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- (a) In this Form 6-K, references to the nine months 2017 and nine months 2016 refer to nine-month periods ended 30 September 2017 and 30 September 2016 respectively. References to the third quarter 2017 and third quarter 2016 refer to the three-month periods ended 30 September 2017 and 30 September 2016 respectively.
- (b) This discussion should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes provided elsewhere in this Form 6-K and with the information, including the consolidated financial statements and related notes, in *BP's Annual Report on Form 20-F* for the year ended 31 December 2016.

**Table of Contents****Group results third quarter and nine months 2017****Highlights****Share buybacks announced to offset scrip dilution****Reported third quarter group oil and gas production up 14%**

- Profit for the third quarter was \$1.8 billion, compared with \$144 million in previous quarter. Underlying replacement cost (RC) profit\* for the third quarter was \$1.9 billion, compared with \$684 million in previous quarter.
- Third-quarter operating cash flow\* was \$6.0 billion after post-tax Gulf of Mexico oil spill expenditure of \$0.6 billion.
- Dividend unchanged at 10 cents per share.
- Recommencing share buyback programme in fourth quarter to offset ongoing dilutive effect of scrip dividends over time.
- Reported group oil and gas production in the third quarter averaged 3.6 million barrels of oil equivalent a day, 14% higher than in the third quarter of 2016.
- Three Upstream major projects\* began production in the quarter.
- Downstream underlying quarterly earnings were the highest for five years, second-highest on a RC basis.
- Around \$4.5 billion in disposal proceeds are expected for full year 2017, with \$1.0 billion received in first nine months.
- Proceeds expected in the fourth quarter include those from the SECCO transaction (\$1.4 billion) and the initial public offering of BP Midstream Partners LP's common units (\$0.7 billion).

<b>\$ million</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
Profit (loss) for the period <sup>(a)</sup>	1,769	1,620	3,362	(382)
Inventory holding (gains) losses*, before tax	(557)	60	(37)	(996)
Taxation charge (credit) on inventory holding gains and losses	167	(19)	19	307
RC profit (loss)*	1,379	1,661	3,344	(1,071)
Net (favourable) adverse impact of non-operating items* and fair value accounting effects*, before tax	667	(663)	1,171	6,265
	(181)	(65)	(456)	(3,009)

Taxation charge (credit) on non-operating items and fair value accounting effects

Underlying RC profit	<b>1,865</b>	933	<b>4,059</b>	2,185
Profit (loss) per ordinary share (cents)	<b>8.95</b>	8.61	<b>17.10</b>	(2.05)
Profit (loss) per ADS (dollars)	<b>0.54</b>	0.52	<b>1.03</b>	(0.12)
RC profit (loss) per ordinary share (cents)*	<b>6.98</b>	8.82	<b>17.01</b>	(5.74)
RC profit (loss) per ADS (dollars)	<b>0.42</b>	0.53	<b>1.02</b>	(0.34)
Underlying RC profit per ordinary share (cents)*	<b>9.44</b>	4.96	<b>20.65</b>	11.70
Underlying RC profit per ADS (dollars)	<b>0.57</b>	0.30	<b>1.24</b>	0.70

(a) Profit attributable to BP shareholders.

**\* See definitions in the Glossary on page 32. RC profit (loss) and underlying RC profit are non-GAAP measures.**

*The commentary above and following should be read in conjunction with the cautionary statement on page 36.*

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### **Group results third quarter and nine months 2017**

#### **Group headlines**

##### **Earnings**

BP's profit for the third quarter and nine months was \$1,769 million and \$3,362 million respectively, compared with a profit of \$1,620 million and a loss of \$382 million for the same periods in 2016.

The third-quarter replacement cost (RC) profit was \$1,379 million, compared with \$1,661 million for the same period in 2016. After adjusting for a net charge for non-operating items of \$274 million and net adverse fair value accounting effects of \$212 million (both on a post-tax basis), underlying RC profit for the third quarter was \$1,865 million, compared with \$933 million for the same period in 2016.

For the nine months, RC profit was \$3,344 million, compared with a loss of \$1,071 million a year ago. After adjusting for a net charge for non-operating items of \$794 million and net favourable fair value accounting effects of \$79 million (both on a post-tax basis), underlying RC profit for the nine months was \$4,059 million, compared with \$2,185 million for the same period in 2016.

See further information on page 5.

##### **Non-operating items**

Non-operating items amounted to a charge of \$385 million pre-tax and \$274 million post-tax for the quarter and a charge of \$1,297 million pre-tax and \$794 million post-tax for the nine months. See further information on page 27.

##### **Effective tax rate**

The effective tax rate (ETR) on the profit or loss for the third quarter and nine months was 41% and 43% respectively, compared with -19% and 87% for the same periods in 2016. The ETR on RC profit or loss\* for the third quarter and nine months was 43% for both periods, compared with -16% and 73% for the same periods in 2016. Adjusting for non-operating items and fair value accounting effects and the impact of the reduction in the rate of the UK North Sea supplementary charge in the third quarter 2016, the adjusted ETR\* for the third quarter and nine months was 40% and 42% respectively, compared with 37% and 25% for the same periods in 2016.

The adjusted ETR for the third quarter and nine months is higher than a year ago mainly due to changes in the mix of profits, notably the impact of the renewal of our interest in the Abu Dhabi onshore oil concession. We continue to expect the full year adjusted ETR to be above 40%. ETR on RC profit or loss and adjusted ETR are non-GAAP measures. See further information on page 32.

##### **Dividend**

BP today announced a quarterly dividend of 10.00 cents per ordinary share (\$0.600 per ADS), which is expected to be paid on 21 December 2017. The corresponding amount in sterling will be announced on 11 December 2017. See page 24 for further information.

### **Share buybacks**

BP will recommence a share buyback programme in the fourth quarter, intended to offset the ongoing dilutive effect of scrip dividends over time. The programme will not necessarily match the dilution on a quarterly basis but will reflect the ongoing judgement of various factors including changes in the price environment, the underlying performance of the business, the outlook for the group's financial framework and other market factors which may vary from quarter to quarter.

### **Operating cash flow\***

Operating cash flow for the third quarter and nine months was \$6.0 billion and \$13.0 billion respectively, after post-tax expenditure relating to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill of \$0.6 billion and \$4.9 billion. For the same periods in 2016 the equivalent amounts were \$2.5 billion and \$8.3 billion, after post-tax Gulf of Mexico oil spill expenditure of \$2.3 billion and \$4.8 billion.

### **Capital expenditure\***

Total capital expenditure for the third quarter and nine months was \$4.5 billion and \$13.0 billion respectively, compared with \$3.6 billion and \$12.5 billion for the same periods in 2016.

Organic capital expenditure\* for the third quarter and nine months was \$4.0 billion and \$11.9 billion respectively, compared with \$3.5 billion and \$12.2 billion for the same periods in 2016.

Inorganic capital expenditure\* for the third quarter and nine months was \$0.5 billion and \$1.1 billion respectively, compared with \$0.05 billion, and \$0.3 billion for the same periods in 2016.

Organic and inorganic capital expenditure are non-GAAP measures. See page 26 for further information.

### **Divestment proceeds\***

Divestment proceeds were \$0.2 billion for the third quarter and \$1.0 billion for the nine months, compared with \$0.6 billion and \$2.2 billion for the same periods in 2016.

### **Debt**

Gross debt at 30 September 2017 was \$65.8 billion compared with \$59.0 billion a year ago. The ratio of gross debt to gross debt plus equity at 30 September 2017 was 39.6%, compared with 38.9% a year ago.

Net debt\* at 30 September 2017 was \$39.8 billion, compared with \$32.4 billion a year ago. The net debt ratio\* at 30 September 2017 was 28.4%, compared with 25.9% a year ago. Net debt and the net debt ratio are non-GAAP measures. See page 25 for more information.

*The commentary above should be read in conjunction with the cautionary statement on page 36.*



**Table of Contents****Group results third quarter and nine months 2017****Analysis of underlying RC profit before interest and tax**

	Third quarter	Third quarter	Nine months	Nine months
\$ million	2017	2016	2017	2016
<b>Underlying RC profit before interest and tax*</b>				
Upstream	1,562	(224)	3,642	(942)
Downstream	2,338	1,431	5,493	4,757
Rosneft	137	120	515	432
Other businesses and corporate	(398)	(260)	(1,204)	(814)
Consolidation adjustment UPII*	(130)	17	(63)	(64)
Underlying RC profit before interest and tax	3,509	1,084	8,383	3,369
Finance costs and net finance expense relating to pensions and other post-retirement benefits	(444)	(358)	(1,251)	(1,012)
Taxation on an underlying RC basis	(1,212)	164	(3,030)	(161)
Non-controlling interests	12	43	(43)	(11)
Underlying RC profit attributable to BP shareholders	1,865	933	4,059	2,185

Reconciliations of underlying RC profit or loss to the nearest equivalent IFRS measure are provided on page 3 for the group and on pages 8-13 for the segments.

**Analysis of RC profit (loss) before interest and tax and reconciliation to profit (loss) for the period**

	Third quarter	Third quarter	Nine months	Nine months
\$ million	2017	2016	2017	2016
<b>RC profit (loss) before interest and tax*</b>				
Upstream	1,242	1,196	3,293	(118)
Downstream	2,175	978	5,448	4,263
Rosneft	137	120	515	432
Other businesses and corporate <sub>(a)</sub>	(460)	(441)	(1,612)	(7,040)
Consolidation adjustment UPII	(130)	17	(63)	(64)
RC profit (loss) before interest and tax	2,964	1,870	7,581	(2,527)
Finance costs and net finance expense relating to pensions and other post-retirement benefits	(566)	(481)	(1,620)	(1,381)
Taxation on a RC basis	(1,031)	229	(2,574)	2,848
Non-controlling interests	12	43	(43)	(11)
RC profit (loss) attributable to BP shareholders	1,379	1,661	3,344	(1,071)

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Inventory holding gains (losses)	<b>557</b>	(60)	<b>37</b>	996
Taxation (charge) credit on inventory holding gains and losses	<b>(167)</b>	19	<b>(19)</b>	(307)
Profit (loss) for the period attributable to BP shareholders	<b>1,769</b>	1,620	<b>3,362</b>	(382)

(a) Includes costs related to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill. See page 13 and also Note 2 from page 19 for further information on the accounting for the Gulf of Mexico oil spill.

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### **Group results third quarter and nine months 2017**

## **Strategic progress**

### **Upstream**

Three Upstream major projects, the Persephone project in Australia, the Juniper project in Trinidad, and the first phase of the Khazzan tight gas development in Oman, all started production in the third quarter. Six of the seven major projects BP expects to start production in 2017 are now online. The seventh, Zohr in Egypt, is on track to start up before the end of the year.

The delivery of the major projects continues to underpin Upstream production growth. Over the first nine months of 2017, Upstream production - which excludes Rosneft - was 10% higher than in the same period in 2016. Upstream unit production costs\* are also 16% lower than the prior year, benefiting from production growth and continued focus on cost discipline.

In September, BP, together with our partners, extended the production-sharing agreement\* (PSA) for the Azeri, Chirag and Deep Water Gunashli fields (ACG) in Azerbaijan by 25 years to the end of 2049.

### **Downstream**

BP delivered double digit earnings growth from fuels marketing in the first nine months - premium fuel sales volumes have continued to grow and BP's convenience partnership model has been rolled out to more than 170 retail sites worldwide so far this year. In lubricants, BP renewed its global partnership and supply agreement with Volvo Car Group.

In manufacturing, both refining and petrochemicals have grown earnings, with our US refineries processing record levels of advantaged crude.

## **Financial framework**

**Operating cash flow\*** in the third quarter, after post-tax expenditure relating to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill of \$0.6 billion, was \$6.0 billion, with \$13.0 billion for the first nine months of 2017, after post-tax expenditure relating to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill of \$4.9 billion. This compares with \$8.3 billion for the first nine months of 2016, after post-tax Gulf of Mexico oil spill expenditure of \$4.8 billion.

**Organic capital expenditure\*** of \$4.0 billion in the third quarter brought the total for the first nine months to \$11.9 billion. BP now expects total organic capital expenditure for 2017 will be around \$16 billion, within the \$15-17 billion range previously indicated.

**Divestment proceeds\***, as per the cash flow statement, for the first nine months of 2017 were \$1.0 billion.

Significant proceeds are expected to be received in the fourth quarter, including those from the sale of BP's interest in the SECCO joint venture in China (\$1.4 billion) and from the initial public offering of BP Midstream Partners LP's common units (\$0.7 billion). Total proceeds in 2017 are expected to be around \$4.5 billion.

**Gulf of Mexico oil spill** payments were \$0.6 billion in the third quarter, significantly lower than in the first two quarters of the year. Payments over the first nine months of 2017 were \$4.9 billion; for the full year payments are now expected to be around \$5.5 billion.

BP continues to target a **gearing\*** range of 20-30%. At the end of the third quarter, gearing was 28.4%.

