

Report of the Directors for the 52 weeks ended 29 March 1986

1 The directors present herewith the audited accounts for the 52 weeks ended

Principal activities

The principal activities of the company are the manufacture of electric and electronic connection, control and circuit protection equipment.

Review of business and future developments

Both the level of business and the year end financial position were satisfactory and the directors expect that the present level of activity will be sustained for the foreseeable future.

Dividends and reserves

An interim dividend of £3,724,000 has been paid during the year. proposed that the remaining profits of £1,202,000 be transferred to

Fixed assets

The company spent £5,020,000 on plant and other fixed assets during the period. In accordance with the company's policy of revaluing freehold and leasehold property every five years, a valuation was conducted by Henry Butcher and Co., valuers and surveyors as at 29 March 1986 and the surplus on revaluation has been incorporated in the accounts.

Directors

The directors of the company are as follows:-

R.F. Leverton

M.J. Dowsett

J.W. Bloomfield

G.R. Carr

N.A. Couter

J.J. Fallon

A. Goodfellow

W.H. Hickman-Fitter

E. Race

D.G. Rance

R.W. Wigg

(appointed 1 April 1986)

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Directors' interests

The interests of the directors of the company at 29 March 1986 in shares of M.K. Electric Group plc, the ultimate holding company were as follows:-

	29 March 1986	Ordinary Shares	30 March 1985
J.W. Bloomfield	2,322		1,869
G.R. Carr	1,090		615
J.J. Fallon	3,187		2,853
D.G. Rance	1,052		599
R. Wigg	939		542

The above includes shares held on behalf of executive directors by the Trustees of the M.K. Electric Group Employee Share Ownership Scheme.

The following directors have options to purchase ordinary shares under the terms of the Group's Savings Related Share Option Scheme:-

	<u>Shares</u>	Option Price	Exercisable
J.W. Bloomfield	2,784	172.4p	1989
G.R. Carr	840	220,0p	1990
R.W. Wigg	3,363	220.0p	1990

The following directors have options to purchase ordinary shares under the terms of the Group's Executive Share Option Scheme.

	Shares	Option Price	<u>Exercisable</u>
J.W. Bloomfield	17,000	305p	1987-1994
G.R. Carr	18,500	305p	11
J.J. Fallon	12,000	305p	tt
D.G. Rance	17,000	305p	n
R.W. Wigg	14,000	305p	1987-1994

As permitted by statutory instruments the information provided does not include the interests of directors who are directors of the ultimate holding company.

In addition to these holdings as at 29 March 1986, Mr J.J. Fallon held 9,500 ordinary shares 1p paid issued under the 1971 Share Incentive Scheme and 10.527 unlisted fully paid shares with restricted rights issued as bonus and rights issued in respect thereof.

There have been no changes in the above shareholdings since 29 March 1986 save for an application to list 20,027 of the shares issued to Mr 4.J. Fallon under the 1971 Executive Share Incentive Scheme.

No director had any material interest during the period in any contract significant in relation to the company's business.

Research and development

The company places great emphasis on research and development activities to maintain its position as market leader in the sector of the electrical industry in which it operates. In accordance with accounting policies, costs relating to these activities totalling £3,332,000 (1985 - £2,932,000), have been charged against the profit for the period.

Employee communications and involvement

The company recognises the importance of employee communications including briefing meetings, house journals and employee consultative committees.

A companywide incentive scheme exists to enhance employee awareness of the importance of their contribution to the company's efficiency and to share in the benefits achieved.

In addition the company is a participant in the MK Electric Group Employee Share Ownership Scheme, established in 1982 to encourage employee identification with the performance and aspirations of the M.K. Electric Group. An allocation of shares was made during the year to the scheme trustees in respect of eligible employees of the company.

Employment of disabled persons

The company's policy and practice is to encourage and assist the employment of disabled people, their recruitment, training, career development and promotion, and the retention of employees who become disabled. The operation of this policy is reviewed regularly.

Close company provisions

As far as the directors are aware, the close company provisions of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970, as amended, do not apply to the company. There has been no change in this respect since the end of the financial period.

