

Palestine Electric Company, Public
Shareholding Company

Consolidated Financial Statements

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Shareholders of Palestine Electric Company, Public Shareholding Company

Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Palestine Electric Company, Public Shareholding Company and its subsidiary (the Company), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at December 31, 2017, and the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Company as at December 31, 2017, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter - Credit risk

We draw attention to note (9) to the accompanying consolidated financial statements, the revenues of Gaza Power Generating Company (GPGC) from the use of the power plant to generate electric capacity is generated from one customer, Palestinian Energy and Natural Resources Authority (PENRA). To the date of the financial statements, PENRA has not provided GPGC with the letter of credit of U.S. \$ 20,000,000 as required by the Power Purchase Agreement. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Emphasis of Matter - Taxes

We draw attention to note (24) to the accompanying consolidated financial statements, the Palestinian National Authority has agreed to exempt GPGC and its shareholders (with respect to dividends and earnings from the subsidiaries), for the term of the agreement for 20 years including any extensions thereof, from all Palestinian taxes. As of the date of these consolidated financial statements, neither the Company nor its subsidiary obtained a tax settlement from the tax authorities for the period from inception in 1999 until 2016. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Emphasis of Matter - Concentration of geographic risk

We draw attention to note (29) to the accompanying consolidated financial statements, the Company's non-current assets which mainly comprise property, plant and equipment are located in Gaza. Recoverability of these assets from the Company's operations depends on the stabilization of the political and economic situation in Gaza. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.



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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 as at December 31, 2017. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. For each matter below, our description of how our audit addressed the matter is provided in that context.

We have fulfilled the responsibilities described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report, including in relation to these matters. Accordingly, our audit included the performance of procedures designed to respond to our assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements. The results of our audit procedures, including the procedures performed to address the matters below, provide the basis for our audit opinion on the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

Key Audit Matter - PENRA's account receivable:

According to the power purchase agreement amendment signed on November 7, 2016 with the Palestinian Energy and Natural Resources Authority (PENRA) and the Palestinian Ministry of Finance and Planning and PENRA, part of the PENRA's accounts receivable balance in the amount of U.S. \$ 21,856,302 was due and unpaid at December 31, 2017. Management assessed collectability of the balance based on historical trends according to amended power purchase agreement and estimated the amounts and timing of future cash flows to settle the balance. Expected future cash flows were discounted to their present value resulting in fair value adjustment in the amount U.S. \$ 782,188 recorded in the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income.

There are significant judgement and assumptions involved in determining expected amounts and timing of future cash inflow to settle the balance and in discounting cash flows to their present value.

We reviewed data used and assumptions made in estimating amounts and timing of future cash flows considering cash collection history according to the amended power purchase agreement and recomputed discounting cash flows to present value. In addition, we independently received account receivable confirmation from PENRA and assessed the disclosure presented in note (9) and (19).

Other Information Included in the Company's 2017 Annual Report

Other information consists of the information included in the annual report, other than the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Management is responsible for the other information.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information; we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.



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Responsibilities of Management and the Board of Directors for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRSs, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Board of Directors is responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.



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- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Company to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the Board of Directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the Board of Directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with the Board of Directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements as at December 31, 2017 and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at December 31, 2017

| | Notes | 2017 U. \$. \$ | 2016 U.S. \$ |
|---|-------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| ASSETS | | | |
| Non-current assets | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 4 | 32,171,690 | 38,453,366 |
| Intangible assets | 5 | 1,415,545 | 1,637,128 |
| Available-for-sale investment | 6 | 1,000,000 | 750,000 |
| PENRA's account receivable -long term | 9 | 4,112,634 | 7,499,510 |
| Project in progress | 7 | 249,372 | 249,372 |
| | | <u>38,949,241</u> | <u>48,589,376</u> |
| Current assets | | | |
| Materials and inventories | 8 | 7,655,823 | 8,475,642 |
| PENRA's account receivable - short term | 9 | 24,460,984 | 22,205,446 |
| Other current assets | 10 | 3,230,903 | 3,298,950 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 11 | 25,627,320 | 17,335,472 |
| | | <u>60,975,030</u> | <u>51,315,510</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS | | <u><u>99,924,271</u></u> | <u><u>99,904,886</u></u> |
| EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | | | |
| Equity | | | |
| Paid-in share capital | 12 | 60,000,000 | 60,000,000 |
| Statutory reserve | 13 | 10,606,960 | 9,742,737 |
| Retained earnings | | 17,039,037 | 15,261,032 |
| Total equity | | <u>87,645,997</u> | <u>85,003,769</u> |
| Non-current liabilities | | | |
| Long term loan | 14 | - | 2,698,467 |
| Provision for employees' indemnity | 15 | 3,617,975 | 3,234,844 |
| | | <u>3,617,975</u> | <u>5,933,311</u> |
| Current liabilities | | | |
| Current portion of long term loan | 14 | - | 659,332 |
| Other current liabilities | 16 | 8,660,299 | 8,308,474 |
| | | <u>8,660,299</u> | <u>8,967,806</u> |
| Total liabilities | | <u>12,278,274</u> | <u>14,901,117</u> |
| TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | | <u><u>99,924,271</u></u> | <u><u>99,904,886</u></u> |