<b>Operating metrics</b>	<b>Nine months 2017 (vs. Nine months 2016)</b>	<b>Financial metrics</b>	<b>Nine months 2017 (vs. Nine months 2016)</b>
<b>Safety</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Underlying RC profit<sup>i</sup></b>	<b>\$4.1bn (+\$1.9bn)</b>
<b>Tier 1 process safety events*</b>	<b>(-1)</b>		
<b>Safety</b>	<b>0.21</b>	<b>Operating cash flow</b>	<b>(b)</b>
<b>Reported recordable injury frequency*</b>	<b>(-4%)</b>	<b>excluding Gulf of Mexico oil spill payments</b>	
<b>Group production</b>	<b>3,557mboe/d (+10%)</b>	<b>Organic capital expenditure<sup>ii</sup></b>	<b>\$11.9bn (-\$0.3bn)</b>
<b>Upstream production (excludes Rosneft segment)</b>	<b>2,427mboe/d (+10%)</b>	<b>Gulf of Mexico oil spill payments</b>	<b>\$4.9bn (+\$0.03bn)</b>
<b>Upstream unit production costs*</b>	<b>\$7.17/boe (-16%)</b>	<b>Divestment proceeds</b>	<b>\$1.0bn (-\$1.2bn)</b>
<b>BP-operated Upstream operating efficiency*<sup>(a)</sup></b>	<b>80.4%</b>	<b>Net debt ratio (gearing)<sup>iii</sup></b>	<b>28.4% (+2.5)</b>
<b>Refining availability*</b>	<b>95.0% (-0.4)</b>	<b>Dividend per ordinary Share<sup>(c)</sup></b>	<b>10.00 cents (-)</b>

- (a) Reported on a one-quarter lagged basis and represents first half 2017 actuals only.
- (b) SEC regulations do not permit inclusion of this non-GAAP metric in this SEC filing. Operating cash flow excluding Gulf of Mexico oil spill payments is calculated by excluding post-tax expenditure relating to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill from net cash provided by operating activities, as reported in the condensed group cash flow statement. For the nine months, net cash provided by operating activities was \$6.0 billion and post-tax Gulf of Mexico oil spill expenditure was \$0.6 billion.
- (c) Represents dividend announced in the quarter (vs. prior year quarter).

**Nearest GAAP equivalent measures**

- i Profit for the period : \$3.4bn**
- ii Capital expenditure\* : \$13.0bn**
- iii Gross debt ratio : 39.6%**

*The commentary above contains forward-looking statements and should be read in conjunction with the cautionary statement on page 36.*

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<b>\$ million</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
Profit (loss) before interest and tax	<b>1,255</b>	1,183	<b>3,301</b>	(77)
Inventory holding (gains) losses*	<b>(13)</b>	13	<b>(8)</b>	(41)
RC profit (loss) before interest and tax	<b>1,242</b>	1,196	<b>3,293</b>	(118)
Net (favourable) adverse impact of non-operating items* and fair value accounting effects*	<b>320</b>	(1,420)	<b>349</b>	(824)
Underlying RC profit (loss) before interest and tax* <sup>(a)</sup>	<b>1,562</b>	(224)	<b>3,642</b>	(942)

<sup>(a)</sup> See page 9 for a reconciliation to segment RC profit before interest and tax by region.

**Financial results**

The replacement cost profit before interest and tax for the third quarter and nine months was \$1,242 million and \$3,293 million respectively, compared with a profit of \$1,196 million and a loss of \$118 million for the same periods in 2016. The third quarter and nine months included a net non-operating charge of \$146 million and \$527 million respectively, compared with a net non-operating gain of \$1,465 million and \$1,117 million for the same periods in 2016. Fair value accounting effects in the third quarter and nine months had an adverse impact of \$174 million and a favourable impact of \$178 million respectively, compared with an adverse impact of \$45 million and \$293 million in the same periods of 2016.

After adjusting for non-operating items and fair value accounting effects, the underlying replacement cost profit before interest and tax for the third quarter and nine months was \$1,562 million and \$3,642 million respectively, compared with a loss of \$224 million and a loss of \$942 million for the same periods in 2016. The result for the third quarter mainly reflected higher liquids and gas realizations, higher production including the impact of the Abu Dhabi concession renewal and major project start-ups, and lower exploration write-offs, partly offset by higher depreciation, depletion and amortization. The result for the nine months reflected higher liquids and gas realizations, and higher production including the impact of the Abu Dhabi concession renewal and major project start-ups, partly offset by higher depreciation, depletion and amortization, and higher exploration write-offs.

**Production**

Production for the quarter was 2,462mboe/d, 16.3% higher than the third quarter of 2016. Underlying production\* for the quarter increased by 10.9%, due to the ramp-up of major projects. For the nine months, production was 2,427mboe/d, 9.6% higher than in the same period of 2016. Nine months underlying production was 6.7% higher than the same period of 2016 due to major project start-ups.

## Key events

On 7 August, BP announced that it has brought online a natural gas well (BP 100%) in the Mancos Shale, New Mexico in the US Lower 48, highlighting the potential of the field to be a significant new source of US natural gas supply.

On 14 August, BP Trinidad and Tobago announced first gas from the Juniper development in Trinidad. On the same day, BP confirmed that production has started from the Persephone project off the coast of Western Australia (Woodside operator, BP 16.67%).

On 11 September, BP announced an agreement with Bridas Corporation to form a new integrated energy company in Argentina, Pan American Energy Group (PAEG), by combining their interests in the oil and gas producer Pan American Energy with the refining and marketing company Axion Energy in a cash-free transaction. PAEG will be owned equally by BP and Bridas Corporation.

On 14 September, the joint development and production-sharing agreement\* (PSA) for the Azeri, Chirag fields and the Deep Water Portion of the Gunashli field in the Azerbaijan sector of the Caspian Sea (ACG PSA) was extended by signing an amended and restated PSA between the State Oil Company of the Republic of Azerbaijan (SOCAR) and the contractor parties. The renewed PSA, expected to be ratified by the Azerbaijani parliament before year end, extends the PSA's term by 25 years to 2049 and includes an improved contractor parties' profit share at a fixed rate of 25%. Under the terms of the agreement, BP's interest changes from 35.78% to 30.37% from the agreement's effective date following ratification, with a bonus of \$1.46 billion (BP net), payable to the government of Azerbaijan in equal instalments over 8 years.

On 25 September, BP, together with the Ministry of Oil & Gas of the Sultanate of Oman, announced that first gas had been achieved from the Khazzan gas field (BP operator 60%, Oman Oil Company 40%).

On 24 October, Aker BP ASA (Aker BP), in which BP holds a 30% ownership interest, announced an agreement to acquire Hess Norge AS. Upon completion of the transaction, Aker BP will become the sole owner of the Valhall and Hod fields. This transaction is subject to regulatory approvals.

On 27 October, BP won two licences in the third Pre-Salt Bid Round in Brazil, the Alto De Cabo Frio Central block (Petrobras operator 50%, BP 50%), and the Peroba block (Petrobras operator 40%, BP 40%, and China National Petroleum Corporation 20%).

## Outlook

Looking ahead, we expect fourth-quarter reported production to be higher than the third quarter reflecting the continued ramp-up of major projects and recovery from seasonal turnaround and maintenance activities.

*The commentary above contains forward-looking statements and should be read in conjunction with the cautionary statement on page 36.*



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## Upstream (continued)

\$ million	Third quarter 2017	Third quarter 2016	Nine months 2017	Nine months 2016
<b>Underlying RC profit (loss) before interest and tax</b>				
US	264	(151)	609	(1,123)
Non-US	1,298	(73)	3,033	181
	<b>1,562</b>	<b>(224)</b>	<b>3,642</b>	<b>(942)</b>
<b>Non-operating items(a)</b>				
US <sup>(b)</sup>	(97)	326	(143)	106
Non-US(c)(d)	(49)	1,139	(384)	1,011
	<b>(146)</b>	<b>1,465</b>	<b>(527)</b>	<b>1,117</b>
<b>Fair value accounting effects</b>				
US	(100)	(15)	184	(105)
Non-US	(74)	(30)	(6)	(188)
	<b>(174)</b>	<b>(45)</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>(293)</b>
<b>RC profit (loss) before interest and tax</b>				
US	67	160	650	(1,122)
Non-US	1,175	1,036	2,643	1,004
	<b>1,242</b>	<b>1,196</b>	<b>3,293</b>	<b>(118)</b>
<b>Exploration expense</b>				
US <sup>(b)</sup>	190	22	255	182
Non-US(d)(e)	107	781	1,304	1,225
	<b>297</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>1,559</b>	<b>1,407</b>
Of which: Exploration expenditure written off <sup>(b)(d)(e)</sup>	217	687	1,231	1,108
<b>Production (net of royalties)(f)</b>				
<b>Liquids*<sup>(g)</sup> (mb/d)</b>				
US	408	353	425	386
Europe	123	112	120	119
Rest of World(g)	809	669	816	714
	<b>1,341</b>	<b>1,134</b>	<b>1,360</b>	<b>1,219</b>
Of which equity-accounted entities	205	177	207	175
<b>Natural gas (mmcf/d)</b>				
US	1,703	1,679	1,625	1,649
Europe	217	262	251	263
Rest of World	4,581	3,753	4,311	3,867
	<b>6,502</b>	<b>5,695</b>	<b>6,187</b>	<b>5,779</b>
Of which equity-accounted entities	562	495	552	486
<b>Total hydrocarbons*<sup>(g)</sup> (mboe/d)</b>				

US	<b>702</b>	643	<b>705</b>	670
Europe	<b>161</b>	157	<b>163</b>	164
Rest of World(g)	<b>1,599</b>	1,316	<b>1,559</b>	1,381
	<b>2,462</b>	2,116	<b>2,427</b>	2,215
Of which equity-accounted entities	<b>302</b>	262	<b>302</b>	258
<b>Average realizations*(h)</b>				
Total liquids(g)(i) (\$/bbl)	<b>47.45</b>	40.99	<b>47.87</b>	36.50
Natural gas (\$/mcf)	<b>2.89</b>	2.77	<b>3.18</b>	2.76
Total hydrocarbons(g) (\$/boe)	<b>33.23</b>	29.37	<b>34.63</b>	27.20

- (a) Third quarter and nine months 2016 principally relate to impairment reversals in Angola and the North Sea.
- (b) Third quarter and nine months 2017 include the write-off of \$145 million in relation to the value ascribed to certain licences in the deepwater Gulf of Mexico as part of the accounting for the acquisition of upstream assets from Devon Energy in 2011. This has been classified within the other category of non-operating items.
- (c) Nine months 2017 includes an impairment charge arising following the announcement on 3 April 2017 of the agreement to sell the Forties Pipeline System business to INEOS.
- (d) Third quarter and nine months 2016 include \$601 million of exploration write-offs relating to a licence in Brazil, of which \$334 million relates to the value ascribed to the licence when acquired from Devon Energy in 2011, and has been classified within the other category of non-operating items.
- (e) Nine months 2017 includes the write-off of exploration well and lease costs in Angola and the write-off of exploration well costs in Egypt.
- (f) Includes BP's share of production of equity-accounted entities in the Upstream segment.
- (g) A minor adjustment has been made to comparative periods in 2016. See page 31 for more information.
- (h) Realizations are based on sales by consolidated subsidiaries only this excludes equity-accounted entities.
- (i) Includes condensate, natural gas liquids and bitumen.
- Because of rounding, some totals may not agree exactly with the sum of their component parts.

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<b>\$ million</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
Profit (loss) before interest and tax	2,695	943	5,487	5,189
Inventory holding (gains) losses*	(520)	35	(39)	(926)
RC profit before interest and tax	2,175	978	5,448	4,263
Net (favourable) adverse impact of non-operating items* and fair value accounting effects*	163	453	45	494
Underlying RC profit before interest and tax*(a)	2,338	1,431	5,493	4,757

(a) See page 11 for a reconciliation to segment RC profit before interest and tax by region and by business.

**Financial results**

The replacement cost profit before interest and tax for the third quarter and nine months was \$2,175 million and \$5,448 million respectively, compared with \$978 million and \$4,263 million for the same periods in 2016.

The third quarter and nine months include a net non-operating charge of \$55 million and a net non-operating gain of \$7 million respectively, compared with a net non-operating charge of \$196 million and a net non-operating gain of \$53 million for the same periods in 2016. Fair value accounting effects had an adverse impact of \$108 million in the third quarter and \$52 million for the nine months, compared with an adverse impact of \$257 million and \$547 million for the same periods in 2016.

After adjusting for non-operating items and fair value accounting effects, the underlying replacement cost profit before interest and tax for the third quarter and nine months was \$2,338 million and \$5,493 million respectively, compared with \$1,431 million and \$4,757 million for the same periods in 2016.

Replacement cost profit before interest and tax for fuels, lubricants and petrochemicals is set out on page 11.

