

Lennox Industries

**Directors' report and financial
statements**

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Directors' report

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2002.

Principal activity and business review

The principal activity of the company continues to be the design, manufacture and sale of commercial heating and air conditioning equipment.

Dividend

No dividend is proposed for either the ordinary or preference shares for the year (2001: £nil)

Directors and directors' interests

The directors who held office during the year were as follows:

RJ McDonough
CE Edwards Jnr
AM Turbard

The directors who held office at 31 December 2002 had no interests in the shares of the company which require disclosure under Schedule 7 of the Companies Act 1985.

Auditors

During the year Arthur Anderson resigned as auditors of the company. KPMG LLP were appointed to fill a casual vacancy.

In accordance with Section 384 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution for the re-appointment of KPMG LLP as auditors of the company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

By order of the board



AM Turbard
Director

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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 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 have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.



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Report of the independent auditors to the members of Lennox Industries

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 19.

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 auditor's 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 are responsible for preparing the directors' report and, as described on page 2, the financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards. Our responsibilities, as independent auditors, are established in the United Kingdom by statute, the Auditing Practices Board and by our profession's ethical guidance.

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 if, in our opinion, the directors' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if 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 transactions with the company is not disclosed.

Basis of audit 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 2002 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

KPMG

Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor

31 January 2003

Profit and loss account
for the year ended 31 December 2002

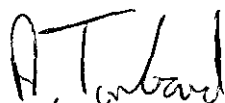
	<i>Note</i>	2002 £	2001 (as restated) £
Turnover	2	13,519,240	17,364,180
Cost of sales		(12,806,882)	(15,352,575)
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Gross profit		712,358	2,011,605
Operating (expenses) / income	3	(3,295,080)	6,328,079
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Operating (loss)/profit		(2,582,722)	8,339,684
Finance charges (net)	4	(1,792)	(199,363)
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(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation	5	(2,584,514)	8,140,321
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	8	-	-
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Retained (loss)/profit for the year		(2,584,514)	8,140,321
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All of the company's activities are derived from continuing operations.

Balance sheet
at 31 December 2002

	Note	2002 £	2001 (as restated) £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	409,326	478,733
Investments	10	32,765	32,765
		<u>442,091</u>	<u>511,498</u>
Current assets			
Stocks	11	2,165,503	2,754,177
Debtors	12	6,366,707	6,729,058
Cash at bank and in hand		-	241,837
		<u>8,532,210</u>	<u>9,725,072</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(4,220,509)	(2,868,764)
Net current assets		<u>4,311,701</u>	<u>6,856,308</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		4,753,792	7,367,806
Provisions for liabilities and charges	14	(76,844)	(106,344)
Net assets		<u>4,676,948</u>	<u>7,261,462</u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	16	314,040	314,040
Capital contribution account	17	5,898,734	5,898,734
Share premium account	17	2,520,760	2,520,760
Profit and loss account	17	(4,056,586)	(1,472,072)
Total shareholders' funds	18	<u>4,676,948</u>	<u>7,261,462</u>
Shareholders' funds may be analysed as:			
Equity interests		4,376,948	6,961,462
Non-equity interests		300,000	300,000
		<u>4,676,948</u>	<u>7,261,462</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 31 May 2003 and were signed on its behalf by:



AM Turbard
Director

Statement of total recognised gains and losses
for the year ended 31 December 2002

	2002 £	2001 £
(Loss)/profit for the financial year	(2,584,514)	8,140,321
Total recognised gains and losses relating to the financial year	(2,584,514)	8,140,321
Prior year adjustment (as explained in note 21)	441,392	-
Total gains and losses recognised since last annual report	(2,143,122)	8,140,321

Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements except as noted below. The company has adopted FRS 18 'Accounting policies' and FRS 19 'Deferred tax' in these financial statements. The comparative figures have been restated accordingly. The company has followed the transitional arrangements of FRS 17 'Retirement benefits' in these financial statements.

