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## Directors' report

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012

### Principal activities

The principal activities for the year were the marketing and sales of computer products in the UK and Ireland. There have been no significant changes to the company's principal activities in the year under review. The directors are not aware, at the date of the report, of any likely changes in the activities in 2013.

### Review of the business in 2012

As shown in the company's profit and loss account on page 6, the company's Turnover decreased by 4.9% in 2012 when compared to the prior year. This revenue performance came as a result of a 3.3% decline, year on year, in the UK Mobile PC and Desktop market in 2012 (source: Gartner). In addition, the primary focus for Acer UK across 2012 was on profitable business and less so on low margin unit growth.

This focus was well executed with Acer UK achieving a 8.2% year on year increase in average product selling prices and growth in sales of Acer Commercial Desktops and Notebooks outperforming the market with revenue growth of 67% - partly influenced by one off sales to LOCOG as part of the London Olympics project.

In addition to this focus, improvements in channel inventory management across 2012 resulted in fewer exceptional write downs of aged inventory. The net effect was an improvement in profitability compared to the previous year (Gross margin of 2.2% of Turnover in 2011 versus 3% in 2012).

As a result of this, and in combination with a 3.9% reduction in administration expenses year on year, due to lower restructuring costs, the company recorded a profit after tax of £1,036,000 compared to a loss of £563,000 in FY11.

The balance sheet on page 7 shows the company's financial position at 31 December 2012.

Trade debtors increased year on year by £4.9m due to open receivables originally due on sales to Comet UK Ltd (now in liquidation) not being received by the year end closing date. These amounts have now been collected after stock in transit to Comet was resold to other customers.

The increase in cash in hand year on year was as a result of timing of payments for intercompany purchases. This resulted in an equivalent increase in intercompany creditors.

Due to improvements made to the company's Channel inventory management across 2012, accruals for pricing support to be provided to customers has reduced year on year by £6.5m explaining the reduction in Accruals and deferred income as at 31 December 2012.

Other balance sheet balances were largely consistent with the prior year.

### Key performance indicators in 2012

According to figures quoted by Gartner, Acer's UK market share of Mobile PC and Desktop shipments across 2012 fell from 11.2% in 2011 to 9.7% in 2012. This was due to an increasing level of competition across the year and the company's decision to enter into more sustainable, profitable business.

2012 was a year of stability with respect to Channel inventory levels, resulting in lower costs of aged stock write downs. At the end of the year inventory levels were below internal targets set creating a positive platform for new sales for the start of 2013.

Financial operational metrics across 2012 experienced a significant improvement year on year once again- average monthly Days of Sales Outstanding (DSO) improved by 35%, and average monthly overdue receivables reduced by 69%.

### 2013- the year ahead

Trading conditions for the first quarter of 2013 have been challenging but Acer's performance has marginally improved compared to the same period in 2012, with the company's unit shipments of Mobile PCs, Desktops and

Tablets higher by 11.1%. This has largely been due to an increase in shipments of low value Tablet products and a 7.5% increase in Notebooks

Low inventory levels throughout the first quarter provide a solid platform for the rest of the year and also provide ability to react to market conditions. Growth expected in Tablet shipments and sustained efforts to develop existing relationships give optimism for the rest of the year. Given this but despite the uncertainty in the market the company is well placed in terms of product offerings and inventory levels to achieve its goals in 2013

#### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

Competitive pressure in the UK is a continuing risk for the company, which could result in it losing sales to its main competitors. The company manages this risk by its continued commitment to the indirect model, by maintaining strong relationships with customers, being first to market and continued development and enhancement of its product offering.

#### **Dividends**

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2012 £nil)

#### **Directors**

The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of this report were as follows

Walter Deppeler (resigned 27/02/2012)

Che-Min Tu (resigned 14/02/2012)

Oliver Ahrens (appointed 27/02/2012)

Cheng-Tang Wang (appointed 27/02/2012)

Lilia Wang (appointed 27/02/2012)

Jim Wong (appointed (27/02/2012)

#### **Political and charitable contributions**

The company made no political or charitable contributions during the year (2011 £nil)

#### **Disclosure of information to the auditor**

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this Directors' Report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

#### **Auditor**

In accordance with Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor will be deemed to be reappointed and KPMG LLP will therefore continue in office.

