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Half-year Financial Report 2026

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Highlights

Earnings performance

- EBITDA decreased by 24.9% to €1,061.5m.
- The Group result was down 35.4% to €518.1m.

Factors affecting the result

- The hydro coefficient stood at 0.68 in quarters 1–2/2026, well below the long-term average (–32 percentage points) and below the prior-year level (0.76; –8 percentage points), underscoring the exceptionally poor hydrological conditions. Water supply was the lowest since records began around 100 years ago.
- The new renewables coefficient from wind and photovoltaic power reached 0.82 in quarters 1–2/2026, which was below the planned value (–18 percentage points) but higher year-on-year (0.78; +4 percentage points).
- The average sales price achieved for own generation from hydropower fell from €117.2/MWh in the previous year to €86.2/MWh (€–31.0/MWh), reflecting the generally lower price level.
- The contribution from flexibility products amounted to €136.4m in quarters 1–2/2026, down 16.7% year-on-year.

Electricity generation

- In the Limberg III project, the repairs of the two defective rotors by the supplier are proceeding as planned.
- In addition, as part of the ongoing rehabilitation projects, the generator sets that had been undergoing refurbishment since September 2025 were put into operation.
- The new renewables co-location and hybridisation portfolio was further developed during the reporting period.
- Progress has been made in implementing the PV and wind projects in Germany, Spain, Italy and Romania.
- To secure steady revenue, the marketing strategy was taken forward by signing a further power purchase agreement in Spain.
- Electricity price spikes of over €600/MWh, such as those seen on 24 June, prompted the deployment of generator 20 at the Mellach combined cycle gas turbine power plant.

Electricity and gas grid

- Construction preparations for the general overhaul of the 220 kV line from Lienz to Italy have begun.
- In quarter 2/2026, gas storage levels in Austria rose again after the intensive heating period and will be replenished by GCA's pipelines by the end of the year.
- High gas imports from Germany to Austria and a slight decline in exports to Hungary were recorded in the reporting period. Gas imports from Italy to Austria remained low.

Sales

- The first 2.5 MW BESS (battery energy storage system) was successfully sold to an industrial customer in Austria.
- Charging volume at SMATRICS EnBW continues to show strong growth – up 31% compared with the first six months of the previous year – underpinned by 92 new HPC charging points that have been put into operation since the beginning of 2026. By the end of the year, the network will have expanded by around 230, bringing the total to more than 800 HPC charging points and so continuing to strengthen and consolidate the company's market leadership.
- VERBUND launched its first time-of-use tariff and enhanced the VERBUND app portfolio.

Services

- Targeted development of AI expertise and greater integration of AI applications across the Group.
- Continuous strengthening of cyber resilience and consistent implementation of NIS2 requirements in routine operations.

Guidance

- Guidance for 2026 adjusted: EBITDA between around €2,100m and €2,400m, Group result between around €1,000m and €1,150m based on average levels of own generation from hydropower, wind power and photovoltaics in quarters 3–4/2026 as well as the current opportunities and risks identified. VERBUND's planned payout ratio for financial year 2026 is between 45% and 55% of the Group result of between around €1,050m and €1,200m, after adjusting for non-recurring effects.

KPIs

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	Unit	Q1 – 2/2025	Q1 – 2/2026	Change
Revenue	€m	4,036.4	3,593.8	– 11.0%
EBITDA	€m	1,413.0	1,061.5	– 24.9%
EBITDA adjusted	€m	1,413.0	1,061.5	– 24.9%
Operating result	€m	1,113.1	714.0	– 35.9%
Group result	€m	802.7	518.1	– 35.4%
Group result adjusted	€m	783.6	537.8	– 31.4%
Earnings per share	€	2.31	1.49	– 35.4%
EBIT margin	%	27.6	19.9	–
EBITDA margin	%	35.0	29.5	–
Cash flow from operating activities	€m	1,338.4	875.2	– 34.6%
Additions to property, plant and equipment	€m	417.1	560.3	34.3%
Free cash flow before dividends	€m	769.5	218.9	– 71.6%
Free cash flow after dividends	€m	– 559.9	–1,076.8	–
Performance of VERBUND shares	%	– 6.9	– 10.3	–
Average number of employees		4,352	4,537	4.3%
Electricity sales volume	GWh	29,923	28,688	– 4.1%
Hydro coefficient		0.76	0.68	–
New renewables coefficient		0.78	0.82	–

	Unit	31/12/2025	30/6/2026	Change
Total assets	€m	18,609.7	18,704.8	0.5%
Equity	€m	11,331.2	10,535.1	– 7.0%
Equity ratio (adjusted)	%	62.0	56.5	–
Net debt	€m	2,818.1	3,817.4	35.5%
Gearing	%	24.9	36.2	–

Investor relations

Developments on the international capital markets in quarters 1–2/2026 were largely shaped by geopolitical and trade-related uncertainties. At the beginning of 2026, market activity was dominated by the US intervention in Venezuela, a renewed flare-up of trade disputes, and tensions surrounding Greenland. Subsequently, the conflict in Iran – including the temporary de-escalation – became the focus of investors' attention.

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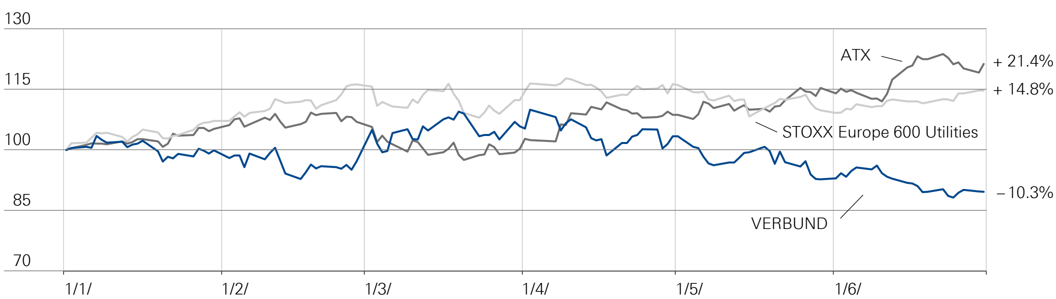
Despite temporary volatility and market corrections, global equity markets proved resilient overall during the reporting period, underpinned particularly by structural growth in artificial intelligence (AI) as a key ongoing driver of share prices. At the same time, doubts were mounting about the long-term sustainability of this trend, particularly against a backdrop of rising valuations and growing speculation that the sector may be overheating.

The temporary easing of tensions in the Iran conflict calmed energy and commodity prices to some extent. However, the medium-term price trend still rests heavily on the stability of the ceasefire between the US and Israel on one side and Iran on the other. Stabilising maritime traffic on strategically important trade routes, particularly in the Strait of Hormuz, is also crucial.

In terms of monetary policy, the European Central Bank (ECB) raised interest rates by 25 basis points in June 2026 in response to heightened inflation risks. At the same time, the ECB downgraded its growth forecasts for 2026 and 2027. The future direction of monetary policy will be determined largely by inflation trends and by potential second-round effects resulting from the energy price shock. By contrast, the US Federal Reserve (Fed), under its new Chairman Kevin Warsh, pursued a less expansionary policy and left interest rates unchanged despite persistently high inflation in the US.

Despite this environment, the stock markets performed well. The US benchmark index Dow Jones Industrial Average ended quarters 1–2/2026 up 8.9%. The Euro Stoxx 50 performed similarly in the reporting period, closing 9.3% higher than at year-end 2025. The Japanese benchmark index Nikkei 225 performed much better, up 39.2% compared with 31 December 2025, buoyed by heavily weighted chip and technology stocks that made significant gains on the back of global investment in AI.

VERBUND share price: relative performance 2026



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VERBUND's share price performance was characterised by higher volatility in quarters 1–2/2026. A downward trend prevailed until the end of February against a backdrop of growing regulatory uncertainty in Austria and Europe, focused in particular on discussions about potential interventions in the electricity market, including possible adjustments to the merit order system and reforms to the Emissions Trading System. From the beginning of March, the share price rose significantly, driven by the Iran crisis with its repercussions for oil and gas prices, and consequently for wholesale electricity prices.

From the start of April, VERBUND shares came under pressure again. The key factors were the easing of tensions in the Iran conflict and the resulting fall in energy and commodity prices. In addition, existing regulatory uncertainties, along with ongoing discussions and announcements regarding possible further windfall tax measures, weighed on investor sentiment.

Trading at a closing price of €55.6 as at 30 June 2026, VERBUND shares were down 10.3% in quarters 1–2/2026 against year-end 2025. As such, the shares trailed significantly behind the Austrian ATX benchmark index (+21.4%) and also significantly underperformed the STOXX Europe 600 Utilities sector index (+14.8%).

KPIs – shares

	Unit	Q1–2/2025	**Q1–2/2026**	Change
Share price high	€	74.5	**68.2**	–8.5%
Share price low	€	61.6	**54.8**	–11.0%
Closing price	€	65.2	**55.6**	–14.7%
Performance	%	–6.9	**–10.3**	–
Market capitalisation	€m	22,634.1	**19,316.3**	–14.7%
ATX weighting	%	7.6	**4.4**	–
Value of shares traded	€m	2,308.6	**2,663.8**	15.4%
Shares traded per day	Shares	269,701	**345,568**	28.1%

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Business performance

Electricity supply and sales volume

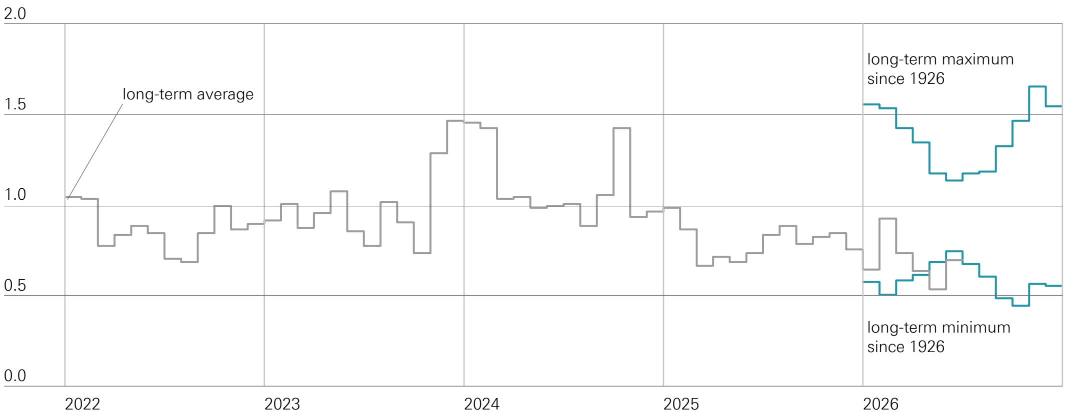
Group electricity supply GWh

	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Hydropower[1]	12,401	11,191	–9.8%
Wind power	844	952	12.8%
Solar power	219	221	0.5%
Thermal power	965	939	–2.7%
Battery storage[2]	29	20	–30.0%
Own generation	14,458	**13,323**	–7.9%
Electricity purchased for trading and sales	16,023	15,530	–3.1%
Electricity purchased for grid loss and control power volumes	2,272	2,121	–6.6%
Electricity supply	32,752	**30,974**	–5.4%

[1] incl. purchase rights // [2] drawing of stored power; the stored quantities are shown under own use

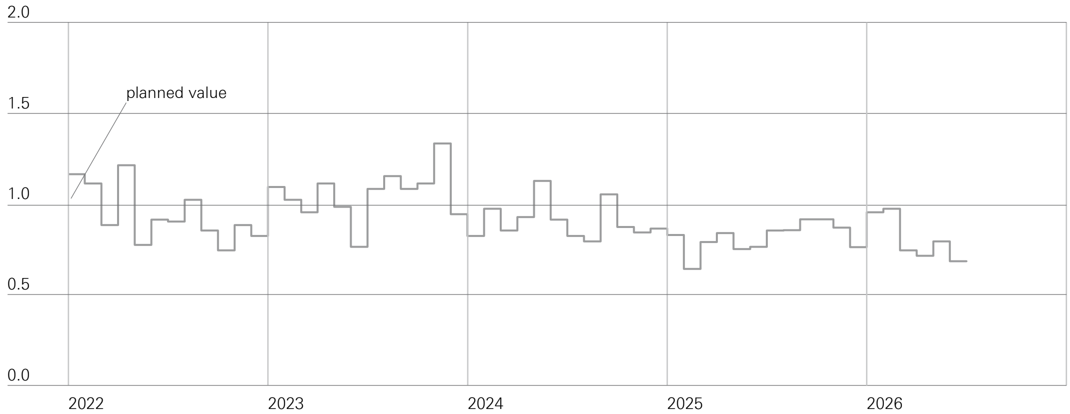
In quarters 1–2/2026, VERBUND's own generation decreased year-on-year by 1,135 GWh, or 7.9%, to 13,323 GWh. Generation from hydropower plants was down 1,210 GWh in the reporting period to 11,191 GWh. The hydro coefficient for the run-of-river power plants stood at 0.68, or 32 percentage points below the long-term average and 8 percentage points lower than the comparative prior-year figure. The water supply was therefore the lowest it has been in the last 100 years. Generation from VERBUND's annual storage power plants declined by 5.9% in quarters 1–2/2026, due in particular to a drop in generation from turbining.