The attached notes 1 to 29 form part of these consolidated financial statements

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Year Ended December 31, 2017

| | Notes | 2017 U.S. \$ | 2016 U.S. \$ |
|--|-------|------------------|-------------------|
| Revenues | | | |
| Capacity charges | 17 | 31,681,200 | 31,360,512 |
| Discounts on capacity charges' invoices | 9 | (1,800,000) | (150,000) |
| Operating expenses | 18 | (19,951,128) | (15,538,434) |
| | | <u>9,930,072</u> | <u>15,672,078</u> |
| PENRA's accounts receivable written off | 9 | - | (15,911,137) |
| Fair value adjustment of PENRA's receivable | 19 | (782,188) | - |
| Finance costs | | (721,920) | (413,569) |
| Other revenues, net | 20 | 216,264 | 3,811 |
| Profit (loss) for the year | | <u>8,642,228</u> | <u>(648,817)</u> |
| Other comprehensive income | | - | - |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | | <u>8,642,228</u> | <u>(648,817)</u> |
| Basic and diluted earnings (losses) per share | 21 | <u>0.14</u> | <u>(0.01)</u> |

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Year Ended December 31, 2017

| | Paid-in Share Capital | Statutory Reserve | Retained Earnings | Total Equity |
|--|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| | U.S. \$ | U.S. \$ | U.S. \$ | U.S. \$ |
| 2017 | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of the year | 60,000,000 | 9,742,737 | 15,261,032 | 85,003,769 |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | - | - | 8,642,228 | 8,642,228 |
| Transferred to statutory reserve | - | 864,223 | (864,223) | - |
| Dividends (note 22) | - | - | (6,000,000) | (6,000,000) |
| Balance, end of year | <u>60,000,000</u> | <u>10,606,960</u> | <u>17,039,037</u> | <u>87,645,997</u> |
| 2016 | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of the year | 60,000,000 | 9,742,737 | 21,909,849 | 91,652,586 |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | - | - | (648,817) | (648,817) |
| Dividends (note 22) | - | - | (6,000,000) | (6,000,000) |
| Balance, end of year | <u>60,000,000</u> | <u>9,742,737</u> | <u>15,261,032</u> | <u>85,003,769</u> |

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year Ended December 31, 2017

| | 2017 | 2016 |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|
| Note | U.S. \$ | U.S. \$ |
| <u>Operating activities</u> | | |
| Profit (loss) for the year | 8,642,228 | (648,817) |
| Adjustments: | | |
| Provision for employees' indemnity | 413,657 | 631,472 |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment | 6,305,893 | 6,303,966 |
| Amortization | 221,583 | 221,583 |
| Fair value adjustment of PENRA's receivable | 782,188 | - |
| Finance costs | 721,920 | 413,569 |
| Gain from disposal of property, plant and equipment | - | (5,000) |
| PENRA's receivable written off | - | 15,911,137 |
| | <u>17,087,469</u> | <u>22,827,910</u> |
| Working capital adjustments: | | |
| PENRA's account receivable | 349,150 | (9,981,041) |
| Other current assets | 68,047 | (2,274,710) |
| Materials and inventories | 819,819 | (244,549) |
| Other current liabilities | (42,113) | (597,264) |
| Employees' indemnity paid | (30,526) | (182,811) |
| Net cash flows from operating activities | <u>18,251,846</u> | <u>9,547,535</u> |
| <u>Investing activities</u> | | |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment | (24,217) | (29,582) |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment | - | 5,000 |
| Available-for-sale investment | (250,000) | (250,000) |
| Net cash flows used in investing activities | <u>(274,217)</u> | <u>(274,582)</u> |
| <u>Financing activities</u> | | |
| Loan repayments | (3,357,799) | (653,330) |
| Finance costs paid | (721,920) | (397,666) |
| Dividends paid | (5,606,062) | (5,547,563) |
| Net cash flows used in financing activities | <u>(9,685,781)</u> | <u>(6,598,559)</u> |
| Increase in cash and cash equivalents | 8,291,848 | 2,674,394 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the year | <u>17,335,472</u> | <u>14,661,078</u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of year | 11 <u>25,627,320</u> | <u>17,335,472</u> |

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NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2017

1. General

Palestine Electric Company (the Company), located in Gaza, was established on December 14, 1999, and is registered in accordance with the Companies' Law under a registration number (563200971) as Public Shareholding Company.

The main objectives of the Company are to establish electricity generating plants in the territories of the Palestinian National Authority (PNA) and to carry out all the operations necessary for the production and generation of electricity.

Gaza Power Generating Company (GPGC), being the Company's subsidiary, has an exclusive right from PNA to provide capacity and generate electricity in Gaza for the benefit of entities owned or controlled by the PNA for 20 years following commercial operation of its power plant which started on March 15, 2004 with an opportunity to extend the period of the agreement for up to two additional consecutive five-year periods.

The Company is considered a subsidiary of Palestine Power Company which owns 65 % of the Company's share capital. The financial statements of the Company are consolidated with the financial statements of Palestine Power Company.

The consolidated financial statements were authorized for issuance by the Company's Board of Directors on February 15, 2018.

2. Consolidated Financial Statements

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiary, GPGC, as at December 31, 2017. GPGC was established in Gaza in the year 1999 with an authorized share capital of 6,000,000 shares of U.S. \$ 10 par value each.

3. Accounting Policies

3.1 Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiary have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by International Accounting Standard Board (IASB).

The consolidated financial statements have been presented in U.S. Dollar, which is the functional currency of the Company.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis.

3.2 Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiary as at December 2017. Control is achieved when the Company is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee. Specifically, the Company controls an investee if, and only if, the Company has:

- Power over the investee (i.e. existing rights that give it the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee)

- Exposure, or rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee
- The ability to use its power over the investee to affect its returns.

