (and related price spreads) which are dependent on a number of factors and on global supply and demand. The Group's portfolio and trading business optimises the purchase contract portfolio by procuring gas, LNG, LPG and electricity at optimal cost and making use of volume and location flexibility in order to realise a margin. The Group is exposed to commodity price risk in the portfolio and trading business as the cost of procurement varies with wholesale commodity prices.

The risk is primarily that market prices for commodities will fluctuate between the time that sales prices are fixed or made determinable and the time at which the corresponding procurement cost is fixed, thereby potentially reducing or eliminating expected margins. The Group is also exposed to volumetric risk in sales contracts agreed in the retail business in the form of an uncertain consumption profile arising from a range of factors, including weather, and in the trading business where there is uncertain demand from counterparties when volumetric optionality exists within the contracts.

Forward contracts, swaps, options and futures are used to mitigate price risk specific to each commodity. These contracts are carried at fair value with changes in fair value recorded in the Statements of comprehensive income unless designated as hedging instruments in an effective hedge relationship. Retail energy supply contracts and physical LNG/LPG contracts are not financial instruments under IAS39 and are accounted for as executory contracts. Changes in fair value of these contracts do not immediately impact profit or equity and, as such, the contracts are not exposed to commodity price risk as defined by IFRS7: Financial Instruments – Disclosure. The carrying value of commodity contracts at 31 December 2018 is disclosed in note 11.

ii. Foreign currency risk

The Group is exposed to currency risk on foreign currency denominated forecast transactions, firm commitments, monetary assets and liabilities (transactional exposure) and on its net investments in foreign operations (translational exposure). The majority of the Group's trading is denominated in Sterling, Euros and US Dollars. When currency exposure arises as a result of purchase and sale commitments the Group seeks to use forward foreign exchange transactions to hedge the exposure.

a. Transactional currency risk

The Group is exposed to transactional currency risk on transactions denominated in currencies other than the underlying functional currency of the transacting entity. The Group's primary functional currencies are Sterling in GM&T Limited and GM&T Retail and US Dollars in GGLNG, GM&T USA, GM&T Singapore and GM&T Switzerland. Transactional risk is the risk that the functional currency value of cash flows will vary as a result of movements in exchange rates.

Transactional exposure primarily arises from two sources: firstly, from the operating activities of GM&T Limited where a proportion of transactions are denominated in Euros and US Dollars; secondly from the operating activities of GGLNG and GM&T Singapore, where a proportion of transactions are denominated in Euros and Sterling.

Material transactional exposures are hedged using derivative contracts to fix the functional currency value of non-functional currency cash flows. Currency risk is monitored and managed as part of the Group's VaR analysis. The ROC sets currency restrictions on the level of open positions allowed. A formal policy is in place for the management of non-trading related transactional foreign currency risks such as inter-company loans and non-base currency overheads.

b. Translational currency risk

The Group has foreign currency exposure arising from its foreign operations. The Group does not have a formal hedging policy to protect the Sterling asset value of its net investments in foreign operations; however, budgeted exchange rates are set and Group performance against budgeted exchange rates is monitored by management. The budgeted exposures are assessed against the costs to hedge and management decides as to whether any action is required. The table below details the Group's foreign currency exposure, by foreign currency, and calculates the impact on total comprehensive income of a reasonably possible parallel shift of the foreign currency against Sterling.

	2018 Sensitivity analysis			2017 Sensitivity analysis		
	Net assets £000s	Percentage change applied %	Total comprehensive income £000s	Net assets £'000s	Percentage change applied %	Total comprehensive income £'000s
Euro	2,734	(3.27)	(89)	2,271	(14.37)	(326)
US dollar	238,905	9.81	23,436	559,505	16.98	94,993
	241,639		23,347	561,776		94,667

The percentage change applied for the foreign currency rate against Sterling has been calculated based on the greatest annual percentage change over a two year period from 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2018, and is therefore not necessarily the same percentage change in each foreign currency exchange rate in the current year.

