Report and Financial Statements

31 December 2001



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#### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their report and the audited accounts for the year ended 31st December 2001.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

The principal activity of the Company continues to be the maintenance of refrigeration equipment, specialising in chillers and other air conditioning equipment.

#### REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS AND FUTURE PROSPECTS

A satisfactory result for the year despite the continued rising cost of operations. Market share has continued to increase with the Uxbridge and Strood branches expanding as opportunity in the South East continues to grow. Prospects for 2002 are for further growth.

#### RESULTS

The results of the company are as set out in the accounts on pages 5 to 12. The Company has paid interim dividends of £70,000 (2000 - £61,600) to its parent company. The directors recommend a final dividend of £177,000 (2000 - £185,000). After dividends, profits of £203,000 (2000 - £201,000) have been transferred to reserves.

#### DIRECTORS

The directors who served during the year are set out below:-

- DA Fox
- D Collin
- PA Bibby
- BA Gardner
- A M Ringrose (Appointed 01.01.02)
- P F Ford (Appointed 01.01.02)
- J Matthews (Appointed 01.01.02)

In accordance with the Articles of Association directors are not required to retire by rotation.

None of the directors has any beneficial interest in the shares of the company.

The interests of the directors at 31st December 2001 in the capital of the ultimate parent undertakings are as stated as follows:

Tollows.	<u>Shares</u> 10p es		Options over Shares of 10p each		Exercise Price p	Period of Exercise
Interserve plc	1.1.01	31.12.01	1.1.01	31.12.01		
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DA Fox	45,067	45,067	10,850	10,850	212.00p	07.10.01- 06.10.0 <b>5</b>
			14,150	14,150	212.00p	07.10.01- 06.10.08
				1,640	439.4p	01.06.04- 01.12.04
D Collin	23,132	23,132		1,640	439.4p	01.06.04- 01.12.04
PA Bibby	-	-				
BA Gardner	153 <u>Loan No</u>	153 tes of £1 each				
DA Fox	71,704	44,704				

The market price of Interserve Plc shares at 31st December 2001 was 510p. The range of closing prices during the year was 459p to 605p.

The directors have no other interest in any other group undertaking (2000 - none).

#### POLICY ON PAYMENT OF CREDITORS

It is the Company's normal practice to agree payment terms with its suppliers and abide by those terms. Payment becomes due when it can be confirmed that goods and/or services have been provided in accordance with the relevant contractual conditions. Trade creditors at 31 December 2001, calculated in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 1985, were 57 days (2000 – 47 days). This represents the ratio, expressed in days, between the amounts invoiced to the Company in the year by its suppliers and the amounts due, at the year end, to trade creditors falling due for payment within one year.

#### **AUDITORS**

Re-appointing Resolutions will be proposed at the annual general meeting to reappoint Deloitte & Touche as auditors to the company and to authorise the directors to fix their remuneration.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board by

W. L. SPENCER Secretary 17th April 2002 Climate House Highlands Road Shirley Solihull B90 4NL

#### 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;
- 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.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CLIMATE SERVICES LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Climate Services Limited for the year ended 31 December 2001 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet, and the related notes 1 to 21. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

#### RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

As described in the statement of directors' responsibilities, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant United Kingdom legal and regulatory requirements and auditing standards.

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 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.

We read the directors' report for the above year and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements.

#### BASIS OF AUDIT OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom 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 2001 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

7th May 2002

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

Deloitte & Touche Colmore Gate 2 Colmore Row Birmingham B3 2BN

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2001

	NOTE	2001	2000
		£000	£000
TURNOVER	2	10,508	9,396
Cost of sales	_	(6,831)	(6,014)
GROSS PROFIT		3,677	3,382
Administration Expenses	_	(3,032)	(2,755)
		645	627
Other Operating Income	3	-	6
OPERATING PROFIT	4	645	633
Interest receivable	7	17	24
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	_	662	657
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	8 _	(212)	(210)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS		450	447
Equity dividends	9 _	(247)	(246)
RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE YEAR TRANSFERRED TO			
RESERVES	17	203	201

All activities are continuing as defined under FRS3: Reporting Financial Performance.

A statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses is not presented as there have been no recognised gains or losses other than the profit for the year and the preceeding year set out above.

# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2001

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NOTE	£000	2001 £000	£000	2000 £000
	2000	2000	2000	2000
10		39		96
12	557		444	
13	2,453		2,153	
	491		216	
	3,501	•	2,813	
	-	•		
	902		671	
14	1,203		1,017	
	2,105	- -	1,688	
	_	1,396	-	1,125
		1,435		1,221
15		(67)		(56)
	-	1,368		1,165
16		50		50
17		1,318		1,115
		1,368	_	1,165
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These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 17th April 2002.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors.

17th April 2002

D Collin DIRECTOR DIRECTOR

# 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The particular accounting policies adopted are described below.

#### CONVENTION

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention.

# **TURNOVER**

Turnover comprises the value of goods supplied and services rendered as adjusted by the variation between opening and closing valuations of contracts in progress and after making full provision for potential claims and allowances, excluding VAT.

#### TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis calculated to write down their cost over their estimated useful economic lives at the following annual rates:

Motor Vehicles

25%

Furniture and Equipment -

20% - 33 1/3%

#### LEASED ASSETS

Fixed assets held under finance leases are capitalised and depreciated over their expected useful lives. The finance charges are allocated over the primary period of the lease in proportion to the capital element outstanding.