The Company re-assesses whether or not it controls investees if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control. Consolidation of a subsidiary begins when the Company obtains control over the subsidiary and ceases when the Company loses control of the subsidiary. Assets, liabilities, income and expenses of a subsidiary acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date the Company gains control until the date the Company ceases to control the subsidiary.

All intra-company balances, transactions, unrealized gains and losses resulting from intra-company transactions and dividends are eliminated in full.

3.3 Changes in accounting policies

The accounting policies used in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements are consistent with those used in the preparation of the annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2016. Except that the Company applied certain amendments to the standards, which are effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2017.

The application of these amendments has no effect on the Company's financial position and performance, or the disclosures of the consolidated financial statements of the Company.

Amendments to IAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows: Disclosure Initiative

The amendments require entities to provide disclosure of changes in their liabilities arising from financing activities, including both changes arising from cash flows and non-cash changes (such as foreign exchange gains or losses).

Standards issued but not effective

The IASB issued standards and interpretations that are not yet effective, and have not been adopted by the Company. These standards are those that the Company reasonably expects to have an impact on the financial position, performance or disclosures of the consolidated financial statements of the Company, when applied. The Company intends to adopt these standards when they become effective.

IFRS 9 Financial Instruments

In July 2014, the IASB issued the final version of IFRS 9 Financial Instruments that replaces IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement and all previous versions of IFRS 9. IFRS 9 brings together all three aspects of the accounting for financial instruments project: classification and measurement, impairment and hedge accounting. IFRS 9 is effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018, with early application permitted. Except for hedge accounting, retrospective application is required; however, the entities are exempted from restating their comparative information.

The Company plans to adopt the new standard on the required effective date and will not restate comparative information. IFRS 9 will affect the measurement and recording of credit losses.

Below is a summary of IFRS 9 impact on the financial position, performance or disclosures of the consolidated financial statements of the Company, when applied:

(a) Classification and measurement

The Company does not expect a significant impact on its financial position or equity on applying the classification and measurement requirements of IFRS 9.

Loans as well as trade receivables are held to collect contractual cash flows and are expected to give rise to cash flows representing solely payments of principal and interest. The Company has analyzed the contractual cash flow characteristics of those instruments and concluded that they meet the criteria for amortized cost measurement under IFRS 9. Therefore, reclassification for these instruments is not required

(b) Impairment

IFRS 9 introduces an updated model for credit loss measurement (the expected credit losses) on all of its financial assets including loans granted, debt securities at amortized cost or at fair value through other comprehensive income. The expected credit loss (ECL) model will replace the current "Incurred Losses" model as per IAS 39.

IFRS 9 requires the Company to record expected credit losses on all of its debt securities and trade receivables, either on a 12-month or lifetime basis. The Company will apply the simplified approach and record lifetime expected losses on all trade receivables. The Company has estimated that the additional provision to be recorded resulting from the expected credit loss from its trade receivables will not be significant compared to the current requirements.

This assessment is based on currently available information and may be subject to changes arising from further reasonable and supporting information being made available to the Company in 2018 when it adopts IFRS 9.

(c) Hedge accounting

Hedge accounting under IFRS 9 will have no effect on the Company's financial position and performance, as the Company does not currently hold financial instruments for hedging purposes.

IFRS 7 Financial Instruments - Amendments on Disclosure

IFRS 7 was amended to include more qualitative and quantitative disclosures to accommodate IFRS 9 requirements such as classifications, impairment and hedge accounting.

IFRS 16 Leases

During January 2016, the IASB issued IFRS 16 "Leases" which sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases.

IFRS 16 substantially carries forward the lessor accounting requirements in IAS 17. Accordingly, a lessor continues to classify its leases as operating leases or finance leases, and to account for those two types of leases differently. IFRS 16 introduced a single lessee accounting model and requires a lessee to recognize assets and liabilities for all leases with a term of more than 12 months, unless the underlying asset is of low value. A lessee is required to recognize a right-of-use asset representing its right to use the underlying leased asset and a lease liability representing its obligation to make lease payments.

The new standard will be effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2019. Early application is permitted.

3.4 Estimates and assumptions

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of accounting estimates and assumptions. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies. The Company's management continually evaluates its estimates, assumptions and judgments based on available information and experience. As the use of estimates is inherent in financial reporting, actual results could differ from these estimates.

Following are the significant estimates made by management:

Useful lives of tangible and intangible assets

The Company's management reassesses the useful lives of tangible and intangible assets, and makes adjustments if applicable, at each financial year end.

Impairment of accounts receivable

When the Company has objective evidence that it will not be able to collect certain debts, estimates are used in determining the level of debts that the Company believes will not be collected.

Fair value adjustment of account receivable

Management uses certain estimates and assumptions to determine and discount the expected future cash flows to settle accounts receivable.

The Company's management believes that the estimates and assumptions used are reasonable.

3.5 Summary of significant accounting policies

Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognized to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Company and the revenue can be reliably measured. The following specific recognition criteria must also be met before revenue is recognized:

Capacity charges

Capacity charge revenues from the use of the power plant are recognized during the period in which electricity is available according to the power purchase agreement signed with PENRA. This results in revenue recognition approximating the straight-line requirements of IAS (17) on leases as the Company applies IFRIC (4) which relates to arrangements that do not take the legal form of a lease but convey the right to use an asset in return for a payment or a series of payments. An arrangement conveys the right to use the asset if the arrangement conveys to the purchaser (lessee) the right to control the use of the underlying asset. The right to control the use of the underlying asset is conveyed if any one of the following conditions is met:

- The purchaser has the ability or right to operate the asset or direct others to operate the asset in a manner it determines while obtaining or controlling more than an insignificant amount of the output or other utility of the asset.
- The purchaser has the ability or right to control physical access to the underlying asset while obtaining or controlling more than an insignificant amount of the output or other utility of the asset.

