BRITISH SKY BROADCASTING GROUP PLC

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For the month of July 2007 27 July 2007

BRITISH SKY BROADCASTING GROUP PLC (Name of Registrant)

Grant Way, Isleworth, Middlesex, TW7 5QD England (Address of principal executive offices)

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Exhibit

EXHIBIT NO. 1 Press release of British Sky Broadcasting Group plc

announcing Accounting Press Release released on $27 \ \mathrm{July} \ 2007$

This report is incorporated by reference in the prospectus contained in the Registration Statements on Form F-3 (SEC File No.333-08246) and Form F-3/S-3 (SEC File No.333-106837) filed by the Registrant under the Securities Act of 1933.

Consolidated financial statements

Consolidated Income Statement for the year ended 30 June 2007

	Notes	2007 GBPm	2006 GBPm
Revenue	1	4,551	4,148
Operating expense	2	(3,736)	(3,271)
Operating profit		815	877
Share of results of joint ventures and			
associates	10	12	12
Investment income	3	46	52
Finance costs	3	(149)	(143)
Profit before tax		724	798
Taxation	4	 (225)	(247)
Profit for the year		499	551
Earnings per share from profit for the year (in pence)			
Basic	5	28.4p	30.2p
Diluted	5	28.2p	-

Consolidated Income Statement for the quarter ended 30 June 2007

	30 June	Three months ended 30
Revenue Operating expense Operating profit	·	1,069 (852) 217
Share of results of joint ventures and associates Investment income Finance costs Profit before tax	3 4 (41) 168	3 15
Taxation Profit for the quarter	(57) 111	(63) 126

Earnings per share from profit for the quarter (in pence)
Basic 6.4p 7.0p
Diluted 6.3p 7.0p

Consolidated Statement of Recognised Income and Expense for the year ended $30\ \mathrm{June}\ 2007$

	2007 GBPm	2006 GBPm
Profit for the year	499	551
Loss on available-for-sale investments	(151)	-
Net movements in hedging reserve Cash flow hedges Tax on cash flow hedges	39 (12) 27	(54) 16 (38)
Net losses recognised directly in equity	(124)	(38)
Total recognised income and expense for the year	375	513

Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2007

	Notes		2006 GBPm
Non-current assets			
Goodwill	7	741	637
Intangible assets	8	261	218
Property, plant and equipment	9	670	519
Investments in joint ventures and			
associates	10	34	28
Available-for-sale investments	11	797	2
Deferred tax assets	12	54	100
		2,557	1,504
Current assets			
Inventories	13	384	324
Trade and other receivables	14	524	489
Short-term deposits		15	647
Cash and cash equivalents		435	816
Derivative financial assets		5	7
			2,283
Total assets		3,920	3 , 787
Current liabilities			
Borrowings	17	16	163
Trade and other payables	15	1,295	1,247
Current tax liabilities		144	82

Provisions Derivative financial liabilities	16	8 36 1,499	6 49 1 , 547
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	17	2,014	1,825
Other payables	17	84	66
Provisions	16	18	19
Derivative financial liabilities		258	209
		2,374	2,119
Total liabilities		3,873	3,666
Shareholders' equity	19	47	121
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity		3,920	3 , 787

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement for the year ended 30 June 2007

	2007 GBPm	2006 GBPm
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash generated from operations	1,007	1,004
Interest received	46	43
Taxation paid	(128)	(172)
Net cash from operating activities	925	875
Cash flows from investing activities		
Dividends received from joint ventures and		
associates	9	7
Net funding to joint ventures and associates	(3)	(2)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(292)	(169)
Purchase of intangible assets	(64)	(43)
Purchase of available-for-sale investments	(947)	_
Purchase of subsidiaries (net of cash and cash		
equivalents purchased)	(104)	(209)
Decrease (increase) in short-term deposits	632	(453)
Net cash used in investing activities	(769)	(869)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds from borrowings	295	1,014
Repayment of borrowings	(192)	_
Proceeds from disposal of shares in Employee Share		
Ownership Plan ("ESOP")	37	13
Purchase of own shares for ESOP	(76)	(17)
Purchase of own shares for cancellation	(214)	(408)
Interest paid	(154)	(105)
Dividends paid to shareholders	(233)	(191)
Net cash (used in) from financing activities	(537)	306
Effect of foreign exchange rate movements		1
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash		
equivalents	(381) 	313
Cash and sach assistationts at the hosinning of the		

Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the

year								3	316	503
Cash and cash	equivalents	at	the	end	of	the	year	4	135	816

Notes to the consolidated financial statements

The financial information set out in this preliminary announcement does not constitute statutory financial statements for the years ended 30 June 2007 or 2006, for the purpose of the Companies Act 1985, but it is derived from those financial statements. Statutory financial statements for 2006 have been filed with the Registrar of Companies and those for 2007 will be filed prior to the Group's next annual general meeting. The Group's auditors have reported on those accounts; their reports were unqualified and did not contain statements under s.237(2) or (3) Companies Act 1985.

Whilst the financial information included in this preliminary announcement has been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted for use in the European Union ("IFRS"), this announcement does not itself contain sufficient information to comply with IFRS. The accounting policies applied in preparing this financial information are consistent with the Group's financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2006, with the exception of a new accounting policy relating to derivatives that qualify for fair value hedge accounting.

1. Revenue

	2007 GBPm	2006 GBPm
Retail subscription Wholesale subscription Advertising Sky Bet Installation, hardware and service Other	3,406 208 352 47 212 326 4,551	3,157 224 342 37 131 257 4,148

To provide a more relevant presentation, management has chosen to re-analyse the revenue categories from those previously reported. Other revenue now principally includes income from Sky Active, Sky Card, Sky Mobile TV, technical platform services and Easynet Enterprise.

2. Operating expense

2007	2006
GBPm	GBPm
1 , 539	1,599
402	234
734	622
618	468
443	348
3,736	3 , 271
	GBPm 1,539 402 734 618 443

(i) In the year ended 30 June 2007, the Group recognised a GBP65 million credit, arising from certain contractual rights under one of the Group's channel

distribution agreements. This item was previously disclosed as a contingent asset in the Group's June 2006 consolidated financial statements.

(ii) In the year ended 30 June 2007, the Group recognised a GBP16 million expense relating to the legal costs incurred to date on the Group's claim against EDS (the information and technology solutions provider).

3. Investment income and finance costs

	2007 GBPm	2006 GBPm
Investment income		
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term deposits	33	52
Dividends receivable from available-for-sale investments	13	-
	46	52
	2007	2006
	GBPm	GBPm
Finance costs - Interest payable and similar charges		
GBP1 billion Revolving Credit Facility	(12)	(2)
Guaranteed Notes	(135)	(123)
Finance lease interest	(8)	(4)
	(155)	(129)
- Other finance income (expense) Remeasurement of borrowings and borrowings-related		
derivative financial instruments (i)	-	(10)
Remeasurement of programming-related derivative		
financial instruments (i)	6	(4)
	6 	(14)
	(149)	(143)

(i) Not qualifying for hedge accounting

4. Taxation

Taxation recognised in the income statement

	2007 GBPm	2006 GBPm
Current tax expense Current year Adjustment in respect of prior years Total current tax charge	204 (15) 189	147 (6) 141
Deferred tax expense Origination and reversal of temporary differences Adjustment in respect of prior years Total deferred tax charge	22 14 36	106 - 106
Taxation	225	247

5. Earnings per share

The weighted average number of shares for the year was:

	2007 Millions of shares	Millions of
Ordinary shares ESOP trust ordinary shares Basic shares	1,759 (4) 1,755	(3)
Dilutive ordinary shares from share options Diluted shares	12 1,767	5 1,832

Basic and diluted earnings per share are calculated by dividing profit for the year into the weighted average number of shares for the year. In order to provide a measure of underlying performance, management have chosen to present an adjusted profit for the year which excludes items that may distort comparability. Such items arise from events or transactions that fall within the ordinary activities of the Group but which management believes should be separately identified to help explain underlying performance.