10 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES continued

Market risk continued

iii. Interest rate risk

The Group is exposed to interest rate risk as the cash flows associated with floating rate borrowings will fluctuate with changes in interest rates. The application of a parallel shift in interest rates of 50 basis points on drawn loan balances extant at year end would result in an income or expense of £nil as at 31 December 2018 (2017: £nil).

iv. Credit risk

The Group's exposure to credit risk takes the form of any potential loss associated with a counterparty's failure to meet their payment or performance obligations. These risks may arise in all forms of commercial agreements and in certain agreements relating to amounts owed for physical product sales, the use of derivative instruments and the investment of surplus cash balances.

Credit risk management practices

Counterparty credit exposures are monitored by individual counterparty and by category of credit rating, and are subject to approved limits. Counterparty credit limits are approved by the GPG's Executive Committee and by certain individuals to whom authority has been delegated by the GPG Director of Risk. All counterparties are assigned a grading based on external ratings where available and an internal assessment methodology in other cases, with this used to set the maximum exposure that would be considered against any particular counterparty. The internal assessment methodology is reviewed by the ROC and approved by the GPG Director of Risk. The credit exposure to each counterparty is then monitored on a daily basis to ensure those limits are not exceeded.

The majority of significant exposures arising through trading activities are with investment grade counterparties. The Group incorporates counterparty credit risk in determining the fair value of financial instruments. The impact of the Group's own credit risk has been reflected in the fair value of derivative financial instruments.

The Group trades under credit enhancement agreements which include payment netting (to reduce settlement exposure in the normal course of business) and close-out netting (to reduce pre-settlement credit exposure by netting offsetting payments to and from the defaulting party in insolvency situations), material adverse change and default provisions. The Group obtains credit support such as letters of credit, bank guarantees and parent company guarantees against exposures where appropriate.

The Group's credit position is impacted by cash pledged or received under margin and collateral agreements. The terms and conditions of these agreements depend upon the counterparty and the specific details of the transaction. In the Group, credit risk is managed by determining and monitoring a customer's creditworthiness and financial strength before commencing trading, with regular reviews thereafter. Creditworthiness is ascertained by reviewing an appropriate mix of internal and external information to determine limits, contract types and payment mechanisms required to reduce credit risk to an acceptable level.

The Group defines default as having occurred where receivables are more than 90 days past due or where irrecoverability is certain.

The Group's write-off policy on retail trade receivables is to derecognise amounts where irrecoverability is certain such as where:

- The counterparty is in insolvency or bankruptcy proceedings, or undergoing financial reorganisation;
- The debt is considered uneconomical to pursue; or
- The debt has been passed to collection agencies and is more than one year overdue.

For non-retail trade receivables, due to the higher credit quality of the counterparties involved, and the low rate of expected credit loss, the write-off policy is to only derecognise amounts on an individual basis where irrecoverability is certain.

The maximum exposure to credit risk of the Group as at 31 December 2018 is disclosed below, based on the carrying amounts of the financial assets the Group believes are subject to credit risk. These carrying amounts include the impact of offsetting, as disclosed in note 3, but do not include the impact other credit enhancements discussed above.

The Group's maximum exposure to credit risk on financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss is £1,882.0m (2017: £1,081.4m) and on financial assets held at amortised cost is £2,703.2m (2017: £1,833.0m). The Group also actively manages its portfolio to avoid concentrations of credit risk.

The Company's maximum exposure to credit risk on financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss is £2,093.2m (2017: £1,129.9m), of which £219.6m (2017: £49.7m) was related to transactions within the Group, and £2,570.9m (2017: £1,685.0m) on financial assets held at amortised cost.

10 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES continued**Market risk** continued**iv. Credit risk** continued**Expected credit losses****Trade and other receivables, lease receivables and contract assets**

As prescribed by IFRS9, for trade receivables, lease receivables and contract assets that do not contain a significant financing component, the Group applies the simplified approach of providing for lifetime expected credit losses.

Financial guarantee contracts

The Group measures the loss allowance on financial guarantee contracts at the 12-month expected credit loss amount unless there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. Where there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, the lifetime expected loss model is applied.

