Michael Levy

02/12/2019

ARCONTECH GROUP PLC

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Michael Levy

Arcontech (AIM: ARC), is deeply saddened to report the death of Michael Levy, the Company's Finance Director, after a period of illness.
Deepest sympathies from all at Arcontech have been conveyed to his family.

Richard Last, Chairman of Arcontech, said: "We were extremely saddened to learn of the passing of Michael. Everyone at the Company acknowledges the significant contribution he made to the development and leadership of the Company in his executive position. Our thoughts are with Michael's family at this difficult time."

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Result of AGM

03/10/2019

ARCONTECH GROUP PLC

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Result of AGM

Arcontech (AIM: ARC), the provider of products and services for real-time financial market data processing and trading, is pleased to announce that at the Annual General Meeting of the Company held earlier today, all Resolutions were duly passed.

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Grant of Options

27/09/2019

ARCONTECH GROUP PLC

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Grant of Options

Arcontech (AIM: ARC), the provider of products and services for real-time financial market data processing and trading, announces that on 27 September 2019 it granted a total of 115,000 options (“Options”) over ordinary shares of £0.125 in the Company (“Ordinary Shares”) under the Company’s EMI and non EMI schemes to various employees.

Options were granted to the following persons disclosing managerial responsibility (“PDMRs”): Matthew Jeffs (Chief Executive), Michael Levy (Finance Director), Darren Lewis (Head of Development) and Sarah Wisbey (Administrative Director).

The Options have been granted at a price of 196p pence per Ordinary Share, being the closing mid-market price of an Ordinary Share on 26 September 2019. They will be exercisable from 30 June 2022.

For Matthew Jeffs, Michael Levy and Darren Lewis, the Options will vest subject to the Company’s compound annual rate of growth in fully diluted earnings* for the three financial years ending 30 June 2022, subject to performance criteria as follows:

– compound annual earnings growth of 10% or more – fully vested (100%);

– compound annual earnings growth between 5%-10% – partial vesting between 0% and 100% on a sliding scale; and

– compound annual earnings growth of 5% and below – nil.

Dependent on the performance criteria above being achieved, the maximum number of Options that will vest and become exercisable is as follows:

Director/PDMR / Number of Options

Matthew Jeffs
50,000

Darren Lewis
20,000

Michael Levy
10,000

Sarah Wisbey has been granted 3,000 Options that are not subject to performance criteria. The 32,000 Options granted to non-PDMR employees are also not subject to performance criteria.

Any Ordinary Shares arising from the vesting of Options must be held for a period of two years.

Following this grant, there are a total of 625,397 options outstanding, representing approximately 4.7% of the current issued share capital of the Company.

Further detail is set out in the PDMR disclosure tables below.

* Fully diluted earnings will be based on: (a) the Company's pre-tax profit excluding exceptional items and the share option charge and (b) the current UK corporation tax rate of 19%, such that the fully diluted earnings calculation takes no account of R&D and deferred tax credits. For the purposes of the fully diluted earnings calculation, the applied rate of corporation tax will remain constant at 19% irrespective of any current or future changes to corporation tax.

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For the full press release and PDMR disclosure tables please click here: Grant of Options

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Holdings in Company

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Report and accounts for the Year Ended 30 June 2019

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Notice of Annual General Meeting 3 October 2019

If you will be attending the Annual General Meeting, please ensure you bring proof of identity and share ownership.

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Posting of Annual Report & Notice of AGM

2/09/2019

ARCONTECH GROUP PLC

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Posting of Annual Report & Notice of AGM

Arcontech (AIM: ARC), the provider of products and services for real-time financial market data processing and trading, confirms that its Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 30 June 2019, together with the Notice of the Annual General Meeting, have been posted to shareholders. The documents are available to download from the Company's website www.arcontech.com.

The Company's Annual General Meeting will be held at the Company's offices at 1st Floor, 11-21 Paul Street, London EC2A

4JU on 3 October at 10.00 a.m.

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Final Results for the year ended 30 June 2019

22/08/2019

ARCONTECH GROUP PLC

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Final Results for the year ended 30 June 2019

Arcontech (AIM: ARC), the provider of products and services for real-time financial market data processing and trading, is pleased to announce its final audited results for the year ended 30 June 2019.