Hydro coefficient (monthly averages)



At 952 GWh, the volume of electricity generated by VERBUND's wind power plants in quarters 1–2/2026 was up 108 GWh on the comparative prior-year figure. Although the coefficient for wind was below average in quarters 1–2/2026, it was still higher year-on-year. Electricity generated from proprietary photovoltaic installations rose slightly to 221 GWh. At 0.82, the new renewables coefficient was 18 percentage points below the planned value but 4 percentage points higher than the comparative prior-year figure.

New renewables coefficient (monthly averages)



Electricity generation from thermal power fell by 26 GWh year-on-year due to lower congestion management and a deterioration in market conditions for the use of the Mellach combined cycle gas turbine power plant for electricity and district heating supply.

The management of battery systems generated 20 GWh in quarters 1–2/2026. Purchases of electricity from third parties for trading and sales fell by 492 GWh. Electricity purchased from third parties for grid loss and control power decreased by 150 GWh.

Group electricity sales volume and own use GWh

	Q1–2/2025	**Q1–2/2026**	Change
Customers	6,529	7,351	12.6%
Resellers	13,058	12,430	–4.8%
Traders	10,337	8,906	–13.8%
Electricity sales volume	29,923	**28,688**	–4.1%
Own use	2,202	1,687	–23.4%
Control power	627	599	–4.4%
Electricity sales volume and own use	32,752	**30,974**	–5.4%

VERBUND’s electricity sales volume declined by 1,235 GWh, or 4.1%, to 28,688 GWh in quarters 1–2/2026. Sales to customers rose by 822 GWh, whereas sales to resellers fell by 627 GWh. With a decrease of 1,430 GWh, sales to traders were also down due in particular to lower generation.

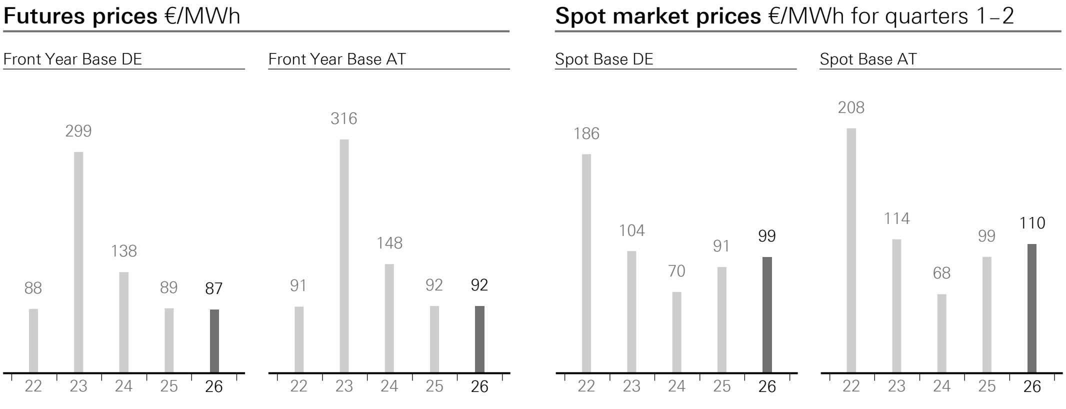
Own use of electricity fell by 515 GWh in the reporting period. The decrease was attributable above all to lower generation from turbining.

Electricity sales by country GWh

	Q1–2/2025	**Q1–2/2026**	Change
Austria	14,717	14,610	–0.7%
Germany	12,823	11,307	–11.8%
France	1,716	1,733	1.0%
Spain	345	699	102.5%
Others	322	339	5.4%
Electricity sales volume	29,923	**28,688**	–4.1%

Approximately 50.9% of the electricity sold by VERBUND in quarters 1–2/2026 went to the Austrian market. The German market, which accounted for around 80.3% of all volumes sold abroad, was VERBUND’s largest foreign market for its international trading and sales activities.

Electricity prices



Futures prices traded in the year before supply. The years stated are the respective years of supply.
Market area Germany or Austria respectively. Average prices.

Source: EEX, EPEX Spot

VERBUND contracted most of its own generation for 2026 on the futures market back in 2024 and 2025. Prices for AT 2026 front-year base load contracts (traded in 2025) averaged €92.3/MWh and prices for DE 2026 front-year base load contracts averaged €87.4/MWh. Consequently, futures prices in Austria (AT) rose slightly by 0.8% year-on-year but fell by 1.4% in Germany (DE). Front-year peak load (AT) contracts traded at an average of €99.5/MWh and front-year peak load (DE) contracts at €94.4/MWh. As a result, futures prices in this area decreased year-on-year by 2.1% (AT) and 4.1% (DE).

On the Austrian and German spot markets, wholesale electricity prices increased in quarters 1–2/2026 due to the price trend in quarter 2/2026. Prices for base load electricity increased by an average of 10.6% to €109.5/MWh in Austria and by 8.8% to €98.7/MWh in Germany. Prices for peak load rose by 10.1% to €108.9/MWh in Austria and by 6.7% to €94.5/MWh in Germany. The reason for the rise in spot prices for electricity was the sharp increase in market prices for gas as a result of the conflict in the Middle East.

Financial performance

Results €m

	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Revenue	4,036.4	3,593.8	–11.0%
EBITDA	1,413.0	1,061.5	–24.9%
Operating result	1,113.1	714.0	–35.9%
Group result	802.7	518.1	–35.4%
Earnings per share in €	2.31	1.49	–35.4%

Electricity revenue

VERBUND's electricity revenue fell by €444.6m to €2,855.1m in quarters 1–2/2026. The average sales price achieved for own generation from hydropower was down €31.0/MWh to €86.2/MWh. The significant decline is due to the high sales price in quarters 1–2/2025 which was mainly attributable to premature "limit" sales in 2023 at high wholesale prices (for details please refer to the Electricity prices section). In terms of quantities, electricity sales volumes fell by 1,235 GWh, or 4.1%, year-on-year.

Grid revenue

Grid revenue rose by €6.9m to €579.5m in quarters 1–2/2026 compared with the prior-year period. At Austrian Power Grid AG, grid revenue declined by €23.2m to €452.9m. This decrease was largely attributable to lower domestic tariff rates, lower proceeds from international auctions for cross-border capacity and lower revenue from control power. Effects relating to balancing energy had an offsetting impact. The €30.1m increase in grid revenue at GAS CONNECT AUSTRIA GmbH in the first half of 2026 was mainly due to higher transmission revenue. The increase in revenue was offset by higher fuel gas costs.

Other revenue and other operating income

Other revenue decreased by €4.9m to €159.2m. Revenue from district heating deliveries and the sale of green electricity certificates declined in quarters 1–2/2026. Other operating income rose by €13.8m to €78.9m.

Expenses for electricity, grid, gas and certificate purchases

Expenses for electricity, grid, gas and certificate purchases decreased by €66.4m to €1,823.1m. A total of 643 GWh less electricity was purchased from third parties for trading and sales as well as for grid loss and control power. Lower procurement prices also had a positive effect. Expenses for electricity purchases thus decreased by €54.9m compared with the previous year. Expenses for grid purchases fell by €18.5m while expenses for gas purchases rose by €6.6m.

Fuel expenses and other usage-/revenue-dependent expenses

Fuel expenses and other usage-/revenue-dependent expenses were down €46.6m to €174.6m. Gas expenses fell by €21.7m due to the reduced use of the Mellach combined cycle gas turbine power plant (for details please refer to the section entitled Electricity supply and sales volumes) and lower gas prices. However, higher expenses for emission allowances due to higher carbon prices caused a rise in expenses (€–4.4m). The expenses recognised in connection with the measures to tax windfall profits totalled €5.1m (Austria €3.1m, Spain €2.0m) in the current reporting period, down €23.1m on the previous year at €28.2m (Austria €22.1m, Spain €4.8m, Romania €1.3m).

Personnel expenses

Personnel expenses were up €18.7m year-on-year to €325.9m in quarters 1–2/2026. This was due to the headcount increase in the Grid, Hydro and New renewables segments to realise VERBUND's strategic objectives, as well as the 2.8% increase in the collective bargaining agreement.

Other operating expenses

Other operating expenses rose slightly by 1.9% to €255.8m. The increase was partly due to higher IT expenditure. Goods and services purchased from third parties, on the other hand, were down.

Measurement and recognition of energy derivatives

The effect from the measurement and recognition of energy derivatives came to €–31.7m in quarters 1–2/2026 (Q1–2/2025: €–19.3m). Further details are presented in the notes to the consolidated interim financial statements.

EBITDA

Against the backdrop of the above-mentioned factors, EBITDA fell by 24.9% to €1,061.5m.

Depreciation and amortisation

Amortisation of intangible assets and depreciation of property, plant and equipment fell by €4.0m to €296.0m. Depreciation and amortisation increased due to the higher investment volume at Austrian Power Grid AG and in the Hydro segment. The New renewables segment had a counteractive effect.

Impairment losses

Impairment losses of €51.5m mainly concerned GAS CONNECT AUSTRIA GmbH (€42.9m) and the cash-generating units for the New Renewables portfolio in Spain (€8.7m). Further details are presented in the notes to the consolidated interim financial statements.

Result from interests accounted for using the equity method

The result from interests accounted for using the equity method decreased by €1.9m to €45.9m. This was largely due to the earnings contributions from KELAG-Kärntner Elektrizitäts-Aktiengesellschaft in the amount of €45.3m (Q1–2/2025: €49.0m; for details please refer to the All other segments section) and from TAG GmbH in the amount of €1.8m (Q1–2/2025: €–0.1m).

Interest income and expenses

Interest income decreased by €21.2m to €7.5m compared with quarters 1–2/2025, due mainly to lower interest earned on money market transactions and former cross-border leasing transactions. Interest expenses fell by €6.1m to €50.2m. This decline resulted in particular from lower interest expenses on former cross-border leasing transactions. Higher interest expenses from the successful issuance of a €700m green bond in April 2026 had an offsetting effect.

Other financial result

The other financial result fell by €3.7m to €20.5m in quarters 1–2/2026. This decrease can be attributed primarily to the change in the measurement of an obligation to return an interest (€–10.9m) relating to the Jochenstein power plant on the Danube River. Conversely, the measurement of securities funds through profit or loss had a positive effect (€+8.9m).

Impairment losses in the financial result

Impairment losses totalling €18.0m were attributable to the impairment of TAG GmbH. Further details are presented in the notes to the consolidated interim financial statements.

Group result

After taking account of an effective tax rate of 22.4% and non-controlling interests of €42.7m, the Group result came to €518.1m. This marks a decrease of 35.4% compared with the previous year. Earnings per share amounted to €1.49 (Q1–2/2025: €2.31) for 347,415,686 shares. The Group result after adjustment for non-recurring effects was €537.8m, a decrease of 31.4% on the prior-year period.