Auditors

12 A resolution to reappoint the auditors, Coopers & Lybrand, will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Secretary

25 June 1986

Report of the auditors to the members of M.K. ELECTRIC LIMITED

We have audited the accounts on pages 5 to 17 in accordance with approved Auditing Standards.

In our opinion the accounts which have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified to allow the inclusion of certain fixed assets at a valuation, give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at 29 March 1986 and of its profit and source and application of funds for the 52 weeks then ended and comply with the Companies Act 1985.

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Chartered Accountants LONDON, 25 June 1986

Profit and loss account for the 52 weeks ended 29 March 1986

	Notes	52 Weeks 1986	52 Weeks 1985
		£1000	£'000
Turnover Net operating costs	1 2	86,665 (74,281)	86,484 (72,883)
Trading profit Interest payable less receivable	3 6	12,384 (3,577)	13,601 (3,066)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		8,807	10,535
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	(3,381)	(4,573)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation	Ç.	5,426	5,962
Extraordinary charge	8	(500)	-
Profit for the financial period		4,926	5,962
Dividends	*	(3,724)	(3,774)
Retained profit for the period		1,202	2,188
STATEMENT OF RETAINED PROFITS			
Retained profits at 31 March 1985		8,020	5,832
Retained profit for the period		1,202	2,188
Retained profits at 29 March 1986		9,222	8,020

The notes on pages 8 to 17 form part of these accounts. Auditors' report page 4.

Balance Sheet - as at 29 March 1986

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The Accounts were approved by the Board of Directors on 25 June 1986 and are signed on its behalf by:-

DIRECTORS

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M.K. ELECTRIC LIMITED

Statement of source and application of funds for the 52 weeks ended 29 March 1986

	1986 £'000		1985 £*000
SOURCE OF FUNDS	2 550		2 000
Profit on ordinary activities b. ore taxation	8,807		10 , 535
Extraordinary item	(500)		
Advanced in the control of the contr	4		
Adjustment for item not involving movement of funds:	8,307	,	10,535
Depreciation	2 726		
	3,736		3,375
Total from operations	12,043		13,910
Funds from other sources:			
Sale of tangible fixed assets	137		580
Total sources of funds	12,180		14,490
APPLICATION OF FUNDS	,,,,,,		, 150
Tax paid	(1,502)		(1,935)
Purchase of tangible fixed assets Transfer of fixed assets from other group companies	(5,020)	· ,	(4,766)
Transfer of trace assets from other group companies	(519)	,	-
W. Carlotte and Ca	5,139	′•3	7,789
(INCREASE)/DECREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL	* ************************************	• •	
Stocks	(3,331)		(337)
Debtors Trading account with related company	(441) (459)		(2,135) 360
Creditors falling due within one year	(301)		1,855
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(4,532)		/257
		2	(257)
Net funds generated Movement in financing appropriate	607_		<u>-,=7.532</u>
Movement in financing arrangements			
Amount due to holding company Cash at bank and in hand	3,327 (210)	28	(4,233)
Dividend paid	(3,724)	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	475 (3,774)
	(607)		(7,532)
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Accounting Policies

General

All accounting policies are consistent with those applied in the previous year.

Historical cost convention

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception that properties are included at a valuation.

Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated to sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Gains and losses on exchange are included in the profit and loss account.

Turnover

Turnover represents net sales to customers excluding value added tax.

Tangible fixed assets

Freehold property and property held on long lease are revalued professionally on the existing use basis at five yearly intervals, the last valuation having taken place as at 29 March 1986. The surplus on revaluation is credited to reserves. Plant and other fixed assets are shown at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation

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Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis calculated to write off the gross book value of the assets over their useful lives. Depreciation is provided on all fixed assets apart from land. The average life expectancies used in computing depreciation charges for the main categories of assets are as follows:

Years

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Freehold buildings	50
Property held on long lease	50
Plant and machinery	10
Moulds	5
Press Tools	3

Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred taxation at the expected rate of corporation tax in the years in which the tax liability is expected to arise. No provision is made for any tax reduction which is expected to continue for the foreseeable future. The full potential liability and amounts provided are set out in note 14.

Research and development

Expenditure on research and development is charged to revenue as incurred.

Stocks

The basis of stock valuation is the lower of cost, computed on the 'first in first out' basis, and net realisable value. In the case of finished stocks and work in progress cost comprises material and direct labour costs with an appropriate addition for manufacturing overheads.

