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DigiPlex Norway AS (the Company) Management Commentary For the year ended 31 December 2018

Organisation no. 981 663 322

BACKGROUND

The Company is situated at Ulven in Oslo's Økern district and was founded in 2000, making it the most established data centre in the DigiPlex Group of Companies.

The Company provides 4,900 m2 of white technical space, fitted out according to customers' current and future requirements with state-of-the-art security, functionality and sustainability. It has now been fully operational for more than 18 years over which period it has attracted an impressive portfolio of customers, a significant proportion of which consists of government bodies. It also has a high customer renewal rate allowing the Company to maintain a consistent and reliable operating revenue stream.

This report should be read in conjunction with the Company's following financial statements:

- 2017 audited financial statements dated 30 April 2018;
- Condensed interim Q1 2018 financial statements dated 30 May 2018;
- Condensed interim H1 2018 financial statements dated 29 August 2018; and
- Condensed interim Q3 2018 financial statements dated 29 November 2018

all of which have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

The enclosed financial statements are the condensed interim results for Q4 2018 and the year ended 31 December 2018. These statements, which have been prepared in accordance with IFRS, are not a full set of accounts, and have not been audited.



UPDATE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

The Company continued to provide IT housing solutions to its existing customer base during the year and it also expanded the white space in the data centre by an additional 700 m2 in order to meet customer demand. Construction work was completed in Q4 2018.

For the year ended 31 December 2018, the Company's operating revenues totalled NOK 179.3 million, compared to NOK 148.4 million reported last year. Operating expenses totalled NOK 98.8 million, compared to NOK 77.9 million last year, and comprised of NOK 19.1 million of costs of goods sold, NOK 44.7 million of operational, management and accounting support costs, and NOK 35.0 million of personnel costs.

EBITDA (Earnings Before Interest, Tax, Depreciation and Amortisation) for 2018 was NOK 80.5 million, a 14 % increase from last year.

A charge of NOK 46.7 million was made to reflect depreciation of the plant and equipment, and the Company incurred net finance costs of circa NOK 21.7 million compared to NOK 42.7 million and NOK 21.9 million respectively last year.

Considering the above, the profit before income tax for the year came in at NOK 12.1 million, compared to a profit before income tax of NOK 5.9 million for 2017.

Cash generated from operations was NOK 79.4 million, compared to NOK 69.0 million last year.

Long term borrowings were re-classified to current liabilities in July 2018. This reflects the Bond Issue of NOK 575.0 million maturing on 17 July 2019 of which the first instalment of NOK 25 million was paid in July 2018. The second instalment of NOK 25 million was paid in January 2019. The Company is in the process of reviewing its re-financing options which is expected to be completed ahead of the maturity date. As of 31 December 2018, total borrowings stood at NOK 548.4 million compared to NOK 570.3 million last year.

At year end 2018, cash and cash equivalents stood at NOK 29.7 million compared to NOK 28.7 million last year.

Income Statement (All amounts in NOK thousand)

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	Quarter ended	31 December	Year ended 31 December		
	2018	2017	2018	2017	
Operating income and operating expenses Notes	Un-audited	Un-audited	Un-audited	Audited	
	40.007	25.264	457.064	124.045	
Revenue from services	40 907	35 361 4 804	157 964	134 845	
Revenue from goods sold Total revenue	5 168 46 075	4 804	21 300 179 265	13 559 148 404	
Total Tevenue	40 073	40 103	179 203	140 404	
Cost of goods sold	4 823	4 517	19 097	12 661	
Employee benefits expense	11 073	10 893	35 021	33 138	
Other operating expenses	12 003	8 006	44 655	32 069	
EBITDA	18 177	16 749	80 492	70 536	
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Depreciation and amortisation 2	11 729	11 400	46 676	42 681	
Operating profit	6 448	5 349	33 816	27 854	
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Finance income	1 947	2 437	9 240	9 747	
Finance cost	7 596	8 391	30 930	31 671	
Finance - net	-5 649	-5 954	-21 690	-21 924	
Profit/(loss) before income tax	799	-605	12 126	5 931	
Income tax expense/(benefit)	184	548	2 789	2 116	
Profit/(loss) for the period	615	-1 153	9 337	3 815	
Profit/(loss) for the period attributable to the shareholders	615	-1 153	9 337	3 815	
Statement of comprehensive income/(loss)					
Profit/(loss) for the period	615	-1 153	9 337	3 815	
Other comprehensive income	0	0	0	0	
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	615	-1 153	9 337	3 815	
Total comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to shareholders	615	-1 153	9 337	3 815	

