## Stafford-Miller Limited

# Annual report for the year ended 31 December 1994

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### **Directors and advisers**

### **Directors**

Mr J A Block (USA)
Mr T R Block (USA)
Mr A J Devaney
Mr R J Lenton
Mr J S Rigby (Managing Director)
Mr G B Perry
Mr D R White

### Secretary and registered office

Mr J E Peters Broadwater Road Welwyn Garden City Herts AL7 3SP

### **Registered Auditors**

Coopers & Lybrand Harman House 1 George Street Uxbridge Middlesex UB8 1QQ

### **Solicitors**

Baker & McKenzie 100 New Bridge Street London EC4V 6JA

### **Bankers**

Barclays Bank plc

## Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 1994

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1994.

### Principal activities

The principal activities of the company are the manufacture, distribution and sale of pharmaceutical and toiletry products. Stafford-Miller Limited operates a branch in Australia.

### Review of business

Sales for the year totalled £68, 145,000 compared with sales for 1993 of £61, 128,000. Advertising and selling expenditure amounted to £25,832,000 for 1994, compared with expenditure of £24,009,000 for 1993. A profit for 1994 of £2,154,000 before tax was achieved, compared with £4,397,000 for the previous year.

The future development and growth of the business depends to a large extent on the introduction of new products. The parent company's research facilities referred to below cover all potential areas of development in the pharmaceutical and toiletry field and many new products are currently being developed.

#### Dividends and transfers to reserves

The directors have declared and paid a dividend of £3,000,000 for the financial year ended 31 December 1994.

After payment of the above dividend a £1,597,000 loss for the financial year will be transferred to the company's reserves.

### Research and development

All research and development is carried out by the parent company, Block Drug Company, Inc. of Jersey City. The company obtains all the benefits of research carried out by Block Drug Company, Inc.

### Changes in fixed assets

The movements in fixed assets during the year are set out in notes 8 and 9 to the accounts.

# Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 1994 (continued)

### Market value of land and buildings

In the past, the directors have received informal professional advice that the values of the company's properties have fallen below the £6,396,000 at which they are stated in the accounts. Since receiving that advice, property values in the United Kingdom have risen somewhat and, although the company's properties have yet to recover their full book values, in the opinion of the directors the shortfall is not material to an appreciation of these accounts.

### **Directors**

The directors of the company at 31 December 1994 are listed on page 1. They were all directors throughout the year.

### Directors' interests

According to the register maintained by the company for the purpose of Schedule 1 Section 2(1) of the Companies Act 1985, no director had at any time during the year ended 31 December 1994 any beneficial interest in the shares of the company or any other group company which is required to be notified to the company. For this purpose, the directors are exempt from notifying the company of any interest in shares of a company incorporated outside the United Kingdom.

### Charitable and political contributions

Contributions made by the company during the year for charitable purposes amounted to £1,007 (1993: £707). No political contributions were made.

### Employment of disabled persons

It is the policy of the company to recruit disabled persons when appropriate vacancies are available. At present, the company employs a number of disabled persons and their training, career development and promotion are the same as for other company employees. Should the situation arise, arrangements would be made, where possible, for retraining employees who become disabled, to enable them to perform work identified as appropriate to their aptitudes and abilities.

# Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 1994 (continued)

### Employee involvement

The company is conscious of its responsibility regarding the involvement of its employees in their understanding of the nature of the company's business. For some years a Works Council, composed of elected hourly paid employees and management has met regularly to discuss the company's financial progress and day to day problems encountered by employees. Information made available at Work Council meetings is communicated to employees not in attendance verbally and by printed minutes of matters discussed.

Staff handbooks are issued to hourly paid employees to inform them of the company's policies concerning their employment. Throughout the year sales conferences, meetings and seminars are held to ensure that details of the company's products, marketing and promotional plans are understood.

### Close company provisions

As far as the directors are aware the company is a close company as defined by the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988, as amended.

### **Auditors**

A resolution to reappoint the auditors, Coopers & Lybrand, will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

By order of the board

J E Peters Secretary

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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 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;
- 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.

Signed on behalf of the board of directors by:

J S Rigby

## Report of the auditors to the members of Stafford-Miller Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 7 to 27.

### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 5 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.

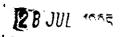
### **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs at 31 December 1994 and of its profit, total recognised gains, and cash flows for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Coopers & Lybrand

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

London.



# Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 1994

	Notes	1994 £000	1993 £000
Turnover Cost of sales	2	68,145 (30,424)	61,128 (26,327)
Gross profit		37,721	34,801
Selling and distribution costs Administrative expenses Other operating income Other operating costs		(28,087) (6,193) 457 (807)	(24,009) (5,367) 687 (1,093)
Operating profit	3	3,091	5,019
Interest receivable and similar income Interest payable and similar charges	6	164 (1,101)	23 (645)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		2,154	4,397
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	(751)	(1,471)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		1,403	2,926
Dividend paid		(3,000)	(2,800)
(Loss)/Profit retained for the financial year		(1,597)	126
Statement of retained profits			
Retained profits at 1 January		15,092	14,947
Exchange movement		207	19
(Loss)/profit retained for the financial year		(1,597)	126
Retained profits at 31 December		13,702	15,092

Continuing operations: All items dealt with in arriving at the profit on ordinary activities before taxation for 1994 and 1993 relate to continuing operations.

There is no difference between the profit on ordinary activities before taxation and the retained profit for the year stated above, and their historical cost equivalents.

## Statement of total recognised gains and losses

	1994 £000	1993 £000
(Loss)/Profit for the financial year Exchange gain on retranslation of opening net assets	(1,597)	126
of Australian branch	207	19
Total recognised (losses)/gains relating to the year	(1,390)	145
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## Balance sheet at 31 December 1994

	Notes	1994 £000	1993 £000
Fixed assets		2000	2 000
Intangible assets Tangible assets	8 9	132 13,251	199 10,887
		13,383	11,086
Current assets			
Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	10 11	12,056 15,399 1,345	10,364 14,039 850
		28,800	25,253
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(26,996)	(18,825)
Net current assets		1,804	6,428
Total assets less current liabilities		15,187	17,514
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	14	(156)	(1,257)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	16	(409)	(245)
		14,622	16,012
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	19	920 13,702	920 15,092
Equity shareholders' funds		14,622	16,012

The financial statements on pages 7 to 27 were approved by the board of directors on and were signed on its behalf by:-

J S Rigby

## **Stafford-Miller Limited**

# Cash flow statement for the year ended 31 December 1994

	Notes	1994 £'000	1993 £'000
Net cash inflow from operating activities	21	442	7,271
Returns on investments and servicing of finance		<u> </u>	
Interest received		164	23
Interest paid		(1,078)	(625)
Interest paid on finance leases		(23)	(19)
Dividends paid		(3,000)	(2,800)
Net cash outflow from returns on		<u> </u>	
investments and servicing of finance		(3,937)	(3,421)
Taxation			
UK corporation tax paid (including ACT)		(1,356)	(676)
Tax paid		(1,356)	(676)
Investing		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(3,378)	(1,275)
Sale of tangible fixed assets		66	36
Net cash outflow from investing activities		(3,312)	(1,239)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow before financing		(8, 163)	1,935
Financing			<del></del>
Repayment of loans		(1,240)	(50)
Payment of principal under finance leases		(87)	(67)
New loans		16,500	-
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing	22	15,173	(117)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	23	7,010	1,818
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# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1994

### 1 Principal accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards in the United Kingdom. A summary of the more important accounting policies is set out below.

### Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

### Tangible fixed assets

With the exception of motor vehicles, which are depreciated on a reducing balance basis, depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets on a straight line basis over the expected useful lives of the assets concerned. The principal annual rates used for this purpose, which are consistent with those of the previous year, are:-

Freehold buildings	2%
Plant and machinery	10%
Motor vehicles	25%
Furniture, fixtures and fittings	10%
Moulds	20%

Computer equipment is depreciated in equal instalments over 7 years. Freehold land is not depreciated.

#### Leased assets

Leased assets are accounted for in accordance with SSAP 21, "Accounting for Leases and Hire Purchase Contracts". Accordingly assets acquired under finance leases and the related capital element of rental obligations are included in the balance sheet. The interest element is charged against profit in proportion to the reducing capital element outstanding. The assets are depreciated over the shorter of the lease terms and the useful lives of the assets. Operating lease payments are charged to the profit and loss account in the period in which they are incurred.