Pension funding

Contributions to the M.K. Electric Group Pension Scheme are charged against profits. The scheme is reviewed regularly by actuaries and the rates of contribution are adjusted in accordance with their advice.

Notes to the accounts

Turnover

1. A geographical analysis of turnover is as follows:-

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United Kingdom Middle East Far East Africa Other	68,936 11,128 2,483 933 3,185	63,330 16,000 2,692 1,563 2,899
	86,665	86,484
Net operating costs		
2. Net operating costs are made up as follows:-		
	1986 £ ¹ 000	1985 £'000
Change in stocks of finished goods and work in progress Own work capitalised Raw materials and consumables Other external charges Employee costs (see note 5) Depreciation	(3,521) (320) 24,436 16,745 33,205 3,736	(66) (195) 22,874 14,166 32,729 3,375
	74,281	72,883
Trading profit		,
3. Trading profit is stated after charging:-		
	1986 £ [†] 000	1985 £'000
Auditors' remuneration Hire of plant and machinery Depreciation of tangible fixed assets Directors' emoluments (see note 4(a)) Employee share scheme	49 61 3,736 216 540	49 93 3,375 217 650

Notes to the accounts - continued

Directors' emoluments

- 4.(a) Directors' emoluments comprise emoluments (including pension contributions) for management services.
 - (b) Particulars of directors' emoluments (excluding pension contributions), are as follows:-

	1986 £'000	1985 £ 000
Emoluments of the chairman	Ni 1	Nil
Emoluments of the highest paid director	42	39
Number of directors (excluding those above) whose emoluments were within the ranges:-		
Nil to £5,000 £25,001 to £30,000 £30,001 to £35,000 £35,001 to £40,000	Two One One Two	Five One One Two

Employee information

5.(a) The average number of persons employed by the company (including executive directors) during the year was 3,616 (1985 - 3,791).

All of these were based in the United Kingdom.

(b) Employment costs of all employees included above:-

	1986	<u>1985</u>
Gross wages and salaries Employer's national insurance and state pension contributions Employer's pension contributions under the company pension scheme	£'000	000 2
	29,107	28,689
	2,321	2,438
	1,777	1,602
	33,205	32,729

Notes to the accounts - continued

Interest payable

6.		1986 £ [†] 000	1985 £'000
	Interest charges levied by the holding company	3,577	3,066

Tax on profit on ordinary activities

7. The tax charge is based on the profit on ordinary activities for the year and comprises:-

	ı	198 <u>6</u> £ ⁷ 000	1985 £ 000
United Kingdom corporation tax at 40% (1985 - 45%)	,	4,055	3,899
Deferred tax credit	/	(674)	674
	, '	3,381	4,573

Extraordinary charge

Provision of £500,000 has been made for non-recovery of amounts due from a fellow subsidiary as a result of deterioration in business conditions in South Africa.

Notes to the accounts - continued

Tangible fixed assets

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	Freehold property	Property on long <u>Lease</u>	Plant anó <u>machinery</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cost or valuation (see below)	1000	000'3	€'000	1,000
At 31 March 1985	8,193	200	35,106	43,499
Expenditure Transfers Disposals Surplus/(deficit on	-	- -	5,020 1,232 (462)	5,020 1,232 (462)
revaluation	765	(150)	-	615
At 29 March 1986	8,958	50	40,896	49,904
Depreciation At 31 March 1985	503	16	17,857	18,376
Transfers Charge for year Disposals Written back on	137	- 4 -	713 3,595 (325)	713 3,736 (325)
revaluation	(640)	(20)	<u>.</u>	(660)
At 29 March 1986	-	-	21,840	21,840
Net book value at	**************************************	brezantakon	***************************************	•
29 March 1986	8,958 ====	50 ===	19,056	28,064

In accordance with the company's established policy of obtaining professional valuations of freehold property and property held on long lease at five yearly intervals, these assets have been revalued as at 29 March 1986 by Henry Butcher & Co., valuers and surveyors, on the existing use basis. The surplus on revaluation of £1,275,000 has been credited to reserves.