The expected credit loss on financial assets and financial guarantee contracts is based on assumptions about their risk of default and expected loss rates. The Group uses judgement in making these assumptions and selecting the inputs to the impairment calculation, based on the Group's past history, existing market conditions, as well as forward looking estimates at the end of each reporting period.

To measure the expected credit losses, these items have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due.

The expected loss rate is calculated based on the counterparty's probability of default ("PD") multiplied by the loss given default rate ("LGD"). The approach uses both historical and forward looking data such as credit ratings, audited annual financial statements, credit default swaps pricing and industry and Company-specific analysis of the counterparty's future prospects.

Cash and cash equivalents

The Group applies the simplified approach of providing for lifetime expected credit losses.

The closing loss allowance as at 31 December 2018 reconciles to the opening loss allowances as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
31 December – calculated under IAS39	4,602	–	–	–
Amounts restated through opening retained earnings	1,467	–	3,116	–
Opening loss allowance as at 1 January 2018 – calculated under IFRS9	6,069	–	3,116	–
Increase in 12-month expected loss allowance on financial guarantee contracts	–	–	(65)	–
Increase in 12-month expected loss allowance on cash and cash equivalents	(7)	–	59	–
Increase in 12-month expected loss allowance on contract assets	240	–	–	–
Increase in lifetime expected loss allowance on trade receivables	6,806	–	363	–
Write-offs	–	–	–	–
Unused amount reversed	(552)	–	(667)	–
At 31 December	12,556	–	2,806	–

Collateral and other credit enhancements

The Group receives cash collateral from certain counterparties as a method of mitigating credit risk on trade receivables. Where the carrying value of the trade receivables is supported by cash collateral, no expected credit loss has been recognised on these amounts. The carrying value of trade receivables where no expected credit loss has been recognised amounts to £21.6m.

10 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES continued**Market risk** continued**iv. Credit risk** continued**Credit quality of financial assets neither past due nor impaired**

The credit quality of financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired can be assessed by reference to external credit ratings or by internal models intended to approximate credit rating determinations.

Financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss:

	Group		Company	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Investment Grade	81%	71%	72%	68%
Sub-Investment Grade	19%	29%	28%	32%
Unrated	0%	0%	0%	0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%

40% (2017: 60%) of the Sub-Investment Grade category for the Group relates to balances with affiliated counterparties. 63% (2017: 65%) of the Sub-Investment Grade category for the Company relates to balances with affiliated counterparties.

Financial and contract assets held at amortised cost:

	Group		Company	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Investment Grade	75%	78%	66%	69%
Sub-Investment Grade	24%	18%	34%	30%
Unrated	1%	4%	0%	1%
	100%	100%	100%	100%

Credit quality of obligors

Financial guarantee contracts (gross notional amount):

	Group 2018	Company 2018
Investment Grade	0%	0%
Sub-Investment Grade	0%	100%
Unrated	0%	0%
	0%	100%

v. Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk represents the risk that the Group is unable to satisfy the financial obligations that arise during the course of business due to insufficient funding lines or available cash reserves.

Liquidity risk is monitored on a daily basis with cash flow forecasts amended as appropriate and adjustments made to the funding plan or business plan if required.

The Group protects itself against this risk by ensuring that it either has sufficient available cash reserves to hand or access to committed financing that will enable it to meet all anticipated needs as well as to cover stressed market conditions or extreme or unplanned events.

The Group expects to meet its other obligations from operating cash flows and proceeds from the settlement of financial assets. The Group also has access to committed facilities of €300m and a cash pool facility of €100m with its parent company GPG, a US\$250m committed revolving credit facility from a syndicate of banks and significant bilateral trade finance lines.

Cash balances are managed centrally by the Group's treasury function as part of Group funds and investments and monitored at a Group level. Interest is received based on market interest rates.

The following tables detail the Group's liquidity analysis for its financial and certain non-financial instruments. The tables have been drawn up based on the undiscounted gross cash inflows and outflows. When the amount payable or receivable is not fixed, the amount disclosed has been determined by reference to the projected settlement amounts based on commodity price curves and other relevant market data at the reporting date.

The table below analyses the contractual undiscounted cash flows arising from the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the Statements of financial position date to the contractual maturity date.