Statement of financial position (All amounts in NOK thousand)

		As at 31 December	As at 31 December
		2018	2017
Assets	Notes	Un-audited	Audited
Non-current assets			
Deferred tax asset		39 567	42 356
Land, building and outfitting	2	412 449	388 130
Furniture and fixtures	2	2 575	1 898
Loans to related parties		20 000	197 500
Total non-current assets		474 591	629 884
Current assets			
Loans to related parties		137 500	0
Inventories		683	616
Trade and other receivables		66 691	55 660
Bank deposits	3	29 698	28 661
Total current assets		234 572	84 937
Total assets		709 163	714 821

	As at 31 December	As at 31 December
	2018	2017
Equity and liabilities Notes	Un-audited	Audited
Equity		
Share capital	33 300	33 300
Share premium reserve	22 610	22 610
Other equity	29 978	20 641
Total equity	85 888	76 551
Non-current liabilities		
Borrowings	0	545 316
Total non-current liabilities	0	545 316
Current liabilities		
Current nabilities		
Trade and other payables	60 601	53 795
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Trade and other payables		
Trade and other payables Borrowings	548 439	25 000
Trade and other payables Borrowings Deposits from customers	548 439 8 603	25 000 8 913
Trade and other payables Borrowings Deposits from customers Public tax liabilities	548 439 8 603 5 632	25 000 8 913 5 245

Statement of changes in equity (All amounts in NOK thousand)

	Share capital	Share premium reserve	Other equity	Total equity
As at 1 January 2018	33 300	22 610	20 641	76 551
Profit/(loss) for the period	0	0	9 337	9 337
Other comprehensive income/(loss)	0	0	0	0
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	0	0	9 337	9 337
Total transactions with shareholders recognised directly in equity	0	0	0	0
As at 31 December 2018	33 300	22 610	29 978	85 888

Statement of cash flow (All amounts in NOK thousand)

(All amounts in NOK thousand)	Quarter ended	31 December	Year ended 31 December		
	2018 Un-audited	2017 Un-audited	2018 Un-audited	2017 Audited	
Profit/(loss) before income tax	799	-605	12 126	5 931	
Adjustments for:					
Depreciation and amortisation charges	11 729	11 400	46 676	42 681	
Adjustment for financial activities	5 649	5 954	21 690	21 924	
Changes in working capital					
Trade and other receivables	-8 776	-28 524	-11 031	-9 879	
Trade and other payables	4 675	7 898	10 005	8 488	
Inventories	-90	-157	-66	-169	
Net cash flow from operating activities	13 986	-4 034	79 400	68 977	
Cash flows from investing activities					
Investment in property, plant and equipment	-10 890	-21 498	-71 672	-37 535	
Repayment/(issue) of loans from/to related parties	0	0	40 000	-20 000	
Interest received from related parties	1 836	2 399	8 972	9 487	
Net cash flow from investing activities	-9 053	-19 100	-22 700	-48 049	
Cash flows from financing activities					
Repayment of bond loan	0	0	-25 000	0	
Interests paid	-7 485	-8 353	-30 662	-31 411	
Net cash flow from financing activities	-7 485	-8 353	-55 662	-31 411	
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	-2 552	-31 486	1 038	-10 482	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	32 250	60 147	28 661	39 143	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period 3	29 698	28 661	29 698	28 661	

Note 1 - Statement of compliance, basis of preparation and significant accounting policies

DigiPlex Norway AS is a Norwegian private limited liability company incorporated on 1 March 2000 and regulated by the Norwegian Private Limited Liability Companies Act and supplementing Norwegian laws and regulations. The Company is registered in the Norwegian Companies Registry with company registration number 981 663 322 and its registered business address is Selma Ellefsens vei 1, 0581 Oslo, Norway.

