

# DIRECTORS' REPORT ON OPERATIONS OF THE LUBELSKI WEGIEL BOGDANKA GROUP

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#### BASIC INFORMATION ON THE LUBELSKI WEGIEL BOGDANKA GROUP

#### 1.1 Structure of the Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA Group

As at 30 June 2013, the Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA Group (hereinafter referred to as the "Group", the "Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA Group", or the "LW BOGDANKA Group") consisted of Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A. (hereinafter referred to as "LW BOGDANKA S.A.", the "Company", "Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A.", "LW BOGDANKA", the "Parent") as the parent, and ŁĘCZYŃSKA ENERGETYKA Sp. z o.o. (hereinafter referred to as "Łęczyńska Energetyka") and EkoTRANS Bogdanka Sp. z o.o. (hereinafter referred to as "EkoTRANS") as the subsidiaries.

On 2 July 2013, LW BOGDANKA S.A. acquired 100% of shares in Eltrans - Mining RG Sp. z o.o. Under notary deed Rep. A No. 2382/2013, as a result of amendments made to the deed of incorporation of Eltrans-Mining RG Sp. z o.o., with its registered office in Chorzów, Eltrans-Mining RG Sp. z o.o. will operate under the name RG Bogdanka Sp. z o.o., with its registered office in Bogdanka.

As at the date of submitting this Report, i.e. 29 August 2013, LW BOGDANKA S.A. also held 22.41% of shares in Kolejowe Zakłady Maszyn KOLZAM S.A., the company in bankruptcy, with a share capital of PLN 750,000. The ownership title to the shares was transferred to the Company as security for settlements for performing transportation services. That company has not been included in the consolidation.

# 1.2 Information on the entities of the Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA Group subject to consolidation

The subsidiaries ŁĘCZYŃSKA ENERGETYKA Sp. z o.o. and EkoTRANS Bogdanka Sp. z o. o. were included in the condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the LW BOGDANKA Group for the first half of 2013 (the "Interim Consolidated Financial Statements") by the full consolidation method.

RG Bogdanka Sp. z o.o. was not included in the consolidation (it became part of the Group after 30 June 2013, i.e. on 2 July 2013).

# 1.2.1 Information on the Parent of the Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA Group

# **Parent of the LW BOGDANKA Group:**

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Industry Identification Number (REGON): 430309210

Tax Reg. No. 713-000-57-84

#### **Business activities:**

The scope of the Company's main business activity includes mining activities related to economic mining of hard coal and enriching excavated raw coal, sale of coal to consumers, and the protection and reclamation of mining areas.

According to the Company's Articles of Association, the business activities of Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A. are:

- a) agriculture, forestry, hunting and fishery (Section A),
- b) mining and production (Section B),
- c) industrial processing (section C);

- d) production and supply of electricity, gas, steam, hot water and air for air-conditioning installations (Section D),
- e) water supply; liquid and solid waste management; activities related to reclamation (Section E),
- f) construction (Section F),
- g) wholesale, retail sale and repair of motor vehicles, including motorcycles (Section G),
- h) transport and warehouse management (Section H),
- i) activities related to lodging and catering (Section I),
- j) information and communications (Section J),
- k) financial and insurance (section K),
- I) real estate activities (Section L),
- m) professional, scientific and technical activities (Section M),
- n) administration and support activities (Section N),
- o) education (Section P).

# The Company's supplementary activities

The Company's additional production is building materials, mainly in the form of ceramic façade bricks that are manufactured within the frameworks of utilising Carboniferous rock waste stone in the EkoKLINKIER Construction Ceramics Plant.

In November 2012, the ZCB Ekoklinkier offer was enriched with tiles and bricks with "rocky" texture, imitating natural, broken stone.

#### 1.2.2 Information on the subsidiaries and the associate

#### **Subsidiaries:**

#### A) Łęczyńska Energetyka Sp. z o.o.

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Industry Identification Number (REGON): 004164490

Tax Reg. No. 713-020-71-92

Share capital (as at 30 June 2013): PLN 82,677,000.00 divided into 82.677 shares of PLN 1.000.

Shareholding structure:

- 88.697% LW BOGDANKA S.A.
- 11.297% Łęczna Municipality
- 0.006% Puchaczów Municipality.

The business activities of Łęczyńska Energetyka Sp. z o.o. are: producing heat energy, refurbishing, maintaining and assembling of power production equipment, producing drinking and industrial water. The company also conducts activities involving the construction and refurbishment of heat-generating, water supply and sewage disposal installations.

Łęczyńska Energetyka Sp. z o.o. provides services to the Company involving supplying heat energy and conducts water/wastewater management.

#### B) EkoTRANS BOGDANKA Sp. z o.o.

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Industry Identification Number (REGON): 06155187

Tax Reg. No. 505-012-39-60

Share capital amounts to PLN 100,000.00 and is divided into 100 shares of PLN 1,000.

Shareholding structure: 100% Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A.

EkoTRANS provides services to the Company with respect to recovery of spoil arising during coal- associated shale cleaning and washing.

#### C) RG Bogdanka Sp. z o.o.

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Industry Identification Number (REGON): 243255890

Tax Reg. No. 627-273-54-05

Share capital of RG Bogdanka Sp. z o.o. amounts to PLN 500,000.00 and is divided into 10,000 shares of PLN 50.

Shareholding structure: 100% Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A.

The business activities of RG Bogdanka Sp. z o.o. consists in providing services, supplies and construction works for the benefit of LW BOGDANKA S.A.

# The Group's associate:

#### **EKSPERT Sp. z o.o.**

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Industry Identification Number (REGON): 432693862

Tax Reg. No. 505-000-15-99

Share capital (as at 30 June 2013): PLN 50,000.00 divided into 100 shares of PLN 500. The share of Łęczyńska Energetyka Sp. z o.o. in the share capital and votes at the Shareholders Meeting: 50.00 %.

The business activity of EKSPERT Sp. z o.o. consisted in manufacturing metal constructions and preparing technical and structural/technological documentation.

Ekspert Sp. z o.o. was removed from the National Court Register on 3 July 2013. As a result, the liquidation procedure of this company was completed.

1.3 Changes in the structure of the Lubelski Wegiel BOGDANKA Group and in organisational and capital associations of the Parent with other entities, and the effects of changes in the structure of the LW BOGDANKA Group, including as a result of merging business units, the

# takeover or sale of units of the LW BOGDANKA Group, long-term investments, and the division, restructuring and discontinuation of activities

The first half of 2013 saw the following changes in the structure of the LW BOGDANKA Group:

Under notary deed Rep. A No. 1302/2013, on 10 April 2013 the Parent incorporated a company under the business name EkoTRANS Bogdanka Sp. z o.o. with its registered office in Bogdanka. On 24 April 2013 the Parent paid the amount of PLN 100,000 to cover all shares acquired in the above-mentioned company. The core business activity of EkoTRANS Bogdanka Sp. z o.o. consists in comprehensive organisation of the process of recovery of waste created when washing and cleaning coal shale.

Moreover, on 2 July 2013, the Parent acquired 100 (one hundred) shares in Eltrans-Mining RG Sp. z o.o., with its registered office in Chorzów, representing 100% of the share capital of Eltrans-Mining RG Sp. z o.o., together with all rights, privileges and obligations under the shares. Under notary deed Rep. A No. 2382/2013, as a result of amendments made to the deed of incorporation of Eltrans-Mining RG Sp. z o.o., with its registered office in Chorzów, Eltrans-Mining RG Sp. z o.o., with its registered office in Bogdanka.

#### 2. OWNERSHIP CHANGES IN LW BOGDANKA S.A. IN THE FIRST HALF OF 2013

2.1 Shareholders holding at least 5% of the total number of votes at the General Shareholders Meeting (the "GSM"), either directly or indirectly through subsidiaries, as at the date of submitting the semi-annual report, and changes in the ownership structure of substantial shareholdings in the period from the publication of the last quarterly report.

Table 1 The shareholding	g structure of LW BOGDANKA S.A.	as at 9 May	v 2013 and 29 August 2013

	9 Ma	y 2013	29 August 2013		
Shareholder	Number of shares/ Number of votes at the GSM	The share in the share capital and the share in the total number of votes at the GSM (%)	Number of shares/ Number of votes at the GSM	The share in the share capital and the share in the total number of votes at the GSM (%)	
Aviva Otwarty Fundusz Emerytalny Aviva BZ WBK*	5,014,644	14.74	5,107,181	15.02	
Otwarty Fundusz Emerytalny PZU "Złota Jesień" **	3,320,377	9.76	3,320,377	9.76	
ING Otwarty Fundusz Emerytalny ***	3,275,953	9.63	3,275,953	9.63	
AMPLICO Otwarty Fundusz Emerytalny****	1,734,194	5.10	1,734,194	5.10	
Other	20,668,422	60.77	20,575,885	60.49	
Total	34,013,590	100.00	34,013,590	100.00	

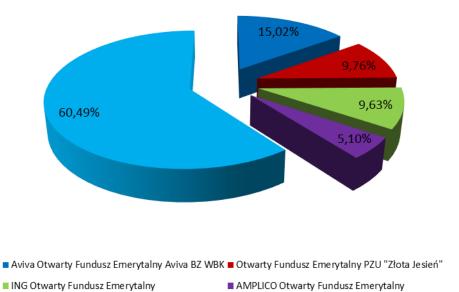
<sup>\*</sup>According to the notification received on 28 May 2013, described in Current Report No. 15/2013

<sup>\*\*</sup> According to the notification received on 18 March 2010, described in Current Report No. 10/2010

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> According to the notification received on 11 August 2010, described in Current Report No. 35/2010

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> According to the notification received on 12 May 2010, described in Current Report No. 17/2010

The shareholding structure of LW BOGDANKA S.A. as at 29 August 2013



2.2 Table of holdings of shares of LW BOGDANKA S.A. or entitlements to them by the management and supervisory personnel of LW BOGDANKA S.A., as at the date of submitting the semi-annual report, and changes in shareholdings in the period from the publication of the last quarterly report, separately for each person

Table 2 Table of holdings of shares of LW BOGDANKA S.A.

Other

	Number of shares as at the date of submitting the Report for Q1 2013  (9 May 2013)	Number of shares as at the date of submitting the Report for H1 2013 (29 August 2013)
	Management Board	
Zbigniew Stopa	5,703	5,703
Roger de Bazelaire	0	0
Waldemar Bernaciak	2,162	2,162
Krzysztof Szlaga	0	0
	The Supervisory Board	
Witold Daniłowicz	0	0
Stefan Kawalec	0	0
Raimondo Eggink	0	0
Eryk Karski	0	0
Tomasz Mosiek	0	0
Robert Bednarski	0	0
Dariusz Formela	0	0

# 2.3 Price of Rights to Shares/ Shares of the Company since its IPO on the Warsaw Stock Exchange.



Chart - Closing prices of the shares in LW BOGDANKA S.A. from the beginning of listings (i.e. 25 June 2009) until 26 August 2013

# 3. PRINCIPLES OF DRAWING UP THE CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Group draws up its consolidated financial statements on the basis of the International Financial Reporting Standards. Those standards, referred to jointly as the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), also include the International Accounting Standards (IAS) and Interpretations issued by the Standing Interpretations Committee and the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee.

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the LW BOGDANKA Group for the first half of 2013 were prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 – "Interim Financial Reporting".

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements follow the same accounting principles (policies) and calculating methods as the latest annual consolidated financial statements, except for:

- change in the accounting principles related to the amendments to IAS 19 "Employee benefits",
- financial instruments measured at fair value in accordance with IFRS 13.

Detailed data on the impact of IFRS 13 and the amendment to IAS 19 on the condensed interim consolidated financial statements are disclosed in Note 2.1. of the condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Group.

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Group were drawn up in accordance with the historical cost principle, taking into account a valuation at fair value of certain property, plant and equipment in connection with the adoption of fair value as a deemed cost, which was carried out on the date of the transition to the IFRS, i.e. 1 January 2005.

Drawing up the condensed interim consolidated financial statements in accordance with IAS 34 requires the use of certain significant accounting estimates. It also requires that the Management Board exercises its own

judgement when applying the accounting principles adopted by the Group. The main estimates and judgements have not changed since the publication of the annual consolidated financial statements for 2012.

# 4. ANALYSIS OF AND INFORMATION ON THE BASIC ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL VALUES DISCLOSED IN THE CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE LW BOGDANKA GROUP FOR THE FIRST HALF OF 2013, I.E. FROM 1 JANUARY 2013 TO 30 JUNE 2013

This section presents selected ratios characterising the Group's financial position for the period from 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013, calculated on the basis of the financial data included in the consolidated interim financial statements of the LW BOGDANKA Group, prepared in compliance with the International Financial Reporting Standards endorsed by the European Union. Due to the amendments in IFRS 13 and IAS 19 "Employee Benefits" the condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the first half of 2013 were prepared using the same accounting principles for the current and comparative periods, with adjustment of the comparative period to comparable conditions in order to reflect changes in the accounting principles and presentation adopted in the financial statements in the current period.

The Group's financial and economic position is stable. The financial performance, the value of generated cash flows and cash funds held show that the Group's financial position is good. The LW BOGDANKA Group has no problems with settling contracted liabilities. Financial resources management must be considered good, taking into account processes going underway in the Group (implementation of the development strategy). The analyses of financial resources – held and planned – are carried out on an ongoing basis.

Works for optimisation of the mining process (in terms of technology and maximising the output with the current geologic conditions) are systematically carried out. Works are pending with a view to making new excavations available in order to maintain continuity and achieve growth of extraction in next years. Next stages of the major investment programme of the Parent are pursued in order to achieve the assumed strategic objectives.

# 4.1 Production, sale and inventories of coal

In the second quarter of 2013, the production of commercial coal in the Parent increased by nearly 3% compared to the same period of 2012. However, the first half of 2013 saw a decrease in production by 2.23% compared to the same period of 2012 (production volume amounted to 4,081,810 tonnes).

Table 3 LW BOGDANKA S.A. commercial coal production for the Q2 2013 and Q2 2012 and H1 2013 and H1 2012 ['000 tonnes]

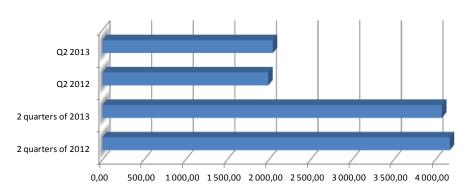
Q2 of 2013	Q2 of 2012	H1 2013	H1 2012	Q2 2013 / Q2 2012	H1 2013 / H1 2012
2,050.05	1,994.42	4,081.81	4,175.06	2.79%	-2.23%

In the second quarter 2013 the sale of coal grew by more than 8% compared to the same period of 2012, while in the first half 2013 the sales dropped by approx. 2% compared to the first half of 2012.

Table 4 LW BOGDANKA S.A. commercial coal production for Q2 2013 and Q2 2012 and H1 2013 and H1 2012 ['000 tonnes]

Q2 2013	Q2 2012	H1 2013	H1 2012	Q2 2013 / Q2 2012	H1 2013 / H1 2012
1 949,99	1 798,50	3 809,15	3 881,41	8,42%	-1,86%





#### Analysis of the sale of coal ('000 tonnes)

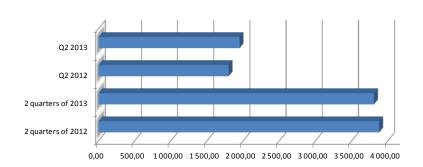


Table 5 Structure of sales of the commercial coal by LW BOGDANKA for Q2 2013 and Q2 2011 and H1 2013 and H1 2012

Sales structure	Q2 2013	Q2 2012	H1 2013	H1 2012	Change [Q2 2013 / Q2 2012]	Change [H1 2013 / H1 2012]
Fine coal	97.33%	97.54%	97.99%	97.90%	-0.22%	0.09%
Nut coal	1.20%	0.15%	0.76%	0.09%	672.76%	724.30%
Pea coal	1.48%	2.31%	1.25%	2.01%	-35.94%	-37.90%
Total	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%

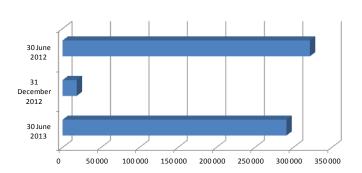
In all analysed periods the structure of sales did not change significantly – power fine coal remained the dominant assortment (its share in the sales was in the range 97% - 98%).

The level of coal inventories in the Parent depends on the season. At the end of the first half of 2013 it was 290,967.69 tonnes, which means a decrease by 30,475.45 tonnes, i.e. by nearly 9.5%, compared to the level as at 30 June 2012; at the same time it was higher by 272,640.15 tonnes than as at 31 December 2012. The level of coal inventories presented at the end of the first half of 2013 corresponds to ca. eleven days of commercial coal production by the Parent.

Table 6 Inventories of coal in Q2 2013 and Q2 2012 and H1 2013 and H1 2012 [tonnes]

Item	30 Jun. 2013	30 Dec. 2012	30 Jun. 2012	Change [%] (30 Jun. 2013/ 30 Jun. 2012)	Change [%] (30 Jun. 2013/ 30 Jun. 2012)
Inventories of coal	290 967,69	18 327,54	321 443,14	1487,60%	-9,48%

#### Coal inventories ('000 tonnes)



# 4.2 Revenue

In the second quarter of 2013 the LW BOGDANKA Group generated revenue of PLN 448,146,000, which means an increase by over 4% compared to the second quarter of 2012. And in the first half of 2013 the Group generated revenue of PLN 878,904,000, which means a year-to-year decrease by over 3%.

The main source of the Group's revenue is the production and sale of power coal. In each of the compared reporting periods this activity generates nearly 97% of the Group's revenue. In the second quarter of 2013 the Group noted an increase in revenue from coal sales by over 4% compared to the second quarter of 2012. In the first half of 2013 a decreased revenue from coal sales compared to the same period of the previous year was observed, which is the result of lower volumes of sold coal (-1.86%).

In the consolidated financial statements published by the Group, for presentation purposes, data in the income statement concerning revenue from coal sales and costs of products, goods and materials sold are adjusted (downwards) by the value of sold coal that was obtained during drilling of excavations. Bearing in mind the above, the value indicated in the consolidated income statement for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2013 was adjusted by PLN 48,600,000, while in the same period of the previous year – by PLN 41.640,000.