10 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES continued**Market risk** continued**v. Liquidity risk** continued**Group**

	Within 1 month £'000	2-12 months £'000	1-2 years £'000	2-5 years £'000	Total £'000
31 December 2018					
Due for receipt					
Commodity trading contracts	6,558,796	27,181,510	7,584,084	2,528,581	43,852,971
Commodity derivative instruments	20,682	134,385	108,134	39,201	302,402
Virtual gas storage contracts at fair value	-	176,849	-	-	176,849
Cash and cash equivalents	94,680	-	-	-	94,680
Trade and other receivables	2,470,599	132,312	3,734	1,920	2,608,565
Total	9,144,757	27,625,056	7,695,952	2,569,702	47,035,467
Due for payment					
Commodity trading contracts	6,723,814	26,376,005	6,583,043	1,685,923	41,368,785
Commodity derivative instruments	32,498	234,301	111,757	44,624	423,180
Virtual gas storage contracts at fair value	-	225,159	-	-	225,159
Trade and other payables	2,578,680	157,453	1,525	-	2,737,658
Loans and overdrafts	67,277	-	-	-	67,277
Total	9,402,269	26,992,918	6,696,325	1,730,547	44,822,059
31 December 2017					
Due for receipt					
Commodity trading contracts	5,279,292	22,062,589	5,532,515	2,852,533	35,726,929
Commodity derivative instruments	38,058	307,830	77,140	51,671	474,699
Virtual gas storage contracts at fair value	-	52,279	-	-	52,279
Cash and cash equivalents	171,285	-	-	-	171,285
Trade and other receivables	1,806,673	63,045	1,881	2,909	1,874,508
Total	7,295,308	22,485,743	5,611,536	2,907,113	38,299,700
Due for payment					
Commodity trading contracts	5,379,785	22,340,182	4,682,613	1,495,005	33,897,585
Commodity derivative instruments	9,141	332,162	12,097	2,282	355,682
Virtual gas storage contracts at fair value	-	146,264	-	-	146,264
Trade and other payables	1,358,542	137,700	813	-	1,497,055
Total	6,747,468	22,956,308	4,695,523	1,497,287	35,896,586

10 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES continued**Market risk** continued**v. Liquidity risk** continued**Company**

	Within 1 month £'000	2-12 months £'000	1-2 years £'000	2-5 years £'000	Total £'000
31 December 2018					
Due for receipt					
Commodity trading contracts	12,177,776	25,552,345	10,106,483	331,529	48,168,133
Commodity derivative instruments	27,786	200,316	207,127	75,573	510,802
Virtual gas storage contracts at fair value	–	176,849	–	–	176,849
Cash and cash equivalents	186,526	–	–	–	186,526
Trade and other receivables	2,261,755	120,676	–	1,920	2,384,351
Total	14,653,843	26,050,186	10,313,610	409,022	51,426,661
Due for payment					
Commodity trading contracts	12,141,576	23,808,695	7,479,966	230,305	43,660,542
Commodity derivative instruments	39,364	299,959	132,277	88,328	599,928
Virtual gas storage contracts at fair value	–	225,159	–	–	225,159
Trade and other payables	2,259,125	150,014	–	–	2,409,139
Loans and overdrafts	191,739	105,725	–	–	297,464
Total	14,631,804	24,589,552	7,612,243	318,633	47,152,232

Company

	Within 1 month £'000	2-12 months £'000	1-2 years £'000	2-5 years £'000	Total £'000
31 December 2017					
Due for receipt					
Commodity trading contracts	5,436,173	22,908,742	5,992,236	3,111,115	37,448,266
Commodity derivative instruments	32,913	189,635	41,592	25,836	289,976
Virtual gas storage contracts at fair value	–	52,279	–	–	52,279
Cash and cash equivalents	217,464	–	–	–	217,464
Trade and other receivables	1,408,652	65,430	1,058	2,909	1,478,049
Total	7,095,202	23,216,086	6,034,886	3,139,860	39,486,034
Due for payment					
Commodity trading contracts	5,402,848	22,430,488	4,715,468	1,506,451	34,055,255
Commodity derivative instruments	17,059	190,094	12,595	1,141	220,889
Virtual gas storage contracts at fair value	–	146,264	–	–	146,264
Trade and other payables	1,044,020	125,961	813	–	1,170,794
Loans and overdrafts	–	545,095	–	–	545,095
Total	6,463,927	23,437,902	4,728,876	1,507,592	36,138,297

Economical capital

The Group employs an economic capital framework to ensure that sufficient capital is retained for the Group to withstand unexpected financial losses.