- Facts and circumstances indicate that it is remote that one or more parties other than the purchaser will take more than an insignificant amount of the output or other utility that will be produced or generated by the asset during the term of the arrangement, and the price that the purchaser will pay for the output is neither contractually fixed per unit of output nor equal to the current market price per unit of output as of the time of delivery of the output.

As the Palestinian Energy and Natural Resources Authority (PENRA) is the sole purchaser of the electricity generated from power plant at a price other than at market price and the price varies other than in response to market price changes, this variability is regarded by IFRIC (4) as capacity payments being made for the right to use the power plant. Hence, such arrangement is accounted for in accordance with IAS (17) on leases. The power purchase agreement does not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to the Company's ownership of the power plant to PENRA. Therefore, the Company considered the arrangement of the power plant agreement as an operating lease and electrical capacity charges from the use of power plant to generate electricity as rental payment.

Interest revenues

Interest revenue is recognized as interest accrues using the effective interest method using the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

Expense recognition

Expenses are recognized when incurred in accordance with the accrual basis of accounting.

Finance costs

Finance costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of an asset that necessarily takes a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use are capitalized as part of the cost of the asset. All other finance costs are expensed in the period in which they occur. Finance costs consist of interest and other costs that an entity incurs in connection with the borrowing of funds.

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and/or accumulated impairment losses, if any. Such cost includes the cost of replacing part of the property, plant and equipment and borrowing costs for long-term construction projects if the recognition criteria are met. All other repair and maintenance costs are recognized in the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income as incurred. Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

| | Useful lives (Years) |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Power plant | 20 |
| Buildings | 20 |
| Motor vehicles | 5 |
| Computers and printers | 4 |
| Office equipment | 4 |
| Furniture and fixture | 5 |

Any item of property, plant, and equipment and any significant part initially recognized is derecognized upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income when the asset is derecognized.

The property, plant and equipment residual values, useful lives and methods of depreciation are reviewed at each financial year-end and adjusted prospectively, if appropriate.

Project in progress

Project in progress comprises development and design costs, construction costs, direct wages, borrowing costs and a portion of the indirect costs. After completion, project in progress is transferred to property, plant and equipment.

The carrying value of the project in progress is reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable. If any such indication exists and where the carrying values exceed the estimated recoverable amount, the project is written down to its recoverable amount.

Intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired through government grant and assistance are initially measured at fair value. Following initial recognition, intangible assets are carried net of any accumulated amortization and any accumulated impairment losses.

Intangible assets with finite lives are amortized over the useful economic life and assessed for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. The amortization period and the amortization method for an intangible asset with a finite useful life is reviewed at least each financial year-end. Changes in the expected useful life or the expected pattern of consumption of future economic benefits embodied in the asset is accounted for by changing the amortization period or method, as appropriate, and treated as changes in accounting estimates. The amortization expense on intangible assets with finite lives is recognized in the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income in the expense category consistent with the function of the intangible asset.

Right to use PENRA's transformers

Right to use PENRA's transformers is amortized using the straight-line method over a period that equals the remaining useful life of the Power Plant at the time of acquiring the right. Amortization expense is recognized in the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income.

Current versus non-current classification

The Company presents assets and liabilities in consolidated statement of financial position based on current/non-current classification. An asset as current when it is:

- Expected to be realized or intended to sold or consumed in normal operating cycle
- Held primarily for the purpose of trading
- Expected to be realized within twelve months after the reporting period
- Cash or cash equivalents unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period.

All other assets are classified as non-current.

A liability is current when:

- It is expected to be settled in normal operating cycle
- It is held primarily for the purpose of trading
- It is due to be settled within twelve months after the reporting period
- There is no unconditional right to defer the settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period.

The Company classifies all other liabilities as non-current.

Materials and inventories

Materials and inventories are stated at the lower of cost using the weighted average method or net realizable value. Costs are those amounts incurred in bringing each item of materials and inventories to its present location and condition.

Accounts receivable

Accounts receivable are stated at original invoice amount less a provision for any impaired amounts. An estimate for impaired accounts receivable is made when collection of the full amount is no longer probable. Bad debts are written off when there is no possibility of recovery.

Long-term accounts receivable

Accounts receivable are recorded at fair value using the effective interest method. Gains or losses are recognized in the consolidated income statement when discounted or impaired.

Available-for-sale investments

Equity instruments designated as available-for-sale are those instruments that are not classified for trading. After initial measurement, available-for-sale financial assets are measured at fair value with unrealized gains or losses being recognized directly in equity until the investment is derecognized or determined to be impaired at which time the cumulative gain or loss previously recorded in equity is recognized in the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income. Available-for-sale investments are stated at cost when their fair value cannot be reliably determined due to the unpredictable nature of future cash flows.

Fair value measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either:

- In the principal market for the asset or liability, or
- In the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability

The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible to by the Company.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The Company uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximizing the use of relevant observable inputs and minimizing the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the consolidated financial statements are categorized within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows:

Level 1 – Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets

Level 2 – Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable

Level 3 – Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

For the purpose of fair value disclosures, the Company has determined classes of assets and liabilities on the basis of the nature, characteristics and risks of the asset or liability and the level of the fair value hierarchy as explained above.

