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1. Statement of financial position

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in EURm	Note	31.12.2024	31.12.2023
Fixed assets	(1)		
Intangible assets		319.2	174.9
Property, plant and equipment		6,700.9	5,078.6
Financial assets		4,530.6	2,876.6
		11,550.7	8,130.1
Current assets			
Inventories	(2)	12.6	7.2
Receivables and other assets	(3)		
Trade receivables		559.9	1,175.4
Receivables from affiliates		870.9	289.0
Receivables from other investees and investors		O.O ¹⁾	O.O ¹⁾
Other assets		517.0	660.0
		1,947.8	2,124.4
Cash and cash equivalents	(4)	367.2	353.0
		2,327.6	2,484.6
Prepaid expenses		6.3	6.9
Special loss account from the creation of provisions	(5)	1.8	1.8
		13,886.4	10,623.4

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in EURm	Note	31.12.2024	31.12.2023
Equity	(6)		
Issued capital		200.0	200.0
Capital reserve		5,110.8	3,110.8
		5,310.8	3,310.8
Special items	(7)	129.1	133.6
Provisions	(8)		
Pensions and similar obligations		40.2	36.3
Other provisions		1,358.3	1,802.4
		1,398.5	1,838.7
Liabilities	(9)		
Prepayments received on account of orders		2.1	2.1
Trade payables		677.6	937.3
Liabilities to affiliates		5,815.7	3,899.5
Liabilities to other investees and investors		1.8	1.0
Other liabilities		102.0	93.0
		6,599.2	4,932.9
Deferred income	(10)	448.8	407.4
		13,886.4	10,623.4

1) Insignificant amount

2. Income Statement

in EUR m	Note	01.01 31.12.2024	01.01 31.12.2023
Revenue	(11)	7,850.5	10,074.4
Increase (previous year: decrease) in work in progress	,	1.9	-0.1
Other own work capitalized	(12)	130.8	96.2
Other operating income	(13)	18.5	19.1
Cost of materials	(14)	-7,100.7	-9,443.2
Personnel expenses	(15)	-240.8	-205.8
Amortization, depreciation and impairment	(16)	-198.9	-175.9
Other operating expenses	(17)	-120.6	-101.9
Result from profit and loss transfer agreements	(18)	126.0	76.7
Investment result	(19)	1.4	1.2
Financial result	(20)	-89.7	-42.2
Income taxes	(21)	0.0	0.2
Profit after taxes		378.4	298.7
Other taxes	(22)	-1.1	-1.9
Profit transfer	(23)	-377.3	-296.8
Net income for the year		0.0	0.0

3. Statement of cash flows

in EUR m	01.01 31.12.2024	01.01 31.12.2023
Net income for the year before profit transfer	377.3	296.8
Depreciation of fixed assets	198.9	175.7
Decrease in provisions	-377.4	-1,524.5
Other non-cash income	-4.5	-4.1
Loss from the disposal of fixed assets	2.9	6.0
Increase in inventories	-5.4	-2.5
Decrease (previous year: increase) in receivables and other assets	700.6	-559.1
Decrease in liabilities and other equity and liabilities	-228.4	-224.1
Interest expenses/income	88.3	41.0
Income tax income	0.0	-0.2
Income tax payments	1.0	0.3
Cash flow from operating activities	753.3	-1,794.7
Cash received from disposals of property, plant and equipment	1.8	0.6
Cash paid for investments in property, plant and equipment	-1,823.3	-1,075.0
Cash received from disposals of property, plant and equipment	0.0	0.0
Cash paid for investments in intangible assets	-111.9	-69.7
Cash received from disposals of investment in financial assets	0.0	240.5
Cash paid for investments in financial assets	-1,654.1	-420.5
Interest received	78.4	38.6
Dividend received	1.4	1.2
Cash flow from investing activities	-3,507.7	-1,284.3
Cash received from shareholder loans	1,830.0	1,490.0
Cash repayment of shareholder loans	0.0	-240.0
Cash received from equity increases	2,000.0	0.0
Cash paid for profit transfer	-377.3	-296.8
Interest paid	-161.9	-79.4
Cash flow from financing activities	3,290.8	873.8
Changes in cash and cash equivalents with an effect on payments	536.4	-2,205.2
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	621.4	2,826.6
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	1,157.8	621.4

4. Notes to the financial statements

4.1 General

50Hertz Transmission GmbH (50Hertz Transmission), with its headquarter in Berlin, is registered in the Commercial Register at the Berlin-Charlottenburg Local Court under the registration number HRB 84446 B.

The operations of 50Hertz Transmission include the construction, acquisition, operation, commercial use and provision of energy supply and telecommunications facilities, namely a transmission system for electric power with lines, switching and transformer stations together with other accessories and the provision of all related services.

The annual financial statements of 50Hertz Transmission were prepared in accordance with the provisions of the German commercial code ("Handelsgesetzbuch" or "HGB"), the supplementary provisions of the German Limited Liability Companies Act ("GmbHG") and in compliance with the Energy Industry Act (EnWG) and extended by a cash flow statement.

The financial year corresponds to the calendar year. All figures are presented inm euro. To provide a clear presentation, certain items have been combined on the balance sheet and income statement and disclosed and explained separately in the notes. For the same reason, the disclosures relating to other items and notes thereon have also been made in the notes. The income statement has been prepared using the nature of expense method. For reasons of clarity, a deviation has been made from the classification scheme pursuant to Section 275 (2) HGB. Additional expense categories have been included to improve the presentation.

The company meets the size criteria of Sec. 267 (3) of the HGB and has prepared the annual financial statements in accordance with the requirements for large corporations.

50Hertz Transmission is included in the consolidated financial statements of Eurogrid GmbH (Eurogrid), with its registered office in Berlin, and in the consolidated financial statements of Elia Group NV/SA, based in Brussels/Belgium. The consolidated financial statements of Elia Group NV/SA with the largest group of companies are available on the Elia Group website NV/SA at www.eliagroup.eu. The consolidated financial statements prepared by Eurogrid include the smallest group of companies and are published in the German Federal Gazette (www.unternehmensregister.de). Eurogrid is entered in the commercial register at the Berlin-Charlottenburg Local Court under the registration number HRB 130427 B. As a subsidiary included in the consolidated financial statements of Eurogrid, 50Hertz Transmission exercises the option under Section 291 of the German Commercial Code (HGB) not to prepare subgroup financial statements and management reports for 50Hertz Transmission, 50Hertz Offshore GmbH (50Hertz Offshore) and 50Hertz Connectors GmbH (50Hertz Connectors).

A profit transfer agreement was concluded between Eurogrid and 50Hertz Transmission on May 19, 2010 (amended on November 30, 2021). Upon entry in the commercial register on June 1, 2010, a tax group relationship for income tax purposes was established with Eurogrid as the controlling company.

Based on the control and profit transfer agreement between 50Hertz Transmission and 50Hertz Offshore dated September 9, 2008 (amended on November 30, 2021), 50Hertz Transmission acts as intermediate parent company vis-à-vis 50Hertz Offshore. Upon entry in the commercial register on September 18, 2008, a tax group for income tax and sales tax purposes was established between these two companies.