### Stocks and work in progress

Stocks and work in progress are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. In general, cost is determined on a first-in first-out basis and includes transport and handling costs; in the case of manufactured products, cost includes all direct expenditure and production overheads based on the normal level of activity. Net realisable value is the price at which the stock can be realised in the normal course of business after allowing for the costs of realisation and, where appropriate, the cost of conversion from its existing state to a finished condition. Provision is made for any inventory items which are not expected to realise their full value in the normal course of business.

### Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities expressed in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the end of the financial year. The results of the Australian branch are translated at the closing rate of exchange as at 31 December. Differences on exchange arising from the retranslation of the opening net investment in the branch are taken to reserves. All other exchange differences on assets and liabilities are included in profit before taxation. Revenue and expenses in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date on which the amount recorded in the accounts was established. Any subsequent variations are included in profit before taxation.

### Turnover

Turnover, which excludes value added tax and trade discounts, represents the invoiced value of goods and services supplied.

#### **Deferred** taxation

Provision is made for deferred tax, using the liability method, in respect of all material timing differences to the extent that it is probable that a liability or asset will crystallise. The rate used is that which is expected to be applied when the liability or asset is expected to crystallise.

### Research and development

Research and development costs are expensed as incurred.

### Pension costs

The company operates a defined benefit pension scheme which is contracted out of the state scheme. The funds are valued every three years by a professionally qualified independent actuary, the rates of contribution payable being determined by the actuary. In the intervening years the actuary reviews the continuing appropriateness of the rates. Pension costs are accounted for on the basis of charging the expected cost of providing pensions over the period during which the company benefits from the employees' services. The effects of variations from regular cost are spread over the expected average remaining service lives of members of the scheme.

## 2 Turnover and profit on ordinary activities before taxation

	1994			1993		
		Profit		Profit		Profit
	Turnover £000	before tax £000	Turnover £'000	before tax £'000		
Principal activities:-						
Dental	55,387	1,749	51,020	3,716		
Consumer products	4,862	166	1,457	112		
Ethical and pharmaceutical	5,969	211	6,786	471		
Household products	1,927	28	1,865	98		
	68,145	2,154	61,128	4,397		
Geographical analysis of turno	ver:-	1994 £'000		1993 £000		
United Kingdom		35,123		31,120		
Rest of Europe		14,936		13,320		
Africa and the Middle East		9,072		8,606		
Australia and Asia		8,703		7,794		
Other		311		288		
		68,145		61,128		

## 3 Operating profit

	1994	1993
	£'000	000°£
Operating profit is stated after crediting:		
Profit on disposal of tangible fixed assets	24	11
Rent receivable	18	258
Government grant	50	100
Foreign exchange gain	282	-
And after charging:		
Foreign exchange loss	•	249
Auditors' remuneration:		
For audit services	52	48
For other services	69	69
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	1,202	1,001
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets	67	66
Directors' emoluments (see note 4) including pension		
contributions	406	377
Hire of plant and equipment - operating leases	201	127
Hire of other assets - operating leases	1,200	1,059
Research and development expenditure	1,340	1,127

### 4 Directors' emoluments

The remuneration paid to the directors of Stafford-Miller Limited was:

	1994 £	1993 £
Other emoluments (including pension contributions and benefits in kind)	405,888	377,299
Fees and other emoluments (excluding pension contributed	tions) include a	mounts paid
to:	1994	1993
	£	£
The chairman	Nil	Nil
The highest-paid director	114,559	104,177

The number of directors (including the chairman and the highest-paid director) who received fees and other emoluments (excluding pension contributions) in the following ranges was:

	1994	1993
	Number	Number
£0 to £5,000	2	2
£50,001 to £55,000	-	1
£55,001 to £60,000	1	-
£65,001 to £70,000	•	1
£70,001 to £75,000	2	1
£75,001 to £80,000	•	1
£85,001 to £90,000	1	•
£100,001 to £105,000	•	1
£110,001 to £115,000	1	-

### 5 Employee information

(a) The average number of persons employed by the company (including directors) during the year is analysed below:-

, •	1994	1993
Production and distribution	377	389
Marketing and selling	137	137
Administration	51	49
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	565	575

(b) The employment cost of all employees including executive directors is analysed below:-

	1994	1993
	£3000	£000
Gross wages and salaries	9,531	8,950
Employer's national insurance and state pension contributions Employer's pension contributions under the company pension	801	732
scheme	781	517
	11,113	10,199
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## 6 Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	1994	1993
	£'000	000£
To group companies	763	42
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On bank loans and overdrafts:		
Repayable within 5 years, not by instalments	264	480
Repayable within 5 years by instalments	51	104
On finance leases	23	19
	338	603

