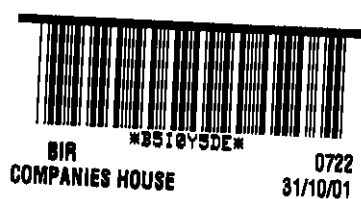


**PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED**  
**ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000**

**Clement Keys**  
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS ■



# PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED

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# PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED

## DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

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The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000.

### Principal activities and review of the business

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of manufacturers, importers and distributors of clocks and watches.

The directors are disappointed to report a reduced operating profit for the year which has been due to gross profit margins being significantly eroded.

### Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 4.

Interim ordinary dividends were paid amounting to £57,993. The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend.

### Directors

The following directors have held office since 1 January 2000:

|             |                         |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| J E Story   |                         |
| K M Nock    | (Resigned 12 June 2000) |
| N R Woolley |                         |
| N C Baker   |                         |

### Directors' interests

The directors' interests in the shares of the company were as stated below:

|             | 'A' ordinary shares of 10p each |                |
|-------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
|             | 31 December 2000                | 1 January 2000 |
| J E Story   | 640,000                         | 640,000        |
| N R Woolley | 220,000                         | 220,000        |
| N C Baker   | -                               | -              |

|             | 'B' ordinary shares of 10p each |                |
|-------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
|             | 31 December 2000                | 1 January 2000 |
| J E Story   | 140,000                         | 140,000        |
| N R Woolley | -                               | -              |
| N C Baker   | -                               | -              |

### Auditors

In accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that Clement Keys be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

# PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED

## DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

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### Directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By order of the board



S Potter

Secretary

29 October 2001

# PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED

## AUDITORS' REPORT TO PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

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We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 4 to 16, together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2000 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

### **Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors**

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 246A of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with section 246A(3) of the Act to the Registrar of Companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with that provision and to report our opinion to you.

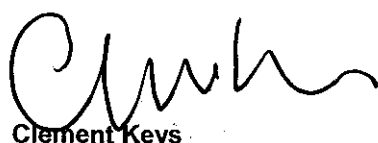
### **Basis of opinion**

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report did not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the financial statements.

### **Opinion**

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with section 246A(3) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 4 to 16 are properly prepared in accordance with that provision.

"In our opinion the company is entitled to the exemption from preparing group accounts conferred by section 248 of the Companies Act 1985."



Clement Keys

Chartered Accountants  
Registered Auditor

29 October 2001

Swinford House  
Albion Street  
Brierley Hill  
West Midlands  
DY5 3EL

# PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED

## ABBREVIATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

|                                              | Notes | 2000<br>£   | 1999<br>£   |
|----------------------------------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|
| Gross profit                                 |       | 2,555,413   | 2,743,487   |
| Administrative expenses                      |       | (2,876,938) | (2,985,806) |
| Operating loss                               | 2     | (321,525)   | (242,319)   |
| Other interest receivable and similar income |       | 14,029      | 20,609      |
| Amounts written off investments              | 3     | -           | (115,721)   |
| Interest payable and similar charges         | 4     | (158,469)   | (28,171)    |
| Loss on ordinary activities before taxation  |       | (465,965)   | (365,602)   |
| Tax on loss on ordinary activities           | 5     | -           | 55,202      |
| Loss on ordinary activities after taxation   |       | (465,965)   | (310,400)   |
| Dividends                                    | 6     | (57,993)    | (70,000)    |
| Retained loss for the year                   | 16    | (523,958)   | (380,400)   |

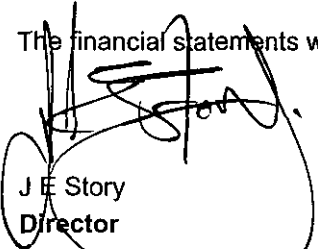
# PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED

## ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2000

|                                                                | Notes | 2000<br>£        | £                | 1999<br>£        | £                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>                                            |       |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Intangible assets                                              | 7     |                  | 175,405          |                  | 361,926          |
| Tangible assets                                                | 8     |                  | 411,707          |                  | 493,584          |
| Investments                                                    | 9     |                  | 865              |                  | 3,765            |
|                                                                |       |                  | <u>587,977</u>   |                  | <u>859,275</u>   |
| <b>Current assets</b>                                          |       |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Stocks                                                         | 10    | 1,476,082        |                  | 1,573,324        |                  |
| Debtors                                                        | 11    | 2,213,540        |                  | 2,884,339        |                  |
| Cash at bank and in hand                                       |       | 934,130          |                  | 392,469          |                  |
|                                                                |       | <u>4,623,752</u> |                  | <u>4,850,132</u> |                  |
| <b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>          | 12    | (3,690,653)      |                  | (3,638,117)      |                  |
| <b>Net current assets</b>                                      |       |                  | <u>933,099</u>   |                  | <u>1,212,015</u> |
| <b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>                   |       |                  | <u>1,521,076</u> |                  | <u>2,071,290</u> |
| <b>Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b> | 13    |                  | (46,529)         |                  | (111,892)        |
|                                                                |       |                  | <u>1,474,547</u> |                  | <u>1,959,398</u> |
| <b>Capital and reserves</b>                                    |       |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Called up share capital                                        | 15    |                  | 100,000          |                  | 100,000          |
| Revaluation reserve                                            | 16    |                  | 39,107           |                  | -                |
| Profit and loss account                                        | 16    |                  | 1,335,440        |                  | 1,859,398        |
| <b>Shareholders' funds</b>                                     | 17    |                  | <u>1,474,547</u> |                  | <u>1,959,398</u> |

These abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to medium-sized companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 29 October 2001

  
J E Story  
Director

# PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED

## CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

|                                                                                      | 2000<br>£ | 1999<br>£   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| <b>Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities</b>                           | 412,353   | (535,986)   |
| <b>Returns on investments and servicing of finance</b>                               |           |             |
| Interest received                                                                    | 14,029    | 20,609      |
| Interest paid                                                                        | (158,469) | (28,171)    |
| <b>Net cash outflow for returns on investments and servicing of finance</b>          | (144,440) | (7,562)     |
| <b>Taxation</b>                                                                      | (121,495) | (250,000)   |
| <b>Capital expenditure and financial investment</b>                                  |           |             |
| Payments to acquire intangible assets                                                | -         | (361,926)   |
| Payments to acquire tangible assets                                                  | (82,312)  | (100,007)   |
| Receipts from sales of tangible assets                                               | 60,251    | 69,921      |
| Receipts from sales of investments                                                   | 2,900     | -           |
| <b>Net cash outflow for capital expenditure</b>                                      | (19,161)  | (392,012)   |
| <b>Acquisitions and disposals</b>                                                    |           |             |
| Purchase of subsidiary undertakings (net of cash acquired)                           | -         | (111,121)   |
| <b>Net cash outflow for acquisitions and disposals</b>                               | -         | (111,121)   |
| <b>Equity dividends paid</b>                                                         | (57,993)  | (70,000)    |
| <b>Net cash inflow/(outflow) before management of liquid resources and financing</b> | 69,264    | (1,366,681) |
| <b>Financing</b>                                                                     |           |             |
| Capital element of hire purchase contracts                                           | (91,551)  | (86,283)    |
| <b>Net cash outflow from financing</b>                                               | (91,551)  | (86,283)    |
| <b>Decrease in cash in the year</b>                                                  | (22,287)  | (1,452,964) |



# PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

| 1 | Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities | 2000<br>£      | 1999<br>£        |
|---|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
|   | Operating loss                                                                          | (321,525)      | (242,319)        |
|   | Depreciation of tangible assets                                                         | 133,311        | 161,395          |
|   | Amortisation of intangible assets                                                       | 225,628        | -                |
|   | Loss on disposal of tangible assets                                                     | 6,585          | 29,361           |
|   | Decrease in stocks                                                                      | 97,242         | 299,184          |
|   | Decrease/(increase) in debtors                                                          | 669,974        | (855,694)        |
|   | (Decrease)/Increase in creditors within one year                                        | (398,862)      | 72,087           |
|   | <b>Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities</b>                              | <b>412,353</b> | <b>(535,986)</b> |