By order of the board



Oliver Ahrens  
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## **Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the Directors' Report and the financial statements**

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities



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### **Independent auditor's report to the members of Acer U.K. Limited**

We have audited the financial statements of Acer U.K. Limited for the year ended 31 December 2012 set out on pages 6 to 16. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### **Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor**

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 3, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit, and express an opinion on, the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### **Scope of the audit of the financial statements**

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the APB's web-site at [www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate).

#### **Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2012 and of its profit for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### **Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

## **Independent auditor report to the members of Acer U.K. Limited (*continued*)**

### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit



**Kevin Hall (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
for and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor

*28 June 2013*

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**Profit and loss account**  
*for the year ended 31 December 2012*

|                                                             | <i>Note</i> | <b>2012</b><br><b>£000</b> | <b>2011</b><br><b>£000</b> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Turnover</b>                                             | <b>2</b>    | <b>275,249</b>             | <b>289,545</b>             |
| Cost of sales                                               |             | <b>(266,992)</b>           | <b>(283,068)</b>           |
| <b>Gross profit</b>                                         |             | <b>8,257</b>               | <b>6,477</b>               |
| Administrative expenses                                     |             | <b>(6,842)</b>             | <b>(7,120)</b>             |
| <b>Operating profit/(loss)</b>                              | <b>2-5</b>  | <b>1,415</b>               | <b>(643)</b>               |
| Interest receivable                                         | <b>6</b>    | <b>14</b>                  | <b>37</b>                  |
| Interest payable                                            | <b>7</b>    | <b>-</b>                   | <b>(98)</b>                |
| <b>Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation</b> |             | <b>1,429</b>               | <b>(704)</b>               |
| Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities                 | <b>8</b>    | <b>(393)</b>               | <b>141</b>                 |
| <b>Profit/(loss) for the financial year</b>                 |             | <b>1,036</b>               | <b>(563)</b>               |

All figures relate to continuing operations. There is no material difference between profit on the historical cost basis and that described in the profit and loss account.

There are no recognised gains or losses, other than as stated in the profit and loss account for the current financial year and preceding year. Accordingly, no statement of total recognised gains and losses is given.

**Balance sheet**  
*at 31 December 2012*

|                                               | <i>Note</i> | <b>2012<br/>£000</b> | <b>2012<br/>£000</b> | <b>2011<br/>£000</b> | <b>2011<br/>£000</b> |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>                           |             |                      |                      |                      |                      |
| Tangible assets                               | 9           |                      | 42                   |                      | 16                   |
| <b>Current assets</b>                         |             |                      |                      |                      |                      |
| Debtors                                       | 10          | 77,756               |                      | 73,392               |                      |
| Cash in bank and in hand                      |             | 18,674               |                      | 858                  |                      |
| Inventory                                     |             | 6                    |                      | 81                   |                      |
|                                               |             | <u>96,436</u>        |                      | <u>74,331</u>        |                      |
| Creditors amounts falling due within one year | 11          | (72,959)             |                      | (51,864)             |                      |
| <b>Net current assets</b>                     |             |                      | <u>23,477</u>        |                      | <u>22,467</u>        |
| <b>Net assets</b>                             |             |                      | <u>23,519</u>        |                      | <u>22,483</u>        |
| <b>Capital and reserves</b>                   |             |                      |                      |                      |                      |
| Called up share capital                       | 12          |                      | 9,072                |                      | 9,072                |
| Share premium account                         | 13          |                      | 519                  |                      | 519                  |
| Profit and loss account                       | 13          |                      | 13,928               |                      | 12,892               |
| <b>Shareholders' funds</b>                    |             |                      | <u>23,519</u>        |                      | <u>22,483</u>        |