Over 90% of coal sales (in terms of value) realised in the period from 1 January to 30 June 2013 (as in the same period of the previous year) were carried out on the basis of long–term commercial agreements between LW BOGDANKA and Elektrownia Kozienice S.A., GDF Suez Energia S.A., PGNiG Termika S.A., Zakłady Azotowe Puławy S.A., EDF Paliwa Sp. z o.o. and Elektrownia Ostrołęka S.A.

Table 7 Dynamics of changes in product range with respect to revenue of the LW BOGDANKA Group in Q2 2013 and O2 2013 and H1 2013 and H1 2012 [PLN '000]

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Item Q2 2013	Q2 2012	H1 2013	H1 2012	Change [Q2 2013 / Q2 2012]	Change [H1 2013 / H1 2012]	

Sales of coal	432,116	415,816	842,740	878,156	3.92%	-4.03%
Sales of ceramics	1,682	1,837	2,018	3,726	-8.44%	-45.84%
Other activities	12,157	8,567	29,268	18,959	41.90%	54.38%
Sales of goods and materials	2,191	3,016	4,878	5,697	-27.35%	-14.38%
Total revenue	448,146	429,236	878,904	906,538	4.41%	-3.05%

In the second quarter 2013, the revenue from other activities accounted for 2.71% of the total revenue, compared to 2.00% a year earlier. A significant share in that group of revenue was held by revenue connected with the services of coal transport provided by the Parent for the benefit of some customers, revenue of Łęczyńska Energetyka from sale of heat and other services, as well as revenue on lease of non-current assets.

The share of revenue from the sale of goods and materials in Q2 2013 dropped by 30% compared to 2012. In the analysed period of 2013 and 2012, the dominant position in the amount was revenue from the sales of scrap.

Table 8 Dynamics of changes in product range with respect to revenue of the LW BOGDANKA Group in Q2 2013 and Q2 2013 and H1 2013 and H1 2012 [PLN '000]

Item	Q2 2013	Q2 2012	H1 2013	H1 2012
Sales of coal	96.42%	96.87%	95.89%	96.87%
Sales of ceramics	0.38%	0.43%	0.23%	0.41%
Other activities	2.71%	2.00%	3.33%	2.09%
Sales of goods and materials	0.49%	0.70%	0.56%	0.63%
Total revenue	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

The activities of the Group are primarily concentrated in Poland. During the analysed period of both 2013 and 2012, export sales constituted a fraction of revenue generated and concerned only sales of ceramics. The share of export in the total revenue did not exceed 0.08%.

Table 9 Geographic structure of revenue of the Group in Q2 2013 and Q2 2013 and H1 2013 and H1 2012 [PLN '000]

Item	Q2 2013	% share	Q2 2012	% share	H1 2013	% share	H1 2012	% share
Domestic sales	447,800	99.92%	428,951	99.93%	878,520	99.96%	906,109	99.95%
Export sales	346	0.08%	285	0.07%	384	0.04%	429	0.05%
Total revenue	448,146	100.00 %	429,236	100.00 %	878,904	100.00 %	906,538	100.00 %

#### 4.3 Costs of LW BOGDANKA S.A.

This section presents costs of LW BOGDANKA S.A. by type and by function. The recording of prime costs by type covers all expenditure related to the factors and means of production used by the Company in its operating activities. The costs incurred, as in the presented formula, reflect the use of a given means or factor of production (e.g. materials, energy or labour costs) regardless of whether these will be charged to the costs of a given period as related to the product excavated and sold (trade coal) or whether they have been used by the Company to finance the construction of a given facility (including longwall galleries) with its own funds and in the future, following the completion and settlement of a given investment task, they will be activated and depreciated as non-current assets, constituting depreciation/amortisation costs of the period in question.

#### 4.3.1 Costs by type

In the second quarter of 2013 costs by type incurred by LW BOGDANKA S.A. amounted to PLN 415,498,000, which means that the costs were higher by 6.54% than in the second quarter of 2012, and that they were higher in the first half of 2013 by 8.25% compared to the first half of 2012. The increase in costs was largely the result of recorded increase in costs of material and energy consumption, employee benefits and increased depreciation and amortisation costs. With incurred costs of energy going down slightly, the costs of materials in the second quarter of 2013 went up by over 24% compared to the same period of the previous year, which was caused mainly by much larger extent of performed preparatory works – in the second quarter of 2013 the Company completed 1,346 running metres galleries more (+26%) than in the second quarter of 2012, and the increase in the first half of 2013 was 2,331 running metres (+21%) when compared to the first half of 2012.

The increased costs of employee benefits are connected with an increase in average employment, by ca. 200 persons, between the analysed half-year periods in the Company.

The value of external services in the second quarter of 2013 remained nearly unchanged, whereas in the half-year period it went up by ca. 5% on a year-to-year basis. The value of drilling and mining works and related works went up, as well as the costs of railway transport services (in connection with higher volumes of sold coal for the transport of which the seller, i.e. LW BOGDANKA S.A., is responsible). It should be noted that the above transport costs are subsequently reinvoiced to the ultimate coal recipient. Whereas the value of transport services related to transport of stone went down.

A significant decrease in other costs by type results from reduction of amounts allocated for representation and advertising and lower expenditure for insurance of the Company's property.

Both in the second quarter of 2013 and in the first half of 2013 the costs of depreciation and amortisation are higher than in the same periods in 2012. This is caused by the increased value of the Company's property in connection with implemented development strategy.

The result of an adjustment of costs by type by change in products and accruals and deferrals, the value of own work and the costs of goods and materials sold, will give own selling costs for the second quarter of 2013 amounting to PLN 346,857,000. As compared to the second quarter of the previous year, it is higher by 4.34% with a simultaneous increase by 8.42% in the amount of coal sold.

Table 10 Costs by type of LW BOGDANKA S.A. [in PLN '000]

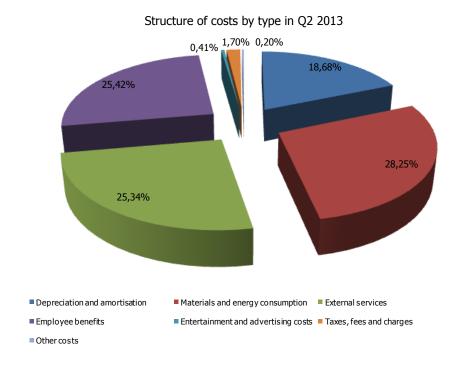
Item	Q2 2013	Q2 2012	6 months of 2013	6 months of 2012	Change [Q2 2013 / Q2 2012]	Change [6 months of 2013 / 6 months of 2012]
Amortisation/depreciation	77,605	71,723	159,575	150,486	8.20%	6.04%
Materials and energy consumption	117,392	99,454	241,696	209,302	18.04%	15.48%
External services	105,270	105,598	210,746	200,743	-0.31%	4.98%
Employee benefits	105,613	102,650	226,701	207,799	2.89%	9.10%
Entertainment and advertising costs	1,691	2,420	4,024	4,978	-30.13%	-19.16%
Taxes, fees and charges	7,079	6,911	16,024	15,934	2.43%	0.57%
Other costs	848	1,253	12,196	15,350	-32.34%	-20.55%
TOTAL COSTS BY TYPE	415,498	390,010	870,963	804,592	6.54%	8.25%
Change in inventory of products and accruals and deferrals, including:	4,081	-13,272	-23,674	-28,270	-130.75%	-16.26%
change in products	-33,267	-32,570	-46,465	-47,527	2.14%	-2.23%
change in prepaid expenses	22,762	4,662	-11,302	-10,014	388.25%	12.86%
change in accrued expenses	14,586	14,636	34,093	29,271	-0.34%	16.47%
Cost of operating activities	419,579	376,738	847,289	776,322	11.37%	9.14%
Activities for the Company's own needs	74,848	47,257	161,892	116,472	58.39%	39.00%

Own selling cost	346,857	332,418	690,195	665,405	4.34%	3.73%
Value of goods and materials sold	2,126	2,937	4,798	5,555	-27.60%	-13.60%

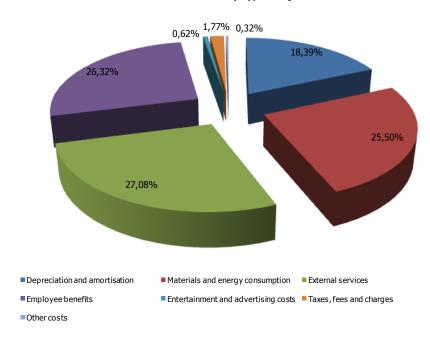
The changes presented in the group of costs by type had an impact on the change in the structure thereof. The costs of materials and energy consumption, employee benefits and external services are the dominant items in the structure of costs by type.

Table 11 Structure of costs by type at LW BOGDANKA S.A.

Item	Q2 2013	Q2 2012	H1 2013	H1 2012	Change [Q2 2013 / Q2 2012]	Change [H1 2013 / H1 2012]
Depreciation	18.68%	18.39%	18.32%	18.70%	1.56%	-2.04%
Materials and energy consumption	28.25%	25.50%	27.75%	26.01%	10.80%	6.68%
External services	25.34%	27.08%	24.20%	24.95%	-6.43%	-3.02%
Employee benefits	25.42%	26.32%	26.03%	25.83%	-3.43%	0.78%
Entertainment and advertising costs	0.41%	0.62%	0.46%	0.62%	-34.42%	-25.32%
Taxes, fees and charges	1.70%	1.77%	1.84%	1.98%	-3.85%	-7.10%
Other costs	0.20%	0.32%	1.40%	1.91%	-36.49%	-26.60%
TOTAL COSTS BY TYPE	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%		



#### Structure of costs by type in Q2 2012



# 4.3.2 Costs by function

In the second quarter of 2013 the cost of sales (by function) amounted to PLN 346,857,000 and was higher by 4.34% than the cost in the second quarter of 2012, and in the first half of 2013 it was higher by 3.75% compared to the first half of 2012. The increased cost of sales between the analysed periods is caused, among others, by an increase in particular costs by type (described above) and by employee provisions created in 2013 (described in more detail in section 4.4 of the Report).

Table 12 Costs of LW BOGDANKA S.A. by function [PLN '000]

Item	Q2 2013	Q2 2012	6 months of 2013	6 months of 2012	Change [Q2 2013 / Q2 2012]	Change [2Qs 2013 / 2Qs 2012]
Costs of products, goods and materials sold	313,158	301,620	624,512	604,231	3.83%	3.41%
Selling costs	11,142	10,055	21,324	20,140	10.81%	5.84%
Administrative costs	22,557	20,742	44,359	41,034	8.75%	7.77%
Own selling cost	346,857	332,417	690,195	665,404	4.34%	3.75%

Due to a significant increase in the costs of products, goods and materials sold, the structure of the Group's cost of products sold changed.

Table 13 Structure of costs by function at LW BOGDANKA S.A.

Item	Q2 2013	Q2 2012	6 months of 2013	6 months of 2012	Change [Q2 2013 / Q2 2012]	Change [2Qs 2013 / 2Qs 2012]
Costs of products, goods and materials sold	90.28%	90.74%	90.48%	90.81%	-0.50%	-0.36%
Selling costs	3.21%	3.02%	3.09%	3.03%	6.20%	2.08%
Administrative costs	6.50%	6.24%	6.43%	6.17%	4.22%	4.22%
Own selling cost	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%		

## 4.4 Provisions at LW BOGDANKA S.A.

Table 14 Balance-sheet provisions in LW BOGDANKA S.A. as at the end of H1 2013 and H1 2012 and as at the end of 2012 [PLN '000]

Item	as at 30 June 2013	as at 30 June 2012	change by [%]	as at 31 December 2012	change by [%]
Employee provisions	217,757	164,133	32.67%	190,652	14.22%
Property tax liabilities (for the working)	11,673	20,181	-42.16%	9,502	22.85%
Provision - Mostostal	0	25,000	-100.00%	0	0.00%
Other	130,423	98,800	32.01%	126,357	3.22%
TOTAL	359,854	308,114	16.79%	326,511	10.21%

Detailed information about provisions is included in Note 12 (Provisions for other liabilities and charges) of the condensed interim financial statements of Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A. for the 6 months ended 30 June 2013.

The provisions as at 30 June 2013 amounted to PLN 359,856,000, which means an increase by 10.21% compared to the value as at the end of the year and by 16.79% compared to the provisions disclosed after restatement of the accounts (IAS 19) as at 30 June 2012.

The balance of provisions in the first half of 2013 amounted to PLN 33.3 million ad were lower by 30.72% than the total for the first half of 2012. The negative dynamics results from the fact that in 2012, a provision in the amount of PLN 25 million was created for claims for future investment liabilities regarding the settlement of additional and

replacement works performed by Mostostal Warszawa S.A. in the Parent's facilities, i.e. the Mechanical Coal Processing Plant in Bogdanka. The employee provisions, however, increased in the first half of 2013 by PLN 27.1 million compared to PLN 17.7 million in the first half of 2012 (increase by 53.16%).

The overall balance of provisions in the second quarter of 2013 compared to the second quarter of 2012 increased by 56.78%.

Table 15 Balance of provisions in LW BOGDANKA S.A. as at the end of H1 2013 and H1 2012 and as at the end of

2012 [PLN '000]

Item	change for Q2 2013	change for Q2 2012	change by [%]	change for H1 2013	change for H1 2012	change by [%]
Employee provisions	25,365	16,198	56.60%	27,105	17,698	53.16%
Property tax liabilities (for the working)	1,086	1,827	-40.57%	2,171	3,594	-39.60%
Provision - Mostostal	0	0		0	25,000	
Other	4,399	1,653	166.08%	4,067	1,833	121.92%
TOTAL	30,850	19,678	56.78%	33,343	48,124	-30.72%

Detailed information about provisions is included in Note 12 (Provisions for other liabilities and charges) of the condensed interim financial statements of Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A. for the 6 months ended 30 June 2013.

#### 4.5 Selected financial data

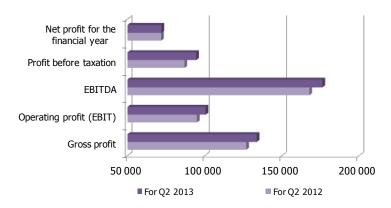
# 4.5.1 Group's revenue, costs, profit and loss

Table 16 Analysis of consolidated income statement [PLN '000]

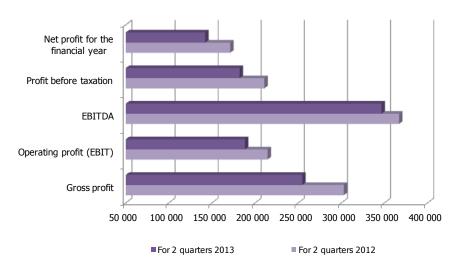
Item	Q2 2013	Q2 2012	Change % (2013/2012)	H1 2013	H1 2012	Change % (2013/2012)
Revenue	448,146	429,236	4.41%	878,904	906,538	-3.05%
Cost of products, goods and materials sold	314,375	302,320	3.99%	624,341	603,693	3.42%
Gross profit	133,771	126,916	5.40%	254,563	302,845	-15.94%
Gross margin	29.85%	29.57%	0.95%	28.96%	33.41%	-13.32%
Selling costs	11,096	10,098	9.88%	21,087	20,013	5.37%
Administrative costs	23,456	21,783	7.68%	45,748	42,586	7.42%
Other income	-519	784	-166.20%	1 908	1 568	21.68%
Other costs	186	203	-8.37%	542	443	22.35%
Net operating profit/loss	98,514	95,616	3.03%	189,094	241,371	-21.66%
Other net profit/loss	2,204	-565	-490.09%	-938	-27,023	-96.53%
Operating profit (EBIT)	100,718	95,051	5.96%	188,156	214,348	-12.22%
EBIT	22.47%	22.14%	1.49%	21.41%	23.64%	-9.43%
EBITDA	176,214	167,830	5.00%	346,550	366,876	-5.54%
EBITDA	39.32%	39.10%	0.56%	39.43%	40.47%	-2.57%
Finance income	1,636	1,257	30.15%	2,904	5,666	-48.75%

Item	Q2 2013	Q2 2012	Change % (2013/2012)	H1 2013	H1 2012	Change % (2013/2012)
Finance costs	7,808	9,332	-16.33%	9,085	9,335	-2.68%
Share in (losses)/ profits of associates	0	0	-	0	0	-
Profit before taxation	94,546	86,976	8.70%	181,975	210,679	-13.62%
Gross margin	21.10%	20.26%	4.15%	20.70%	23.24%	-10.93%
Income tax	22,438	15,109	48.51%	39,941	39,602	0.86%
Net profit for the financial year	72,108	71,867	0.34%	142,034	171,077	-16.98%
Net margin	16.09%	16.74%	-3.88%	16.16%	18.87%	-14.36%
- attributable to owners of the Parent	72,050	71,584	0.65%	141,744	170,690	-16.96%

# Analysis of consolidated statement on comprehensive income at individual levels of the Group's operations in PLN '000



Analysis of consolidated statement on comprehensive income at individual levels of the Group's operations in PLN `000



# 4.5.1.1 Revenue

The value of Group's revenue for the first quarter of 2013 increased by over 4% compared to the same period of the previous year and amounted to PLN 448,146,000. In the first half of 2013, the Group recorded a drop in revenue by over 3% compared to the first half of 2012 (it generated PLN 878,904,000).

# 4.5.1.2 Cost of products, goods and materials sold, selling costs, administrative costs

In the second quarter of 2013 the costs of products, goods and material sold plus selling and administrative costs went up by 4.41% compared by the same period in the previous year and amounted to PLN 348,927,000. When data for the first half-year periods is analysed, the increase was 3.73%. The increase in costs is connected with provisions for future employee benefits created in the current year, increased costs of material consumption and increased depreciation and amortisation.

#### 4.5.1.3 Gross profit

The Group's gross profit in the second quarter of 2013 went up by 5.40% compared to the second quarter of 2012 and amounted to PLN 133,771,000, whereas in the first half of 2013 the gross profit went down by nearly 16% compared to the first half of 2012.

#### 4.5.1.4 Selling costs

In the second quarter of 2013, the Group's selling costs were higher by 9.88%, compared to costs incurred in the second quarter of 2012, and amounted to PLN 11,096,000. In the entire first half of the year, the costs analysed were higher by 5.37% that those incurred in the same period of the previous year.

