

ABRIDGED AUDITED RESULTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

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- Profit before tax increases by GHS 8.6m year on year
- Elimination of all USD liabilities during 2015

Statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2015

	2015 (GHS '000)	2014 (GHS '000)
Income		
Interest income	46 585	50 124
Interest expense	(15 452)	(15 461)
Net interest income	31 133	34 663
Impairment allowance	(14 542)	(12 907)
Income from lending activities	16 591	21 756
Fees and recoveries	6 501	3 445
Operating income	23 092	25 201
Total operating expenses	(22 899)	(33 590)
Selling and collection costs	(5 721)	(4 529)
Administration and other expenses	(17 178)	(29 061)
Profit (Loss) from operations before taxation	193	(8 389)
Income tax expense	(2 872)	630
(Loss) for the year	(2 679)	(7 759)
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive (loss) for the year	(2 679)	(7 759)

Statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 December 2015

	2015 (GHS '000)	2014 (GHS '000)
Net cash generated from (utilised in) operating activities	7 751	(10 314)
Net cash used in investing activities	(1 409)	(80)
Net cash (utilised in) generated from financing activities	(1 084)	14 502
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	5 258	4 108
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	11 924	7 816
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	17 182	11 924

Statement of financial position as at 31 December 2015

	2015 (GHS '000)	2014 (GHS '000)
Assets		
Cash and bank balances	17 182	11 924
Other receivables	2 205	3 325
Loan book receivable	68 645	68 171
Loans to related parties	-	11
Deferred tax	283	3 145
Current tax	186	-
Property, plant and equipment	3 039	1 678
Total assets	91 540	88 254
Equity and liabilities		
Issued capital	30 546	7 000
Retained income	(7 043)	(4 364)
Statutory reserves	3 618	3 618
Total equity	27 121	6 254
Trade and other payables	765	834
Tax payable	-	942
Borrowings	63 654	49 047
Loans from related parties	-	31 177
Total liabilities	64 419	82 000
Total equity and liabilities	91 540	88 254

Review of the performance of the company

The 2015 financial period proved to be a challenging, but successful year for AFB (Ghana) PLC. The Company made a profit before tax of GHS 192 740 during 2015 which was a significant improvement on the prior year (2014: Loss before tax of GHS 8 389 082). The current year's results were severally impacted by the weakening of the USD/GHS exchange rate, the resultant mark to market losses of GHS2.7m and the corresponding tax consequences.

The key focus of management was to strategically position the business for future success. The successful listing of our AFB MTN bond program during July 2015 allowed the Company to:

- Redeem all foreign liabilities, thereby eliminating all foreign currency exposure;
- Bolster the Issued capital of the business by GHS 23.5m; and
- Lengthen the duration of the local funding liabilities (29.4 months) which now almost matches the maturities of the loan book (33.7 months).

Collections were good during the year, resulting in the business generating significant cash flows.

Principal Activity

The company is licensed to operate a Non-Banking Financial Institution (NBFI) as a finance house under the Banking Act 2004 (Act 673), as amended by the Banking (Amendment) Act 2007 (Act 738).

Change of name

During April 2015, the Company converted to a public company to facilitate the GSE listing and accordingly changed its name from AFB (Ghana) Limited to AFB (Ghana) PLC.

2016 Operational performance & strategic priorities

The Company has started the current financial year well with sales of new loans exceeding budgets.

Further strategic priorities for this year include:

- Launching new products including shorter term loans via mobile money wallets;
- Investigate reducing the cost of funding through a fixed deposit product;
- Expanding the AFB branch network;
- Greater operational efficiency through system automation.

These are expected to bring additional customers and consequently additional revenues to the Company during the current financial year.

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