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on **JUNE 27TH 2013** and were signed on its behalf by

  
**Oliver Ahrens**  
Director  
June 27, 2013

**Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds**  
*for the year ended 31 December 2012*

|                                                             | <b>2012</b><br><b>£000</b> | <b>2011</b><br><b>£000</b> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Profit/(loss) for the financial year</b>                 | <b>1,036</b>               | <b>(563)</b>               |
| <b>Net addition to / (reduction in) shareholders' funds</b> | <b>1,036</b>               | <b>(563)</b>               |
| <b>Opening shareholders' funds</b>                          | <b>22,483</b>              | <b>23,046</b>              |
| <b>Closing shareholders' funds</b>                          | <b>23,519</b>              | <b>22,483</b>              |

## Notes

*(forming part of the financial statements)*

### 1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements

#### ***Basis of preparation***

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost accounting rules

The Acer group has a strong position in the markets it serves and a track record of successfully introducing new products. The company has long established relationships with key retailers and channel partners and takes on limited risks as a distributor of the group's products. The company has substantial net assets. Consequently, the directors consider that the company is well placed to manage its business risks and they have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

As the company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Acer Inc, the company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in FRS 8 and has therefore not disclosed transactions with entities which are wholly owned within that group. Also, under Financial Reporting Standard 1, the company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that a parent undertaking includes the company in its own published consolidated financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements of Acer Inc, within which this company is included, can be obtained from the address given in note 16.

#### ***Fixed assets and depreciation***

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of tangible fixed assets by equal instalments over their estimated useful economic lives as follows:

|                        |   |               |
|------------------------|---|---------------|
| Leasehold improvements | - | life of lease |
| Office equipment       | - | 2 to 4 years  |
| Fixtures & fittings    | - | 25% per annum |

#### ***Foreign currencies***

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded using the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated using the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date and the gains or losses on translation are included in the profit and loss account.

#### ***Leases***

Operating lease rentals are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

## Notes (continued)

### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Pensions

The company contributes to a defined contribution pension scheme. The amount charged against profits represents the contributions payable to the scheme in respect of the accounting period.

#### Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of items for taxation and accounting purposes.

Deferred tax is recognised, without discounting, in respect of all timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes which have arisen but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except as otherwise required by FRS 19.

#### Turnover

Turnover represents the amounts (excluding value added tax) derived from the provision of goods and services to customers. Revenue is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods have been transferred to the buyer.

### 2 Turnover

|                               | 2012<br>£000   | 2011<br>£000   |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| <i>By geographical market</i> |                |                |
| United Kingdom                | 268,547        | 286,998        |
| Rest of Europe                | 6,702          | 2,547          |
|                               | <u>275,249</u> | <u>289,545</u> |

All activities of the company are within one class of business, namely the principal activity of the company.

### 3 Notes to the profit and loss account

|                                                                                           | 2012<br>£000 | 2011<br>£000 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| <i>Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging/(crediting)</i> |              |              |
| Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible fixed assets                          | 15           | 14           |
| Exchange loss                                                                             | 107          | 270          |
| Hire of other assets - operating leases                                                   | 368          | 436          |
|                                                                                           | <u>£000</u>  | <u>£000</u>  |
| Auditor remuneration                                                                      |              |              |
| Audit of these financial statements                                                       | 60           | 50           |
| Other services relating to IFRS conversion                                                | -            | 20           |
| Amounts receivable by the auditor and their associates in respect of                      |              |              |
| Other services relating to taxation                                                       | 19           | 11           |
|                                                                                           | <u>£000</u>  | <u>£000</u>  |

**Notes (continued)**

**4 Remuneration of directors**

|                       | 2012<br>£000 | 2011<br>£000 |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Directors' emoluments | -            | -            |
|                       | -            | -            |

There are no directors for whom benefits are accruing under a money purchase or a defined benefit scheme. The directors are remunerated by another group company and rendered no qualifying services to the Company during the year.