#### 4.5.1.5 Administrative costs

The cost analysis indicates that both in the second quarter and in the entire first half of the year the dynamics on a year-to-year basis amounted to approx. 7.5%, however in the second quarter of 2013, the administrative costs reached PLN 23,456,000 and in the first half of 2013 they amounted to PLN 45,748,000.

#### 4.5.1.6 Other income

In the first half of 2013 the Group's other operating income amounted to PLN 1,908,000 and was higher by nearly 22% than in the first half of 2012.

#### 4.5.1.7 Other costs and other net profits/losses

In the second quarter of 2013 other profit/loss amounted to PLN 2,204,000, which means an increase of PLN 2,769,000 compared to the second quarter of 2012.

#### 4.5.1.8 EBIT

The Group's operating profit in the second quarter of 2012 amounted to PLN 100,718,000 and was higher by 5.96% compared to the second quarter of 2012, whereas EBIT for the half year of 2013 was lower by 12.22% than in the same period of the previous year.

Profitability in terms of EBIT in the second quarter of 2013 was 22.47%, i.e. it was higher by 1.49% than in the second quarter of the previous year. When data for the first half-year periods is analysed, a decrease of ca. 9.5% in EBIT profitability is observed.

# 4.5.1.9 EBITDA

EBITDA, i.e. operating profit plus depreciation and amortisation, in the second quarter of 2013 went up by 5.00% compared to the second quarter of 2013 and amounted to PLN 176,214,000. It was caused largely by operating profit being higher by 5.96% than in the previous year. Whereas in the first half of 2013 a decrease in EBITDA of ca. 5.54% was noted, with EBIT going down by 12.22%.

Profitability in terms of EBITDA in the second quarter of 2013 was 39.22% and slightly higher than in the same analysed period in 2012. When data for the first half of 2012 and 2013 is analysed, a slight decrease in EBITDA profitability (by 2.57%) compared to the first half of 2012 is noted, in the first half of 2013 it was 39.43%.

#### 4.5.1.10 Finance income

The Group's finance income in the second quarter of 2013 amounted to PLN 1,636,000, which means an increase of ca. 30% compared to the same period in the previous year.

# **4.5.1.11** Finance costs

The Group's finance cost for the first half of 2013 amounted to PLN 9,085,000 compared to PLN 9,335,000 in the first half of 2012 (decrease by 2.68%). In the second quarter of 2013 it amounted to PLN 7,808,000 and was lower by 16.33% than in the second quarter of 2012.

# 4.5.1.12 Profit before taxation

In the second quarter of 2013 the Group generated pre-tax profit which was higher by 8.70% than in the second quarter of 2012. In the entire half-year period the Groups' pre-tax profit went down by 13.62%.

#### 4.5.1.13 Net profit

In the second quarter of 2013 the Group generated net profit higher by 0.34% than in the second quarter of 2012 – it amounted to PLN 72,108,000 compared to PLN 71,867,000 in 2012. And net profit for the first half of 2013 was PLN 142,034,000, which means a decrease by nearly 17% compared to the first half of 2012.

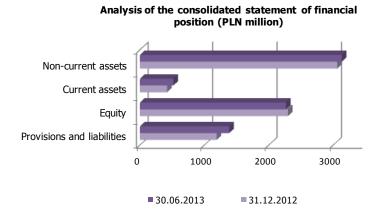
#### 4.5.2 Balance sheet

Table 17 Selected financial information of the LW BOGDANKA Group [PLN '000]

Item	30 June 2013	31 December 2012	Change [%] 2013/2012
Total assets	3,651,415	3,485,156	4.77%
Return on Assets (ROA) annualised	7.40%*	8.83%	-16.19%
Non-current assets	3,132,621	3,063,653	2.25%
Current assets	518,794	421,503	23.08%
Equity	2,265,647	2,296,374	-1.34%
Return on Equity (ROE) annualised	11.73%**	13.06%	-10.18%
Provisions and liabilities	1,385,768	1,188,782	16.57%

<sup>\*</sup> Annualised net profit (sum for the first half of 2013 and for the second half of 2012) / average assets as at 30 June 2012 and 30 June 2013

<sup>\*\*</sup> Annualised net profit (sum for the first half of 2013 and for the second half of 2012) / average equity as at 30 June 2012 and 30 June 2013



#### 4.5.2.1 Assets

The Group's balance-sheet total as at 30 June 2013 went up by 4.77% to the amount of PLN 3,651,415,000 compared to the value as at 31 December 2012 (increase of PLN 166,259,000). Non-current assets increased by over 2%, which is largely the result of the investment programme carried out by the Parent. Current assets went up by approx. 23%, which resulted from increased inventories in terms of value (by ca. 86%) and increased value of cash and cash equivalents (by ca. 26%). The increased value of total inventories in the Group is mainly the consequence of increased coal inventories at the Parent – change in coal inventory level is seasonal.

As at 30 June 2013 a decrease of over 16% in annualised return on assets was noted.

### 4.5.2.2 Equity and liabilities

The Group's equity went down by over 1.3%. It was the result of distribution of profit for the previous year effected by the Annual General Shareholders Meeting of LW BOGDANKA S.A. and adding net profit/loss for the 6 months of 2013 to equity.

Provisions and liabilities went up by nearly 17% compared to the value as at 31 December 2012, which was the result of increased current liabilities – dividend payable.

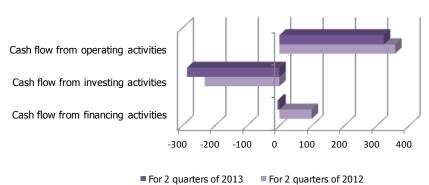
As at 30 June 2013 a decrease of 10.18% in annualised return on equity compared to the end of 2012 was noted. The value of annualised ratio for the first half of 2013 was 11.73%.

#### 4.5.3 Cash flows

Table 18 Consolidated cash flows in H1 2013 and H1 2012 [PLN '000]

Item	Q2 2013	Q2 2012	Change [%] 2013/2012	H1 2013	H1 2012	Change [%] 2013/2012
Cash flow from (used in) operating activities	189,266	154,730	22.32%	322,657	357,464	-9.74%
Cash flow from (used in) investing activities	-111,475	-91,775	21.47%	-285,291	-230,437	23.80%
Cash flow from (used in) financing activities	-261	50,000	-	-6,023	100,000	-

#### Analysis of the statement of consolidated cash flows (PLN million)



In the second quarter of 2013 the Group generated cash flow from operating activities higher by 22.32% than in the second quarter of 2012 and used more for expenditure connected with investing activities – the funds spent were higher by 21.47%.

In the first half of 2013 cash flow from operating activities was lower by nearly 10% than in the first half of 2012. Such decrease resulted, among others, from lower pre-tax profit and increased trade and other liabilities.

Cash flow from investing activities increased (in absolute terms) in the first half of 2013 by nearly 24% (to PLN 285,291,000) compared to the end of the first half of 2012. It was the result of increased acquisition of property, plant and equipment compared to the first half of 2012, in accordance with implemented development strategy of the Parent.

Cash flow from financing activities in the first half of 2013 amounted to PLN -6,023 and was lower by PLN 106,023,000 compared to the first half of 2012. Such difference results from the fact that last year the Group obtained external financing, and currently begins its repayment.

## 4.5.4 Debt and financing structure of the LW BOGDANKA Group

Table 19 Debt ratios of the LW BOGDANKA Group

Item	30 June 2013	31 December 2012	Change [%] (2013/2012)
Overall debt ratio	37.95%	34.11%	11.26%
Ratio (debt plus employee provisions)/EBITDA (annualised)	1.06	0.93	13.98%
Debt to equity ratio	61.16%	51.77%	18.14%
Fixed capital to non-current assets ratio	90.74%	97.26%	-6.70%
Current debt ratio	19.51%	11.93%	63.54%
Non-current debt ratio	18.44%	22.18%	-16.86%

<sup>\* (</sup>Loans and borrowings + non-current and current employee benefits + dividend payable / EBITDA annualised (the first half of 2013 and the first half of 2012)

#### 4.5.4.1 Overall debt ratio

The Group's overall debt ratio at the end of the first half of 2013 went up by 11.26% compared to the first half of 2012 and reached 37.95% (higher increase in liabilities than increase in the balance-sheet total).

The level of the Group's debts in the first half of 2013 did not pose any risk to the Group's operation and ability to settle liabilities in a timely manner.

# 4.5.4.2 Ratio (debt plus employee provisions)/EBITDA

The ratio showing debt and employee liabilities to annualised EBITDA increased at the end of June in the current year by 13.98% and reached 1.06. The ratio complies with strategic assumptions and does not exceed 1.5.

# 4.5.4.3 Debt to equity ratio

The debt to equity ratio in the first half of 2013 went up by 18.14% compared to the ratio as at 30 June 2012 and reached 61.16%.

# 4.5.4.4 Fixed capital to non-current assets ratio

The fixed capital to non-current assets ratio was 90.74% (as at 30 June 2013) compared to 97.26% (as at 31 December 2012) – in the analysed period the value of fixed capital (equity plus non-current liabilities less provisions) decreased, with non-current assets going up at the same time.

# 4.5.5 Group liquidity ratios

Table 20 Liquidity ratios

Item	30 June 2013	31 December 2012	Change [%] (2013/2012)
Current liquidity ratio	0.78	1.14	-31.58%
Quick liquidity ratio	0.62	0.99	-37.37%

In the period covered by the consolidated interim financial statements, the liquidity ratios of the Group remained at a safe level, and the Group is not having any difficulties in settling its liabilities. Bearing in mind the development strategy pursued by the Group, the liquidity ratios are to be considered correct.

#### 4.5.6 Turnover ratios

Table 21 Turnover ratios [days]

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Item	30 June 2013	31 December 2012	Change [%] (2013/2012)
Inventory turnover	22.9	13.6	68.38%
Trade debtors collection rate*	51.7	49.3	4.87%
Trade creditors payment rate**	86.2	74.7	15.39%
Operating cycle (1+2)	74.6	62.9	18.60%
Cash conversion cycle (4-3)	-11.6	-11.8	-1.69%

# 4.5.6.1 Inventory turnover

The inventory turnover ratio for the first half of 2013 went up by ca. 68% compared to the ratio as at 31 December 2012, which is largely the result of increased inventories.

# 4.5.6.2 Trade receivables collection rate

The trade receivables collection rate (calculated on the basis of the balance-sheet item "Trade and other receivables") was 51.7 days (as at 31 June 2013), as compared to 49.3 days (as at 31 December 2012). The increase in the rate is attributable to a bigger nominal income decrease, as compared to the decrease of the average trade receivables.

# 4.5.6.3 Operating cycle

The operating cycle for current assets (a sum of inventory turnover and trade receivables collection rate) in the analysed period was at 74.6 days, as compared to 62.9 days as at 31 December 2012.

### 4.5.6.4 Trade creditors payment rate

The trade creditors payment rate (calculated on the basis of the balance sheet item "Trade and other liabilities") in the period covered by financial information got longer by 11.5 days to 86.2 days, as compared to the end of 2012.

#### 4.5.6.5 Cash conversion cycle

As a result of the trends described above, a cash conversion cycle of -11.6 days was achieved as at 30 June 2013 compared to -11.8 as at 31 December 2012. The negative value of the cash conversion ratio means that the Group uses non-interest-bearing borrowed capital almost to the same extent as at the end of the previous year.

# 4.6 Capital investments in the LW BOGDANKA Group

The value of cash held by the Group as at the end of June 2013 amounted to PLN 220,724,000, out of which the funds of PLN 184,182,000 belonged to the Parent.

The value of cash held by the Parent (PLN 184,182,000) is disclosed:

- PLN 68,830,000 disclosed in non-current assets,
- PLN 115,352,000 disclosed in current assets,

The amount of PLN 68,830,000 covers assets accumulated by the Parent in the Mine Closure Fund, to be allocated for the coverage of costs of a mine closure (these resources are held in a long-term bank deposit).

The mount PLN 115,352,000 includes cash (cash available) held in short–term bank deposits (including overnight deposits) – the level of deposits depends on internal forecasts regarding inflows and outflows. According to the adopted Strategy, the Parent will successively strive to increase the value of this item in order to maintain liquid cash at a level of average monthly sale proceeds (1/12 of the planned annual revenue).

#### 4.7 Information on financial instruments

The Parent is a party in two forward transactions. Security is created for performance of:

- 1. an agreement worth EUR 347,000 for supply of materials to the Parent;
- 2. an agreement worth EUR 47 million for supply and assembly of another ploughing system for low seam mining.

In the first half of 2013 the Group did not use any other financial instruments to hedge its exposure to the following risks: price changes, credit risk, substantial cash flow disruptions resulting from changes in interest rates and loss of solvency.

The Group is of the opinion that the risk associated with trade receivables is limited as the Group transacts only with customers of confirmed credit ratings (major customers are entities of stable financial situation). Further, the Group continuously monitors its customers' arrears in settling their payments.

The Group is of the opinion that the risk associated with trade creditors is limited as the Parent continuously analyses inflows and outflows - knows in advance what amounts will be due. Further, the cooperation with banks is very good, which allows the Group to obtain financing in the event of payment gridlocks.

Information with regard to financial instruments is disclosed in Note 17 of the condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Group for the period from 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013.

# 4.8 Assessment of the possibilities of investment plans' execution

The structure of financing its property investment expenses will remain compliant with the adopted Strategy, i.e. they will be financed from own funds and the debt held. The Company's Management Board expects an increase in the Group's debt financing. As at the date of providing this Report, the LW BOGDANKA Group sees no threat as to the possibility to acquire additional financing in the form of debt, however it indicates that the costs of acquiring the debt as well as the servicing thereof may be higher than currently.

The current loan in the amount of PLN 437,850,000, recorded as at 30 June 2013 in the statement of financial position of the Parent, accounted for 19.56% of its equity and approx. 12.08% of the balance-sheet total.

#### 5. INFORMATION ON KEY MATERIAL INVESTMENTS OF THE LW BOGDANKA GROUP

In the first half of 2013 the LW BOGDANKA Group executed the scope of investment works necessary to double coal extraction in 2015, compared to 2011.

In the first half of 2013, due to investment execution the outlays on property, plant and equipment in construction amounted to PLN 224,025,000. These outlays concern the following investment groups:

Table 22 Key material investments of the LW BOGDANKA Group in the 6 months of 2013 and the 6 months of 2012 [PLN '0001

Key material investments	Outlays incurred from 1 Jan 2013 to 30 Jun 2013	Outlays incurred from 1 Jan 2012 to 30 Jun 2012
Construction and assembly works	156,880	133,959
Order picking and purchases of finished goods	65,705	70,410
Other	1,440	1,119
Total	224,025	205,488

The main objective of the investment plan for the two quarters of 2013 was to continue commenced tasks, aiming at doubling the extraction capacity at the end of 2014, involving continuation of the extension of the Mechanical Coal Processing Plant and expansion of the mining face, including the provision of new equipment.

The plan for Q1 and Q2 2013 included groups of tasks; development-related investments, including purchase of machines and devices, and operating investments, including execution and modernisation of headings in the Bogdanka, Nadrybie and Stefanów Fields, as well as investments in environmental protection, and modernisation and repairs of machines and devices.

**Development-related investments were focused on** investments in technical infrastructure, i.e. continuation of outward extension of the Mechanical Cal Processing Plant.

As regards purchasing machinery and equipment, the key investment are supplementary deliveries of equipment for the coal-ploughing complex No. 2 to enable mining of 305 m long walls. The deliveries are taking place under a contract to purchase new high-performance coal-ploughing complex No. 3 to mine thin deposits.

**Operating investments focused on** investments in new workings in the Bogdanka, Nadrybie, and Stefanów fields and continuation of the extension of the mine waste storage yard.

Investments by the Parent in the first half-year of 2013, by group of tasks with a specification of key items, are presented in Table 23:

Table 23 Selected items of investment outlays at LW BOGDANKA S.A. [PLN '000]

Item	Plan for 2013	H1 2013 (implementation)	Updated plan for 2013
DEVELOPMENT CAPEX	338,440	78,869	258,000
Development of the Mechanical Coal Processing Plant	73,434	15,946	54,000
Central air-conditioning system of the Bogdanka Field	23,751	33	7,000
Integrated production management system	4,350	376	3,000
Obtaining new licenses	5,750	185	6,000
Other development-related investments, including:	231,155	62,329	188,000
purchase of new machines and devices	184,214	42,946	145,000
purchase of ready goods – devices without assembly	41,054	12,998	36,000
other	5,888	6,385	7,000
OPERATING CAPEX	368,712	142,776	366,000
New workings, maintaining the existing headings	308,790	125,267	299,000
Modernization and repairs of machinery and equipment	7,050	6,083	18,000
Environmental protection	12,353	1,802	10,000
Other operating investments	40,519	9,624	39,000
TOTAL CAPEX	707,152	221,645	624,000

The summary of progress in pending investments as at 30 June 2013 shows that LW BOGDANKA has deviated from the plan, which is due to both timeframe shifts for tasks performed in the current year and optimisation of the range of activities. Cumulatively, the planned investment expenditure has been completed at 31% in relation to the plan for 2013. A re-verification of investment plans prompted the Management Board to present an update

of the expenditure plan for the current year. Currently, the Management Board expects that the amount of expenditure in 2013 should amount to a total of about PLN 624 million.

Main changes occurred in the following groups:

- Acquisition of new licences movement in investment funds earmarked for the acquisition of licences in area "K-6, K-7" and "K-3". The funds will be disbursed after obtaining a licence for mining coal from those areas. The movement does not affect the implementation of production tasks.
- Environmental protection nearly 50% of the planned amount was expenditure on the redevelopment of waste rock disposal area – land has not been purchased due to protracted negotiations with the owners, and the current phase of construction is taking place on land owned by the Company.
- Central air conditioning of the Bogdanka field contract signed later than planned due to protracted tendering procedures (protests by contractors and the National Chamber of Appeal) – expenditure has been moved to the coming years. The movement of funds does not affect the implementation of production tasks.
- Purchase of machinery and equipment abandoning the purchase of a face complex for the Stefanów field for PLN 42 million, purchase of a smaller quantity of belt conveyors (plan verification).
- Purchase of finished goods equipment without assembly abandonment of certain purchases.
- Increase in expenditure on modernization and repairs of machinery and equipment inclusion of the longwall cutting machine and the cutting machine in the repair plan.

The verification of plans does not affect the implementation of production tasks.

#### 6. DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY OF THE LW BOGDANKA GROUP

In 2013–2020, the Company plans to achieve, among others, the following strategic objectives:

- to complete its investment process aimed at doubling the Company's commercial coal production (5.8 million tonnes in 2011, 7.8 million tonnes in 2012, and increasing the extraction level to 8.6 9 million tonnes in 2013, approx. 10.5 million tonnes in 2014, approx. 11.5 million tonnes in 2015, approx. 12 million tonnes in 2018);
- to make additional investments in upgrading its shaft 1.5 in Nadrybie to enable the Company to increase its net production capacity to approx. 12 million tonnes in 2018;
- to double the mine's resources and lifetime to around 2050 by obtaining a licence for and utilising new promising areas (increasing the mine's recoverable reserves from approx. 237 million to approx. 450 million tonnes);
- to strengthen the Company's well-established position as the main supplier of coal, particularly to the commercial power industry by achieving a 20% share in sales of power coal in Poland in 2015, compared to approx. 14% in 2012;
- to continue as the leader in effective mining, while reducing the Company's unit mining cash cost by 15% by 2017 compared to the level in 2012, in real terms;
- to continue as the leader in innovative technical solutions by implementing a Smart Mine project.

The Company estimates that the above strategy will require an average annual expenditure of approx. PLN 600 million in 2013-2020, including:

- approx. PLN 250 million per annum in development capex to support increased production and productivity;
- approx. PLN 350 million in repeatable opex to maintain the Company's mining levels, upgrade its existing working pits and infrastructure.

In connection with the Dividend Policy that is part of the approved Strategy, the Management Board will recommend that the Company's General Meeting resolve to make profit distributions for 2013-2015 to shareholders in the Company equal to 60% of the Company's consolidated net profit.

The above level of dividend will allow the Company to use a portion of its profit to co-finance its development expenditure on the one hand and to ensure a return of investment in its shares for its shareholders by making dividend payments at an above-average level in the coal mining industry on the other.

The Management Board's recommendation regarding dividend payments may be affected by changes to the assumptions relating to:

- the Company's development and its plans of further expansion;
- the implementation of the Company's investment plan;
- the Company's plans to maintain its liquidity at appropriate levels;

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- the net profit disclosed in the Company's separate financial statements;
- the planned investment and other capital expenditure;
- the current possibilities and costs of obtaining debt financing;
- the adoption, by the Company's General Shareholders Meeting, a resolution on a dividend level different from that recommended by the Management Board;
- other factors materially affecting the Company's financial standing.

# 7. POSITION OF THE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF LW BOGDANKA S.A. REGARDING THE POSSIBILITY OF ACHIEVING PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED FORECASTS FOR THE YEAR IN QUESTION, IN LIGHT OF THE RESULTS SET OUT IN THE INTERIM REPORT IN RELATION TO THE FORECAST RESULTS

The LW BOGDANKA Group did not publish financial results' forecasts for 2013.

- 8. DESCRIPTION OF RISKS WHICH, IN THE ASSESSMENT OF LW BOGDANKA S.A., WILL AFFECT THE RESULTS ACHIEVED BY THE COMPANY AND ITS GROUP WITHIN AT LEAST THE FOLLOWING QUARTER
  - 8.1 Risks associated with the Group's social and economic environment and market environment

#### 8.1.1 Risk associated with the social and economic situation in Poland and in the world

The Group's financial standing depends on the economic situation in Poland and in the world. The financial results generated by the Group are affected by such factors as the rate of increase in domestic and global GDP, including in particular, the rate of increase in industrial production, changes in exchange rates, the level of inflation, the rate of unemployment, and the demand for electricity and heat energy, etc. In the event of a significant deterioration of the economic situation of the customers for the power coal, or in connection with a deterioration of economic situation in Poland, which will result in a decrease in demand for electricity and heat energy, the Group's financial results may decline. However, taking into account the long-term commercial agreements, which oblige the customers to purchase specified volumes of power coal, the risk of a significant decline in the Group's results is scarce. This thesis finds its confirmation in the fact that regardless of the macroeconomic situation in Poland and in the world, since 1994 the LW BOGDANKA Group has regularly achieved positive financial results. The Group's financial results may also decline if current taxes are raised (such as mining royalty), new taxes are imposed, or new fees for hard coal extraction are introduced.

# 8.1.2 Risks associated with the economic policy of the state in relation to the hard coal mining sector

The plans of the Ministry of Economy and the Ministry of State Treasury concerning the enterprises operating in the hard coal mining and power sector are an important factor influencing the LW BOGDANKA Group's market position. Those plans are set forth in particular in two documents:

- "Strategy for hard coal mining sector in Poland for 2007-2015" adopted by the Council of Ministers in July 2007;
- "Poland's energy policy until 2025" adopted by the Council of Ministers in December 2004, which includes the consolidation plans for the fuel-energy sector, updated by the "Poland's energy policy until 2030" adopted by the Council of Ministers on 10 November 2009;
- "The privatisation plan for 2012-2013" adopted by the Council of Ministers in March 2012.

Implementation or amendment of the assumptions may have a significant impact on the future competitive position and financial results of the Group.

# 8.1.3 Risk associated with the levels of prices for raw materials for power production in Poland and in the world

The levels of prices of raw materials for power production, including in particular the prices of power coal, and raw materials alternative to power coal (crude oil, natural gas, renewable sources) on global markets, and, in consequence, on the domestic market, are of great significance for the activities conducted by the Group. The current difficult situation on global financial markets, crisis and recession in the Euro zone, crisis in the Middle East (Egypt, Syria), impairment of economic growth in China, impairment of economic growth in Poland and increase in stocks of unsold coal with the world and national producers in connection with a decreased demand for coal may bring changes in the demand for fuel, and consequently, changes in global and national market prices of coal and energy, which may affect the Group's financial results. LW BOGDANKA S.A. mitigates the risk associated with changes in the prices of raw materials for power production by undertaking measures aimed at reducing prime costs of coal extraction, which at the same time increases its competitiveness, and by concluding long-term commercial agreements with major customers for power coal.

#### 8.1.4 Risk associated with the introduction of the excise tax in relation to coal

The Act on Excise Tax of 6 December 2008 became effective on 2 January 2012. It imposes effective excise tax on the sale of coal products intended for heating purposes. Although the provisions of the said Act and the provisions of executive regulations to this Act introduce a wide range of exemptions, including those covering electricity production, co-production of electricity and heat, and other selected industries and individual coal consumers, they cause an increase in burdensome formal requirements with regard to documentation concerning the sales process of coal products exempt from excise tax.

Legislative work amending the Act on Excise Tax of 6 December 2008 with regard to taxation of coal products has already been completed. The amendment to the Act has already been signed by the President of the Republic of Poland. Changes in the provisions regarding taxation of coal products are expected to become effective 30 days after the publication of the revised Act on Excise Tax, i.e. at the turn of the third and fourth quarter of 2013. Changes in the Act are designed to introduce more order to the system concerning excise tax exemption of coal products, which was implemented on 2 January 2012.

Excise tax risk is related to the volatility of tax law, ambiguous interpretation of tax law and the possibility of formal errors which may lead to the excise tax-exempt status regarding selected sale transactions being revoked. In the event that the excise tax-exempt status is revoked by virtue of a decision of relevant customs authorities a number of selected sale transactions may become subject to excise tax, which in consequence may have a negative impact on the financial results of the Group.

The Group mitigates the risk connected with excise tax by: organising excise tax training courses for the employees, cooperating with reputable tax advisors, requesting tax authorities to issue tax rulings, active participation in the ongoing legislative process, and introducing clauses to commercial agreements which provide for transferring a possible excise tax on a buyer in the event that a given transaction is subject to excise tax.

Moreover, it is important to emphasise that due to its relatively low costs of hard coal extraction, the Group can respond to the changing market circumstances more flexibly with regard to potential changes in tax law.

# 8.1.5 Interest rate risk

The LW BOGDANKA Group is a party to financial agreements based on variable interest rates, therefore it is exposed to a risk of fluctuations in interest rates with respect to loans incurred, as well as in the event of contracting new loans or refinancing the existing ones. A possible increase in interest rates may result in an increase in finance costs of the Group, and hence have an adverse effect on the Group's financial results (or, alternatively, a possible decrease in interest rates may cause a decrease in finance costs of the Company bringing

a positive effect on its financial results). In the Group's assessment, the interest rate risk has a limited bearing on the financial standing of the LW BOGDANKA Group given a relatively low degree of financing the Group's assets with third party capital. This risk may increase largely if accompanied by a substantial growth in the share of debt financing associated with the Parent's development strategy (enlargement of the Stefanów Field), and the development strategy of Łęczyńska Energetyka, which consists in the execution of the investment "Modernization and extension of the heating plant in Bogdanka into a combined heat and power generating plant." The shareholders' decisions regarding the distribution of net profit will also affect the possibility of increasing the debt. Currently, the Group does not use any hedging instruments against the risk of fluctuations in interest rates. However, it does not exclude the possibility of using such instruments in the future.

# 8.1.6 Risk associated with changes in exchange rates

The Parent is a party to two forward transactions. Security is created for the performance of:

- 1. an agreement worth EUR 347,000 for supply of raw materials to the Parent;
- 2. an agreement worth EUR 47 million for supply and assembly of another ploughing system for low seam mining.

The aim of taking measures in order to protect the Company against the risk associated with changes in exchange rates is to guarantee a fixed level of value in Polish zlotys of the future EUR expenses incurred in relation to tasks carried out. The Company expects that the security will be of high effectiveness in compensating future changes in the value of cash flows of a hedging instrument and the item secured.

# 8.1.7 Risk associated with the impact of current macroeconomic situation on debt financing availability

Currently, the LW BOGDANKA Group implements a large investment programme associated with increasing the extraction capacity by enlarging the Stefanów Field. The planned investments are to be financed both with own funds and debt financing (currently totalling PLN 438 million).

At present, LW BOGDANKA sees no threat as to the possibility to obtain additional financing in the form of debt for implementation of its investments, however due to the Company's indebtedness which has been increasing over last years, it is estimated that the possible costs of its acquisition may be higher than those currently incurred. The Group's current indebtedness under loans and borrowings in the amount of PLN 438 million (as at 30 June 2013) accounts for 19.40% of the shareholders' equity, and 12.01% of the balance-sheet total.

# 8.1.8 Risk associated with the specific nature of mining sector operations and the possibility of unforeseen events

The operating activities of the LW BOGDANKA Group are exposed to risks and dangers beyond its control and resulting from the specific nature of conducting activities in the mining industry. These include, among others, events associated with the environment (e.g. industrial and technological malfunctions) and extraordinary events, including geotechnical phenomena, mining disasters, fires or flooding of excavations with mine waters. Such events or phenomena may cause a temporary suspension of the Group's (LW BOGDANKA) operating activities, or losses relating to property, financial assets and employees, or may result in the Group being held legally liable. The most important natural hazards occurring in the mine include:

- coal dust explosion hazard class "b";
- fire hazard IV self-combustion group (on a five-grade scale);
- methane hazard methane category I (on a four-grade scale);
- water hazard category I and II (on a three-grade scale);
- hazards connected with changing geological and mining conditions at the exploitation fronts.

Another key risk associated with the specific nature of mining operations is mining damage. The relevant legislation, including the Geological and Mining Law, the Environmental Protection Law and the Act on the

Protection of Agricultural and Forest Land, impose an obligation on mining companies to reclaim post-industrial land, which means they have to incur related costs, which could have an adverse effect on the financial results achieved by the Group in the future. The Company has a mandatory obligation to create a mining damage fund to finance costs related to this sphere of the Company's activity. The scope of mining damage in the case of LW BOGDANKA S.A. is relatively small, since exploitation is conducted under slightly urbanised area.

The safety level of the operating conditions in the LW BOGDANKA mine is relatively high, which is reflected in the low accident indicators compared to other companies in the industry. This is due to, in particular, the Company's strict compliance with the principles of health and safety in the workplace, ongoing monitoring of threats at individual workstations, appropriate preventative measures, the absence of the risk of mine collapses, gas breakouts and rock outbursts and the relatively low risk of a methane explosion (category 1 methane threat on a four-grade scale). Other factors which reduce the effect of the risk associated with the specific nature of the mining industry on LW BOGDANKA's operations include:

- the Company's use of advanced and reliable mining machines and equipment, which reduces the risk of industrial malfunctions occurring;
- no geological disruptions occurring and the fact that the mining seams are relatively regularly laid out;
- the relatively low costs of repairing mining damage resulting from the low urbanisation of the area in which LW BOGDANKA S.A. extracts hard coal;
- high qualifications of the personnel.

#### 8.1.9 Risk of restrictive EU climate policy also with respect to the CO2 emissions

The European Commission declares limiting the CO2 emissions by 20% until 2020 in accordance with the so called "Europe 2020 strategy", as well as reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 20%, raising the share of energy consumption produced from renewable sources to 20%, and improving the energy efficiency by 20% in accordance with the so called "20–20-20" targets. Moreover, it suggests introducing a system of auctions for emission permits from 2013. The system will mean that instead of receiving free emission rights (as in the period 2008-2012), the companies will be forced to purchase emission permits in open tenders. In the Polish energy sector, more than 90% of electricity is generated on the basis of coal (hard coal and lignite). The production of electricity from coal is connected with significant CO2 emissions. Limitation of the CO2 emission and introduction of a system of obligatory auctions for emission permits may cause significant difficulties in the scope of competitiveness of traditional energy producers and investments in new production capacity. In consequence, the difficulties of the power sector may result in a decrease in the demand for coal in general, or for coal of lower quality. It may have a negative impact on the sales of coal by the LW BOGDANKA Group, and in consequence, may have a negative impact on its financial results. This risk is difficult to assess and it is hard to take any activities to mitigate it due to the fact that despite the suggested restrictive EU climate policy the works on the final form of the obligations to decrease to CO2 emissions for particular sectors of the economy are still pending and no binding decisions have been made. Consequently, the level of actual future limitations applicable to CO2 emissions is not known yet. At the same time, in the world (the USA, China, Australia) new technologies – i.e. the "clean carbon technologies" have already appeared, which are continuously enhanced technologies and which, when applied, will decrease the problem of CO2 emissions.

### 8.1.10 Risk of a decrease in demand for hard coal from the Polish power industry

In the opinion of the Company, there is a limited risk that the Polish power industry may be able to switch to a raw material other than hard coal within the next 10 years. The LW BOGDANKA Group has long-term contracts which secure it against the risk of a change over the successive years. Poland's long-term power production policy up to 2030 assumes that power production based on hard coal will be maintained. LW BOGDANKA takes measures aimed at further long-term securing of its provision of coal for commercial power production, relating to existing and prospective power units within the area of its operations.

The Company has signed contracts for the entire sales of coal for 2013, and a long-term agreement with Enea Elektrownia Kozienice S.A. which ensures sale of the Company's coal in the long-term perspective until 2025. In 2012, the Company concluded new long-term agreements with GDF Suez Energia Polska S.A., PGNiG Termika S.A., Grupa Ożarów S.A., and has stable agreements with Energa Elektrownie Ostrołęka S.A., Zakłady Azotowe Puławy S.A. and EDF Paliwa Sp. z o.o., which ensure supplies of Power coal in the upcoming five years.

Furthermore, the Company has concluded long-term conditional agreements with Enea Elektrownia Kozienice S.A. and Elektrownia Północ Sp. z o.o. for the purposes of future power coal supplies to new power units which, once relevant conditions are met, will guarantee sales of coal at least until 2036. In connection with its aforementioned conditional nature, due to a change in investment priorities of the Energa Group, the agreement as regards future supplies for the newly constructed power unit C was terminated by Elektrownia Ostrołęka S.A. on 30 October 2012. The terminated agreement does not apply to the current supplies to Energa Elektrownie Ostrołęka S.A., which are stable and take place in accordance with the terms of a separate agreement.

The conditional nature of the agreements for the purposes of future power coal supplies to the new power units under construction means that they are contingent upon the successful closing of financing for the new power units and keeping the schedule of investment implementation, therefore there is a risk that one of those contracts may fall through and the Company might be forced to enter into talks with other coal buyers that will guarantee the sale of coal in the long-term perspective.

The Company mitigates the risk of the decrease in demand from commercial power production by analysing the situation on the coal supplies and energy market and the forecasts related thereto, as well as by co-operating with renowned institutions dealing with energy sources market analysis, as well as by activities diversifying the future structure of sales. To this end the Company also undertakes activities together with other entities aimed at expanding the application of the Company's hard coal, for instance in other power projects, or establishing a coal gasification installation in the future.

#### 8.1.11 Risk of hostile takeover of the Group

Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A., as a result of its IPO on the Warsaw Stock Exchange, has been a public company since 25 June 2009. On 9 March 2010, the State Treasury sold, in block trades, 15,882,000 shares it was holding, which accounted for 46.7% of the Company's share capital. As a consequence of the above measures, LW BOGDANKA S.A. became a private entity, almost 100% shares of which can be subject of trade on the WSE. This situation poses a risk of the so-called hostile takeover. The Company is in the process of implementing an investment programme (the Stefanów Field) designed to increase the Company's mining capacity to approx. 11.5 million tonnes of coal annually (starting from the end of 2014) and, in consequence, to improve the Company's technical, economic and financial results and ratios. The prospects of such a growth, together with the lack of full economic effects prior to the programme completion in 2014, pose a risk of change in control over the Company on terms that would be unfavourable for the existing shareholders.

The Management Board undertakes actions the aim of which is to increase the value of the Company, through improvement of the structure and efficiency of mining and cost optimisation. It is also important to show to investors the real value of shares, both in relation to the currently achieved results as well as to our resource potential and growth perspectives.

# 8.2 Risks directly associated with the Group's operations

#### 8.2.1 Risk associated with the launch of extraction of new deposits at LW BOGDANKA

A material aspect of the operations conducted by the Group is the necessity to secure future extraction possibilities by providing access to new coal resources. If the activities leading to obtaining and extraction of new deposits are restricted or discontinued, or if unforeseen formal, legal or technical difficulties occur during the period of preparing the deposit for the extraction, the mining capacity of LW BOGDANKA might be limited, which in consequence may shorten the life of the mining plant and/or reduce the assumed level of extraction of hard coal thus decreasing future financial results of LW BOGDANKA.