DigiPlex Norway AS provides highly secure, high-powered, energy-efficient and carrier-neutral data centre space at Selma Ellefsens vei 1, in Oslo, Norway, for its customers' information and communication technology equipment.

These condensed interim financial statements for Q4 2018 and the year ended 31 December 2018 do not include all of the information required for a full set of annual financial statements, and have not been audited.

They have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard ('IAS') 34, 'Interim Financial Reporting'. They should be read in conjunction with the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017, dated 30 April 2018, the condensed interim Q1 2018 financial statements dated 30 May 2018, the condensed interim H1 2018 financial statements dated 29 August 2018, and the condensed interim Q3 2018 financial statements dated 29 November 2018, all of which have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRS').

The accounting principles applied in the audited 2017 annual financial statements, IFRS, have also been applied to these statements. Additionally, the following new standards have been implemented as of 1 January 2018, neither of which have had a material impact on the Company's financial statements:

IFRS 9, 'Financial instruments'

IFRS 9 addresses the classification, measurement and recognition of financial assets and financial liabilities. The new classification, measurement and derecognition rules do not affect the accounting of the Company's financial assets and financial liabilities.

IFRS 15, 'Revenue from contracts with customers'

IFRS 15 replaces IAS 18 and is based on the principle that revenue is recognised when control of a good or service transfers to a customer. The standard permits a modified retrospective approach for the adoption. Under this approach entities will recognise transitional adjustments in retained earnings on the date of initial application (e.g. 1 January 2017), i.e. without restating the comparative period. They will only need to apply the new rules to contracts that are not completed as of the date of initial application.

The following standard which is mandatory from 1 January 2019, has been reviewed with regards to its effect on the Company's financial statements:

IFRS 16, 'Leases'

IFRS 16 will affect primarily the accounting by lessees and may require the recognition of leases on the balance sheet. The standard removes the current distinction between operating and finance leases and requires recognition of an asset (the right to use the leased item) and a financial liability to pay rentals for virtually all lease contracts. An optional exemption exists for short-term and low-value leases.

The income statement will also be affected whereby an operating lease expense will be replaced with interest and depreciation, thereby changing the EBITDA. The accounting by lessors will not change significantly. Some differences may arise as a result of the new guidance on the definition of a lease. Under IFRS 16, a contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. The new standard is not expected to have a significant effect on the financial statements of the Company.

Note 2 - Property, plant and equipment					
(All amounts in NOK thousand)	Land	Building	Plant and equipment	Furniture and fixtures	Total
As at 31 December 2017					
Accumulated cost	7 431	80 135	713 998	5 581	807 145
Accumulated depreciation	0	51 820	361 613	3 684	417 117
Net book amount	7 431	28 314	352 385	1 898	390 028
Year to date ended 31 December 2018					
Opening net book amount	7 431	28 314	352 385	1 898	390 028
Additions	0	0	69 246	2 427	71 673
Depreciation charge	0	3 205	41 722	1 749	46 676
Net book amount	7 431	25 109	379 909	2 576	415 024
As at 31 December 2018					
Accumulated cost	7 431	80 135	783 244	8 008	878 817
Accumulated depreciation	0	55 026	403 335	5 433	463 793
Net book amount	7 431	25 109	379 909	2 576	415 024
Depreciation for the period	0	3 205	41 722	1 749	46 676
Estimated useful life	N/A	15-25 years	10-25 years	3-6 years	
Note 3 - Bank deposits					
(All amounts in NOK thousand)				31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Short term cash deposits				25 535	27 434
Restricted cash				4 163	1 226
Bank deposits				29 698	28 661

Bank deposits consist of short term cash deposits and cash equivalents held at financial institutions. As at 31 December 2018, the Company had bank accounts with a total restricted amount of NOK 4,163 thousand; of which NOK 1,734 thousand were related to employees' tax deductions, NOK 1,284 thousand to office rent and NOK 1,146 thousand to the settlement with a contractor related to development projects.

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Definitions

DigiPlex Norway AS's financial information is prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRS'). Additionally, some alternative performance measures have been provided, these are defined as follows:

EBITDA is earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation.