Centrica Annual General Meeting 2010



Roger Carr Chairman



2009 Performance Review

Strong set of financial results

Underpinned by a good operating performance

A transformational year for the Group

British Gas

- Retail price cuts for customers
- Competitive prices and improved service delivered customer growth
- Sustainable levels of profitability
- Continued support for vulnerable customers



Upstream Businesses

- Reduced prices for oil and gas business
- Increasing our UK sources of energy
 - Venture Production acquisition
 - 20% stake in British Energy
- Advantageous position through gas production and low carbon generation mix



International Businesses

 North American business well placed for future growth

 Exiting our European downstream businesses



May 2010 Interim Management Statement

Positive outlook for group earnings

 Full announcement at www.centrica.com



Sam Laidlaw



2009 Overview

Strong set of financial results

Good performance from British Gas

Delivery of Centrica strategy

2009 Performance

- £1.85 billion operating profit
 - Fall in Centrica Energy profits due to lower wholesale prices
 - Combined British Gas profits of more than £1 billion
- Lower overall tax rate lifted earnings after tax to £1.11 billion
 up 22%
- Post tax earnings per share 21.7p
- 5% increase in dividend 12.8p per share



Changing energy markets and industry challenges

- Renewed focus on UK energy policy
- UK energy challenges
 - Reduce carbon emissions
 - Secure future energy supplies
 - £200 billion industry investment required
- Similar trends emerging in North America



Industry Challenges

- UK Government climate change targets
 - 80% reduction in UK greenhouse gas emissions by 2050
 - 15% of all UK energy from renewables by 2020

Decarbonising power generation – with new nuclear and renewables



Delivering change requires a stable investment climate

- Market-based structures offer clear price signals to base future investment decisions
- £10 billion investment in gas import infrastructure already delivered
- Carbon price mechanism can deliver investment in low carbon power generation

2007 Strategic Priorities: The first stage in the journey

Our Strategic Priorities

- **1** Transform British Gas
- Sharpen the organisation and reduce costs
- Reduce risk through increased integration
- Build on our growth platforms
- 2007 objectives delivered in 3 years, ahead of schedule
- Delivered a sustainable and higher performance business model



UK Downstream – British Gas

- Market leading price positions for dual fuel
- Significant customer service improvements
- Added 140,000 energy customer accounts in 2009
- Added more than 200,000 in 2010 to date
- £200m pa cost savings delivered
- On track to exceed further £100m pa savings



UK Upstream

- Enhanced scale and capability of gas and oil business through acquisition of Venture
- Acquired 20% equity stake in British Energy
- Now more than 60% of residential gas and power supplied from our own resources



Building on our growth platforms

 British Gas Business and British Gas Services profits more than doubled in three years

 Strong underlying performance in Direct Energy



The Next Stage: Our New Strategic Priorities

- **Grow British Gas**
 - ... leading the transition to low carbon homes and businesses
- Deliver value from our growing upstream business
 - ... securing sustainable energy for our customers
- Build an integrated North American business
 - ... with leading positions in deregulated markets
- Orive superior financial returns
 - ... through operating performance and our investment choices

energy for a low carbon world



Grow British Gas

- ... leading the transition to low carbon homes and businesses
 - Developing a UK-wide energy services business
 - Building on our distinctive capabilities
 - National base of over 9,000 qualified engineers
 - Serving 12 million homes, half of all UK households
 - Capturing new markets
 - Lead the installation of smart meters + microgeneration
 - Building an insulation business
 - Entering the local authority energy services market



Deliver value from our growing upstream business

... securing sustainable energy for our customers

- Maximise value from our investment choices
 - Access to a wide range of opportunities
 - Targeting projects with the strongest returns
- Deliver value from our existing assets
 - Transformed scale and capability in upstream gas
 - Opportunities to further develop our LNG business
 - Further opportunities in UK gas storage

Build an integrated North American business

... with leading positions in deregulated markets

- Develop leading positions in chosen markets
 - No. 1 or 2 energy supplier
 - Grow our services capability
- Improve returns from existing business
- Increase proportion of gas and power from our own resources



Drive superior financial returns

- ... through operating performance and our investment choices
 - Strong HSE and operating performance essential
 - Maintain strong balance sheet
 - Targeted investment to support strategy and capabilities
 - Investments to achieve consistent earnings growth



Summary

- 2009 a transformational year for Centrica
- Original strategic priorities now delivered
- New strategic priorities established
- Well positioned for growth in a new low carbon world
- We remain focused on shareholder value

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