



**AUDITED RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER, 2016**



**CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT**

The year was both challenging and exciting. We faced a weak media market and this constrained our revenues, which dropped from \$209.8M in 2015 to \$164.3M in 2016. This, in turn, caused our profit before tax (PBT) to decline by \$32.6M to \$16.3M. Shareholders should also note that the increase in the tax rate from 25% to 30% in 2016 has had a major impact on our profit after tax. Our net deferred tax liability increased by \$5.6M as a result of applying the 5% increase in taxation rate. This is a one-off non-cash deduction.

Led by a new executive team, we are enthusiastic about the game-changing investments that over 2016 we put in motion. We have restructured the Company into a multi-media house, delivering integrated news and content to our audiences and complete advertising solutions to our customers. We expanded our digital advertising billboard network and continued the development of our Guyanese radio station. We completed the first phase of our print optimisation project, enhancing the quality and efficiency of Print production. We have placed heavy emphasis on

training – both for our leadership and content/news development. We are relentlessly evolving towards being a digital first media house. At the same time, in 2016 we were successful in reducing costs by \$10.4M compared to 2015. Over 2017 we will further optimise our costs. Our transformation programme will continue into 2017 and the turnaround will be evident before the year end.

The Company operates on a rock solid balance sheet of \$383.1M in total assets and it enjoyed an increase of \$4.4M in our cash and cash equivalent to \$98.8M. Our confidence is reflected in the final dividend by our Directors of 50 cents per ordinary share, which brings the total dividend to 60 cents per share (compared to 65 cents per share in 2015) and 4% for preference shareholders, which will be paid on 14th June 2017.

*Teresa White*  
Chairperson  
March 17, 2017

**SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**

	\$'000 Stated Capital	\$'000 Treasury Shares	\$'000 Other Reserves	\$'000 Retained Earnings	\$'000 Total
<b>Balance at 1 January, 2016</b>	27,288	(1,460)	-	296,220	322,048
Net income for the year	-	-	-	6,259	6,259
Other comprehensive income/(loss)	-	-	353	(481)	(128)
Transfers and other movements	-	-	-	(57)	(57)
Dividends	-	-	-	(22,860)	(22,860)
<b>Balance at 31 December 2016 (Audited)</b>	<b>27,288</b>	<b>(1,460)</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>279,081</b>	<b>305,262</b>
<b>Balance at 1 January, 2015</b>	27,288	(1,460)	-	290,388	316,216
Net income for the year	-	-	-	36,042	36,042
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	(6,083)	(6,083)
Transfers and other movements	-	-	-	(70)	(70)
Dividends	-	-	-	(24,057)	(24,057)
<b>Balance at 31 December, 2015 (Audited)</b>	<b>27,288</b>	<b>(1,460)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>296,220</b>	<b>322,048</b>

**SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

	\$'000 Audited Year Ended Dec-31-16	\$'000 Audited Year Ended Dec-31-15
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Income before taxation	16,277	48,917
Adjustment for items not affecting working capital	11,359	10,275
Operating income before working capital changes	27,636	59,192
Net change in working capital	20,067	(5,357)
Cash generated from operations	47,703	53,835
Net interest received	472	251
Taxation paid	(6,148)	(9,870)
Net cash generated from operating activities	42,027	44,216
Net cash used in investing activities	(14,398)	(33,489)
Net cash used in financing activities	(23,195)	(27,223)
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>4,434</b>	<b>(16,496)</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year</b>	<b>94,416</b>	<b>110,912</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year</b>	<b>98,850</b>	<b>94,416</b>

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR ON THE SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF GUARDIAN MEDIA LIMITED**

**Opinion**  
The summary consolidated financial statements, which comprise the summary consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2016, the summary consolidated statement of comprehensive income, summary consolidated statement of changes in equity and summary consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended and related notes, are derived from the complete audited consolidated financial statements of Guardian Media Limited and its subsidiaries ("the Group") for the year ended 31 December 2016.

In our opinion, the accompanying summary consolidated financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited consolidated financial statements, on the basis described in Note 1.

**Summary Consolidated Financial Statements**  
The summary consolidated financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs"). Reading the summary consolidated financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited consolidated financial statements and the auditor's report thereon.

**The Audited Consolidated Financial Statements and Our Report Thereon**  
We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the audited consolidated financial statements in our report dated March 17, 2017. That report also includes the communication of Key Audit Matters. Key Audit Matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period.