Financial Highlights:

- Revenue increased by 18% to £2,966,788 (2018: £2,519,699)
- Profit before tax of £1,057,143 (2018: £575,632)
- Revenue and profit before and after tax increased by £125,426 on adoption of IFRS 15
- Cash balances up 27% £4,063,484 (2018: £3,210,058)
- Fully diluted earnings per share of 8.35p (2018: 7.09p)
- Final dividend of 2.0 pence per share (2018: 1.3 pence per share)

Operational Highlights:

- Doubled number of paying desktop software solution users to 90
- Sold 300 Excelerators taking total users to 1,410
- Building a RESTful interface to provide access to more data sources
- Added new pre-sales resource
- Strong cash generation and recurring revenue

Commenting on the results, Richard Last, Chairman of Arcontech said:
"As a business we face a number of uncertainties: Brexit and changes taking place in the financial markets, as well as with our competitors. However, against this backdrop, our customer relationships remain strong. We are a global business and believe we offer excellent levels of support and operational flexibility as well as significant competitiveness, hence, we would expect to see continued growth, despite the macro climate. Our pipeline of prospects remains positive, albeit, as we have consistently noted, the outlook needs to be tempered by the traditionally long and complex sales cycles that are a feature of our business."

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Trading Update / Notice of Results

11/07/2019

ARCONTECH GROUP PLC

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Trading Update / Notice of Results

Arcontech (AIM: ARC), the provider of products and services for real-time financial market data processing and trading, is pleased to announce that profit for the year ended 30 June 2019 is expected to be comfortably in line with market expectations. Unaudited net cash at 30 June 2019 amounted to £4.05m (At 30 June 2018, £3.2m).

[Financial expectations noted above are preliminary, and subject to year-end financial close and audit review processes.]

Notice of Results

The Company's results for the 12 months ended 30 June 2019 are expected to be announced on 22 August 2019 and the Directors look forward to updating shareholders with further details at that time.

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Director / PDMR Shareholding

15/05/2019

ARCONTECH GROUP PLC

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Arcontech (AIM: ARC), the provider of products and services for real-time financial market data processing and trading, announces that it has been informed of the following dealings in its ordinary shares of £0.125 each in the Company ("Ordinary Shares") by Richard Last, Chairman and Non-Executive Director of the Company:

– on 10 May 2019, the sale of 25,000 Ordinary Shares at 157 pence per Ordinary Share
– on 13 May 2019, the sale of 25,000 Ordinary Shares at 161.75 pence per Ordinary Share
– on 14 May 2019, the sale of 100,000 Ordinary Shares at 160.12 pence per Ordinary Share

Following these transactions, the total beneficial shareholding of Richard Last is 1,541,659 Ordinary Shares, representing approximately 11.7% of the Company's issued share capital.

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Holdings in Company

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Director / PDMR Shareholding

29/03/2019

ARCONTECH GROUP PLC

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Director / PDMR Shareholding

Arcontech (AIM: ARC), the provider of products and services for real-time financial market data processing and trading, announces that it has been informed of the following dealings in its ordinary shares of £0.125 each in the Company (“Ordinary Shares”) by Matthew Jeffs, Chief Executive of the Company, and persons closely associated (PCA’s) with him:

– on 28 March 2019, the sale of 9,109 Ordinary Shares at 121 pence per Ordinary Share by an account in his own name
– on 28 March 2019, the purchase of 9,052 Ordinary Shares at 121.5 pence per Ordinary Share by his ISA
– on 28 March 2019, the purchase of 6,970 Ordinary Shares at 129 pence per Ordinary Share by his ISA
– on 28 March 2019, the in specie transfer of 15,000 Ordinary Shares from an account in his own name to his wife, Suzanne Jeffs
– on 28 March 2019, the sale of 15,000 Ordinary Shares at 121

pence per Ordinary Share by Suzanne Jeffs in her own name
– on 28 March 2019, the purchase of 14,957 Ordinary Shares at 121.2 pence per Ordinary Share by Suzanne Jeffs' ISA
– on 29 March 2019, the purchase of 100 Ordinary Shares at 128.45 pence per Ordinary Share for an account in his own name
– on 29 March 2019, the purchase of 13,030 Ordinary Shares at 128 pence per Ordinary Share by his daughter, Victoria Jeffs in her ISA

Following these transactions, the total beneficial shareholding of Matthew Jeffs and his PCA's has increased to 910,000 Ordinary Shares, representing approximately 6.9% of the Company's issued share capital.