Basis of preparation

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

The company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing consolidated financial statements afforded by s228 of the Companies Act 1985 because it is a wholly owned subsidiary of LGL Netherlands BV, incorporated in the Netherlands, which prepares consolidated financial statements which are publicly available. The company is also, on this basis, exempt from the requirement of FRS 1 to present a cash flow statement.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are shown at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset on a straight line basis over its expected useful life as follows:

Improvements to long leasehold properties	-	shorter of length of lease and useful economic life
Plant and machinery	-	5-10 years
Motor vehicles	-	4 years

Residual value is calculated on prices prevailing at the date of acquisition.

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost incurred in bringing each product to its present location and condition is based on:

Raw materials	-	cost
Work in progress and finished goods	-	standard cost of direct materials and labour, plus a reasonable proportion of manufacturing overheads based on normal levels of activity.

Net realisable value is based on normal selling price, less further costs expected to be incurred to completion and disposal. Provision is made for obsolete, slow-moving or defective items where appropriate.

Notes (continued)

1 Accounting policies (continued)

Taxation

Deferred tax is recognised, without discounting, in respect of all timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes which have arisen but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except as otherwise required by FRS 19.

Pension costs

The company operates pension schemes providing benefits based on final pensionable pay.

The two schemes operating are the Lennox Industries Staff Retirement Benefits Scheme for staff employees and the Lennox Industries Retirement Benefits Scheme for hourly paid employees. The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the company, being invested with insurance companies. The amount charged to the profit and loss account is the estimated regular cost of providing the benefits accrued in the year, adjusted to reflect variations from that cost. The regular cost is calculated so that it represents a substantially level percentage of current and future pensionable payroll. Variations from regular cost are charged or credited to the profit and loss account over the estimated average remaining working lives of scheme members.

Foreign currency

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate of exchange at the date of the transaction or, if hedged, at the forward contract rate. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are reported at the rates of exchange prevailing at that date or, if appropriate, at the forward contract rate. All exchange differences are included in the profit and loss account.

Turnover

Turnover comprises the amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, net of trade discounts, VAT and other sales-related taxes.

Leases

Rentals under operating leases are charged on a straight-line basis over the lease term, even if the payments are not made on such a basis.

Investments

Fixed asset investments are shown at cost less provisions for impairment.

Notes (continued)

2 Turnover

All turnover was derived from the company's principal activity.

The analysis of turnover by geographical destination is as follows:

	2002 £	2001 £
United Kingdom	12,260,910	14,878,462
Rest of Europe	1,258,330	2,485,718
	<u>13,519,240</u>	<u>17,364,180</u>

3 Operating expenses / (income)

	2002 £	2001 £
Staff costs	3,456,782	2,229,058
Depreciation on owned assets	159,622	257,504
Other operating income	-	(207,231)
Loan forgiven	-	(6,172,588)
Group recharges	(321,324)	(2,434,822)
	<u>3,295,080</u>	<u>(6,328,079)</u>

On 30 November 2001, the loan amount owing to Lennox International Inc. of £6,172,588 was forgiven.

On 28 December 2001, the company invoiced Lennox International Inc. for recoverable market development costs incurred on UK operations.

4 Finance charges (net)

	2002 £	2001 £
<i>Investment income</i>		
Other interest receivable and similar income	13,993	20,346
	<u>13,993</u>	<u>20,346</u>
<i>Interest payable and similar charges</i>		
Loans from group undertakings	15,785	219,709
	<u>15,785</u>	<u>219,709</u>
<i>Finance charges (net)</i>		
Interest payable and similar charges	15,785	219,709
Less: investment income	(13,993)	(20,346)
	<u>1,792</u>	<u>199,363</u>

Notes (continued)

5 (Loss) /profit on ordinary activities before taxation

	2002 £	2001 £
<i>(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging:</i>		
Depreciation on owned tangible fixed assets	159,622	257,504
Hire of plant and machinery under operating leases	116,528	169,000
Other operating lease rentals	341,952	327,500
Other exchange losses	33,639	30,158
Auditors' remuneration for audit services	13,000	17,000
	<u>159,622</u>	<u>257,504</u>

6 Remuneration of directors

Directors' remuneration was as follows:

	2002 £	2001 £
Emoluments	159,267	117,224
Company contributions to money purchase pension schemes	21,563	36,625
	<u>180,830</u>	<u>153,849</u>

One director (2001: one) was a member of the company pension scheme during the year.