Based on the control and profit transfer agreement between 50Hertz Transmission and 50Hertz Connectors dated October 18, 2023, 50Hertz Transmission acts as intermediate parent company vis-à-vis 50Hertz Connectors. Upon entry in the commercial register on October 24, 2023, a tax group for income tax and sales tax purposes was established between these two companies.

4.2 Accounting policies

ASSETS

Fixed assets

Intangible assets acquired for consideration are recognized at cost and amortized on a straight-line basis over their expected useful life of 5 years.

For the first time, 50Hertz Transmission GmbH made use of the option pursuant to Section 248 (2) sentence 1 HGB and capitalized self-constructed intangible assets and reported them separately. These relate exclusively to software. Self-constructed intangible assets are capitalized at production cost in accordance with Section 255 (2a) sentence 1 HGB in conjunction with Section 255 (2a) sentences 1 and 2 HGB and amortized on a straight-line basis over their expected useful life of 5 years.

Property, plant and equipment are valued at acquisition or production cost less depreciation. In addition to the directly attributable direct costs, the production costs of self-constructed assets include an appropriate portion of overheads. Borrowing costs are not included.

Depreciation on property, plant and equipment acquired or produced before January 1, 2008, is calculated using the declining-balance method. A transition to the straight-line method is done as soon as this leads to higher depreciation amounts. The straight-line method of depreciation is applied to property, plant and equipment acquired or manufactured on or after January 1, 2008.

The estimated useful lives used are based on the provisions of the Federal Network Agency on the imputed useful lives to better consider the increasing regulatory requirements for accounting and to increase the informative value of the annual financial statements with regard to the applicable regulatory framework. Balance sheet items resulting from the D-Mark opening balance sheet (DMEB) were not included in this change in valuation but are continued on the basis of the "1990 revaluation".

Impairment losses on intangible assets and property, plant and equipment are only recognized if the impairment is expected to be permanent and if recognition at a lower fair value is required on the reporting date. Write-ups on property, plant and equipment are recorded in accordance with the requirement to reinstate original values if the reason for previous write-downs no longer exists.

Separately usable movable fixed assets with definite useful lives are expensed immediately if their acquisition or production costs do not exceed EUR 250. Items with acquisition costs between EUR 250 and EUR 1,000 are included in a collective item in accordance with Sec. 6 (2a) of the German Income Tax Act (EStG) in the year of acquisition. The collective item is written off in installments of 20 percent in the year of acquisition and in each of the following four fiscal years.

Financial assets are recognized at the lower of cost or fair value, taking into account the requirement to reinstate original values. Loans are recognized at their nominal value or, if necessary, discounted to the balance sheet date.

Impairment losses are only recorded in the event of expected permanent impairment, if recognition at a lower fair value is required on the reporting date. Write-ups to the fair value are made if the reason for previous write-downs no longer exists.

Current assets

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost or net realizable value. The valuation of raw materials, consumables and supplies is generally carried out at average values. Inventory risks arising from reduced usability are considered by appropriate allowances.

Work in progress is valued at cost, which includes all mandatory components in accordance with Section 255 (2) HGB. Write-downs are made as at the reporting date if external conditions or influences indicate that only a lower value can be realized for this work in progress.

Receivables, other assets and cash and cash equivalents are recognized at the lower of nominal value or fair value. All recognizable individual risks are considered by means of appropriate value reductions. Cash and cash equivalents are recognized at nominal value.

Receivables from affiliated companies are generally not netted.

Under other assets, regulatory claims resulting from a negative difference in the regulatory account between the actual recoverable revenue and the planned costs for a calendar year on the one hand, and the allowable revenue and the actual costs incurred for a calendar year on the other, are recognized as assets within the meaning of Section 246 (1) sentence 1 of the German Commercial Code for the first time in accordance with Section 21b EnWG.

Prepaid expenses

Prepaid expenses are expenses incurred up to the balance sheet date to the extent that they represent expenses in future periods.

Special loss account from the recognition of provisions

On the assets side, a special loss account from the recognition of provisions in accordance with Article 17 paragraph 4 of the D-Mark Balance Sheet Act (DMBilG "D-Markbilanzgesetz": German Act on Opening Balance Sheets in German Mark") is presented for provisions that had to be recognized in the D-Mark Opening Balance sheet (DMEB) since the initial recognition of Section 249 (1) sentence 1 HGB on July 1, 1990. The special loss account changes in line with the utilization and reversal of the underlying DMEB provisions, which exclusively include the provision for the removal of ecological burdens. This account is continued until the DMEB provisions are fully utilized or reversed in the nominal amounts originally recognized in accordance with the DMBilG.

EQUITY AND LIABILITIES

Equity

The subscribed capital is recognized at the nominal amount.

Special items

Investment grants and investment subsidies received are reported under special items. They are released to income in line with the depreciation of the assets concerned.

Provisions

Provisions are valued considering all identifiable risks and uncertain liabilities are considered to the extent necessary in accordance with prudent business judgment and recorded at the settlement amount necessary. Price and cost increases are considered as far as necessary when determining the settlement amount.

Provisions with a remaining term of more than one year are discounted in accordance with Section 253 (2) sentence 1 HGB at the average market interest rate of the past seven financial years, calculated and published by the Deutsche Bundesbank. In the case of provisions for retirement benefit obligations, the average market interest rate of the past ten financial years was used in accordance with Section 253 (2) sentence 2.

The projected unit credit method was used as the actuarial method for measuring the pension obligations and the anniversary obligations.

The average market interest rate of the past ten financial years for a remaining term of 15 years in accordance with the German Ordinance on the Determination and Disclosure of Rates for Discounting Provisions (Rück-AbzinsV) was used. The average market interest rate resulting from the past 7 financial years was used for the valuation of obligations from long-term working time accounts. The calculations are based on the 2018 G mortality tables published by Klaus Heubeck.

The existing cover assets only serve to fulfill the pension commitments and are not available to other creditors, even in the event of insolvency. The cover assets for long-term working accounts are based on a contractual trust agreement, which also offers insolvency protection. For this reason, the present value of the obligation and the value of the cover assets are offset against each other.

The following table shows the relevant parameters:

in %	31.12.2024	31.12.2023
Discount factor for long-term pension obligations	1.90	1.82
Discount factor for long-term personnel provisions	1.96	1.74
Long-term salary increase rate (incl. career trend)	5.25	5.25
Long-term pension increase rate	1.00 to 2.08	1.00 to 2.50
Dynamics of the contribution assessment ceiling in statutory pension insurance	2.25	2.25

Provisions for company pension plans included in the Company's pension obligations are for the most part congruently covered by an employer's liability insurance. Part of the provisions corresponds to the amount of the covering assets. The fair value of the covering assets corresponds to the fair value on the balance sheet date as reported by the employer's pension liability insurance. Provisions for employee entitlements from long-term working accounts are fully protected against insolvency. Pursuant to Sec. 246 (2) sentence 2 HGB, the respective covering assets are offset against the provisions for company pension plans and long-term working accounts on the balance sheet. The interest portion of the addition to personnel-related provisions is recognized in the financial result.

Effects on income from a change in the discount rate are reported in the operating result.

Liabilities

Liabilities are recognized at the settlement value deemed necessary.

