

**SAHARA PETROCHEMICALS COMPANY**  
**(A Saudi Joint Stock Company)**

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE THREE-MONTH PERIOD ENDED  
MARCH 31, 2015 AND LIMITED REVIEW REPORT

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## **LIMITED REVIEW REPORT**

April 16, 2015

To the shareholders of Sahara Petrochemicals Company  
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### **Scope of review**

We have reviewed the accompanying interim consolidated balance sheet of Sahara Petrochemicals Company (the "Company") and its subsidiary (collectively referred to as the "Group") as of March 31, 2015 and the interim consolidated statements of income, cash flows for the three-month period then ended, and the related notes which form an integral part of these interim consolidated financial statements. These interim consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Group's management and have been prepared by them and submitted to us together with all the information and explanations which we required.

We conducted our limited review in accordance with the standard of Review of Interim Financial Reporting issued by the Saudi Organization for Certified Public Accountants. A limited review consists principally of applying analytical procedures to financial data and information and making inquiries of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters. The scope of such limited review is substantially less than an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Saudi Arabia, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

### **Review conclusion**

Based on our limited review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying interim consolidated financial statements for them to be in conformity with accounting standards generally accepted in Saudi Arabia.

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**SAHARA PETROCHEMICALS COMPANY**  
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**Interim consolidated balance sheet**  
(All amounts in Saudi Riyals thousands unless otherwise stated)

	Note	March 31, 2015 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2014 (Audited)	March 31, 2014 (Unaudited)
<b>Assets</b>				
<b>Current assets</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents		1,731,077	1,240,746	1,198,595
Short-term deposits		100,000	100,701	-
Accounts receivable		318,681	393,640	299,959
Inventories		268,585	296,434	333,380
Prepayments and other receivable		67,643	147,619	73,059
		<u>2,485,986</u>	<u>2,179,140</u>	<u>1,904,993</u>
<b>Non-current assets</b>				
Investments in and advances to associates		2,801,756	2,806,525	2,945,071
Projects development costs		1,613	1,613	7,054
Property, plant and equipment	3	3,496,936	3,457,770	3,491,626
Intangible assets		36,041	45,047	88,178
		<u>6,336,346</u>	<u>6,310,955</u>	<u>6,531,929</u>
<b>Total assets</b>		<u>8,822,332</u>	<u>8,490,095</u>	<u>8,436,922</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
<b>Current liabilities</b>				
Short-term borrowings		75,000	-	-
Current maturity of liabilities against capital lease	3	117,840	-	-
Current maturity of long-term borrowings		-	246,522	231,522
Accounts payable		108,657	118,804	132,814
Accrued and other liabilities		215,768	182,088	282,659
Dividends payable	4	372,976	-	-
Zakat and income tax payable		43,314	41,314	47,295
		<u>933,555</u>	<u>588,728</u>	<u>694,290</u>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>				
Liabilities against capital lease	3	1,800,020	-	-
Long-term borrowings		108,844	1,486,863	1,676,849
Derivative financial instruments	3	-	18,358	32,042
Employees termination benefits		54,534	51,593	42,668
		<u>1,963,398</u>	<u>1,556,814</u>	<u>1,751,559</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<u>2,896,953</u>	<u>2,145,542</u>	<u>2,445,849</u>
<b>Equity</b>				
Equity attributable to shareholders of the Company:				
Share capital		4,387,950	4,387,950	4,387,950
Statutory reserve		197,851	197,851	159,313
Fair value reserve	3	-	(13,769)	(26,632)
Retained earnings		820,679	1,245,359	998,414
<b>Total shareholders' equity</b>		<u>5,406,480</u>	<u>5,817,391</u>	<u>5,519,045</u>
Non-controlling interest		518,899	527,162	472,028
<b>Total equity</b>		<u>5,925,379</u>	<u>6,344,553</u>	<u>5,991,073</u>
<b>Total liabilities and equity</b>		<u>8,822,332</u>	<u>8,490,095</u>	<u>8,436,922</u>
<b>Contingencies and commitments</b>	5			

The accompanying notes from 1 to 5 form an integral part of these interim consolidated financial statements.