Impairment of financial assets

An assessment is made at each reporting date to determine whether there is objective evidence that a specific financial asset may be impaired. If such evidence exists, any impairment loss is recognized in the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income. Impairment is determined as follows:

- For assets carried at fair value, impairment is the difference between cost and fair value, less any impairment loss previously recognized in the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income;
- For assets carried at cost, impairment is the difference between carrying value and the present value of future cash flows discounted at the current market rate of return for a similar financial asset;
- For assets carried at amortized cost, impairment is the difference between carrying amount and the present value of future cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate.

Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, bank balances, and short-term deposits with an original maturity of three months or less net of restricted bank balances.

Loans

After initial recognition, interest bearing loans are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. Gains and losses are recognized in the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income when the liabilities are derecognized as well as through the effective interest rate method (EIR) amortization process.

Amortized cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fee or costs that are an integral part of the EIR. The EIR amortization is included in finance cost in the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income.

Accounts payable and accruals

Liabilities are recognized for amounts to be paid in the future for goods or services received, whether billed by the supplier or not.

Provisions

Provisions are recognized when the Company has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Foreign currency

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the consolidated financial statements date. All differences are recognized to the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income.

Earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing profit for the year attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year.

Diluted earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent (after adjusting for interest on the convertible preference shares) by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year plus the weighted average number of ordinary shares that would be issued on the conversion of all the dilutive potential ordinary shares into ordinary shares.

4. Property, Plant and Equipment

| | Power plant | Buildings | Motor vehicles | Computers and printers | Office equipment | Furniture and fixture | Total |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| <u>2017</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> |
| Cost: | | | | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of the year | 123,579,669 | 1,464,904 | 451,192 | 388,490 | 186,148 | 238,754 | 126,309,157 |
| Additions | - | - | - | 18,335 | - | 5,882 | 24,217 |
| Balance, end of year | <u>123,579,669</u> | <u>1,464,904</u> | <u>451,192</u> | <u>406,825</u> | <u>186,148</u> | <u>244,636</u> | <u>126,333,374</u> |
| Accumulated depreciation: | | | | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of the year | 85,836,530 | 850,887 | 438,780 | 358,658 | 155,619 | 215,317 | 87,855,791 |
| Depreciation charges for the year | 6,181,497 | 73,248 | 12,412 | 15,753 | 14,172 | 8,811 | 6,305,893 |
| Balance, end of year | <u>92,018,027</u> | <u>924,135</u> | <u>451,192</u> | <u>374,411</u> | <u>169,791</u> | <u>224,128</u> | <u>94,161,684</u> |
| Net carrying amount: | | | | | | | |
| At December 31, 2017 | <u>31,561,642</u> | <u>540,769</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>32,414</u> | <u>16,357</u> | <u>20,508</u> | <u>32,171,690</u> |
| | Power plant | Buildings | Motor vehicles | Computers and printers | Office equipment | Furniture and fixture | Total |
| <u>2016</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> |
| Cost: | | | | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of the year | 123,579,669 | 1,464,904 | 505,192 | 380,352 | 192,552 | 220,206 | 126,342,875 |
| Additions | - | - | - | 8,138 | 2,896 | 18,548 | 29,582 |
| Disposals | - | - | (54,000) | - | (9,300) | - | (63,300) |
| Balance, end of year | <u>123,579,669</u> | <u>1,464,904</u> | <u>451,192</u> | <u>388,490</u> | <u>186,148</u> | <u>238,754</u> | <u>126,309,157</u> |
| Accumulated depreciation: | | | | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of the year | 79,655,033 | 777,639 | 479,820 | 342,977 | 150,985 | 208,671 | 81,615,125 |
| Depreciation charges for the year | 6,181,497 | 73,248 | 12,960 | 15,681 | 13,934 | 6,646 | 6,303,966 |
| Disposals | - | - | (54,000) | - | (9,300) | - | (63,300) |
| Balance, end of year | <u>85,836,530</u> | <u>850,887</u> | <u>438,780</u> | <u>358,658</u> | <u>155,619</u> | <u>215,317</u> | <u>87,855,791</u> |
| Net carrying amount: | | | | | | | |
| At December 31, 2016 | <u>37,743,139</u> | <u>614,017</u> | <u>12,412</u> | <u>29,832</u> | <u>30,529</u> | <u>23,437</u> | <u>38,453,366</u> |

Property, plant and equipment include U.S. \$ 1,145,811 and U.S. \$ 1,096,570 of fully depreciated assets as at December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, which are still used in the Company's operations.

5. Intangible Assets

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | U.S. \$ | U.S. \$ |
| Balance, beginning of the year | 1,637,128 | 1,858,711 |
| Amortization | (221,583) | (221,583) |
| Balance, end of year | <u>1,415,545</u> | <u>1,637,128</u> |

Intangible assets represent the right to use six step-up transformers installed by PENRA for the use of GPGC as part of the agreement signed on September 2, 2006 between GPGC and PENRA. According to the agreement, PENRA agreed to rectify all damages within the power plant resulted from the Israeli air strike during June 2006 to restore the power supply from the power plant. These transformers will be owned by PENRA; and GPGC will have the right to use such transformers and will be responsible for their operation and maintenance. The right to use the transformers was initially recognized at the fair value of the transformers when installed. The right to use the transformers is amortized over the remaining useful life of the power plant starting from the date of obtaining such right.

