

## **Albion Technology & General VCT PLC Interim Management Statement**

### **Introduction**

I am pleased to present the Company's interim management statement for the period from 1 January 2009 to 18 May 2009 as required by the UK Listing Authority's Disclosure and Transparency Rule 4.3.

### **Financial Position and Performance**

The Ordinary shares and C shares approximate unaudited net asset value (NAV) as at 31 March 2009 was 88.2 pence and 75.7 pence per share respectively.

Shareholders are reminded that the Ordinary shares paid an 8.0 pence dividend and the C shares paid a 1.5 pence dividend in advance for the year to 31 December 2009, on 30 December 2008.

As a result there will be no further dividends paid on the Ordinary shares for the year to 31 December 2009 and one further dividend on the C shares for the year to 31 December 2009 (which is likely to be paid in September 2009 following the announcement of the half yearly results).

### **Portfolio**

In the period from 1 January 2009 to 18 May 2009 Albion Technology & General VCT PLC has made material new investments as follows:

#### **Ordinary share portfolio**

| <b>Investment</b>              | <b>Existing/New investee company</b> | <b>£'000s</b> |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| Forth Photonics Limited        | New                                  | 80            |
| Prime Care Holdings Limited    | Existing                             | 43            |
| Xceleron Limited               | Existing                             | 33            |
| Vibrant Energy Surveys Limited | Existing                             | 13            |
| Wellands Inn VCT Limited       | Existing                             | 12            |

#### **C share portfolio**

| <b>Investment</b>              | <b>Existing/New investee company</b> | <b>£'000s</b> |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| Forth Photonics Limited        | New                                  | 340           |
| Prime Care Holdings Limited    | Existing                             | 150           |
| Rostima Limited                | Existing                             | 91            |
| Xceleron Limited               | Existing                             | 61            |
| Vibrant Energy Surveys Limited | Existing                             | 39            |
| Wellands Inn VCT Limited       | Existing                             | 38            |
| Helveta Limited                | Existing                             | 31            |

#### **Top Ten Qualifying Holdings (merged portfolios) as at 31 March 2009**

| <b>Holding</b>                    | <b>Carrying Value £'000s</b> |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Kensington Health Clubs Limited   | 2,193                        |
| Chichester Holdings Limited       | 1,923                        |
| Evolutions Television Limited     | 1,558                        |
| The Charnwood Pub Company Limited | 1,303                        |
| Xceleron Limited                  | 1,266                        |
| The Weybridge Club Limited        | 1,192                        |
| The Q Garden Company Limited      | 1,000                        |
| Blackbay Limited                  | 965                          |
| Bravo Inns II Limited             | 931                          |
| Dexela Limited                    | 918                          |

### **Material Events and Transactions**

The business of Close Ventures Limited, the Company's manager, was acquired by Albion Ventures LLP ("Albion Ventures") from Close Brothers Group ("Close") on 23 January 2009.

The Company's management contract has been novated from Close Ventures to Albion Ventures unchanged. The investment approach of Albion Ventures and the investment policy of the Company are also unchanged, with a continued objective of building up a broad portfolio of investments in companies with no cash borrowing. This is intended to allow the Company to maintain a strong dividend yield.

A General Meeting approved a change to the Company's name from Close Technology & General VCT PLC to Albion Technology & General VCT PLC on 25 March 2009. The Company Secretary has changed to Albion Ventures LLP.

A Floating Rate Note with a nominal value of £5,000,000 matured on 19 January 2009 and was repaid to the Company.

### **Movements in Share Capital**

In the period from 1 January 2009 to 18 May 2009, your Company re-purchased 39,406 Ordinary shares at a price of 67.5 pence per share and 391,984 C shares at a price of 54.6 pence per share. These shares will be held in treasury.

There have been no further significant events or transactions that the Board is aware of which would have a material impact on the financial position of the Company between 1 January 2009 and 18 May 2009.

Information regarding historic and current financial performance and other useful shareholder information can be found on the VCTs website under [www.albion-ventures.co.uk/Our Funds/Albion Technology & General VCT PLC](http://www.albion-ventures.co.uk/OurFunds/AlbionTechnology&GeneralVCTPLC).

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