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	Note	2015 (Unaudited)	2014 (Unaudited)
Sales		261,868	321,077
Cost of sales		(238,280)	(264,026)
Gross profit		23,588	57,051
<b>Operating expenses</b>			
Selling and distribution		(16,956)	(24,700)
General and administrative		(7,870)	(14,399)
(Loss) income from operations		(1,238)	17,952
<b>Other (expenses) income</b>			
Share in net income of associates		(4,769)	106,063
Financial charges	3	(56,564)	(17,516)
Other, net		2,215	3,488
(Loss) income before zakat and non-controlling interest		(60,356)	109,987
Zakat		(2,000)	(7,186)
(Loss) income before non-controlling interest		(62,356)	102,801
Non-controlling interest		12,852	(2,906)
<b>Net (loss) income for the period</b>		<b>(49,504)</b>	<b>99,895</b>
<b>Earnings per share (Saudi Riyals):</b>	2.21		
Operating (loss) income		(0.003)	0.041
Net (loss) income for the period		(0.113)	0.228

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	Note	2015 (Unaudited)	2014 (Unaudited)
<b>Cash flow from operating activities</b>			
Net (loss) income for the period		(49,504)	99,895
<u>Adjustments for non-cash items</u>			
Depreciation and amortization		48,582	84,393
Share in net loss (income) of associates		4,769	(106,063)
(Loss) income applicable to non-controlling interest		(12,852)	2,906
<u>Changes in working capital</u>			
Accounts receivable		74,959	238,001
Inventories		27,849	(106,354)
Prepayments and other receivable		79,976	(7,459)
Accounts payable		(10,147)	(22,149)
Accrued and other liabilities		31,480	69,132
Zakat and income tax payable		2,000	7,186
Employees termination benefits		2,941	2,719
Net cash generated from operating activities		<u>200,053</u>	<u>262,207</u>
<b>Cash flow from investing activities</b>			
Decrease in short-term deposits		701	160,000
Dividends received from an associate		-	97,650
Projects development costs		-	4,876
Additions to property, plant and equipment		(77,400)	(23,710)
Additions to intangible assets		(1,342)	(28,257)
Net cash (utilized in) generated from investing activities		<u>(78,041)</u>	<u>210,559</u>
<b>Cash flow from financing activities</b>			
Increase in short-term borrowings		75,000	-
Proceeds from sale and lease back of property, plant and equipment	3	1,964,000	-
Repayments of long-term borrowings		(1,670,681)	(25,953)
Dividends paid	4	-	(372,975)
Board of Directors' fee		-	(2,200)
Net cash generated from (utilized in) financing activities		<u>368,319</u>	<u>(401,128)</u>
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>490,331</b>	<b>71,638</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		<u>1,240,746</u>	<u>1,126,957</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of period</b>		<b><u>1,731,077</u></b>	<b><u>1,198,595</u></b>
<b>Supplemental cash flow information</b>			
<u>Non-cash financing activities:</u>			
Dividends payable	4	<u>372,976</u>	-
Board of Directors' fee payable		<u>2,200</u>	-

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**1 General information**

Sahara Petrochemicals Company (the "Company") is a Saudi Joint Stock Company and registered in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, operating under Commercial Registration ("CR") No. 1010199710 issued in Riyadh on 19 Jumada'l 1425 H (July 7, 2004). The registered address of the Company is P.O. Box 251, Riyadh 11411, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

The Company is principally involved in investing in industrial projects, especially in the petrochemicals and chemical fields and to own and execute projects necessary to supply raw materials and utilities.

The accompanying interim consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiary 'Al Waha Petrochemical Company ("Al Waha")', (collectively the "Group"), a Saudi limited liability company operating under CR No. 2055007751 issued in Dammam on 9 Shaban 1427 H (September 3, 2006), and is owned 75% by the Company and 25% by Basell Arabia Investments Limited ("Basell"). Al Waha owns and operates a petrochemicals complex that produces Propylene as primary feedstock for the production of Polypropylene.

The Group also holds equity interests in the following associates, at March 31, which are primarily involved in manufacturing of petrochemicals products:

Name	Effective equity interest %	
	2015	2014
Sahara and Ma'aden Petrochemicals Company ("SAMAPCO")	50.00	50.00
Saudi Acrylic Acid Company ("SAAC")	43.16	43.16
Tasnee and Sahara Olefins Company ("TSOC")	32.55	32.55

These interim consolidated financial statements and notes should be read in conjunction with the annual audited consolidated financial statements and the related notes for the year ended December 31, 2014.