**Fuels business**

The fuels business reported an underlying replacement cost profit before interest and tax of \$1,788 million for the third quarter and \$3,896 million for the nine months, compared with \$983 million and \$3,310 million for the same periods in 2016 driven by higher refining and fuels marketing results. The result for the quarter also reflects an improved contribution from supply and trading. The contribution was however lower for the nine months compared to last year.

The refining result for the quarter and nine months reflects continued strong operational performance, capturing higher industry refining margins which were partially offset by narrower North American heavy crude oil differentials. The result also benefited from increased commercial optimization and higher levels of advantaged feedstock processed in the US. The nine-months result also reflects the impact of a higher level of planned turnaround activity.

The fuels marketing result for both the quarter and nine months reflects continued profit growth supported by higher premium volume and the continued rollout of our convenience partnership sites.

On 30 October, we completed the initial public offering of common units in our subsidiary, BP Midstream Partners LP. As a result of the initial public offering, we received net proceeds of around \$0.7 billion.

### **Lubricants business**

The lubricants business reported an underlying replacement cost profit before interest and tax of \$356 million for the third quarter and \$1,104 million for the nine months, compared with \$370 million and \$1,166 million for the same periods in 2016. The result for the quarter and nine months reflects continued premium brand growth, more than offset by the impact of higher base oil prices due to temporary supply constraints and increasing crude oil prices.

### **Petrochemicals business**

The petrochemicals business reported an underlying replacement cost profit before interest and tax of \$194 million for the third quarter and \$493 million for the nine months, compared with \$78 million and \$281 million for the same periods in 2016. The result for the quarter and nine months reflects an improved margin environment, stronger margin optimization and lower costs reflecting the continued benefits from our simplification and efficiency programmes.

In April, we announced our intention to divest our 50% shareholding in our Shanghai SECCO Petrochemical Company Limited joint venture in China. The transaction is expected to complete in the fourth quarter. As a result, the asset relating to our shareholding has been classified as held for sale in the group balance sheet at 30 September 2017.

### **Outlook**

While industry refining margins have remained robust coming into the fourth quarter, we would expect a normal seasonal decline compared with the third quarter. In the fourth quarter, we also expect a higher level of turnaround activity.

*The commentary above contains forward-looking statements and should be read in conjunction with the cautionary statement on page 36.*

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## Downstream (continued)

<b>\$ million</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>Underlying RC profit before interest and tax - by region</b>				
US	640	298	1,477	1,224
Non-US	1,698	1,133	4,016	3,533
	<b>2,338</b>	<b>1,431</b>	<b>5,493</b>	<b>4,757</b>
<b>Non-operating items</b>				
US	(39)	(56)	(23)	74
Non-US	(16)	(140)	30	(21)
	<b>(55)</b>	<b>(196)</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>Fair value accounting effects</b>				
US	20	(178)	(32)	(343)
Non-US	(128)	(79)	(20)	(204)
	<b>(108)</b>	<b>(257)</b>	<b>(52)</b>	<b>(547)</b>
<b>RC profit before interest and tax</b>				
US	621	64	1,422	955
Non-US	1,554	914	4,026	3,308
	<b>2,175</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>5,448</b>	<b>4,263</b>
<b>Underlying RC profit before interest and tax - by business(a)(b)</b>				
Fuels	1,788	983	3,896	3,310
Lubricants	356	370	1,104	1,166
Petrochemicals	194	78	493	281
	<b>2,338</b>	<b>1,431</b>	<b>5,493</b>	<b>4,757</b>
<b>Non-operating items and fair value accounting effects(c)</b>				
Fuels	(154)	(455)	9	(493)
Lubricants	(3)	1	(8)	(3)
Petrochemicals	(6)	1	(46)	2
	<b>(163)</b>	<b>(453)</b>	<b>(45)</b>	<b>(494)</b>
<b>RC profit before interest and tax(a)(b)</b>				
Fuels	1,634	528	3,905	2,817
Lubricants	353	371	1,096	1,163
Petrochemicals	188	79	447	283
	<b>2,175</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>5,448</b>	<b>4,263</b>
<b>BP average refining marker margin (RMM)* (\$/bbl)</b>	<b>16.3</b>	11.6	<b>14.0</b>	12.0
<b>Refinery throughputs (mb/d)</b>				

US	<b>737</b>	613	<b>713</b>	660
Europe	<b>768</b>	795	<b>784</b>	802
Rest of World	<b>240</b>	242	<b>207</b>	237
	<b>1,745</b>	1,650	<b>1,704</b>	1,699
<b>Refining availability* (%)</b>	<b>95.3</b>	95.4	<b>95.0</b>	95.4
<b>Marketing sales of refined products (mb/d)</b>				
US	<b>1,186</b>	1,205	<b>1,160</b>	1,130
Europe	<b>1,204</b>	1,236	<b>1,143</b>	1,184
Rest of World	<b>480</b>	503	<b>496</b>	502
	<b>2,870</b>	2,944	<b>2,799</b>	2,816
Trading/supply sales of refined products	<b>3,088</b>	2,581	<b>3,015</b>	2,755
Total sales volumes of refined products	<b>5,958</b>	5,525	<b>5,814</b>	5,571
<b>Petrochemicals production (kte)</b>				
US	<b>617</b>	564	<b>1,787</b>	2,018
Europe	<b>1,285</b>	898	<b>3,903</b>	2,799
Rest of World	<b>2,025</b>	1,987	<b>6,099</b>	5,863
	<b>3,927</b>	3,449	<b>11,789</b>	10,680

- (a) Segment-level overhead expenses are included in the fuels business result.
- (b) BP's share of income from petrochemicals at our Gelsenkirchen and Mülheim sites in Germany is reported in the fuels business.
- (c) For Downstream, fair value accounting effects arise solely in the fuels business.

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<b>\$ million</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017(a)</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017(a)</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
Profit before interest and tax(b)	161	108	505	461
Inventory holding (gains) losses*	(24)	12	10	(29)
RC profit before interest and tax	137	120	515	432
Net charge (credit) for non-operating items*	-	-	-	-
Underlying RC profit before interest and tax*	137	120	515	432

**Financial results**

Replacement cost profit before interest and tax and underlying replacement cost profit before interest and tax for the third quarter and nine months was \$137 million and \$515 million respectively, compared with \$120 million and \$432 million for the same periods in 2016. There were no non-operating items in the third quarter and nine months of either year.

Compared with the same period in 2016, the result for the third quarter was primarily affected by higher oil prices and favourable duty lag effects partially offset by adverse foreign exchange effects. For the nine months, the result was primarily affected by higher oil prices partially offset by adverse foreign exchange effects.

In June 2017 Rosneft's annual general meeting adopted a resolution to pay dividends of 5.98 Russian roubles per ordinary share. In July BP received a dividend in relation to the 2016 annual results of \$190 million, after the deduction of withholding tax.

BP's two nominees, Bob Dudley and Guillermo Quintero, were re-elected to Rosneft's board by the extraordinary general meeting (EGM) on 29 September. The EGM also adopted a resolution to pay interim dividends for the first half of 2017 of 3.83 Russian roubles per ordinary share. On 31 October BP received a dividend of approximately \$120 million after the deduction of withholding tax.

**Key events**

In August, Rosneft completed the acquisition of a 49.13% stake in Essar Oil Limited (EOL), an Indian downstream business, from the Essar group.

In October Rosneft completed the deal to acquire a 30% stake in a concession agreement to develop the Zohr field in Egypt from the Italian company Eni S.p.A.

	<b>Third quarter 2017(a)</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017(a)</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>Production (net of royalties) (BP share)</b>				
Liquids* (mb/d)	<b>903</b>	820	<b>906</b>	813
Natural gas (mmcf/d)	<b>1,263</b>	1,221	<b>1,300</b>	1,256
Total hydrocarbons* (mboe/d)	<b>1,120</b>	1,030	<b>1,130</b>	1,030

- (a) The operational and financial information of the Rosneft segment for the third quarter and nine months of the year is based on preliminary operational and financial results of Rosneft for the nine months ended 30 September 2017. Actual results may differ from these amounts.
- (b) The Rosneft segment result includes equity-accounted earnings arising from BP's 19.75% shareholding in Rosneft as adjusted for the accounting required under IFRS relating to BP's purchase of its interest in Rosneft and the amortization of the deferred gain relating to the divestment of BP's interest in TNK-BP. These adjustments have increased the reported profit before interest and tax for the third quarter and nine months 2017, as shown in the table above, compared with the equivalent amount in Russian roubles that we expect Rosneft to report in its own financial statements under IFRS. BP's share of Rosneft's profit before interest and tax for each year-to-date period is calculated by translating the amounts reported in Russian roubles into US dollars using the average exchange rate for the year to date. BP's share of Rosneft's earnings after finance costs, taxation and non-controlling interests, as adjusted, is included in the BP group income statement within profit before interest and taxation.



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## Other businesses and corporate

<b>\$ million</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>Profit (loss) before interest and tax</b>				
<i>Gulf of Mexico oil spill</i>	(84)	(66)	(466)	(5,966)
<i>Other</i>	(376)	(375)	(1,146)	(1,074)
Profit (loss) before interest and tax	(460)	(441)	(1,612)	(7,040)
Inventory holding (gains) losses*	-	-	-	-
RC profit (loss) before interest and tax	(460)	(441)	(1,612)	(7,040)
<b>Net charge (credit) for non-operating items*</b>				
<i>Gulf of Mexico oil spill</i>	84	66	466	5,966
<i>Other</i>	(22)	115	(58)	260
Net charge (credit) for non-operating items	62	181	408	6,226
Underlying RC profit (loss) before interest and tax*	(398)	(260)	(1,204)	(814)
<b>Underlying RC profit (loss) before interest and tax</b>				
US	(145)	(107)	(446)	(326)
Non-US	(253)	(153)	(758)	(488)
	(398)	(260)	(1,204)	(814)
<b>Non-operating items</b>				
US	(92)	(168)	(480)	(6,152)
Non-US	30	(13)	72	(74)
	(62)	(181)	(408)	(6,226)
<b>RC profit (loss) before interest and tax</b>				
US	(237)	(275)	(926)	(6,478)
Non-US	(23)	(166)	(686)	(562)
	(460)	(441)	(1,612)	(7,040)

Other businesses and corporate comprises our alternative energy business, shipping, treasury, corporate activities including centralized functions, and the costs of the Gulf of Mexico oil spill.

**Financial results**

The replacement cost loss before interest and tax for the third quarter and nine months was \$460 million and \$1,612 million respectively, compared with \$441 million and \$7,040 million for the same periods in 2016.

The results included a net non-operating charge of \$62 million for the third quarter and \$408 million for the nine months, compared with a net non-operating charge of \$181 million and \$6,226 million for the same periods in 2016.

After adjusting for non-operating items, the underlying replacement cost loss before interest and tax for the third quarter and nine months was \$398 million and \$1,204 million respectively, compared with \$260 million and \$814 million for the same periods in 2016. The underlying charge for the nine months was impacted by weaker business results, and adverse foreign exchange effects which had a favourable effect in the same period in 2016.

#### **Alternative energy - biofuels, wind**

The net ethanol-equivalent production (which includes ethanol and sugar) for the third quarter and nine months was 362 million litres and 588 million litres respectively, compared with 352 million litres and 635 million litres for the same periods in 2016.

Net wind generation capacity\*<sup>(a)</sup> was 1,432MW at 30 September 2017 compared with 1,474MW at 30 September 2016. BP's net share of wind generation for the third quarter and nine months was 644GWh and 2,856GWh respectively, compared with 828GWh and 3,235GWh for the same periods in 2016.

<sup>(a)</sup> Capacity figures for 2016 include 23MW in the Netherlands managed by our Downstream segment.

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## Group income statement

\$ million	Third quarter 2017	Third quarter 2016	Nine months 2017	Nine months 2016
Sales and other operating revenues (Note 5)	60,018	47,047	172,392	132,001
Earnings from joint ventures - after interest and tax	231	174	596	477
Earnings from associates - after interest and tax	282	209	804	731
Interest and other income	185	146	434	392
Gains on sale of businesses and fixed assets	92	467	334	884
Total revenues and other income	60,808	48,043	174,560	134,485
Purchases	44,612	34,981	128,462	94,336
Production and manufacturing expenses <sup>(a)</sup>	5,454	5,517	16,470	22,482
Production and similar taxes (Note 6)	278	212	773	484
Depreciation, depletion and amortization (Note 5)	3,904	3,496	11,539	10,863
Impairment and losses on sale of businesses and fixed assets	108	(1,424)	612	(1,359)
Exploration expense	297	803	1,559	1,407
Distribution and administration expenses	2,634	2,648	7,527	7,803
Profit (loss) before interest and taxation	3,521	1,810	7,618	(1,531)
Finance costs <sup>(a)</sup>	511	433	1,458	1,241
Net finance expense relating to pensions and other post-retirement benefits	55	48	162	140
Profit (loss) before taxation	2,955	1,329	5,998	(2,912)
Taxation <sup>(a)</sup>	1,198	(248)	2,593	(2,541)
Profit (loss) for the period	1,757	1,577	3,405	(371)
Attributable to				
BP shareholders	1,769	1,620	3,362	(382)
Non-controlling interests	(12)	(43)	43	11
	1,757	1,577	3,405	(371)

**Earnings per share (Note 7)**

Profit (loss) for the period attributable to

BP shareholders

Per ordinary share (cents)

Basic	8.95	8.61	17.10	(2.05)
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Diluted	<b>8.90</b>	8.56	<b>17.00</b>	(2.05)
Per ADS (dollars)				
Basic	<b>0.54</b>	0.52	<b>1.03</b>	(0.12)
Diluted	<b>0.53</b>	0.51	<b>1.02</b>	(0.12)

<sup>(a)</sup> See Note 2 for information on the impact of the Gulf of Mexico oil spill on these income statement line items.