**5 Staff numbers and costs**

The average number of persons employed by the company (including executive directors) during the year, analysed by category, was as follows:

|                           | Number of employees |      |
|---------------------------|---------------------|------|
|                           | 2012                | 2011 |
| Office and Management     | 17                  | 19   |
| Sales and Marketing       | 35                  | 37   |
| Technical support/Service | 4                   | 4    |
|                           | 56                  | 60   |

The aggregate payroll costs of these people were as follows:

|                       | 2012<br>£000 | 2011<br>£000 |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Wages and salaries    | 3,824        | 4,151        |
| Social security costs | 417          | 495          |
| Other pension costs   | 134          | 122          |
|                       | 4,375        | 4,768        |

**6 Interest receivable**

|               | 2012<br>£000 | 2011<br>£000 |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Bank interest | 14           | 37           |

**7 Interest payable**

|               | 2012<br>£000 | 2011<br>£000 |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Bank interest | -            | 98           |

## Notes (continued)

### 8 Taxation

#### Analysis of charge in the period

|                                             | 2012<br>£000 | 2012<br>£000 | 2011<br>£000 | 2011<br>£000 |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| <i>UK corporation tax</i>                   |              |              |              |              |
| Current tax on income for the period        | 388          |              | (152)        |              |
| Adjustments in respect of prior periods     | (12)         |              | -            |              |
|                                             |              |              |              |              |
| Total current tax                           |              | 376          |              | (152)        |
| <i>Deferred tax</i>                         |              |              |              |              |
| Origination/ reversal of timing differences |              | 17           | 11           |              |
|                                             |              |              |              |              |
| Total deferred tax                          |              |              |              | 11           |
|                                             |              |              |              |              |
| Tax on profit on ordinary activities        |              | 393          |              | (141)        |

#### Factors affecting the tax charge for the current period

The current tax charge for the period is higher (2011 lower) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 24.0% (2011 26.0%). The differences are explained below

|                                                         | 2012<br>£000 | 2011<br>£000 |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| <i>Current tax reconciliation</i>                       |              |              |
| Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before tax         | 1,429        | (704)        |
|                                                         |              |              |
| Current tax at 24.5 % (2011 26.0%)                      | 350          | (183)        |
| <i>Effects of</i>                                       |              |              |
| Disallowable expenditure                                | 44           | 42           |
| Capital allowances for period in excess of depreciation | (12)         | (11)         |
| Other short term timing differences                     | (6)          | -            |
|                                                         |              |              |
| Total current tax (credit) /charge (see above)          | 376          | (152)        |

## Notes (continued)

### 8 Taxation (continued)

|                                                   |             |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| <i>Deferred tax asset</i>                         | <b>£000</b> |
| At the beginning of the year                      | <b>54</b>   |
| Debit to the profit and loss account for the year | <b>(17)</b> |
|                                                   | <hr/>       |
| At end of year                                    | <b>37</b>   |
|                                                   | <hr/>       |

Deferred taxation is in respect of the difference between accumulated capital allowances and accumulated depreciation. The directors believe there is sufficient evidence that the asset will be recovered.

#### *Factors that may affect future current and total tax charges*

A reduction in the UK corporation tax rate from 26% to 25% (effective 1 April 2012) was substantively enacted on 5 July 2011, and further reductions to 24% (effective from 1 April 2012) and 23% (effective from 1 April 2013) were substantively enacted on 26 March 2012 and 3 July 2012 respectively. This will reduce the Company's future current tax charge accordingly. The deferred tax asset at 31 December 2012 has been calculated based on the rate of 23% substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

The March 2013 Budget announced that the rate will further reduce to 20% by 2015 in addition to the planned reduction to 21% by 2014 previously announced in the December 2012 Autumn Statement. It has not yet been possible to quantify the full anticipated effect of the announced further 3% rate reduction, although this will further reduce the Company's future current tax charge and reduce the Company's deferred tax asset accordingly.

