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AIM RULE 26 INFORMATION

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ITM Power Plc (the "Company") is subject to the UK City Code on Takeovers and Mergers

ITM Power Plc is incorporated and registered in England and Wales and its main country of operation is the UK.

There are no restrictions on the transfer of ITM Power plc's AIM securities.

PRINCIPLES OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

ITM Power Plc (the "Company") is committed to high standards of Corporate Governance. The Board is accountable to the Company's shareholders for good governance in its management of the affairs of the Group. The Directors acknowledge the importance of the principles of corporate governance contained in the UK Corporate Governance Code. As an AIM quoted company, ITM Power is not obliged to comply with the full requirements of the UK Corporate Governance Code; however, the Board intends to comply with its main provisions as far as reasonably practicable having regard to the size of the Group.

The Board recognises the importance to shareholders of Corporate Governance disclosure and to this end the Company has developed a set of disclosures that it feels are consistent with the Group's size and the constitution of the Board and intends to continue to develop these disclosures as the Group grows.

The Directors intend to comply with Rule 21 of the AIM Rules relating to directors' dealings as applicable to AIM companies and will also take all reasonable steps to ensure compliance by the Group's applicable employees.

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THE BOARD

The Board currently comprises the following members who are also members of the following committees of the Board:

Director	Role	Remuneration Committee	Audit Committee	Nominations Committee	Executive Committee	Manufacturing & Engineering Committee
Dr S Bourne	Chief Technology Officer				✓	✓
Dr G Cooley	Chief Executive Officer			✓	✓	
Dr R Smith	Executive Director				✓	
The Rt Hon Lord R Freeman	Non-executive Director	✓	✓			
Mr P Hargreaves	Non-executive Director	✓	✓	✓		
Prof R Putnam	Non-executive Chairman	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Sir R Bone	Non-executive Director	✓	✓			
Mr R Pendlebury	Non-executive Director	✓				✓

BALANCE OF THE BOARD

ITM Power Plc has a separate Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, each having his own separate responsibilities. The Chairman is responsible for the effective working of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer is responsible for all operational matters and the financial performance of the Group. The Board is balanced, both numerically and in experience, with the intention that no individual or small group of individuals should be able to dominate decision-making. The Board has not appointed a Senior Independent Director. However, any of the Non-Executive Directors is available on request as a conduit of communication to the Board in the event that the Chairman and/or the Chief Executive Officer are not appropriate conduits for shareholder concerns and issues.

MATTERS RESERVED TO THE BOARD'S ATTENTION

The Board has a formal schedule of matters reserved for its decision covering the following areas:

- Management structure and appointments;
- Strategic/Policy considerations;
- Material transactions;

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- Finance; and
- General governance and capital matters.

COMMITTEES

The Board operates through clearly identified Board committees to which it delegates certain powers. These are the Remuneration Committee, the Audit Committee, the Nominations Committee and the Executive Committee. They are properly authorised under the constitution of the Company to take decisions and act on behalf of the Board within the guidelines and delegations laid down by the Board. The Board is kept fully informed of the work of these committees and each committee has access and support from the Company Secretary. Any issues requiring resolution are referred to the full Board. A summary of the operations of these Committees is set out below.

The Remuneration Committee's role is to determine and recommend to the Board the terms and conditions of service, the remuneration and grant of options to Executive Directors under the EMI scheme adopted by the Company.

The Audit Committee's primary responsibilities are to monitor the quality of internal control, ensuring that the financial performance of the Company is properly measured and reported on and for reviewing reports from the Company's auditor relating to its accounting and internal controls in all cases having due regard to the interests of the shareholders.

The Nominations Committee leads the process for Board appointments. It vets and presents to the Board potential new Directors, particularly Non-Executives. All new appointees undergo a rigorous nomination process before the Board agrees on their appointment.

The Executive Committee comprises Prof. Roger Putnam as Chairman, Dr Graham Cooley (CEO) and Dr Simon Bourne (CTO). The Committee regularly meets to consider business development, management issues and the financial performance of the Company.

The Manufacturing & Engineering committee comprises Robert Pendlebury, Simon Bourne and technical staff from departments within the company. The primary responsibilities of the committee is to review the Company's product portfolio and development plans and assess the cost composition of the product portfolio and the suitability of existing process to satisfy anticipated market developments.

A copy of the Terms of Reference for these committees and the terms of appointment of each of the Non-Executive Directors can be obtained by contacting the Company Secretary at the Company's Head Office.