Financial position

Consolidated balance sheet (condensed) €m

	31/12/2025	Share	30/6/2026	Share	Change
Non-current assets	16,888.4	91%	17,005.3	91%	0.7%
Current assets	1,721.3	9%	1,699.5	9%	– 1.3%
Total assets	18,609.7	100%	**18,704.8**	**100%**	0.5%
Equity	11,331.2	61%	10,535.1	56%	– 7.0%
Non-current liabilities	5,517.6	30%	6,112.7	33%	10.8%
Current liabilities	1,760.9	9%	2,057.0	11%	16.8%
Equity and liabilities	18,609.7	100%	**18,704.8**	**100%**	0.5%

Assets

Non-current assets increased, primarily due to ongoing investing activities in property, plant and equipment. Scheduled repayments and disposals of securities related to former cross-border leasing transactions had an offsetting effect. Additions to property, plant and equipment amounted to €560.3m, while depreciation totalled €270.5m. The main additions to property, plant and equipment related to (replacement) investments at Austrian and German hydropower plants along with capital expenditure for the Austrian electricity transmission system and for photovoltaic installations in Spain. Impairment testing indicated a need for impairment of the Austrian gas transmission network and parts of the New renewables portfolio in Spain. Current assets declined slightly. Higher receivables due to tax prepayments were partially offset by repayments of loans in connection with former cross-border leasing transactions.

Equity and liabilities

The change in equity was mainly attributable to the profit for the period generated in quarters 1–2/2026, dividend payments by VERBUND AG and VERBUND Hydro Power GmbH, and negative other comprehensive income which was largely due to negative effects from the measurement of cash flow hedges. The increase in current and non-current liabilities primarily resulted from higher financial liabilities driven by the issuance of a green bond, higher liabilities to banks arising from short-term money market transactions, and higher negative fair values for derivative hedging transactions in the electricity business. Repayments related to former cross-border leasing transactions and lower other current liabilities were the main factors that had an offsetting effect.

Cash flows

Cash flow statement (condensed)

€m

	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Cash flow from operating activities	1,338.4	875.2	–34.6%
Cash flow from investing activities	–568.2	–652.8	–
Cash flow from financing activities	–1,351.7	–206.9	–
Change in cash and cash equivalents	–581.6	15.5	–
Cash and cash equivalents as at 30/6/	213.5	**88.3**	–58.7%

Cash flow from operating activities

Cash flow from operating activities amounted to €875.2m in quarters 1–2/2026, down €463.2m year-on-year. The change was mainly due to the lower contribution margin from the Hydro segment as a result of lower sales prices and lower water supply. The change in margining payments for hedging transactions in the electricity business provided as security for open positions held with exchange clearing houses had an offsetting effect.

Cash flow from investing activities

Cash flow from investing activities amounted to €–652.8m in quarters 1–2/2026 (Q1–2/2025: €–568.2m). The change compared with quarters 1–2/2025 was mainly due to a higher cash outflow from capital expenditure for intangible assets and property, plant and equipment (€–91.2m). Lower cash outflow from capital expenditure for interests accounted for using the equity method and other equity interests had an offsetting effect (€+5.0m).

Cash flow from financing activities

Cash flow from financing activities amounted to €–206.9m in quarters 1–2/2026, representing a change of €+1,144.8m. This was mainly attributable to the change in the measurement of cash inflows and outflows from money market financing (€+412.0m) and financial liabilities (€+702.6m).

Opportunity and risk management

Operating result

Potential changes in the operating result are caused primarily by the volatility of electricity prices and by fluctuations in output from hydropower, wind power and photovoltaic installations. Earnings performance in 2026 will be adversely affected in particular by water supply that is well below average. In the Electricity grid segment, possible fluctuations in the contribution margin may arise due to increased or reduced marketing in connection with control power and congestion management, and due to regulatory effects. The earmarked use of auction revenues from the allocation of cross-border transmission capacity can also indirectly impact on the result. In the Gas grid segment, the volatility of gas flows and of electricity and gas prices in particular may lead to corresponding revenue and cost fluctuations.

Potential project postponements and unforeseen cost fluctuations could also result in corresponding changes in contribution margins and capital expenditure. Changes in the legal and regulatory environment as well as ongoing judicial proceedings and changes in market prices and interest rates may also lead to valuation adjustments of VERBUND's assets or changes in provisions.

In this regard, the Energy Crisis Contribution for Electricity (*Energiekrisenbeitrag-Strom*, EKB-S) may result in adjustments, the amount of which depends on a range of factors such as electricity price trends, the hydro/new renewables coefficients and the crediting of investments.

At the end of 2025, the Austrian federal government also passed the new Electricity Industry Act (*Elektrizitätswirtschaftsgesetz*, ElWG). The operational implementation of the new regulations and the enactment of ordinances are the focus in 2026. The new rules (such as those relating to the social tariff, grid connection fees, etc.) will be reflected in VERBUND's future financial performance and therefore in the accounting treatment for assets.

A prolonged conflict between the USA and Iran may also lead to direct and indirect effects and thus to possible changes in the operating result.

Financial result

Changes in the financial result are determined by the following factors: the volatility of investment income, measurement effects on the balance sheet arising from changes in market prices, interest rates and changes in the general environment, as well as potential expenses from collateral provided being called in and fluctuating interest rates.

Sensitivities

A change in the factors shown below – all else remaining equal – would be reflected in a projected Group result for full-year 2026 as follows based on the hedging status as at 30 June 2026 for generation volumes and interest rates:

- +/– 1% generation from hydropower plants: +/– €9.6m
- +/– 1% in generation from wind and solar power: +/– €1.8m
- +/– €1/MWh wholesale electricity prices (renewable generation): +/– €2.1m
- +/– 1 percentage point in interest rates: –/+ €3.0m

Significant transactions with related parties requiring disclosure are presented in the selected explanatory notes.

Outlook

VERBUND's earnings performance is significantly influenced by the following factors: ongoing developments in the energy market, changes in wholesale electricity prices, the Group's own generation from hydropower, wind power and photovoltaic power and the earnings contribution from flexibility products. In addition, further – unforeseeable – geopolitical developments may impact earnings performance. The same applies to further regulatory interventions in the market system and measures relating to windfall tax.

In line with our hedging strategy for own generation, as at 30 June 2026 we have already contracted for around 86% of our planned own generation of electricity from hydropower for 2026. The average price achieved was €87.0/MWh. For those volumes not yet hedged, we have based our planning on the current market prices. The performance of own generation will depend largely on the water/wind supply and photovoltaic output.

Based on expectations of average levels of own generation from hydropower, wind power and solar power in quarters 3–4/2026 as well as the current opportunities and risks identified, VERBUND expects EBITDA of between around €2,100m and €2,400m and a reported Group result of between around €1,000m and €1,150m in financial year 2026. VERBUND's planned payout ratio for financial year 2026 is between 45% and 55% of the Group result of between around €1,050m and €1,200m, after adjusting for non-recurring effects.

Segment report

Hydro segment

Generation of electricity from hydropower is reported in the Hydro segment.

KPIs – Hydro segment

	Unit	Q1–2/2025	**Q1–2/2026**	Change
Total revenue	€m	1,300.0	900.9	–30.7%
EBITDA	€m	1,021.5	657.0	–35.7%
Result from interests accounted for using the equity method	€m	–0.4	0.0	–

KPIs – Hydro segment

	Unit	31/12/2025	**30/6/2026**	Change
Capital employed	€m	6,833.3	6,846.8	0.2%

The decline in total revenue resulted mainly from much lower water supply and correspondingly lower output, as well as lower average sales prices achieved for electricity. These factors also had a negative impact on EBITDA. The hydro coefficient for the run-of-river power plants was 0.68 (Q1–2/2025: 0.76).

The increase in capital employed can be attributed in particular to higher working capital, higher provisions for income taxes and deferred taxes.

Current information on the Hydro segment

Current hydropower projects

Repair work by the supplier on the two faulty generator sets at the Limberg III pumped storage power plant proceeded largely according to plan, and generator set 2 is scheduled to be brought back into operation in September with generator set 1 following in December 2026. With the exception of the two defective generators, Limberg III is now completed.

Work on the planned raising of the Limberg Dam resumed in spring 2026 with the start of the main concreting for the remaining blocks and the grouting on the west flank. The elevation works are scheduled for completion in 2027.

In the Kaprun 2029 project, the construction of the lining in the new headrace channel continued. The excavation work at the Maiskogel construction site (including the surge chamber, access chamber and access tunnel) is under way. In addition, the replacement, adaptation or rehabilitation of individual structural, electrical and mechanical components continued in quarter 2/2026. By 2029, over 140 individual measures are scheduled for implementation in relation to this work.

In the rehabilitation projects at the power plants in Ottensheim-Wilhering, Wallsee-Mitterkirchen, Jochenstein, Egglfing-Obernberg, Braunau-Simbach and Rosenheim, the refurbished generator sets were put into operation in quarter 2/2026. In addition, preparations continued for the refurbishment of the next generator sets, which is due to continue from autumn 2026 onwards.

In the Laufnitzdorf rehabilitation project, the renovated second main generator was successfully put into operation in May 2026. The concreting works at the weir power plant have been completed. Operation is scheduled for quarter 4/2026.

Preparations also continued for the rehabilitation projects at the Schwabeck and Lavamünd power plants on the Drau River, which are scheduled to start in autumn 2026 and in autumn 2029, respectively.

Two new joint construction projects with Energie Steiermark Green Power GmbH on the Mur River are in the planning stage. The decision for the Leoben Ost project is now legally binding, and preparations are under way to reach the final investment decision by quarter 1/2027. Supplementary documentation for the Stübing project environmental impact statement (EIS) is currently being prepared.

For the Golling an der Salzach project (in partnership with Salzburg AG, Leube and ÖBB), supplementary EIS documentation and project optimisation considerations are in progress.

Preparation of the documents to be submitted for the environmental impact assessment (EIA) procedure continued for the Schaufelberg pumped storage power plant preliminary project in Kaprun. The submission is scheduled for autumn 2026. Preparations for early exploratory measures at the planned site of the downstream reservoir continued.

On 3 July 2026, the Passau District Office approved the immediate execution of the planning approval decision for the Riedl energy storage project. This removes the suspensory effect of the pending legal actions, and construction work can begin in stages in accordance with the schedule.

Work on the preliminary project to expand the existing Salza reservoir in Styria into a pumped storage facility also continued. There are no plans to submit an EIS until the end of 2027 at the earliest.

As part of the conversion of the old listed powerhouse in Töging into a centre of expertise for VERBUND Hydropower in Bavaria, the rehabilitation work begun in summer 2025 was continued. The centre should be ready for occupancy by the end of 2028. Work on the new Passau-Ingling plant group site, which started in July 2024, is largely complete. Occupancy is scheduled for quarter 3/2026.

On the environmental side, work on the installation of fish passes at the Egglfing-Obernberg and Rosenheim power plants began in quarter 2/2026. Both projects are scheduled for completion by the end of 2027.

The planning and approval of more fish passes including additional ecological measures also continued, for example in connection with the LIFE projects Blue Belt Danube Inn, Riverscape Lower Inn and WeNatureEnns.

New renewables segment

Generation from wind power, photovoltaics and flexible storage is reported in the New renewables segment.

KPIs – New renewables segment

	Unit	Q1–2/2025	**Q1–2/2026**	Change
Total revenue	€m	151.1	**128.4**	–15.0%
EBITDA	€m	92.6	**63.7**	–31.2%
Result from interests accounted for using the equity method	€m	–0.2	**–0.1**	–

KPIs – New renewables segment

	Unit	31/12/2025	**30/6/2026**	Change
Capital employed	€m	1,876.6	**1,792.1**	–4.5%

Total revenue fell, mainly due to lower prices for wind. EBITDA was also adversely affected by measurement effects from energy derivatives. Lower other operating expenses had a positive impact.

The decline in capital employed can be attributed in particular to a decrease in intangible assets and lower working capital. An increase in net property, plant and equipment had an offsetting effect.

Current projects in the New renewables segment

As at 30 June 2026, VERBUND was operating wind power plants, photovoltaic installations and battery storage systems with a total installed capacity of 1,261 MW in Austria, Germany, Spain, Romania and Italy. The investment focus remained on expanding the European project pipeline and implementing projects that had already been approved.

In Austria, the land acquisition process is progressing steadily, and new projects have been assessed.

In Germany, development work continued in collaboration with project partners. Two wind farms are currently under construction as planned and are due to enter initial operation before the end of the current financial year. In addition, development continued on a wind portfolio acquired in 2025. Initial operation is expected to take place between 2028 and 2030.