The capital requirement for holding an asset or group of assets is assessed by applying a statistical approach to measure the risk of potential value loss. The total economic capital requirement cannot exceed the tangible net worth of the Group, thereby setting a limit on the aggregate amount of risk that can be taken.

11 FINANCIAL AND NON-FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF IFRS9

As part of its business operations, the Group uses derivative financial instruments (“derivatives”) in order to manage exposure to fluctuations in commodity prices and foreign exchange rates. Trading activities are undertaken sometimes using a range of contract types in combination to create incremental gains by arbitraging prices between markets, locations and time periods. The Group enters into currency derivatives to hedge certain foreign currency cash flows and to adjust the currency composition of its assets and liabilities. The Group’s policy is to enter into currency derivatives only where these are matched by an underlying asset, liability or forecast transaction.

The Group enters into contracts to buy or sell commodities for trading purposes and not for the purpose of receipt or delivery to meet the Group’s expected own-use requirements. Even though the majority of these contracts are physically delivered, where such contracts are deemed to be capable of net settlement, for example where the commodity is deemed to be readily convertible to cash, they are treated as financial assets or liabilities and measured at fair value through profit and loss. These contracts are in the scope of IFRS9 and associated gains or losses are recognised directly in the Statement of comprehensive income within ‘Net trading income’.

The Group also uses various commodity based derivative instruments to manage some of the risks arising from its normal operating activities that give rise to commodity price exposures. Such instruments include financial or net-settled forwards, futures, swaps and options.

Where certain instruments have been designated as cash flow hedges of underlying commodity price exposures, certain gains and losses attributable to these instruments are deferred in equity and subsequently recognised in the Statements of comprehensive income when the underlying hedged transaction affects profit or loss. All instruments that are not part of a hedging relationship are recognised in the Statements of financial position at fair value with movements in fair value recognised in the Statements of comprehensive income.

For the Group and the Company, all derivatives are classified as held-for-trading instruments and no financial instruments have been designated at fair value through profit or loss in accordance with the fair value option available within IFRS9 (2017: £nil).

The following tables show further information on the fair value of held-for-trading assets and liabilities:

	Group		Company	
	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Non-current assets				
Commodity trading contracts	408,505	218,242	552,269	224,374
Emission allowances	15,672	19	15,672	19
Foreign exchange contracts	21,129	1,361	21,507	2,702
	445,306	219,622	589,448	227,095
Current assets				
Commodity trading contracts	1,411,754	844,890	1,477,196	876,406
Emission allowances	5,952	14	5,952	14
Foreign exchange contracts	19,079	16,871	20,643	26,360
	1,436,785	861,775	1,503,791	902,780
Current liabilities				
Commodity trading contracts	1,377,149	766,002	1,492,782	848,522
Emission allowances	47,676	7,549	53,138	9,709
Foreign exchange contracts	15,068	35,692	22,229	43,352
	1,439,893	809,243	1,568,149	901,583
Non-current liabilities				
Commodity trading contracts	414,914	171,865	487,163	205,624
Emission allowances	2,648	80	11,061	800
Foreign exchange contracts	1,556	749	20,952	895
	419,118	172,694	519,176	207,319

11 FINANCIAL AND NON-FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF IFRS9 continued**Fair value measurement**

In determining the fair value of assets and liabilities, the Group utilises market data or assumptions that market participants would use in setting a price for the asset or liability. Where quoted market prices are not available, the Group uses valuation techniques to determine the fair values of these instruments. Inputs to the valuation technique can be observable and readily obtainable, market corroborated or generally unobservable. The Group endeavours to use the best available information by utilising valuation techniques that maximise the use of observable inputs and minimise the use of unobservable inputs.

