#### **Crimson Tide plc**

("Crimson Tide" or "the Company")

#### Interim Results for the six months ended 30 June 2016

Crimson Tide, a leading service provider of mobile data solutions for business (AIM: TIDE.L) announces its unaudited interim results for the six months ended 30 June 2016.

# **Highlights**

- Profit Before Tax doubled to £122k (1H 2015: £60k);
- Revenues 25% up on 1H 2015 (£845k vs. £673k)
- More significant customers added
- Balance Sheet reconstruction completed

## Barrie Whipp, Executive Chairman, commented,

"We have continued to build and grow mpro5 into, in our opinion, the leading full service mobility service for organisations. We are expanding our team and our footprint and commencing an investment programme for further growth, both in our existing markets and overseas."

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#### Chairman's Statement

I am very pleased to report on the Company's progress for the first half of 2016. Once again, we exceeded all of our key indicators and of particular note, Profit after Tax for the period increased by 100% to £122k on increased turnover. We have achieved record subscriber numbers but our most recent contract wins are enterprise level agreements which place less relevance on user numbers and more on net revenues.

We have consolidated agreements with leading facilities management groups and can report that mpro5 is used in over 15,000 sites in the UK and Ireland. Our long term revenue has continued to increase and is underpinned by significant contracts. Our retail implementations have gone well and there is more opportunity in this sector, where we are offering new solutions to our clients.

Our growth is reflected not only in profitability but also in terms of cash where we are well placed. Lombard Technical Services continue to support our contracts where devices are required and we remain confident of our ability to fulfil contract wins.

We are now starting to invest in expansion of our sales channels in the UK and overseas with confidence. We expect this strategy to start to bear more fruit late in the second half and the coming year and is focused upon four or five areas where we believe that mpro5 can fulfil demand.

I am encouraged by our activities with Vodafone in Ireland and we are hopeful of expanding this relationship in the UK and overseas.

Technically mpro5 is in extremely good shape. We have added modules to the service based upon customer demand and have an extremely high satisfaction rating. We are currently working on a significant platform change for the mobile application investing in the latest Angular 2 framework. We are also adding Internet of Things capabilities into mpro5 and have a new proprietary alerting platform, which has replaced a third party product, thereby increasing margins further.

In the healthcare world, we are progressing with a range of transactions and are hopeful of further news soon. There is little doubt that pharma offers enormous opportunities for mpro5. Our capital reorganisation was successful and allows the Directors to recommend a dividend when appropriate.

The board is extremely pleased with the Company's progress. The positive decision to invest in further growth opportunities is designed to grow our top line revenues which, with our high margins, should see bottom line improvements after absorbing short term increases in sales and marketing overhead. For the first time we will see Crimson Tide with sales channels outside the UK & Ireland. We are excited for the future.

#### **Barrie Whipp**

Executive Chairman 22 September 2016

#### **Operating and Financial Review**

I am pleased to review our operating and financial performance over the first half of 2016 and comment on our results for the six months to 30 June 2016.

#### **Operating Review**

The year commenced on a very positive note following the earlier than expected full rollout of the Company's mpro5 solution with one of the country's leading retailers. This highlighted two factors; one, the ease with which we were able to organise and install our mpro5 solution nationwide and two, the value placed on mpro5 by our customers, immediately allowing them to reap the operational and financial benefits from adopting the solution. mpro5 has since started to be implemented elsewhere in the retail sector and we announced in July 2016 a new pilot with another retailer to monitor store safety, cleanliness and security.

The flexibility of our mpro5 solution means it is able to generate value across a wide range of different markets. Elsewhere, in healthcare, we remain very encouraged by the number of opportunities we are working on including a pilot project for the serialisation and verification of pharmaceutical products. Here, mpro5 provides barcode scanning and cloud-based synchronisation services via Microsoft Azure, which enables real-time information to be uploaded, quickly verified and communicated to users. Job scheduling, tracking, bespoke dashboards, all add value ensuring mobile users are able to work most efficiently. Our investment in mpro5 continues and we aim to make sure it remains a leading solution as technological advances continue apace.

The nature of some of our business is moving to bigger, enterprise solutions. The customer's commitment is unchanged, signing a subscriber agreement for typically an initial thirty-six month term. However, our pricing in these cases reflects the large numbers of users expected. Furthermore, we are finding more opportunities abroad and as mentioned in the Chairman's statement, we are investing in overseas sales resources and related marketing to be able to progress these most effectively. The positive cashflows we are generating together with the security of funding available from Lombard Technical Services to finance devices provided as part of our solution, means the Company's directors are comfortable with this increased expenditure. There may as a result be some short term impact on our rate of profitability growth but we expect over the medium term to generate additional revenues and greater profits.