Customer payments on orders collected in connection with the examination and preparation of grid connections (connection approvals) in accordance with Sec. 4 of the Power Plant Grid Connection Ordinance ("Kraftwerks-Netzanschlussverordnung" or "KraftNAV") are reported as prepayments. Furthermore, customer payments in connection with the construction of jointly used facilities are reported.

Prepaid expenses

Building cost subsidies received are recognized as deferred income and released effectively in profit and loss on a straight-line basis over the useful life of the asset.

Amounts that accrue to 50Hertz Transmission from cross-border congestion management are also reported as deferred income. These are used for investments in the maintenance or expansion of interconnection capacities. 50Hertz Transmission is thus obliged to provide consideration for the revenues received and recognizes them as liabilities in the same way as a construction cost subsidy. The deferred horizontal network

revenue is collected over 30 years (years up to and including 2012) or 20 years (years up to and including 2013) as determined by the Federal Network Agency. For the years from 2013 to 2019, a regulatory refund was made with a slight time lag via the revenue cap; from 2020 onwards, a regulatory refund exceeding the revenue cap has been made without a time lag.

In addition to the income from congestion management, other income in connection with other FSVs is also shown as deferred income. Here, too, the offsetting is carried out via consideration in the grid utilization fees in subsequent years. Furthermore, revenue in connection with regulatory claims, reduced by offsetting effects, which are to be considered in the grid charges in the same period, are shown under deferred income.

Other advance payments mainly relate to deferred income from longer-term contractual relationships that will only affect income in subsequent periods.

Grid-based settlement

In preparing the annual financial statements, expenses and income and related receivables and liabilities in network accounting were determined based on provisional data and partly based on forecasts.

This relates to the settlement of levy processes, the accounting of balancing groups, grid utilization and the accounting of system services. External data from the respective partners, in particular the actual electricity quantities, are decisive for a conclusive statement on the actual expenses and income incurred and in some cases are only be determined after the respective audit report has been issued.

As this data is by nature not available in full at the time the annual financial statements are prepared, the corresponding items in the annual financial statements have been estimated based on existing data and consider the state of knowledge at the time of preparing the annual financial statements.

Deferred taxes

50Hertz Transmission GmbH is included in the tax group of Eurogrid GmbH for income tax purposes. Deferred taxes on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets, liabilities and prepaid expenses in the financial statements and their tax bases or due to tax loss carryforwards are determined at the level of the parent company. Any net deferred tax liabilities remaining after netting are also recognized.

Currency conversion

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies with a remaining term of up to one year are translated at the mean spot exchange rate on the reporting date.

4.3 Notes to the statement of financial position

(1) Fixed assets

The breakdown of the fixed asset items summarized in the balance sheet and their development are shown in the statement of changes in fixed assets as an appendix to the notes.

The total amount of research and development costs for the financial year 2024 is EUR 5.6m (previous year: EUR 5.2m). Of these, development costs for self-constructed intangible assets under development amounting to EUR 68.6m were capitalized in the financial year. Of this amount, EUR 38.3m is attributable to intangible assets under development and EUR 30.3m to completed self-constructed intangible assets. Please also refer to the presentation of additions in the statement of changes in fixed assets as an appendix to the notes.

Under financial assets, additional loans were granted to 50Hertz Offshore in the amount of EUR 1,120.0 m and to 50Hertz Connectors in the amount of EUR 60.0 m in the financial year. 50Hertz Transmission also paid EUR 430.0 m and EUR 44.0 m into the capital reserves of 50Hertz Offshore and 50Hertz Connectors in the financial year.

Investments

Financial assets of 50Hertz Transmission at the balance sheet date are comprised as follows:

	Shares %	Equity EUR m	Net Income / Loss EUR m
1. Affiliates			
50Hertz Connectors GmbH, Berlin ¹⁾	100.0	44.0	-
50Hertz Offshore GmbH, Berlin ¹⁾	100.0	2,113.0	-
2. Investments			
Elia Grid International NV/SA, Brussels/Belgium	49.99	10.6	2.5
LINK digital GmbH, Würzburg ⁶⁾	33.33	-	-
Kurt Sanderling Academy Foundation of the Konzerthausorchester Berlin, Berlin 5)	10.4	-	-
CORESO SA, Brussels/ Belgium ²⁾	7.9	6.0	0.7
decarbon1ze GmbH, Berlin ²⁾	5.7	1.4	-0.3
TSCNET Services GmbH, Munich ²⁾	6.3	12.0	1.4
European Energy Exchange AG (EEX), Leipzig ³⁾	5.4	935.5	222.7
JAO Joint Allocation Office S.A. Luxembourg/ Luxembourg ²⁾	4.0	8.3	1.0

 $^{^{\}mbox{\tiny 1)}}\mbox{Control}$ and profit and loss transfer agreement

(2) Inventories

in EUR m	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	Variance
Raw materials, consumables and supplies	10.6	7.3	3.3
Work in progress	2.0	0.0	2.0
	12.6	7.3	5.3

²⁾ Annual financial statements as at December 31, 2023

 $^{^{3)}}$ Consolidated financial statements as at December 31, 2023

⁴⁾ Consolidated financial statements as at December 31, 2024

 $^{^{5)}}$ The basic assets amount to EUR 0.1 m

 $^{^{6)}}$ This company was founded in the financial year 2024. No figures are available at the reporting date..

(3) Receivables and other assets

in EUR m	31.12.2024	Thereof due > 1 year	31.12.2023	Thereof due > 1 year
Trade receivables	559.9	-	1,175.4	-
Receivables from affiliates	870.9	-	289.0	-
thereof from the shareholder	810.9	-	282.7	-
Receivables from investees and investors				
IIIVestors	O.O 1)	-	O.O ¹⁾	-
Other assets	517.0	192.3	660.0	283.0
	1,947.8	192.3	2,124.4	283.0

¹⁾ Insignificant amount

Trade receivables mainly include compensation claims arising from the levy processes. These includes claims from the settlement of the offshore liability levy in the amount of EUR 46.4 m (previous year: EUR 53.7 m), from KWKG in the amount of EUR 38.7 m (previous year: EUR 62.9 m), from the EEG in the amount of EUR 83.5 m (previous year: EUR 805.4 m) and from the settlement pursuant to Section 19 (2) StromNEV in the amount of EUR 112.4 m (previous year: EUR 28.7 m). Furthermore, trade receivables from grid usage amounting to EUR 149.4 m (previous year: EUR 93.8 m) and from the energy industry amounting to EUR 80.7 m (previous year: EUR 74.6 m) are reported.

Receivables from affiliated companies mainly include a receivable from the shareholder from the cash pool of EUR 790.6 m (previous year: EUR 268.4 m). The other receivables from affiliated companies, as well as receivables from the shareholder and associated companies, relate to goods and services.

Other assets mainly include regulatory claims pursuant to Section 21b of the German Energy Act (EnWG) in the amount of EUR 288.4 m (previous year: EUR 283.0 m) and will be considered in the revenue caps for 2025 to 2027. In addition, security deposits from European Commodity Clearing AG, Leipzig amounting to EUR 50.3 m (previous year EUR 289.5 m) and receivables from the tax office for value added tax amounting to EUR 166.4 m (previous year EUR 77.0 m) are reported here in the financial year.

