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## **Agenda**





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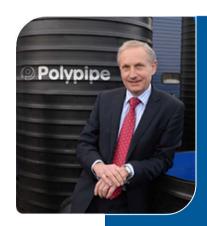


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### **Highlights**



- Delivering the strategy set out during the Group's successful IPO in April 2014
- UK construction market recovery, combined with our strategic focus on structural growth opportunities, generated above market revenue growth from UK operations of 12.4% over 2013
- Improved UK volumes resulted in Group operating profit increasing by 16.6% to £46.3m
- Broadened product offer through two bolt-on acquisitions Ferrob and Surestop
- French operations remain profitable despite continuing difficult market conditions



# **Financial highlights**



Revenue	£327.0m	☆ 8.7%
Operating profit*	£46.3m	16.6%
Adjusted EPS * *	16.11p	<b>1</b> 61.9%
Operating cashflow* after Capex	£48.0m	1 26.3%
Net Debt to EBITDA	1.26x	
Final proposed dividend	3.0p	

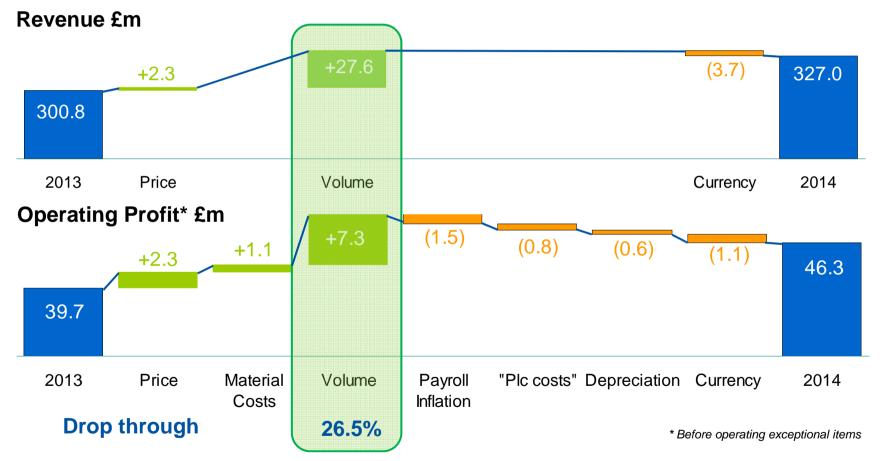
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# 2014 results summary

£m	2014	2013	change	% change
Revenue	327.0	300.8	26.2	8.7%
Cost of sales	(202.4)	(188.3)	(14.1)	
Gross profit	124.6	112.5	12.1	10.8%
Gross profit margin	38.1%	37.4%		
Distribution costs	(49.8)	(46.9)	(2.9)	
SG&A	(28.5)	(25.9)	(2.6)	
Operating profit pre exceptionals	46.3	39.7	6.6	16.6%
Operating profit margin	14.2%	13.2%		
Operating exceptional items	(12.1)	0.1	(12.2)	
Operating profit post exceptionals	34.2	39.8	(5.6)	
Net finance costs - normal	(8.7)	(15.2)	6.5	
<ul><li>exceptional</li></ul>	(8.6)	-	(8.6)	
Profit before tax	16.9	24.6	(7.7)	
Tax	(3.0)	(4.6)	1.6	
Profit after tax	13.9	20.0	(6.1)	

## Revenue and operating profit bridge



# **Balance sheet summary**

£m	2014	2013	change
Non Current Assets			
- property, plant & equipment	89.2	89.0	0.2
- intangibles	235.0	234.4	0.6
Net Working Capital	(4.4)	(1.7)	(2.7)
Cash	43.1	65.9	(22.8)
Long term debt - senior secured notes	-	(150.0)	150.0
<ul><li>bank debt</li></ul>	(120.0)	-	(120.0)
Taxation	(2.9)	(4.0)	1.1
Other	(2.3)	(2.2)	(0.1)
Net Assets	237.7	231.4	6.3