#### **Financial Review**

Turnover for the six months to 30 June 2016 increased to £845k, up 25% on the same period in 2015. With gross profit margins still over 90% and operating margins before depreciation, amortisation and interest of 33%, up from 29% in 1H 2015, the additional investments previously made in staff have been more than compensated for by increased profitability.

After depreciation, amortisation and interest costs, the Group achieved a profit of £122k in the first half 2016 (1H 2015: £60k).

There have been no changes to Crimson Tide's accounting policies which can be found in the notes to the published 2015 Consolidated Financial Statements available on our website, www.crimsontide.co.uk. It should be noted, however, that early in 2016, the Company completed its capital reconstruction and now has positive retained earnings in the Balance Sheet to allow the Company to, if appropriate, pay dividends in the future. Shareholders also approved future share buy-backs at the General Meeting, again if thought by the directors to be appropriate. This exercise together with the positive cashflows generated by the Group

means the financial position of Crimson Tide looks favourable at the half year and has further improved since as net funds have continued to increase.

# **Future Prospects**

The outlook for the business remains very positive. Our mpro5 solution has continually proved a sound investment for our customers even as these customers have become more sizable and/or more geographically spread. The Board and team at Crimson Tide are working hard on behalf of shareholders to ensure that our reputation and success continue to advance.

## **Stephen Goodwin**

Finance Director 22 September 2016

# Crimson Tide plc Unaudited Consolidated Income Statement for the 6 months to 30 June 2016

	Unaudited 6 Months ended 30 June 2016 £000	Unaudited 6 Months ended 30 June 2015 £000	Audited 12 Months ended 31 December 2015 £000
Revenue	845	673	1,402
Cost of Sales	(71)	(62)	(104)
Gross Profit	774	611	1,298
Overhead expenses	(493)	(413)	(868)
Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation & amortisation	281	198	430
Depreciation & Amortisation	(142)	(132)	(245)
Profit from operations	139	66	185
Interest income	-	-	-
Interest payable and similar charges	(17)	(6)	(17)
Profit before taxation Taxation	122	<b>60</b>	<b>168</b>
Profit for the year attributable to equity holders of the parent	122	60	168
Earnings per share	Unaudited 6 Months ended 30 June 2016	Unaudited 6 Months ended 30 June 2015	Audited 12 Months ended 31 December 2015
Basic and diluted earnings per Ordinary Share (see Note 2)	0.03p	0.01p	0.04p

# Unaudited Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income for the 6 months to 30 June 2016

	Unaudited 6 Months ended 30 June 2016 £000	Unaudited 6 Months ended 30 June 2015 £000	Audited 12 Months ended 31 December 2015 £000
Profit for the period	122	60	168
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for period: Exchange differences on translating foreign operations	1	(5)	(5)
Total comprehensive profit recognised in the period and attributable to equity holders of parent	123	55	163

# Unaudited Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at 30 June 2016

	Unaudited As at 30 June 2016	Unaudited As at 30 June 2015	Audited As at 31 December 2015
	£000	£000	£000
Fixed Assets			
Intangible assets	1,452	1,308	1,373
Equipment, fixtures & fittings	458	390	527
	1,910	1,698	1,900
Current Assets Inventories	14	11	15
Trade and other receivables	495	346	634
Cash and cash equivalents	661	499	539
Total current assets	1,170	856	1,188
Total assets	3,080	2,554	3,088
Equity and liabilities			
Equity			
Share capital	447	7,335	7,335
Capital redemption reserve	-	49	49
Share premium	28	1,090	1,090
Other reserves	422	421	421
Reverse acquisition reserve	(5,244)	(5,244)	(5,244)
Retained earnings	6,533	(1,726)	(1,618)
Total Equity	2,186	1,925	2,033
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	638	513	806
Creditors			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	256	116	249
Total liabilities	894	629	1,055
Total equity and liabilities	3,080	2,554	3,088