6. Available-for-sale Investment

Available-for-sale investment represents the Company's investment in the shares capital of Palestine Power Generating Company (PPGC) in the amount of U.S. \$ 1,000,000 (2016: U.S. \$ 750,000). Available-for-sale investments are stated at cost when their fair value cannot be reliably determined due to the unpredictable nature of future cash flows. The Company's management believes that the fair value of such investment is not materially different from its carrying amount.

7. Project in Progress

This item represents the cost of construction, repairing, maintenance, and installation works of fuel tank and other assets of the power plant, which were destroyed during the Israeli air strike in July 2014.

8. Materials and Inventories

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | U.S. \$ | U.S. \$ |
| Spare parts | 6,713,705 | 7,150,796 |
| Consumables | 280,043 | 243,667 |
| Goods in transit | 553,894 | 1,008,289 |
| Others | 108,181 | 72,890 |
| | <u>7,655,823</u> | <u>8,475,642</u> |

9. PENRA's Account Receivable

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | U.S. \$ | U.S. \$ |
| Receivable from capacity charges | 28,573,618 | 59,704,956 |
| Receivable written off | - | (30,000,000) |
| | <u>28,573,618</u> | <u>29,704,956</u> |
| Current portion | (24,460,984) | (22,205,446) |
| Noncurrent portion | <u>4,112,634</u> | <u>7,499,510</u> |

Movement on the impairment provision was as follows:

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|---------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| | U.S. \$ | U.S. \$ |
| Balance, beginning of the year | - | 14,088,863 |
| Accounts receivable written off | - | (14,088,863) |
| Balance, end of year | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |

On November 7, 2016, GPGC, together with PENRA and the Palestinian Ministry of Finance and Planning signed an amendment to the power purchase agreement according to which, the parties agreed to settle only U.S. \$ 34,729,958 of the entire accounts receivable at October 31, 2016 which amounted to U.S. \$ 64,729,958 and agreed to settle the balance over 5 instalments during a period of 15 months according to agreed upon payments schedule. As a result, GPGC wrote off U.S. \$ 30 million of accounts receivable and allocated part of it against previously provided impairment provision of U. S. \$ 14,088,863 and the remaining amount of U.S. \$ 15,911,137 was recorded as a loss in 2016 consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income.

In addition, the amendment agreement included a commitment from PENRA to make monthly payment of U.S. \$ 2,100,000 against capacity charge monthly invoices. In addition, GPGC agreed to grant PENRA a monthly discount of U.S. \$ 150,000 applied to the monthly capacity charges invoices starting from December 1, 2016, which was presented as discount from capacity charges revenues.

All GPGC's capacity charges revenue from the use of power plant is generated from one customer, PENRA. According to the power purchase agreement, PENRA is required to provide GPGC with a letter of credit of U.S. \$ 20,000,000 from a qualified bank as defined in the agreement. To the date of these consolidated financial statements, PENRA did not provide GPGC with the letter of credit; therefore, accounts receivable are unsecured.

10. Other Current Assets

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|----------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | U.S. \$ | U.S. \$ |
| Value Added Tax receivable | 276,312 | 126,960 |
| Due from shareholders | 1,494,146 | 2,006,783 |
| Prepaid insurance | 743,431 | 741,467 |
| Advances to suppliers | 631,850 | 400,178 |
| Others | 85,164 | 23,562 |
| | <u>3,230,903</u> | <u>3,298,950</u> |

11. Cash and Cash Equivalents

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> |
| Cash on hand | 5,355 | 8,290 |
| Current accounts at banks | 5,621,965 | 17,327,182 |
| Short-term deposit | <u>20,000,000</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | <u>25,627,320</u> | <u>17,335,472</u> |

Short-term deposit represents U.S. Dollar deposit held with a local bank and due within 1 month after the consolidated financial statements date. The average interest rates for deposit was 4.15%.

12. Paid-in Share Capital

The share capital of the Company comprises 60,000,000 ordinary shares at par value of U.S. \$ 1 for each share.

13. Statutory Reserve

The amount represents cumulative transfers of 10% of profits to statutory reserve in accordance with the Companies' Law. The reserve shall not be distributed to shareholders.

14. Long Term Loan

During the year, GPGC made an early settlement of the entire loan balance amounted to U.S \$ 3,357,799 which was obtained on November 7, 2013 from a local bank in the amount of U.S. \$ 5,300,000 and was repayable over 16 semi-annual installments up to December 5, 2021. The loan was subject to an annual interest rate of six-month LIBOR plus 3% with minimum rate of %5.5 and maximum of 7% and an annual commission at a rate of 1%.

15. Provision for Employees' Indemnity

Movement on the provision for employees' end of service indemnity during the year was as follows:

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> |
| Balance, beginning of the year | 3,234,844 | 2,786,183 |
| Additions | 413,657 | 631,472 |
| Payments | <u>(30,526)</u> | <u>(182,811)</u> |
| Balance, end of year | <u>3,617,975</u> | <u>3,234,844</u> |

Provision for employees' indemnity is calculated in accordance with the labor law prevailing in Palestine, and the Company internal policies. The Palestinian Social Security Law is expected to be implemented during 2018, which obligates the employer to settle the end of service benefits for the periods preceding the application of the provisions of this law.

