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Aradel Holdings Plc, Reports 2024 Full Year Unaudited Results - Revenue of #581.0 Billion, Up 162.7% and Profit after Tax of #247.6 Billion, up 360.8%

Lagos, Nigeria – 28 January 2025 - Aradel Holdings Plc ("Aradel", "Aradel Holdings", "the Company" or "the Group"), Nigeria's leading integrated indigenous energy company, announces its unaudited results for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Group Financial Highlights

	31 December 2024	31 December 2023	Variance
	₩′billion	₩ ′billion	%
Revenue	581.2	221.1	162.7
Gross Profit	319.8	142.3	124.7
Operating Profit	297.5	114.1	160.8
Operating Profit Margin	51.20%	51.58%	(38bps)
EBITDA	374.1	129.3	189.2
EBITDA Margin	64.39%	58.49%	590bps
Profit Before Tax	321.6	112.2	186.7
Profit After Tax	247.8	53.7	361.1
Earnings per Share	57.03	12.37	361.1
Operating Cashflow	315.3	139.0	126.8
Capital Expenditure	136.8	48.9	179.9
Free Cashflow	178.5	90.1	98.1
Total Assets	1,744.9	923.4	89.0
Total Equity	1,392.9	704.6	97.7

Operational Highlights

- Production and Refining:
 - Crude oil production of 13,751 bbls/day up 41.2% (FY 2023: 9,739 bbls/day)
 - Gas production of 32.4 mmscfd (5,717 boepd) up by 21.9% (FY 2023: 26.6 mmscfd (4,691 boepd))
 - Refined petroleum products sold 240.5 mmltres up by 14.5% (FY 2023: 210.1 mmltres)
- Average realised crude oil price (exported) per barrel of \$82.3 (FY 2023: \$80.0)
- Average realised gas price per mscf of \$1.7 (FY 2023: \$1.7)



The Chief Executive Officer of Aradel Holdings Plc, Mr. Adegbite Falade comments:

The Company sustained its strong operational and financial performance in 2024, building on the improvements achieved in 2023. We recorded increased topline and bottomline, driven by significantly higher hydrocarbon production, the successful re-entry of Well 2ST in the Omerelu Field, which resulted in the attainment of First Oil on 31st May 2024 and increased sales volumes from our refinery operations. We successfully drilled Wells 14 and 15, marking the conclusion of our Phase 1, four-well turnkey drilling campaign with favourable results. We kicked off the second phase of the drilling campaign with Well 16, which is approaching completion. To support the anticipated production growth, we expanded the throughput capacity of our evacuation channels, positioning us to maintain strong output and efficiency levels throughout the year.

We completed the acquisition of the Olo and Olo West Marginal Fields from the TotalEnergies/NNPC Joint venture, and entered an agreement to acquire a minority equity interest in Chappal Energies Mauritius Limited - an energy company focusing on investments in deep value and brownfield upstream opportunities within Africa. Aradel is also an equity participant in the Renaissance Africa Energy Company Limited, the acquirer of Shell's 100% equity interest in the Shell Petroleum Development Company (SPDC) Limited, for which Ministerial Consent has been obtained. These acquisitions further enhance our portfolio and create new opportunities for future production growth. They will complement our existing operations and provide significant long-term value, aligning with our broader strategy of expanding our asset base to multiple assets across different locations, and increasing the resilience as well as sustainability of our business.

Our successful listing on the NGX in October capped a landmark year for the Company and was a significant milestone towards fulfilling our promise to enhance shareholder value.

For 2025, our plan is to commence the development programmes for Olo and Olo West as well as the Omerelu Fields. These are in addition to optimising production from Ogbele, with a target annual production of 16kbbls per day and 50mmscf per day.

Financial Review

Foreign exchange dynamics continued to impact on the financial performance of the Group. The average exchange rate in 2024 was ₹1479.68:US\$1; it was ₹645.92: US\$1 in 2023.

Revenue increased by 162.7% to ₩581.0 billion (FY 2023: ₩221.1 billion). This was driven by:

- 244.6% increase in export crude oil revenue (64.31% of total revenue) to ₦373.7 billion (2023 ₦108.4 billion; 49.03% of total), attributed to increased production levels, significant impact of improved utilisation of the Trans Niger Pipeline (TNP) on which there has been reduced crude losses, and additional value from the Alternative Crude Evacuation (ACE) route with resultant higher crude oil lifting of 3.1 mbbls in 2024 (FY 2023: 2.1 mbbls).
- 174.7% increase in gas revenue to ₩28.0 billion (4.8% of total revenue), due to higher production volumes (FY 2023: ₩10.2 billion; 4.6% of total revenue).
- 74.9% increase in refined products' revenue (30.9% of total revenue) to №179.3 billion (FY 2023: №102.5 billion; 46.4% of total revenue) due to increased sales volumes of 240.5 mmltres, up by 14.47% (FY 2023: 210.1 mmltres).