(4) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include bank balances on the balance sheet date. Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period include restricted bank balances from the EEG settlement in the amount of EUR 181.1 m (previous year: EUR 255.7 m), from the KWKG settlement in the amount of EUR 103.8 m (previous year: EUR 93.2 m) and from the settlement of the Electricity Price Brake Act in the amount of EUR 75.6 m (previous year: EUR 3.7 m).

(5) Special loss account from provisioning

The development of the special loss account is in line with the development of the nominal obligation of the provision for ecological burdens. This nominal obligation amounted to EUR 1.8 m on the balance sheet date (previous year: EUR 1.8 m).

(6) Equity

The company's subscribed capital of EUR 200.0 m is held in full by Eurogrid. It is divided into one share with a nominal value of EUR 25,000, one share with a nominal value of EUR 49,000,000 and one share with a nominal value of EUR 49,000,000 and one share with a nominal value of EUR 1,000,000.

In the financial year, the shareholder paid into the capital reserve in the amount of EUR 2,000.0 m, resulting that the company has a capital reserve of EUR 5,110.8 m.

The net profit for the year before profit and loss transfer of EUR 377.3 m was transferred in full to Eurogrid GmbH.

(7) Special item

The special item for investment grants and investment subsidies amounts to EUR 129.1 m (previous year: EUR 133.6 m).

(8) Provisions

The provisions for pension obligations arise from the settlement amount of the offset liabilities of EUR 47.9 m (previous year EUR 44.5 m) and the fair value of the offset assets (plan assets) of EUR 7.7 m (previous year EUR 8.3 m). Acquisition costs of the plan assets are equals to their fair value.

The difference pursuant to Section 253 (6) HGB was calculated in the amount of EUR -0.7 m (previous year: EUR 0.8 m) as of December 31, 2024.

Other provisions break down as follows:

in EUR m	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	Variance
EEG compensation obligation	75.0	629.6	-554.6
Additional surcharge processes	388.3	307.3	81.0
Outstanding EEG invoices	179.2	423.9	-244.7
Network charges	584.3	315.0	269.3
Outstanding invoices for investments	66.8	69.9	-3.1
Personnel-related provisions	54.8	46.4	8.4
	1,348.4	1,792.1	-443.7
Syndry other provisions	9.9	10.3	-0.4
	1,358.3	1,802.4	-444.1

Compensation obligations and outstanding invoices from the EEG levy process reported under other provisions have fallen sharply due to the level of electricity prices and the volumes billed. Provision for network charges mainly includes the obligations from the regulatory accounts amounting to EUR 555.5 m (previous year: EUR 304.9 m)

(9) Liabilities

	31.12.2024			31.12.2023			
	Total	М	aturity Dat	te	Total	Maturit	y Date
in EUR m		≤1 year	> 1 year ≤ 5 years	> 5 years		≤1 year	> 1 year
Prepayments received on orders	2.1	2.1	-	-	2.1	2.1	-
Trade payables	677.6	677.6	-	-	937.3	937.3	-
Liabilities to affiliates thereof to the	5,815.7	590.7	365.0	4,860.0	3,899.5	4.5	3,895.0
shareholder	5,727.5	502.5	365.0	4,860.0	3,895.6	0.6	3,895.0
Liabilities to other investees and investors	1.8	1.8	-	-	1.0	1.0	-
Other liabilities	102.0	62.9	39.1	-	93.0	90.4	2.6
thereof for taxes	0.0	0.0	-	-	0.3	0.3	-
thereof for social security	6.1	6.1	-	-	7.9	7.9	
	6,599.2	1,335.1	404.1	4,860.0	4,932.9	1,035.3	3,897.6

Liabilities to affiliates of EUR 5,815.7 m (previous year: EUR 3,899.5 m), relate almost entirely to liabilities from loans with the shareholder amounting to EUR 5,725.0 m (previous year: EUR 3,895.0 m). The remaining amount of EUR 90.7 m (previous year: EUR 4.5 m) as well as liabilities to companies in which an equity investment is held of EUR 1.8 m (previous year: EUR 1.0 m), relates to trade payables.

Other liabilities, if not related to social security, primarily relate to liabilities to public authorities in the amount of EUR 15.2 m (previous year: EUR 12.4 m). This item also includes EU grants amounting to EUR 35.0 m and debtors with credit balances amounting to EUR 13.1 m (previous year: EUR 18.7 m).

There is no collateralization of liabilities at the level of the company.

(10) Deferred income

in EUR m	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	Variance
Investment-related construction cost subsidies Income from congestion management as well as amounts for future offsetting from voluntary	40.4	42.1	-1.7
commitments	405.7	361.1	44.6
Other deferred income	2.7	4.2	-1.5
	448.8	407.4	41.4

The increase in deferred income is still mainly due to higher income from congestion management, which exceeds the corresponding reversal amounts.

4.4 Notes to the income statement

(11) Revenue

in EUR m	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	Variance
Cost-matching income	5,456.8	7,624.9	-2,168.1
Revenue from the grid business			
Network user charges	1,733.5	1,558.0	175.5
Offshore regulation	417.7	400.9	16.8
System services	211.6	332.1	-120.5
Balancing group management	194.9	247.9	-53.0
Compensation for network user charges in different periods	-300.6	-173.8	-126.8
Other revenues	136.6	84.4	52.2
	2,393.7	2,449.5	-55.8
	7,850.5	10,074.4	-2,223.9

Revenues from non-operating business include revenues from the settlement of the EEG process, from the KWKG surcharge and from the settlement pursuant to Section 19 (2) StromNEV. This item also includes income from the levy mechanism under the Electricity Price Control Act (StromPBG). The EEG revenue includes the federal subsidy in the amount of EUR 3,520.2 m (previous year: EUR 772.8 m) under Section 6 and Section 7 EnFG for the EEG surcharge business as well as revenue of EUR 344.1 m (previous year: EUR 422.1 m) from the marketing of renewable energies on the electricity exchange.

The non-profit business also includes other operating income of EUR 67.2 m (previous year: EUR 34.7 m) and interest income of EUR 18.1 m (previous year: EUR 63.5 m). Income was netted against expenses from third-party business amounting to EUR 1,475.4 m (previous year EUR 1,912.1 m). Third-party services include the business of marketing EEG electricity and the procurement of grid losses for other grid operators.

In addition to grid usage fees, revenue from the grid business includes all of the company's revenue directly related to grid operation. Revenue from system services provided essentially the areas of operations management, frequency management and voltage maintenance. Revenues from balancing group management represent the costs of balancing energy passed on to all balancing group customers operating in the control area. The compensation for deviating charge periods includes effects that are realized with a time delay because of the existing regulatory framework. This applies both to compensation from earlier to compensation in subsequent network charge periods.

In the financial year, income related to prior periods from the reversal of the provision for regulatory risks of EUR 2.0 m EUR and income from the settlement of the 2020 regulatory account of EUR 1.2 m were reported.

(12) Other own work capitalized

Own work capitalized comprises costs of the financial year that were included in the production costs as part of the Company's investment projects. In the financial year, own work capitalized increased by EUR 34.6 m to EUR 130.8 m, mainly due to the very high investment program and the increase in personnel cost allocation rates. Furthermore, self-constructed fixed assets were capitalized for the first time in the financial year.