If at inception of a contract, the fair value cannot be supported solely by observable market data, any gain or loss determined by the valuation methodology is not recognised in the Statements of comprehensive income but is deferred. These amounts are commonly known as “day-one” gains and losses. This deferred gain or loss is recognised in the Statements of comprehensive income over the life of the contract on a straight line or otherwise appropriate basis until substantially all of the remaining contract term can be valued using observable market data. At this point, any remaining deferred gain or loss is recognised in the Statements of comprehensive income.

Changes in the fair value of held-for-trading assets and liabilities from this initial fair value are recognised in the Statements of comprehensive income in the period in which they occur. The following table shows the changes in the day-one gains and losses deferred:

	Group	
	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Day-one gains and losses		
Fair value of contracts not recognised through the Statements of comprehensive income at 1 January	6,874	6,931
Initial fair value of new contracts not recognised in the Statements of comprehensive income	22,726	6,704
Fair value recognised in the Statements of comprehensive income during the year	(10,382)	(6,761)
Fair value of contracts not recognised through the Statements of comprehensive income at 31 December	19,218	6,874

	Company	
	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Day-one gains and losses		
Fair value of contracts not recognised through the Statements of comprehensive income at 1 January	6,874	6,931
Initial fair value of new contracts not recognised in the Statements of comprehensive income	22,726	6,704
Fair value recognised in the Statements of comprehensive income during the year	(10,382)	(6,761)
Fair value of contracts not recognised through the Statements of comprehensive income at 31 December	19,218	6,874

Fair value hierarchy

Based on the observability of inputs to the valuation techniques employed, the Group classifies all assets and liabilities carried at fair value. The determination of the classification gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active exchange markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurement) and the lowest priority to those fair values determined with reference to significant unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurement). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1 – Quoted prices are available in active exchange markets for identical assets and liabilities as of the reporting date. Active exchange markets are those in which transactions for the asset or liability occur in sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis. Level 1 instruments are primarily exchange traded derivatives.

Level 2 – Quoted prices are not available, however, pricing inputs are either directly or indirectly observable at the reporting date. Level 2 instruments include those valued using industry standard models and valuation techniques. These inputs include quoted forward prices for commodities, implied volatility factors, spot market prices, contractual prices and expected volumes of the underlying instruments. Substantially all of these inputs or assumptions are observable in the marketplace throughout the full term of the instrument, can be derived from observable data or are supported by observable transaction prices executed in the marketplace. Level 2 instruments include non-exchange traded derivatives such as forward contracts, swaps and options.

Level 3 – Valuation techniques or models include significant inputs that are generally less observable. These inputs may be used with internally developed methodologies that result in management’s best estimate of fair value. Level 3 instruments include those that may be more structured or individually tailored. At each reporting date, the Group performs an analysis of all assets and liabilities at fair value and includes in level 3 those whose fair value is derived using significant unobservable inputs.

11 FINANCIAL AND NON-FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF IFRS9 continued**Fair value hierarchy** continued

The following tables show, according to their level within the fair value hierarchy, the Group's assets and liabilities that were accounted for at fair value at the reporting date. Assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole. The Group's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgement, and may affect the valuation of assets and liabilities and their placement within the fair value hierarchy.

	Group			
	Level 1 £'000s	Level 2 £'000s	Level 3 £'000s	Total £'000s
2018				
Held for trading assets				
Commodity trading contracts	198,868	1,595,948	25,443	1,820,259
Emission allowances	21,164	460	–	21,624
Forward foreign exchange contracts	–	40,208	–	40,208
	220,032	1,636,616	25,443	1,882,091
Inventories	31,152	225,019	–	256,171
Held for trading liabilities				
Commodity trading contracts	248,728	1,466,254	77,082	1,792,064
Emission allowances	14,670	35,653	–	50,323
Forward foreign exchange contracts	–	16,625	–	16,625
	263,398	1,518,532	77,082	1,859,012
	Group			
	Level 1 £'000s	Level 2 £'000s	Level 3 £'000s	Total £'000s
2017				
Held for trading assets				
Commodity trading contracts	149,494	885,648	27,991	1,063,133
Emission allowances	19	14	–	33
Forward foreign exchange contracts	–	18,231	–	18,231
	149,513	903,893	27,991	1,081,397
Inventories	25,870	100,130	–	126,000
Held for trading liabilities				
Commodity trading contracts	89,946	820,758	27,152	937,856
Emission allowances	2,197	5,432	–	7,629
Forward foreign exchange contracts	–	35,894	–	35,894
	92,143	862,084	27,152	981,379