## 7 Tax on profit on ordinary activities

The charge for taxation is made up as follows:-		1002
	1994	1993
	£000	£000
On the profit for the year:		
United Kingdom corporation tax at 33% (1993: 33%)		
Current	730	1,450
Deferred	124	117
Overprovision in respect of prior years:	(4.04)	(06)
Current	(103)	(96)
	751	1,471

### **Fixed Assets**

## 8 Intangible assets

	Total £°000
Cost	
At 1 January 1994	331
Additions	-
At 31 December 1994	331
Depreciation	132
At 1 January 1994	67
Charge for year	
At 31 December 1994	199
Net book value	
At 31 December 1994	132
At 31 December 1993	199

The intangible asset relates to trademarks. The costs are being written off over the period of expected benefit, this being 5 years.

### **Fixed Assets**

## 9 Tangible assets

(a)	Freehold land and buildings	Plant and equipment	Furniture and office equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
	£000	£000	000°3	000°£	000c
Cost	2000				
At 1 January 1994	7,226	8,103	1,270	228	16,827
Exchange rate adjustment	-	113	32	16	161
Additions	1,081	2,032	298	108	3,519
Disposals	-	(100)	(7)	(81)	(188)
At 31 December 1994	8,307	10,148	1,593	271	20,319
Depreciation		<del></del>			
At 1 January 1994	830	4,339	702	69	5,940
Exchange rate adjustment	-	51	14	4	69
Charge for year	163	819	168	52	1,202
Disposals	-	(95)	(5)	(43)	(143)
At 31 December 1994	993	5,114	879	82	7,068
Net book value					
At 31 December 1994	7,314	5,034	714	189	13,251
At 31 December 1993	6,396	3,764	568	159	10,887

<sup>(</sup>b) Included in the above are assets held under finance leases with a net book value of £223,000 (1993: £159,000)

## **Stafford-Miller Limited**

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1994 (continued)

## 10 Stocks

	1994	1993
	£000	000°£
Raw materials and packaging materials	3,985	3,547
Work in progress	849	512
Finished goods	7,149	6,064
Sundries	73	241
	12,056	10,364
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11 Debtors		
	1994	1993
	£000	£000
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	10,772	9,687
Amounts owed by fellow subsidiary companies	2,596	2,062
Other debtors	1,808	2,068
Prepayments and accrued income	223	222
	15,399	14,039
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## 12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	1994	1993
	£000	£,000
Bank overdraft	-	6,590
Trade creditors	4,483	3,944
Obligations under finance leases	85	63
Amounts owed to group companies:		
Parent company	1,219	909
Fellow subsidiary companies	17,692	2,456
Taxation (note 13)	649	1,378
Payroll and other taxes	1,105	841
Accruals and deferred income	944	1,073
Other creditors	819	1,571
	26,996	18,825
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### 13 Taxation

The creditor for taxation is made up as follows:-

	21994	1993
	€'000	000°£
United Kingdom corporation tax	106	758
ACT on dividends	543	620
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	649	1,378
		<del></del>

## 14 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	1994	1993
	£000	000°£
Obligations under finance leases	156	110
Other	-	1,147
	156	1,257
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### 15 Lease commitments

(a) Included in creditors at 31 December 1994 are the following amounts relating to capitalised finance leases:-

	1994	1993
	£000	£000
Falling due within one year	85	63
Falling due after more than one year	156	110
	241	173
		<del></del>
Gross lease commitments:		
Due within one year	104	<i>77</i>
Due within 2 to 5 years	92	69
Due after more than 5 years	77	47
	273	193
Less: future finance charges	(32)	(20)
	241	173

(b) Payments due under operating leases analysed by expiry dates of the leases concerned are as follows:-

	Land and buildings £'000	Other £'000
Expiry dates of lease contracts:		
Within one year	•	97
Between 2 and 5 years	•	121
Over 5 years	604	-
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	604	218

1993

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1994 (continued)

## 16 Provision for liabilities and charges

	1994 £'000	1993 £'000
Deferred taxation (note 17) Australian provision for long service leave	241 168	117 128
	409	245

### 17 Deferred taxation

(a) The deferred taxation provision is analysed as follows:-

	Provided £000	Unprovided £'000	Provided £000	Unprovided £'000
Accelerated capital allowances	241	1,205	117	1,211
Other timing differences	-			-
	241	1,205	117	1,211
			<del></del>	

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(b) Movements on the provision for deferred tax are:-

	1994 £000	1993 £'000
At 1 January Transferred from profit and loss account	117 124	- 117
At 31 December	241	117

### 18 Pension Plan

The company operates a funded defined benefit pension scheme in the United Kingdom. The fund holds contributions from employees and the company in trustee administered funds separated from the company's finances. The fund is a final salary arrangement.