16. Other Current Liabilities

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| | U.S. \$ | U.S. \$ |
| Dividends payable | 2,954,210 | 2,560,272 |
| Maintenance payable and provisions | 3,433,902 | 3,871,773 |
| Due to Consolidated Contractors Company | 375,152 | 62,370 |
| Accrued expenses | 273,765 | 308,086 |
| Land's lease | 882,000 | 735,000 |
| Provision for employees' vacations | 294,924 | 270,747 |
| Accrued loan expenses | - | 15,903 |
| Payroll tax | 71,938 | - |
| Others | 374,408 | 484,323 |
| | <u>8,660,299</u> | <u>8,308,474</u> |

17. Capacity Charges

The amount represents revenues from capacity charges invoices issued by GPGC for the use of power plant to generate electric capacity for the benefit of PENRA according to the power purchase agreement, which is considered an operating lease under IFRIC (4) as further explained in accounting policies note (3.5) after deducting U.S. \$ 150,000, monthly starting from December 1, 2016 (note 9).

Capacity charges are materially straight-line over the life of the plant which results in revenue recognition approximating the straight-line requirements of IAS (17) on leases. According to the agreement, PENRA shall pay for all the electric capacity available from the use of GPGC's power plant, regardless of the extent to which PENRA can absorb that capacity, for a predetermined price set out in the power purchase agreement for each operating year. In addition, PENRA shall, at all times, supply and deliver all the fuel required to generate the power needed.

18. Operating Expenses

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| | U.S. \$ | U.S. \$ |
| Salaries and wages | 5,093,549 | 4,912,119 |
| Provision for employees' indemnity | 413,657 | 631,472 |
| Board of Directors expenses | 202,100 | 202,100 |
| Employees' insurance | 110,792 | 106,091 |
| Development and technical advisory services | - | 24,000 |
| Travel and transportation | 410,291 | 341,656 |
| Power plant insurance | 1,096,682 | 817,381 |
| Power plant operation and maintenance | 5,010,081 | 1,082,208 |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment | 6,305,893 | 6,303,966 |
| Amortization of intangible assets | 221,583 | 221,583 |
| Land lease | 147,000 | 147,000 |
| Professional and consultancy fees | 153,520 | 196,070 |
| Telephone and fax | 74,639 | 156,741 |
| Palestine Securities Exchange listing fees | 26,469 | 26,566 |
| Office supplies | 60,892 | 51,487 |
| Advertisements | 24,061 | 18,360 |
| Security service costs | 65,040 | 48,040 |
| Miscellaneous | 534,879 | 251,594 |
| | <u>19,951,128</u> | <u>15,538,434</u> |

19. Fair Value Adjustment of PENRA's Receivable

Receivable due from PENRA was initially recognized at fair value and was discounted using 5% discount rate, which resulted in a fair value adjustment amounted to U.S. \$ 782,188.

20. Other Revenues, Net

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|---|----------------|--------------|
| | U.S. \$ | U.S. \$ |
| Bank interest | 216,027 | - |
| Gain from disposal of property, plant and equipment | - | 5,000 |
| Currency differences | 10,395 | (1,189) |
| Others | (10,158) | - |
| | <u>216,264</u> | <u>3,811</u> |

21. Basic and Diluted Earnings (Losses) Per Share

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| | U.S. \$ | U.S. \$ |
| Profit (loss) for the year | <u>8,642,229</u> | <u>(648,817)</u> |
| | <u>Shares</u> | <u>Shares</u> |
| Weighted average of subscribed share capital during the year | <u>60,000,000</u> | <u>60,000,000</u> |
| | <u>U.S. \$</u> | <u>U.S. \$</u> |
| Basic and diluted earnings (losses) per share | <u>0.14</u> | <u>(0.01)</u> |

22. Dividends

The Company's General Assembly approved in its meeting held on April 19, 2017, the proposed dividends distribution by the Company's Board of Directors of U.S. \$ 6,000,000 for the year 2016, the equivalent of 10% of paid-in share capital.

The Company's General Assembly approved in its meeting held on April 20, 2016, the proposed dividends distribution by the Company's Board of Directors of U.S. \$ 6,000,000 for the year 2015, the equivalent of 10% of paid-in share capital.

23. Related Party Transactions

Related parties represent associates, major shareholders, directors and key management personnel of the Company and GPGC, and companies of which they are principal owners. Pricing policies and terms of these transactions are approved by the Board of Directors.

Balances with related parties included in the consolidated statement of financial position are as follows:

| | | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|---|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | <u>Nature of relation</u> | U.S. \$ | U.S. \$ |
| Cash at Arab Bank | Major shareholder | <u>3,092,030</u> | <u>2,698,291</u> |
| Due from shareholders | Major shareholders | <u>1,494,146</u> | <u>2,006,783</u> |
| Due to Consolidated Contractors Company | Major shareholder | <u>375,152</u> | <u>62,370</u> |

The consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income includes the following transactions with related parties:

| | Nature of relation | 2017 U.S. \$ | 2016 U.S. \$ |
|--|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Expenses allocated by Consolidated Contractors Company | Major shareholder | 1,172,633 | 891,772 |
| Salaries and wages | Key management | 471,471 | 468,040 |
| Employees' end of service indemnity | Key management | 41,092 | 33,613 |
| Board of Directors expenses | Board of Directors | 202,100 | 202,100 |

24. Income Tax

The Palestinian National Authority has agreed to exempt GPGC (the subsidiary) and its shareholders (with respect to dividends and earnings from GPGC), for the term of the agreement of 20 years including any extensions thereof, from all Palestinian taxes.