11 FINANCIAL AND NON-FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF IFRS9 continued**Fair value hierarchy** continued

	Company			
	Level 1 £'000s	Level 2 £'000s	Level 3 £'000s	Total £'000s
2018				
Held for trading assets				
Commodity trading contracts	198,842	1,805,180	25,443	2,029,465
Emission allowances	21,164	460	-	21,624
Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	42,150	-	42,150
	220,006	1,847,790	25,443	2,093,239
Inventories	31,152	221,779	-	252,931
Held for trading liabilities				
Commodity trading contracts	248,482	1,654,381	77,082	1,979,945
Emission allowances	14,670	49,529	-	64,199
Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	43,180	-	43,180
	263,152	1,747,090	77,082	2,087,324
2017				
Held for trading assets				
Commodity trading contracts	142,365	930,425	27,991	1,100,781
Emission allowances	18	14	-	32
Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	29,062	-	29,062
	142,383	959,501	27,991	1,129,875
Inventories	25,870	100,130	-	126,000
Held for trading liabilities				
Commodity trading contracts	86,898	940,095	27,152	1,054,145
Emission allowances	2,198	8,312	-	10,510
Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	44,247	-	44,247
	89,096	992,654	27,152	1,108,902

11 FINANCIAL AND NON-FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF IFRS9 continued**Fair value hierarchy** continued

The following table shows a reconciliation of changes in the fair value of instruments classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy:

	Group £'000s	Company £'000s
Fair value at 1 January 2017	28,941	28,941
Net gains and losses recognised in the statement of comprehensive income	(31,420)	(31,420)
Purchases	(37,154)	(37,154)
Sales	31,726	31,726
Settlements	8,746	8,746
Fair value at 31 December 2017 and 1 January 2018	839	839
Net gains and losses recognised in the statement of comprehensive income	(41,360)	(41,360)
Purchases	(4,317)	(4,317)
Sales	581	581
Settlements	(7,382)	(7,382)
Fair value at 31 December 2018	(51,639)	(51,639)

Changing one or more of the less observable inputs within a valuation model is not expected to materially change the fair value of the instruments as reported.

The carrying amounts of financial assets and financial liabilities measured at amortised cost in the Financial Statements are approximately equal to their fair values.

Significant transfers between Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy:

There were no significant transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 (2017: £nil) or between Level 2 and Level 3 (2017: £nil) of the fair value hierarchy in the current year.

Sensitivity of fair values to changing significant assumptions to reasonably possible alternatives:

All instruments are valued in accordance with the techniques outlined in the fair value hierarchy disclosure above. The majority of Level 3 assets and liabilities comprises natural gas contracts with volume flexibility. The Group uses a proprietary model to forecast offtake volumes which determines the contracts' extrinsic value. Whilst all inputs into the model are observable, the model itself is internally developed and includes certain volumetric assumptions that may be different from those that would be used by another market participant. The impact of varying the unobservable parameters as at 31 December 2018 and at 31 December 2017 is immaterial.

12 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Lease commitments

The Group has entered into non-cancellable operating leases relating to long-term lease contracts for regasification and pipeline capacity of Gazprom Marketing & Trading Mexico S. de R.L. de C.V., and LNG tankers chartered by the Group, including two custom-built tankers, under 15 year charter terms, which were delivered in 2014.