## Notes (continued)

### 9 Tangible fixed assets

|                       | Leasehold<br>improvements<br>£000 | Office<br>equipment<br>£000 | Fixtures &<br>Fittings<br>£000 | Total<br>£000 |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Cost</b>           |                                   |                             |                                |               |
| At beginning of year  | 233                               | 188                         | 133                            | 554           |
| Additions             | 40                                | 1                           | -                              | 41            |
| Disposals             |                                   |                             |                                |               |
| At end of year        | 273                               | 189                         | 133                            | 595           |
| <b>Depreciation</b>   |                                   |                             |                                |               |
| At beginning of year  | 226                               | 180                         | 132                            | 538           |
| Charge for year       | 10                                | 5                           | -                              | 15            |
| Disposals             |                                   |                             |                                |               |
| At end of year        | 236                               | 185                         | 132                            | 553           |
| <b>Net book value</b> |                                   |                             |                                |               |
| At 31 December 2012   | 37                                | 4                           | 1                              | 42            |
| At 31 December 2011   | 7                                 | 8                           | 1                              | 16            |

### 10 Debtors

|                                    | 2012<br>£000 | 2011<br>£000 |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Trade debtors                      | 75,431       | 70,501       |
| Amounts owed by group undertakings | 1,016        | 1,447        |
| Deferred tax asset (note 8)        | 37           | 54           |
| Prepayments and accrued income     | 1,272        | 1,390        |
|                                    | 77,756       | 73,392       |

## Notes (continued)

### 11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

|                                    | 2012<br>£000  | 2011<br>£000  |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Trade creditors                    | 2,340         | 1,201         |
| Amounts owed to group undertakings | 57,290        | 32,815        |
| Taxation and social security       | 2,871         | 1,861         |
| Accruals and deferred income       | 10,458        | 15,987        |
|                                    | <u>72,959</u> | <u>51,864</u> |

### 12 Called up share capital

|                                               | 2012<br>£000 | 2011<br>£000 |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| <i>Allotted, called up and fully paid</i>     |              |              |
| 9,071,790 Ordinary shares of £1 each allotted | 9,072        | 9,072        |

### 13 Share premium and reserves

|                      | Share<br>premium<br>account<br>£000 | Profit<br>and loss<br>account<br>£000 |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| At beginning of year | 519                                 | 12,892                                |
| Profit for the year  |                                     | 1,036                                 |
|                      | <u>519</u>                          | <u>13,928</u>                         |

### 14 Commitments

Annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows

|                                        | 2012<br>Land and<br>buildings<br>£000 | 2012<br>Cars<br>£000 | 2011<br>Land and<br>buildings<br>£000 | 2011<br>Cars<br>£000 |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Operating leases which expire          |                                       |                      |                                       |                      |
| Within one year                        |                                       | 86                   | -                                     | 33                   |
| In the second to fifth years inclusive | 351                                   | 14                   | 234                                   | 130                  |
|                                        | <u>351</u>                            | <u>100</u>           | <u>234</u>                            | <u>163</u>           |

**Notes** *(continued)*

**15 Pension contributions**

The company contributes to a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the period represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amounted to £134,000 (2011 £122,000).

**16 Ultimate parent company and parent undertaking of larger group of which the company is a member**

The company is a subsidiary undertaking of Acer Europe B V, incorporated in The Netherlands. The group headed by Acer Europe B V is the smallest group in which the results of the company are consolidated. The consolidated accounts of the company may be obtained from Euro Palaan 89, 5232 BC, s-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands.

The ultimate parent and controlling party is Acer Inc, incorporated in Taiwan. The largest group in which the results of the company are consolidated is that headed by Acer Inc. The consolidated accounts of this company are available to the public and may be obtained from 21F, 88 Hsin Tai Wu Road, Sec 1, Taipei Hsien 221, Taiwan.