**Table of Contents****Group results third quarter and nine months 2017****Group statement of comprehensive income**

<b>\$ million</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
Profit (loss) for the period	<b>1,757</b>	1,577	<b>3,405</b>	(371)
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>				
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss				
Currency translation differences	<b>611</b>	192	<b>1,722</b>	1,031
Exchange gains (losses) on translation of foreign operations reclassified to gain or loss on sale of businesses and fixed assets	<b>13</b>	-	<b>18</b>	6
Available-for-sale investments	-	1	<b>3</b>	1
Cash flow hedges marked to market	<b>49</b>	(84)	<b>178</b>	(435)
Cash flow hedges reclassified to the income statement	<b>20</b>	71	<b>93</b>	110
Cash flow hedges reclassified to the balance sheet	<b>29</b>	30	<b>104</b>	49
Share of items relating to equity-accounted entities, net of tax	<b>128</b>	174	<b>431</b>	661
Income tax relating to items that may be reclassified	<b>(59)</b>	(78)	<b>(180)</b>	(84)
	<b>791</b>	306	<b>2,369</b>	1,339
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss				
Remeasurements of the net pension and other post-retirement benefit liability or asset	<b>1,002</b>	(2,995)	<b>2,047</b>	(5,980)
Income tax relating to items that will not be reclassified	<b>(351)</b>	510	<b>(699)</b>	1,504
	<b>651</b>	(2,485)	<b>1,348</b>	(4,476)
Other comprehensive income	<b>1,442</b>	(2,179)	<b>3,717</b>	(3,137)
Total comprehensive income	<b>3,199</b>	(602)	<b>7,122</b>	(3,508)
<b>Attributable to</b>				
BP shareholders	<b>3,206</b>	(558)	<b>7,041</b>	(3,513)
Non-controlling interests	<b>(7)</b>	(44)	<b>81</b>	5
	<b>3,199</b>	(602)	<b>7,122</b>	(3,508)

**Table of Contents****Group results third quarter and nine months 2017****Group statement of changes in equity**

<b>\$ million</b>	<b>BP shareholder equity</b>	<b>Non-controlling interests</b>	<b>Total equity</b>
At 1 January 2017	<b>95,286</b>	<b>1,557</b>	<b>96,843</b>
Total comprehensive income	<b>7,041</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>7,122</b>
Dividends	<b>(4,526)</b>	<b>(109)</b>	<b>(4,635)</b>
Share-based payments, net of tax	<b>514</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>514</b>
Share of equity-accounted entities change in equity, net of tax	<b>206</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>206</b>
Transactions involving non-controlling interests	<b>-</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>88</b>
At 30 September 2017	<b>98,521</b>	<b>1,617</b>	<b>100,138</b>

<b>\$ million</b>	<b>BP shareholder equity</b>	<b>Non-controlling interests</b>	<b>Total equity</b>
At 1 January 2016	97,216	1,171	98,387
Total comprehensive income	(3,513)	5	(3,508)
Dividends	(3,429)	(83)	(3,512)
Share-based payments, net of tax	622	-	622
Share of equity-accounted entities change in equity, net of tax	49	-	49
Transactions involving non-controlling interests	431	328	759
At 30 September 2016	91,376	1,421	92,797

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<b>\$ million</b>	<b>30 September 2017</b>	<b>31 December 2016</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>		
Property, plant and equipment	130,651	129,757
Goodwill	11,514	11,194
Intangible assets	18,586	18,183
Investments in joint ventures	6,703	8,609
Investments in associates	15,921	14,092
Other investments	1,051	1,033
Fixed assets	184,426	182,868
Loans	553	532
Trade and other receivables	1,461	1,474
Derivative financial instruments	4,470	4,359
Prepayments	1,094	945
Deferred tax assets	4,819	4,741
Defined benefit pension plan surpluses	2,297	584
	<b>199,120</b>	<b>195,503</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Loans	267	259
Inventories	18,078	17,655
Trade and other receivables	21,833	20,675
Derivative financial instruments	2,248	3,016
Prepayments	1,441	1,486
Current tax receivable	746	1,194
Other investments	84	44
Cash and cash equivalents	25,780	23,484
	<b>70,477</b>	<b>67,813</b>
Assets classified as held for sale (Note 3)	1,892	-
	<b>72,369</b>	<b>67,813</b>
Total assets	<b>271,489</b>	<b>263,316</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Trade and other payables	39,965	37,915
Derivative financial instruments	2,154	2,991
Accruals	4,797	5,136
Finance debt	8,891	6,634
Current tax payable	1,455	1,666
Provisions	2,304	4,012
	<b>59,566</b>	<b>58,354</b>

**Non-current liabilities**

Other payables	<b>13,805</b>	13,946
Derivative financial instruments	<b>3,881</b>	5,513
Accruals	<b>501</b>	469
Finance debt	<b>56,893</b>	51,666
Deferred tax liabilities	<b>7,619</b>	7,238
Provisions	<b>20,078</b>	20,412
Defined benefit pension plan and other post-retirement benefit plan deficits	<b>9,008</b>	8,875
	<b>111,785</b>	108,119
Total liabilities	<b>171,351</b>	166,473
Net assets	<b>100,138</b>	96,843
<b>Equity</b>		
BP shareholders' equity	<b>98,521</b>	95,286
Non-controlling interests	<b>1,617</b>	1,557
Total equity	<b>100,138</b>	96,843



**Table of Contents****Group results third quarter and nine months 2017****Condensed group cash flow statement**

<b>\$ million</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>Operating activities</b>				
Profit (loss) before taxation	2,955	1,329	5,998	(2,912)
Adjustments to reconcile profit (loss) before taxation to net cash provided by operating activities				
Depreciation, depletion and amortization and exploration expenditure written off	4,121	4,183	12,770	11,971
Impairment and (gain) loss on sale of businesses and fixed assets	16	(1,891)	278	(2,243)
Earnings from equity-accounted entities, less dividends received	(111)	259	(434)	(250)
Net charge for interest and other finance expense, less net interest paid	163	204	499	485
Share-based payments	177	166	495	629
Net operating charge for pensions and other post-retirement benefits, less contributions and benefit payments for unfunded plans	(160)	(96)	(179)	(120)
Net charge for provisions, less payments	(144)	(184)	(138)	5,116
Movements in inventories and other current and non-current assets and liabilities	305	(1,001)	(3,292)	(3,591)
Income taxes paid	(1,298)	(461)	(2,969)	(822)
Net cash provided by operating activities	6,024	2,508	13,028	8,263
<b>Investing activities</b>				
Expenditure on property, plant and equipment, intangible and other assets	(4,136)	(3,379)	(12,140)	(12,043)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(146)	-	(311)	-
Investment in joint ventures	(5)	(1)	(35)	(13)
Investment in associates	(176)	(185)	(533)	(474)
Total cash capital expenditure	(4,463)	(3,565)	(13,019)	(12,530)
Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets	149	590	649	981
Proceeds from disposal of businesses, net of cash disposed	92	(21)	305	1,181
Proceeds from loan repayments	308	9	341	61
Net cash used in investing activities	(3,914)	(2,987)	(11,724)	(10,307)
<b>Financing activities</b>				
Proceeds from long-term financing	3,078	3,925	8,511	9,373

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Repayments of long-term financing	<b>(1,239)</b>	(75)	<b>(3,619)</b>	(4,952)
Net increase (decrease) in short-term debt	<b>123</b>	(512)	<b>139</b>	(324)
Net increase (decrease) in non-controlling interests		323	<b>81</b>	761
Dividends paid - BP shareholders	<b>(1,676)</b>	(1,161)	<b>(4,526)</b>	(3,429)
- non-controlling interests	<b>(32)</b>	(31)	<b>(109)</b>	(83)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	<b>254</b>	2,469	<b>477</b>	1,346
Currency translation differences relating to cash and cash equivalents	<b>146</b>	13	<b>515</b>	(171)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	<b>2,510</b>	2,003	<b>2,296</b>	(869)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	<b>23,270</b>	23,517	<b>23,484</b>	26,389
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	<b>25,780</b>	25,520	<b>25,780</b>	25,520

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Note 1. Basis of preparation

The interim financial information included in this report has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting .

The results for the interim periods are unaudited and, in the opinion of management, include all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the results for each period. All such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature. This report should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes for the year ended 31 December 2016 included in *BP Annual Report and Form 20-F 2016*.

BP prepares its consolidated financial statements included within BP Annual Report and Form 20-F on the basis of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), IFRS as adopted by the European Union (EU) and in accordance with the provisions of the UK Companies Act 2006. IFRS as adopted by the EU differs in certain respects from IFRS as issued by the IASB. The differences have no impact on the group's consolidated financial statements for the periods presented.

The financial information presented herein has been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies expected to be used in preparing *BP Annual Report and Form 20-F 2017*, which do not differ significantly from those used in *BP Annual Report and Form 20-F 2016*.

Note 2. Gulf of Mexico oil spill

(a) Overview

The information presented in this note should be read in conjunction with *BP Annual Report and Form 20-F 2016 - Financial statements - Note 2 and Legal proceedings on page 261*.

The group income statement includes a pre-tax charge for the third quarter of \$84 million to reflect the latest estimate for claims and associated administration costs, and \$122 million for finance costs relating to the unwinding of discounting effects. The equivalent amounts for the nine months were \$466 million and \$369 million respectively. The cumulative pre-tax income statement charge since the incident, in April 2010, amounts to \$63,420 million.

The amounts set out below reflect the impacts on the financial statements of the Gulf of Mexico oil spill for the periods presented. The income statement, balance sheet and cash flow statement impacts are included within the relevant line items in those statements as set out below.

<b>\$ million</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>Income statement</b>				
Production and manufacturing expenses	<b>84</b>	66	<b>466</b>	5,966
Profit (loss) before interest and taxation	<b>(84)</b>	(66)	<b>(466)</b>	(5,966)
Finance costs	<b>122</b>	123	<b>369</b>	369
Profit (loss) before taxation	<b>(206)</b>	(189)	<b>(835)</b>	(6,335)
Taxation	<b>71</b>	53	<b>273</b>	2,837
Profit (loss) for the period	<b>(135)</b>	(136)	<b>(562)</b>	(3,498)

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## Note 2. Gulf of Mexico oil spill (continued)

<b>\$ million</b>	<b>30 September 2017</b>	<b>31 December 2016</b>
<b>Balance sheet</b>		
Current assets		
Trade and other receivables	214	194
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	(2,069)	(3,056)
Provisions	(726)	(2,330)
Net current assets (liabilities)	(2,581)	(5,192)
Non-current assets		
Deferred tax assets	2,821	2,973
Non-current liabilities		
Other payables	(12,197)	(13,522)
Provisions		(112)
Deferred tax liabilities	5,544	5,119
Net non-current assets (liabilities)	(3,832)	(5,542)
Net assets (liabilities)	(6,413)	(10,734)

<b>\$ million</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>Cash flow statement - Operating activities</b>				
Profit (loss) before taxation	(206)	(189)	(835)	(6,335)
Adjustments to reconcile profit (loss) before taxation to net cash provided by operating activities				
Net charge for interest and other finance expense, less net interest paid	122	123	369	369
Net charge for provisions, less payments	68	(494)	361	4,729
Movements in inventories and other current and non-current assets and liabilities	(548)	(1,766)	(4,778)	(3,825)
Pre-tax cash flows	(564)	(2,326)	(4,883)	(5,062)

Cash outflows in 2016 and 2017 include payments made under the 2012 agreement with the US government to resolve all federal criminal claims arising from the incident and the 2016 consent decree and settlement agreement with the United States and the five Gulf coast states. Net cash from operating activities relating to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill, on a post-tax basis, amounted to an outflow of \$564 million and \$4,883 million in the third quarter and nine months of 2017 respectively. For the same periods in 2016, the amount was an outflow of \$2,326 million and \$4,849 million respectively.



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Movements in the remaining provision, which relates to litigation and claims, are shown in the table below.

<b>\$ million</b>	
At 1 July 2017	955
Net increase in provision	75
Reclassified to other payables	(19)
Utilization	(285)
At 30 September 2017	726

Movements in the remaining provision during the nine months are shown in the table below.