In Spain, the focus in quarter 2/2026 was on construction work – including the delivery of modules – for four photovoltaic portfolios with a combined capacity of around 1.1 GW. In addition, further progress was made in developing the BESS co-location portfolio and in expanding hybridisation solutions. Various technical and commercial operational improvements were put in place.

In Italy, the development of wind and photovoltaic projects progressed successfully. In addition, construction began on two photovoltaic projects with a total installed capacity of around 12 MW, and the engineering was completed on a 7 MW photovoltaic project in northern Italy.

In Romania, VERBUND's focus in the reporting period was on developing wind power, photovoltaic and battery projects along with the technical and commercial operation of the existing 226 MW wind farm. Further projects are being implemented in the vicinity of the existing wind farm and use the existing grid infrastructure (co-location, energy hubs). An environmental permit was granted for two photovoltaic projects with a combined capacity of 83 MW. Construction work moved forward for the photovoltaic projects as well as for a wind farm and a battery project. In addition, work began on the expansion of a substation. The battery project received funding from the Ministry of Energy's Modernisation Fund, which will further improve the project's profitability. Development of a wind project in western Romania with a planned capacity of 272 MW also continued apace. Project rights for this were acquired in 2025.

In Albania, development of the country's first wind power project continued according to schedule.

Sales segment

The Sales segment combines all of VERBUND's trading and sales activities. In addition, the segment combines all of VERBUND's activities related to battery storage in its core market.

KPIs – Sales segment

	Unit	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Total revenue	€m	3,222.8	2,824.6	–12.4%
EBITDA	€m	94.4	105.5	11.7%
Result from interests accounted for using the equity method	€m	–0.7	–1.2	–

KPIs – Sales segment

	Unit	31/12/2025	30/6/2026	Change
Capital employed	€m	886.5	951.7	7.4%

The decline in total revenue is mainly attributable to lower sales volumes as a result of exceptionally poor water supply, and lower sales prices. Nevertheless, EBITDA increased due to lower electricity purchase expenses and positive effects from the measurement and recognition of energy derivatives for future delivery periods.

The increase in capital employed was mainly due to higher working capital and higher deferred tax assets. Higher non-interest-bearing liabilities had an offsetting effect.

Current information on B2B activities

In sales, VERBUND is focused on expanding its position as one of the top providers of innovative green electricity, flexibility solutions and energy services. Another focal point is the marketing of renewable energy, especially from wind power, photovoltaics and small-scale hydropower. The range of products and services also includes innovative projects and collaborations relating to large-scale batteries, photovoltaics and electromobility for industrial customers.

In photovoltaics, a 250 kWp carport installation was handed over to a customer in quarter 2/2026. In addition, construction work began at BMW in Germany on a 6 MWp rooftop system.

In Germany and Austria, VERBUND is building, among other things, large-scale batteries for supplying grid services and the marketing of control power. As at 30 June 2026, 15 installations with 110 MW of battery storage were in operation. Projects with a total capacity of 108 MW are currently being implemented. A further three projects (totalling around 300 MW) are in the pre-construction stage.

Despite the positive growth in electric vehicle registrations, the market is showing a tendency towards caution when it comes to capital expenditure on charging infrastructure. From SMATRICS' perspective, this particularly affects customers in the petrol station sector, who put their plans to expand their charging infrastructure on hold when the war in Iran broke out. Conversely, the logistics sector is currently seeing strong demand for e-mobility solutions. The newly launched products for this target group could generate strong momentum by the end of the current financial year as funding commitments are secured. The implementation of internal efficiency improvements and compliance with new legislation (in particular NIS2 and the phasing out of legacy tools) will strengthen the foundations for this growth.

Current information on B2C activities

VERBUND launches its first time-of-use tariff

The introduction of VERBUND's first time-of-use tariff has specifically expanded the product portfolio to include an innovative electricity offering based on the time of day. During the summer months (April to September), customers can take advantage of a particularly attractive energy price of 5.9 cents/kWh between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Furthermore, subject to conditions, this offer enables a reduction in network costs via the use of the corresponding grid tariff model (SNAP). This means that VERBUND is creating additional incentives for its customers to reduce their electricity consumption in a grid-friendly and cost-conscious way.

Further development of the VERBUND app portfolio

VERBUND steadily expanded its range of digital services during quarter 2/2026. The addition of all VERBUND electricity tariffs to the V-Now app now provides customers not only with detailed consumption statistics but also with transparency regarding their day-to-day energy costs for the current month. In addition, a new e-mobility charging solution has been launched in the form of the V-Go app. The app provides easy access to the public charging network and is complemented by two attractive VERBUND charging rates. This strengthens VERBUND's digital customer service while continuing to expand its offering throughout the customer journey.

Grid segment

The Grid segment comprises the activities of Austrian Power Grid AG, GAS CONNECT AUSTRIA GmbH and Austrian Gas Grid Management AG.

KPIs – Grid segment

	Unit	Q1–2/2025	**Q1–2/2026**	Change
Total revenue	€m	818.0	**786.1**	–3.9%
EBITDA	€m	212.4	**220.4**	3.8%
Result from interests accounted for using the equity method	€m	0.1	**1.9**	–

KPIs – Grid segment

	Unit	31/12/2025	**30/6/2026**	Change
Capital employed	€m	2,965.2	**3,094.0**	4.3%

The decline in total revenue is mainly due to lower revenue from Austrian Power Grid from the recharging of expenses for congestion management and grid loss, and to lower proceeds from the auction of cross-border capacity, while revenue from balancing energy and the gas transmission system increased. Nevertheless, EBITDA was up slightly, mainly due to lower expenses for congestion management and balancing energy.

The increase in capital employed was mainly due to higher net property, plant and equipment, higher working capital and lower non-interest-bearing liabilities.

Current information on the Grid segment – Austrian Power Grid AG

Security of supply and congestion management

In quarter 2/2026, action was taken at Austrian power plants to manage congestion both within and outside the Austrian Power Grid AG coverage area.

Tariff regulation

The 2026 cost calculation process continued as scheduled. The appeal proceedings brought before the Federal Administrative Court (*Bundesverwaltungsgericht*, BVwG), against the weighted average cost of capital (WACC) that has been set, remained pending during the reporting period.

Projects

During the reporting period, the Carinthia grid area project was in the detailed planning stage for the route. Following numerous discussions with communities, members of the public and stakeholders, many decisions regarding the route have already been taken. In a few municipalities, localized alternatives are still being considered. The ultimate detailed route, including the individual pylon locations, will be finalised by the end of financial year 2026. The environmental impact statement (EIS) is scheduled for submission in quarter 2/2028. The project qualifies as a project of common interest (PCI). An application to initiate the PCI pre-application procedure was therefore submitted to the EIA regulatory authorities (the Carinthian and Tyrolean provincial governments).

In the eastern grid reinforcement project, the design projects for the construction of the new Trumau and Parndorf substations, as well as the 380 kV extension at the Sarasdorf substation, are nearing completion. Discussions are currently under way with the Burgenland and Lower Austria chambers of agriculture, as well as with the landowners concerned. Public information fairs will be held in the municipalities in quarter 3/2026. The EIS is due to be submitted in quarter 4/2027.

Construction preparations for the general overhaul of the 220 kV line from Lienz to Italy began in quarter 1/2026. Detailed implementation planning is in progress. A favourable ruling by the Federal Administrative Court (BVwG) is expected by mid-2027. The construction work will then start. Initial operation is scheduled for the end of 2031.

The approval procedures for the Salzburg line 1 and Salzburg line 2 projects are currently pending with the EIA regulatory authorities (the Salzburg provincial government and the Upper Austrian provincial government). The documentation has already been confirmed as complete, and most of the expert reports have been received. The acceptance notice is expected to be issued in quarter 4/2026.

Current information on the Grid segment – GAS CONNECT AUSTRIA GmbH

Gas flows

In quarter 2/2026, gas flows in the East market area were consistent with the prior-year reporting period. As before, the Oberkappel and Überackern entry points continued to supply the Austrian market to a large extent. Nominations for the distribution area and the replenishment of Austrian storage facilities following the heating season rose slightly year-on-year. Nominations for the exit point to Hungary and the entry point from Italy declined. Wholesale prices for gas in quarter 2/2026 were well above the 2025 level.

Regulation

The WACC in the distribution system for the 2023–2027 regulatory period is 3.72% for existing capital expenditure and 6.11% in 2026 for new capital expenditure. The WACC in the transmission system for the 2025–2027 regulatory period is 4.37% for existing capital expenditure and 6.11% in 2026 for new capital expenditure. The WACCs for new capital expenditure are adjusted annually in both segments. Both the distribution system and, since 1 January 2025, the GAS CONNECT AUSTRIA GmbH transmission system have operated in a regulated system unencumbered by volume risks. ECA issued the cost notice (for the transmission system) for 2027 in quarter 2/2026. Appeal against the notice has been filed.

WAG Loop 1 project

As part of the WAG Loop 1 project, an extra 40 km of pipeline – running parallel to the West Austria gas pipeline (WAG) – is under construction between Oberkappel and Bad Leonfelden with the aim of increasing west-to-east transport capacity by 30%. An agreement was concluded between the Federal Ministry of Finance (BMF) and GCA for project funding totalling €70m. The project work is going according to plan. The environmental impact assessment is currently being finalised and right of way agreements are being negotiated with landowners.

All other segments

"All other segments" is a combined heading under which the Thermal generation, Services and Equity interests segments are brought together (because they are below the quantitative thresholds).

KPIs – All other segments

	Unit	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Total revenue	€m	217.6	238.3	9.5%
EBITDA	€m	18.4	47.0	–
Result from interests accounted for using the equity method	€m	49.0	45.3	–7.5%

KPIs – All other segments

	Unit	31/12/2025	30/6/2026	Change
Capital employed	€m	745.3	734.8	–1.4%

The increase in total revenue is partly attributable to higher prices achieved despite a slight decline in thermal generation. This and lower fuel use were the main reasons for the increase in EBITDA. The result from interests accounted for using the equity method was generated exclusively from the interest in KELAG-Kärntner Elektrizitäts-Aktiengesellschaft.

The change in capital employed was due mainly to lower working capital and higher non-interest-bearing liabilities. However, this was compensated for by a higher carrying amount of the interest in KELAG-Kärntner Elektrizitäts-Aktiengesellschaft accounted for using the equity method.

Current information on the Thermal generation segment

The thermal generation plants in Mellach continued to play a key role in grid and supply security in quarter 2/2026. Whilst generator 10 and the district heating power plant were available exclusively for congestion management purposes, generator 20 was used in the electricity and heat generation markets. Bids to participate in the tender process for the grid reserve for the period from 1 October 2026 to 30 September 2027 were submitted on time at the end of May 2026. The results of the tender are expected in August 2026.

Current information on the Services segment

VERBUND Business Solutions

In the Procurement Excellence Programme, further measures were put in place to optimise the procurement strategies. In health management, the preventive "healthy future" programme continued successfully, including preparations for certification in Austria and Germany.

In building operations, the New Data Centre (relocation phase) and VEP Hydrospace projects remained on schedule and on budget. Lease negotiations for the alternative site at Schwarzenbergplatz during the required renovation work at VERBUND headquarters have been finalised and the technical requirements have been agreed. Work continued on the safety and building services coordination for the green renovation project at the Am Hof site.

In facility and resource management, the digitalisation of fleet management made further strides. Live operation is scheduled for the second half of 2026.

VERBUND Digital Power

In IT and digitalisation, work during the reporting period continued to focus on the Group-wide expansion of AI skills and applications. A clear governance framework with centralised management and decentralised implementation has been established to support the Group-wide use of AI and ensure it is used securely and compliantly while also adding value for the Group. As part of the Group-wide AI strategy, three priority use cases were identified and their benefits and feasibility were measured. Trials and rollouts are being progressively implemented for these use cases in order to increase efficiency, improve quality and add more value. In addition, a Group-wide AI operating model and processes for prioritising and managing AI initiatives have been put in place.

