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# A.M. PACKAGING LIMITED

# ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED

## 31 DECEMBER 2000

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# A.M. PACKAGING LIMITED

## ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

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# A.M. PACKAGING LIMITED

## THE DIRECTORS' REPORT

## YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

The directors have pleasure in presenting their report and the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2000.

### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND BUSINESS REVIEW

The principal activity of the company during the year was that of the rebuilding and modification of processing machines for the chocolate and confectionery industries.

The directors are pleased to report the company's return to profitability, this improvement has been sustained through the year of 2000, and we expect a futher increase in profits in that period. Improvements in the company's internal control procedures are ongoing, and the success of these are reflected in these improved results.

### RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The trading results for the year, and the company's financial position at the end of the year are shown in the attached financial statements.

The directors have not recommended a dividend.

### THE DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS IN SHARES OF THE COMPANY

The directors who served the company during the year together with their beneficial interests in the shares of the company were as follows:

| | Ordinary Shares of £1 each | |
|---|---|---|
| | At 31 December 2000 | At 1 January 2000 |
| Mr Alan Mann | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| Mr Paul Mann | 300 | 300 |
| Mr Andrew Mann | 300 | 300 |

### RETIREMENT OF DIRECTORS

In accordance with the Articles of Association, Mr Alan Mann will retire from the board and, being eligible, will stand for re-appointment.

### 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 at the end of the year and of the profit or loss for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to select suitable accounting policies, as described on pages 11 to 12, and then apply them on a consistent basis, making judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable. The directors must also prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

**DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES (continued)**

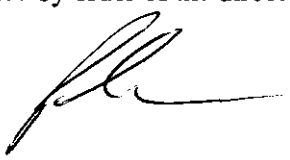
The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The directors are also responsible for safeguarding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

**AUDITORS**

A resolution to re-appoint Streets & Co as auditors for the ensuing year will be proposed at the annual general meeting in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

Registered office:
Unit 3
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Gainsborough
Lincolnshire
DN21 1QU

Signed by order of the directors



MR PAUL V. MANN
Company Secretary

Approved by the directors on 30-1-02

# A.M. PACKAGING LIMITED

## AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE COMPANY

### PURSUANT TO SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts on pages 5 to 18, 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 THE DIRECTORS AND THE 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 those provisions and report our opinion to you.

**BASIS OF OPINION**

We have carried out the procedures we consider 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 Act, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 5 to 18 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

**OTHER INFORMATION**

On 30.1.02 we reported, as auditors of the company, to the shareholders on the financial statements prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31 December 2000, and the full text of our audit report is reproduced on page 4 of these financial statements.

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STREETS & CO
Chartered Accountants
& Registered Auditors

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# A.M. PACKAGING LIMITED

## AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

## YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 17 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on pages 9 to 10.

### RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS AND THE AUDITORS

As described on pages 1 to 2, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

### BASIS OF AUDIT OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

However, the evidence available to us was limited because £270,000 of the company's spares stock as at December 1999, which is included in finished goods, was estimated by the directors and there was no evidence or documentation which we could use for the purpose of our audit in order to ensure that this stock was accurately recorded.

### QUALIFIED OPINION

Except for any adjustments that might have been found to be necessary had we been able to obtain sufficient evidence concerning spares stock as at 31 December 1999 of £270,000, in our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31st December 2000 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

In respect alone of the limitation on our work relating to spares stock as at 31 December 1999:

- we have not obtained all the information and explanations that we considered necessary for the purpose of our audit; and

- we were unable to determine whether proper accounting records had been maintained.

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# A.M. PACKAGING LIMITED

## ABBREVIATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

## YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

| | Note | 2000 £ | 1999 £ |
|---|---|---|---|
| **GROSS PROFIT** | | **2,324,962** | 2,516,182 |
| Distribution Costs | | **186,723** | 261,215 |
| Administrative expenses | | **1,983,718** | 1,930,416 |
| **OPERATING PROFIT** | **2** | **154,521** | 324,551 |
| Interest receivable | | **66** | 59 |
| Interest payable | **5** | **(164,944)** | (158,620) |
| **(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION** | | **(10,357)** | 165,990 |
| Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities | **6** | **(57,409)** | (66,573) |
| **(LOSS)/RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR** | | **(67,766)** | 99,417 |
| Balance brought forward | | **2,354,525** | 2,255,108 |
| Balance carried forward | | **2,286,759** | 2,354,525 |

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the company are classed as continuing.