<b>\$ million</b>	
At 1 January 2017	2,442
Net increase in provision	437
Reclassified to other payables	(709)
Utilization	(1,444)
At 30 September 2017	726

The provision includes amounts for the future cost of resolving claims by individuals and businesses for damage to real or personal property, lost profits or impairment of earning capacity and loss of subsistence use of natural resources.

*PSC settlement*

The provision for the cost associated with the 2012 Plaintiffs Steering Committee (PSC) settlement reflects the latest estimate for claims, including business economic loss claims and associated administration costs. However, the amounts ultimately payable may differ from the amount provided and the timing of payments is uncertain.

The settlement programme's determination of business economic loss claims is now expected to be substantially complete by the end of 2017. Nevertheless a significant number of claims determined by the settlement programme have been and continue to be appealed by BP and/or the claimants. Depending upon the resolution of these claims under appeal, the amounts payable may differ from those currently provided.

There is additional uncertainty in relation to the impact of the May 2017 Fifth Circuit opinion (on the policy addressing the matching of revenue with expenses in relation to business economic loss claims) including on those business economic loss claims that have not yet been determined and those that are under appeal within the settlement programme. This includes uncertainty in relation to the impact of recently filed appeals of the district court's orders instructing the settlement programme on how to implement the Fifth Circuit's opinion. See Legal proceedings on page 36 for further details on the Fifth Circuit opinion and appeal of the district court's orders.

Amounts to resolve remaining claims under the PSC settlement are expected to be substantially paid by the end of 2018. The timing of payments is uncertain, and in particular, will be impacted by how long it takes to resolve claims that have been appealed and may be appealed in the future.

### **Other payables**

Other payables include amounts payable under the 2012 agreement with the US government to resolve all federal criminal claims arising from the incident, amounts payable under the consent decree and settlement agreement with the United States and the five Gulf coast states for natural resource damages, state claims and Clean Water Act penalties, BP's remaining commitment to fund the Gulf of Mexico Research Initiative, and amounts payable for certain economic loss and property damage claims.

Further information on provisions, other payables, and contingent liabilities is provided in *BP Annual Report and Form 20-F 2016* - Financial statements - Note 2.



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In September, BP announced that it had agreed with Bidas Corporation (Bidas) to form a new integrated energy company by combining their interests in the oil and gas producer Pan American Energy (PAE) and the refiner and marketer Axion Energy (Axion) in a cash-free transaction. PAE is currently owned 60% by BP and 40% by Bidas. The new company, Pan American Energy Group, will be owned equally by BP and Bidas. The transaction, which is subject to certain pre-closing conditions being fulfilled, is expected to complete in the first quarter 2018. As a result, one sixth of BP's investment in PAE has been classified as held for sale in the group balance sheet at 30 September 2017.

In April, BP announced its intention to divest its 50% shareholding in the Shanghai SECCO Petrochemical Company Limited joint venture in China. During the quarter a number of steps in the regulatory process, and certain conditions precedent, were completed and the investment has been classified as held for sale in the group balance sheet at 30 September 2017. We expect to complete the transaction and receive estimated proceeds of \$1.4 billion in the fourth quarter.

On 30 October, we completed the initial public offering of common units in our subsidiary, BP Midstream Partners LP. As a result of the initial public offering, we received net proceeds of around \$0.7 billion.

**Note 4. Analysis of replacement cost profit (loss) before interest and tax and reconciliation to profit (loss) before taxation**

<b>\$ million</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
Upstream	<b>1,242</b>	1,196	<b>3,293</b>	(118)
Downstream	<b>2,175</b>	978	<b>5,448</b>	4,263
Rosneft	<b>137</b>	120	<b>515</b>	432
Other businesses and corporate <sup>(a)</sup>	<b>(460)</b>	(441)	<b>(1,612)</b>	(7,040)
	<b>3,094</b>	1,853	<b>7,644</b>	(2,463)
Consolidation adjustment - UPII*	<b>(130)</b>	17	<b>(63)</b>	(64)
RC profit (loss) before interest and tax*	<b>2,964</b>	1,870	<b>7,581</b>	(2,527)
Inventory holding gains (losses)*				
Upstream	<b>13</b>	(13)	<b>8</b>	41
Downstream	<b>520</b>	(35)	<b>39</b>	926
Rosneft (net of tax)	<b>24</b>	(12)	<b>(10)</b>	29
Profit (loss) before interest and tax	<b>3,521</b>	1,810	<b>7,618</b>	(1,531)
Finance costs	<b>511</b>	433	<b>1,458</b>	1,241
Net finance expense relating to pensions and other post-retirement benefits	<b>55</b>	48	<b>162</b>	140

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Profit (loss) before taxation	<b>2,955</b>	1,329	<b>5,998</b>	(2,912)
<b>RC profit (loss) before interest and tax*</b>				
US	<b>428</b>	(15)	<b>1,243</b>	(6,665)
Non-US	<b>2,536</b>	1,885	<b>6,338</b>	4,138
	<b>2,964</b>	1,870	<b>7,581</b>	(2,527)

(a) Includes costs related to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill. See Note 2 for further information.

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## Note 5. Segmental analysis

<b>Sales and other operating revenues</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>\$ million</b>				
<b>By segment</b>				
Upstream	<b>10,969</b>	8,452	<b>32,789</b>	24,059
Downstream	<b>54,881</b>	43,488	<b>157,156</b>	120,849
Other businesses and corporate	<b>378</b>	425	<b>989</b>	1,243
	<b>66,228</b>	52,365	<b>190,934</b>	146,151
Less: sales and other operating revenues between segments				
Upstream	<b>5,312</b>	4,952	<b>17,250</b>	12,886
Downstream	<b>765</b>	175	<b>887</b>	768
Other businesses and corporate	<b>133</b>	191	<b>405</b>	496
	<b>6,210</b>	5,318	<b>18,542</b>	14,150
Third party sales and other operating revenues				
Upstream	<b>5,657</b>	3,500	<b>15,539</b>	11,173
Downstream	<b>54,116</b>	43,313	<b>156,269</b>	120,081
Other businesses and corporate	<b>245</b>	234	<b>584</b>	747
Total sales and other operating revenues	<b>60,018</b>	47,047	<b>172,392</b>	132,001
<b>By geographical area</b>				
US	<b>21,853</b>	18,853	<b>64,582</b>	50,130
Non-US	<b>44,212</b>	31,762	<b>125,335</b>	91,390
	<b>66,065</b>	50,615	<b>189,917</b>	141,520
Less: sales and other operating revenues between areas	<b>6,047</b>	3,568	<b>17,525</b>	9,519
	<b>60,018</b>	47,047	<b>172,392</b>	132,001
<b>Depreciation, depletion and amortization</b>				
<b>\$ million</b>				
<b>Upstream</b>				
US	<b>1,154</b>	1,027	<b>3,524</b>	3,180
Non-US	<b>2,154</b>	1,879	<b>6,298</b>	5,976
	<b>3,308</b>	2,906	<b>9,822</b>	9,156
<b>Downstream</b>				

US	<b>222</b>	217	<b>657</b>	637
Non-US	<b>287</b>	275	<b>840</b>	821
	<b>509</b>	492	<b>1,497</b>	1,458
<b>Other businesses and corporate</b>				
US	<b>17</b>	16	<b>49</b>	51
Non-US	<b>70</b>	82	<b>171</b>	198
	<b>87</b>	98	<b>220</b>	249
Total group	<b>3,904</b>	3,496	<b>11,539</b>	10,863

#### Note 6. Production and similar taxes

	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>\$ million</b>				
US	<b>(69)</b>	32	<b>8</b>	117
Non-US	<b>347</b>	180	<b>765</b>	367
	<b>278</b>	212	<b>773</b>	484

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Basic earnings per ordinary share (EpS) amounts are calculated by dividing the profit for the period attributable to ordinary shareholders by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period.

The calculation of EpS is performed separately for each discrete quarterly period, and for the year-to-date period. As a result, the sum of the discrete quarterly EpS amounts in any particular year-to-date period may not be equal to the EpS amount for the year-to-date period.

For the diluted EpS calculation the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period is adjusted for the number of shares that are potentially issuable in connection with employee share-based payment plans using the treasury stock method.

<b>\$ million</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>Results for the period</b>				
Profit (loss) for the period attributable to BP shareholders	<b>1,769</b>	1,620	<b>3,362</b>	(382)
Less: preference dividend	-	-	<b>1</b>	1
Profit (loss) attributable to BP ordinary shareholders	<b>1,769</b>	1,620	<b>3,361</b>	(383)
<b>Number of shares (thousand)(a)(b)</b>				
Basic weighted average number of shares outstanding	<b>19,756,117</b>	18,824,739	<b>19,654,608</b>	18,660,397
ADS equivalent	<b>3,292,686</b>	3,137,456	<b>3,275,768</b>	3,110,066
Weighted average number of shares outstanding used to calculate diluted earnings per share	<b>19,866,745</b>	18,920,920	<b>19,771,579</b>	18,660,397
ADS equivalent	<b>3,311,124</b>	3,153,486	<b>3,295,263</b>	3,110,066
Shares in issue at period-end	<b>19,797,657</b>	18,912,989	<b>19,797,657</b>	18,912,989
ADS equivalent	<b>3,299,609</b>	3,152,164	<b>3,299,609</b>	3,152,164

(a) Excludes treasury shares and includes certain shares that will be issued in the future under employee share-based payment plans.

(b) If the inclusion of potentially issuable shares would decrease loss per share, the potentially issuable shares are excluded from the weighted average number of shares outstanding used to calculate diluted earnings per

share.

**Note 8. Dividends****Dividends payable**

BP today announced an interim dividend of 10.00 cents per ordinary share which is expected to be paid on 21 December 2017 to shareholders and American Depositary Share (ADS) holders on the register on 10 November 2017. The corresponding amount in sterling is due to be announced on 11 December 2017, calculated based on the average of the market exchange rates for the four dealing days commencing on 5 December 2017. Holders of ADSs are expected to receive \$0.600 per ADS (less applicable fees). A scrip dividend alternative is available, allowing shareholders to elect to receive their dividend in the form of new ordinary shares and ADS holders in the form of new ADSs. Details of the third quarter dividend and timetable are available at [bp.com/dividends](http://bp.com/dividends) and details of the scrip dividend programme are available at [bp.com/scrip](http://bp.com/scrip).

	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>Dividends paid per ordinary share</b>				
cents	<b>10.000</b>	10.000	<b>30.000</b>	30.000
pence	<b>7.621</b>	7.558	<b>23.536</b>	21.487
Dividends paid per ADS (cents)	<b>60.00</b>	60.00	<b>180.00</b>	180.00
<b>Scrip dividends</b>				
Number of shares issued (millions)	<b>51.3</b>	130.0	<b>236.5</b>	418.8
Value of shares issued (\$ million)	<b>298</b>	714	<b>1,360</b>	2,148

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## Note 9. Net Debt\*

<b>Net debt ratio*</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>\$ million</b>				
Gross debt	<b>65,784</b>	58,997	<b>65,784</b>	58,997
Fair value (asset) liability of hedges related to finance debt <sup>(a)</sup>	<b>(227)</b>	(1,113)	<b>(227)</b>	(1,113)
	<b>65,557</b>	57,884	<b>65,557</b>	57,884
Less: cash and cash equivalents	<b>25,780</b>	25,520	<b>25,780</b>	25,520
Net debt	<b>39,777</b>	32,364	<b>39,777</b>	32,364
Equity	<b>100,138</b>	92,797	<b>100,138</b>	92,797
Net debt ratio	<b>28.4%</b>	25.9%	<b>28.4%</b>	25.9%

<b>Analysis of changes in net debt</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>\$ million</b>				
<b>Opening balance</b>				
Finance debt	<b>63,004</b>	55,727	<b>58,300</b>	53,168
Fair value (asset) liability of hedges related to finance debt <sup>(a)</sup>	<b>60</b>	(1,279)	<b>697</b>	379
Less: cash and cash equivalents	<b>23,270</b>	23,517	<b>23,484</b>	26,389
Opening net debt	<b>39,794</b>	30,931	<b>35,513</b>	27,158
<b>Closing balance</b>				
Finance debt	<b>65,784</b>	58,997	<b>65,784</b>	58,997
Fair value (asset) liability of hedges related to finance debt <sup>(a)</sup>	<b>(227)</b>	(1,113)	<b>(227)</b>	(1,113)
Less: cash and cash equivalents	<b>25,780</b>	25,520	<b>25,780</b>	25,520
Closing net debt	<b>39,777</b>	32,364	<b>39,777</b>	32,364
Decrease (increase) in net debt	<b>17</b>	(1,433)	<b>(4,264)</b>	(5,206)
Movement in cash and cash equivalents (excluding exchange adjustments)	<b>2,364</b>	1,990	<b>1,781</b>	(698)
Net cash outflow (inflow) from financing (excluding share capital and dividends)	<b>(1,962)</b>	(3,338)	<b>(5,031)</b>	(4,097)
Other movements	<b>(186)</b>	29	<b>(265)</b>	424
Movement in net debt before exchange effects	<b>216</b>	(1,319)	<b>(3,515)</b>	(4,371)
Exchange adjustments	<b>(199)</b>	(114)	<b>(749)</b>	(835)
Decrease (increase) in net debt	<b>17</b>	(1,433)	<b>(4,264)</b>	(5,206)

(a) Derivative financial instruments entered into for the purpose of managing interest rate and foreign currency exchange risk associated with net debt with a fair value liability position of \$883 million

(third quarter 2016 liability of \$1,323 million) are not included in the calculation of net debt shown above as hedge accounting is not applied for these instruments.