The Company has taken steps to obtain prospective resources for the purposes of future exploitation development. Geological documentation and deposit management plan have been developed and measures were taken to obtain a license for exploitation of coal in the new area located to the south and to the east of the current "Puchaczów V" mining area.

Recent years have seen a lot of interest on the part of domestic (Kompania Węglowa S.A.) and as well as foreign business entities in the deposits of the Lublin Coal Basin. Some of them have obtained licenses for exploration and reconnaissance in the vicinity of the mining area of LW BOGDANKA. The said activities may in the future result in these entities submitting applications for exploitation licenses. LW BOGDANKA has an advantage over potential competitors in that is has extensive technical infrastructure necessary to pursue its business activities, as well as unique expertise in exploitation in the mining and geological conditions of the Lublin Coal Basin deposits.

# 8.2.2 Technical and technological risk

Extracting coal from underground seams is a complex process which is subject to strict technical and technological requirements. During such operations, various stoppages can occur due to planned and unplanned technical interruptions (e.g. malfunctions). There is a potential risk associated with the effect of unplanned stoppages caused by serious malfunctions on the volume of production and sales and the possibility of making timely deliveries to the customers of the Group (LW BOGDANKA), and therefore on the financial results achieved by the Group in the future. The Group stresses that the risk of stoppages occurring in hard coal extraction operations is minimised by the fact that LW BOGDANKA uses the longwall system and currently extracts coal from usually three mining faces which operate simultaneously + 2 being allocated (modified). At the target production

capacity, however, coal is obtained from four mining faces operating simultaneously + 2 being allocated. Due to the technical and technological mining conditions, the planned level of extraction can be maintained if a periodic stoppage occurs at one of the faces by intensifying work on the other. What is more, the extension of the Stefanów Field and the start-up of a second mining shaft (mining and skip shaft 2.1 in Stefanów), which took place in September 2011, further reduced the risk of a technological stoppage by ensuring the continuity of hard coal extraction if one of the shafts breaks down. Irrespective of the factors described above, the LW BOGDANKA mine has a system of underground coal storage reservoirs. Three new reservoirs have recently been constructed in Stefanów. Raw coal reservoirs are also located on the surface. It should also be pointed out that the Group uses advanced mining equipment and machines in its mining operations and conducts intensive research and development works aimed at increasing the productivity of its operations by means of introducing solutions with a high degree of technical and technological reliability and increasing the safety of the work environment. These measures will significantly reduce the Group's technical and technological risk.

In this group of risks, there is also the risk of unexpected, usually local, deterioration of the quality of the deposit, for example due to reduction of the thickness of the seam, uncovering waste rock concentrations or waviness of the seam, which will result in deterioration of the coal (an increase in amount of stone mined with the coal). In such a case, in spite of achievement of the full gross output and increased costs thereof (difficulties with mining the stone, greater wear of tools and means of transport, increased costs of processing and storage of stone, etc.), the amount of commercial coal obtained will be reduced, which will influence economic performance.

#### 8.2.3 Risk associated with high costs of technologies applied by the Company

The technology of power coal extraction applied by LW BOGDANKA S.A. involves the use of highly specialised machines and equipment produced only by several producers in the world. As a result of the Company's implemented investments related to the Stefanów Field extension, it will be necessary to make further investments in new specialised mining machines. Due to global concentration of producers of the aforementioned machines and equipment, there is a risk of unexpected increase in prices of specialised machines and equipment, which could have impact on the increase of investment expenditures which must be borne in connection with implementation of the Group's development strategy.

The longwall coal ploughing technology that the Company has been implementing for a few years allows high-capacity mining in thin coal deposits of as little as 1.2 metres (in 2010, the first longwall using this technology was put in operation) and is based on specialist equipment manufactured by only company in the world. In 2012, LW BOGDANKA S.A. purchased the second longwall ploughing system and in 2013 it concluded an agreement for the third one. In addition to the high costs of purchasing such equipment, there is a risk of difficulties in accessing (costs) unique spare parts to ensure the operating continuity of the equipment, which may affect the costs of coal mining.

#### 8.2.4 Risk of IT systems malfunctioning

A partial or complete loss of data due to a malfunction of LW BOGDANKA's computer systems may adversely affect the ongoing operations of the LW BOGDANKA Group, and therefore affect the future financial results of the Group. However, the Group stresses that LW BOGDANKA is systematically taking action aimed at minimising the risk associated with the possibility of IT systems malfunctioning.

The Company implemented a "Policy for Safety of Information in the IT Systems of Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A." regulating organisational and technical measures for IT environment protection. This refers to the organisation of access to data, making safety copies and their storage, using the Internet traffic filters and firewall security systems, using application and hardware tools for the VPN secure connections, anti-virus systems for the purpose of protection servers and user workstations.

IT systems used at the LW BOGDANKA Group have no effect on operating activities associated with extracting hard coal and therefore if they malfunction the continuity of hard coal extraction would not be threatened.

### 8.2.5 Key customer risk

Vast majority of the power coal produced by the LW BOGDANKA Group is sold to a relatively small group of large contracting parties operating on the domestic market. Therefore there is a risk that the reduction or termination of cooperation with a key customer or the deterioration of the financial/economic situation of any of the main customers of the Group could have an adverse effect on its financial results.

The Company has signed contracts for the entire sales of coal for 2013, and a long-term agreement with Enea Elektrownia Kozienice S.A. which ensures sale of the Company's coal in the long-term perspective until 2025. In 2012, the Company concluded new long-term agreements with GDF Suez Energia Polska S.A., PGNiG Termika S.A., Grupa Ożarów S.A., and has stable agreements with Energa Elektrownie Ostrołęka S.A., Zakłady Azotowe Puławy S.A. and EDF Paliwa Sp. z o.o., which ensure supplies of Power coal in the upcoming five years.

Furthermore, the Company has concluded long-term conditional agreements with Enea Elektrownia Kozienice S.A., Energa Elektrownia Ostrołęka S.A. and Elektrownia Północ Sp. z o.o. for the purposes of future power coal supplies to new power units which, once relevant conditions are met, will guarantee sales of coal at least until 2036. In connection with its aforementioned conditional nature, the agreement with Energa Elektrownie Ostrołęka as regards future supplies for the newly constructed power unit C was terminated by Elektrownia Ostrołęka S.A. on 30 October 2012 due to a change in investment priorities of Energa Group and has been in the state of termination. The terminated agreement does not apply to the current supplies to Energa Elektrownie Ostrołęka S.A., which are stable and take place in accordance with the terms of a separate agreement.

The conditional nature of the agreements for the purposes of future power coal supplies to the new power units under construction means that they are contingent upon the successful closing of financing for the new power units, therefore there is a risk that some of those contracts may fall through and the Company might be forced to enter into talks with other coal buyers that will guarantee the sale of coal in the long-term perspective.

There is also a risk that power investments in new capacities will not be completed, or that power investments will be inclined towards substitute sources of energy (atom, natural gas, shale gas, renewable sources of energy) or that investments will be significantly delayed - which may cause a problem for the Group regarding allocation of significant volumes of coal originating from increased extraction.

The Company mitigates the key customer risk by analysing the situation on the coal supplies and energy market and the forecasts related thereto, as well as by co-operating with renowned institutions dealing with energy sources market analysis and by activities diversifying the future structure of sales.

Information on the material trade agreements signed by the Group in the first half of 2013 and after the balance-sheet date is presented in section 12 of the Report.

There is also a potential risk that as a result of investment delays in the Company, the level of higher extraction will be achieved later than it is assumed in the investment, mining and coal sales plans. This may bring about a problem of performing under sales contracts for the needs of the key recipients, which are concluded well in advance, and a risk of incurring liquidated damages (if any) by the LW BOGDANKA Group. The Company mitigates this risk by flexible construction of trade contracts and ongoing co-operation with the key recipients.

### 8.2.6 Risk associated with competition by other power coal producers and the quality of the coal produced by the Company

On both the Polish market and export markets, the LW BOGDANKA Group is exposed to price competition from other producers of power coal in Poland (e.g. the mine companies Katowicki Holding Węglowy S.A. and Kompania Węglowa S.A.), as well as from eastern markets (including Russia, Ukraine and Kazakhstan) as well as supplies by other global producers delivered by sea (from the ports of Amsterdam, Rotterdam and Antwerp). In the case of domestic coal companies, significant risk factors associated with competition are:

consolidation processes in the mining, power or industry sectors to the creation of powerful entities in terms of capital which determine how the domestic power coal market will develop; government assistance for hard coal mines in the Silesia region covered by a restructuring programme.

There is a risk that privatization, consolidation and restructuring processes on the capital market may lead to one of the Company's coal customers significantly strengthening its position in relation to the Company, including in such a way that the customer's group orders larger sales volumes from the Company. There is also a risk of changing the Company's coal into substitute or competing fuels which are more favoured within the customer's group.

This may entail the risk of group purchases, i.e. the Company may increase its dependence on sales to a single customer, or the customer's group may increase its impact on the Company as to how the commercial conditions of cooperation are shaped.

In the case of coal suppliers from eastern markets, LW BOGDANKA has a significant logistics advantage. In comparison to Polish producers of hard coal, the Company's competitive strengths minimise the risk associated with price competition. The specificity of the parameters of the coal produced by the Company guarantees its advantage with regard to meeting the needs of the commercial power industry. It limits, however, the possibility of generating a higher margin on sales to individual recipients, due to limited possibilities of production of thick coal.

### 8.2.7 Customer insolvency risk

In order to protect against the risk of potential insolvency of its customers, the Group continuously monitors customers' arrears associated with payments for the products sold (including for the main product – power coal), by analysing the credit risk for the main customers individually, or by the respective classes of assets. Moreover, as part of the credit risk management, the Group makes transactions solely with those customers whose creditworthiness was confirmed. For many years the Group has cooperated on the basis of long-term commercial contracts, as regards the delivery of power coal, with the main Polish energy-related groups, heat and power plants, heating plants and industrial enterprises.

### 8.2.8 Risk of delays in planned investments

The LW BOGDANKA Group is carrying out activities aimed at increasing production capacities by extension of the Stefanów Field, the processing plant and the track system. Contracts for performance of those tasks were awarded through public procurements. In September 2011, lift mechanism of shaft 2.1 and facilities of the runof-mine haulage from shaft 2.1 to the Mechanical Coal Processing Plant in Bogdanka were launched. LW BOGDANKA exercises due diligence in the actions taken to ensure that the extension of the Mechanical Coal Processing Plant is completed as soon as reasonably possible. Construction and assembly works, in accordance with a concluded arrangement, should be completed by the end of 2013. In 2014 commissioning procedures and test run of the plant will be started. In accordance with an annex to the agreement, the whole investment should be completed by the end of 31 August 2014. As a result, full coal beneficiation will be possible starting when the extension of the mine is scheduled for completion. Before the investment in question is formally completed, the Company will continue to exploit coal deposits from the individual extraction fields (Bogdanka, Stefanów) in such a way so as to fully correlate the quality of the excavated output with the deadline for achieving full coal processing capacity by the Mechanical Coal Processing Plant. These actions are of great significance in terms of guaranteeing that the Company will meet its production and sales targets, as well as the quality parameters expected by the buyers and specified in the one-year and long-term contracts concluded with key energy sector customers. The agreement with the consortium of Mostostal Warszawa S.A. and Acciona Infraestructuras S.A., the subject matter of which is the extension of the Mechanical Coal Processing Plant, and which covers detailed designs, facility construction, delivery of machines and equipment, on-site assembly, launch and start-up of machines and equipment, and obtaining permits for use, was described in the Issue Prospectus of LW BOGDANKA S.A. of 21 December 2011 in section 8.6.7.1, and the annex to the agreement - in Current Report No. 45/2012 of 6 September 2012.

### 8.2.8.1 Risk associated with the strong position of the trade unions in the Group

Trade unions hold a significant position in the hard coal mining sector and play an important role in determining staff and payroll policy, frequently forcing renegotiations of wage policy through protest actions. As at the day of submitting this Report, six trade union organisations operate at the Group, associating approx. 64% of the Group's employees (at LW BOGDANKA there are four trade union organisations associating 63% of staff). The strong position of the trade unions creates a situation in which there is a risk of the costs of remuneration increasing under negotiated wage agreements in future, which could adversely affect the financial results generated mainly by LW BOGDANKA. Furthermore, possible protests and/or strikes organised by the trade unions operating in the Group could affect the operating activities conducted by LW BOGDANKA S.A.

Although the prospect of the trade unions using the heaviest weapon, namely an industrial action, appears rather distant, but the signals from the economy, both domestic and global, are not optimistic. Forecasts for 2013 suggest that this is going to be a difficult year in the area of energy raw materials (coal included). This forces companies within this industry (LW BOGDANKA included) to take savings measures. In light of growing expectations of increasing wages, this may cause difficulties in satisfying negotiated agreements. As a consequence, potential risk of social unrest becomes more serious.

It also concerns possible protests connected with a risk of a hostile takeover of LW BOGDANKA S.A., and thus a takeover of the whole Group.

In the Group's opinion, cooperation between the Management Board of the Parent, the Management Boards of the Group's subsidiaries and the trade unions operating within the Group has so far been successful.

The Group's objectives include continuation of the cooperation between its companies' Management Boards and the trade unions in order to maintain good mutual relations and increase the unions' involvement in achieving the companies' and the whole Group's objectives and strategy.

### 8.2.8.2 Risk associated with retaining and attracting human resources for LW BOGDANKA

The demand for human resources of LW BOGDANKA S.A. results from its development strategy which involves increasing the extraction capacity in connection with the extension of the Stefanów Field, as well as the age structure of the Company's staff and the effective retirement laws under which until 2015 approx. 30% of the Company's employees, including mostly the employees working underground, will acquire pension rights. The employment increase in consecutive years will take place gradually, in line with the Company's demand for human resources in connection with the extension of the mine and the Coal Mechanic Processing Plant, as well as the increasing production capacity; new employees will be recruited mostly from mining schools graduates.

This goal has been largely achieved. The year 2012 was the last year in which the Company planned to increase employment, apart from filling positions left vacant through natural wastage. The planned increase in employment was estimated at 250 people. For various reasons, the above mentioned plan was not fulfilled in 2012, and was rescheduled for the second half of 2013. In the subsequent years employment is expected to remain at a constant level, i.e. the recruitment process will focus mainly on filling vacancies.

The mining law requires that the persons employed in the mine operation had certain qualifications awarded to persons which have, inter alia, several years of work experience.

There is a risk that potential difficulties in obtaining appropriate employees may have an adverse effect on the operating activity of LW BOGDANKA, including the extraction volume and production costs, and thereby also on the Company's financial results.

The Company runs active human resources policy which is aimed at limiting human resources-related risks. Since 2007, the Company had been gradually hiring young employees who gained the necessary mining experience and the required qualifications by 2011 (completion of the Stefanów Field extension). To eliminate the potential generation and competence gap with respect to staff, the Company is cooperating with specialist universities, secondary and vocational schools educating persons with special qualifications for the mining, mechanic and electric sectors.

To satisfy the above mentioned needs, vocational education has been reactivated and extended. Since 2005, the Secondary Technical School, and since 2008, the Post-Secondary Mining School have been operating in Łęczna.

Those schools provide graduates with proved professional qualifications required in the mining industry and make it possible to supplement and increase the qualifications of persons employed by the Company.

So far the Company has experienced no major difficulties in attracting young and well-qualified personnel. The reactivated vocational training schemes discussed above essentially meet the Company's needs; therefore no risks have been identified in that area. Changes concerning the organisation of non-stationary vocational schooling (a system of courses), will not exert any influence on education, and thus, on the recruitment of new personnel.

A Company-independent factor which increases the risk of destabilisation of employment are the continued and protracted discussions and work of the government and the parliament on the pension system. While nothing negative has as yet been decided on miner pensions, announcements of returning to the case and the pressure from various social and political groups are conducive to the emergence of uncertainty. This regards extending the retirement age and reducing, or even revoking, the current pension benefits with respect to certain groups in the mining sector. The fear (perhaps unjustified) of losing certain accrued rights may, in case of unfavourable course of events, lead to numerous retirements in a short period of time by people who have already acquired the so-called industry-specific rights, but would otherwise be willing to continue to work, putting their retirement off until a little later. These are especially valuable employees because of their knowledge and experience. Their value is high, both for the quality of work and for the process of training younger staff. Their sudden departure in a short period of time could disrupt the generational continuity, which is being rebuilt in the Company, and thus the mild gradual staff turnover.

### 8.2.9 Risk of the employees of the Company being additionally employed in external entities cooperating with the Group

Such cooperation involves external entities providing outsourcing services to LW BOGDANKA, whereby it provides workers to perform mining and maintenance/refurbishment work on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. Because that work requires that people with appropriate qualifications and experience be employed, the people employed by the entities referred to above are mainly employees who work at the Company from Monday to Friday on the basis of an employment contract concluded directly with the Company.

If the provision of work for LW BOGDANKA by the employees of LW BOGDANKA through external entities could not be continued, the Company would be forced to hire additional employees or to reduce production, which could consequently have a negative effect on the financial results achieved by the LW BOGDANKA Group.

### 8.2.10 Key supplier risk

The specific nature of the Group's operations (both of LW BOGDANKA and Łęczyńska Energetyka operations with respect to the planned investment) requires applying technologies which often involve the use of highly specialised machinery and equipment as well as specialised services. Therefore there is a risk of problems with finding proper suppliers, as well as a risk of suppliers failing to meet their obligations under agreements concluded with the companies. This also applies to specialised providers of mining services, because due to a limited number of such providers on the Polish market, the Company may become dependent upon these entities.

Upon signing agreements with the suppliers, the LW BOGDANKA Group assesses possible threats to contract performance and options for establishing cooperation with other suppliers. Furthermore, in order to secure the performance of "higher risk" contracts, the Group companies require that a performance bond is made.