# **Net working capital**



£m	2014	2013	change
Inventories	39.9	38.9	1.0
Trade & Other receivables	20.9	21.4	(0.5)
Trade & Other payables	(65.2)	(62.0)	(3.2)
Net operating working capital	(4.4)	(1.7)	(2.7)
Net operating working capital to revenue	-1.3%	-0.6%	

## **Cashflow**



£m	2014	2013
EBITDA (before operating exceptional items)	60.8	53.6
Capital expenditure	(15.1)	(21.1)
Working capital	2.3	5.5
Operating Cashflow	48.0	38.0
Financing costs - net interest paid	(10.4)	(14.3)
Taxation	(3.7)	(4.9)
Dividend paid	(3.0)	-
Purchase of own shares / other	(1.8)	0.1
Cashflow before IPO / refinancing costs	29.1	18.9
IPO / refinancing costs	(21.9)	-
Decrease in net debt	7.2	18.9
Cash Conversion rate (operating cashflow after capex:EBIT)	) 103.7%	95.7%

Taxation 

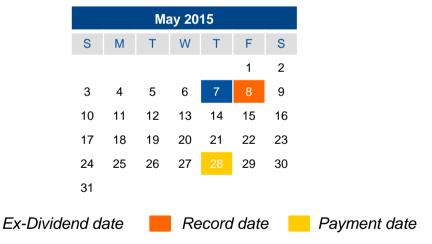
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			Tax rate
	£m	£m	%
Profit before tax (before exceptional IPO listing and refinancing costs) and			
related tax	37.7	5.4	14.3
Exceptional IPO listing (£12.2m) and refinancing costs (£8.6m) and related tax			
relief	(20.8)	(2.0)	
Profit before tax and related tax – current year	16.9	3.4	20.1
Prior year credit	-	(0.4)	
Profit before tax and tax as reported	16.9	3.0	17.8

## **Proposed final dividend**

Proposed final dividend: 3.0p per share

#### **Timetable**



#### **Policy:**

Minimum 40% of PAT (excluding exceptionals)

One third Interim/two thirds Final

Pro rata for period listed

# **Agenda**



### Focused strategy continuing to drive growth

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Positioning to benefit from the market recovery

**Continued product development** 

Leverage leading brand position and end-user relationships

Continuous investment in processes and efficiency initiatives

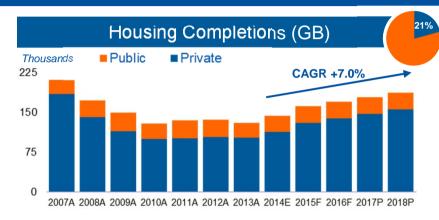
**Selective development in the Middle East** 

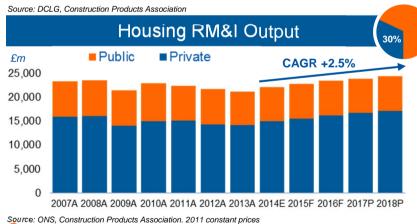
Two small acquisitions and further potential

## Improving market backdrop

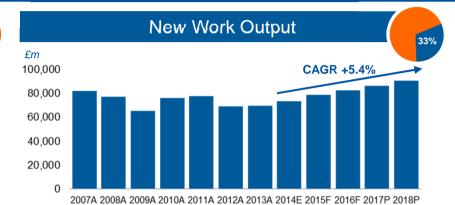


16%





% of Group sales



Note: New Work Output used as proxy for commercial, public non-housing & infrastructure works. 2011 constant prices

#### European Construction Markets

Market Forecasts	2014E	2015F	% 2014 Sales*
France	-2.8%	-0.4%	13.7%
Republic of Ireland	10.1%	9.0%	1.6%
Italy	-2.2%	1.1%	0.7%

Source: Euroconstruct Nov-14 \*Sales by destination

### Strategic growth drivers



#### Water Management Solutions



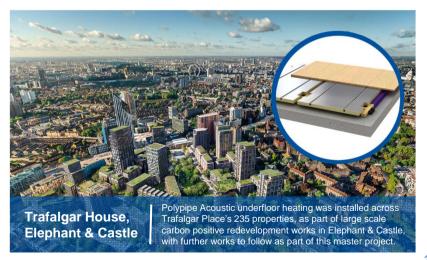
- SUDS legislation and total installation cost benefits driving strong growth for water management systems
- · Good demand from road and rail projects
- Ridgistorm XL capacity expansion now on stream, new accessible Polystorm attenuation cells introduced
- · Fabrications capacity and capability investment completed