7 Staff numbers and costs

The average number of persons employed by the company (including directors) during the year, analysed by category, was as follows:

	Number of employees 2002	2001
Production	75	101
Sales and distribution	41	38
Administration	15	15
	<u>131</u>	<u>154</u>

Notes (continued)

7 Staff numbers and costs (continued)

The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:

	2002 £	2001 £
Wages and salaries	3,325,095	3,625,277
Social security costs	297,549	275,526
Other pension costs (see note 19b)	144,000	144,000
	<u>3,766,644</u>	<u>4,044,803</u>

8 Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities

Analysis of charge in period

	2002 £	2001 £
Current tax on income for the period	-	-
<i>Deferred tax</i>		
Origination/(reversal) of timing differences in year	-	-
Origination/ (reversal) of timing differences in prior year	-	-
Total deferred tax	-	-
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Factors affecting the tax charge for the current period

The current tax charge for the period is higher (2001: lower) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (30%, 2001: 30%). The differences are explained below:

	2002 £	2001 £
(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before tax	(5,484,514)	8,140,321
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities at 30% (2003: 30%)	(775,354)	2,442,096
<i>Effects of:</i>		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	33,242	98,458
Loan forgiven	-	(1,851,776)
Difference between capital allowances and depreciation	29,398	61,944
Other short term timing differences	(25,015)	16,830
Movement in tax losses	737,729	(767,552)
Total current tax charge (see above)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Notes (continued)

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Improvements to long leasehold properties £	Plant and machinery £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost				
At beginning of year	489,647	1,575,777	42,082	2,107,506
Additions	18,400	74,904	-	93,304
Disposals	(2,556)	(148,444)	-	(151,000)
At end of year	505,491	1,502,237	42,082	2,049,810
Depreciation				
At beginning of year	396,530	1,190,238	42,005	1,628,773
Charge for year	46,701	112,844	77	159,622
On disposals	-	(147,911)	-	(147,911)
At end of year	443,231	1,155,171	42,082	1,640,484
Net book value				
At 31 December 2002	62,260	347,066	-	409,326
At 31 December 2001	93,117	385,558	-	478,773

10 Fixed asset investments

	2002 £	2001 £
Investments at cost	32,765	32,765

The company owns 100% of the ordinary share capital of Environheat Limited, a dormant company registered in England and Wales. The aggregate capital and reserves of Environheat Limited at 31 December 2002 were £ 32,765 (2001: £32,765).

11 Stocks

	2002 £	2001 £
Raw materials and consumables	1,794,650	2,393,348
Finished goods and goods for resale	370,853	360,829
	2,165,503	2,754,177

There is no material difference between the balance sheet value of stocks and their replacement cost.

Notes (continued)

12 Debtors

	2002 £	2001 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	2,503,774	3,118,168
Amounts owed by group undertakings	3,585,562	3,450,521
Prepayments and accrued income	277,371	160,369
	<u>6,366,707</u>	<u>6,729,058</u>

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2002 £	2001 (as restated) £
Bank loans and overdrafts	226,026	-
Trade creditors	1,577,695	1,502,038
Amounts owed to group undertakings	1,752,099	802,563
Other creditors including taxation and social security	207,782	214,245
Accruals and deferred income	456,907	349,918
	<u>4,220,509</u>	<u>2,868,764</u>

14 Provisions for liabilities and charges

	Warranty provision £
At beginning of year	106,344
Utilised during year	(29,500)
	<u>76,844</u>

Notes (continued)

15 Deferred taxation

The elements of deferred taxation are as follows

	2002	Unprovided 2001
	£	£
Accelerated capital allowances	234,947	205,549
Other short term timing differences	23,053	48,068
Tax losses carried forward	4,427,556	3,689,827
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Deferred tax asset	4,685,556	3,943,444
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The directors have assessed the likelihood of the deferred tax balances reversing in the near future. In accordance with FRS 19 they have not recognised a deferred tax asset which is unlikely to be able to be utilised in the near future.