In addition, the Board receives reports and recommendations from time to time on matters, which it considers significant to the Group.

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BOARD MEETINGS

The Board scheduled 4 regular meetings in the year ended 30 April 2016 and 3 additional meetings were convened when required. The table below shows the attendance of Directors at regular Board meetings and at meetings of the Committees during the year.

The Board is supplied in a timely manner with information in a form and of a quality appropriate to enable it to discharge its duties.

	Board Meetings	Remuneration Committee	Audit Committee
No. of meetings held	4	1	2
Non-Executive Directors			
The Rt Hon Lord R Freeman	3	1	2
Mr P Hargreaves	2		
Prof. R Putnam (Chairman)	4	1	2
Sir R Bone	4	1	2
Dr R Smith	0		
Mr R Pendlebury	0		
Executive Directors			
Dr S Bourne	4		
Dr G Cooley	4		1

BOARD PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL

With the full support of the Board, the Chairman leads an evaluation of the performance of the Board and its Committees on a yearly basis. The last review concluded that the Board and its Committee are currently effective and each Director continues to demonstrate commitment to their role.

RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

New Directors are subject to election at the first Annual General Meeting of the Company following their appointment. In addition, all Directors who have been in office for three years or more since their election or last re-election are required to submit themselves for re-election at the Annual General Meeting of the Company. At each Annual General Meeting of the Company all those Non-Executive Directors who have been in office for nine years or more since the date on which they were originally elected as a Non-Executive Director of the Company are required to retire from office, but may stand for re-appointment.

BOARD INDEPENDENCE

The Board recognises that Peter Hargreaves' shareholding is a factor which, under the UK Corporate Governance Code, may appear to impair his independence. However, the Board considers all the Non-Executive Directors to be independent in character and judgement. The Non-Executive Directors have provided excellent independent advice and challenge throughout the year. In concluding that all its Non-Executive Directors are independent the Company considered, inter-alia, the fact that all of the Non-Executive Directors are directors of other corporations and are not reliant on any shares or share options they hold in, or income they receive from, ITM Power Plc.

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INTERNAL CONTROL AND RISK MANAGEMENT

The Board is responsible for the Group's system of internal control. Such a system can only be designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives and can provide only reasonable, and not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss. Whilst it would not be practical for the Group, given its size, to maintain a dedicated Internal Audit function these internal controls are reviewed periodically to check that they are operating as planned. The Group also has in place processes to deal with the identification, assessment and management of major business risks and reviews these processes as required.

RELATIONS WITH SHAREHOLDERS

The Company values the views of shareholders and recognises their interests in the Group's strategy and performance.

Overall responsibility for ensuring that there is effective communication with investors and that the Board understands the views of major shareholders rests with the Chief Executive Officer, who makes himself available to meet shareholders for this purpose. Press coverage packs and analyst notes are made available to the Board at each regular Board meeting. The Chief Executive Officer is often accompanied at investor presentations by either the Chairman or the Chief Financial Officer. Shareholder communication is mainly co-ordinated by the company's Corporate Communications Consultants, Tavistock Communications Limited. ITM Power is committed to maintaining a good dialogue with shareholders through proactively organising meetings and presentations with fund managers, retail brokers and analysts, as well as responding to a wide range of enquiries. The Company also recognises the importance of communicating appropriately any significant company developments, this is done via the Stock Exchange Regulatory News Service that can be accessed through the Company's new web site.

The Company reports to shareholders twice a year. The report and accounts are available on the Company's website: www.itm-power.com. All shareholders are encouraged to attend the Company's Annual General Meeting, at which the Chairman gives an account of the progress of the business over the year and provides the opportunity for shareholders to ask questions. The Board attends the meeting and is available to answer questions from shareholders present.

In all communications and events, care is taken to ensure that no price sensitive information is released and that any price sensitive information is released to all shareholders at the same time in accordance with AIM Rules.

AUDITOR INDEPENDENCE

The Company seeks to ensure the independence of its Auditor by limiting the non-audit work it performs. The Company uses a range of advisors to give specialist advice in relevant areas.