**The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these financial statements.**

# A.M. PACKAGING LIMITED

## YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

### RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| (Loss)/Profit for the financial year | (67,766) | 99,417 |
| Opening shareholders' equity funds | 2,358,525 | 2,259,108 |
| Closing shareholders' equity funds | 2,290,759 | 2,358,525 |

The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

# A.M. PACKAGING LIMITED

## ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET

## 31 DECEMBER 2000

| | Note | 2000 | | 1999 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| **FIXED ASSETS** | | | | | |
| Intangible assets | 7 | | - | | 30,306 |
| Tangible assets | 8 | | 1,416,895 | | 1,275,871 |
| Investments | 9 | | 533,850 | | 485,000 |
| | | | 1,950,745 | | 1,791,177 |
| **CURRENT ASSETS** | | | | | |
| Stocks | 10 | 1,708,949 | | 1,642,122 | |
| Debtors | 11 | 1,895,043 | | 1,483,601 | |
| Investments | 12 | 1,078 | | 1,077 | |
| Cash at bank | | 27,896 | | 20,135 | |
| | | 3,632,966 | | 3,146,935 | |
| **CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year** | 13 | (2,548,169) | | (2,345,703) | |
| **NET CURRENT ASSETS** | | | 1,084,797 | | 801,232 |
| **TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES** | | | 3,035,542 | | 2,592,409 |
| **CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year** | 14 | | (657,261) | | (203,771) |
| | | | 2,378,281 | | 2,388,638 |
| **PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES** | | | | | |
| Deferred taxation | 15 | | (87,522) | | (30,113) |
| | | | 2,290,759 | | 2,358,525 |

The balance sheet continues on the following page.

The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

# A.M. PACKAGING LIMITED

## ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET *(continued)*

## 31 DECEMBER 2000

| | Note | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | £ | £ |
| **CAPITAL AND RESERVES** | | | |
| Called-up equity share capital | 18 | **4,000** | 4,000 |
| Profit and Loss Account | | **2,286,759** | 2,354,525 |
| **SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS** | | **2,290,759** | 2,358,525 |

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for medium-sized companies under Part VII of the Companies Act 1985.

These financial statements were approved by the directors on the ....., and are signed on their behalf by:

.....
MR PAUL MANN
30.1.02

.....
MR ANDREW MANN
30.1.02

**The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these financial statements.**

# A.M. PACKAGING LIMITED

## CASH FLOW STATEMENT

## YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

| | 2000 | | 1999 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| **NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES** | | **143,429** | | 1,123,824 |
| **RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE** | | | | |
| Interest received | **66** | | 59 | |
| Interest paid | **(151,044)** | | (143,015) | |
| Interest element of hire purchase | **(13,900)** | | (15,605) | |
| **NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE** | | **(164,878)** | | (158,561) |
| **TAXATION** | | - | | (118,236) |
| **CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL INVESTMENT** | | | | |
| Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets | **(164,616)** | | (65,836) | |
| Receipts from sale of fixed assets | **2,545** | | 1,390 | |
| Payment to acquire other current asset investments | **(1)** | | - | |
| **NET CASH OUTFLOW FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL INVESTMENT** | | **(162,072)** | | (64,446) |
| **ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS** | | | | |
| Acquisition of shares in group undertakings | **(48,850)** | | - | |
| **NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS** | | **(48,850)** | | - |
| **CASH (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW BEFORE FINANCING** | | **(232,371)** | | 782,581 |
| **FINANCING** | | | | |
| New bank loans | **888,709** | | - | |
| Repayment of bank loans | **(576,347)** | | (699,861) | |
| Capital element of hire purchase | **(72,230)** | | (71,090) | |
| **NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM FINANCING** | | **240,132** | | (770,951) |
| **INCREASE IN CASH** | | **7,761** | | 11,630 |