	2007 GBPm	2006 GBPm
Reconciliation of profit for the year to adjusted profit for the year		
Profit for the year Remeasurement of all derivative financial instruments	499	551
(not qualifying for hedge accounting) Amount receivable from channel distribution agreement	(6)	14
(note 2)	(65)	-
Legal costs relating to claim against EDS (note 2)	16	_
Tax effect of above items	17	(4)
Adjusted profit for the year	461	561
	2007 pence	2006 pence
Earnings per share from profit for the year		
Basic	28.4p	30.2p
Diluted	28.2p	30.1p
Adjusted earnings per share from profit for the year		
Basic	_	30.7p
Diluted	26.1p	30.6p
6. Dividends		
	2007 GBPm	2006 GBPm

Dividends declared and paid during the year		
2005 Final dividend paid: 5.00p per ordinary share	_	92
2006 Interim dividend paid: 5.50p per ordinary share	_	99
2006 Final dividend paid: 6.70p per ordinary share	117	_
2007 Interim dividend paid: 6.60p per ordinary share	116	_
	233	191

The 2007 final dividend proposed is 8.9p per ordinary share being GBP155 million. The dividend was proposed after the balance date and is therefore not recognised as a liability as at 30 June 2007.

7. Goodwill

	Total GBPm
Carrying value At 1 July 2005 Purchase of Easynet Group Limited Other purchases At 30 June 2006	417 216 4 637
Purchase of 365 Media Group plc Other purchases At 30 June 2007	77 27 741

8. Intangible assets

	intangible assets	Other intangible assets	-	
Cost				
At 30 June 2006 Additions from business	34	327	30	391
combinations	_	24	_	24
Other additions	28	41	22	91
Disposals	_	(51)	_	(51)
At 30 June 2007		341	52	455
Amortisation				
At 30 June 2006	16	157	_	173
Amortisation for the year	9	63	_	72
Disposals	_	(51)	_	(51)
At 30 June 2007		169	_	194
Carrying amounts				
At 30 June 2006	18	170	30	218
At 30 June 2007	37	172	52	261

9. Property, plant and equipment

			Equipment,	Assets	
	Land and		furniture	not yet	
	freehold	Leasehold	and	available	
	buildings	improvements	fittings	for use	Total
	GBPm	GBPm	GBPm		GBPm
Cost					
At 30 June 2006	115	53	591	50	809
Additions from business					
combination	_	_	1	-	1
Other additions	5	6	232	27	270
Disposals	(1)	(19)	(93)	_	(113)
Transfers	(14)	24	30	(40)	_
At 30 June 2007	105	64	761	37	967
Depreciation					
At 30 June 2006	13	34	243	_	290
Depreciation	5	4	111	_	120
Disposals	(1)	(19)	(93)	_	(113)
At 30 June 2007	17	19	261	_	297
Carrying amounts					
At 30 June 2006	102	19	348	50	519
At 30 June 2007	88	45	500	37	670

10. Investments in joint ventures and associates

The movement in joint ventures and associates during the year was as follows:

	2007 GBPm	2006 GBPm
Beginning of year - Share of net assets	28	23
Movement in net assets - Funding, net of repayments - Dividends received - Share of profits Transfers to subsidiaries Movement in other payables	3 (9) 12 - -	2 (7) 12 (1) (1)
End of year - Share of net assets	34	28

11. Available-for-sale investments

	2007 GBPm	2006 GBPm
Non-current assets Equity investments	797	2

On 17 November 2006, the Group acquired 696 million shares in ITV, representing 17.9% of the issued share capital of ITV, for a total consideration of GBP946 million including fees and taxes.