Cost of sales (COS)¹ increased by 231.4% to ₩261.2 billion (FY 2023: ₩78.8 billion). This was primarily driven by:

¹ Includes stock adjustment credit of ₦27.3 billion. Without the stock adjustment COS would be ₦189.3 billion



- Crude Handling Charges (37.5% of COS) which increased by 241.1% to ₦97.9 billion (FY 2023: ₦28.7 billion) arising from the higher activity levels across the Trans Niger Pipeline (TNP) and ACE operations.
- Depreciation (28.4% of COS) increased by 406.9% to ₩74.2 billion (FY 2023: ₩14.6 billion) due to higher hydrocarbon production, and the addition of newly completed well costs.
- Royalties & Other Statutory expenses (20.5% of COS) increased by 202.8% to ₩53.6 billion (FY 2023: ₩ billion. This is attributable to higher production levels during the period.
- Stock adjustment increased to a credit of ₩27.6 billion (FY 2023: ₩1.1 billion) due to higher inventory levels in 2024.

General and Administrative (G&A) expenses increased by 164.4% to ₹53.9 billion (FY 2023: ₹20.4 billion). The major drivers of this growth include:

- Staff costs (39.1% of G&A expenses) increased by 352.9% to ₩21.0 billion (FY 2023: ₩4.6 billion) mainly due to staff additions and employee remuneration adjustments.
- Professional Fees (10.3% of G&A expenses) increased to ₩5.5 billion, up 164.5% (FY 2023: ₩2.1 billion) primarily due to Naira devaluation and transaction fees on key corporate activities.
- Other expenses² (22.2% of G&A expenses) increased by 104.5% to ₩11.9 billion (FY 2023: ₩5.9 billion) primarily due to devaluation.

Operating profit of ₹297.4 billion, up 160.8% (FY 2023: ₹201.05 billion) bolstered by strong margins and higher realised price as evidenced by increased revenue in 2024 and a write-back in Asset Retirement Obligation ("ARO") liability provisions following current year re-estimations.

Finance costs increased by 96.4% to ₩23.0 billion (FY 2023: ₩11.7 billion) driven primarily by naira devaluation which offset the decrease in the interest expense in US Dollar terms from the ongoing settlement of our loan obligations. Finance Income increased by 141.4% to ₩16.0 billion (FY 2023: ₩6.6 billion) resulting from the amounts earned on invested cash and cash equivalents.

Profit before tax of ₦321.6 billion, up by 186.7% (FY 2023: ₦112.2 billion), with an Income tax expense estimate of ₦73.8 billion (Cash Tax ₦52.9 billion and Deferred tax ₦20.9 billion), relative to FY 2023 tax expense of N58 billion

Profit after tax increased by 361.1% to ₩247.8 billion (FY 2023: ₩53.7 billion).

Year-to-date growth in **total assets** of 89.0% to ₩1.7 trillion (FY 2023: ₩923.4 billion) driven by:

- Increase in Property, plant and equipment by 77.9% to ₩684.2 billion (FY 2023: ₩384.6 billion). This was impacted mainly by increased capital expenditure and higher FX rates.

Total liabilities rose by 60.9% to \#352.0 billion (FY 2023: \#218.8 billion). This increase is attributable to higher tax liability estimates for the period and the Naira devaluation which caused a significant increase in translated values.

Total equity increased by 97.7% to ₩1.4 trillion (FY 2023: ₩704.6 billion) primarily due to the retention of total comprehensive income over the period.

 $^{^{2}}$ which consist of catering, donations, printing and stationery, and other related administrative costs



Cash flows from operating activities

The Company generated cash flows from operations of ₦342.4 billion as at FY 2024, an increase of 135.4% (FY 2023: ₦145.5 billion), and net cash flows from operating activities of ₦315.3 billion, were up 126.8% (FY 2023: ₦139.0 billion). This growth was buoyed by receipts of US\$42 million from December 2023 crude oil sales, as well as strong margins in crude oil and refinery product sales (and cash receipts).

Cash flows from investing activities

Net cash flow used in investing activities was ₩152.1 billion, up 237.7% (FY 2023: ₩45.0 billion). This increase is mainly driven by capital expenditure of ₩136.7 billion in 2024 (FY 2023: ₩48.9 billion) due to the four-well drilling campaign, and the attendant foreign exchange effects.

