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The Directors

Dear Sirs

In accordance with section 392 of the Companies Act 1985, we write to notify you of our resignation as auditors of Ring PLC group of companies as per the attached schedule. This resignation takes effect from the time at which you receive this letter.

In accordance with section 394(1) of that Act, we confirm that there are no circumstances connected with our resignation which we consider should be brought to the attention of the members or creditors of the company.

Yours faithfully

Ernst & Young



A list of partners' names is available for inspection at the above address, and at Becket House 1 Lambeth Palace Road, London SE1 7EU, the partnership's principal place of business.

Authorised by The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales to carry on investment business.

SCHEDULE OF GROUP COMPANIES AT DATE OF RESIGNATION OF ERNST & YOUNG AS AUDITORS

Ring PLC

Ring Group Limited

Ring Lamp Company Limited

Ring Parts Limited

Graystone Ring Limited

Graystone Overseas Holdings Limited

British Syphon Properties Limited

British Syphon Industries Limited

Ptarmigan Hotels Limited

BMAC Limited

Lancer Products Limited

M & F Components Limited

Bell Autoparts Limited

Ptarmigan (Porth) Limited

(formerly Gainsborough (Porth) Limited

R P Whitehead Limited

Kincardine Fish Farm Limited

Loch Ewe Limited

The East Lancashire Paper Group Limited

D P Automobiles Limited

Marshall's Overseas Investments Limited

Van-Line Limited

Mary Ford Publications Limited

Mary Ford Books Limited

Mary Ford Cake Artistry Centre (Retail) Limited

Newton Mill Limited

Marshall's Universal PLC