**Note 10. Inventory valuation**

A provision of \$501 million was held at 30 September 2017 (\$509 million at 30 September 2016) to write inventories down to their net realizable value. The net movement credited to the income statement during the third quarter 2017 was \$131 million (third quarter 2016 was a credit of \$178 million).

**Note 11. Statutory accounts**

The financial information shown in this publication, which was approved by the Board of Directors on 30 October 2017, is unaudited and does not constitute statutory financial statements. Audited financial information will be published in *BP Annual Report and Form 20-F 2017*.



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## Additional information

## Capital expenditure\*

\$ million	Third quarter 2017	Third quarter 2016	Nine months 2017	Nine months 2016
<b>Capital expenditure on a cash basis</b>				
Organic capital expenditure*	3,993	3,519	11,879	12,202
Inorganic capital expenditure* <sup>(a)</sup>	470	46	1,140	328
	<b>4,463</b>	<b>3,565</b>	<b>13,019</b>	<b>12,530</b>

\$ million	Third quarter 2017	Third quarter 2016	Nine months 2017	Nine months 2016
<b>Organic capital expenditure by segment</b>				
<b>Upstream</b>				
US	827	618	2,273	2,813
Non-US	2,601	2,433	7,945	8,011
	<b>3,428</b>	<b>3,051</b>	<b>10,218</b>	<b>10,824</b>
<b>Downstream</b>				
US	159	159	460	471
Non-US	356	272	992	798
	<b>515</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>1,452</b>	<b>1,269</b>
<b>Other businesses and corporate</b>				
US	10	3	34	7
Non-US	40	34	175	102
	<b>50</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>109</b>
	<b>3,993</b>	<b>3,519</b>	<b>11,879</b>	<b>12,202</b>
<b>Organic capital expenditure by geographical area</b>				
US	996	780	2,767	3,291
Non-US	2,997	2,739	9,112	8,911
	<b>3,993</b>	<b>3,519</b>	<b>11,879</b>	<b>12,202</b>

(a) Third quarter and nine months 2017 include amounts paid to acquire interests in Mauritania and Senegal and other items. Nine months 2017 also includes amounts paid to purchase an interest in the Zohr gas field in

Egypt and in exploration blocks in Senegal.

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<b>\$ million</b>	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>Upstream</b>				
Impairment and gain (loss) on sale of businesses and fixed assets <sub>(a)</sub>	<b>18</b>	1,908	<b>(382)</b>	1,912
Environmental and other provisions	-	(8)	-	(8)
Restructuring, integration and rationalization costs	<b>(3)</b>	(36)	<b>(20)</b>	(302)
Fair value gain (loss) on embedded derivatives	<b>1</b>	8	<b>31</b>	49
Other <sub>(b)</sub>	<b>(162)</b>	(407)	<b>(156)</b>	(534)
	<b>(146)</b>	1,465	<b>(527)</b>	1,117
<b>Downstream</b>				
Impairment and gain (loss) on sale of businesses and fixed assets	<b>(35)</b>	(11)	<b>110</b>	333
Environmental and other provisions	-	(72)	-	(75)
Restructuring, integration and rationalization costs	<b>(19)</b>	(108)	<b>(102)</b>	(197)
Fair value gain (loss) on embedded derivatives	-	-	-	-
Other	<b>(1)</b>	(5)	<b>(1)</b>	(8)
	<b>(55)</b>	(196)	<b>7</b>	53
<b>Rosneft</b>				
Impairment and gain (loss) on sale of businesses and fixed assets	-	-	-	-
Environmental and other provisions	-	-	-	-
Restructuring, integration and rationalization costs	-	-	-	-
Fair value gain (loss) on embedded derivatives	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
<b>Other businesses and corporate</b>				
Impairment and gain (loss) on sale of businesses and fixed assets	<b>1</b>	(6)	<b>(6)</b>	(2)
Environmental and other provisions	-	(99)	<b>(3)</b>	(134)
Restructuring, integration and rationalization costs	<b>(6)</b>	(10)	<b>(37)</b>	(69)
Fair value gain (loss) on embedded derivatives	-	-	-	-
Gulf of Mexico oil spill <sub>(c)</sub>	<b>(84)</b>	(66)	<b>(466)</b>	(5,966)
Other	<b>27</b>	-	<b>104</b>	(55)
	<b>(62)</b>	(181)	<b>(408)</b>	(6,226)
Total before interest and taxation	<b>(263)</b>	1,088	<b>(928)</b>	(5,056)
Finance costs <sub>(c)</sub>	<b>(122)</b>	(123)	<b>(369)</b>	(369)

Total before taxation	<b>(385)</b>	965	<b>(1,297)</b>	(5,425)
Taxation credit (charge)	<b>111</b>	(16)	<b>503</b>	2,777
Total after taxation for period	<b>(274)</b>	949	<b>(794)</b>	(2,648)

- (a) Nine months 2017 relates primarily to an impairment charge arising following the announcement on 3 April 2017 of the agreement to sell the Forties Pipeline System business to INEOS.
- (b) Third quarter and nine months 2017 include the write-off of \$145 million in relation to the value ascribed to certain licences in the deepwater Gulf of Mexico as part of the accounting for the acquisition of upstream assets from Devon Energy in 2011.
- (c) See Note 2 for further details regarding costs relating to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill.

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## Non-GAAP information on fair value accounting effects

\$ million	Third quarter 2017	Third quarter 2016	Nine months 2017	Nine months 2016
<b>Favourable (adverse) impact relative to management's measure of performance</b>				
Upstream	(174)	(45)	178	(293)
Downstream	(108)	(257)	(52)	(547)
	(282)	(302)	126	(840)
Taxation credit (charge)	70	81	(47)	232
	(212)	(221)	79	(608)

BP uses derivative instruments to manage the economic exposure relating to inventories above normal operating requirements of crude oil, natural gas and petroleum products. Under IFRS, these inventories are recorded at historical cost. The related derivative instruments, however, are required to be recorded at fair value with gains and losses recognized in the income statement. This is because hedge accounting is either not permitted or not followed, principally due to the impracticality of effectiveness-testing requirements. Therefore, measurement differences in relation to recognition of gains and losses occur. Gains and losses on these inventories are not recognized until the commodity is sold in a subsequent accounting period. Gains and losses on the related derivative commodity contracts are recognized in the income statement, from the time the derivative commodity contract is entered into, on a fair value basis using forward prices consistent with the contract maturity.

BP enters into physical commodity contracts to meet certain business requirements, such as the purchase of crude for a refinery or the sale of BP's gas production. Under IFRS these physical contracts are treated as derivatives and are required to be fair valued when they are managed as part of a larger portfolio of similar transactions. In addition, derivative instruments are used to manage the price risk associated with certain future natural gas sales. Gains and losses arising are recognized in the income statement from the time the derivative commodity contract is entered into.

IFRS require that inventory held for trading is recorded at its fair value using period-end spot prices, whereas any related derivative commodity instruments are required to be recorded at values based on forward prices consistent with the contract maturity. Depending on market conditions, these forward prices can be either higher or lower than spot prices, resulting in measurement differences.

BP enters into contracts for pipelines and storage capacity, oil and gas processing and liquefied natural gas (LNG) that, under IFRS, are recorded on an accruals basis. These contracts are risk-managed using a variety of derivative instruments that are fair valued under IFRS. This results in measurement differences in relation to recognition of gains and losses.

The way that BP manages the economic exposures described above, and measures performance internally, differs from the way these activities are measured under IFRS. BP calculates this difference for consolidated entities by

comparing the IFRS result with management's internal measure of performance. Under management's internal measure of performance the inventory and capacity contracts in question are valued based on fair value using relevant forward prices prevailing at the end of the period. The fair values of certain derivative instruments used to risk manage certain LNG and oil and gas contracts and gas sales contracts, are deferred to match with the underlying exposure and the commodity contracts for business requirements are accounted for on an accruals basis. We believe that disclosing management's estimate of this difference provides useful information for investors because it enables investors to see the economic effect of these activities as a whole. The impacts of fair value accounting effects, relative to management's internal measure of performance, are shown in the table above. A reconciliation to GAAP information is set out below.

\$ million	Third quarter 2017	Third quarter 2016	Nine months 2017	Nine months 2016
<b>Upstream</b>				
Replacement cost profit before interest and tax adjusted for fair value accounting effects	1,416	1,241	3,115	175
Impact of fair value accounting effects	(174)	(45)	178	(293)
Replacement cost profit (loss) before interest and tax	1,242	1,196	3,293	(118)
<b>Downstream</b>				
Replacement cost profit before interest and tax adjusted for fair value accounting effects	2,283	1,235	5,500	4,810
Impact of fair value accounting effects	(108)	(257)	(52)	(547)
Replacement cost profit before interest and tax	2,175	978	5,448	4,263
<b>Total group</b>				
Profit (loss) before interest and tax adjusted for fair value accounting effects	3,803	2,112	7,492	(691)
Impact of fair value accounting effects	(282)	(302)	126	(840)
Profit (loss) before interest and tax	3,521	1,810	7,618	(1,531)

**Table of Contents****Group results third quarter and nine months 2017****Readily marketable inventory\* (RMI)**

<b>\$ million</b>	<b>30 September 2017</b>	<b>31 December 2016</b>
RMI at fair value	5,714	5,952
Paid-up RMI*	2,516	2,705

Readily marketable inventory (RMI) is oil and oil products inventory held and price risk-managed by BP's integrated supply and trading function (IST) which could be sold to generate funds if required. Paid-up RMI is RMI that BP has paid for.

We believe that disclosing the amounts of RMI and paid-up RMI is useful to investors as it enables them to better understand and evaluate the group's inventories and liquidity position by enabling them to see the level of discretionary inventory held by IST and to see builds or releases of liquid trading inventory.

See the Glossary on page 32 for a more detailed definition of RMI. RMI, RMI at fair value and paid-up RMI are non-GAAP measures. A reconciliation of total inventory as reported on the group balance sheet to paid-up RMI is provided below.

<b>\$ million</b>	<b>30 September 2017</b>	<b>31 December 2016</b>
<b>Reconciliation of total inventory to paid-up RMI</b>		
Inventories as reported on the group balance sheet	18,078	17,655
Less: (a) inventories which are not oil and oil products and (b) oil and oil product inventories which are not risk-managed by IST	(12,787)	(12,131)
RMI on an IFRS basis	5,291	5,524
Plus: difference between RMI at fair value and RMI on an IFRS basis	423	428
RMI at fair value	5,714	5,952
Less: unpaid RMI* at fair value	(3,198)	(3,247)
Paid-up RMI	2,516	2,705

**Table of Contents****Group results third quarter and nine months 2017****Reconciliation of basic earnings per ordinary share to replacement cost (RC) profit (loss) per share and to underlying RC profit (loss) per share**

	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>Per ordinary share (cents)</b>				
Profit (loss) for the period	<b>8.95</b>	8.61	<b>17.10</b>	(2.05)
Inventory holding (gains) losses*, before tax	<b>(2.82)</b>	0.31	<b>(0.19)</b>	(5.34)
Taxation charge (credit) on inventory holding gains and losses	<b>0.85</b>	(0.10)	<b>0.10</b>	1.65
RC profit (loss)*	<b>6.98</b>	8.82	<b>17.01</b>	(5.74)
Net (favourable) unfavourable impact of non-operating items*and fair value accounting effects*, before tax	<b>3.38</b>	(3.51)	<b>5.96</b>	33.57
Taxation charge (credit) on non-operating items and fair value accounting effects	<b>(0.92)</b>	(0.35)	<b>(2.32)</b>	(16.13)
Underlying RC profit*	<b>9.44</b>	4.96	<b>20.65</b>	11.70

**Reconciliation of effective tax rate (ETR) to ETR on RC profit or loss and adjusted ETR****Taxation (charge) credit**

	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
\$ million				
Taxation on profit or loss	<b>(1,198)</b>	248	<b>(2,593)</b>	2,541
Taxation on inventory holding gains and losses	<b>(167)</b>	19	<b>(19)</b>	(307)
Taxation on a RC profit or loss basis	<b>(1,031)</b>	229	<b>(2,574)</b>	2,848
Taxation on non-operating items and fair value accounting effects	<b>181</b>	65	<b>456</b>	3,009
Adjusted for the impact of the reduction in the rate of the UK North Sea supplementary charge	-	434	-	434
Adjusted taxation	<b>(1,212)</b>	(270)	<b>(3,030)</b>	(595)