Cash flows from financing activities

Net cash flows used in financing activities was ₩89.5 billion, up 80.2% (FY 2023: ₩49.7 billion), due to dividend payments (₩71.9 billion) during the year and net repayments of borrowings (₩17 billion).

Responsibility for publication

The Board member responsible for arranging the release of this announcement on behalf of Aradel Holdings is Adegbola Adesina, CFO Aradel Holdings Plc.

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Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the period ended 31 December 2024

In thousands of naira	31-Dec-2024	31-Dec-2023
Revenue	581,022,345	221,142,379
Cost of Sales	(261,213,488)	(78,810,337)
Gross Profit	319,808,857	142,332,042
Other Income/(Loss)	31,746,135	(7,974,518)
Impairment (loss)/writeback on financial assets and contract assets	(241,522)	64,201
General and administrative expenses	(53,839,456)	(20,365,389)
Operating Profit	297,474,014	114,056,336
Finance Income	15,958,982	6,609,865
Finance Costs	(23,031,256)	(11,724,050)
Net Finance (cost)/income	(7,072,274)	(5,114,185)
Share of profit of an associate	31,199,053	3,221,500
Profit before taxation	321,600,793	112,163,651
Tax expense	(73,815,286)	(58,425,952)
Profit after taxation	247,785,507	53,737,699
Profit/(Loss) attributable to:		
Equity holders of the parent	246,695,999	52,747,040
Non-controlling interest	1,089,508	990,659
	247,785,507	53,737,699
Other comprehensive income:		
Other comprehensive income item that may be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent years (net of tax):		
Foreign currency translation difference	314,534,198	201,520,811
Other comprehensive income item that will not be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent years (net of tax):		
Share of other comprehensive income of associate accounted for using the equity method	192,096,530	134,479,316
Net gain/loss) on equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	5,731,843	2,261,865
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	512,362,571	338,261,992
Total comprehensive income for the year	760,148,078	391,999,691
Total comprehensive income attributable to:		
Equity holders of the parent	757,021,074	387,858,217
Non-controlling interest	3,127,004	4,141,474
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Basic earnings per share	₩ 57.03	₩ 12.37



Consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2024

In thousands of naira	31-Dec-2024	31-Dec-2023
Non-current assets		
Property, plant, and equipment	682,927,467	383,427,621
Intangible assets	1,251,000	1,211,772
Financial assets	42,920,626	4,051,382
Investment in associate	489,533,711	270,233,296
Total non-current assets	1,216,632,804	658,924,071
Current assets		
Inventories	47,837,593	15,973,244
Trade and other receivables	57,424,969	53,523,077
Prepayments	332,982	82,606
Financial assets	496,045	312,802
Cash and Bank	422,206,116	194,618,761
Total current assets	528,297,705	264,510,490
Total assets	1,744,930,509	923,434,561
Equities and Liabilities		
Shareholders' equity		
Share capital	2,172,422	2,172,422
Share premium	22,819,670	22,819,670
Translation reserve	966,942,255	462,349,023
Fair value reserve of financial assets at FVOCI	8,260,630	2,528,787
Retained earnings	384,035,305	209,029,238
Non-controlling interest	8,655,016	5,745,441
Total shareholders' equity	1,392,885,298	704,644,581
Non-current liabilities		
Borrowings	40,945,047	44,350,154
Deferred tax liabilities	53,121,517	18,386,481
Decommissioning liabilities	39,085,787	65,161,229
Total non-current liabilities	133,152,351	127,897,864
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	109,268,964	57,076,608
Contract liabilities	1,792,993	1,771,922
Taxation	52,376,680	14,421,838
Borrowings	55,454,223	17,621,748
Total Current liabilities	218,892,860	90,892,116
Total liabilities	352,045,211	218,789,980
Total equity & liabilities	1,744,930,509	923,434,561



