## Kvaerner PLC

# **Subsidiary Company Statutory Accounts**

31 December 1996

# REDPATH DORMAN LONG LIMITED

(formerly Cleveland Structural Engineering Limited)
96-026



#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The Directors have pleasure in submitting their Report and Statement of Accounts for the 15 months ended 31 December 1996.

#### Change of Name

The Company has changed its name from Cleveland Structural Engineering Limited to Redpath Dorman Long Limited on 7 November 1996.

#### **Change of Accounting Reference Date**

As a result of a change in ownership, the Company changed its accounting reference date from 30 September to 31 December.

#### **Business Review**

The Company has not traded during the period. Accordingly, a profit and loss account has not been prepared.

#### **Dividends**

The directors do not propose to recommend the payment of any dividends on the Issued Ordinary Share Capital of the company in respect of the period ended 31 December 1996.

#### **Directors**

The following persons were directors of the company during the period:

B. Myers	Resigned as Chairman and Director 5 February 1996
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J.J. Beeton

J.M. Bradshaw Resigned 20 October 1995
K.W. Chambers Resigned 4 April 1996
K.E. Clarke Appointed 7 April 1996
R.C. Crawford Resigned 5 January 1996

P.J. Ladd J.V. Lorimer B. Marley

M.E. Napier Resigned 1 November 1995

M.A. Rawbone M.R. Ross

R.C. Rutter Appointed 4 April 1996

R.C. Thorp

Since the period end the following changes have occurred:

K.E. Clarke Resigned 31 January 1997

P.J. Ladd Resigned 31 January 1997 and reappointed 1 July 1997 J.V. Lorimer Resigned 31 January 1997 and reappointed 1 July 1997

M.A. Rawbone Resigned 31 January 1997
R.C. Thorp Resigned 31 January 1997
J.J. Beeton Resigned 16 May 1997
R.C. Rutter Resigned 22 August 1997

None of the Directors have any interests in the shares of the Company at the beginning or end of the year.

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT (Continued)**

#### **Change in Ultimate Holding Company**

On 13 March 1996, Kvaerner ASA, a company registered in Norway, made Offers for the ordinary and convertible preference share capital of the ultimate holding company Trafalgar House Public Limited Company (which changed its name to Kvaerner PLC on 18 September 1996). On 17 April 1996 the Offers were declared unconditional in all respects. As a result, the company's ultimate holding company since 17 April 1996 has been Kvaerner ASA.

#### **Employee Involvement**

During the period the group maintained the practice of keeping employees informed about current activities and progress by various methods including in-house publications. Participation and involvement are encouraged through formal trade union channels.

Special attention is given to the employment of disabled persons.

#### **Auditors**

During the period KPMG resigned as auditors of the company and in their place Arthur Andersen were appointed as auditors by the directors.

Pursuant to Section 386 of the Companies Act 1985, an elective resolution to dispense with the obligation to appoint auditors annually was passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the company held on 30 August 1991.

By Order of the Board

B.E. Tanner Secretary

Date: 20 October 1997

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#### STATEMENT OF 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 as at the end of the financial year 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;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- 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.

#### **AUDITORS' REPORT**

#### To the Members of Redpath Dorman Long Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 7 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 7.

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 4, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of 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 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.

#### Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 1996 and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors

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#### Balance Sheet at 31 December 1996

	<u>Notes</u>	31 December 1996 £000's	30 September 1995 £000's
CURRENT ASSETS Amounts owed by immediate parent undertaking	_	23,005	23,005
NET ASSETS		23,005	23,005
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Equity share capital Profit and loss account	4	70,000 (46,995) 23,005	70,000 (46,995) 23,005

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

These accounts were approved by the Board of Directors on 20 October 1997 and signed on its behalf by M.R. Ross:

#### Notes to the Accounts

#### 1. Accounting Policies

The following accounting policy has been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

#### (a) Accounting Conventions

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

#### 2. <u>Directors' Emoluments</u>

None of the directors' received any remuneration from the company during the period (1995:Nil). These were borne by a fellow subsidiary, Kvaerner Cleveland Bridge Limited.

#### 3. <u>Fixed\_Asset Investments</u>

The company holds an investment of £1, representing the cost of the entire share capital of Cleveland Construction Company (Private) Limited, a company incorporated in India, which did not trade during the year.

#### Share Capital

	<u>1996</u> <u>£000's</u>	<u>1995</u> £000's
Authorised: Equity share capital 70,000,000 shares of £1 each	70,000	70,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid: Equity share capital 70,000,000 shares of £1 each	70,000	70,000

#### 5. <u>Ultimate parent company</u>

During the period Kvaerner PLC formerly Trafalgar House plc, which is registered in England and Wales of which the Company was a wholly owned subsidiary, was acquired by Kvaerner ASA a company registered in Norway.

Kvaerner PLC heads the smallest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated.

The ultimate parent company is Kvaerner ASA which heads the largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated.

Copies of the respective financial statements can be obtained from Kvaerner PLC at St James's House 23 King Street, London SW1Y 6QY.