**Responsibilities of Management for the Summary Consolidated Financial Statements**  
Management is responsible for the preparation of the summary consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRSs.

**Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Summary Consolidated Financial Statements**  
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary consolidated financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited consolidated financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with International Standard on Auditing (ISA) 810 (Revised), Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements.

*Ernst & Young*  
Port of Spain,  
TRINIDAD:  
March 17, 2017

**SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME**

	\$'000 Unaudited Qtr Ended Dec-31-16	\$'000 Unaudited Qtr Ended Dec-31-15	\$'000 Audited Year Ended Dec-31-16	\$'000 Audited Year Ended Dec-31-15
Third party revenue	44,978	50,205	164,364	209,850
Income from operating activities	8,658	12,422	16,995	49,740
Finance costs	(175)	(188)	(718)	(823)
Income before taxation	8,483	12,234	16,277	48,917
Taxation	(8,083)	(4,619)	(10,018)	(12,875)
<b>Net income for the period/year</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>7,615</b>	<b>6,259</b>	<b>36,042</b>
Basic earnings per share			0.15	0.90
Dividends per share			0.60	0.65

**SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**

	\$'000 Unaudited Qtr Ended Dec-31-16	\$'000 Unaudited Qtr Ended Dec-31-15	\$'000 Audited Year Ended Dec-31-16	\$'000 Audited Year Ended Dec-31-15
Net income for the period/year	400	7,615	6,259	36,042
Other comprehensive loss net of taxation	(128)	(6,113)	(128)	(6,083)
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period/year</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>1,502</b>	<b>6,131</b>	<b>29,959</b>

**SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

	\$'000 Audited Year Ended Dec-31-16	\$'000 Audited Year Ended Dec-31-15
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Fixed assets	118,032	121,994
Other long term assets	115,069	107,540
	233,101	229,534
Current assets	150,016	161,724
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>383,117</b>	<b>391,258</b>
<b>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>		
Stated capital	27,288	27,288
Reserves	277,974	294,760
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>305,262</b>	<b>322,048</b>
Non-current liabilities	48,286	42,643
Current liabilities	29,569	26,567
<b>Total Equity and Liabilities</b>	<b>383,117</b>	<b>391,258</b>

*Lucio Mesquita*  
Lucio Mesquita  
Director

*Teresa White*  
Teresa White  
Chairperson

**NOTES TO THE SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER, 2016**

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these summary consolidated financial statements.

**Note 1. Basis of preparation:**

The summary consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with criteria developed by management. Under management's established criteria, management discloses the summary consolidated statement of financial position, summary consolidated statement of income, summary consolidated statement of comprehensive income, summary consolidated statement of changes in equity and summary consolidated statement of cash flows. These summary consolidated financial statements are derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Guardian Media Limited and its subsidiaries for the year ended 31 December 2016 which are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. The audited consolidated financial statements of the Group will be available on Guardian Media Limited website.

**Note 2. Significant accounting policies:**

These summary consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in "Note 2" of the 31 December 2016 audited consolidated financial statements consistently applied from period to period.

The Group has adopted all the new and revised accounting standards and interpretations that are mandatory for annual accounting periods on or after 1 January 2016 and which are relevant to the Group's operations.

**Note 3. Stated Currency:**

Rounded to the nearest thousand Trinidad & Tobago Dollars.

**Note 4. Segment information**

The Group's segments are organised and managed separately according to the nature of these services provided by each segment. The reportable segments are the Print and Multi-Media segments. The Print segment is mainly involved in newspaper circulation and other printing services for other publishers. The Multi-Media segment provides broadcasting services through its seven (7) radio stations as well as the live television station.

	Print segment		Multi-media segment		Total 2016 \$'000	Total 2015 \$'000
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000		
Revenue	82,053	100,431	82,311	109,419	164,364	209,850
(Loss)/Income before taxation	(373)	9,919	16,650	38,998	16,277	48,917
Assets	205,951	219,344	177,166	171,914	383,117	391,258
Liabilities	40,207	36,357	37,648	32,853	77,855	69,210
Depreciation and amortisation	7,851	6,496	5,865	6,860	13,716	13,356
Capital Expenditure	6,890	11,569	5,460	14,380	12,350	25,949