Consolidated statement of cash flows for the period ended 31 December 2024

In thousands of naira	31-Dec-2024	31-Dec-2023
Profit before taxation	321,600,793	112,163,651
Adjustments:	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	,,
Interest expense	23,031,256	11,724,050
Interest income	(15,958,982)	(6,609,865)
Dividend received	(165,681)	(74,370)
Realized Exchange loss	28,987,902	8,385,795
Unrealized exchange gain	(4,693,759)	-
Share of profit from associate	(31,199,053)	(3,221,500)
Loss on Financial Asset at FV through PorL	5,053,017	1,076,754
Hedge cost written off	(2,379,673)	1,161,067
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	75,634,507	14,903,855
Amortization of intangible assets	1,002,829	382,414
Allowance for expected credit loss/Impairment allowance	241,522	(64,201)
Provision no longer required	(45,296,575)	-
Bad debt written off	3,421,599	-
Stock adjustment	(27,646,991)	1,053,072
Asset Write off	-	1,434,889
Operating cash flows before movement in working capital	331,632,711	142,315,611
Movement in working capital:		
Decrease in trade and other receivables	(7,565,013)	(17,937,956)
(Increase)/ Decrease in prepayments	(250,376)	16,710
Increase in inventory	(4,217,358)	(7,655,528)
Increase in restricted cash	5,515,060	(6,421,848)
Decrease in trade and other payables	17,281,117	33,398,567
Decrease in contract liabilities	21,071	1,771,922
Cash generated by operating activities	342,417,212	145,487,478
Tax paid	(27,098,398)	(6,487,142)
Net cash flows from operating activities	315,318,814	139,000,336
Investing activities		
Interest received	15,911,387	6,609,865
Dividend received	4,160,849	74,370
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(136,770,495)	(48,861,490)
Proceeds from purchase of financial assets	(35,456,680)	(2,875,350)
Net cash used in investing activities	(152,154,939)	(45,052,605)
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Financing activities Dividend paid to holders of the parent	(74 (00 000)	(14.120.744)
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Interest paid	(217,429)	- (F 4F2 10F)
Repayment of borrowing	(9,444,797)	(5,453,185)
Additional borrowings	(32,439,025)	(49,420,631)
Issue of Bond	_	8,993,900
Loan from related party	24 201 000	10,318,000
Net cash flows used in financing activities	24,281,086	(40.692.662)
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Increase in cash and cash equivalents	73,653,778	44,265,071
Cash and cash equivalents - Beginning of year	183,008,535	55,520,654
Exchange rate effects on cash and cash equivalents	159,448,637	83,222,810
Cash and cash equivalents - End of year	416,110,950	183,008,535



Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the period ended 31 December 2024 (US Dollars)

In thousands of dollars	31-Dec-2024	31-Dec-2023
Revenue	392,667	342,336
Cost of sales	(176,529)	(133,659)
Gross profit	216,138	208,677
Other Income/(Loss)	21,455	(35,667)
Impairment (loss)/ writeback on financial assets and contract assets	(163)	224
General and administrative expenses	(36,384)	(34,618)
Operating profit	201,046	138,616
Finance income	10,786	12,708
Finance costs	(15,565)	(22,236)
Net Finance (cost)/income	(4,779)	(9,528)
Share of profit of an associate	21,085	4,994
Profit before taxation	217,352	134,082
Tax expense	(49,885)	(64,960)
Profit after taxation	167,467	69,122
Profit/(Loss) attributable to:		
Equity holders of the parent	166,730	67,749
Non-controlling interest	737	1,373
	167,467	69,122
Other comprehensive income:		
Net gain/loss on equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	3,541	3,419
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	3,541	3,419
Total comprehensive income for the year	171,008	72,541
Total comprehensive income attributable to:		
Equity holders of the parent	170,271	71,168
Non-controlling interest	737	1,373
Basic earnings per share	\$0.04	\$0.02



Consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2024 (US Dollars)

In thousands of dollars	31-Dec-2024	31-Dec-2023
Non-current assets		
Property, plant, and equipment	444,813	426,318
Intangible assets	815	1,348
Financial assets	27,714	4,505
Investment in associate	318,848	300,463
Total non-current assets	792,190	732,634
Current assets		
Inventories	31,157	17,759
Trade and other receivables	37,402	59,511
Prepayments	218	92
Financial assets	323	348
Cash and Bank	274,994	216,402
Total current assets	344,094	294,112
Total assets	1,136,284	1,026,746
Equities and Liabilities		
Shareholders' equity		
Share capital	19,316	19,316
Share premium	78,955	78,955
Fair value reserve of financial assets at FVOCI	6,082	2,541
Retained earnings	795,891	676,571
Non-controlling interest	6,183	5,581
Total shareholders' equity	906,427	782,964
Non-current liabilities		
Borrowings	31,826	49,830
Deferred tax liabilities	34,599	20,442
Decommissioning liabilities	25,457	72,451
Total non-current liabilities	91,882	142,723
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	71,163	63,461
Contract liabilities	1,168	1,970
Taxation	34,114	16,035
Borrowings	31,530	19,593
Total Current liabilities	137,975	101,059
Total liabilities	229,857	243,782
Total equity & liabilities	1,136,284	1,026,746