### 8.2.11 Risk of unfavourable/inappropriate contractual terms being concluded

Due to the high degree of complexity of the agreements signed by the LW BOGDANKA Group (particularly those relating to the purchase of specialist equipment and technology), the Group's companies are exposed to a risk of an agreement being concluded on unfavourable terms. This risk also occurs where a business partner has a very strong negotiating position (e.g. in the case of a contract for deliveries from the only manufacturer of a particular product). The Group is taking the following measures to minimise the probability of this risk occurring and its impact:

- rigorous legal and substantive supervision of the process of concluding agreements resulting from tender procedures according to the procedures of public tenders and others;
- training in the logistics of concluding contracts and market analysis and training in negotiations and trading, particularly at the international level.

#### 8.2.12 Risk associated with related party transactions

Within the LW BOGDANKA Group, mutual transactions between the companies are concluded, which may be subject to inspection by tax authorities. The main subject of examining the transactions is whether they have been concluded on an arm's length basis or not.

According to the Group's assessment, all transactions within the LW BOGDANKA Group have been and are entered into exclusively on an arm's length basis. It cannot be ruled out however that the tax authorities will decide to the contrary in assessing the transactions conducted by the Company and its related parties, which could result in a difference in calculating the taxable income and the necessity of paying additional tax along with default interest.

#### 8.3 Financial risks

### 8.3.1 Liquidity risk

Important factors in the assessment of insolvency risk include the level of operating cash flows generated by the company, the amount of cash, and liquidity ratios. In the Group, cash and cash equivalents as at 30 June 2013 amounted to PLN 151,894,000, the current liquidity ratio amounted to 1.14 and the quick ratio to 0.99. As of the date of submitting this Report, the Group is not threatened with insolvency. In order to avoid potential threats to the Group's solvency in the future and to minimise liquidity risk, the Group prepares long- and short-term analyses and forecasts as the basis for identifying the Group's cash requirements. This makes it possible to plan inflows and outflows and to determine the optimum level of cash and the optimum method of financing for the future, taking into account the principles of economic calculation. It was assumed that in order to compensate the risks associated with the Company's operating activity, the required level of cash held by the Company as at the end of each year should be equal to the Company's average monthly revenue.

#### 8.3.2 Insurance risk

The LW BOGDANKA Group insures its business. As is the case with other mining enterprises in the world, the threats most significant in terms of risk assessment are those related to the possibility of damage to the property used for mining operations. In this respect, the Company holds insurance policies covering such risks of loss and damage to underground property as: underground fire, explosion, rock burst, rock and gas outburst, underground flooding, with the highest compensation limit among Polish enterprises conducting similar activities. The remaining Group operations are covered by other insurance policies, such as third party liability insurance against damage caused in connection with business activity or property in the Group's possession, above-ground property insurance and all-risks insurance of rail vehicles. Given the very nature of insurance agreements which cover widest-available and at the same time specified scopes of insurance, it is not possible to fully transfer the risk faced by the Group on insurance companies. Therefore, it cannot be guaranteed that insurance policies taken out by the Group will prove sufficient for covering each and every loss or liability, which may exert an influence on the Group's financial standing, results of its operations and the generated cash flow.

#### 8.4 Risks associated with environmental protection

### 8.4.1 Risk associated with reclamation and mining damage

LW BOGDANKA is obliged to carry out reclamation of the post-mining land and remove mining damage. The existing standards of reclamation and mining damage removal may change in the future. It seems that given the current trends in environmental protection one may expect that the requirements regarding the post-mining land reclamation and mining damage removal will be stricter. Any possible tightening of the standards in this respect may result in higher costs for the Company. As the mining area of the Company will be enlarged, the damage resulting from mining, both in buildings and agricultural land, will increase proportionately. Simultaneously with the coal extraction, the land settlement will enlarge within the mining area, which will result in a higher level of ground waters and local land undercuts. The growing damage resulting from mining will translate into higher outlays on the removal of the mining damage (potential purchase of developed real properties). Therefore, in addition to the existing recovery work, the Company will continue to protect buildings against the results of mining damage and to reimburse the costs incurred by investors on adjusting the new buildings under construction on the mining land to the current conditions. This may adversely affect the financial results of the Company.

The effects of extraction are monitored on an ongoing basis, including by way of gradual hydrographic works and prophylactic protection on the facilities within the boundaries of inflows.

## 8.4.2 Risk associated with tightening of standards and regulations of law with respect to environmental protection and the obligation to obtain permits for the economic use of the environment

The operations of the LW BOGDANKA Group have a significant impact on the environment. Given the nature of that impact, the Group's companies have to hold specific permits for the economic use of the environment and observe standards, detailed in applicable laws, of using the environment (including Best Available Technology requirements, "BAT"), regarding in particular emissions of substances to the air, noise, water and waste management, management of the generated solid waste and the use of natural resources. Accordingly, the environmental protection standards are applicable to LW BOGDANKA and Łęczyńska Energetyka. As at the date of submitting the Report, the Group's operations are conducted in compliance with law and BAT requirements. The Company holds all permits required in connection with its operations, including in particular, integrated permit for the installations covered with IPPS requirements (Production Section of construction ceramics EkoKlinkier), as well as a permit to operate a mining waste utilisation facility. Both LW BOGDANKA and Łęczyńska Energetyka were granted the CO<sub>2</sub> emission allowances for the settlement period 2008-2012, which formed a basis for preparing and reviewing, this year, emission reports concerning the emission of CO<sub>2</sub> from installations owned by the Group. Furthermore, it must be stressed that since the environmental law regulations are subject to continuous changes, and the prevailing last years' trends in the EC environmental laws lead to tightening the standards of environmental protection, it cannot be ruled out that in the future further legislative changes will introduce even stricter standards of the use of the environment, which may also apply to LW BOGDANKA and Łęczyńska Energetyka. The changes may lead to the necessity of adjusting the companies' operations to the new requirements (e.g. changes with respect to the use of technologies for improving the emissions to the air, or the manner of waste management), as well as further changes as regards the terms and conditions of permits granted to LW BOGDANKA or to Łęczyńska Energetyka, which in consequence may lead to a necessity to incur investment outlays, and hence adversely affect the Group's financial results. In order to reduce the risk associated with deficiency of free allowances for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from EkoKLINKIER installations between the years 2013-2020, the Company retained the allowances saved in the previous reporting period, and additionally purchased around 5,000 EUAs. With the use of the existing trends on the CO<sub>2</sub> emission trading market, it was an almost non-cash transaction which does not adversely affect the Company's finances. Total accumulated EUAs together with EUAs obtained through free allocation are sufficient to secure the needs of the installation in the reporting period 2013-2020.

In order to lower the risk related to the provisions of the amended Mining Waste Act, in 2012 LW BOGDANKA obtained a permit for operating a mining waste utilisation facility. Therefore, the Company's operations in this respect have been adapted to the new regulatory requirements as from 1 May 2012.

In order to mitigate the risk related with the change in regulations with respect to the environment protection, the Company monitors on an ongoing basis, and adjusts its operations accordingly, within the prescribed time limits.

#### 8.4.3 Risk associated with management of waste generated after extension of the mining area

In connection with the extension of the mining area and increased extraction of coal, the amount of generated extraction waste significantly increased (in 2012 at the level of 4.74 million tonnes per year; the forecast for the period after 2012 in connection with a further increase in extraction is that the amount of waste in 2014 will range between 5.2 and 5.7 million tonnes). As at 30 June 2013, approx. 30% of extraction waste is recycled, whereas the remaining part is kept or stored at the waste yard on the mine's premises (the waste is recycled by the mine or passed on to the entities authorised to deal with waste management for the purpose of recycling). Since - according to estimates - the storage capacity of the waste yard is sufficient for the next 3-5 years of storing, the Company (on the basis of a building permit) commenced works connected with increasing the height of the existing yard to 250 MASL, and undertook measures aimed at acquiring the adjacent areas in order to further extend the facility (increasing the area by approx. 144 ha to approx. 230 ha). The investment requires amendment of the local spatial development plan of the commune (conversion of farmland and forest area into land for waste storage purposes), while the investment process itself will require endorsements (especially with respect to environmental impact), as well as decisions and permits for construction and exploitation of the environment. What is more, as approx. 90% of land is owned by individual farmers, the mine will be forced to purchase those plots. Applications were submitted requesting that relevant amendments be made to the local spatial development plan. Considerable advancement has been made in this respect. Following social consultations, local community expressed its approval for the investment. Moreover, talks with the plot owners were already held, and preliminary consents for the purchase of plots were obtained. Nevertheless, taking into account the factors connected with the investment process referred to above, one cannot exclude the risk that the planned investment would not be implemented. Failure to implement this investment will mean the risk of disrupting the stability of the extraction process and the necessity to search for alternative ways to manage the extraction waste. There is a risk that other solutions (in particular passing the waste to other entities for management, other waste yard location) may turn to be less cost effective which may affect the financial results.

In order to limit the risk related to acquiring waste utilisation sites, works connected with increasing the height of the existing mining waste utilisation facility were commenced. Such course of action will make it possible, without undue haste, to continue the work on acquiring new land to execute the next phases of extension of the yard and handle any formal and legal issues connected with this project.

### 8.4.4 Investment risks associated with protected areas

The mine is located in the vicinity of protected areas (a national park, landscape parks, protected landscape areas, ecological channel and two areas subject to Nature 2000 network regulations located partially on the area of the mining land and three others in close vicinity of the mining land). Those environmental conditions do not pose an obstacle for the activity in its present scope. Nevertheless, all the planned investment activities must be analysed from the perspective of their potential negative impact on protected areas.

According to the law, business activity which has negative impact on the environment of the protected areas (and in their vicinity) may be significantly limited. During the proceedings aiming to issue investment decisions, a competent administrative authority examines the environmental impact of the investment by analysing the description, characteristics, technical and project data of a given investment. Should the authority find it necessary, it may impose certain obligations on the investor in order to eliminate the negative impact. Therefore,

if a planned investment is located in the zone of impact on protected areas, the investor must take into account the possibility that it may be encumbered with certain obligations, which in practice usually means the necessity of additional investment expenditures.

There is a risk that in the case of investment activities, certain obligations may be imposed or the requirements concerning the limitation of the negative environmental impact may be stricter (e.g. an obligation to introduce certain technological solutions with respect to water and sewage management in connection with the impact on the ground water environment and the risk of negative changes in the ground water levels). These investment restrictions may require higher investment costs and therefore may affect the financial result.

### 8.5 Risks associated with proceedings and legal environment

### 8.5.1 Risk of change to tax laws

The lack of stability and transparency of the Polish tax system, resulting from constant changes to the laws in force and incoherent interpretation of the tax law, may cause uncertainty with regard to the end result of the financial decisions taken by the Company. Regular amendments to tax regulations and rigorous curative provisions do not offer an incentive for decision-making. Legislative changes may generate all kinds of risks. Any tax rulings issued following its stock exchange debut may tarnish the Company's image and goodwill. Tax settlements may be the subject of control of tax authorities which, if irregularities are found, have the right to calculate the tax arrears with interest. Tax returns submitted by the Group companies may be reviewed by fiscal authorities for the period of five years and some transactions carried out in that period, including transactions with related entities, may be questioned for tax purposes by competent tax authorities. As a result, the amounts disclosed in the financial statements may be changed at a later date, when they are determined in a final way by fiscal authorities.

### 8.5.2 Risk of real estate tax on mining excavations of LW BOGDANKA

In accordance with the Company's strategy, the value of underground workings and the infrastructure located in these workings have not been included in the LW BOGDANKA's property tax returns for tax assessment purposes.

Fiscal proceedings covering 2004 are currently pending in order to determine the amount of the Company's real property tax liabilities. The proceedings were instigated by the Heads of the communes of Puchaczów and Cyców.

Proceedings covering 2005 are currently pending before the Supreme Administrative Court in Warsaw regarding the calculation of the real property tax by the Head of Ludwin Commune, as a result of the Company's complaint against the a judgement issued by the Provincial Administrative Court in Lublin. The proceedings should end favourably for the Company given that the tax liability regarding the real property tax for 2005 is time-barred.

Fiscal proceedings covering 2006 are currently pending in order to determine the amount of the real property tax. The proceedings were instigated by the Heads of the communes of Cyców and Ludwin. Administrative proceedings instigated by the Head of the Puchaczów commune in order to determine the amount of property tax for 2006 was finally completed by virtue of a decision of the Local Government Appellate Court in Lublin. The date for filing by the prosecutor of a complaint against the abovementioned decision to the Provincial Administrative Court in Lublin lapsed on 4 August 2013.

Administrative proceedings for 2007, instigated by the Heads of the communes of Puchaczów, Cyców and Ludwin were closed with final decisions of the Local Government Appellate Court in Lublin, quashing the decisions of the authorities of first instance and dismissing the proceedings carried out by the authorities of first instance in full; however the period for filing by the prosecutor of complaints against the abovementioned decisions of the Local Government Appellate Court in Lublin to the Provincial Administrative Court in Lublin has not lapsed yet. The dates for filing possible complaints lapse in September and October 2013. Nevertheless, in the event possible complaints are filed by the prosecutor, proceedings resulting from those complaints should end favourably for the Company since the tax liability regarding the real property tax for 2007 is time-barred.

Last year, the Head of the Puchaczów Commune has additionally instigated proceedings to determine the amount of property tax for 2011. In the first half of the year, the Heads of the communes: Cyców, Ludwin and Puchaczów

started to conduct tax proceedings related to the years 2008-2012. As regards administrative decisions already issued with regard to the period between 2004 and 2007 which specify the amount of property tax, the authorities of first instance determined that property tax also applies to underground workings and the infrastructure located in these workings. Therefore, the Company faces the risk of its position on the scope of assets subject to property tax being questioned by tax authorities and administrative courts. However, as regards the possible negative financial consequences for the Company, it seems that the risk has been reduced significantly as a result of the Polish Constitutional Tribunal's opinion expressed in its judgment of 13 September 2011 in case P 33/09. In its judgment, the Constitutional Tribunal found that under the applicable provisions of law currently in force, imposing property tax on the value of underground workings is, from the constitutional perspective, unacceptable. Underground workings are not building facilities (building equipment) within the meaning of the Polish Building Law, but space created as a result of mining and, in consequence, may not be classified as structures within the meaning of the Polish Building Law. Therefore, underground workings are not subject to real property tax either separately (i.e. as workings in the physical sense), or in combination with the infrastructure located in them (i.e. as workings defined comprehensively).

However, the Constitutional Tribunal did not rule out the possibility of charging real property tax on structures and building equipment located in the underground workings, but the Tribunal reserved that real property tax on such structures or equipment could only be imposed if certain conditions were met, i.e.

- 1) only the structures listed explicitly in Article 3.3 of the Polish Building Law or any other provisions thereof or any schedule thereto, comprising, together with installations and equipment, a building structure referred to in Article 3.1.b of the Polish Building Law, i.e. provided that such structures constitute a complete technical and usable facility,
- 2) only the technical facilities specified in Article 3.9 of the Polish Building Law or any other provisions thereof or any schedule thereto, which, if the said facilities are not listed explicitly, requires a proof that owing to those facilities the building structure may be used in accordance with its designation, excluding, however: (1) building facilities related to building structures in the form of a structure within the meaning of the Polish Building Law, which cannot be classified as structures within the meaning of the Local Taxes and Fees Act, and (2) building facilities related to building structures in the form of small architectural structures, with a proviso that within the meaning of the Polish Building Law installations do not constitute building facilities; bearing in mind that the classification of particular facilities and equipment may also be based on other statutory provisions supplementing, modifying or making the Polish Building Law more precise.

In addition, the Constitutional Tribunal paid attention to the fact that in each tax case regarding infrastructure located in underground workings, it is necessary to precisely determine which of the facilities and equipment located in such workings can be classified as structures within the meaning of the Local Taxes and Charges Act, as this would eliminate the risk of the related decisions being made on the basis of questionable generalisations.

The Constitutional Tribunal explained that even if underground workings were classified, by way of analogy, as building facilities (more specifically, structures) within the meaning of the Polish Building Law (such building facilities would then fall within the scope of the definition, emphasised by the Constitutional Tribunal, of an underground working in the technical sense of the term), then because the term "underground working" had not been expressly listed in the Polish Building Law as the name of a structure, underground workings were not structures within the meaning of the Local Taxes and Charges Act.

Moreover, in its judgment, the Constitutional Tribunal argued that if the classification of the different facilities and equipment located in underground workings to the different names of structures specified in the Polish Building Law was not successful, it would be necessary to determine whether or not the facilities and equipment in question could be classified as building equipment within the meaning of the Polish Building Law, and which had been, at the same time, classified as structures within the meaning of the Local Taxes and Charges Act. In identifying the building facility to which a particular item of technical equipment is connected and in determining whether or not that item allows that facility to be used for the purpose for which it is intended, there are two circumstances to be taken into account. Firstly, if an underground working considered space (an underground working in the physical sense) is not a building facility within the meaning of the Polish Building Law, and if an underground working considered technical infrastructure (an underground working in the technical sense) is not a building facility at least within the meaning of the Local Taxes and Charges Act, any attempt to classify any

equipment as building equipment by proving that the equipment is essential for the working to operate would be illegitimate. Secondly, at least in some cases, there may be doubts as to the legitimacy of attempts to identify a relationship between the technical equipment located in an underground working and surface buildings. The connection of an item of building equipment with a building facility in such a way that the item allows the facility to be used for the purpose for which it is intended should not be interpreted so broadly as to include the possibility for that facility to perform economic functions resulting from the facility belonging to an enterprise, which is a mining enterprise in the case in question. Note, for example, that equipment intended for supplying fresh air (ventubes), pipelines for supplying and removing water, or panel lining, are prerequisites for an underground working to operate and, therefore, economically justify the existence of surface building facilities as part of a given mining enterprise. This, however, does not mean that such equipment allows such surface buildings to be used in accordance with their intended purpose. However, the question whether or not such equipment can be considered building equipment connected with surface buildings remains open.

The above opinion expressed by the Constitutional Tribunal means that real property tax may be charged on the value of structures and building equipment that meet the conditions specified in the Constitutional Tribunal's judgment described above if, of course, such structures and building equipment are located in the Company's underground workings. It must be emphasised that following the Constitutional Tribunal's judgment, the Company has undertaken preparatory measures aimed at determining whether or not the underground workings operated by the Company contain structures and building equipment that meet the criteria, as specified by the Constitutional Tribunal, for such structures and building equipment to be subject to real property tax. Based on a preliminary examination of the types of infrastructure items located in the underground workings and a preliminary evaluation of their value, the Company estimated the amount of a provision as at 30 June 2013.