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Interim Results for the six months ended 31 December 2018

27/02/2019

ARCONTECH GROUP PLC

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INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

Arcontech (AIM: ARC), the provider of products and services for real-time financial market data processing and trading, is pleased to report its unaudited results for the six months ended 31 December 2018.

Highlights:

• Turnover increased by 13% to £1,371,107 (six months ended 31 December 2017: £1,213,776)
• Profit before tax increased by 91% to £452,756 (six months ended 31 December 2017: £237,581)
• Adjusted profit before tax (before release of accruals for administrative costs in respect of prior years) increased by 41% to £335,470 (six months ended 31 December 2017: £237,581)
• Annual run-rate of recurring revenues at 31 December 2018 increased by 14% to £2.78 million (at 31 December 2017: £2.43 million)
• Cash of £3,231,830 as at 31 December 2018 (31 December 2017: £2,663,935)
• Trading in line and on track to meet management’s full year expectations

Richard Last, Chairman of Arcontech Group, said:

“The Board is pleased with Arcontech’s growth in revenue and adjusted profit before tax. Cash at the half year was £567,895 higher than the previous half year, further strengthening the

Balance Sheet. We have continued to invest in product development to maintain and enhance our propositions to the market. Our sales cycle is often long and unpredictable however we remain positive about the Group's long term prospects and the Board expects results for the full year to be in line with expectations."

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The interim report will only be available to view online enabling the Group to communicate in a more environmentally friendly and cost-effective manner.

Chairman's Statement

I am pleased to report that Arcontech has continued to grow profits in the six-month period ended 31 December 2018, reporting an adjusted profit before tax of £335,470 (six months ended 31 December 2017: £237,581) an increase of 41%. Turnover increased by 13% to £1,371,107 compared to the corresponding six-month period in 2017 where turnover amounted to £1,213,776. This reflects the growth in recurring annual licence fees, primarily from existing customers, which on an annualised basis amounted to £2.78 million at 31 December 2018, compared to £2.43 million as at 31 December 2017. Fully diluted earnings per share were 3.72 pence per share compared to 2.36 pence per share for the corresponding period last year.

During the half year to 31 December 2018 Arcontech's increase in revenues reflects the full year effect of sales made during the year to 30 June 2018 and the impact of selling more products into the existing customer base. We are continuing to trial our Desktop software solution and have made a number of enhancements following positive comments from customers and prospective users. Usage has increased with existing customers by approximately 75% to 70. We also continue to see demand for our Excelerator product with additional users to an approximate value of £225,000-pa being deployed by two existing clients.

For the server-side of the business our MVCS (Multi-Vendor Contribution System) and Real-time Cache continue to make a significant contribution to group revenue. We have continued to invest in the development and enhancement of these products to further optimise their efficiency whilst enhancing the customer experience. This work helps integrate the products further within the client environment, however, new sales in this area are significant projects in themselves and although we have a number of qualified prospects, none have contracted in the half year. A further benefit of that work is that both the MVCS and our Real-time Cache are increasingly seen as preferable alternatives to competitive offerings which also help our pipeline.

Financing

The Group has a strong financial position with cash balances at the 31 December 2018 of £3,231,830 (31 December 2017 £2,663,935), an increase of £567,895, providing a sound basis for continued investment in the business. The small increase in cash between 30 June 2018 and 31 December 2018 principally reflects timing differences in relation to advance payments.

Dividend

No interim dividend is proposed to be paid in respect of the half year, although the Board does expect to continue its policy of paying a dividend following the announcement of its full year results.

Employees

I should like to thank our employees and directors for their continued hard work and dedication, which I know is appreciated by our customers and shareholders alike.

Outlook

Arcontech has a sound business base supported by a high level of recurring revenues and a strong balance sheet. Our business is international with customers operating in the UK, Europe, the USA, Hong Kong and Singapore. As such it is the Board's view that we are unlikely to be adversely affected by Brexit. We propose to maintain ongoing investment in product development and enhancement, and as a result of working with existing customers we are delivering world class solutions which provide cost savings and competitive advantage. As we repeatedly note in our statements to shareholders we remain mindful of the long and unpredictable sales cycles we often face and the challenges this brings in predicting the timing of contract wins. Nevertheless, the Board views the long term future for the business with optimism and in the short term expects results for the full year to be in line with expectations.

Richard Last
Chairman and Non-Executive Director

Please click below for the full interim results:

[Arcontech Interim Results for the six months ended 31 December 2018]