(13) Other operating income

in EUR m	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	Variance
Income from the reversal of construction cost subsidies	1.8	2.5	-0.7
Income from the reversal of special items for investment grants	5.5	5.8	-0.3
Income from the reversal of provisions	3.0	2.8	0.2
Income from the disposal of fixed assets	1.7	0.3	1.4
Sundry other income	6.5	7.7	-1.2
	18.5	19.1	-0.6

Income from the reversal of provisions is mainly attributable to the personnel in the amount of EUR 1.6 m (previous year: EUR 2.4 m).

Miscellaneous other operating income includes income from the derecognition of expired liabilities in the amount of EUR 1.6 m (previous year: EUR 2.0 m).

In addition to the above, no significant non-periodic or extraordinary effects in other operating income during the financial year 2024. Income from currency translation remained at a minimal level, similar to the previous year.

(14) Cost of materials

in EUR m	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	Variance
Income-matching cost	-5,456.8	-7,624.9	2,168.1
Expenses from the network business			
Grid and system services	-1,068.2	-1,310.1	241.9
Expenses relating to the offshore regulation	-417.7	-400.9	-16.8
Other energy services Cost of raw materials, consumables, supplies	-3.3	0.0	-3.3
and purchased goods	-9.9	-7.6	-2.3
Cost of purchased services	-51.6	-32.8	-18.8
Other third-party services	-93.2	-66.9	-26.3
	-1,643.9	-1,818.3	174.4
	-7,100.7	-9,443.2	2,342.5

Expenses from the non-operating business mainly include expenses for the EEG settlement of EUR 4,506.1 m (previous year: EUR 4,032.0 m), the electricity price brake mechanism of EUR 342.2 m (previous year: EUR 3,007.0 m), the Section 19 (2) StromNEV settlement of EUR 330.2 m (previous year: EUR 290.0 m) and the KWKG settlement of EUR 277.4 m (previous year: EUR 295.9 m). The aforementioned expenses include personnel expenses of EUR 5.8 m (previous year: EUR 4.4 m) and other operating expenses of EUR 2.5 m (previous year: EUR 2.8 m).

Expenses from offshore regulation include eligible grid connection costs of EUR 377.3 m (previous year: EUR 264.0 m), offsetting by income from the offshore compensation mechanism of EUR 59.5 m (previous year: expenses of EUR 136.5 m).

For clarification purposes, the classification scheme according to Sec. 275 HGB was deviated from. Additional expense categories were included for the purpose of an improved presentation.

5) Personnel expenses

in EUR m	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	Variance
Wages and salaries	-198.9	-169.1	-29.8
Social security	-32.4	-27.3	-5.1
Expenses			
for pension costs	-8.1	-8.3	0.2
for other benefit costs	-1.4	-1.2	-0.2
	-240.8	-205.9	-34.9

Average number of employees per year

	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	Variance
Technical staff	1,307	1,122	185
Office staff	644	523	121
	1,951	1,645	306

In addition, an average of 47 trainees were employed in the financial year 2024 (previous year: 35 trainees).

(16) Depreciation

Depreciation in the financial year includes the normal depreciation of fixed assets. There was no unscheduled depreciation in the financial year (previous year: EUR 2.3 m).

(17) Other operating expenses

in EUR m	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	Variance
Services	-52.5	-41.2	-11.3
Legal and consulting fees	-20.0	-17.9	-2.1
Expenses from the disposal of fixed assets	-4.6	-6.3	1.7
Rents and leases	-11.6	-7.1	-4.5
Insurance premiums	-4.9	-4.4	-0.5
Sundry other expenses	-27.0	-25.0	-2.0
	-120.6	-101.9	-18.7

There were no significant from other periods or from extraordinary effects in other operating expenses in the financial year 2024. There were also no expenses from currency translation (previous year: EUR 0.0 m).

(18) Result from control- and profit transfer agreements

in EUR m	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	Variance
Income from profit transfer agreements with affiliates	126.0	76.7	49.3
Expenses from profit transfer agreements with affiliates	-	O.O ¹⁾	0.0
	126.0	76.7	49.3

¹⁾ Insignificant amount

The result from control and profit transfer agreements is attributable to 50Hertz Offshore and 50Hertz Connectors.

(19) Income from investments

in EUR m	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	Variance
Income from investments	1.4	1.2	0.2
	1.4	1.2	0.2

(20) Financial result

in EUR m	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	Variance
Other interest and similar income	80.4	39.6	40.8
thereof from affiliates	79.3	37.3	42.0
Interest and similar expenses	-170.1	-81.8	-88.3
thereof to affiliates	-163.3	-79.3	-84.0
	-89.7	-42.2	-47.5

The compounding and discounting of provisions account for EUR 6.4 m (previous year: EUR 2.2 m) of the interest and similar expenses. In accordance with Section 246 (2) sentence 2 HGB, interest expenses were netted against interest income in the amount of EUR 0.3 m (previous year: EUR 0.3 m).

(21) Taxes on income and earnings

No income taxes were incurred in the financial year. In the previous year, expenses from capital gains tax amounted to EUR 0.2 m.

(22) Other taxes

Other taxes of EUR 1.1 m (previous year: EUR 1.9 m) relate to property tax, vehicle tax and electricity tax.

(23) Profit transfer

The annual result for the financial year 2024 of EUR 377,330,695.06 (previous year: EUR 296,799,950.85) was transferred in full to Eurogrid on the basis of the profit transfer agreement.

4.5 Other notes

Notes to the cash flow statement

The cash flow statement is prepared in accordance with DRS 21 and the recommendations of the German Accounting Standards Committee.

Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period amounting to EUR 1,157.8 m (previous year: EUR 621.4 m) comprise bank balances of EUR 367.2 m (previous year: EUR 353.0 m) and receivables from the cash pool with Eurogrid of EUR 790.6 m (previous year: EUR 268.4 m). Bank balances include bank balances from the EEG surcharge business of EUR 181.1 m (previous year EUR 255.7 m), bank balances from the KWKG surcharge business of EUR 103.8 m (previous year EUR 93.2 m) and bank balances from the settlement of the Electricity Price Brake Act of EUR 75.6 m (previous year EUR 3.7 m), which are held in trust by 50Hertz Transmission and therefore not freely available.

Financial instruments

To hedge against price fluctuations on the short-term spot market, 50Hertz Transmission procures power futures (Phelix futures) to be financially settled on the futures market of the European Energy Exchange AG (EEX) for expected future grid losses. There is a socalled anticipatory valuation unit from the future spot market transactions and the futures contracts concluded for price hedging on the futures market within the meaning of Sec. 254 HGB. The company applies the so-called freezing method. At the balance sheet date, the company had contracted futures contracts for the price hedging of its grid loss procurement for subsequent years with a market value of EUR 11.4 m (previous year: negative market value of EUR 224.8 m) and a volume of 2.4 TWh. The futures contracts are not recognized in the balance sheet until they are financially settled; only daily security deposits are financially settled with the clearing office of EEX on each exchange trading day and recognized as receivables or liabilities in the balance sheet. The hedging relationship is accounted for using a so-called contract portfolio approach. By concluding futures contracts, the company was able to establish an effective price hedge through congruent development of the settlement price of the futures contracts on the one hand and electricity price development on the spot market on the other hand for the necessary physical requirements to cover grid loss energy. The financial compensation of the hedging transaction directly covers the electricity procurement costs of the planned volumes in subsequent years.