During 2014, SAMAPCO and SAAC commenced their commercial operations effective 4 Ramadan 1435 H (July 1, 2014). SAMAPCO's plant is designed to produce 250,000 tons per year of concentrated Caustic Soda and 300,000 tons of Ethylene Dichloride. SAAC's plants are Acrylic Acid Plants complex, Acrylic Monomers factory and Super Absorbent Polymers factory.

The accompanying interim consolidated financial statements were approved by the Company's management on April 16, 2015.

**2 Summary of significant accounting policies**

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these interim consolidated financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all periods presented.

**2.1 Basis of preparation**

The accompanying interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention on the accrual basis of accounting, as modified by revaluation of derivative financial instruments to fair value, and in compliance with the Standard of Accounting for Interim Financial Reporting issued by the Saudi Organization for Certified Public Accountants. Significant accounting policies adopted by the Group for preparing such interim consolidated financial statements are consistent with the accounting policies described in the 2014 annual audited consolidated financial statements of the Group.

**2.2 Critical accounting estimates and judgments**

The preparation of interim consolidated financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting standards requires the use of certain critical estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the reporting date and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results.

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**2.3 Foreign currency transactions and balances**

**(a) Reporting currency**

These interim consolidated financial statements are presented in Saudi Riyals, which is the reporting currency of the Group.

**(b) Transactions and balances**

Foreign currency transactions are translated into Saudi Riyals using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at the year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognized in the interim consolidated income statement.

**2.4 Cash and cash equivalents and time deposits**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with maturities of three months or less from the purchase date. Time deposits are deposits with banks having maturities of more than three months but less than a year and are disclosed separately as time deposits under current assets.

**2.5 Accounts receivable**

Accounts receivable are carried at original invoice amount less provision for doubtful debts. A provision against doubtful debts is established when there is objective evidence that the Group will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables. Such provisions are charged to the interim consolidated income statement and reported under "General and administrative expenses". When an account receivable is uncollectible, it is written-off against the provision for doubtful debts. Any subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written-off are credited against "General and administrative expenses" in the interim consolidated income statement.

**2.6 Inventories**

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Cost is determined using the weighted average method. The cost of finished products includes the cost of raw materials, labor and production overheads.

Net realizable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less the costs of completion and selling expenses. Appropriate provisions are made for slow moving and redundant inventories.

**2.7 Investments**

**(a) Subsidiary**

Subsidiary is an entity over which the Group has the power to govern the financial and operating policies to obtain economic benefit generally accompanying a shareholding of more than one half of the voting rights. The existence and effect of potential voting rights that are currently exercisable or convertible are considered when assessing whether the Group controls another entity. A subsidiary is fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group and is de-consolidated from the date that control ceases.

The purchase method of accounting is used to account for the acquisition of subsidiary. The cost of an acquisition is measured as the fair value of the assets given or liabilities incurred or assumed at the date of acquisition. The excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair value of the Group's share of the identifiable net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill.

Inter-company transactions, balances and unrealized gains and losses on transactions between Group companies are eliminated.

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**(b) Associates**

Associates are entities over which the Group has significant influence but not control, generally accompanying a shareholding of between 20% and 50% of the voting rights. Investments in associates are accounted for using the equity method of accounting and are initially recognized at cost. The Group's investment in associates includes goodwill identified on acquisition, which is adjusted subsequently for impairment loss, if any.

The Group's share of its associates' post-acquisition income or losses is recognized in the interim consolidated income statement, and its share of post-acquisition movements in reserves is recognized in reserves. The cumulative post-acquisition movements are adjusted against the carrying amount of the investment. When the Group's share of losses in an associate equals or exceeds its interest in the associate, including any other unsecured receivables, the Group does not recognize further losses, unless it has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate.

Unrealized gains on transactions between the Group and its associates are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the associates. Unrealized losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred.

Dilution gains and losses arising in investments in associates are recognized in the interim consolidated income statement.