# A.M. PACKAGING LIMITED

## CASH FLOW STATEMENT *(continued)*

## YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

### RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| Operating profit | **154,521** | 324,551 |
| Amortisation | **30,306** | 36,674 |
| Depreciation | **94,297** | 93,518 |
| Loss on disposal of fixed assets | **1,396** | 1,023 |
| (Increase)/Decrease in stocks | **(66,827)** | 668,296 |
| Increase in debtors | **(411,442)** | (1,625) |
| Increase in creditors | **341,178** | 1,387 |
| **Net cash inflow from operating activities** | **143,429** | 1,123,824 |

### RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT IN NET DEBT

| | 2000 | | 1999 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Increase in cash in the period | **7,761** | | 11,630 | |
| Net cash (inflow)/outflow from bank loans | **(312,362)** | | 699,861 | |
| Cash outflow in respect of hire purchase | **72,230** | | 71,090 | |
| **Change in net debt resulting from cash flows** | | **(232,371)** | | 782,581 |
| Other differences | | **(74,646)** | | - |
| Movement in net debt in the period | | **(307,017)** | | 782,581 |
| **Net debt at 1 January 2000** | | **(1,442,324)** | | (2,224,905) |
| **Net debt at 31 December 2000** | | **(1,749,341)** | | (1,442,324) |

### ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET DEBT

| | At 1 Jan 2000 | Cash flows | Other changes | At 31 Dec 2000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Net cash: | | | | |
| Cash in hand and at bank | **20,135** | **7,761** | **-** | **27,896** |
| Debt: | | | | |
| Debt due within 1 year | **(1,203,068)** | **130,962** | **-** | **(1,072,106)** |
| Debt due after 1 year | **(176,587)** | **(443,324)** | **-** | **(619,911)** |
| Hire purchase agreements | **(82,804)** | **(2,416)** | **-** | **(85,220)** |
| | **(1,462,459)** | **(314,778)** | **-** | **(1,777,237)** |
| **Net debt** | **(1,442,324)** | **(307,017)** | **-** | **(1,749,341)** |

# A.M. PACKAGING LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

**Turnover**

The turnover shown in the profit and loss account represents amounts invoiced during the year, exclusive of Value Added Tax.

**Amortisation**

Amortisation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Intellectual Property and Know How | - | 10% straight line |

**Depreciation**

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Freehold Property | - | 2% straight line on buildings element |
| Plant and Machinery | - | 10% reducing balance |
| Furniture and Equipment | - | 10% reducing balance |
| Motor Vehicles | - | 25% reducing balance |

**Stocks**

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

**Work in progress**

Work in progress is valued on the basis of direct costs plus attributable overheads based on normal level of activity. Provision is made for any foreseeable losses where appropriate. No element of profit is included in the valuation of work in progress.

**Hire purchase agreements**

Assets held under hire purchase agreements are capitalised and disclosed under tangible fixed assets at their fair value. The capital element of the future payments is treated as a liability and the interest is charged to the Profit and Loss Account on a straight line basis.

**Operating lease agreements**

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*

### Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company. The annual contributions payable are charged to the Profit and Loss Account.

### Deferred taxation

Provision is made, under the liability method, to take account of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for accounts purposes and their treatment for tax purposes. Tax deferred or accelerated is accounted for in respect of all material timing differences to the extent that it is considered that a net liability may arise.

### Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating profit.

## 2. OPERATING PROFIT

Operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting):

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| Amortisation | 30,306 | 36,674 |
| Depreciation | 94,297 | 93,518 |
| Loss on disposal of fixed assets | 1,396 | 1,023 |
| Auditors' remuneration | | |
| - as auditors | 5,500 | 5,500 |
| Net loss/(profit) on foreign currency translation | 19,613 | (7,469) |

## 3. PARTICULARS OF EMPLOYEES

The average number of staff employed by the company during the financial year amounted to:

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | No. | No. |
| Number of production staff | 121 | 124 |
| Number of distribution staff | 9 | 9 |
| Number of administrative staff | 10 | 10 |
| Number of management staff | 1 | 1 |
| | 141 | 144 |

## 3. PARTICULARS OF EMPLOYEES *(continued)*

The aggregate payroll costs of the above were:

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| Wages and salaries | **2,880,121** | 2,854,065 |
| Social security costs | **300,835** | 291,197 |
| Other pension costs | **6,296** | 26,586 |
| | **3,187,252** | 3,171,848 |

## 4. DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS

The directors' aggregate emoluments in respect of qualifying services were:

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| Emoluments receivable | **173,991** | 226,619 |
| Value of company pension contributions to money purchase schemes | **1,296** | 1,304 |
| | **175,287** | 227,923 |

The number of directors who are accruing benefits under company pension schemes were as follows:

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | No. | No. |
| Money purchase schemes | **3** | 3 |

## 5. INTEREST PAYABLE

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| Interest payable on bank borrowing | **151,044** | 143,015 |
| Finance charges | **13,900** | 15,605 |
| | **164,944** | 158,620 |

## 6. TAX ON PROFIT OR LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| Corporation Tax based on the results for the year at 12.50% (1999 - 20.25%) | **-** | 474 |
| Increase in deferred tax provision | **57,409** | 66,099 |
| | **57,409** | 66,573 |

## 7. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

| | Intellectual Property £ |
|---|---|
| **COST** | |
| **At 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2000** | **366,786** |
| **AMORTISATION** | |
| At 1 January 2000 | **336,480** |
| Charge for the year | **30,306** |
| **At 31 December 2000** | **366,786** |
| **NET BOOK VALUE** | |
| **At 31 December 2000** | **-** |
| At 31 December 1999 | 30,306 |

## 8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

| | Freehold Property £ | Plant & Machinery £ | Fixtures & Fittings £ | Motor Vehicles £ | Total £ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **COST** | | | | | |
| At 1 January 2000 | **740,771** | **746,383** | **245,946** | **255,783** | **1,988,883** |
| Additions | **132,200** | **16,977** | **15,439** | **74,646** | **239,262** |
| Disposals | **-** | **-** | **-** | **(49,495)** | **(49,495)** |
| **At 31 December 2000** | **872,971** | **763,360** | **261,385** | **280,934** | **2,178,650** |
| **DEPRECIATION** | | | | | |
| At 1 January 2000 | **94,301** | **355,646** | **76,308** | **186,757** | **713,012** |
| Charge for the year | **10,143** | **40,142** | **17,430** | **26,582** | **94,297** |
| On disposals | **-** | **-** | **-** | **(45,554)** | **(45,554)** |
| **At 31 December 2000** | **104,444** | **395,788** | **93,738** | **167,785** | **761,755** |
| **NET BOOK VALUE** | | | | | |
| **At 31 December 2000** | **768,527** | **367,572** | **167,647** | **113,149** | **1,416,895** |
| At 31 December 1999 | 646,470 | 390,737 | 169,638 | 69,026 | 1,275,871 |

**Hire purchase agreements**

Included within the net book value of £1,416,895 is £235,218 (1999 - £191,212) relating to assets held under hire purchase agreements. The depreciation charged to the accounts in the year in respect of such assets amounted to £30,640 (1999 - £26,068).

## 9. INVESTMENTS

| | Shares & Loans in Group Undertakings £ | Investments Other Than Loans £ | Total £ |
|---|---|---|---|
| **COST** | | | |
| At 1 January 2000 | **500,643** | **45,000** | **545,643** |
| Additions | **48,850** | **-** | **48,850** |
| At 31 December 2000 | **549,493** | **45,000** | **594,493** |
| **AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF** | | | |
| At 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2000 | **60,643** | **-** | **60,643** |
| **NET BOOK VALUE** | | | |
| **At 31 December 2000** | **488,850** | **45,000** | **533,850** |
| At 31 December 1999 | 440,000 | 45,000 | 485,000 |

The company owns 83% of the issued share capital of AMP Rose Private Limited, a company incorporated and operated in India. The company also owns 50% of the issued share capital of Premier Packaging Systems Limited, a company incorporated and operated in U.K. and the cost of the investment is included in other investments.