In accordance with Section 10 StromNEV, the German transmission system operators may consider the costs of procurement to compensate for physically induced grid losses when determining the grid costs. The expenses from the procurement of energy losses for the year are compared with the corresponding cost plan value for the year in accordance with the FSV Grid Losses. According to the wording of the FSV, sell-backs may also be taken into account. The difference between the cost plan value of the year and the actual costs of the year are compensated for, except for a bonus/malus, via the regulatory account in

accordance with Sec. 5 ARegV. Therefore, the recognition of a provision for contingent losses is not necessary.

Other financial obligations

On December 31, 2024, there were other financial obligations totaling EUR 5,751.6 m (previous year: EUR 5,132.2 m). These include purchase commitments for investments and maintenance in the amount of EUR 5,700.3 m (previous year: EUR 5,075.5 m), of which EUR 25.4 m (previous year: EUR 23.2 m) are purchase commitments to companies in which a participating interest is held and the remaining amount is due to third parties.

As at December 31, 2024, obligations of EUR 51.3 m (previous year: EUR 56.7 m) result from long-term contracts.

Contingent liabilities

To finance the Group's investment measures, Eurogrid GmbH raises funds on the capital market and passes them on to 50Hertz Transmission and indirectly to 50Hertz Offshore in the form of shareholder loans or equity injections.

50Hertz Transmission and 50Hertz Offshore are guarantors under the documentation of the "Debt Issuance Program" in connection with bonds issued by Eurogrid GmbH. The guarantors are irrevocably, unconditionally and jointly and jointly liable for timely and full payment of all amounts due by Eurogrid for the bonds listed below:

Nominal volume	Issue date	Coupon	Runtime
500 m EUR	June 10, 2015	1.875 % p.a. (fixed)	2025
140 m EUR	November 4, 2015	2.625 % p.a. (fixed)	2030
750 m EUR	April 18, 2016	1.500 % p.a. (fixed)	2028
750 m EUR	May 15, 2020	1.113 % p.a. (fixed)	2032
200 m EUR	November 20, 2020	0.875 % p.a. (fixed)	2040
500 m EUR	April 21, 2021	0.741 % p.a. (fixed)	2033
750 m EUR	September 5, 2022 April 27, 2023 /	3.279 % p.a. (fixed)	2031
800 m EUR	October 30, 2023	3.722 % p.a. (fixed)	2030
50 m EUR	September 13, 2023	4.065 % p.a. (fixed)	2038
700 m EUR	February 1, 2024	3.598 % p.a. (fixed)	2029
800 m EUR	February 1, 2024	3.915 % p.a. (fixed)	2034
650 m EUR	October 18, 2024	3.075 % p.a. (fixed)	2027
650 m EUR	October 18, 2024	3.732 % p.a. (fixed)	2035

On December 9, 2011, 50Hertz Transmission and 50Hertz Offshore jointly issued a maximum amount guarantee totaling to EUR 126.0 m to BNP Paribas S.A., Frankfurt am Main branch, to secure a short-term overdraft facility of Eurogrid GmbH. The maximum amount guarantee was increased to EUR 157.5m in the first supplement dated July 15, 2013.

50Hertz Transmission and 50Hertz Offshore have been appointed as guarantors under the registered bond issued by Eurogrid GmbH on December 3, 2014, for a total amount of EUR 50.0 m. The guarantors are irrevocably, unconditionally and jointly and severally liable for the punctual and full payment of all amounts due by Eurogrid GmbH under the registered bond.

50Hertz Transmission and 50Hertz Offshore have been appointed as additional guarantors in connection the loan (EUR 150.0 m) taken out by Eurogrid GmbH on December 23, 2016 (agreement dated September 28, 2016). The guarantors are irrevocably, unconditionally and jointly and severally liable for the punctual and full payment of all amounts due by Eurogrid GmbH under the loan agreement.

On February 26, 2021, 50Hertz Transmission and 50Hertz Offshore joined as additional guarantors a syndicated loan agreement maturing on February 26, 2026 between Eurogrid and UNICREDIT BANK AG as lead manager with a volume of EUR 750.0 m. The facility agent is Commerzbank Finance & Covered Bonds S.A.

On March 20, 2023, 50Hertz Transmission and 50Hertz Offshore joined as additional guarantors a syndicated loan agreement maturing on March 31, 2033 between Eurogrid and IKB Deutsche Industriebank AG as lead manager and facility agent with a volume of EUR 600.0 m.

On February 22, 2024, 50Hertz Transmission and 50Hertz Offshore joined as additional guarantors a syndicated loan agreement maturing on February 26, 2027 between Eurogrid and UNICREDIT BANK AG as lead manager with a volume of EUR 3,000.0 m. The facility agent is Commerzbank AG.

On November 22, 2023, 50Hertz Transmission joined as an additional guarantor a syndicated loan agreement maturing on November 25, 2033 between Eurogrid and the 1.) Investitionsbank Berlin (IBB) and 2.) Investitionsbank des Landes Brandenburg (ILB) with a volume of EUR120.0 m.

The issuance of a guarantee for 50Hertz Offshore continues to result in an obligation of EUR 4.2 m.

Due to the existing financial planning of the Eurogrid Group, there is currently no risk of utilization from the aforementioned contingent liabilities.

Off-balance sheet transactions

There were no off-balance sheet transactions as of the balance sheet date.

Auditor's fees

Disclosures of the total auditor's fee charged in the fiscal year in accordance with Sec. 285 No. 17 of the HGB are included in the consolidated financial statements of Eurogrid GmbH.

Large-scale transactions pursuant to Section 6b (2) EnWG

Pursuant to Section 6b (2) of the German Energy Act EnWG, substantial transactions with affiliated and associated companies or with companies of the same shareholders must be presented. In the financial year, 50Hertz Transmission conducted transactions with 50Hertz Offshore with a volume of EUR 477.2 m, with 50Hertz Connectors with a volume of EUR 12.3 m and with Elia Grid International GmbH with a volume of EUR 6.4 m.

The transactions with 50Hertz Offshore and 50Hertz Connectors include EUR 380.9 m from compensation for providing property, plant and equipment.

In the reporting period, 50Hertz Transmission did not conclude any transactions outside its operating activities other than the financing transactions listed in the notes.

Activity report in accordance with Section 6b (3) EnWG

The activities of 50Hertz Transmission are exclusively classified in the "Electricity Transmission" area of activity. An insignificant amount of EUR 196 thousand was recognized in other operating expenses for metering point operation in the financial year (previous year: EUR 215 thousand) and is not considered significant enough to establish a separate activity outside "Electricity Transmission". For this reason, the activity statement to be prepared in accordance with Section 6b (3) EnWG corresponds to the annual financial statements of the company.

Ratification of previous year's financial statements

The previous year's financial statements were ratified by the shareholders' meeting on February 27, 2024.