**2.8 Projects development costs**

Projects development costs represent costs related to setting-up of new companies to undertake various new industrial projects. It also includes the assets acquired that will be transferred to the new companies and the associates. Upon successful incorporation of the new companies, related costs are transferred to the respective companies in which the Group will have equity interest.

**2.9 Property, plant and equipment**

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation, except capital work-in-progress which is stated at cost. Depreciation is charged to the interim consolidated income statement, using the straight-line method, to allocate the costs of the related assets to their residual values over the following estimated useful lives:

	<b>Number of years</b>
• Buildings and leasehold land improvements	33
• Plant, machinery and equipment	10 - 25
• Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	3 - 10
• Vehicles	4

Leasehold land improvements are amortized on a straight line basis over the shorter of its useful life or the term of the lease.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amount and are included in the interim consolidated income statement.

Maintenance and normal repairs which do not materially extend the estimated useful life of an asset are charged to the income statement as and when incurred. Major renewals and improvements, if any, are capitalized and the assets so replaced are retired.

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**2.10 Intangible assets**

Turnaround costs - Planned turnaround costs are deferred and amortized over the period until the date of the next planned turnaround which is usually within 3 to 5 years. Should an unexpected turnaround occur prior to the previously envisaged date of planned turnaround, then the previously unamortized deferred costs are immediately expensed and the new turnaround costs are amortized over the period likely to benefit from such costs.

Deferred charges - Costs that are not of benefit beyond the current period are charged to the interim consolidated income statement, while costs that will benefit future periods are capitalized. Such charges are amortized over period not exceeding seven years.

Software costs - Expenditure to acquire computer software and licenses are capitalized and amortized using the straight-line method over the useful life of four years. Licenses are carried at costs less accumulated amortization.

**2.11 Impairment of non-current assets**

Non-current assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognized for the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its recoverable amount which is the higher of an asset's fair value less cost to sell and value in use. For the purpose of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash-generating units). Non-current assets that suffered impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of impairment at each reporting date. Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset or cash-generating unit is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but the increased carrying amount should not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, had no impairment loss been recognized for the assets or cash-generating unit in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized as income immediately in the interim consolidated income statement.

**2.12 Borrowings**

Borrowings are recognized at the proceeds received net of transactions cost incurred. Borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost. Any differences between the proceeds (net of transactions costs) and the redemption value is recognized in the interim consolidated income statement over the period using effective interest method. Borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets are capitalized as part of those assets until such time as the assets are ready for their intended use. Other borrowing costs are charged to the interim consolidated income statement.

**2.13 Accounts payable and accruals**

Liabilities are recognized for amounts to be paid for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the Group.

**2.14 Zakat and taxes**

The Company is subject to zakat in accordance with the regulations of the Department of Zakat and Income Tax (the "DZIT"). Provision for zakat for the Company and zakat related to the Company's ownership in Al Waha is charged to the income statement. Foreign shareholder of Al Waha is subject to income taxes. Provision for income tax is charged to non-controlling interest in the accompanying interim consolidated balance sheet. Additional amounts payable, if any, at the finalization of final assessments are accounted for when such amounts are determined.

The Group withholds tax on certain transactions with non-resident parties in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, including dividends payments to the foreign shareholder of Al Waha, as required under the Saudi Arabian Income Tax Law.

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**2.15 Employee benefits**

***Employee termination benefits***

Employee termination benefits required by Saudi Labor and Workman Law are accrued by the Company and charged to the consolidated income statement. The liability is calculated; as the current value of the vested benefits to which the employee is entitled, should the employee leave at the balance sheet date. Termination payments are based on employees' final salaries and allowances and their cumulative years of service, as stated in the laws of Saudi Arabia.

***Employees' home ownership programme***

The Company has a home ownership programme that offers eligible Saudi employees home ownership opportunities.

Costs incurred on the construction of houses are accumulated and recorded as capital work-in-progress under property, plant and equipment till the time the construction is completed. When the houses are transferred to the employees, the respective costs are transferred from property, plant and equipment to other non-current assets. Costs of unallocated houses are capitalized and depreciated. Down payments and installments of purchase price received from employees are adjusted against the other non-current assets and the title is transferred upon completion of receipt of all the installments.

**2.16 Derivative financial instruments**

Derivative financial instruments are initially recorded at cost and are re-measured to fair value at subsequent reporting dates. Changes in the fair value of derivative financial instruments that do not qualify for hedge accounting are recognized in the interim consolidated income statement as they arise.