12. Deferred tax

Recognised deferred tax assets

	Fixed			Share-based	Financial	
	asset		Short-term	payments	Instruments	
	temporary	Tax	temporary	temporary	temporary	
	differences	losses	differences	differences	differences	Total
	GBPm	GBPm	GBPm	GBPm	GBPm	GBPm
At 30 June 2006	26	33	8	11	22	100
(Charge) credit income	(32)	(18)	1	12	1	(36)
Credit (charge) equity Business	to –	_	_	5	(12)	(7)
combinations At 30 June 2007	(3)		_ 9	- 28	- 11	(3) 54
110 30 Carre 2007	(3)	. 15	,	20	11	5 1

13. Inventories

	2007	2006
	GBPm	GBPm
Television programme rights	290	277
Set-top boxes and related equipment	84	41
Other inventories	10	6
	384	324

14. Trade and other receivables

	2007	2006
	GBPm 	GBPm
Net trade receivables	204	207
Amounts receivable from joint ventures and associates	8	7
Amounts receivable from other related parties	1	1
Prepayments	175	156
Accrued income	91	107
Other	45	11
	524	489

Included within prepayments is GBP27 million (2006: GBP73 million) which is due in more than one year.

15. Trade and other payables

	2007	2006
	GBPm	GBPm
Trade payables	380	352
Amounts owed to joint ventures and associates	3	5
Amounts owed to other related parties	36	31

97	140
468	428
245	246
66	45
1,295	1,247
	468 245 66

16. Provisions

	At 1 July 2006 GBPm	Provided during the year GBPm	during	At 30 June 2007 GBPm
Current liabilities Provision for termination benefits				3
Other provisions	6	1	(2)	5
·	6	4	(2)	8
Non-current liabilities Other provisions	19	2	(3)	18

17. Borrowings and non-current other payables

	2007	2006
	GBPm	GBPm
Current borrowings		
Guaranteed Notes	_	162
Loan Notes	16	_
Other current borrowings	_	1
	16	163
Non-current borrowings		
Guaranteed Notes	1,948	1,757
Other non-current borrowings	_	1
Obligations under finance leases	66	67
	2,014	1,825
Non-current other payables		
Accruals	10	15
Deferred income	74	51
	84	66

18. Share capital

	2007 GBPm	2006 GBPm
Authorised ordinary shares of 50p 3,000,000,000 (2006: 3,000,000,000)	1,500	1,500
Allotted, called-up and fully paid 1,752,842,599 (2006: 1,791,077,599)	876	896

	2007 Number of ordinary shares	
Allotted and fully paid during the year Beginning of year Shares repurchased and subsequently	1,791,077,599	1,867,523,599
cancelled End of year	(38,235,000) 1,752,842,599	

19. Reconciliation of shareholders' equity

					Available-			T
	Share	Share	ESOP	Hedging	for-sale	Other	Retained	sharehol
	capital	premium	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserves	earnings	eq
	GBPm	GBPm	GBPm	GBPm	GBPm	GBPm	n GBPm	!
At 30 June 2006	896	1,437	(25)) (52)) –	311	(2,446)	!
Purchase of own equity								
shares for cancellation	(20)) –	_	_	_	20	(214)	ļ
Recognition and transfer								!
of cash flow hedges	_	_	-	39	_	_	_	ļ
Tax on items taken directl	У							!
to equity		-	-	(12)	, –	-	- 5	
Revaluation of								
available-for-sale								
investments	_	-	-	_	(151)) –	_	
Share-based payment	_	-	(29)) –	_	_	- 22	
Profit for the year	_	_	-	_	_	_	499	
Dividends	_	-	-	-	-	_	(233)	
At 30 June 2007	876	1,437	(54)) (25)) (151)) 331	(2,367)	

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.

BRITISH SKY BROADCASTING GROUP PLC

Date: 27 July 2007 By: /s/ Dave Gormley Dave Gormley

Company Secretary