Consolidated statement of cash flows for the period ended 31 December 2024 (US Dollars)

In thousands of dollars	31-Dec-2024	31-Dec-2023
Profit before taxation	217,352	134,082
Adjustments:		•
Interest expense	15,565	22,236
Interest income	(10,786)	(12,708)
Dividend received	(112)	(168)
Realized exchange loss	19,590	36,417
Unrealized exchange gain	(3,172)	-
Share of profit from associate	(21,085)	(4,994)
Loss on Financial Asset at FV through PorL	3,415	1,915
Hedge Cost Written off	(1,608)	1,719
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	51,114	39,881
Amortization of intangible assets	678	848
Allowance for expected credit loss/Impairment allowance	163	(224)
Provision no longer required	(30,612)	-
Bad debt written off	2,312	-
Stock adjustment	(18,688)	6,241
Asset Write off	-	4,858
Operating cash flows before movement in working capital	224,126	230,103
Movement in working capital:		
Decrease in trade and other receivables	19,634	15,428
(Increase)/ Decrease in prepayments	(126)	130
Decrease/ (Increase) in inventory	5,290	(3,109)
Decrease/Increase) in restricted cash	6,132	(1,342)
(Decrease)/ Increase in trade and other payables	910	(26,481)
(Decrease)/ Increase in contract liabilities	(802)	1,970
Cash generated by operating activities	255,164	216,699
Tax paid	(17,650)	(10,054)
Net cash flows from operating activities	237,514	206,645
Investing activities		
Interest received	10,755	12,708
Dividend received	2,812	168
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(87,505)	(51,605)
Purchase of financial assets	(23,094)	(3,197)
Net cash used in investing activities	(97,032)	(41,926)
	(37/032)	(42/320)
Financing activities		
Dividend paid to holders of the parent	(47,410)	(17,667)
Dividend paid to NCI holders	(135)	-
Interest paid	(6,383)	(12,295)
Repayment of borrowing	(21,923)	(76,512)
Additional borrowings	-	10,000
Issue of Bond	-	11,472
Loan from related party	15,815	-
Net cash flows used in financing activities	(60,036)	(85,002)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	80,446	79,717
Cash and cash equivalents - Beginning of year	203,493	123,776
Exchange rate effects on cash and cash equivalents	(15,722)	-
Cash and cash equivalents - End of year	268,217	203,493



Definition of ratios

Operating profit margin is the operating profit divided by total revenue.

EBITDA margin corresponds to EBITDA divided by total revenue.

Glossary of terms

mmbbls - million barrels of oil

bscf - Billions of standard cubic feet of gas.

boepd - Barrels of Oil Equivalent Per Day

mscf - one thousand standard cubic feet

boe - Barrel of oil equivalent

bbl/d – barrels per day



Aradel Holdings Plc ("Aradel Holdings" or "the Company") is Nigeria's foremost integrated independent energy company, delivering critical energy solutions in a sustainable and responsible way. Aradel Holdings was incorporated on 25 March 1992 (as the Midas Drilling Fund), changed its name to Niger Delta Exploration and Production Plc in November 1996, assumed its current name in May 2023, and was listed on the main board of the NGX on 14 October 2024.

The Company operates through its subsidiaries and an affiliate company:

- Aradel Energy Limited (100%), a wholly owned subsidiary of Aradel Holdings, as well as the Operator
 of the Ogbele (PML 14), Omerelu (PPL 247), Olo and Olo West Marginal Fields, as well as OPL 227
 joint venture (subject to NUPRC approval). Established to explore and harness opportunities in the
 energy industry.
- Aradel Gas Limited (100%), the only Nigerian independent Non-JV Gas Supplier to Bonny LNG.
 Established to leverage investment opportunities in the gas sector. Has 100mmscf/d gas processing facility.
- Aradel Investments Limited (100%), a wholly owned subsidiary established to hold and manage the group's non-oil & gas assets. Established to hold the Company's non-oil and gas investments.
- Aradel Refineries Limited (95%), a 3-train 11kbbl/d independent operating midstream refinery. Produces AGO, DPK, MDO, HFO and Naphtha.
- ND Western Limited (41.67%), an independent Nigerian oil and gas exploration and production company comprising four leading industry players with four limited liability companies (being Aradel Energy, Petrolin, First Exploration & Petroleum Development Company, and Waltersmith Petroman Oil) as shareholders.

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