

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the Group and Company financial statements, in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare Group and Company financial statements for each financial year. Under that law, the Directors are required to prepare the Group financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRSs') as adopted by the EU, and have elected to prepare the Company financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014 and Financial Reporting Standard 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' ('FRS 101'), issued by the Financial Reporting Council in the UK and promulgated by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland.

The Group financial statements are required by law and IFRSs as adopted by the EU to present fairly the financial position and performance of the Group. The Company financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company.

In preparing each of the Group and Company financial statements the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state that the Group financial statements comply with IFRS as adopted by the EU and as regards the Company, comply with FRS 101 together with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group and Company will continue in business.

The Directors are also required by the Transparency (Directive 2004/109/ECO Regulations 2007) and the interim Transparency Rules of the Irish Financial Services Regulatory Authority to include a management report containing a fair review of the business and a description of the

principal risks and uncertainties facing the Group.

The Directors are responsible for adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Company, and which will enable them to ensure that the financial statements of the Group are prepared in accordance with applicable IFRS as adopted by the European Union and comply with the provisions of the Companies Act 2014, and, as regards to the Group financial statements, Article 4 of the European Communities (International Financial Reporting Standards and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2005 (the 'IAS Regulation'). They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and the Group, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Company's website ('www.candcgroupplc.com'). Legislation in Ireland concerning the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY THE TRANSPARENCY DIRECTIVE AND UK CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE

Each of the Directors, whose names and functions are listed on pages 52 and 53 of this Annual Report, confirm that, to the best of each person's knowledge and belief:

- The Group Financial Statements, prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union and the Company financial statements prepared in accordance with FRS 101, as applied in accordance with the Companies Act 2014, give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position of the Group and Company at 28 February 2017 and of the profit or loss of the Group for the year then ended;

- The Directors' report contained in the Annual Report includes a fair review of the development and performance of the business and the position of the Group and Company, together with a description of the principal risks and uncertainties that they face; and
- The annual report and financial statements, taken as a whole, provides the information necessary to assess the Group's performance, business model and strategy and is fair, balanced and understandable and provides the information necessary for shareholders to assess the company's position and performance, business model and strategy.

Signed
On behalf of the Board

Sir Brian Stewart
Chairman

Stephen Glancey
Group Chief
Executive Officer