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| **Aggregate capital and reserves** | **£** | £ |
| AMP Rose Private Limited | **126,309** | 122,158 |
| Premier Packaging Systems Limited | **73,480** | 78,180 |

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| **Profit and (loss) for the year** | **£** | £ |
| AMP Rose Private Limited | **3,062** | 5,634 |
| Premier Packaging Systems Limited | **281** | 1,704 |

Under the provision of section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 the company is exempt from preparing consolidated accounts and has not done so, therefore the accounts show information about the company as an individual entity. The figures relating to the Indian subsidiary are as at 31st March 2000, whereas the figures relating to the U.K. subsidiary are as at 31st December 2000.

## 10. STOCKS

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | **£** | £ |
| Work in progress | **1,560,800** | 1,142,907 |
| Finished goods | **1,522,082** | 1,385,367 |
| Payments on account | **(1,373,933)** | (886,152) |
| | **1,708,949** | 1,642,122 |

## 11. DEBTORS

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| Trade debtors | **1,294,407** | 1,317,740 |
| Amounts owed by group undertakings | **224,413** | 1,403 |
| Corporation Tax repayable | **117,762** | 117,762 |
| Other debtors | **205,460** | - |
| Directors current accounts | **8,464** | - |
| Prepayments and accrued income | **44,537** | 46,696 |
| | **1,895,043** | 1,483,601 |

The directors current accounts balance of £8,464 (1999: £Nil) relates to Mr Alan Mann, a director. The maximum balance in the year was £8,464.

## 12. INVESTMENTS

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| Other investments | **1,078** | 1,077 |

**Listed investments**
Investments having a net book value of £978 (1999 - £977) are listed on a recognised stock exchange and had a market value of £904 at the end of the year (1999 - £1,031).

## 13. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| Bank loans and overdrafts | **1,072,106** | 1,203,068 |
| Trade creditors | **472,299** | 407,622 |
| Amounts owed to group undertakings | **137,605** | 35,743 |
| Other taxation and social security | **168,818** | 312,814 |
| Other creditors | **47,870** | 61,323 |
| Accruals and deferred income | **649,471** | 325,133 |
| | **2,548,169** | 2,345,703 |

The following liabilities disclosed under creditors falling due within one year are secured by the company:

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| Bank loans and overdrafts | **1,091,481** | 1,203,068 |

## 14. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| Bank loans and overdrafts | **619,911** | 176,587 |
| Other creditors: | | |
| Hire purchase agreements | **37,350** | 27,184 |
| | **657,261** | 203,771 |

The following liabilities disclosed under creditors falling due after more than one year are secured by the company:

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| Bank loans and overdrafts | **619,911** | 176,587 |

## 15. DEFERRED TAXATION

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| The movement in the deferred taxation provision during the year was: | | |
| Provision brought forward | **30,113** | (35,986) |
| Increase in provision | **57,409** | 66,099 |
| Provision carried forward | **87,522** | 30,113 |

*The provision for deferred taxation consists of the tax effect of timing differences in respect of:*

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| Excess of taxation allowances over depreciation on fixed assets | **137,325** | 124,361 |
| Tax losses available | **(49,803)** | (94,248) |
| | **87,522** | 30,113 |

## 16. COMMITMENTS UNDER HIRE PURCHASE AGREEMENTS

Future commitments under hire purchase agreements are as follows:

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| Amounts payable within 1 year | **47,870** | 55,620 |
| Amounts payable between 2 to 5 years | **37,350** | 27,184 |
| | **85,220** | 82,804 |

## 17. COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

At 31 December 2000 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below.

| | 2000 | | 1999 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **Land & Buildings** | **Other Items** | Land & Buildings | Other Items |
| | **£** | **£** | £ | £ |
| Operating leases which expire: | | | | |
| Within 1 year | **27,730** | **2,711** | 27,730 | 364 |
| Within 2 to 5 years | **-** | **843** | - | 3,554 |
| | **27,730** | **3,554** | 27,730 | 3,918 |

## 18. SHARE CAPITAL

**Authorised share capital:**

| | **2000** | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | **£** | £ |
| 10,000 Ordinary shares of £1.00 each | **10,000** | 10,000 |

**Allotted, called up and fully paid:**

| | **2000** | 1999 |
|---|---|---|
| | **£** | £ |
| Ordinary share capital | **4,000** | 4,000 |