On the telecommunications side, further substantial progress has been made on upgrading the digital wide area network. Following the largely completed installation of the new hardware, the process of migrating existing connections to the new infrastructure continued successfully. The replacement of the radio relay system sites is also proceeding according to plan. In addition to the construction of numerous new sites, which has already been completed, structural inspections have been carried out at the vast majority of the remaining sites, thereby laying the foundations for the next stages of implementation.

In information security, the focus was on continuing to strengthen resilience to cyber attacks, passing the NIS1 audit in Austria and making project planning and implementation fit for the future. In addition, AI-related risks were addressed while specifically leveraging the potential of AI for information security. The Europe-wide preparations for implementing the new NIS2 security requirements also continued. Initial regulatory requirements were successfully met and integrated into the routine operations of the information security management system.

Current information on the Equity interests segment

KELAG-Kärntner Elektrizitäts-Aktiengesellschaft

The contribution of KELAG to the result of the interests accounted for using the equity method amounted to €45.3m in quarters 1–2/2026, a slight year-on-year decrease (quarters 1–2/2025: €49.0m). This is largely attributable to below-average water supply and lower market revenue.

In light of the current opportunities and risks identified as well as the projected fall in sales prices in the upcoming quarters, a decline in earnings is expected for financial year 2026.

Events after the reporting date

On 8 July 2026, the National Council passed the 2027–2028 Budget Accompanying Act (*Budgetbegleitgesetz*, BBG). Among other things, the Act provides for an increase in the corporate income tax rate from the current 23% to 24% for tax years beginning after 31 December 2027. The estimated overall impact of the adjustment to deferred taxes is around €40.0m.

In addition, the maximum rate of reducing-balance depreciation and amortisation for electricity companies has been reduced from 30% to 10% for a limited period covering the tax years 2027 to 2029. The rate adjustment will result in temporarily higher corporate income tax payments due to the lower depreciation and amortisation amounts.

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Income statement

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In accordance with IFRSs	Notes	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Q2/2025	Q2/2026
Revenue		4,036.4	**3,593.8**	1,741.5	**1,655.2**
Electricity revenue	1	3,299.7	2,855.1	1,404.0	1,317.0
Grid revenue	1	572.7	579.5	268.4	278.4
Other revenue	1	164.1	159.2	69.0	59.9
Other operating income		65.1	78.9	42.3	54.1
Expenses for electricity, grid, gas and certificate purchases	2	–1,889.6	–1,823.1	–734.8	–809.5
Fuel expenses and other usage-/ revenue-dependent expenses	3	–221.2	–174.6	–72.8	–51.0
Personnel expenses	4	–307.2	–325.9	–159.3	–170.0
Other operating expenses		–251.1	–255.8	–130.3	–122.0
Measurement and recognition of energy derivatives	5	–19.3	–31.7	2.6	–30.0
EBITDA		1,413.0	**1,061.5**	689.1	**526.9**
Depreciation and amortisation	6	–299.9	–296.0	–151.1	–147.9
Impairment losses	7	0.0	–51.5	0.0	–51.5
Operating result		1,113.1	**714.0**	538.0	**327.5**
Result from interests accounted for using the equity method	8	47.8	45.9	33.5	28.8
Other result from equity interests		5.5	2.9	4.3	1.6
Interest income	9	28.7	7.5	13.0	3.9
Interest expenses	10	–56.2	–50.2	–28.4	–27.8
Other financial result	11	24.1	20.5	26.1	21.6
Impairment losses	12	0.0	–18.0	0.0	–18.0
Financial result		49.9	**8.5**	48.5	**10.1**
Profit before tax		1,163.0	**722.5**	586.5	**337.6**
Taxes on income		–259.7	–161.7	–128.5	–81.6
Profit for the period		903.2	**560.8**	458.0	**256.0**
Attributable to the shareholders of VERBUND AG (Group result)		802.7	518.1	406.0	248.3
Attributable to non-controlling interests		100.5	42.7	52.0	7.7
Earnings per share in €[1]		2.31	**1.49**	1.17	**0.71**

[1] Diluted earnings per share correspond to basic earnings per share.

Statement of comprehensive income

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In accordance with IFRSs	Notes	Q1–2/2025	**Q1–2/2026**	Q2/2025	**Q2/2026**
Profit for the period		903.2	**560.8**	458.0	**256.0**
Remeasurements of net defined benefit liability	13	11.7	28.6	11.7	0.0
Other comprehensive income from interests accounted for using the equity method[1]		– 0.2	0.3	0.0	0.0
Total for items that will not be reclassified subsequently to the income statement		11.5	**28.9**	11.7	**28.8**
Foreign exchange differences		– 6.2	– 8.9	– 6.0	– 8.9
Measurements of cash flow hedges		– 45.1	– 133.4	– 101.5	24.8
Other comprehensive income from interests accounted for using the equity method[2]		– 3.1	0.9	– 0.5	3.4
Total for items that will be reclassified subsequently to the income statement		– 54.3	**– 141.4**	– 108.0	**19.3**
Other comprehensive income before tax		– 42.9	**– 112.5**	– 96.3	**48.1**
Taxes on income relating to items that will not be reclassified subsequently to the income statement		– 2.4	– 6.6	– 2.4	– 6.6
Taxes on income relating to items that will be reclassified subsequently to the income statement		10.2	29.1	23.3	– 7.1
Other comprehensive income after tax		– 35.1	**– 90.0**	– 75.4	**34.3**
Total comprehensive income for the period		868.1	**470.8**	382.7	**290.3**
Attributable to the shareholders of VERBUND AG		766.7	425.7	329.8	280.2
Attributable to non-controlling interests		101.5	45.1	52.9	10.1

[1] deferred taxes included therein in quarter 1– 2/2026: €– 0.1m (Q1– 2/2025: €0.1m) // [2] deferred taxes included therein in quarter 1– 2/2026: €– 0.2m (Q1– 2/2025:€0.9m)

Balance sheet

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In accordance with IFRSs	Notes	31/12/2025	30/6/2026
Non-current assets		16,888.4	**17,005.3**
Intangible assets		1,089.0	1,010.8
Property, plant and equipment		13,842.6	14,126.5
Right-of-use assets		217.4	223.4
Interests accounted for using the equity method		689.8	694.5
Other equity interests	15	296.5	300.3
Investments and other receivables	15	615.3	510.0
Receivables from derivative financial instruments	15	81.6	81.4
Deferred tax assets		56.2	58.3
Current assets		1,721.3	**1,699.5**
Inventories	14	75.9	142.0
Current tax receivables	15	113.0	254.9
Receivables from derivative financial instruments	15	117.9	118.6
Trade receivables, other receivables and securities	15	1,341.6	1,095.6
Cash and cash equivalents	15	72.8	88.3
Total assets		18,609.7	**18,704.8**

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In accordance with IFRSs	Notes	31/12/2025	30/6/2026
Equity		11,331.2	**10,535.1**
Attributable to the shareholders of VERBUND AG		10,340.9	9,669.4
Attributable to non-controlling interests		990.3	865.7
Non-current liabilities		5,517.6	**6,112.7**
Financial liabilities	15	1,778.2	2,429.6
Provisions		556.0	518.3
Deferred tax liabilities		1,301.9	1,320.8
Contributions to building costs and grants		840.7	843.0
Liabilities from derivative financial instruments	15	36.7	62.0
Other liabilities	15	1,004.2	939.0
Current liabilities		1,760.9	**2,057.0**
Financial liabilities	15	494.6	666.6
Provisions		92.1	106.6
Current tax liabilities		16.2	105.1
Liabilities from derivative financial instruments	15	152.4	323.5
Trade payables and other liabilities	15	1,005.6	855.2
Total equity and liabilities		18,609.7	**18,704.8**

Cash flow statement

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In accordance with IFRSs	Notes	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026
Profit for the period		903.2	560.8
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment and amortisation of intangible assets (net of impairment losses and reversals of impairment losses)	6	299.9	347.5
Impairment losses on investments (net of reversals of impairment losses)	11	3.1	–5.8
Result from interests accounted for using the equity method (net of dividends received)	8	28.4	17.9
Result from the disposal of non-current assets		0.5	1.6
Change in non-current provisions and deferred tax liabilities		31.4	31.8
Change in contributions to building costs and grants		9.2	2.3
Other non-cash expenses and income		–54.7	–2,5
Subtotal		1,220.9	**953.6**
Change in inventories	14	–20.3	–66.1
Change in trade receivables and other receivables	15	120.5	–61.1
Change in trade payables and other liabilities	15	39.8	–110.2
Change in non-current and current receivables from derivative financial instruments	15	–56.8	18.3
Change in non-current and current liabilities from derivative financial instruments	15	4.9	37.2
Change in current provisions and current tax liabilities		29.3	103.5
Cash flow from operating activities[1]		1,338.4	**875.2**

[1] Cash flow from operating activities includes income taxes paid of €–173.7m (Q1–2/2025: €–244.6m), interest paid of €–28.6m (Q1–2/2025: €–26.1m), interest received of €2.1m (Q1–2/2025: €12.2m) and dividends received excluding interests accounted for using the equity method of €2.9m (Q1–2/2025: €5.5m).

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In accordance with IFRSs	Notes	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026
Cash outflow from capital expenditure for intangible assets and property, plant and equipment		–552.8	–644.0
Cash inflow from the disposal of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment		5.4	4.3
Cash outflow from capital expenditure for investments		–1.3	3.5
Cash inflow from the disposal of investments		2.0	0.0
Cash outflow from capital expenditure for interests accounted for using the equity method and other equity interests		–21.5	–16.5
Cash flow from investing activities		–568.2	**–652.8**
Cash inflow from money market transactions		80.3	600.0
Cash outflow for money market transactions		–50.2	–158.0
Cash inflow from the assumption of financial liabilities (excluding money market transactions)		0.0	693.4
Cash outflow from the repayment of financial liabilities (excluding money market transactions)		–36.2	–27.0
Cash outflow from the repayment of lease liabilities		–16.2	–19.6
Dividends paid		–1,329.4	–1,295.7
Cash flow from financing activities		–1,351.7	**–206.9**
Change in cash and cash equivalents		–581.6	**15.5**
Cash and cash equivalents as at 1/1		795.1	**72.8**
Change in cash and cash equivalents		–581.6	15.5
Cash and cash equivalents as at 30/6		213.5	**88.3**

Statement of changes in equity

In accordance with IFRSs	Called and paid-in share capital	Capital reserves	Retained earnings	Remeasurements of net defined benefit liability
Notes				13
As at 1/1/2025	347.4	954.3	8,759.4	–274.6
Profit for the period	–	–	802.7	–
Other comprehensive income	–	–	0.0	8.2
Total comprehensive income for the period	–	–	802.7	8.2
Dividends	–	–	–972.8	–
Other changes in equity	–	–	–1.7	0.0
As at 30/6/2025	347.4	954.3	8,587.6	–266.4
As at 1/1/2026	347.4	954.3	9,281.7	–249.6
Profit for the period	–	–	518.1	–
Other comprehensive income	–	–	0.0	20.0
Total comprehensive income for the period	–	–	518.1	20.0
Dividends	–	–	–1,094.4	–
Other changes in equity	–	–	–2.9	0.0
As at 30/6/2026	347.4	954.3	8,702.6	–229.6

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Foreign exchange differences	Change in financial instruments	Measurements of cash flow hedges	Equity attributable to the shareholders of VERBUND AG	Equity attributable to non-controlling interests	Total equity
–19.1	50.8	159.3	9,977.6	1,087.2	11,064.8
–	–	–	802.7	100.5	903.2
–6.2	0.0	–38.0	–36.0	0.9	–35.1
–6.2	0.0	–38.0	766.7	101.5	868.1
–	–	–	–972.8	–303.8	–1,276.6
0.0	0.0	0.0	–1.7	0.0	–1.7
–25.3	50.8	121.3	9,769.7	884.9	10,654.7
–26.8	64.4	–30.4	10,340.9	990.3	11,331.2
–	–	–	518.1	42.7	560.8
–8.9	0.0	–103.6	–92.4	2.4	–90.0
–8.9	0.0	–103.6	425.7	45.1	470.8
–	–	–	–1,094.4	–169.6	–1,264.0
0.0	0.0	0.0	–2.9	0.0	–2.9
–35.7	64.4	–134.0	9,669.4	865.7	10,535.1

Selected explanatory notes

Financial reporting principles

Basic principles

These consolidated interim financial statements of VERBUND for the period ended 30 June 2026 have been prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) applicable to interim financial reporting as adopted by the European Union.