Information on the minimum tax law

On December 27, 2023, the Act to Ensure Global Minimum Taxation for Corporate Groups (Mindeststeuergesetz - MinStG) was published in the Federal Law Gazette (Part I 2023, No. 397). It applies for the first time to financial years beginning after December 30, 2023.

However, based on an analysis carried out, the company assumes that there is no tax effects from this law or comparable foreign minimum tax laws for the financial year 2024.

Please also refer to the notes in the consolidated financial statements of Eurogrid GmbH.

Subsequent events

In the period between the balance sheet date and the preparation of the annual financial statements of 50Hertz Transmission, no significant events within the meaning of Section 285 No. 33 HGB occurred.

Disclosure on company boards

The members of the Supervisory Board and management are presented in a separate table as an appendix to the notes.

Expenses for management remuneration amounted to EUR 2,918 thousand in the reporting period (previous year: EUR 3,317 thousand). They consist of fixed remuneration, performance-related remuneration and other non-performance-related remuneration.

Pension obligations of EUR 3.8 m (previous year: EUR 2.6 m) are attributable to former members of management, of which a total of EUR 0.0 m is reinsured.

The members of the Supervisory Board of 50Hertz Transmission received EUR 23 thousand (previous year EUR 22 thousand) for their activities.

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The management of the

50Hertz Transmission GmbH

Stefan Kapferer

Dr. Dirk Biermann

Sylvia Borcherding

Marco Nix

Company boards (Appendix to the notes)

Members of the Supervisory Board

Catherine Vandenborre

Chief Executive Officer ad interim and Chief Financial Officer Elia Group NV/SA, Rixensart, Belgium

- Chairman -

Konrad Klingenburg*

Federal Executive Secretary of the German Trade Union Confederation, Berlin

- Deputy Chairman -

Markus Berger

Chief Infrastructure Officer of Elia Transmission Belgium NV/SA and Elia Asset NV/SA, Braine l'Alleud, Belgium

Dr. Lutz-Christian Funke

Secretary General of KfW Banking Group, Oberursel

Andrea Ludwig*

Electrical engineer, Berlin

Ralf-Günter Schloms*

Technician, Berlin

^{*}Employee representative

Members of management

Stefan Kapferer, Berlin

- Chief Executive Officer / CEO -

Dr. Dirk Biermann, Berlin

- Chief Operations Officer / COO -

Sylvia Borcherding, Cologne

- Chief Corporate Officer / CCO -

Dr. Frank Golletz, Dresden

- Chief Technical Officer / CTO (until December 31, 2023) -
- without department (from January 1, 2024 to March 31, 2024) -

Marco Nix, Berlin

- Chief Financial & Investment Officer / CFO -

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Statement of changes in fixed assets (Appendix to the notes)

in EURm	Acquisition and production costs					Depreciation					Carrying amounts	
	01.01.2024	Additions	Reclassificati ons	Disposals	31.12.2024	01.01.2024	Additions	Disposals	Write-Up	31.12.2024	31.12.2024	31.12.2023
Intangible assets												
Self-constructed software	0.0	30.3	0.0	0.0	30.3	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.7	29.6	0.0
Self-constructed software in												
development	0.0	38.3	0.0	0.0	38.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	38.3	0.0
Purchased software, licenses, other												
rights	234.4	42.4	24.3	65.5	235.6	137.2	29.3	65.4	0.0	101.1	134.5	97.2
Prepayments made	77.7	61.5	-22.4	0.0	116.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	116.8	77.7
	312.1	172.5	1.9	65.5	421.0	137.2	30.0	65.4	0.0	101.8	319.2	174.9
Property, plant and equipment												
Land, land rights and buildings, including buildings on third-party land	200.5	7/5	16.5	10	7 (0.5	67.5	42			56.7	007.0	076.0
	299.5	34.7	16.5	1.0	349.7	63.5	4.1	0.9	0.0	66.7	283.0	236.0
Technical equipment and machinery	4,653.0	222.0	599.9	42.4	5,432.5	2,099.0	113.1	39.0	0.0	2,173.1	3,259.4	2,554.0
Other equipment, factory and office equipment	362.8	41.5	20.0	33.9	390.4	192.3	51.7	32.8	0.0	211.2	179.2	170.5
Prepayments and assets under construction	2,118.1	1,499.5	-638.3	0.0	2,979.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2,979.3	2,118.1
	7,433.4	1,797.7	-1.9	77.3	9,151.9	2,354.8	168.9	72.7	0.0	2,451.0	6,700.9	5,078.6
Financial assets												
Shares in affiliates	1,683.1	474.0	0.0	0.0	2,157.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2,157.1	1,683.1
Loans to affiliates	1,170.0	1,180.0	0.0	0.0	2,350.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2,350.0	1,170.0
Investments	23.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.5	23.5
Other loans	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	2,876.6	1,654.0	0.0	0.0	4,530.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4,530.6	2,876.6
Fixed assets	10,622.1	3,624.2	0.0	142.8	14,103.5	2,492.0	198.9	138.1	0.0	2,552.8	11,550.7	8,130.1

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Note: This is a convenience translation of the German original. Solely the original text in German is authoritative.

To 50Hertz Transmission GmbH, Berlin

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND THE MANAGEMENT REPORT

AUDIT OPINIONS

We have audited the annual financial statements, of 50Hertz Transmission GmbH, Berlin, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2024 and the income statement and the cash flow statement for the financial year from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024 and notes, including the presentation of the recognition and measurement policies.

In addition, we have audited the management report of 50Hertz Transmission GmbH for the fiscal year from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024. In accordance with German legal requirements, we have not audited the content of the declaration on corporate governance pursuant to § 289f Abs. 4 HGB.

In our opinion, on the basis of the knowledge obtained in the audit,

- the accompanying annual financial statements comply, in all material respects, with the requirements of German commercial law applicable to business corporations and give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2024 and of its financial performance for the financial year from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024 and
- the accompanying management report as a whole provides an appropriate view of the Company's position. In all material respects, this management report is consistent with the annual financial statements, complies with German legal requirements and appropriately presents the opportunities and risks of future development. Our audit opinion on the management report does not cover the content of the statement on corporate governance referred to above.

Pursuant to § 322 (3) sentence 1 HGB, we declare that our audit has not led to any reservations relating to the legal compliance of the annual financial statements and of the management report.



BASIS FOR THE AUDIT OPINIONS

We conducted our audit of the annual financial statements and of the management report in accordance with § 317 HGB and in compliance with German Generally Accepted Standards for Financial Statement Audits promulgated by the Institut der Wirtschaftsprüfer [Institute of Public Auditors in Germany] (IDW). Our responsibilities under those requirements and principles are further described in the "AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND OF THE MANAGEMENT REPORT" section of our AUDITOR'S REPORT. We are independent of the company in accordance with the requirements of German commercial and professional law, and we have fulfilled our other German professional responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions on the annual financial statements and on the management report.

OTHER INFORMATION

The Management or the supervisory board are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the statement on corporate governance pursuant to Section 289f (4) of the German Commercial Code (HGB) (disclosures on the proportion of women).