**Effective tax rate**

	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
%				
ETR on profit or loss	<b>41</b>	(19)	<b>43</b>	87
Adjusted for inventory holding gains or losses	<b>2</b>	3	-	(14)
ETR on RC profit or loss*	<b>43</b>	(16)	<b>43</b>	73
Adjusted for non-operating items and fair value accounting effects	<b>(3)</b>	(7)	<b>(1)</b>	(66)
	-	60	-	18



Adjusted for the impact of the reduction in the rate of  
the UK North Sea supplementary charge

Adjusted ETR*	<b>40</b>	37	<b>42</b>	25
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## Realizations\* and marker prices

	<b>Third quarter 2017</b>	<b>Third quarter 2016</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>	<b>Nine months 2016</b>
<b>Average realizations<sup>(a)</sup></b>				
<b>Liquids* (\$/bbl)</b>				
US	<b>43.58</b>	39.16	<b>44.87</b>	34.20
Europe	<b>50.02</b>	42.87	<b>50.32</b>	39.18
Rest of World <sup>(b)</sup>	<b>49.54</b>	41.92	<b>49.49</b>	37.54
BP Average <sup>(b)</sup>	<b>47.45</b>	40.99	<b>47.87</b>	36.50
<b>Natural gas (\$/mcf)</b>				
US	<b>2.34</b>	2.19	<b>2.39</b>	1.77
Europe	<b>5.10</b>	3.94	<b>4.98</b>	4.28
Rest of World	<b>3.03</b>	2.98	<b>3.42</b>	3.14
BP Average	<b>2.89</b>	2.77	<b>3.18</b>	2.76
<b>Total hydrocarbons* (\$/boe)</b>				
US	<b>31.30</b>	27.71	<b>32.68</b>	24.15
Europe	<b>45.26</b>	37.10	<b>44.33</b>	35.19
Rest of World <sup>(b)</sup>	<b>33.13</b>	29.24	<b>34.76</b>	27.85
BP Average <sup>(b)</sup>	<b>33.23</b>	29.37	<b>34.63</b>	27.20
<b>Average oil marker prices (\$/bbl)</b>				
Brent	<b>52.08</b>	45.86	<b>51.84</b>	41.88
West Texas Intermediate	<b>48.18</b>	44.88	<b>49.32</b>	41.41
Western Canadian Select	<b>38.16</b>	31.60	<b>38.49</b>	29.26
Alaska North Slope	<b>52.04</b>	44.65	<b>52.15</b>	41.58
Mars	<b>48.46</b>	41.83	<b>48.31</b>	38.14
Urals (NWE - cif)	<b>50.73</b>	43.73	<b>50.39</b>	39.67
<b>Average natural gas marker prices</b>				
Henry Hub gas price <sup>(c)</sup> (\$/mmBtu)	<b>2.99</b>	2.81	<b>3.17</b>	2.28
UK Gas - National Balancing Point (p/therm)	<b>41.59</b>	31.00	<b>42.61</b>	30.93

(a) Based on sales of consolidated subsidiaries only - this excludes equity-accounted entities.

(b) Production volume recognition methodology for our Technical Service Contract arrangement in Iraq has been simplified to exclude the impact of oil price movements on lifting imbalances. A minor adjustment has been made to third quarter and nine months 2016. There is no impact on the financial results.

(c) Henry Hub First of Month Index.

## Exchange rates

<b>Third quarter</b>	<b>Third quarter</b>	<b>Nine months</b>	<b>Nine months</b>
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	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
\$/£ average rate for the period	<b>1.31</b>	1.31	<b>1.28</b>	1.39
\$/£ period-end rate	<b>1.34</b>	1.30	<b>1.34</b>	1.30
\$/ average rate for the period	<b>1.17</b>	1.12	<b>1.11</b>	1.12
\$/ period-end rate	<b>1.18</b>	1.12	<b>1.18</b>	1.12
Rouble/\$ average rate for the period	<b>58.99</b>	64.60	<b>58.33</b>	68.37
Rouble/\$ period-end rate	<b>57.94</b>	63.14	<b>57.94</b>	63.14

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Non-GAAP measures are provided for investors because they are closely tracked by management to evaluate BP's operating performance and to make financial, strategic and operating decisions.

**Adjusted effective tax rate (ETR)** is a non-GAAP measure. The adjusted ETR is calculated by dividing taxation on an underlying RC basis by underlying RC profit or loss before tax. Taxation on an underlying RC basis is taxation on a RC basis for the period adjusted for taxation on non-operating items and fair value accounting effects. For the 2016 calculation, taxation on an underlying RC basis also reflects an adjustment to eliminate a \$434-million credit that arises from the reduction in the rate of the North Sea supplementary charge in the third quarter of 2016. Information on underlying RC profit or loss is provided below. BP believes it is helpful to disclose the adjusted ETR because this measure may help investors to understand and evaluate, in the same manner as management, the underlying trends in BP's operational performance on a comparable basis, period on period. The nearest equivalent measure on an IFRS basis is the ETR on profit or loss for the period. A reconciliation to GAAP information is provided on page 30.

**Capital expenditure** is total cash capital expenditure as stated in the condensed group cash flow statement.

**Consolidation adjustment - UPII** is unrealized profit in inventory arising on inter-segment transactions.

**Divestment proceeds** are disposal proceeds as per the condensed group cash flow statement.

**Effective tax rate (ETR) on replacement cost (RC) profit or loss** is a non-GAAP measure. The ETR on RC profit or loss is calculated by dividing taxation on a RC basis by RC profit or loss before tax. Information on RC profit or loss is provided below. BP believes it is helpful to disclose the ETR on RC profit or loss because this measure excludes the impact of price changes on the replacement of inventories and allows for more meaningful comparisons between reporting periods. The nearest equivalent measure on an IFRS basis is the ETR on profit or loss for the period. A reconciliation to GAAP information is provided on page 30.

**Fair value accounting effects** are non-GAAP adjustments to our IFRS profit (loss) relating to certain physical inventories, pipelines and storage capacity. Management uses a fair-value basis to value these items which, under IFRS, are accounted for on an accruals basis with the exception of trading inventories, which are valued using spot prices. The adjustments have the effect of aligning the valuation basis of the physical positions with that of any associated derivative instruments, which are required to be fair valued under IFRS, in order to provide a more representative view of the ultimate economic value. Further information is provided on page 28.

**Gearing** - See Net debt and net debt ratio definition.

**Hydrocarbons** - Liquids and natural gas. Natural gas is converted to oil equivalent at 5.8 billion cubic feet = 1 million barrels.

**Inorganic capital expenditure** is a subset of capital expenditure and is a non-GAAP measure. Inorganic capital expenditure comprises consideration in business combinations and certain other significant investments made by the

group. It is reported on a cash basis. BP believes that this measure provides useful information as it allows investors to understand how BP's management invests funds in projects which expand the group's activities through acquisition. Further information and a reconciliation to GAAP information is provided on page 26.

**Inventory holding gains and losses** represent the difference between the cost of sales calculated using the replacement cost of inventory and the cost of sales calculated on the first-in first-out (FIFO) method after adjusting for any changes in provisions where the net realizable value of the inventory is lower than its cost. Under the FIFO method, which we use for IFRS reporting, the cost of inventory charged to the income statement is based on its historical cost of purchase or manufacture, rather than its replacement cost. In volatile energy markets, this can have a significant distorting effect on reported income. The amounts disclosed represent the difference between the charge to the income statement for inventory on a FIFO basis (after adjusting for any related movements in net realizable value provisions) and the charge that would have arisen based on the replacement cost of inventory. For this purpose, the replacement cost of inventory is calculated using data from each operation's production and manufacturing system, either on a monthly basis, or separately for each transaction where the system allows this approach. The amounts disclosed are not separately reflected in the financial statements as a gain or loss. No adjustment is made in respect of the cost of inventories held as part of a trading position and certain other temporary inventory positions. See Replacement cost (RC) profit or loss definition below.

**Liquids** - Liquids for Upstream and Rosneft comprises crude oil, condensate and natural gas liquids. For Upstream, liquids also includes bitumen.

**Major projects** have a BP net investment of at least \$250 million, or are considered to be of strategic importance to BP or of a high degree of complexity.

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**Net debt and net debt ratio** are non-GAAP measures. Net debt is calculated as gross finance debt, as shown in the balance sheet, plus the fair value of associated derivative financial instruments that are used to hedge foreign currency exchange and interest rate risks relating to finance debt, for which hedge accounting is applied, less cash and cash equivalents. The net debt ratio is defined as the ratio of net debt to the total of net debt plus shareholders' equity. All components of equity are included in the denominator of the calculation. BP believes these measures provide useful information to investors. Net debt enables investors to see the economic effect of gross debt, related hedges and cash and cash equivalents in total. The net debt ratio enables investors to see how significant net debt is relative to equity from shareholders. The derivatives are reported on the balance sheet within the headings **Derivative financial instruments**. The nearest equivalent GAAP measures are gross debt and gross debt ratio. A reconciliation of gross debt to net debt is provided on page 25.

We are unable to present reconciliations of forward-looking information for net debt ratio to gross debt ratio, because without unreasonable efforts, we are unable to forecast accurately certain adjusting items required to present a meaningful comparable GAAP forward-looking financial measure. These items include the fair value asset (liability) of hedges related to finance debt and cash and cash equivalents, that are difficult to predict in advance in order to include in a GAAP estimate.

**Net wind generation capacity** is the sum of the rated capacities of the assets/turbines that have entered into commercial operation, including BP's share of equity-accounted entities. The gross data is the equivalent capacity on a gross-JV basis, which includes 100% of the capacity of equity-accounted entities where BP has partial ownership.

**Non-operating items** are charges and credits included in the financial statements that BP discloses separately because it considers such disclosures to be meaningful and relevant to investors. They are items that management considers not to be part of underlying business operations and are disclosed in order to enable investors better to understand and evaluate the group's reported financial performance. Non-operating items within equity-accounted earnings are reported net of incremental income tax reported by the equity-accounted entity. An analysis of non-operating items by region is shown on pages 9, 11 and 13, and by segment and type is shown on page 27.

**Operating cash flow** is net cash provided by (used in) operating activities as stated in the condensed group cash flow statement. When used in the context of a segment rather than the group, the terms refer to the segment's share thereof.

**Operating cash flow excluding Gulf of Mexico oil spill payments or Underlying operating cash flow** is a non-GAAP measure

calculated by excluding post-tax operating cash flows relating to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill as reported in Note 2 from Net cash provided by operating activities as reported in the condensed group cash flow statement. The nearest equivalent measure on an IFRS basis is Net cash provided by operating activities.

**Organic capital expenditure** is a subset of capital expenditure and is a non-GAAP measure. Organic capital expenditure comprises capital expenditure less inorganic capital expenditure. BP believes that this measure provides useful information as it allows investors to understand how BP's management invests funds in developing and maintaining the group's assets. An analysis of organic capital expenditure by segment and region, and a reconciliation to GAAP information is provided on page 26.

We are unable to present reconciliations of forward-looking information for organic capital expenditure to total cash capital expenditure, because without unreasonable efforts, we are unable to forecast accurately the adjusting item, inorganic capital expenditure, that is difficult to predict in advance in order to derive the nearest GAAP estimate.

**Production-sharing agreement (PSA)** is an arrangement through which an oil company bears the risks and costs of exploration, development and production. In return, if exploration is successful, the oil company receives entitlement to variable physical volumes of hydrocarbons, representing recovery of the costs incurred and a stipulated share of the production remaining after such cost recovery.

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**Readily marketable inventory (RMI)** is inventory held and price risk-managed by our integrated supply and trading function (IST) which could be sold to generate funds if required. It comprises oil and oil products for which liquid markets are available and excludes inventory which is required to meet operational requirements and other inventory which is not price risk-managed. RMI is reported at fair value. Inventory held by the Downstream fuels business for the purpose of sales and marketing, and all inventories relating to the lubricants and petrochemicals businesses, are not included in RMI.

Paid-up RMI excludes RMI which has not yet been paid for. For inventory that is held in storage, a first-in first-out (FIFO) approach is used to determine whether inventory has been paid for or not. Unpaid RMI is RMI which has not yet been paid for by BP. RMI, Paid-up RMI and Unpaid RMI are non-GAAP measures. Further information is provided on page 29.

**Realizations** are the result of dividing revenue generated from hydrocarbon sales, excluding revenue generated from purchases made for resale and royalty volumes, by revenue generating hydrocarbon production volumes. Revenue generating hydrocarbon production reflects the BP share of production as adjusted for any production which does not generate revenue. Adjustments may include losses due to shrinkage, amounts consumed during processing, and contractual or regulatory host committed volumes such as royalties.

**Refining availability** represents Solomon Associates' operational availability, which is defined as the percentage of the year that a unit is available for processing after subtracting the annualized time lost due to turnaround activity and all planned mechanical, process and regulatory downtime.