The condensed format of VERBUND's consolidated interim financial statements is consistent with IAS 34 "Interim Financial Reporting"; for further information and disclosures please refer to VERBUND's consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025, which form the basis for these consolidated interim financial statements of VERBUND.

Scope of consolidation

The following changes were made to the scope of consolidation in quarters 1–2/2026:

The Spanish companies Volateo Solar S.L.U. and Stopper Solar, S.L.U. were included in the scope of consolidation in February and March 2026, respectively.

As part of a hydrogen project, a 25.0% equity interest was acquired in the French company Notos Holding S.A.S. in February 2026. The equity interest in Notos Holding S.A.S. is accounted for using the equity method.

In June 2026, VERBUND Green Hydrogen Sales GmbH as the transferring company was merged with VERBUND Green Hydrogen GmbH as the acquiring company.

Effects of the macroeconomic environment

The military conflict in the Middle East, the ongoing war in Ukraine, and US foreign and trade policies presented uncertainties with respect to economic development and thus VERBUND's business environment in quarters 1–2/2026. Indirect effects currently result in particular from increased volatility on the energy and commodity markets, which is reflected in higher oil and gas prices.

The European Central Bank initially left key interest rates unchanged, but raised them by 25 basis points in June 2026. The interest rate on the deposit facility was 2.25% as at 30 June 2026.

The potential financial impact on VERBUND's assets was analysed in the course of preparing the consolidated interim financial statements for the period ended 30 June 2026. The updating of the above parameters resulted in changes in the value of assets recognised by VERBUND (see Note 7. Impairment losses). All developments, the resulting risks and the potential financial impact on VERBUND continue to be evaluated on an ongoing basis.

Effects of climate change

The effects of climate change on the measurement of VERBUND's assets are evaluated at regular intervals, whereby VERBUND works with scenarios that focus on meteorology and hydrology. The climate-based scenario analysis directly affects VERBUND's strategy in that the investment programme focuses primarily on the construction of new power plants for renewable generation, the expansion of transmission systems and steps to increase efficiency at existing power plants. No significant measurement effects resulting from changes in the quantities relevant for energy generation, for example, have been identified to date in connection with the climate scenarios evaluated. Details on the effects of climate change on VERBUND are described in the 2025 consolidated financial statements. There were no significant changes compared with 31 December 2025.

In April 2026, VERBUND expanded its sustainable financing portfolio by issuing a €700m green bond in accordance with the EU Green Bond Standard. The net proceeds will be used to finance green projects that are in line with VERBUND's Green Financing Framework, updated in March 2026, and the EU Green Bond Factsheet.

Accounting policies

With the exception of the IASB's new accounting standards described below, the same accounting policies were applied in these consolidated interim financial statements as in the consolidated financial statements for the period ended 31 December 2025.

The use of computing software may lead to rounding differences in the addition of rounded amounts and the calculation of percentages.

There have been no material changes with regard to the IFRS 18 provisions to be applied from 1 January 2027 and their implementation at VERBUND. In this context, please refer to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Newly applicable or applied accounting standards

Newly applicable or applied accounting standards

Standard or interpretation		Published by the IASB (endorsed by the EU)	Mandatory application for VERBUND	Material effects on the consolidated interim financial statements of VERBUND
IFRS 9 and IFRS 7	Amendments to the Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments	30/5/2024 (27/5/2025)	1/1/2026	None
Various	Annual Improvements to IFRS Accounting Standards – Volume 11	18/7/2024 (9/7/2025)	1/1/2026	None

New accounting standards not yet applicable or applied

New accounting standards not yet applicable or applied

Standard or interpretation		Published by the IASB (endorsed by the EU)	Mandatory application for VERBUND	Expected material effects on the consolidated interim financial statements of VERBUND
IFRS 20	New: Regulatory Assets and Regulatory Liabilities	27/05/2026 (open)	1/1/2029	Accounting for regulatory assets and regulatory liabilities, and adjustments to the presentation of revenue and profit or loss in regulated industries.

Segment reporting

EBITDA indicated in the Total column corresponds to EBITDA as presented in the income statement. Therefore, the reconciliation to profit before tax can be taken from the income statement. Transactions between segments are carried out at arm's length.

€m

	Hydro	New renewables	Sales	Grid	All other segments	Reconciliation/ consolidation	Group total
Q1–2/2026							
External revenue	70.5	112.2	2,646.6	746.0	15.1	3.4	3,593.8
Internal revenue	830.4	16.2	178.0	40.1	223.2	–1,287.9	0.0
Total revenue	900.9	128.4	2,824.6	786.1	238.3	–1,284.5	3,593.8
Expenses for electricity, grid, gas and certificate purchases	–48.8	–23.1	–2,579.8	–371.9	–13.1	1,213.6	–1,823.1
EBITDA	657.0	63.7	105.5	220.4	47.0	–32.1	1,061.5
Depreciation and amortisation	–122.9	–46.4	–5.1	–106.8	–12.5	–2.3	–296.0
Effects from impairment tests (operating result)	0.0	–8.7	0.0	–42.9	0.0	0.0	–51.5
Other material non-cash items	25.6	–6.9	1.1	9.3	5.1	0.0	34.1
Result from interests accounted for using the equity method	0.0	–0.1	–1.2	1.9	45.3	0.0	45.9
Effects from impairment tests (financial result)	0.0	0.0	0.0	–18.0	0.0	0.0	–18.0
Capital employed	6,846.8	1,792.1	951.7	3,094.0	734.8	299.8	13,719.2
of which carrying amount of interests accounted for using the equity method	34.3	8.4	43.9	46.2	561.5	0.3	694.5
Additions to intangible assets and property, plant and equipment	183.2	136.9	20.5	221.3	8.2	4.9	575.0
Additions to interests accounted for using the equity method	0.0	0.0	7.4	0.0	0.0	0.3	7.6

€m

	Hydro	New renewables	Sales	Grid	All other segments	Recon-ciliation/ consoli-dation	Group total
Q1–2/2025							
External revenue	72.7	130.2	3,037.2	774.0	19.0	3.4	4,036.4
Internal revenue	1,227.4	20.9	185.6	44.0	198.6	–1,676.5	0.0
Total revenue	1,300.0	151.1	3,222.8	818.0	217.6	–1,673.1	4,036.4
Expenses for electricity, grid, gas and certificate purchases	–56.8	–21.3	–3,003.7	–413.0	–5.1	1,610.3	–1,889.6
EBITDA	1,021.5	92.6	94.4	212.4	18.4	–26.3	1,413.0
Depreciation and amortisation	–121.6	–64.9	–5.9	–95.2	–11.1	–1.2	–299.9
Other material non-cash items	–4.0	1.2	–26.8	14.3	1.8	2.6	–10.8
Result from interests accounted for using the equity method	–0.4	–0.2	–0.7	0.1	49.0	0.0	47.8
Capital employed	6,234.1	1,956.9	724.4	2,800.1	689.8	37.1	12,442.4
of which carrying amount of interests accounted for using the equity method	34.7	8.5	35.2	62.6	517.4	0.0	658.3
Additions to intangible assets and property, plant and equipment	209.6	25.9	21.6	163.5	6.1	4.4	431.2
Additions to interests accounted for using the equity method	0.0	0.2	5.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.0

Notes to the income statement

(1) Revenue

Revenue

€m

	Q1–2/2025 Domestic	**Q1–2/2026 Domestic**	Q1–2/2025 Foreign	**Q1–2/2026 Foreign**	Q1–2/2025 Total	**Q1–2/2026 Total**	Change
Electricity revenue resellers	41.8	39.5	24.3	26.1	66.2	65.6	–0.9%
Electricity revenue traders	1.6	0.0	0.1	0.1	1.6	0.1	–94.5%
Electricity revenue – Hydro segment	43.4	**39.5**	24.4	**26.2**	67.8	**65.7**	–3.2%
Electricity revenue resellers	0.0	1.5	69.1	55.3	69.1	56.8	–17.7%
Electricity revenue traders	8.6	7.4	15.0	18.3	23.6	25.8	9.1%
Electricity revenue consumers	0.0	0.0	23.8	19.6	23.8	19.6	–17.6%
Electricity revenue – New renewables segment	8.6	**8.9**	107.8	**93.2**	116.4	**102.2**	–12.2%
Electricity revenue resellers	484.5	503.3	417.8	342.9	902.4	846.2	–6.2%
Electricity revenue traders	420.9	436.5	824.7	403.9	1,245.6	840.5	–32.5%
Electricity revenue consumers	401.4	431.5	386.8	415.3	788.2	846.8	7.4%
Electricity revenue – Sales segment	1,306.8	**1,371.3**	1,629.3	**1,162.2**	2,936.2	**2,533.5**	–13.7%
Electricity revenue resellers	124.9	107.4	44.3	36.3	169.2	143.7	–15.1%
Electricity revenue traders	10.1	10.1	0.0	0.0	10.1	10.1	–0.1%
Electricity revenue – Grid segment	135.0	**117.5**	44.3	**36.3**	179.3	**153.8**	–14.2%
Total electricity revenue	1,493.8	**1,537.2**	1,805.9	**1,317.9**	3,299.7	**2,855.1**	–13.5%
Grid revenue electric utilities	262.0	251.8	12.6	5.5	274.5	257.3	–6.3%
Grid revenue industrial customers	7.4	7.7	0.0	0.0	7.4	7.7	3.6%
Grid revenue other	122.0	157.6	168.8	157.0	290.7	314.5	8.2%
Total grid revenue – Grid segment	391.3	**417.1**	181.3	**162.5**	572.7	**579.5**	1.2%
Other revenue – Hydro segment					4.9	**4.8**	–0.7%
Other revenue – New renewables segment					13.7	**10.0**	–27.2%
Other revenue – Sales segment					101.0	**113.1**	12.0%
Other revenue – Grid segment					22.0	**12.7**	–42.5%
Other revenue – All other segments					19.0	**15.1**	–20.2%
Other revenue – reconciliation					3.4	**3.4**	–1.3%
Total of other revenue					164.1	**159.2**	–3.0%
Total revenue					4,036.4	**3,593.8**	–11.0%

(2)
Expenses for electricity, grid, gas and certificate purchases

Expenses for electricity, grid, gas and certificate purchases

€m	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Expenses for electricity purchases (including control power)	1,777.3	1,722.3	–3.1%
Expenses for gas purchases	45.2	51.8	14.7%
Expenses for grid purchases	63.1	44.6	–29.4%
Purchases of emission allowances (trading)	2.4	3.9	64.8%
Expenses for guarantees of origin and green electricity certificate purchases	1.7	0.5	–68.4%
Expenses for electricity, grid, gas and certificate purchases	1,889.6	**1,823.1**	–3.5%

(3)
Fuel expenses and other usage-/revenue-dependent expenses

Fuel expenses and other usage-/revenue-dependent expenses

€m	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Fuel expenses	118.0	94.7	–19.7%
Other revenue-dependent expenses	49.9	44.5	–10.8%
Emission allowances acquired in exchange for consideration	24.1	28.7	19.3%
Windfall tax expenses	28.2	5.1	–82.0%
Other usage-dependent expenses	1.1	1.6	46.9%
Fuel expenses and other usage-/revenue-dependent expenses	221.2	**174.6**	–21.1%

(4)
Personnel expenses

Personnel expenses

€m	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Wages and salaries	236.0	251.2	6.4%
Social security contributions as required by law as well as income-based charges and compulsory contributions	55.6	59.9	7.8%
Other social expenses	4.5	4.8	8.0%
Subtotal	296.1	**315.9**	6.7%
Expenses for pensions and similar obligations	7.3	6.7	–7.9%
Expenses for termination benefits	3.9	3.3	–13.9%
Personnel expenses	307.2	**325.9**	6.1%

(5)
Measurement and recognition of energy derivatives

Measurement and recognition of energy derivatives

€m .	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Realisation of futures	–68.4	**66.5**	n/a
of which positive	215.5	276.8	28.4%
of which negative	–283.9	–210.2	25.9%
Measurement	49.0	**–98.3**	n/a
of which positive	360.0	386.9	7.5%
of which negative	–311.0	–485.2	–56.0%
Measurement and recognition of energy derivatives	–19.3	**–31.7**	–64.3%

(6) Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation and amortisation €m

	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	278.5	270.5	–2.8%
Amortisation of intangible assets	13.1	15.3	16.9%
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	8.4	10.1	20.8%
Depreciation and amortisation	299.9	**296.0**	–1.3%

(7) Impairment losses

Impairment losses[1] €m

	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Gas Connect Austria GmbH	0.0	–42.9	n/a
Cash-generating units Development projects in Spain renewables portfolio	0.0	–8.7	n/a
Impairment losses	0.0	**–51.5**	n/a

[1] Further details on impairment losses are presented in the tables below.