Future lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Not later than one year	152,575	149,963	6,538	6,448
Later than one year and not later than five years	530,650	489,439	4,209	10,617
Later than five years	579,719	655,673	–	–
	1,262,944	1,295,075	10,747	17,065

Operating lease expense

Operating lease and sub-lease payments recognised as expense in the year were as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Minimum lease payments	125,041	143,850	6,055	5,916
Sublease payments received	(76,053)	(78,860)	(683)	(206)
	48,988	64,990	5,372	5,710

Sub-lease receipts

	Group		Company	
	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Future minimum lease payments expected to be received in relation to non-cancellable sub-leases of operating leases:				
Not later than one year	60,026	54,880	806	633
Later than one year and not later than five years	147,931	140,598	1,097	1,043
Later than five years	160,839	187,130	270	–
	368,796	382,608	2,173	1,676

Sub-lease receipts relate primarily to the sub-charter of two LNG tankers to a related party under a non-cancellable operating lease. There are no contingent rents recognised in income in this or prior years.

Contingent liabilities

In the normal course of business, the Company incurs certain contingent liabilities arising from guarantees provided to third parties on behalf of subsidiary entities. No material losses are anticipated as a result of these guarantees.

The following contingent liabilities have not been provided for by the Group or the Company, as it is not anticipated that any material liabilities will arise from these contingencies.

	Group		Company	
	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s	2018 £'000s	2017 £'000s
Letters of credit and bank guarantees	–	–	–	–
Parent company guarantees	–	–	57,086	15,539
	–	–	57,086	15,539

The table above shows the exposure to the Company on its issued guarantees. This presentation is different to the prior year's financial statements which showed the gross notional amount of the issued guarantees.

12 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES continued**Trading transactions**

During the year, the Group entered into various transactions with related parties as shown in the table below. The amounts owed by and owed to related parties include open commodity trading contracts carried at fair value through profit or loss.

Group	Sales to related party £'000s	Purchases from related party £'000s	Amounts owed by related party £'000s	Amounts owed to related party £'000s
Related party				
Parent				
2018	42,515	39,874	1,974	168,364
2017	37,572	34,788	494	9,672
Other entities with indirect control over the Group				
2018	279,390	5,392,504	60,497	745,346
2017	1,200	3,554,576	162,830	333,399
Other related parties				
2018	4,329,514	5,786,844	202,918	422,142
2017	2,260,816	3,260,289	117,069	188,729
Company				
Related party				
Parent				
2018	42,515	39,874	4,493	168,364
2017	37,572	34,788	3,001	9,672
Other entities with indirect control over the Group				
2018	240,749	5,115,982	22,097	732,686
2017	1,168	3,270,327	161,957	318,026
Subsidiaries				
2018	1,962,669	615,528	590,233	549,605
2017	1,259,100	339,008	304,110	736,994
Other related parties				
2018	4,289,389	5,470,554	202,912	370,389
2017	2,208,473	2,827,016	112,915	113,834

The master account holder is GPG, the Group's immediate controlling entity. The Group also has an outstanding borrowing from GPG at 31 December 2018 of £67.3m (2017: £nil). Interest is payable based on market interest rates.

12 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES continued**Commitments**

The Group and Company have the following purchase commitments with related parties

	Group		Company	
	2018 £m	2017 £m	2018 £m	2017 £m
Parent company	1	1	1	1
Other related parties	697	748	-	-
	698	749	1	1

Terms and conditions of transactions with related parties

Sales and purchases with related parties are in the ordinary course of business and support for the arm's length nature of related party transactions is sought from comparable third party transactions which are on substantially the same terms.

At 31 December 2018 the Company had provided £353.2m of parental guarantees on behalf of its subsidiaries (2017: £255.4m). During the year ended 31 December 2018, the Group has not made any provision for doubtful debts relating to amounts owed by related parties (2017: £nil).

13 ULTIMATE PARENT AND CONTROLLING PARTY

The ultimate parent company and controlling party is PAO Gazprom, a company incorporated in Russia. The parent undertaking of the smallest Group which includes the Group and for which consolidated Financial Statements are prepared, is Gazprom Germania GmbH, a company incorporated in Germany. Copies of the consolidated Financial Statements of Gazprom Germania GmbH are available from Gazprom Germania GmbH, Markgrafenstraße 23, D-10117 Berlin Germany. Copies of the consolidated Financial Statements of PAO Gazprom are available from Nametkina str., 16 V-420, GSP-7, 117997, Moscow, Russia.

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