## Unaudited Consolidated Statement of Changes In Equity at 30 June 2016

	Share capital £000	Capital redemp- tion reserve £000	Share premium £000	Other reserves £000	Reverse acquisi- tion reserve £000	Retained earnings £000	Total £000
Balance at 31 December 2014	7,335	49	1,090	426	(5,244)	(1,786)	1,870
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	60	60
Translation movement	-	-	-	(5)	-	-	(5)
Balance at 30 June 2015	7,335	49	1,090	421	(5,244)	(1,726)	1,925
Balance at 31 December 2015	7,335	49	1,090	421	(5,244)	(1,618)	2,033
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	122	122
Capital reconstruction (*)	(6,890)	(49)	(1,090)	-	-	8,029	-
Share options exercised	2	-	28	-	-	-	30
Translation movement	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Balance at 30 June 2016	447	-	28	422	(5,244)	6,533	2,186

<sup>(\*)</sup> At the Company's General Meeting on 26 January 2016 shareholders approved plans to undertake a capital reconstruction, the purpose of which was to create positive retained earnings in the Balance Sheet to allow the Company to, if appropriate, pay dividends in the future. Shareholders also approved future share buy-backs. Following a court hearing on 24 February 2016 the court confirmed the reduction of capital of the Company. The nominal value of each Ordinary Share in the Company reduced from one penny to 0.1 pence per share and the Company's Deferred Shares of 19 pence each, Share Premium Account and Capital Redemption Reserve were cancelled. Trading in the shares with a nominal value of 0.1 pence commenced on 25 February 2016.

# Unaudited Consolidated Statement of Cashflows for the 6 months to 30 June 2016

	Unaudited 6 Months ended 30 June 2016 £000	Unaudited 6 Months ended 30 June 2015 £000	Audited 12 Months ended 31 December 2015 £000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit before tax	122	60	168
Adjustments for:			
Amortisation of Intangible Assets	48	52	90
Depreciation of equipment, fixtures and fittings	94	80	155
Profit on Sale of Assets	-	-	-
Net Interest	17	6	17
Operating cash flows before movement in working capital and provisions	281	198	430
Decrease in inventories	1	19	15
Decrease/(increase) in trade and other receivables	134	217	(71)
(Decrease)/increase in trade and other payables	(204)	(73)	147
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Cash generated from operations	212	361	521
Taxes paid	<u> </u>		
Net cash generated in operating activities	212	361	521
Cash flows used in investing activities			
Purchase of fixed assets	(150)	(230)	(552)
Sale of fixed assets	-	-	-
Interest received	<u> </u>	<u>-</u>	
Net cash used in investing activities	(150)	(230)	(552)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Net proceeds from issues of shares	30	-	-
Interest paid	(17)	(6)	(17)
Net increase in borrowings	48	135	347
Net cash from/(used in) financing activities	61	129	330
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	123	260	299
Net cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	538	239	239
Net cash and cash equivalents at end of period	661	499	538

	Unaudited 6 Months ended 30 June 2016 £000	Unaudited 6 Months ended 30 June 2015 £000	Audited 12 Months ended 31 December 2015 £000
Analysis of net funds:			
Cash and cash equivalents	667	499	539
Bank overdraft	(6)		(1)
	661	499	538
Other borrowings due within one year	(198)	(78)	(157)
Borrowings due after one year	(256)	(116)	(249)
Net funds	207	305	132

#### **Crimson Tide Plc**

#### Notes to the Unaudited Interim Results for the 6 months ended 30 June 2016

## 1. Basis of preparation of interim report

The information for the period ended 30 June 2016 does not constitute statutory accounts as defined in section 434 of the Companies Act 2006. It has been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in, and is consistent with, the audited financial statements for the twelve months ended 31 December 2015. A copy of the statutory accounts for that period has been delivered to the Registrar of Companies. The auditor's report on those accounts was unqualified and did not contain statements under Section 498 (2) or (3) of the Companies Act 2006.

# 2. Earnings per share

The calculation of the basic earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to ordinary shareholders and the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period.

The calculation of the diluted earnings per share is based on the profit per share attributable to ordinary shareholders and the weighted average number of ordinary shares that would be in issue, assuming conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares into ordinary shares.

Reconciliations of the profit and weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation are set out below:

	Unaudited 6 Months ended 30 June 2016	Unaudited 6 Months ended 30 June 2015	Audited 12 Months ended 31 December 2015
Basic and diluted earnings per share			
Reported profit (£000)	122	60	168
Reported profit per share (pence)	0.03	0.01	0.04
	Unaudited 6 Months ended 30 June 2016	Unaudited 6 Months ended 30 June 2015	Audited 12 Months ended 31 December 2015
	No. 000	No. 000	No. 000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares:			
Shares in issue at start of period	445,486	445,486	445,486
Effect of shares issued during the period	197	-	-
Weighted average number of ordinary shares	445,683	445,486	445,486