16 Called up share capital

	2002	2001
	£	£
<i>Authorised</i>		
15,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	15,000	15,000
470,000 redeemable non-cumulative preference shares of £1 each	470,000	470,000
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	485,000	485,000
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<i>Allotted, called up and fully paid</i>		
14,040 ordinary shares of £1 each	14,040	14,040
300,000 redeemable non-cumulative preference shares of £1 each	300,000	300,000
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	314,040	314,040
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Non-equity shareholders' funds relate to non-cumulative preference shares which are entitled to 6% of profits available for distribution. These shares may, at the company's option, be redeemed at par either wholly or in part at any time. They also carry the right to priority of capital on winding up, but no voting rights are attached.

Notes (continued)

17 Reserves

	Capital contribution account £	Share premium account £	Profit and loss account £	Total £
At beginning of year (as previously stated)	5,898,734	2,520,760	(1,913,464)	6,506,030
Add prior year adjustment (see note 21)	-	-	441,392	441,392
At beginning of year (restated)	5,989,734	2,520,760	(1,472,072)	6,947,422
Loss for the year	-	-	(2,584,514)	(2,584,514)
At end of year	5,898,734	2,520,760	(4,056,586)	4,362,908

The capital contribution account arose from the conversion of certain loans and accrued interest payable to the ultimate parent company and is not considered by the directors to be distributable.

18 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

	2002 £	2001 £
Opening shareholder's funds (as previously stated)	7,261,462	(1,320,251)
Add prior year adjustment (see note 21)	-	441,392
Opening shareholder's funds (restated)	7,261,462	(878,859)
(Loss)/profit for the financial year	(2,584,514)	8,140,321
Closing shareholders' funds	4,676,948	7,261,462

19 Commitments

(a) Capital commitments

The company had no capital commitments at either year end.

(b) Pension commitments

SSAP 24

The pension cost charge for the year was £144,000 (2001: £144,000) for the staff scheme.

The pension cost is assessed in accordance with the advice of a professionally qualified actuary. The latest actuarial valuation was as at 1 January 2002 and used the projected unit method. The main actuarial assumptions for the Lennox Industries Staff Retirement Benefits Scheme were that (a) salaries would increase by 7.0% p.a., (b) pensions paid would increase by 3% p.a., and (c) the return on scheme investments would be 8.5% p.a.

In respect of the Lennox Industries Staff Retirements Benefits Scheme, the most recent actuarial valuation showed that the market value of the scheme's assets was £3,554,884 and that the actuarial value of those assets represented 125% of the benefits that had accrued to members, after allowing for expected future increases in earnings. The latest actuarial review produced a cost in accordance with SSAP 24 of 6.2% of pensionable payroll consisting of a regular cost of 9.7% and a variation from regular cost of 3.5%.

Notes (continued)

(b) *Pension commitments (continued)*

SSAP 24 (continued)

In respect of the Lennox Industries Retirement Benefits Scheme for Hourly Paid Employees, the most recent actuarial valuation showed that the market value of the scheme's assets was £474,684 and that the actuarial value of those assets represent 180% of the benefits that had accrued to members, after allowing for expected future increases in earnings. This scheme was closed to new membership in January 1994 and the remaining members still in the company's employment transferred to the staff scheme. No contributions are paid into the scheme.

FRS 17 second year transitional disclosures

Whilst the company continues to account for pension costs in accordance with Statement of Standard Accounting Practice 24 'Accounting for Pension costs', under FRS 17 'Retirement benefits' the following transitional disclosures are required:

The valuation was updated by the actuary on an FRS 17 basis as at 1 January 2002 and further updated to 31 December 2002.