### 8.5.3 Risk associated with expenses for creating certain mining pits and their classification for the purposes of corporate income tax

Classification of mining pits in accounting books of hard coal mines is carried out on the basis of the purpose of particular pits. The created pits are recorded in the accounting books as non-current assets or directly as operating costs and the point when such costs are incurred. The pits comprising a fixed underground mine infrastructure are classified by the Group as non-current assets. The exploitation and movement pits are classified as operating costs at the time when such costs are incurred - cost pits. They include the following pits:

- a. preparatory pits for liquidation when the excavation from the exploitation field the preparatory pits are associated with ends, those pits are liquidated as useless for the remaining parts of the mine. Some of those pits which perform the function of near-wall pits are liquidated gradually along the progress of the exploited panel. The classification of this group of pits for liquidation is determined at the stage of planning the method of preparing the deposits for exploitation;
- special pits of auxiliary nature created from pits localised on exploitation fields (blasting niches, drill niches, section chambers). They are liquidated with other movement pits for which the operation has already been performed;
- c. selector pits they are used for deposit extraction (panels and cross-cuts). Those pits are liquidated when the extraction in the field of the panel is completed and when they are no longer necessary for operation of the remaining parts of the mine;
- d. pits and examination holes corridor pits and openings performed from the surface and mining pits for the purposes of examination of the deposit. The purpose of those pits is to examine the deposit structure and collect information on its exploitation.

Some of the cost pits referred to above were performed earlier than 1 year ago. In the light of the current tax laws, one cannot exclude a possibility of other qualification of this type of costs for the purposes of corporate persons income tax than the one performed by the Group, which could potentially mean decreasing the cost base for tax purposes in past and current settlements of the income tax and a potential payment of additional amounts of the tax. The mining companies have made an attempt to clarify this issue - they suggest changes and clarification of the classification rules concerning this aspect of Fixed Assets Classification.

### 8.5.4 Risk of a change in the law and its interpretation and application

The provisions of law in Poland are frequently changed. Interpretations of the law and the way in which it is applied are also changed. Laws can be changed to companies' advantage, but changes can also have adverse consequences. Changing laws or its varying interpretations, particularly with regard to tax law, geological and mining law, the law governing business activity, labour and social security law and the law relating to securities, could have adverse consequences for the Group's companies. Particularly frequent are interpretational changes in tax laws. There is no consistency in the practice of tax authorities or in case law relating to taxation. If tax authorities adopt an interpretation of tax law which differs from that adopted by the Group's companies or if the Mining Law introduces new requirements to be imposed on the Parent, LW BOGDANKA, it could lead to a deterioration of its financial situation and as a result negatively affect Group's results and development prospects.

### 8.5.5 Risk of violating the stock exchange disclosure requirements

Since the shares of LW BOGDANKA S.A. are listed on the Warsaw Stock Exchange, the Group is subject to provisions which impose a number of requirements, including connected with securing equal access to certain information on the Group's operations to all investors, publication of such information in a manner specified in the law and strictly specified rules of dealing with confidential information, in compliance with the Act on public offering and conditions for introducing financial instruments to organised system of trade and on public companies (Dz. U. of 2009, No. 185, item 1439). For failure to perform or undue performance of the requirements set forth above a very high fine may be imposed. The Company makes efforts to mitigate this risk by meeting its obligations in a reliable way, which was preceded by implementation of internal procedures specifying the circulation of stock exchange information at LW BOGDANKA S.A. and by permanent monitoring of the companies' operations from the perspective of disclosure requirements.

### 8.5.6 Relationships of risks within the Group – summary

The LW BOGDANKA S.A.'s share in the Groups revenue amounts to 99.66% and 98.18% of its net profit (according to data for the first half of 2013), therefore it was assumed that the key risks in Group's activities are in fact the key risk of the Parent. The only risk at the Group's level which could influence its activities to a considerable extent, and is associated with Łęczyńska Energetyka, is the process of implementing the planned investment, i.e. "Modernization and expansion of the heating plant in Bogdanka into a combined heat and power generating plant." This investment involves a number of technical, technological, processing, and financial risks that are typical for this kind of projects.

### 9. PROCEEDINGS PENDING BEFORE A COURT, THE RELEVANT AUTHORITY FOR ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS OR A PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AUTHORITY

As at the day of preparing the Directors' Report on Operations of the LW BOGDANKA Group for the first half of 2013, LW BOGDANKA S.A. was not a party to proceedings pending before court, arbitration body or administrative body, regarding:

- liabilities or claims of LW BOGDANKA S.A. worth at least 10% of LW BOGDANKA S.A.'s shareholders' equity,
- two or more proceedings concerning liabilities or claims worth a total of at least 10% of LW BOGDANKA
   S.A.'s shareholders' equity.

### 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In the first half of 2013, the Parent and its subsidiaries did not conclude any significant transactions with associated entities which were individually or jointly significant and were concluded on terms other than on an arm's length basis. Information on transaction of LW BOGDANKA S.A. with related entities is presented in section

20 of the Abridged Interim Financial Statements of LW BOGDANKA S.A. for the period of 6 months ended on 30 June 2013.

### 11. INFORMATION ON THE COMPANY OR ITS SUBSIDIARY GRANTING SURETIES FOR A CREDIT FACILITY OR LOAN OR GRANTING GUARANTEES

In the period from 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013, neither Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A. nor its subsidiaries granted sureties for a credit facility or loan or did they grant guarantees jointly to a single entity or a subsidiary company of that entity worth the equivalent of at least 10% of the Company's equity.

12. OTHER INFORMATION WHICH, IN THE OPINION OF THE COMPANY'S MANAGEMENT BOARD, IS SIGNIFICANT FOR ASSESSING THE EMPLOYEES, ASSETS, FINANCIAL STANDING AND FINANCIAL RESULT AND CHANGES THEREIN AND INFORMATION WHICH IS SIGNIFICANT FOR ASSESSING THE POSSIBILITY OF THE LW BOGDANKA GROUP SETTLING ITS LIABILITIES

### 12.1 Free of charge shares for eligible employees

Due to the fact that LW BOGDANKA S.A. was created as a result of the restructuring of a state enterprise into a joint stock company, it was subject to the provisions of the Act on Commercialisation and Privatisation. In accordance with Article 36 of the Act on Commercialisation and Privatisation as well as on the basis of Article 17 of the Company's Articles of Association, eligible employees shall have the right to acquire, free of charge, up to 15% of shares held by the State Treasury as at the date of the Company's registration, i.e. 3,243,000 (three million two hundred and forty—three thousand) Company's Series B registered Shares.

Eligible employees may exercise the aforementioned right, provided that within 6 months from the date of the Company's registration, they submit a written statement on the intention to acquire the shares. Failure to submit the statement within the aforementioned time-limit led to the loss of the right to acquire the shares free of charge. In case of the Company, the aforementioned six-month time limit commenced on the date when the Act became effective. Therefore, in compliance with Article 77 of the Act on Commercialisation and Privatisation, the six-month period lapsed on 8 October 1997.

Lists of the eligible employees were created at the Company, enumerating those who submitted the statements on the intention to acquire the shares. Written complaints issued by the employees were also considered. The list was created on 22 October 1997.

The transaction of disposal of 1,689,939 shares of LW BOGDANKA S.A. effected by the State Treasury on 8 December 2009 pursuant to general rules, became a gateway for the commencement of the process of making the shares of LW BOGDANKA S.A. available free of charge to eligible employees pursuant to the aforementioned Act on Commercialisation and Privatisation as well as the Regulation of the Minister of the State Treasury of 29 January 2003 on detailed rules of dividing eligible employees into groups, determining the number of shares available for each of these groups as well as acquiring the shares by the eligible employees (Dz.U.03.35.303).

The list of the eligible employees, including their period of employment in the state-owned company under commercialisation, its predecessor and the Company as well as the total period of employment in these entities, was presented in the Company's registered office on 29 December 2009.

On 3 February 2010 the Management Board of LW BOGDANKA S.A. as well as the representatives of the trade unions operating at the Company signed an agreement on specifying the number of shares of LW BOGDANKA S.A. available to each of the eligible groups, divided according to the total period of employment in the state enterprise KWK Bogdanka, its predecessor as well as the Company.

On 8 February 2010 the Management Board created a final list of the eligible employees, supplemented by the data on the number of shares to which the eligible employees are entitled.

The process of signing agreements on free-of-charge acquisition of shares commenced on 7 April 2010. The process lasted from 9 March 2012.

The right to acquire the Company's shares free of charge became effective upon the lapse of 3 months from the disposal by the State Treasury of the first shares pursuant to general rules, i.e. from 9 March 2010 onwards, and it may be exercised by the eligible employees until 9 March 2012. The right to acquire the shares free of charge is subject to inheritance, subject to the provisions of Article 38c)2–4 of the Act on Commercialisation and Privatisation. The shares acquired free of charge by the eligible employees may not be traded until the lapse of two years, or – in the case of employees being members of the Company's Management Board - three years, from the disposal by the State Treasury of the first shares on general terms.

On 28 December 2011, in current report No. 33/2011, the Company announced information regarding final number of series B shares which, pursuant to a resolution of the Company's Management Board of 15 December 2011, were converted from registered shares into bearer shares upon the lapse of the third business day following the Prospectus issue date and shall be subject to the application for admission and introduction to trading on the regulated market of the Warsaw Stock Exchange (Giełda Papierów Wartościowych w Warszawie S.A.), which amounts to 3,208,111.

On the same day, the application was filed with the Warsaw Stock Exchange for initiation of trading in those shares. In Current Report No. 34/2011 of 28 December 2011, the Company announced that the Company's plenipotentiary - BRE Bank Brokerage House (Dom Inwestycyjny BRE Banku S.A.) had filed, on the Company's behalf, the application for initiation of trading in shares at the Warsaw Stock Exchange as a consequence of the registration of shares with the National Depositary of Securities (Krajowy Depozyt Papierów Wartościowych S.A.).

According to the Current Report, the total number of ordinary bearer shares of series B covered by the application and initiated in stock market trading as a result of registration stood at 3,208,111. The total number of all floating shares after the application-covered shares were initiated amounted to 33,978,701. It was proposed that 4 January 2012 be the date of registration and initiation.

On 29 December 2011, the Management Board of the National Depositary of Securities decided to register in the National Depositary of Securities 3,208,111 ordinary bearer shares of B series of LUBELSKI WEGIEL BOGDANKA S.A., provided that the company running the regulated market decides to initiate those shares into trading on the same regulated market, on which other shares of that company, coded PLLWBGD00016, were initiated.

A day later, on 30 December 2011, the Management Board of the Warsaw Stock Exchange, based on the application referred to in Current Report No. 34/2011, adopted a resolution regarding admission and introduction to public trading on the WSE's Main Market of series B ordinary bearer shares of Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A. 3,208,111 series B ordinary bearer shares of Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A. were introduced to trading.

On 4 January 2012, 3,208,111 employee shares of Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A., acquired free of charge by the Company's eligible employees, were introduced to the WSE. On the same day, the Company's shares were registered with the National Depository of Securities. On 4 February 2013 employee shares totalling 34,754 were dematerialised and introduced to trading on the Warsaw Stock Exchange. At present, there are 135 registered shares traded outside of the regulated market.

### 12.2 Change in the composition of the Management Board of the 7<sup>th</sup> term of office and the appointment of the Management Board of the 8<sup>th</sup> term of office

On 25 January 2013 the Supervisory Board adopted resolutions on the following matters:

- appointing Mr Zbigniew Stopa to the Management Board of the 8<sup>th</sup> term of office as the President of the Management Board;
- appointing Mr Waldemar Bernaciak to the Management Board of the 8<sup>th</sup> term of office as the Vice-President of the Management Board for Trade and Logistics;
- Appointing Mr Yves, Marie, Gerard, Roger de Bazelaire de Boucheporn as the Vice-President of the Management Board for Economic and Financial Affairs for the period until the end of the 7<sup>th</sup> term of office (effective as at 4 March 2013) and for the 8<sup>th</sup> term of office;
- Appointing Mr Krzysztof Szlaga as the Member of the Management Board for Procurement and Investments for the period until the end of the 7<sup>th</sup> term of office (effective as at 11 March 2013) and for the 8<sup>th</sup> term of office;

appointing Ms Krystyna Borkowska as a Vice-President – Chief Accountant, effective as at 4 March 2013.

According to the commentary of the Company's Supervisory Board:

"In relation to the change in the position of the President of the Management Board (already in effect), and the approaching end of the Management Board's term of office in the existing composition, the Supervisory Board has reconstructed the composition and appointed the Management Board of the new term of office.

On 4 March 2013, the Management Board of the 7<sup>th</sup> term of office will be joined by Mr Roger de Bazelaire, and on 11 March – Mr Krzysztof Szlaga. Once the above changes had become effective, **the Management Board of the 7<sup>th</sup> term of office** worked in the following composition:

- Zbigniew Stopa President of the Management Board,
- Waldemar Bernaciak Vice-President of the Management Board, Trade and Logistics,
- Roger de Bazelaire Vice-President of the Management Board, Economic and Financial Affairs,
- Krystyna Borkowska Vice-President of the Management Board, Chief Accountant,
- Krzysztof Szlaga Member of the Management Board, Procurement and Investments, and
- Lech Tor Member of the Management Board elected by employees.

Since the day of the Company's Annual General Shareholders Meeting approving the 2012 financial statements, i.e. 27 June 2013, **the Management Board of the 8<sup>th</sup> term of office** has been working in the following composition:

- Zbigniew Stopa President of the Management Board,
- Waldemar Bernaciak Vice-President of the Management Board, Trade and Logistics,
- Roger de Bazelaire Vice-President of the Management Board, Economic and Financial Affairs,
- Krzysztof Szlaga Member of the Management Board, Procurement and Investments."

This was announced by the Company in Current Report No. 4/2013 of 25 September 2013.

### 12.3 Dismissal of a claim of a former member of the Company's Supervisory Board elected by the employees for declaring a resolution of the Annual General Shareholders Meeting invalid

On 11 April 2013, LW BOGDANKA S.A. received a copy of a ruling issued by the Court of Appeal in Lublin, I Civil Division, dismissing an appeal of a former member of the Supervisory Board of Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A. elected by the employees, against the Company, to declare invalid resolution No. 32 of the Annual General Shareholders Meeting of 10 May 2011, regarding amendments to the Articles of Association.

The above was announced by the Company in Current Report No. 11/2013 of 11 April 2013.

### 12.4 Approval by the Company's Supervisory Board of the Development and Operation Strategy for LW BOGDANKA S.A. for 2013-2020, including the dividend policy.

On 3 June 2013, the Company's Supervisory Board approved LW BOGDANKA S.A.'s development and operation strategy for 2013-2020, which includes the Company's dividend policy. More information regarding the strategy can be found in Section 6 of the Report "DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY OF THE LW BOGDANKA GROUP."

#### 12.5 Adopting resolution on payment of dividend at LW BOGDANKA S.A.

On 27 June 2013, the Annual General Shareholders Meeting adopted a resolution on distribution of net profit for 2012.

The Management Board decided to distribute the net profit generated by the Company in 2012 in the amount of PLN 287,026,808.52 (two hundred eighty-seven million twenty-six thousand eight hundred and eight zlotys 52/100) as follows:

1. allocate PLN 172,108,765.40 (one hundred seventy-two million one hundred and eight thousand seven hundred and sixty-five zlotys 40/100) for a dividend, i.e. PLN 5.06 (five zlotys 06/100) per share.

2. allocate PLN 114,918,043.12 (one hundred fourteen million nine hundred eighteen thousand and forty-three zlotys 12/100) for the Company's reserve capital.

Number of shares subject to dividend is 34,013,590.

The Annual General Shareholders Meeting scheduled the dividend date for 15 September 2013 and the dividend payment date for 1 October 2013.

In light of the above, the period between the dividend date and the dividend payment date does not exceed 15 business days and therefore, complies with part IV, item 6 of the Code of Best Practice for WSE Listed Companies, which is attached as an Appendix to Resolution No. 19/1307/2012 of the WSE Board of 21 November 2012.

The Company published this information in Current Report No. 22/2013 of 27 June 2012.

#### 12.6 Amendments to the Articles of Association of LW BOGDANKA S.A.

On 27 April 2012, the Annual General Shareholders Meeting of Lubelski Węgiel BOGDANKA S.A. adopted Resolutions Nos. 27-31 concerning amendments to the Company's Articles of Association.

The existing provisions of the Articles of Association of LW BOGDANKA S.A. and the amendments introduced were presented in Current Report No. 27/2013 of 5 July 2013.

# 12.7 Adopting a resolution on the issue of series A subscription warrants with the exclusion of a pre-emptive right, conditional increase of the Company's share capital with the exclusion of a pre-emptive right, consent to carry out the Managerial Options Scheme in the years 2013-2017.

On 4 July 2013, the Annual General Shareholders Meeting of Lubelski Wegiel BOGDANKA S.A. adopted resolution No. 26 on the issue of up to 1,360,545 (one million three hundred and sixty thousand five hundred and forty-five) registered series A subscription warrants ("Warrants") with the exclusion of the pre-emptive right, a conditional increase in the Company's share capital by not more than PLN 6,802,700 (six million eight hundred and two thousand seven hundred zlotys) by issuing not more than 1,360,540 (one million three hundred and sixty thousand five hundred and forty) ordinary bearer series D shares with the nominal value of PLN 5.00 (five zlotys) each ("Series D Shares") with the exclusion of the pre-emptive right. Each Warrant will carry the right to acquire one Series D Share. The Warrants will be offered to the members of the Company's Management Board and to senior management members of key importance for the Company's development, i.e. to employees of the Company and of its subsidiaries as named in a list prepared by the Management Board and approved by the Supervisory Board ("Eligible Persons"), accounting for less than 150 people, as a result of the exercise of options granted by the Company's Supervisory Board ("Options") as part of the Management Options Scheme in place at the Company in 2013-2018 ("Scheme"). The Warrants are to be issued free of charge, which is justified by the nature of the issue.

