

PLEASE COMPLETE IN
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88(2)

Return of Allotment of Shares

CHFP083

Company Number

147271

Company name in full

BPB PLC

Shares allotted (including bonus shares):

Date or period during which
shares were allotted
(If shares were allotted on one date
enter that date in the "from" box.)

From						To		
Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
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Class of shares
(ordinary or preference etc)

Number allotted

Nominal value of each share

Amount (if any) paid or due on each
share (including any share premium)

Ordinary	Ordinary	Ordinary
22800	25500	35500
50p	50p	50p
254p	348p	395p

List the names and addresses of the allottees and the number of shares allotted to each overleaf

If the allotted shares are fully or partly paid up otherwise than in cash please state:

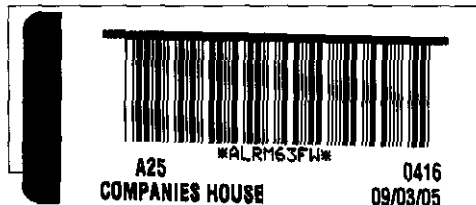
% that each share is to be
treated as paid up

Consideration for which
the shares were allotted
(This information must be supported by
the duly stamped contract or by the duly
stamped particulars on Form 88(3) if the
contract is not in writing.)

When you have completed and signed the form send it to
the Registrar of Companies at:

Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff CF14 3UZ DX 33050 Cardiff
For companies registered in England and Wales

Companies House, 37 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2EB DX235
For companies registered in Scotland Edinburgh



Names and addresses of the allottees (List joint share allotments consecutively)

Shareholder details		Shares and share class allotted	
Name	Cazenove Nominees Limited Part ID:-142CN / Desig:-ESOS	Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address	20 Moorgate	Ordinary	83800
	London		
	UK Postcode E1 2LR 6DA		
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
	UK Postcode		
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
	UK Postcode		
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
	UK Postcode		
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address		TOTAL	83800
	UK Postcode		

Please enter the number of continuation sheet(s) (if any) attached to this form :

Signed

[Signature]

Date

8/3/05

A director / secretary / administrator / administrative receiver / receiver manager / receiver

Please delete as appropriate

Please give the name, address, telephone number and, if available, a DX number and Exchange of the person Companies House should contact if there is any query.

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Tel: 01903 833004

DX number

DX exchange