The major assumptions used in this valuation were:

	2002	2001
Rate of increase in salaries	3.50%	3.00%
Rate of increase in pensions in payment and deferred pensions	2.00%	2.50%
Discount rate applied to scheme liabilities	5.50%	6.00%
Inflation assumption	2.00%	2.50%

The assumptions used by the actuary are the best estimates chosen from a range of possible actuarial assumptions which, due to the timescale covered, may not necessarily be borne out in practice.

Notes (continued)

19 Pension scheme (continued)

Scheme assets

The fair value of the scheme's assets, which are not intended to be realised in the short term and may be subject to significant change before they are realised, and the present value of the scheme's liabilities, which are derived from cash flow projections over long periods and thus inherently uncertain, were:

	Long term rate of return 2002	Value at 2002 £000	Long term rate of return 2001	Value at 2001 £000
Equities	6.50%		7.00%	
Bonds	4.50%		5.00%	
Other	3.00%	5,027	3.00%	4,873
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		5,027		4,873
Present value of scheme liabilities		(6,649)		(3,939)
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Deficit in the scheme – Pension liability		(1,622)		(934)
Related deferred tax asset		487		280
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Net pension deficit		(1,135)		(654)
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The amount of this net pension deficit would have a consequential effect on reserves.

Movement in deficit during the year

	2002 £000
Surplus in scheme at beginning of year	934
Current service cost	(135)
Contributions paid	104
Other finance income/(cost)	(93)
Actuarial loss	(2,432)
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Deficit in the scheme at end of year	(1,622)
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Notes (continued)

19 Pension scheme (continued)

If FRS 17 had been fully adopted in these financial statements the pension costs for defined benefit schemes would have been:

Analysis of other pension costs charged in arriving at operating profit/loss	2002
	£000

Current service cost	135
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Analysis of amounts included in other finance income/costs	2002
	£000

Expected return on pension scheme assets	147
Interest on pension scheme liabilities	(240)

Net return	(93)
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Analysis of amount recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses	2002
	£000

Actual return less expected return on scheme assets	(74)
Experience gains and losses arising on scheme liabilities	(1,709)
Changes in assumptions underlying the present value of scheme liabilities	(649)

Actuarial loss recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses	(2,432)
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Notes (continued)

19 Commitments (continued)

(c) Lease commitments

The minimal annual rentals under the foregoing leases are as follows:

	2002		2001	
	Land and buildings £	Other £	Land and buildings £	Other £
Operating leases which expire:				
Within one year	245,000	100,000	-	-
In the second to fifth years inclusive	-	17,000	327,500	328,000
	<u>245,000</u>	<u>117,000</u>	<u>327,500</u>	<u>328,000</u>

(d) Other

A fixed and floating charge is held by the Natwest Bank over all the current and future assets of the company.

20 Contingent liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities at 31 December 2002 (2001: £220,000).

21 Prior year adjustment

Prior to 1 January 2002, the company was not accounting for their pension scheme under UK GAAP, as US GAAP pension figures had been carried forward in the balance sheet. A prior year adjustment has been made as at 1 January 2001 to eliminate the US GAAP pension balances, and thus to correctly account for pensions under UK GAAP. The effect of this has been to increase reserves by £441,392 and to reduce accruals by £441,392.

22 Transactions with related parties

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 8 not to disclose related party transactions within the group as it is a wholly owned subsidiary of a company whose financial statements, in which the company is included, are available to the public. There were no other related party transactions.

23 Ultimate parent company and controlling party

Lennox Industries is a subsidiary of HCF-Lennox Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

The results of Lennox Industries are consolidated within the results of LGL Netherlands BV. The financial statements of LGL Netherlands BV are available to the public from LGL Netherlands BV, Watergoorweg 87, PO Box 128, 3860 BA Nisker, The Netherlands.

The ultimate group of which Lennox Industries is a member and for which group financial statements are drawn up is that headed by Lennox International Inc., the ultimate parent undertaking, a company registered in Iowa, USA. The financial statements of Lennox International Inc. are available to the public from 2140 Lake Park Boulevard, Richardson, TX, 75080, USA.

The ultimate controlling parties of the Lennox International Inc. group are the Norris and Booth families.