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SHAREHOLDINGS

All information as at 22 March 2017

Total Shares in Issue **250,613,176**

Following shareholdings are considered not in public hands under the AIM rules:

Shareholder	Number of Ordinary 5p Shares
Mr Peter Kendal Hargreaves	22,908,643
Dr Graham Cooley	987,726
Dr Simon Bourne	326,830
Dr R Smith	80,886
Sir R Bone	67,000
Prof Roger Putnam	27,129
Mr R Pendlebury	12,269
Lord Roger Freeman	5,000
Total Number of Shares	24,415,483
Total Percentage	9.74%

Substantial Shareholdings

Shareholder	Number of Ordinary 5p Shares	% of Voting Rights
JCB companies, comprising Research and Valebond Consultants Ltd	38,892,341	15.52%
Allianz Global Investors	27,499,989	10.99%
Mr Peter Kendal Hargreaves	22,908,643	9.14%
Herald Investment Management	9,322,431	3.72%
Total Number of Shares	98,623,404	
Total Percentage	39.35%	

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SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have also been prepared in accordance with IFRSs adopted by the European Union. The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

Going concern

The directors have prepared a cash flow forecast for the period ending 31 August 2016. This forecast indicates that the company and group will remain cash positive without the requirement for further funding, for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements. The forecast includes certain assumptions, in particular in respect of the level and timing of projected sales and grant cash inflows, which are inherently uncertain; the directors believe that the level and timing of the projected sales represent a prudent estimate, with the current sales pipeline providing potential upside. Notwithstanding these uncertainties, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company and group will be able to meet their obligations as they fall due, for the foreseeable future.

Accordingly, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and entities controlled by the Company (its subsidiaries) made up to 30 April each year. Control is achieved where the Company has the power to govern the financial and operating policies of an investee entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

All intra-group transactions, balances, income and expenses are eliminated on consolidation.

Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, net of discounts, VAT and other sales-related taxes.

Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when all the following conditions are satisfied:

- the Group has transferred to the buyer the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods;
- the Group retains neither continuing managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership nor effective control over the goods sold;
- the amount of revenue can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the entity; and
- the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably.

Rendering of services

Revenue from a contract to provide services is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the contract. The stage of completion of the contract is determined as follows:

- installation fees are recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the installation, determined as the proportion of the total time expected to install that has elapsed at the balance sheet date;
- servicing fees included in the price of products sold are recognised by reference to the proportion of the total cost of providing the service for the product sold, taking into account historical trends in the number of services actually provided on past goods sold; and
- revenue from time and material contracts is recognised at the contractual rates as labour hours are delivered and direct expenses incurred.

Construction contracts

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When the outcome of a construction contract can be estimated reliably, revenue and costs are recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the contract activity at the balance sheet date. This is normally measured by the proportion that contract costs incurred for work performed to date bear to the estimated total contract costs, except where this would not be representative of the stage of completion. Variations in contract work, claims and incentive payments are included to the extent that the amount can be measured reliably and its receipt is considered probable.

Where the outcome of a construction contract cannot be estimated reliably, contract revenue is recognised to the extent of contract costs incurred where it is probable they will be recoverable. Contract costs are recognised as expenses in the period in which they are incurred.

When it is probable that total contract costs will exceed total contract revenue, the expected loss is recognised as an expense immediately.

When contract costs incurred to date plus recognised profits less recognised losses exceed progress billings, the surplus is shown as amounts due from customers for contract work. For contracts where progress billings exceed contract costs incurred to date plus recognised profits less recognised losses, the surplus is shown as the amounts due to customers for contract work. Amounts received before the related work is performed are included in the consolidated balance sheet, as a liability, as advances received. Amounts billed for work performed but not yet paid by the customer are included in the consolidated balance sheet under trade and other receivables.

Grants

Government and other grants are included in other operating income in the period that the expenditure to which they relate is incurred, unless relating to property, plant and equipment.

Government and other grants relating to property, plant and equipment are netted against the cost of the assets acquired.

Leasing

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

Foreign currencies

The individual financial statements of each group company are presented in the currency of the primary economic environment in which it operates (its functional currency). For the purpose of the consolidated financial statements, the results and financial position of each group company are expressed in pounds sterling, which is the functional currency of the Company, and the presentation currency for the consolidated financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements of the individual companies, transactions in currencies other than the entity's functional currency (foreign currencies) are recognised at the rates of exchange prevailing on the dates of the transactions. At each balance sheet date, monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at that date. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates prevailing at the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

Exchange differences are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise except for:

- exchange differences on foreign currency borrowings relating to assets under construction for future productive use, which are included in the cost of those assets when they are regarded as an adjustment to interest costs on those foreign currency borrowings;
- exchange differences on transactions entered into to hedge certain foreign currency risks (see below under financial instruments / hedge accounting); and

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- exchange differences on monetary items receivable from or payable to a foreign operation for which settlement is neither planned nor likely to occur (therefore forming part of the net investment in the foreign operation), which are recognised initially in other comprehensive income and reclassified from equity to profit or loss on disposal or partial disposal of the net investment.