| 2 | Analysis of net debt     | 1 January 2000<br>£ | Cash flow<br>£  | Other non-cash changes<br>£ | 31 December 2000<br>£ |
|---|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
|   | Net cash:                |                     |                 |                             |                       |
|   | Cash at bank and in hand | 392,469             | 541,661         | -                           | 934,130               |
|   | Bank overdrafts          | (266,985)           | (563,948)       | -                           | (830,933)             |
|   |                          | <u>125,484</u>      | <u>(22,287)</u> | <u>-</u>                    | <u>103,197</u>        |
|   | Debt:                    |                     |                 |                             |                       |
|   | Finance leases           | (188,624)           | 55,593          | -                           | (133,031)             |
|   | <b>Net debt</b>          | <b>(63,140)</b>     | <b>33,306</b>   | <b>-</b>                    | <b>(29,834)</b>       |

| 3 | Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt                    | 2000<br>£       | 1999<br>£          |
|---|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|   | Decrease in cash in the year                                               | (22,287)        | (1,452,964)        |
|   | Cash outflow/(inflow) from decrease/(increase) in debt and lease financing | 55,593          | (75,002)           |
|   | <b>Movement in net debt in the year</b>                                    | <b>33,306</b>   | <b>(1,527,966)</b> |
|   | Opening net (debt)/funds                                                   | (63,140)        | 1,464,826          |
|   | <b>Closing net debt</b>                                                    | <b>(29,834)</b> | <b>(63,140)</b>    |

# PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention modified to include the revaluation of freehold land and buildings.

The accounts are prepared on a going concern basis which assumes the continuing financial support of the company's bankers.

#### 1.2 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT and trade discounts.

#### 1.3 Goodwill

Acquired goodwill is written off in equal annual instalments over its estimated useful economic life.

#### 1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or valuation less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

|                                |                                            |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Land and buildings Leasehold   | Over period of lease(10 years)             |
| Fixtures, fittings & equipment | 33% reducing balance                       |
| Motor vehicles                 | 15% to 50% reducing balance as appropriate |

#### 1.5 Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as tangible assets and depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of the finance charge allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the profit and loss account so as to produce a constant periodic rate of charge on the net obligation outstanding in each period.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

#### 1.6 Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value.

#### 1.7 Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

#### 1.8 Pensions

The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the contributions payable by the company during the year in accordance with SSAP 24.

#### 1.9 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided at appropriate rates on all timing differences using the liability method only to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is a reasonable probability that a liability or asset will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

# PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

### 1 Accounting policies

#### 1.10 Group accounts

The financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group. The company and its subsidiary undertaking comprise a medium-sized group. The company has therefore taken advantage of the exemptions provided by section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 not to prepare group accounts.

|                                              |                   |                   |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>2 Operating loss</b>                      | <b>2000</b>       | <b>1999</b>       |
|                                              | <b>£</b>          | <b>£</b>          |
| Operating loss is stated after charging:     |                   |                   |
| Amortisation of intangible assets            | 225,628           | -                 |
| Depreciation of tangible assets              | 133,311           | 161,395           |
| Operating lease rentals                      | 84,485            | 79,904            |
| Auditors' remuneration                       | 6,800             | 8,000             |
|                                              | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
| <b>3 Amounts written off investments</b>     | <b>2000</b>       | <b>1999</b>       |
|                                              | <b>£</b>          | <b>£</b>          |
| Amounts written off fixed asset investments: |                   |                   |
| - permanent diminution in value              | -                 | 115,721           |
|                                              | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
| <b>4 Interest payable</b>                    | <b>2000</b>       | <b>1999</b>       |
|                                              | <b>£</b>          | <b>£</b>          |
| On bank loans and overdrafts                 | 130,337           | 15,228            |
| Hire purchase interest                       | 16,269            | 12,943            |
| On overdue tax                               | 11,863            | -                 |
|                                              | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
|                                              | 158,469           | 28,171            |
|                                              | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
| <b>5 Taxation</b>                            | <b>2000</b>       | <b>1999</b>       |
|                                              | <b>£</b>          | <b>£</b>          |
| Domestic current year taxation               |                   |                   |
| U.K. corporation tax                         | -                 | (55,202)          |
|                                              | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
| <b>6 Dividends</b>                           | <b>2000</b>       | <b>1999</b>       |
|                                              | <b>£</b>          | <b>£</b>          |
| Ordinary interim paid                        | 57,993            | 70,000            |
|                                              | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |

# PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

### 7 Intangible fixed assets

|                       | Trade marks<br>£ | Goodwill<br>£ | Total<br>£ |
|-----------------------|------------------|---------------|------------|
| <b>Cost</b>           |                  |               |            |
| At 1 January 2000     | -                | 361,926       | 361,926    |
| Revaluation           | 39,107           | -             | 39,107     |
|                       | <hr/>            | <hr/>         | <hr/>      |
| At 31 December 2000   | 39,107           | 361,926       | 401,033    |
|                       | <hr/>            | <hr/>         | <hr/>      |
| <b>Amortisation</b>   |                  |               |            |
| At 1 January 2000     | -                | -             | -          |
| Charge for year       | -                | 225,628       | 225,628    |
|                       | <hr/>            | <hr/>         | <hr/>      |
| At 31 December 2000   | -                | 225,628       | 225,628    |
|                       | <hr/>            | <hr/>         | <hr/>      |
| <b>Net book value</b> |                  |               |            |
| At 31 December 2000   | 39,107           | 136,298       | 175,405    |
|                       | <hr/>            | <hr/>         | <hr/>      |

Trade marks were revalued by the directors at 31 December 2000 at estimated market value.

# PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

### 8 Tangible fixed assets

|                          | Land and<br>buildings<br>Leasehold<br>£ | Fixtures,<br>fittings &<br>equipment<br>£ | Motor<br>vehicles<br>£ | Total<br>£ |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| <b>Cost or valuation</b> |                                         |                                           |                        |            |
| At 1 January 2000        | 124,840                                 | 406,333                                   | 393,665                | 924,838    |
| Additions                | 10,069                                  | 631                                       | 107,570                | 118,270    |
| Disposals                | -                                       | -                                         | (141,448)              | (141,448)  |
| At 31 December 2000      | 134,909                                 | 406,964                                   | 359,787                | 901,660    |
| <b>Depreciation</b>      |                                         |                                           |                        |            |
| At 1 January 2000        | 25,000                                  | 308,114                                   | 98,140                 | 431,254    |
| On disposals             | -                                       | -                                         | (74,612)               | (74,612)   |
| Charge for the year      | 13,393                                  | 32,932                                    | 86,986                 | 133,311    |
| At 31 December 2000      | 38,393                                  | 341,046                                   | 110,514                | 489,953    |
| <b>Net book value</b>    |                                         |                                           |                        |            |
| At 31 December 2000      | 96,516                                  | 65,918                                    | 249,273                | 411,707    |
| At 31 December 1999      | 99,840                                  | 98,219                                    | 295,525                | 493,584    |

Included above are assets held under finance leases or hire purchase contracts as follows:

|                                         | Motor<br>vehicles<br>£ |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Net book values</b>                  |                        |
| At 31 December 2000                     | 225,123                |
| At 31 December 1999                     | 257,380                |
| <b>Depreciation charge for the year</b> |                        |
| 31 December 2000                        | 67,326                 |
| 31 December 1999                        | 25,192                 |

# PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

### 9 Fixed asset investments

|                                           | Shares in<br>participating<br>interests<br>£ | Shares in<br>subsidiary<br>undertakings<br>£ | Total<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------|
| <b>Cost or valuation</b>                  |                                              |                                              |            |
| At 1 January 2000                         | 7,500                                        | 111,986                                      | 119,486    |
| Disposals                                 | (7,500)                                      | -                                            | (7,500)    |
|                                           | <hr/>                                        | <hr/>                                        | <hr/>      |
| At 31 December 2000                       | -                                            | 111,986                                      | 111,986    |
|                                           | <hr/>                                        | <hr/>                                        | <hr/>      |
| <b>Provisions for diminution in value</b> |                                              |                                              |            |
| At 1 January 2000                         | 4,600                                        | 111,121                                      | 115,721    |
| On disposals                              | (4,600)                                      | -                                            | (4,600)    |
|                                           | <hr/>                                        | <hr/>                                        | <hr/>      |
| At 31 December 2000                       | -                                            | 111,121                                      | 111,121    |
|                                           | <hr/>                                        | <hr/>                                        | <hr/>      |
| <b>Net book value</b>                     |                                              |                                              |            |
| At 31 December 2000                       | -                                            | 865                                          | 865        |
|                                           | <hr/>                                        | <hr/>                                        | <hr/>      |
| At 31 December 1999                       | 2,900                                        | 865                                          | 3,765      |
|                                           | <hr/>                                        | <hr/>                                        | <hr/>      |