The company pays contributions to the fund in order to provide security for existing pensions and the accrued benefits of members. The contributions being paid are based on the results of an actuarial valuation of the fund at 31 December 1993.

The pension cost charged to the profit and loss account is such as to spread the cost of pensions over the working lives of the employees who are members of the fund. Pension costs amount to £527,011 (1993: £497,344) and are equal to the contributions paid to the fund.

The pension cost for the Stafford-Miller Pension Fund is determined by Bacon & Woodrow, independent consulting actuaries. The charge for 1994 is based on the most recent actuarial review which took place as at 31 December 1993 and used the projected unit method. The most significant actuarial assumptions were:-

Rate of return on investments	9.0% pa
Rate of increase in pay levels	7.0% pa
Rate of increase in State Lower and Upper Earnings Limits	5.0% pa
Dividend growth	4.5% pa

The actuarial method and assumptions used for the 1993 actuarial review were determined by the actuary to be appropriate in the light of current circumstances.

The market value of the fund's assets was £5,204,000 as at 31 December 1993 but their long-term value, as used for the purpose of the actuarial valuation, was £5,004,000. This actuarial value of assets represented 96% of the actuarial value of the accrued benefits, where accrued benefits are calculated on the above assumptions and include all benefits for pensioners and other former members, as well as benefits based on service to the valuation date for active members, allowing for future pay rises.

## 19 Called up share capital

	1994	1993
	£'000	000£
Authorised:		
92,000 shares of £10 each	920	920
Allotted, called up and fully paid:		
91,980 shares of £10 each	920	920

### 20 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

	1994	1993
	0003	000°£
Profit for the financial year	1,403	2,926
Dividends and appropriations	(3,000)	(2,800)
	(1,597)	126
Other recognised gains and losses (net)	207	19
Net addition to shareholders funds	(1,390)	145
Opening shareholders' funds	16,012	15,867
Closing shareholder's funds	14,622	16,012

## Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow from operating activities

	1994	1993
	£000	£'000
Operating profit	3,091	5,019
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets	67	66
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	1,202	1,001
(Profit)/loss on sale of tangible fixed assets	(24)	(11)
Increase in stocks	(1,565)	(1,208)
Increase in debtors	(1,214)	(1,622)
(Decrease)/increase in trade creditors	(1,144)	4,206
Increase in provisions	29	´ 9
Adjustment for exchange	•	(189)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	442	7,271

## 22 Analysis of changes in financing during the year

	Finance lease	External	Group
	obligations	loans	loans
	£000	0003	£'000
As at 1 January 1994	173	1,147	-
Currency translation adjustment	14	93	-
New finance leases	141	•	-
Changes in financing during the year	(87)	•	-
Repayment of loans	` <u>-</u>	(1,240)	-
New loans	•	-	16,500
As at 31 December 1994	241	<del></del>	16,500

## 23 Cash and cash equivalents

		1994 £'000	1993 £'000
Changes during the year At 1 January Net cash inflow before adjustments for the effects of forei exchange rates	ign	(5,740) 7,010	(7,749) 1,818 191
Effect of foreign exchange rates  At 31 December		1,345	(5,740)
24 Cash and cash equivalents (continu	ued)		
	1994 £000	1993 £000	Change in year £000
Analysis of balances Cash at bank and in hand Bank overdrafts	1,345	850 (6,590)	495 6,590
At 31 December	1,345	(5,740)	7,085
25 Capital commitments			
		1994 £000	1993 £'000
Capital expenditure that has been contracted for but not in the financial statement	provided	388	2,218
Capital expenditure that has been authorised by directory yet contracted for	s but not	Nil	58

### 26 Ultimate parent undertaking

The company's ultimate parent company is Block Drug Company, Inc., a company incorporated in the United States of America. Copies of the financial statements of the company can be obtained from 257 Cornelison Avenue, Jersey City, N.J., 07302-9988, U.S.A.