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The Vitec Group plc

Trading Update

Continued Progress

The Vitec Group plc ("Vitec" or the "Group"), the international provider of products and services for the Broadcast and Photographic markets, provides the following update on trading for the first four months, the disposal of Haigh-Farr, Inc. and full year outlook.

Current trading performance

The Board is encouraged with performance during the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 April 2017. Positive momentum has been maintained and we are performing slightly ahead of our expectations, mainly due to continued organic sales growth and a further benefit from foreign exchange.

Our higher technology broadcast businesses continued to grow, supported by a number of new product launches. The Photographic Division has started the year well and continued to outperform the market.

Disposal of Haigh-Farr, Inc.

On 9 May 2017 we sold our non-core Haigh-Farr defence antennas business based in New Hampshire, USA, to Haigh-Farr Acquisitions, Inc., which is owned by Haigh-Farr's current management, David and Norene Farr. This deal was completed for an initial cash consideration of \$15.8 million (£12.2 million); there is a further potential earn-out of up to \$10 million in cash depending on future performance of the business. The net cash proceeds will be used to pay down Group borrowings.

Haigh-Farr generated an operating profit of \$2.1 million (£1.5 million) in 2016 on sales of \$12.9 million (£9.6 million). As at 31 December 2016, net assets¹ were \$20.8 million (£16.8 million) and gross assets¹ were \$22.8 million (£18.4 million). The disposal is expected to be slightly dilutive to adjusted earnings per share for the current financial year.

This disposal allows Vitec to continue to focus on driving growth in its core, premium branded broadcast and photographic markets.

Net debt

Vitec's balance sheet has been further strengthened by continued strong cash generation over the first four months of the year. Net debt as at 30 April 2017 was £70.8 million (31 December 2016: £75.1 million) and this will be reduced by the net cash consideration received from the disposal of Haigh-Farr.

The Group will repay the \$50 million private placement facility when it expires on 11 May 2017. For the remainder of 2017, it is anticipated that this will lead to a £0.7 million reduction in the Group's ongoing financing costs.

Full year outlook

Overall, the Board now expects Vitec's full year results to be slightly ahead of current market consensus. This is the result of good underlying trading, a continued tailwind from foreign currency translation and lower financing costs more than offsetting the ongoing profit impact from the sale of Haigh-Farr.

Stephen Bird, Group Chief Executive, commented:

"Our performance in the first four months demonstrates the continued progress made to transform the Group. We are outperforming our markets and our higher technology businesses continue to grow.

As a result, we are pleased to increase our outlook for the current year."

Site Visit to Vitec's Photographic Division

On Thursday 11 May, Vitec will host a site visit to its Photographic Division's operations in Bassano, Italy, for

institutional investors and analysts. An overview of the Division's strategy, performance and product development highlights will be covered. Copies of the presentations will be made available on the Group's website after the event. No material new financial information will be disclosed.

Half Year Results

Vitec is scheduled to release its half year results announcement on Thursday 10 August 2017.

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Notes:

1. Balance sheet figures for Haigh-Farr exclude cash and intercompany items
2. Average foreign exchange rates in the period from January to April 2017: £1 = \$1.26, £1 = €1.17, €1 = \$1.07, £1 = Yen141
3. Average foreign exchange rates in 2016: £1 = \$1.35, £1 = €1.22, €1 = \$1.10, £1 = Yen147
4. Nothing in this announcement should be construed as a profit forecast

Notes to Editors:

Vitec is a leading global provider of premium branded products and services to the fast changing and growing "image capture and sharing" market.

Vitec's customers include broadcasters, independent content creators, photographers and enterprises, and our activities comprise: design, manufacture and distribution of high performance products and software including camera supports, wireless systems, robotic camera systems, prompters, LED lights, mobile power, monitors and bags; and premium services including technical solutions, systems integration and equipment rental for TV production teams, film crews and enterprises.

We employ around 1,700 people across the world in ten different countries and are organised in two Divisions: Broadcast and Photographic.

The Vitec Group plc is listed on the London Stock Exchange with 2016 revenue of £376.2 million.

More information can be found at: www.vitecgroup.com.

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