Notes to the accounts - continued

Revalued assets: Revalued assets included above Original cost and depreciation which would have been calculated thereon Increase due to revaluation	Gross £'000 9,008 3,875	Depreciation £'000 (1,325)	Net book value £'000 9,008 2,550
increase due to revaluation	5,133 ======	1,325	6,458 ======
Stocks		Y	
10.		1986 £ [†] 000	1985 £ 000
Raw Materials and consumables Work in progress Finished goods and goods for resale		1,891 10,193 6,548	2,109 6,992 6,200
	;	18,632 =====	15,301

If stocks had been determined by reference to their replacement cost rather than by reference to their historical cost the amount of the stocks shown above would be increased by £132,000 (1985 - £200,000).

Debtors

11.	1986 £ ¹ 000	1985 £ ¹ 000
Trade debtors Amounts owed by fellow subsidiaries Trading account with related company Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income	13,147 1,503 1,655 323 2,305	12,485 1,980 1,196 301 2,071
	18,933	18,033

All the above amounts are due within one year of the balance sheet date.

Notes to the accounts - continued

Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	21,316	19,064
Trade creditors Amounts owed to fellow subsidiaries Taxation and social security (see below) Accruals and deferred income	7,871 403 11,783 1,259	8,069 630 9,225 1,140
12.	1986 £ ¹ 000	1985 £ 000

The creditor for taxation and social security includes UK corporation tax payable amounting to \$8,258,000 (1985 - \$5,705,000).

Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

13.	198 <u>6</u> £ 000	1985 £ [†] 000
Amounts due to holding company	25,538 =====	22,211

Provisions for liabilities and charges

14.	Deferred Taxation £'000
At 31 March 1985	2,174
Credit to profit and loss account	(674)
At 29 March 1986	1,500

The provision for deferred taxation and the full potential liability are as follows:

	1986		1985	
	Provision made	Full potential liability £'000	Provision made £'000	Full potential <u>liability</u> £'000
Tax at 35% on the excess of capital allowances over depreciation	1,500	5,280	1,500	5,433
Tax that would arise on the disposal of properties at their revalued amounts	-	1,613	-	1,920
Tax at 35% on short term timing differences	••	740	674	674
	1,500	7,633	2,174	8,027 ====
Called up share capital				
15.			1986 £ ¹ 000	198 <u>5</u> £ [†] 000
Authorised:			• 	,
1,500,000 shares of £1 each)		1,500	1,500
Allotted, called up and fully paid	d:			
900,605 shares of £1 each	,		901 =====	901
Revaluation Reserve				2'000
16. Revaluation reserve at 31 Ma	rch 1985			6,167
Surplus on property revaluat				1,275
Revaluation reserve at 29 Ma				7,442
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Notes to the accounts - continued

Commitments and contingent liabilities

17. (a) Capital expenditure	198 <u>6</u> £ 000	1985 £'000
Contracted but not provided in	2,082	1,977
the accounts Authorised but not yet contracted Approved in principle but subject to specific authorisation	1,526	90
	4,343	7,003
		
	7,951	9,070

(b) Pensions

Most employees of the company are covered by the M.K. Electric Group Pension Scheme which is contracted out of the state scheme. Entry to the Scheme is voluntary for employees aged over 21 and with two consecutive years service. The Scheme is funded by contributions (partly from employees and partly from the employing company) at rates determined by independent actuaries. Pensions are paid on retirement based on the contributor's final salary and number of years of service.

In addition to the pensions provided under the terms of the Scheme, it has been the company's practice to provide increases in pensions each year to offset the effects of inflation. Payments have been made to fund all increases to date.

The latest actuarial valuation at 5 April 1984 indicated that the value of assets of the Pension Fund (whose assets are independent of the company's finances) was adequate to cover the benefits of current beneficiaries and deferred pensions for current contributors on a discontinuance basis.

(c) Bank borrowing facilities

The company has given an unlimited guarantee in respect of certain of the banking facilities of the M.K. Electric Group. There were no amounts outstanding on these facilities at 29 March 1986.

Associated company

18. The company owns 49% of the share capital of MK Electric (Zimbabwe) (PVT) Limited, a company incorporated in Zimbabwe.

Ultimate holding company

19. The ultimate holding company is M.K. Electric Group plc incorporated in Great Britain.