Impairment testing of Gas Connect Austria GmbH, incl. Austrian Gas Grid Management AG[1]

	30/6/2026
Cash-generating unit	Gas Connect Austria GmbH's transmission system and distribution network, including AGGM
Indications of impairment	Significant changes in the energy industry and regulatory environment
Basis for recoverable amount	Value in use
Valuation technique	Net present value approach (DCF method)
Derivation of cash flow	Gas Connect Austria GmbH's budgets
Volume	Capacity bookings
Pricing	Regulatory tariffs published by the regulator
Planning period	Detailed planning phase: 6 years; rough planning phase: 19 years plus regulatory asset base (RAB) as exit value
Key valuation assumptions	Regulatory interest rate of the RAB
After-tax discount rate	Determination of discount rate taking into account regulatory framework conditions
Recoverable amount	€375.1m
Impairment losses for the period	€–42.9m

[1] The primary reason for the impairment loss was the cost notice for the transmission system for 2027 issued by E-Control . No impairment losses or reversals of impairment losses were recognised in the 2025 reporting period.

Impairment testing of development projects in Spain renewables portfolio[1]

	31/12/2025	**30/6/2026**
Group of cash-generating units	Photovoltaic portfolios with a capacity of 1,548.4 MW under development (Tejo Solar, S.L.U.)	Photovoltaic portfolios with a capacity of 1,564.4 MW under development (Tejo Solar, S.L.U.)
Basis for recoverable amount	Fair value (Level 3) less costs of disposal	Fair value (Level 3) less costs of disposal
Indications of impairment	Updated electricity price forecasts and updated discount rate	Updated electricity price forecasts and updated discount rate
Valuation technique	Net present value approach (DCF method)	Net present value approach (DCF method)
Derivation of cash flow	VERBUND's budgets (based primarily on market data)	VERBUND's budgets (based primarily on market data)
Volume	Electricity generation	Electricity generation
Pricing	External price forecast for projects, premium for additional proceeds from the sale of guarantees of origin (derived from quoted prices)	External price forecast for projects, premium for additional proceeds from the sale of guarantees of origin (derived from quoted prices)
Planning period	Detailed planning phase: 6 years; rough planning phase: 29 years	Detailed planning phase: 6 years; rough planning phase: 29 years
Key valuation assumptions	Electricity price, discount rate	Electricity price, discount rate
After-tax discount rate	WACC: 5.75%	WACC: 6.00%
Recoverable amount	€407.3m	€452.0m
Change in value during the period[2]	€+47.5m	€–8.7m

[1] The development projects are included in the Tejo Solar, S.L.U. portfolio with 17 CGUs. // [2] The impairment loss as at 30 June 2026 consisted of impairment losses at three CGUs in the Tejo Solar, S.L.U. portfolio totalling €8.7m (31 December 2025: €+47.5m for 15 CGUs in the Tejo Solar, S.L.U. portfolio).

(8) Result from interests accounted for using the equity method

Result from interests accounted for using the equity method

€m

	Q1–2/2025	**Q1–2/2026**	Change
Domestic	48.2	46.1	–4.5%
Foreign	–0.4	–0.1	66.1%
Income or expenses	47.8	**45.9**	–4.0%

(9) Interest income

Interest income

€m	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Interest from investments under closed items on the balance sheet	14.3	**2.8**	–80.5%
Interest from money market transactions	10.3	**1.1**	–89.5%
Other interest and similar income	4.1	**3.6**	–11.8%
Interest income	28.7	**7.5**	–74.0%

(10) Interest expenses

Interest expenses

€m	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Interest on bonds, including the cost of procuring credit	16.2	**20.4**	25.7%
Net interest expense on personnel-related liabilities	8.7	**9.2**	6.6%
Interest on bank loans	5.4	**4.8**	–10.2%
Interest on other liabilities from electricity supply commitments	4.5	**3.7**	–18.1%
Interest on financial liabilities under closed items on the balance sheet	14.3	**2.8**	–80.5%
Interest on leases	2.2	**2.5**	11.2%
Interest on other non-current provisions	1.4	**1.4**	1.6%
Borrowing costs capitalised in accordance with IAS 23	–5.9	**–6.5**	–10.9%
Other interest and similar expenses	9.5	**11.9**	25.8%
Interest expenses	56.2	**50.2**	–10.8%

(11) Other financial result

Other financial result

€m	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Change in an obligation to return an interest[1]	25.2	**14.3**	–43.2%
Measurement of non-derivative financial instruments	–3.1	**5.8**	n/a
Change in derivative financial instruments in the finance area	–0.4	**–1.1**	n/a
Change in a profit participation right with respect to material assets	0.0	**–2.1**	n/a
Other	2.5	**3.6**	45.0%
Other financial result	24.1	**20.5**	–15.2%

[1] The obligation to transfer the 50% interest in Donaukraftwerk Jochenstein AG to the Free State of Bavaria without exchange of consideration is measured at amortised cost. The expected fair value of the interest at the transfer date (31 December 2050) is calculated for the respective period and discounted based on the original effective interest rate (corresponding to the weighted average cost of capital at the acquisition date). Changes in the expected fair value of the interest are recognised in the other financial result.

(12)
Impairment losses

Impairment testing of TAG GmbH[1]

	30/6/2026
Cash-generating unit	TAG GmbH, Austrian transmission system operator
Indications of impairment	Significant changes in the energy industry and regulatory environment
Basis for recoverable amount	Value in use
Valuation technique	Net present value approach (DCF method)
Derivation of cash flow	TAG GmbH's budgets
Volume	Capacity bookings
Pricing	Regulatory tariffs published by the regulator
Planning period	Detailed planning phase: 5 years; rough planning phase: 5 years plus regulatory asset base (RAB) as exit value
Key valuation assumptions	Regulatory interest rate of the RAB
After-tax discount rate	Determination of discount rate taking into account regulatory framework conditions
Recoverable amount	€33.1m
Impairment losses for the period	€– 18.0m

[1] No impairment losses or reversals of impairment losses were recognised in the 2025 reporting period.

Notes to the statement of comprehensive income

(13)
Remeasurement of the net defined benefit liability

Provisions for pensions and similar obligations and for statutory termination benefits were measured based on an actuarial report updated as at 30 June 2026. The discount rate used was 4.25% for obligations similar to pensions (31 December 2025: 4.00%), 4.00% for pension obligations (31 December 2025: 3.75%) and 3.75% for severance payment obligations (31 December 2025: 3.50%). Future salary increases were taken into account at 2.25% to 3.25% (31 December 2025: 2.50% to 3.25%) and future pension increases at 2.50% to 3.00% (31 December 2025: 2.75% to 3.50%).

Notes to the balance sheet

(14) Inventories

Inventories

€m

	31/12/2025	30/6/2026	Change
Inventories of primary energy sources held for generation[1]	22.7	**17.4**	–23.1%
Emission allowances held for trading	22.5	96.6	n/a
Changes in emission allowances held for trading	4.6	2.8	–37.9%
Fair value of emission allowances held for trading	27.1	**99.4**	n/a
Proof of origin and green electricity certificates	0.2	**0.5**	n/a
Additives and consumables	18.6	**23.4**	25.9%
Other	7.4	**1.2**	–84.0%
Inventories	75.9	**142.0**	87.0%

[1] In quarters 1–2/2026, a write-up of gas inventories in amount of €1.1m (31 December 2025: write-down of €7.9m) was recognised in the income statement.

The measurement benchmark for inventories of natural gas and emission allowances held for trading by VERBUND is the fair value less costs to sell in accordance with the exemption provided for raw materials and commodity broker-traders (brokerage exemption). The market price for front-month gas forwards on the Central European Gas Hub (CEGH) is the relevant price for inventories of natural gas held for trading. The fair value of emission allowances held for trading corresponds to the market price on the European Energy Exchange (EEX). The fair values are thus based on Level 1 measurements.

(15) Additional information regarding financial instruments

Carrying amounts and fair values by measurement category 30/6/2026 €m

Assets – balance sheet items	Measurement category in accordance with IFRS 9	Level	Carrying amount	Fair value
Interests in unconsolidated subsidiaries	FVOCI	2	44.9	44.9
Interests in unconsolidated subsidiaries	FVOCI	AC	23.8	23.8
Other equity interests	FVOCI	1	22.1	22.1
Other equity interests	FVOCI	2	158.3	158.3
Other equity interests	FVOCI	AC	51.2	51.2
Other equity interests and unconsolidated subsidiaries			**300.3**	
Derivatives in the energy area	FVPL	2	39.1	39.1
Derivatives in the energy area	FVPL	3	20.1	20.1
Derivatives in the finance area	FVPL	2	22.2	22.2
Receivables from derivative financial instruments			**81.4**	
Securities	FVPL	1	168.1	168.1
Securities	FVOCI	3	10.1	10.1
Securities	FVOCI	AC	2.0	2.0
Loans – closed items on the balance sheet	AC	2	21.0	22.9
Loans	AC	2	62.6	63.5
Other	AC	–	193.9	–
Other	–	–	52.4	–
Other investments and non-current other receivables			**510.0**	
Current tax receivables	**–**	**–**	**254.9**	**–**
Derivatives in the energy area	FVPL	2	112.5	112.5
Derivatives in the energy area	FVPL	3	4.0	4.0
Derivatives in the finance area	FVPL	2	2.2	2.2
Receivables from derivative financial instruments			**118.6**	
Trade receivables	AC	–	715.5	–
Receivables from investees	AC	–	51.4	–
Loans to investees	AC	2	5.0	4.9
Other loans	AC	2	0.1	0.1
Loans – closed items on the balance sheet	AC	2	30.8	31.1
Securities	FVPL	1	1.1	1.0
Emission allowances	–	–	8.0	–
Other	AC	–	95.8	–
Other	–	–	187.9	–
Trade receivables, other receivables and securities			**1,095.6**	
Cash and cash equivalents	**AC**	**–**	**88.3**	**–**

Carrying amounts and fair values by measurement category 30/6/2026 €m

Assets – balance sheet items	Measurement category in accordance with IFRS 9	Level	Carrying amount	Fair value
Aggregated by measurement category				
Financial assets at amortised cost	AC		1,264.4	
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	FVPL		369.3	
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	FVOCI		312.4	

Carrying amounts and fair values by measurement category 30/6/2026

€m

Liabilities – balance sheet items	Measurement category in accordance with IFRS 9	Level	Carrying amount	Fair value
Bonds	AC	2	1,809.2	1,753.8
Financial liabilities to banks and to others	AC	2	1,221.1	1,214.8
Financial liabilities to banks – closed items on the balance sheet	AC	2	51.8	54.0
Capital shares attributable to limited partners	–	–	14.2	–
Non-current and current financial liabilities			**3,096.2**	
Derivatives in the energy area	FVPL	2	62.0	62.0
Liabilities from derivative financial instruments			**62.0**	
Electricity supply commitment	–	–	52.1	–
Obligation to return an interest	AC	3	219.8	219.8
Trade payables	AC	–	1.4	–
Lease liabilities	–	–	165.0	–
Other	AC	–	500.7	–
Non-current other liabilities			**939.0**	
Derivatives in the energy area	FVPL	1	3.1	3.1
Derivatives in the energy area	FVPL	2	320.4	320.4
Liabilities from derivative financial instruments			**323.5**	
Trade payables	AC	–	266.8	–
Lease liabilities	–	–	18.0	–
Other	AC	–	364.9	–
Other	–	–	205.5	–
Trade payables and current other liabilities			**855.2**	
Aggregated by measurement category				
Financial liabilities at amortised cost	AC		4,435.7	
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	FVPL		385.5	