As of the date of these consolidated financial statements, the Company did not obtain a tax settlement from the taxes authorities for the period from inception in 1999 until 2016.

25. Commitments and Contingencies

Contractual commitments represent the difference between the contract gross amount and the executed portion of the contract at the consolidated financial statements date. The contractual commitments of GPGC as at the consolidated financial statements date:

| | 2017 U.S. \$ | 2016 U.S. \$ |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Land lease agreement | 1,764,000 | 1,911,000 |
| Maintenance service agreement | 75,761 | - |
| | 1,839,761 | 1,911,000 |

Future capacity charges invoices from the use of the power plant according to the power purchase agreement (will be effective until the year 2024) amounted to U.S. \$ 215,395,168 and U.S. \$ 247,076,368 as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

26. Fair Values of Financial Instruments

The fair value of financial instruments, are not materially different from their carrying values. The fair values for financial assets and financial liabilities are determined at amounts at which the instrument could be exchanged between willing parties other than forced or liquidation sale.

The fair value of the accounts receivables, other financial assets, and other financial liabilities are not materially different from their carrying values because these instruments have short repayment and collection periods.

Fair values of interest bearing and amortized cost instruments were assessed by discounting expected cash flows using interest rates for items with similar terms and risk characteristics.

The fair value of the available-for-sale investment is not materially different from its carrying amount.

27. Risk Management

The main risks arising from the Company's financial instruments are interest rate risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, and foreign currency risk. The Company's Board of Directors reviews and approves policies for managing these risks which are summarized below:

Interest rate risk

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity of the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income to reasonably possible changes in interest rates as of December 31, 2017, with all other variables held constant.

The sensitivity of the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income is the effect of the assumed changes in interest rates on the Company's profit for one year, based on the floating rate of financial assets and financial liabilities at December 31, 2017 and 2016. There is no direct impact on the Company's equity. The effect of decreases in interest rate is expected to be equal and opposite to the effect of increases shown below:

| | Increase in interest rate <u>Basis points</u> | Effect on profit for the year <u>U.S. \$</u> |
|--------------------|---|---|
| <u>2017</u> | | |
| U.S. Dollar | 10 | (28,574) |
| <u>2016</u> | | |
| U.S. Dollar | 10 | (3,358) |

Credit risk

The Company is currently exposed to credit risk as all the revenues of its subsidiary from the use of the power plant to generate electric capacity is generated from one customer, PENRA. PENRA has not provided the Company's subsidiary with required letter of credit of U.S. \$ 20,000,000 as required by the power purchase agreement.

With respect to credit risk arising from the other financial assets, the Company's exposure to credit risk arises from the possibility of default of the counterparty, which equal the carrying values for these financial assets.

Liquidity risk

The Company and its subsidiary limit their liquidity risk by maintaining adequate cash balances to meet their current obligations and to finance its operating activities and by following up on the collection of accounts receivable from PENRA.

The table below summarizes the maturity profile of the Company's financial liabilities at December 31, 2017 and 2016 based on contractual undiscounted payments.

| | Less than 3 Months <u>U.S. \$</u> | 3 to 12 months <u>U.S. \$</u> | More than 1 year up to 5 years <u>U.S. \$</u> | Total <u>U.S. \$</u> |
|---------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| <u>December 31, 2017</u> | | | | |
| Other current liabilities | 324,263 | 7,083,112 | - | 7,407,375 |
| | <u>324,263</u> | <u>7,083,112</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>7,407,375</u> |
| <u>December 31, 2016</u> | | | | |
| Long term loan | - | 688,605 | 2,754,420 | 3,443,025 |
| Other current liabilities | 451,441 | 6,774,286 | - | 7,225,727 |
| | <u>451,441</u> | <u>7,462,891</u> | <u>2,754,420</u> | <u>10,668,752</u> |

Foreign currency risk

The table below indicates the Company's foreign currency exposure, as a result of its monetary assets and liabilities. The analysis calculates the effect of a reasonably possible movement of the U.S. \$ currency rate against foreign currencies, with all other variables held constant, on the consolidated statement of income and comprehensive income. The effect of decreases in foreign currency exchange rate is expected to be equal and opposite to the effect of increases shown below:

| | <u>Increase in EURO rate to U.S. \$</u> % | <u>Effect on profit for the year</u> U.S. \$ | <u>Increase in ILS rate to U.S. \$</u> % | <u>Effect on profit for the year</u> U.S. \$ | <u>Increase in SEK rate to U.S. \$</u> % | <u>Effect on profit for the year</u> U.S. \$ |
|-------------|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2017 | | | | | | |
| U.S. Dollar | 10 | (46,366) | 10 | (5,941) | 10 | 208,572 |
| 2016 | | | | | | |
| U.S. Dollar | 10 | (17,676) | 10 | (10,167) | 10 | 157,079 |

28. Capital Management

The primary objective of the Company's capital management is to ensure that it maintains healthy capital ratios in order to support its business and maximize shareholders value.

The Company manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of changes in business conditions. No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes during the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016. Capital comprises paid-in share capital, statutory reserve and retained earnings, and is measured at U.S. \$ 87,645,997 and U.S. \$ 85,003,769 as at December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

29. Concentration of Risk in Geographic Area

The Company and its subsidiary are carrying out all of their activities in Gaza. The Company's non-current assets, which mainly comprise property, plant and equipment, are located in Gaza. The political and economic situation in Gaza increases the risk of carrying out business and could adversely affect their performance and impact the recoverability of their assets from operation.