Our audit opinions on the annual financial statements and on the management report do not cover the other information, and, consequently, we do not express an audit opinion or any other form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit, our responsibility is to read the other information and thereby acknowledge whether the other information

- is materially inconsistent with the annual financial statements, with the management report or with 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.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS AND THE SUPERVISORY BOARD FOR THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND THE MANAGEMENT REPORT

The management is responsible for the preparation of the annual financial statements that comply, in all material respects, with the requirements of German commercial law applicable to business corporations, and that the annual financial statements give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and financial performance of the company in compliance with German Legally Required Accounting Principles.



In addition, the executive directors are responsible for such internal control as they, in accordance with German Legally Required Accounting Principles, have determined necessary to enable the preparation of annual financial statements that they are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud (i.e., fraudulent financial reporting and misappropriation of assets) or error.

In preparing the annual financial statements, the executive directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern. They have the responsibility for disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern. In addition, they are responsible for financial reporting based on the going concern basis of accounting, provided no actual or legal circumstances conflict therewith.

Furthermore, the executive directors are responsible for the preparation of the management report, that as a whole provides an appropriate view of the Company's position and is, in all material respects, consistent with the annual financial statements, complies with German legal requirements, and appropriately presents the opportunities and risks of future development. In addition, the executive directors are responsible for such arrangements and measures (systems) as they have considered necessary to enable the preparation of a management report that is in accordance with the applicable German legal requirements, and to be able to provide sufficient appropriate evidence for the assertions in the management report.

The supervisory board is responsible for overseeing the company's financial reporting process for the preparation of the annual financial statements and of the management report.

AUDITOR'S REPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND OF THE MANAGEMENT REPORT

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the annual financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and whether the management report as a whole provides an appropriate view of the company's position and, in all material respects, is consistent with the annual financial statements and the knowledge obtained in the audit, complies with the German legal requirements and appropriately presents the opportunities and risks of future development, as well as to issue an auditor's report that includes our audit opinions on the annual financial statements and on the management report.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with § 317 HGB and in compliance with German Generally Accepted Standards for Financial Statement Audits promulgated by the Institut der Wirtschaftsprüfer (IDW) will always detect a material misstatement. 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 annual financial statements and this management report.



We exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the annual financial statements and of the management report, 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 audit opinions. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, and intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit of the annual financial statements and of arrangements and measures (systems) relevant to the audit of the management report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an audit opinion on the effectiveness of internal controls of the company or these arrangements and measures.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used by the executive directors and the reasonableness of estimates made by the executive directors and related disclosures.
- conclude on the appropriateness of the executive directors' 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 the auditor's report to the related disclosures in the annual financial statements and the management report, or if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our respective audit opinions. 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 be able to continue as a going concern.
- evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the annual financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the annual financial statements present the underlying transactions and events in a manner that the annual financial statements give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and financial performance of the Company in compliance with German Legally Required Accounting Principles.
- evaluate the consistency of the management report with the annual financial statements, its conformity with German law, and the view of the company's position it provides.
- perform audit procedures on the prospective information presented by the executive directors in the management report. On the basis of sufficient appropriate audit evidence we evaluate, in particular, the significant assumptions used by the executive directors as a basis for the prospective information, and evaluate the proper derivation of the prospective information from these assumptions. We do not express a separate audit opinion



on the prospective information and on the assumptions used as a basis. There is a substantial unavoidable risk that future events will differ materially from the prospective information.

We communicate with those charged with governance 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.

OTHER LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE ACCOUNTING REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO SEC. 6B (3) ENWG

Audit Opinions

We audited whether the Company complied with its duties pursuant to Sec. 6b (3) Sentences 1 to 5 EnWG, which require to maintain separate accounts for activities for the financial year from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024. We also audited the activity-based financial statements for the activity of "electricity distribution" pursuant to Sec. 6b (3) Sentence 1 EnWG, comprising the statement of financial position of the annual financial statements as of December 31, 2024, which also represents the statement of financial position of the activity-based financial statements, and the income statement of the annual financial statements for the financial year from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024, which also represents the income statement of the activity-based financial statements.

- In our opinion, the Company complied in all material respects with its duties pursuant to
 Sec. 6b (3) Sentences 1 to 5 EnWG, which require to maintain separate accounts.
- In our opinion, on the basis of the knowledge obtained in the audit, the accompanying separate activity-based financial statements comply, in all material respects, with the German requirements under Sec. 6b (3) Sentences 5 to 7 EnWG.

Basis for the Opinions

We conducted our audit of compliance with the duties to maintain separate accounts and separate activity-based financial statements in accordance with Sec. 6b (5) EnWG observing the IDW Auditing Standard: Audit Pursuant to Sec. 6b (5) of the German Energy Industry Act (IDW AuS 610 Revised (July 2021)). Our responsibilities under those requirements and principles are further described in the section "Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of compliance with the duties related to the accounting system pursuant to Sec. 6b (3) EnWG". We are independent of the Company in accordance with the requirements of German commercial and professional law, and we have fulfilled our other German professional responsibilities according to these requirements. Our auditing practice has applied the requirements of the IDW Quality Management Standards, which implement the IAASB's International Standards on Quality Management. We believe that



the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinions on compliance with the duties related to the accounting system pursuant to Sec. 6b (3) EnWG.

Responsibilities of the legal representatives and the supervisory board for compliance with the duties related to the accounting system pursuant to Sec. 6b (3) EnWG

The legal representatives are responsible for compliance with the duties pursuant to Sec. 6b (3) Sentences 1 to 5 EnWG, which require to maintain separate accounts. The legal representatives are also responsible for the preparation of the separate activity-based financial statements in accordance with the German requirements under Sec. 6b (3) Sentences 5 to 7 EnWG.

In addition, the legal representatives are responsible to such internal controls deemed necessary to comply with the duties to maintain separate accounts.

The responsibilities of the legal representatives for the separate activity-based financial statements are the same as the responsibilities for the annual financial statements described in section "RESPONSIBILITIES OF MANAGEMENT AND THE SUPERVISORY BOARD FOR THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND THE MANAGEMENT REPORT".

The supervisory board is responsible for overseeing the Company's compliance with the duties related to the accounting system pursuant to Sec 6b (3) EnWG.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of compliance with the duties related to the accounting system pursuant to Sec. 6b (3) EnWG

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about

- whether the legal representatives complied in all material respects with their duties pursuant to Sec. 6b (3) Sentences 1 to 5 EnWG, which require to maintain separate accounts, and
- whether the separate activity-based financial statements comply, in all material respects, with Sec. 6b (3) Sentences 5 to 7 EnWG.

Our objectives are also to include in the auditor's report a report containing our opinions on compliance with the duties related to the accounting system pursuant to Sec. 6b (3) EnWG.

The audit of compliance with the duties pursuant to Sec. 6b (3) Sentences 1 to 5 EnWG, which require to maintain separate accounts, includes assessing whether the accounts were allocated to the activities pursuant to Sec. 6b (3) Sentences 1 to 4 EnWG in an appropriate and verifiable manner in compliance with the principle of consistency.



Our responsibilities for the audit of the separate activity-based financial statements are the same as the responsibilities for the annual financial statements described in section "AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND OF THE MANAGEMENT REPORT".

Berlin, 10 March 2025

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Signed by Eckmann Wirtschaftsprüfer (Germany Public Auditor) Signed by Wiening Wirtschaftsprüfer (Germany Public Auditor)