#### Carbon Efficient Solutions



- Legislation continuing to drive growth for carbon efficient heating and ventilation systems
- Further products launched aimed at improving thermal and air movement efficiencies in ventilation systems
- Market applications for product offer broadening e.g. bio reactor storage and earth tube ventilation systems



## Strategic growth drivers



#### **Substituting Legacy Materials**



- Plastic plumbing growth underpinned by use in nearly all residential new build
- Infrastructure requirements for residential development resulted in strong growth in Polysewer sales
- Continued long term trends of plastics substitution against legacy materials – though UK penetration rates remain well below Mainland Europe



#### Middle East, Gulf & Export



- · Middle East distributors re-stocking in the first half
- Region continuing to develop on the global map World Expo 2020 Dubai, World Cup confirmed for Qatar in 2022
- Specification gained and system designed in on first new sports facility in Qatar



## **Acquisitions Update**



#### Ferrob

- Acquired October 2014. Consideration £0.3m cash and contingent consideration based on sales growth estimated to be £0.4m
- Manufacturer of extract and positive input ventilation systems with sales of £1.1m
- Enhances Polypipe Ventilation's access to Local Authorities,
   Registered Social Landlords and Housing Associations throughout the UK
- Solutions aimed at controlling high humidity levels, increased condensation and mould growth in increasingly insulated domestic properties





#### Surestop

- Acquired January 2015 for consideration of £5.2m. 2014 operating profit £0.7m on sales of £2.1m
- Manufacturer of a unique patented range of devices, operated by water pressure, to conveniently switch off mains water supply in properties
- Opportunity to bring Polypipe's channel and specification strengths to this solution aimed at replacing brass stopcocks with a modern alternative







## **Operating segment review - Residential**



Residential	2014	2013	% Growth
Revenue	£173.3m	£158.7m	up 9.2%
Operating profit*	£28.4m	£26.0m	up 9.2%
Operating profit margin	16.4%	16.4%	

- Strong growth in private residential new build driven largely by national housebuilders
- Signs that smaller regional developers are returning to the market
- Private RMI improving slowly, homeowners remain cautious but more positive outlook going forward as wages grow ahead of inflation
- Public / social housing new build and RMI impacted by budget constraints
- Strong operating margin maintained

<sup>\*</sup> Before operating exceptional items

### Operating segment review – C&I UK



Commercial & Infrastructure - UK	2014	2013	% Growth
Revenue	£111.1m	£94.3m	up 17.8%
Operating profit*	£17.0m	£12.4m	up 37.1%
Operating profit margin	15.3%	13.1%	

- Road and rail volumes strong
- High rise developments continued in London but also other cities
- Growth in exports to Middle East
- Polymer reprocessing plant now performing well
- Strong drop through of 27% from revenue growth due to operational gearing effect and benefit from polymer reprocessing plant investment

<sup>\*</sup> Before operating exceptional items

#### **Operating segment review – C&I Mainland Europe**



Commercial & Infrastructure – Mainland Europe	2014	2013	% Growth
Revenue	£53.9m	£58.3m	down 7.5%
Operating profit*	£0.9m	£1.3m	down 30.8%
Operating profit margin	1.7%	2.2%	

- Revenue down 2.1% in local currency reflecting weak conditions in our main French market
- Costs flexed down in line with lower volumes
- Price/ volume balance carefully monitored distributors continue to be cost focused

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### **Summary & outlook**



- Positive start to life as a public company, delivering on our strategy
- UK market recovery expected to continue, more geographic balance across a broader base
- Construction, new build housing and planning reforms key themes for all political parties running into the 2015 General Election
- Continued focus on structural growth opportunities
  - Substituting Legacy Materials
  - Water Management Solutions
  - Carbon Efficient Solutions
  - Middle East, Gulf & Export opportunities
- Confident about current prospects and outturn for the full year

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# **Questions & Answers**