# **Directors' Report and Financial Statements**

Year Ended 31 December 2007

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#### **Report of the Directors**

The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007

#### Principal activity and review of the business

The principal activity of the company during the year was to hold securities as nominee ABN AMRO Bank N V (London Branch), the parent company, bears the cost of administration of the company and in consideration thereof the company makes no charge for holding securities or receiving dividends as nominee. There is therefore no income or expenditure for the current and preceding years, and accordingly no profit and loss account is presented. The directors expect the activity of the company to continue as it is for the foreseeable future.

#### Dividends and transfers to reserves

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend and no transfers to reserves are proposed (2006 £Nil)

#### Directors and their interests

The directors who served during the year and up to the date of signing these financial statements were

O C Davidson

J A Foord

resigned 31 03 07

S J Mould

appointed 31 03 07

There are no directors' interests requiring disclosure under the Companies Act 1985

#### Events since the balance sheet date

There are no material events since the balance sheet date

#### Disclosure of information to the auditors

So far as each person who was a director at the date of approving this report is aware, there is no relevant audit information, being information needed by the auditor in connection with preparing its report, of which the auditor is unaware. Having made enquiries of fellow directors and the group's auditor, each director has taken all the steps that he/she is obliged to take as a director in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information

### Report of the Directors (continued)

#### **Auditors**

In accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 1985, the company has elected to dispense with the obligation to appoint auditors annually Ernst & Young LLP are therefore deemed to be re-appointed as the company's auditors for each succeeding year, as long as the election remains in place

On behalf of the Board,

Director
Date // Pephenner 2008 250 Bishopsgate, London, EC2M 4AA

# Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in Respect of the Financial Statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law) The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company 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 UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements,
- 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 that 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.

#### Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Pulley's Nominees Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Pulley's Nominees Limited for the year ended 31 December 2007 which comprise the Balance Sheet and the related notes 1 to 7 These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland)

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it

#### Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) 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.

# Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Pulley's Nominees Limited (continued)

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2007;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985, and
- the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements

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Ernst & Young LLP Registered auditor

London

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# Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2007

	Note	2007 £	2006 £
Current assets			
Cash at bank		100	100
Net assets		100	100
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	6	100	100
Total equity shareholders' funds		100	100

Approved by the Board of directors on and signed on its behalf

Director

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

#### 1. Accounting policies

The financial statements of Pulley's Nominees Limited were approved for issue by the Board of Directors on // September 2004.

A summary of the principal accounting policies, which have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year, are set out below

#### a) Accounting convention

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

#### b) Cash flow statement

The company has taken advantage of the exemption under Financial Reporting Standard 1 (Revised) Accordingly a cash flow statement has not been prepared as all the company's voting rights are controlled by ABN AMRO Holding N V, which produces publicly available consolidated financial statements in which the company is included

#### c) Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard 8 from disclosing transactions with related parties which are part of the group

#### 2. Profit and loss account

During the financial year and the preceding financial year the company did not trade and received no income and incurred no expenditure. Accordingly no profit and loss account has been presented

#### 3. Auditors' remuneration

For the financial year and the preceding financial year the auditors' remuneration was paid by ABN AMRO Management Services Limited and is disclosed in the financial statements of that company

#### 4. Directors' remuneration

No emoluments were received by the directors from the company or any other third party for the performance of their duties (2006 £Nil)

#### 5. Employees

The company did not have any direct employees during the year (2006 nil)

#### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

#### 6. Share capital

	2007 <u>£</u>	2006 £
Authorised share capital 100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
Issued share capital 100 allotted, called up and fully paid ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100

#### 7. Ultimate parent undertaking

The ultimate parent undertaking is Royal Bank of Scotland Group Plc, a company incorporated in the United Kingdom ABN AMRO Holding NV is the smallest and Royal Bank of Scotland Group Plc is the largest group of which the company is a member and for which group financial statements are prepared Group financial statements are available from Royal Bank of Scotland Group Plc, PO Box 1000, Gogarburn, Edinburgh, EH12 1HQ