The issue of Series D Shares, in accordance with the assumptions of the Scheme, will be equal to their nominal value, i.e. PLN 5.00 (five zlotys) per share. The right to acquire Warrants free of charge and the right to acquire Series D Shares at their issue price equal to their nominal value will act as an incentive for the Eligible Persons. This, in turn, will allow for aligning the personal interests of the Eligible Persons with the interests of the Company and, therefore, contribute to increasing the effectiveness of the Eligible Persons' measures aimed at improving the Company's financial results.

The Programme was announced by the Company in Current Report No. 18/2013 of 29 May 2013 and in Current Report No. 27/2013 of 5 July 2013.

### 12.8 Conclusion of significant agreements

### 12.8.1 Conclusion of a Significant Agreement with ENEA Wytwarzanie S.A.

On 15 January 2013, LW BOGDANKA S.A. concluded an Annual Agreement for the Supply of Power Coal in 2013 (the "Annual Agreement") with ENEA Wytwarzanie S.A. with registered office in Świerże Górne, 26-900 Kozienice 1, which is attached as Appendix 4 to Long-Term Agreement No. UW/LW/01/2010 referred to in Current Report No. 5/2010 of 5 March 2010, No. 44/2010 of 20 December 2010, and No. 31/2011 of 27 December 2011 (the "Long-Term Agreement").

The Annual Agreement is valid from 1 January 2013 to 31 December 2013, and concerns coal supplies for power units of ENEA Wytwarzanie S.A. in Kozienice, compliant with Long-Term Agreement No. UW/LW/01/2010. The value of the Annual Agreement concerning the supplies in 2013 at current prices amounts to PLN 755 million net. As a result of executing the agreement, the value of the entire Long-Term Agreement currently amounts to PLN 11,494 million net, which is 0.26% less than specified in Current Report No. 31/2011 of 27 December 2011.

The Annual Agreement, which constitutes Appendix 4 to Long-Term Agreement No. UW/LW/01/2010, provides for the following liquidated damages: the Party to the Annual Agreement failing to collect or supply the contracted volume of coal on quarterly basis shall pay to the other Party liquidated damages in the amount of 20% of the value of coal which has not been collected or supplied.

Other terms of the Annual Agreement do not differ from the market standards applied in agreements of this type.

This was announced by the Company in Current Report No. 3/2013 of 15 September 2013.

# 12.8.2 Conclusion of an Agreement with Caterpillar Mining sp. z o.o. and the Volumes of Trading with Caterpillar Global Mining Europe GmbH and its Subsidiaries per value of the Significant Agreement

On 16 April 2013, LW BOGDANKA S.A. entered into an agreement with Caterpillar Global Mining sp. z o.o. (ul. Fabryczna 6, 41-404 Mysłowice) for the supply of factory-new spare components for the ploughing systems made by BUCYRUS and CATERPILLAR, which operate in underground mining plants extracting hard coal from places under risk of methane and coal dust explosion. In light of the above, the volumes of trading and the value of the agreements concluded between the Company and Caterpillar Global Mining Europe GmbH with registered office at Industriestrasse 1, 44534 Lünen, Germany (the "Supplier") and its subsidiaries within the last 12 months, i.e. until 16 April 2013, amounted to approx. PLN 266.6 million.

The Agreement of the highest value is the one concluded between the Company and the Supplier on 7 February 2013. It was the agreement for the supply of the longwall ploughing system EXW the mine in Bogdanka (the "Agreement")

The total value of the Agreement (the price of the ploughing system) amounts to EUR 47 million. Therefore, the estimated value of the Agreement calculated at the average exchange rate announced by the National Bank of Poland on the date of concluding the Agreement amounts to PLN 196.8 million.

The time-limit for the performance of the agreement is 30 June 2014.

- 1. The Client may charge the Supplier with liquidated damages if:
- a) the Supplier delays the supply of a given part of the Subject Matter of the Agreement and a complete set of documents listed in the Agreement, excluding the equipment, subject to the following:
  - until 1 August 2013 in the case of the first part of the Subject Matter of the Agreement in the amount of 0.5% of EUR 5.4 million for each commenced week of delay. However, in total not more than 5% of EUR 5.4 million;
  - until 30 June 2014 in the case of the second part of the Subject Matter of the Agreement in the amount of 0.5% of EUR 41.59 million for each commenced week of delay. However, in total not more than 5% of EUR 41.59 million;
- b) the Supplier delays the removal of any removable defects identified during the final acceptance of a given part of the Subject Matter of the Agreement for a period of at least 5 business days (setting another time-limit for removal of defects requires that appropriate arrangements be made between the Parties)
  - in the amount of 0.1% of the net price, depending on the part of the Subject Matter of the Agreement (EUR 5.4 million in the case of the first part of the Subject Matter, and EUR 41.59 million in the case of the second part of the Subject Matter), for each commenced day of delay. However, in total not more than 5% of the net

price, depending on the part of the Subject Matter of the Agreement (EUR 5.4 million in the case of the first part of the Subject Matter, and EUR 41.59 million in the case of the second part of the Subject Matter);

- c) the Supplier delays the removal of defects and/or failure of a given part of the Subject Matter of the Agreement covered by a quality guarantee, and delays the removal of defects and/or failure within the guarantee period to such an extent which renders it impossible to use a given part of the Subject Matter of the Agreement, in accordance with applicable law, within the period of the quality guarantee and warrantee for defects - in the amount of PLN 1,000 for each commenced hour of delay in relation to the set time-limits; however, in total not more than 2.75% of the net price, depending on the part of the Subject Matter of the Agreement (EUR 5.4 million in the case of the first part of the Subject Matter, and EUR 41.59 million in the case of the second part of Subject Matter);
- d) the Client withdraws from the Agreement for reasons attributable to the Supplier in the amount of 10% of the net price, depending on the part of the Subject Matter of the Agreement (EUR 5.4 million in the case of the first part of the Subject Matter, and EUR 41.59 million in the case of the second part of the Subject Matter).
- 2. The Supplier may charge the Client with liquidated damages in the amount of 10% of the net price, if the Supplier withdraws from the Agreement for reasons attributable to the Client, depending on the part of the Subject Matter of the Agreement (EUR 5.4 million in the case of the first part of the Subject Matter, and EUR 41.59 million in the case of the second part of the Subject Matter).
- 3. The Parties may seek damages in excess of the liquidated damages specified in the Agreement.

The equivalent of EUR 41.59 million calculated at the average exchange rate announced by the National Bank of Poland on the date of concluding the Agreement amounts to PLN 174.2 million, while the equivalent of EUR 5.4 million is PLN 22.6 million.

Other terms and conditions do not differ from the market standards.

The above was announced by the Company in Current Report No. 12/2013 of 17 April 2013.

### 12.8.3 Conclusion of an Additional Agreement, an Annex to the Annual Agreement and an Annex to the Significant Agreement with ENEA Wytwarzanie S.A.

On 29 March 2013, the Management Board of LW BOGDANKA S.A. concluded an Annex to Long-Term Agreement for the supply of power coal No. UW/LW/01/2010 (the Long-Term Agreement) with ENEA Wytwarzanie S.A. with registered office in Świerże Górne, 26-900 Kozienice 1.

The Annex provided for an increase in the volume of coal supplies to the power units of the ENEA Wytwarzanie Power Plant in Kozienice within the scope of the Long-Term Agreement in the years 2014, 2015 and 2016.

The Management Board also informed you that on 29 March 2013 an Annex was concluded to the Annual Agreement for the supply of power coal in 2013 (the Annual Agreement) which is attached to the Long-Term Agreement as Appendix 4. The Company informed of the Annual Agreement in its Current Report No. 3/2013 of 15 January 2013.

The Annex specifies terms of coal supply for 2013 covered by the Annual Agreement which is valid from 1 January 2013 to 31 December 2013 and concerns basic coal supplies in 2013 for the ENEA Wytwarzanie Power Plant in Kozienice, in compliance with the Long-Term Agreement.

Moreover, the Management Board informed you that on 29 March 2013 it concluded an Additional Agreement for the supply of power coal in 2013 (the Additional Agreement) with ENEA Wytwarzanie S.A. This is a separate agreement outside the scope of the Long-Term Agreement which increases the volume of supplies to the ENEA Wytwarzanie Power Plant in Kozienice as compared to the volume specified in the Long-Term Agreement.

The Additional Agreement is valid from 1 April 2013 to 31 December 2013 and concerns additional coal supplies in 2013 for the purposes of the ENEA Wytwarzanie Power Plant in Kozienice. These supplies are in addition to those specified in the Annual Agreement.

The Additional Agreement provides for the following liquidated damages: A Party to the Additional Agreement that fails to collect or supply the contracted volume of coal on quarterly basis pays the other Party liquidated damages in the amount of 20% of the value of coal which has not been collected or supplied.

Each Party is entitled to terminate the Additional Agreement at one month's notice which commences on the first day of a month following a month in which notice was given. A Party terminating the Additional Agreement is obliged to pay to the other Party liquidated damages in the amount of 20% of the value of coal which has not been collected or supplied.

Other terms and conditions of the Additional Agreement do not differ from the market standards applied in such agreements.

The value of the said Agreements (the Annual Agreement and the Additional Agreement) binding upon LW BOGDANKA S.A. and ENEA Wytwarzanie S.A. in 2013 amounts to PLN 794 million net, while the value of the entire Long—Term Agreement effective for the supplies between 2011 and 2025 currently amounts to PLN 11,166 million net.

The above was announced by the Company in Current Report No. 9/2013 of 29 March 2013.

### 12.8.4 Concluding an Annex to the Significant Agreement with PGNIG Termika

On 29 April 2013, the Management Board of LW BOGDANKA S.A. signed an annex to the Agreement of purchase and sale of the power coal with PGNIG Termika S.A. registered office in Warsaw, 03-216 Warsaw, ul. Modlińska 15, referred to in Current Report No. 13/2012 of 23 April 2012.

Under the Annex, the date for determining the supply price for 2014 was postponed from 30 April 2013 to 31 May 2013, and the related condition precedent, which was subject of Current Report No. 13/2012, read as follows:

a) In the event that the supply price for 2014 is not established by 31 May 2013, the Agreement becomes automatically terminated as at 31 December 2013.

Other terms and conditions of the Agreement remained unchanged and do not differ from the market standards applied in such agreements.

The above was announced by the Company in Current Report No. 13/2013 of 29 April 2013.

### 12.9 Signing of a letter of intent regarding establishing cooperation rules in implementation of a project consisting in preparation and construction of a Coal power plant.

On 8 May 2013, LW BOGDANKA S.A. and Elektrownia Połaniec Spółka Akcyjna – Grupa GDF Suez Energia Polska signed a letter of intent regarding cooperation in the construction of a coal power plant in the Lublin region.

GDF SUEZ intends to build a power plant with the intended capacity of 500 MWe in the vicinity of LW BOGDANKA, which might become a key supplier of fuel in the form of hard coal, as well as coal slimes and their mixtures.

The Parties declared that, among other things, they will jointly conduct essential economic analyses of the project in 2013, and a specially-appointed Project Team will undertake measures aimed at establishing terms and conditions of further cooperation.

If the project is successful, the power plant will be launched in 2020.

### 12.9.1 Concluding an Annex to the Significant Agreement with PGNIG Termika

On 28 May 2013, LW BOGDANKA S.A. concluded an Annex to the Agreement on Sale/Purchase of Power Coal with PGNIG Termika S.A. The Agreement covers coal supplies provided by the Company in 2013-2015 for the purposes of, among others, Żerań Heat and Power Station and Siekierki Heat and Power Station, both owned by PGNIG Termika S.A. The agreement was the subject of Current Reports Nos. 13/2012 of 23 April 2012 and 13/2013 of 29 April 2013.

Under the Annex, the condition precedent, which was subject of Current Report No. 13/2012, read as follows:

a) In the event that the supply price for 2014 is not established by 15 July 2013, the Agreement becomes automatically terminated as at 31 December 2013.

Other terms and conditions of the Agreement remained unchanged and do not differ from the market standards applied in such agreements.

The above was announced by the Company in Current Report No. 14/2013 of 28 May 2013.

### 12.9.2 Concluding an Annex to the Significant Agreement for the Supply of Power Coal with Elektrownia Północ Sp. z o.o.

On 3 June 2013, the Management Board of LW BOGDANKA S.A. concluded an Annex with Elektrownia Północ Sp. z o.o. with registered office in Warsaw, to the Long-Term Agreement for the Supply of Power Coal (the "Agreement") for the purposes of the planned power units of Elektrownia Północ ("Unit I" and "Unit II") power plant in the Pelplin municipality ("Elektrownia"). The Agreement was disclosed by the Company in Current Report No. 28/2011 of 20 December 2011.

Under the Annex, the Parties agreed that the Buyer should obtain debt financing for the purposes of constructing Unit I and Unit II no later than by 31 December 2015 (the deadline for financial closure). Therefore, the Agreement provides for the following conditions subsequent:

- a) the Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the part pertaining to supplies to Unit I as of 31 December 2015, unless the Buyer notifies the Seller of the financial closure for Unit I;
- b) the Agreement shall be automatically terminated in the part pertaining to supplies to Unit II as of 31 December 2015, unless the Buyer notifies the Seller of the financial closure for Unit II.

Other terms and conditions of the Agreement were not changed as a result of concluding the Annex and do not differ from the market standards applied in typical Project Finance agreements.

The above was announced by the Company in Current Report No. 20/2013 of 4 June 2013.

### 12.9.3 Concluding an Annex to the Significant Agreement with Zakłady Azotowe Puławy S.A.

On 10 June 2013, the Management Board of LW BOGDANKA S.A. concluded an Annex to the Long-Term Agreement on Sale of Power Coal of 8 January 2009, concluded between the Company and Azoty Group Zakłady Azotowe Puławy S.A. ("ZA Puławy") with registered office in Puławy.

The subject matter of the Agreement is the supply-sale of power coal to ZA Puławy. The Annex specifies the change in volume of coal supplies for ZA Puławy in 2013 and the change in the level of liquidated damages.

As a result of concluding the Annex, the value of the Agreement (without regard to possible increases, deviations and tolerance) currently amounts to a total of PLN 1,052 million net (i.e. 0.57 % less than in Current Report No. 55/2012).

As a result of concluding the Annex, from 1 January 2014 the level of liquidated damages for unrealised annual amounts of supplies specified in the Agreement, and shall amount to 20% of the value of the unrealised amount of supplies with contractual parameters (previously 10%).

Other terms and conditions of the Agreement remain unchanged and do not differ from the market standards applied in such agreements.

The Agreement of 8 January 2009, which was disclosed by the Company in Current Report No. 29/2009, and amended by the Annex of 5 December 2011, which was disclosed in Current Report No. 26/2011, and Annex of 28 December 2012, which was disclosed in Current Report No. 55/2012, was deemed significant for it exceeds 10% of the value of the Company shareholders' equity.

The above was announced by the Company in Current Report No. 21/2013 of 10 June 2013.

#### 12.9.4 Concluding an Annex to the Significant Agreement with PGNIG Termika S.A.

On 5 July 2013, the Management Board of LW BOGDANKA S.A. with registered office in Bogdanka concluded an Annex to the Agreement on Sale/Purchase of Power Coal (the "Agreement") with PGNIG Termika S.A. with registered office in Warsaw. The Agreement concerns coal supplies provided by the Company between 2013 and 2015 for the purposes of, among others, Żerań Heat and Power Station and Siekierki Heat and Power Station, both owned by PGNIG Termika S.A. The Agreement was referred to in Current Reports Nos. 13/2012 of 23 April 2012, 13/2013 of 29 April 2013 and 14/2013 of 28 May 2013.

The Annex covers terms and conditions of supplies in 2014. Therefore, the condition subsequent referred to in Current Report No. 14/2013 does not apply.

As a result of concluding the Annex, the value of the entire Agreement currently amounts to PLN 973.42 million.

Other terms and conditions of the Agreement remain unchanged and do not differ from the market standards applied in such agreements.

The criterion for deeming the concluded Agreement to be significant is that it exceeds 10% of the value of the Company shareholders' equity.

The above was announced by the Company in Current Report No. 28/2013 of 5 July 2013.

### 12.10 Employment at LW BOGDANKA S.A.

Employment at the Company as at 30 June 2012 and 2013 and as at 31 March 2013 is presented in the table below:

Employment	30 Jun. 2012	31 Mar. 2013	30 Jun. 2013	Dynamics H1 2013/ H1 2012 [%]	Dynamics H1 2013/ Q1 2013 [%]
Total workers	3857	3909	3861	100.10%	98.77%
Underground workers	2901	2957	2919	100.62%	98.71%
Surface workers	956	952	942	98.54%	98.95%
Full-time employees underground	324	335	341	105.25%	101.79%
Full-time employees on the surface	289	293	295	102.42%	100.68%
Total underground	3225	3292	3260	101.06%	99.03%
Total staff	4470	4537	4497	100.63%	99.11%

Table 24 Employment at the Company as at 30 June 2012, 31 March 2013 and 30 June 2013

Employment in the second quarter of 2013 decreased by 40 persons, i.e. by 0.88% in relation to the employment at the end of the first quarter of 2013. Employment in the first half of 2013 increased by 27 persons, i.e. by 0.60% in relation to the employment level at the end of the first half of 2012.

In the first quarter of 2013, 12 persons were employed at LW BOGDANKA S.A., in the second quarter - 30 persons, in total 42 employees, including 40 persons employed from outside the mining industry and 2 university graduates.

At the same time, in the first quarter of 2013, 62 employees left the Company, and in the second quarter – 72 employees. In total 134 employees left the Company in the first half of 2013:

- 119 persons retired (pensions or disability pensions);
- 15 persons other dismissals (including termination by mutual consent of the parties, disciplinary

dismissals, expiration of temporary employment contracts, termination by an employer giving notice, termination by an employee giving notice, unpaid leave, military service).

The employee turnover rate, calculated as the product of the difference between the number of people taken on and the number of people dismissed in a given period divided by the number of employees as of the end of the first half of 2013, is 0.02, which shows that more people are employed than dismissed. The Company values employees with many years of service for the Company and treats them as its key resource. The positive value of the employee turnover rate shows that the Group benefits from its efforts to improve the qualifications of its personnel. Employment stability improves the employees' morale. Also, the Company can make full use of its personnel's innovative ideas. Knowledge of the Company's organisational structure helps to improve its internal processes.

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