A cash flow hedge is a hedge of exposure to variability in cash flows relating to recognized asset or liability, an unrecognised firm commitment or a forecasted transaction. To the extent the hedge is effective; the portion of the gain or loss on the hedging instrument is recognized initially in the equity. Subsequently the amount is included in the interim consolidated income statement in the same period or periods during which the hedged item affects net profit or loss. For hedges of forecasted transaction, the gain or loss on the hedging instrument will adjust the recorded carrying amount of the acquired asset or liability.

**2.17 Revenues**

Revenues from third parties are recorded at the time of delivery of the products. Products are also sold to the minority shareholder in Al Waha (the "Off-taker") under an off-take agreement. Upon delivery of the products to the Off-taker, sales are recorded at provisional selling prices which are later adjusted based on actual selling prices received by the Off-taker from third parties, after deducting costs of shipping, distribution and marketing. Adjustments are recorded as they become known to the Company.

**2.18 Selling, distribution and general and administrative expenses**

Selling, distribution and general and administrative expenses include direct and indirect costs not specifically part of production costs as required under generally accepted accounting standards. Allocations between selling and distribution, and general and administrative expenses and cost of sales, when required, are made on a consistent basis.

**2.19 Dividends**

Dividends are recorded in the financial statements in the period in which they are approved by shareholders of the Company.

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**2.20 Leases**

*Capital leases*

The Group accounts for property, plant and equipment acquired under capital leases by recording the assets and the related liabilities. These amounts are determined on the basis of the present value of minimum lease payments. Financial charges are allocated to the lease term in a manner so as to provide a constant periodic rate of charge on the outstanding liability. Depreciation on assets under capital leases is charged to interim consolidated income statement by applying the straight-line method at the rates applicable to the related assets.

*Operating leases*

Rental expense under operating leases is charged to the interim consolidated income statement over the period of the respective lease. Rental income is recognized on the accrual basis in accordance with the terms of the contracts.

**2.21 Earnings per share**

Earnings per share for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2015 and 2014 has been computed by dividing the operating (loss) income and net (loss) income for such periods by weighted average number of 438,795,000 shares outstanding during such periods.

**2.22 Segment reporting**

(a) Business segment

A business segment is group of assets, operations or entities:

- (i) engaged in revenue producing activities;
- (ii) results of its operations are continuously analyzed by management in order to make decisions related to resource allocation and performance assessment; and
- (iii) financial information is separately available.

The Group is primarily engaged in manufacturing of petrochemicals and related products.

(b) Geographical segment

A geographical segment is group of assets, operations or entities engaged in revenue producing activities within a particular economic environment that are subject to risks and returns different from those operating in other economic environments.

The Group's operations are conducted principally in Saudi Arabia.

**3 Liabilities against capital lease**

During the three month period ended March 31, 2015, Al Waha has signed an Ijarah Facility Agreement with a syndication of commercial banks (the "lessor") for the purpose of converting a commercial loan into an Islamic mode of financing amounting to Saudi Riyals 1,964 million through a sale and lease back of certain of its plant facilities.

Also, as a result of entering into this Ijara Facility Agreement, Al Waha has extinguished its outstanding interest rate swap agreements with the commercial banks and have charged the negative fair values amounting to Saudi Riyals 18.3 million, alongwith with the unamortized balance of the upfront fee related to the previous loan amounting to Saudi Riyals 21.3 million, to the interim consolidated statement of income for the three month period ended March 31, 2015 under financial charges.

**4 Dividends**

The shareholders in their meeting held on March 29, 2015 approved dividends amounting to Saudi Riyals 373.0 million (Saudi Riyal 0.85 per share) (2014: Saudi Riyals 373.0 million declared in March 2014 and paid in March 2014).

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**5 Contingencies and commitments**

- (i) The Group was contingently liable for bank guarantees issued in the normal course of the business amounting Saudi Riyals 454.7 million at March 31, 2015 (2014: Saudi Riyals 455.2 million).
- (ii) The capital expenditure contracted by the Group but not yet incurred till March 31, 2015 was approximately Saudi Riyals 384.9 million (2014: Saudi Riyals 404.8 million).