### Holdings of more than 20%

The company holds more than 20% of the share capital of the following companies:

| Company                        | Country of registration or<br>incorporation | Class    | Shares held<br>% |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------|------------------|
| <b>Subsidiary undertakings</b> |                                             |          |                  |
| Horological Industries Limited | Hong Kong                                   | Ordinary | 100              |
| KAP USA Inc.                   | USA                                         | Ordinary | 100              |
| KAP Australia Pty Limited      | Australia                                   | Ordinary | 100              |
| Bridgeway Products Limited     | England & Wales                             | Ordinary | 100              |

The aggregate amount of capital and reserves and the results of these undertakings for the last relevant financial year were as follows:

|                                | Capital and<br>reserves | Profit for the<br>year |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Horological Industries Limited | 49,423                  | (186,785)              |
| KAP USA Inc.                   | (65,759)                | (45,383)               |
| KAP Australia Pty Limited      | 19,187                  | 18,265                 |
| Bridgeway Products Limited     | -                       | -                      |
|                                | <hr/>                   | <hr/>                  |

No information is available on Bridgeway Products Limited as that company was put into receivership.

# PEERS HARDY(UK) LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

|                                                                                         |                   |                   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>10 Stocks</b>                                                                        | <b>2000</b>       | <b>1999</b>       |
|                                                                                         | <b>£</b>          | <b>£</b>          |
| Finished goods and goods for resale                                                     | 1,476,082         | 1,573,324         |
|                                                                                         | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
| <b>11 Debtors</b>                                                                       | <b>2000</b>       | <b>1999</b>       |
|                                                                                         | <b>£</b>          | <b>£</b>          |
| Trade debtors                                                                           | 1,859,762         | 2,472,699         |
| Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings                                                 | 242,705           | 150,467           |
| Corporation tax                                                                         | 54,377            | 55,202            |
| Other debtors                                                                           | 2,019             | 149,862           |
| Prepayments and accrued income                                                          | 54,677            | 56,109            |
|                                                                                         | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
|                                                                                         | 2,213,540         | 2,884,339         |
|                                                                                         | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
| <b>12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>                                | <b>2000</b>       | <b>1999</b>       |
|                                                                                         | <b>£</b>          | <b>£</b>          |
| Bank loans and overdrafts                                                               | 830,933           | 266,985           |
| Net obligations under hire purchase contracts                                           | 86,502            | 76,732            |
| Trade creditors                                                                         | 2,390,904         | 2,942,119         |
| Corporation tax                                                                         | -                 | 122,320           |
| Other taxes and social security costs                                                   | 214,274           | 72,258            |
| Other creditors                                                                         | 6,397             | 8,762             |
| Accruals and deferred income                                                            | 161,643           | 148,941           |
|                                                                                         | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
|                                                                                         | 3,690,653         | 3,638,117         |
|                                                                                         | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
| The bank overdraft is secured by a fixed and floating charge over the company's assets. |                   |                   |
| <b>13 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b>                       | <b>2000</b>       | <b>1999</b>       |
|                                                                                         | <b>£</b>          | <b>£</b>          |
| Net obligations under hire purchase contracts                                           | 46,529            | 111,892           |
|                                                                                         | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
| <b>Net obligations under hire purchase contracts</b>                                    |                   |                   |
| Repayable within one year                                                               | 86,502            | 76,732            |
| Repayable between one and five years                                                    | 46,529            | 111,892           |
|                                                                                         | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
|                                                                                         | 133,031           | 188,624           |
| Included in liabilities falling due within one year                                     | (86,502)          | (76,732)          |
|                                                                                         | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
|                                                                                         | 46,529            | 111,892           |
|                                                                                         | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |

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### 14 Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amounted to £51,780 (1999 - £38,090).

| 15 Share capital                          | 2000<br>£        | 1999<br>£        |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Authorised</b>                         |                  |                  |
| 8,600,000 'A' ordinary shares of 10p each | 860,000          | 860,000          |
| 1,400,000 'B' ordinary shares of 10p each | 140,000          | 140,000          |
|                                           | <u>1,000,000</u> | <u>1,000,000</u> |
| <b>Allotted, called up and fully paid</b> |                  |                  |
| 860,000 'A' ordinary shares of 10p each   | 86,000           | 86,000           |
| 140,000 'B' ordinary shares of 10p each   | 14,000           | 14,000           |
|                                           | <u>100,000</u>   | <u>100,000</u>   |

### 16 Statement of movements on reserves

|                             | Revaluation<br>reserve<br>£ | Profit and<br>loss account<br>£ |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Balance at 1 January 2000   | -                           | 1,859,398                       |
| Retained loss for the year  | -                           | (523,958)                       |
| Revaluation during the year | 39,107                      | -                               |
| Balance at 31 December 2000 | <u>39,107</u>               | <u>1,335,440</u>                |

| 17 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds | 2000<br>£        | 1999<br>£        |
|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Loss for the financial year                           | (465,965)        | (310,400)        |
| Dividends                                             | (57,993)         | (70,000)         |
|                                                       | <u>(523,958)</u> | <u>(380,400)</u> |
| Other recognised gains and losses                     | 39,107           | -                |
| Net depletion in shareholders' funds                  | <u>(484,851)</u> | <u>(380,400)</u> |
| Opening shareholders' funds                           | 1,959,398        | 2,339,798        |
| Closing shareholders' funds                           | <u>1,474,547</u> | <u>1,959,398</u> |



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### 18 Financial commitments

At 31 December 2000 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

|                            | Land and buildings |               |              |               |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
|                            | 2000               | 1999          | 2000         | Other<br>1999 |
|                            | £                  | £             | £            | £             |
| Expiry date:               |                    |               |              |               |
| Between two and five years | -                  | -             | 3,443        | 3,443         |
| In over five years         | 75,600             | 75,600        | -            | -             |
|                            | <u>75,600</u>      | <u>75,600</u> | <u>3,443</u> | <u>3,443</u>  |

### 19 Directors' emoluments

|                                                         | 2000           | 1999           |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
|                                                         | £              | £              |
| Emoluments for qualifying services                      | 211,557        | 192,739        |
| Company pension contributions to money purchase schemes | 47,611         | 38,090         |
|                                                         | <u>259,168</u> | <u>230,829</u> |

The number of directors for whom retirement benefits are accruing under money purchase pension schemes amounted to 3 (1999 - 4).

Emoluments disclosed above include the following amounts paid to the highest paid director:

|                                                         |               |               |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Emoluments for qualifying services                      | 85,849        | 74,834        |
| Company pension contributions to money purchase schemes | 4,024         | 4,333         |
|                                                         | <u>89,873</u> | <u>79,167</u> |

### 20 Transactions with directors

The following directors had interest free loans during the year. The movement on these loans are as follows:

|                                        | Amount outstanding |                | Maximum        |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|
|                                        | 2000               | 1999           | in year        |
|                                        | £                  | £              | £              |
| Director's current account (debit bal) | -                  | 64,552         | 65,114         |
| Director's current account (debit bal) | -                  | 49,706         | 53,655         |
| K J Nock                               | -                  | 940            | 940            |
|                                        | <u>-</u>           | <u>115,198</u> | <u>119,709</u> |

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### 21 Employees

#### Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees (including directors) during the year was:

|                | 2000<br>Number | 1999<br>Number |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Distribution   | 50             | 51             |
| Administration | 13             | 14             |
| Sales          | 20             | 20             |
|                | <u>83</u>      | <u>85</u>      |

#### Employment costs

|                       | £                | £                |
|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Wages and salaries    | 1,246,248        | 1,253,711        |
| Social security costs | 106,922          | 120,434          |
| Other pension costs   | 51,780           | 38,090           |
|                       | <u>1,404,950</u> | <u>1,412,235</u> |