Carrying amounts and fair values by measurement category 31/12/2025 €m

Assets – balance sheet items	Measurement category in accordance with IFRS 9	Level	Carrying amount	Fair value
Interests in unconsolidated subsidiaries	FVOCI	2	44.9	44.9
Interests in unconsolidated subsidiaries	FVOCI	AC	28.9	28.9
Other equity interests	FVOCI	1	22.1	22.1
Other equity interests	FVOCI	2	158.3	158.3
Other equity interests	FVOCI	AC	42.3	42.3
Other equity interests and unconsolidated subsidiaries			**296.5**	
Derivatives in the energy area	FVPL	2	33.2	33.2
Derivatives in the energy area	FVPL	3	24.5	24.5
Derivatives in the finance area	FVPL	2	24.0	24.0
Receivables from derivative financial instruments			**81.6**	
Securities	FVPL	1	161.7	161.7
Securities	FVOCI	3	10.1	10.1
Securities	FVOCI	AC	1.9	1.9
Securities – closed items on the balance sheet	AC	2	74.1	73.3
Loans – closed items on the balance sheet	AC	2	49.5	52.9
Loans	AC	2	64.4	65.3
Other	FVPL	3	44.2	44.2
Other	AC	–	169.2	–
Other	–	–	40.3	–
Other investments and non-current other receivables			**615.3**	**–**
Current tax receivables	**–**	**–**	**113.0**	**–**
Derivatives in the energy area	FVPL	1	0.2	0.2
Derivatives in the energy area	FVPL	2	103.4	103.4
Derivatives in the energy area	FVPL	3	5.5	5.5
Derivatives in the finance area	FVPL	2	1.8	1.8
Derivatives in the finance area – closed items on the balance sheet	FVPL	2	7.0	7.0
Receivables from derivative financial instruments			**117.9**	
Trade receivables	AC	–	758.3	–
Receivables from investees	AC	–	35.0	–
Loans to investees	AC	2	5.1	5.0
Other loans	AC	2	0.1	0.1
Loans – closed items on the balance sheet	AC	2	202.2	196.1
Securities	FVPL	1	1.1	1.1
Emission allowances	–	–	70.9	–
Other	AC	–	95.5	–
Other	–	–	173.6	–

Carrying amounts and fair values by measurement category 31/12/2025

€m

Assets – balance sheet items	Measurement category in accordance with IFRS 9	Level	Carrying amount	Fair value
Trade receivables, other receivables and securities			1,341.6	
Cash and cash equivalents	AC	–	72.8	–
Aggregated by measurement category				
Financial assets at amortised cost	AC		1,526.1	
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	FVPL		406.5	
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	FVOCI		308.5	

Carrying amounts and fair values by measurement category 31/12/2025

€m

Liabilities – balance sheet items	Measurement category in accordance with IFRS 9	Level	Carrying amount	Fair value
Bonds	AC	2	1,126.7	1,028.9
Financial liabilities to banks and to others	AC	2	799.8	779.6
Financial liabilities to banks – closed items on the balance sheet	AC	2	126.3	129.6
Financial liabilities to banks – closed items on the balance sheet	FVPL – D	2	206.5	206.5
Capital shares attributable to limited partners	–	–	13.4	–
Non-current and current financial liabilities			**2,272.8**	
Derivatives in the energy area	FVPL	2	36.7	36.7
Liabilities from derivative financial instruments			**36.7**	
Electricity supply commitment	–	–	62.4	–
Obligation to return an interest	AC	3	227.1	227.1
Trade payables	AC	–	2.6	–
Lease liabilities	–	–	171.0	
Other	AC	–	541.1	–
Non-current other liabilities			**1,004.2**	
Derivatives in the energy area	FVPL	2	152.4	152.4
Liabilities from derivative financial instruments			**152.4**	
Trade payables	AC	–	241.1	–
Lease liabilities	–	–	15.9	
Other	AC	–	573.1	–
Other	–	–	175.6	–
Trade payables and current other liabilities			**1,005.6**	
Aggregated by measurement category				
Financial liabilities at amortised cost	AC		3,637.8	
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	FVPL		189.1	
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss – designated	FVPL – D		206.5	

Of the derivative financial instruments in the energy area classified as FVPL in the above tables, positive fair values of €99.5m (31 December 2025: €73.7m) and negative fair values of €277.4m (31 December 2025: €118.9m) relate to hedging relationships designated as cash flow hedges. These fair values represent gross amounts; following the inter-portfolio netting carried out in accordance with VERBUND's accounting policies, cash flow hedges can no longer be isolated.

Valuation techniques and input factors for determining fair values

Level	Financial instruments	Valuation technique	Input factor
1	Energy forwards	Market approach	Settlement price published by the stock exchange
1	Securities, other equity interest in Burgenland Holding AG	Market approach	Stock exchange price
2	Securities and other loans under closed items on the balance sheet, long-term loans, liabilities to banks, bonds and other financial liabilities	Net present value approach	Payments associated with the financial instruments, yield curve, credit risk of the contracting parties (credit default swaps or credit spread curves)
2	Interests in unconsolidated subsidiaries, other equity interests in Energie AG Oberösterreich, among others	Market approach	Trading multiple, transaction price
2	Non-listed energy forwards	Net present value approach	Forward price curve derived from stock exchange prices, yield curve, credit risk of the contracting parties
2	Other financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss in the finance area	Net present value approach	Cash flows already fixed or determined via forward rates, yield curve, credit risk of the contracting parties
3	Return obligation (obligation to transfer back the 50% interest acquired in Donaukraftwerk Jochenstein AG)	Net present value approach	Price forecasts for electricity, weighted average cost of capital after taxes
3	Securities (shares of Wiener Börse AG)	Net present value approach	Expected distribution of profits, cost of equity
3	Other non-current receivables (profit participation right with respect to material assets)	Net present value approach	Expected distribution of profits, cost of equity
AC	Other interests in unconsolidated subsidiaries, other equity interests and other securities	–	Cost as a best estimate of fair value
–	Cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables and payables, other current receivables, other borrowing within current credit lines as well as other current liabilities	–	Carrying amounts as a best estimate of fair value

Other note disclosures

Dividends paid

Dividends paid	Total (€m)	Number of ordinary shares	Per share (€)
Dividends paid in 2026 for financial year 2025[1]	1,094.4	347,415,686	3.15
Dividends paid in 2025 for financial year 2024	972.8	347,415,686	2.80

[1] of which a special dividend of €1.15 per share in Q1– 2/2026 (Q1– 2/2025: 0,00 € per share)

Purchase commitments

Purchase commitments for property, plant and equipment, intangible assets and other services €m

	30/6/2026	of which due in 2026	of which due in 2027– 2031
Total commitment	**3,082.6**	**1,283.5**	**1,799.1**

Purchase commitments for property, plant and equipment, intangible assets and other services €m

	30/6/2025	of which due in 2025	of which due in 2026–2030
Total commitment	2,230.9	888.1	1,342.8

Court proceedings pending

Regarding recognition by the tax authorities of the amortisation of an electricity purchase right amounting to approximately €2.3m per year, the situation remains as presented in the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025, without any material changes.

In quarter 2/2026, the Tax Authority for Large Traders issued notices setting the Energy Crisis Contribution for Electricity for assessment period 3. Appeals against these notices have been filed.

Furthermore, an appeal against the 2027 Transmission System Notice for Gas Connect Austria GmbH was lodged with the Federal Administrative Court in quarter 2/2026. The proceedings are pending.

Transactions with related parties

Transactions with investees accounted for using the equity method

€m

	Q1–2/2025	Q1–2/2026	Change
Income statement			
Electricity revenue	50.8	41.6	–18.2%
Grid revenue	22.3	20.6	–7.5%
Other revenue	12.0	11.5	–3.6%
Other operating income	1.3	1.2	–3.9%
Expenses for electricity, grid, gas and certificate purchases	–32.7	–12.4	62.1%
Other operating expenses	–33.1	–29.0	12.6%
Interest income	1.2	1.2	6.0%

Transactions with investees accounted for using the equity method

€m

	31/12/2025	30/6/2026	Change
Balance sheet			
Investments and other receivables	77.4	66.1	–14.6%
Trade receivables, other receivables and securities	14.7	19.5	32.7%
Contributions to building costs and grants	253.5	248.6	–2.0%
Trade payables and other current liabilities	29.1	32.4	11.5%

Electricity revenue from investees accounted for using the equity method of accounting was generated from KELAG-Kärntner Elektrizitäts-Aktiengesellschaft (KELAG) (€31.3m; Q1–2/2025: €40.6m) and OeMAG Abwicklungsstelle für Ökostrom AG (€10.3m; Q1–2/2025: €10.3m). The electricity revenue was offset by electricity purchases by KELAG in the amount of €5.1m (Q1–2/2025: €28.4m). Grid revenue was generated mainly from KELAG (€18.4m; Q1–2/2025: €20.0m). The other operating expenses primarily relate to compensation payments to TAG GmbH under the Gas System Charges Order 2013, as currently amended.

Electricity revenue with companies controlled or significantly influenced by the Republic of Austria amounted to a total of €64.7m (Q1–2/2025: €81.4m). Electricity was purchased by ÖBB, Bundesbeschaffung GmbH, Telekom Austria and OMV. Electricity purchased from companies controlled or significantly influenced by the Republic of Austria totalled €21.5m (Q1–2/2025: €22.3m). The electricity was supplied primarily by ÖBB. Gas trading contracts with OMV resulted in an expense of €9.6m (Q1–2/2025: €10.3m).

VERBUND's expenses for monitoring by E-Control amounted to €12.3m (Q1–2/2025: €10.6m).

Audit and/or review

These consolidated interim financial statements of VERBUND have been neither audited nor reviewed by an auditor.

Events after the reporting date

On 8 July 2026, the National Council passed the 2027 to 2028 Budget Accompanying Act (*Budgetbegleitgesetz*, BBG). Among other things, the Act provides for an increase in the corporate income tax rate from the current 23% to 24% for tax years beginning after 31 December 2027. The estimated overall impact of the restatement of deferred taxes is around €40.0m.

In addition, the maximum rate of reducing-balance depreciation and amortisation for electricity companies has been reduced from 30% to 10% for a limited period covering the tax years 2027 to 2029. The rate adjustment will result in temporarily higher corporate income tax payments.

Vienna, 22 July 2026

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Responsibility statement of the legal representatives

We confirm according to the best of our knowledge that the condensed consolidated interim financial statements of VERBUND for the period ended 30 June 2026, prepared in accordance with the accounting standards for interim financial reports under International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs), give a true and fair view of the assets and liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Group as required under stock exchange regulations.

We also confirm that the interim Group management report of VERBUND gives a true and fair view of the assets and liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Group as required under stock exchange regulations with respect to the important events during the first six months of the financial year and their effects on the condensed consolidated interim financial statements as at 30 June 2026 as well as with respect to the principal risks and uncertainties in the remaining six months of the financial year and with respect to the related party transactions to be disclosed.

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Shareholder structure:
– Republic of Austria (51.0%)
– Syndicate (> 25.0%) consisting of EVN AG (the shareholders of which are Niederösterreichische Landes-Beteiligungsholding GmbH, 51%, and Wiener Stadtwerke GmbH, 28.4%) and Wiener Stadtwerke GmbH (the sole shareholder is the City of Vienna)
– TIWAG-Tiroler Wasserkraft AG (> 5.0%; the sole shareholder is the Austrian state of Tyrol)
– Free float (< 20.0%): no further information is available concerning owners of shares in free float.

Legal and statutory limitations of voting rights:
With the exception of regional authorities and companies in which regional authorities hold an interest of at least 51%, the voting rights of each shareholder at the Annual General Meeting are restricted to 5% of the share capital.

Regulatory body/trade associations:
E-Control GmbH/E-Control Commission
Wirtschaftskammer Österreich
(Austrian Economic Chambers)
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Object of the Group:
The Group focus is the generation, transportation, trading with and sale of electrical energy and energy from other sources as well as the provision and performance of energy services.

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