For the purpose of presenting consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities of the group's foreign operations are translated at exchange rates prevailing on the balance sheet date. Income and expense items are translated at the average exchange rates for the period, unless exchange rates fluctuate significantly during that period, in which case the exchange rates at the date of transactions are used. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity (attributed to non-controlling interests as appropriate).

Loss from operations

Loss from operations is stated before investment income and finance costs.

Taxation

The tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in the income statement because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Research and development tax credits are recognised on an accruals basis.

Deferred tax is the tax expected to be payable or recoverable on differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from goodwill or from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the tax profit nor the accounting profit.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and associates, and interests in joint ventures, except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the income statement, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also dealt with in equity.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities, and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority, and the Group intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

Property, plant and equipment

Leasehold improvements, laboratory & test equipment, production plant & equipment, computer equipment and office furniture & fittings are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any recognised impairment loss.

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Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost of assets, other than land and properties under construction, over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method, on the following bases:

Leasehold improvements	4 years or the remainder of the lease term, if shorter
Laboratory and test equipment	4 to 6 years
Production plant and equipment	4 years
Computer equipment	3 years
Office furniture and fittings	4 years
Motor vehicles	3 years

The gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an asset is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in income.

Assets in the course of construction are carried at cost, less any recognised impairment loss. Depreciation of these assets, on the same basis as other property assets, commences when the assets are ready for their intended use.

Internally-generated intangible assets - research and development expenditure

Expenditure on research activities is recognised as an expense in the period in which it is incurred.

An internally generated intangible asset arising from the Group's product development is recognised only if all of the following conditions are met:

- an asset is created that can be identified (such as software and new processes);
- it is probable that the asset created will generate future economic benefits;
- the development cost of the asset can be measured reliably; and
- the technical feasibility of the product can be demonstrated.

Internally generated intangible assets are amortised on a straight-line basis over their useful lives. Where no internally generated intangible asset can be recognised, development expenditure is recognised as an expense in the period in which it is incurred.

Impairment of tangible and intangible assets

At each balance sheet date, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where the asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from other assets, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

An intangible asset with an indefinite useful life is tested for impairment annually and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted. If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised as an expense immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been

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recognised for the asset (cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised as income immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Cost is calculated using the “first in first out” (FIFO) method. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the Group’s balance sheet when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables that have fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are classified as receivables. Receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment. Interest income is recognised by applying the effective interest rate, except for short-term receivables when the recognition of interest would be immaterial.

Trade receivables do not carry any interest and are stated at their nominal value. Appropriate allowances for estimated irrecoverable amounts are recognised in profit or loss when there is objective evidence that the asset is impaired.

Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets are assessed for indicators of impairment at each balance sheet date. Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows of the investment have been impacted.

Investments - short term deposits

Short term deposit investments comprise short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash in hand and on demand deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Financial liabilities and equity

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Group after deducting all of its liabilities.

Trade payables

Trade payables are not interest bearing and are stated at their nominal value.

Equity instruments

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Equity instruments issued by the Company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present obligation as a result of a past event, and it is probable that the Group will be required to settle that obligation. Provisions are measured at the directors' best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the balance sheet date, and are discounted to present value where the effect is material.

Share-based payments

The Group has applied the requirements of IFRS 2 Share-based Payments. In accordance with the transitional provisions, IFRS 2 has been applied to all grants of equity instruments after 7 November 2002 that were unvested as of 1 May 2006, which was the group's date of transition to IFRS.

The Group issues equity-settled share-based payments to certain employees. Equity-settled share-based payments are measured at fair value at the date of grant. The fair value determined at the grant date of the equity-settled share-based payments is expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the Group's estimate of shares that will eventually vest. Fair value is measured using a Black-Scholes options pricing model.

Pension costs

The Group operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The amount charged to the income statement in respect of pension costs is the contributions actually payable in the year. Differences between the contributions actually payable and those paid are shown as accruals or prepayments in the consolidated balance sheet.

The group as lessor

Rental income from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Warranties

Provisions for the expected cost of warranty obligations under local sale of goods legislation are recognised at the date of sale of the relevant products, at the directors' best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the Group's obligation.