The **Refining marker margin (RMM)** is the average of regional indicator margins weighted for BP's crude refining capacity in each region. Each regional marker margin is based on product yields and a marker crude oil deemed appropriate for the region. The regional indicator margins may not be representative of the margins achieved by BP in any period because of BP's particular refinery configurations and crude and product slate.

**Replacement cost (RC) profit or loss** reflects the replacement cost of inventories sold in the period and is arrived at by excluding inventory holding gains and losses from profit or loss. RC profit or loss is the measure of profit or loss that is required to be disclosed for each operating segment under IFRS. RC profit or loss for the group is not a recognized GAAP measure. BP believes this measure is useful to illustrate to investors the fact that crude oil and product prices can vary significantly from period to period and that the impact on our reported result under IFRS can be significant. Inventory holding gains and losses vary from period to period due to changes in prices as well as changes in underlying inventory levels. In order for investors to understand the operating performance of the group excluding the impact of price changes on the replacement of inventories, and to make comparisons of operating performance between reporting periods, BP's management believes it is helpful to disclose this measure. The nearest equivalent measure on an IFRS basis is profit or loss attributable to BP shareholders.



**RC profit or loss per share** is a non-GAAP measure. Earnings per share is defined in Note 7. RC profit or loss per share is calculated using the same denominator. The numerator used is RC profit or loss attributable to BP shareholders rather than profit or loss attributable to BP shareholders. BP believes it is helpful to disclose the RC profit or loss per share because this measure excludes the impact of price changes on the replacement of inventories and allows for more meaningful comparisons between reporting periods. The nearest equivalent measure on an IFRS basis is basic earnings per share based on profit or loss for the period attributable to BP shareholders. A reconciliation to GAAP information is provided on page 30.

**Reported recordable injury frequency** measures the number of reported work-related employee and contractor incidents that result in a fatality or injury per 200,000 hours worked. This represents reported incidents occurring within BP's operational HSSE reporting boundary. That boundary includes BP's own operated facilities and certain other locations or situations.

**Tier 1 process safety events** are losses of primary containment from a process of greatest consequence causing harm to a member of the workforce, costly damage to equipment or exceeding defined quantities. This represents reported incidents occurring within BP's operational HSSE reporting boundary. That boundary includes BP's own operated facilities and certain other locations or situations.

**Underlying production** is production after adjusting for divestments and entitlement impacts in our production-sharing agreements. 2017 underlying production does not include the Abu Dhabi onshore concession renewal.

**Underlying RC profit or loss** is RC profit or loss after adjusting for non-operating items and fair value accounting effects. Underlying RC profit or loss and adjustments for fair value accounting effects are not recognized GAAP measures. See pages 27 and 28 for additional information on the non-operating items and fair value accounting effects that are used to arrive at underlying RC profit or loss in order to enable a full understanding of the events and their financial impact. BP believes that underlying RC profit or loss is a useful measure for investors because it is a measure closely tracked by management to evaluate BP's operating performance and to make financial, strategic and operating decisions and because it may help investors to understand and evaluate, in the same manner as management, the underlying trends in BP's operational performance on a comparable basis, period on period, by adjusting for the effects of these non-operating items and fair value accounting effects. The nearest equivalent measure on an IFRS basis for the group is profit or loss attributable to BP shareholders. The nearest equivalent measure on an IFRS basis for segments is RC profit or loss before interest and taxation.

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**Glossary (continued)**

**Underlying RC profit or loss per share** is a non-GAAP measure. Earnings per share is defined in Note 7. Underlying RC profit or loss per share is calculated using the same denominator. The numerator used is underlying RC profit or loss attributable to BP shareholders rather than profit or loss attributable to BP shareholders. BP believes it is helpful to disclose the underlying RC profit or loss per share because this measure may help investors to understand and evaluate, in the same manner as management, the underlying trends in BP's operational performance on a comparable basis, period on period. The nearest equivalent measure on an IFRS basis is basic earnings per share based on profit or loss for the period attributable to BP shareholders. A reconciliation to GAAP information is provided on page 30.

**Upstream operating efficiency** is calculated as production for BP operated sites, excluding US Lower 48 and adjusted for certain items including entitlement impacts in our production-sharing agreements divided by installed production capacity for BP operated sites, excluding US Lower 48. Installed production capacity is the agreed rate achievable (measured at the export end of the system) when the installed production system (reservoir, wells, plant and export) is fully optimized and operated at full rate with no planned or unplanned deferrals.

**Upstream unit production cost** is calculated as production cost divided by units of production. Production cost does not include ad valorem and severance taxes. Units of production are barrels for liquids and thousands of cubic feet for gas. Amounts disclosed are for BP subsidiaries only and do not include BP's share of equity-accounted entities.

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**Legal proceedings**

The following discussion sets out the material developments in the group's material legal proceedings during the recent period. For a full discussion of the group's material legal proceedings, see pages 261-265 of *BP Annual Report and Form 20-F 2016*, and page 35 of *BP p.l.c. Group results second quarter and half year 2017*.

**Matters relating to the Deepwater Horizon accident and oil spill (the Incident)**

*Plaintiffs' Steering Committee (PSC) settlements - Economic and Property Damages Settlement Agreement* The Economic and Property Damages Settlement established a court-supervised settlement claims programme to resolve certain economic and property damage claims arising from the Incident.

Following numerous court decisions, on 31 March 2015, the United States district court in New Orleans denied the PSC motion seeking to alter or amend a revised policy relating to business economic loss claims. Such policy required the matching of revenue with the expenses incurred by claimants to generate that revenue, even where the revenue and expenses were recorded at different times. The PSC appealed the district court decision and, on 22 May 2017, the Fifth Circuit issued an opinion upholding the policy in part and reversing the policy in part. The Fifth Circuit ordered that the portion of the policy upheld, which covers the substantial majority of the remaining business economic loss claims, be applied as the governing methodology for all applicable business economic loss claims. BP filed a petition for a rehearing which was denied on 21 June 2017. On 25 May 2017, 13 June 2017, and 5 July 2017, the district court issued a series of orders instructing the court supervised settlement programme on how to implement the Fifth Circuit's opinion. On 10 August 2017, the district court denied BP's motion to clarify or reconsider these orders. BP appealed all of these orders and decisions on 8 September 2017; the appeals have been consolidated with four appeals filed by claimants in September 2017 challenging the same set of orders and decisions. These appeals are currently pending before the Fifth Circuit.

**Cautionary statement**

*In order to utilize the "safe harbor" provisions of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "PSLRA"), BP is providing the following cautionary statement: The discussion in this results announcement contains certain forecasts, projections and forward-looking statements - that is, statements related to future, not past events - with respect to the financial condition, results of operations and businesses of BP and certain of the plans and objectives of BP with respect to these items. These statements may generally, but not always, be identified by the use of words such as "will", "expects", "is expected to", "aims", "should", "may", "objective", "is likely to", "intends", "believes", "anticipates", "plans", "we see" or similar expressions. In particular, the following, among other statements, are all forward looking in nature: plans for recommencing a share buyback programme; expectations regarding the expected quarterly dividend payment and timing of such payment; expectations regarding 2017 organic capital expenditure; plans and expectations to target gearing within a 20-30% band; expectations regarding divestment*

*transactions and the amount and timing of divestment proceeds; expectations regarding the adjusted effective tax rate in 2017; plans and expectations regarding the formation of Pan American Energy Group; plans and expectations regarding the joint development and production-sharing agreement with the State Oil Company of the Republic of Azerbaijan; expectations regarding Aker BP ASA's agreement to acquire Hess Norge AS; expectations regarding BP's divestment of its shareholding in SECCO; expectations regarding Upstream fourth-quarter 2017 reported production; expectations regarding Downstream fourth-quarter 2017 refining margins and turnaround activity; plans and expectations with respect to the start-up and development of new Upstream projects; expectations regarding Rosneft interim dividends for 2017 and Rosneft operational and financial information for the third quarter of 2017; expectations regarding the determination of business economic loss claims in respect of the PSC settlement; expectations with respect to the timing and amount of future payments relating to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill; and expectations that claims arising under the 2012 PSC settlement will be substantially paid in 2018. By their nature, forward-looking statements involve risk and uncertainty because they relate to events and depend on circumstances that will or may occur in the future and are outside the control of BP. Actual results may differ materially from those expressed in such statements, depending on a variety of factors, including: the specific factors identified in the discussions accompanying such forward-looking statements; the receipt of relevant third party and/or regulatory approvals; the timing and level of maintenance and/or turnaround activity; the timing and volume of refinery additions and outages; the timing of bringing new fields onstream; the timing, quantum and nature of certain divestments; future levels of industry product supply, demand and pricing, including supply growth in North America; OPEC quota restrictions; PSA effects; operational and safety problems; potential lapses in product quality; economic and financial market conditions generally or in various countries and regions; political stability and economic growth in relevant areas of the world; changes in laws and governmental regulations; regulatory or legal actions including the types of enforcement action pursued and the nature of remedies sought or imposed; the actions of prosecutors, regulatory authorities and courts; delays in the processes for resolving claims; exchange rate fluctuations; development and use of new technology; recruitment and retention of a skilled workforce; the success or otherwise of partnering; the actions of competitors, trading partners, contractors, subcontractors, creditors, rating agencies and others; our access to future credit resources; business disruption and crisis management; the impact on our reputation of ethical misconduct and non-compliance with regulatory obligations; trading losses; major uninsured losses; decisions by Rosneft's management and board of directors; the actions of contractors; natural disasters and adverse weather conditions; changes in public expectations and other changes to business conditions; wars and acts of terrorism; cyber-attacks or sabotage; and other factors discussed elsewhere in this report, under "Principal risks and uncertainties" in our Form 6-K for the period ended 30 June 2017 and under "Risk factors" in BP Annual Report and Form 20-F 2016 as filed with the US Securities and Exchange Commission.*

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## Computation of ratio of earnings to fixed charges

<b>\$ million except ratio</b>	<b>Nine months 2017</b>
Earnings available for fixed charges:	
Pre-tax profit from continuing operations before adjustment for income or loss from joint ventures and associates	4,598
Fixed charges	2,134
Amortization of capitalized interest	166
Distributed income of joint ventures and associates	966
Interest capitalized	(222)
Preference dividend requirements, gross of tax	(2)
Non-controlling interest of subsidiaries income not incurring fixed charges	1
<b>Total earnings available for fixed charges</b>	<b>7,641</b>
Fixed charges:	
Interest expensed	977
Interest capitalized	222
Rental expense representative of interest	933
Preference dividend requirements, gross of tax	2
<b>Total fixed charges</b>	<b>2,134</b>
<b>Ratio of earnings to fixed charges</b>	<b>3.58</b>

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The following table shows the unaudited consolidated capitalization and indebtedness of the BP group as of 30 September 2017 in accordance with IFRS:

**Capitalization and indebtedness**

\$ million	30 September 2017
Share capital and reserves	
Capital shares (1-2)	5,343
Paid-in surplus (3)	13,573
Merger reserve (3)	27,206
Treasury shares	(17,060)
Available-for-sale investments	6
Cash flow hedge reserve	(820)
Foreign currency translation reserve	(5,262)
Profit and loss account	75,535
BP shareholders' equity	98,521
Finance debt (4-6)	
Due within one year	8,891
Due after more than one year	56,893
Total finance debt	65,784
<b>Total capitalization (7)</b>	<b>164,305</b>

(1) Issued share capital as of 30 September 2017 comprised 19,807,032,377 ordinary shares, par value US\$0.25 per share, and 12,706,252 preference shares, par value £1 per share. This excludes 1,479,182,123 ordinary shares which have been bought back and are held in treasury by BP. These shares are not taken into consideration in relation to the payment of dividends and voting at shareholders' meetings.

(2) Capital shares represent the ordinary and preference shares of BP which have been issued and are fully paid.

(3)

Paid-in surplus and merger reserve represent additional paid-in capital of BP which cannot normally be returned to shareholders.

- (4) Finance debt recorded in currencies other than US dollars has been translated into US dollars at the relevant exchange rates existing on 30 September 2017.
- (5) Finance debt presented in the table above consists of borrowings and obligations under finance leases. Other contractual obligations are not presented in the table above – see *BP Annual Report and Form 20-F 2016 Liquidity and capital resources* for further information.
- (6) At 30 September 2017, the parent company, BP p.l.c., had issued guarantees totalling \$62,808 million relating to finance debt of subsidiaries. Thus 95% of the group's finance debt had been guaranteed by BP p.l.c.

At 30 September 2017, \$150 million of finance debt was secured by the pledging of assets. The remainder of finance debt was unsecured.

- (7) At 30 September 2017 the group had issued third-party guarantees under which amounts outstanding, incremental to amounts recognized on the group balance sheet, were \$321 million in respect of the borrowings of equity-accounted entities and \$398 million in respect of the borrowings of other third parties.
- (8) There has been no material change since 30 September 2017 in the consolidated capitalization and indebtedness of BP.

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**Signatures**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

**BP p.l.c.**

**(Registrant)**

**Dated: 31 October 2017**

/s/ David J Jackson  
**DAVID J JACKSON**  
Company Secretary