The costs of operating leases are charged to profit and loss account as they accrue.

#### **STOCKS**

Stock and work in progress is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Contract work in progress is valued at cost plus attributable profit less foreseeable losses. Attributable profit is included when the outcome of a contract can be assessed with reasonable certainty. The value of contract work in progress is accounted for within turnover and in accordance with Statement of Standard Accounting Practice 9 (Revised) - Stocks and Long-term Contracts, the excess of the book value over payments receivable is included in debtors as "Amounts recoverable on Contracts". Payments receivable in excess of book value on an individual contract basis are included in creditors.

## **PENSIONS**

The Company participates in the Interserve Pension Scheme which is of the defined benefit type and covers all employees who are permanent members of staff who have elected to join. Actuarial valuations are carried out every three years by independent qualified actuaries. The surplus in the Interserve Pension Scheme, after offsetting regular pension costs and allowing for accruing interest, will, in accordance with SSAP24, Accounting for Pension Costs, be released to the profit and loss account of Interserve Plc over the average remaining service life of employees. No charge will be made to the profit and loss account of the Company until the surplus has been extinguished.

For the purposes of FRS 17, the Company has been unable to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities in the main Group scheme, the Interserve Pension Scheme, on a consistent and reasonable basis. Therefore, following full implementation of FRS 17, the Company will account for contributions to the Scheme as if it were a defined contribution scheme. At 31 December 2001 the valuation of the Scheme for the purposes of FRS 17 showed a net pension liability, as set out in note 6b to the report and accounts of Interserve Plc.

#### DEFERRED TAXATION

Provision is made and relief is taken at projected rates of taxation for timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and for accounting purposes to the extent that liabilities or assets are likely to crystallise in the foreseeable future.

#### 2. SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS

The Company's turnover arises mainly in the UK from its activities in the service and maintenance of refrigeration and air conditioning equipment. Overseas turnover in the form of exports is immaterial.

# 3. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

	2001	2000
	£000	£000
Rents Receivable		6
4. OPERATING PROFIT		
	2001	2000
	£000	£000
Operating profit is arrived at after charging:		
Depreciation		
On owned assets	61	70
Rentals under operating leases		
Hire of plant and machinery	422	423
Other lease rentals	33	34
Remuneration payable to auditors		
Audit fees	10	13_

#### 5. EMPLOYEES

	2001 Number	2000 Number
The average number employed by the company (including directors) within each category of persons was:		
Production	110	105
Administration	55	42
	165	147
	2001	2000
	£000	£000
The costs incurred in respect of these employees (including directors) were:		
Wages and salaries	4,001	3,672
Social Security costs	388	337
Other pension costs	-	
- -	4,389	4,009

# **Pension Costs**

The Interserve Pension Scheme is a defined benefit funded scheme. The last valuation of the Scheme was carried out at the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2000. The results of this valuation and details of the main actuarial assumptions adopted for this purpose are disclosed in the accounts of Interserve Plc, the ultimate parent undertaking. As stated in note 1 (above) there is no pension credit or cost for the year.

# NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2001 (continued)

6.	DIRECTORS		
		2001 £000	2000 £000
	Aggregate emoluments	263	239
	Emoluments of highest paid director	131	104
	Deferred Pension at 31 December of highest paid director	46	40
	Accrued lump sum at 31 December for highest paid director	104	100
		Number	Number
	Number of directors who exercised share options in ultimate holding	Mulliber	Tulliber
	company		
	Pension Contributions  Number of directors to whom retirement benefits are accruing under defined	Number	Number
	benefit schemes	3	3_
7.	INTEREST RECEIVABLE		
		2001	2000
		£000	£000
	Group interest	17	24
	<u>-</u>	17	24
8.	TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES		
		2001	2000
		£000	£000
	UK Corporation Tax at 30% (2000: 30%)	217	214
	Deferred taxation	(6)	(4)
		211	210
	Adjustment to prior years Corporation Tax	1	
	_	212	210
9.	DIVIDENDS		
		2001	2000
		£000	£000
	On ordinary shares of £1 each Interims at £1.40 per share (2000 - £1.22)	70	61
	Proposed final at £3.54 per share (2000 – £3.70)	70 177	185
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# 10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Motor Vehicles £000	Furniture and Equipment £000	TOTAL £000
COST			
1st January 2001	167	215	382
Additions at cost	-	7	7
Disposals	(27)	(1)	(28)_
31st December 2001	140	221	361
DEPRECIATION			
1st January 2001	131	155	286
Provided in year	17	44	61
Disposals	(24)	(1)	(25)_
31st December 2001	124	198	322
NET BOOK VALUE			
31st December 2001			
Owned assets	16	23	39
31st December 2000			
Owned assets	36	60	96

# 11. OPERATING LEASES

At 31st December 2001 the Company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Land and Buildings		Other	
	2001 £000	2000	2001 £000	2000
Commitments expiring:			77	55
within one year in two to five years	31	29	319	297
after five years	1	1	-	4
•	32	30	396	356

### 12. STOCKS

	2001	2000
	£000	£000
Goods held for resale	557	444

The replacement cost of stock is not materially different from the amounts stated in the accounts.

Contract work in progress is accounted for in turnover and in accordance with the provisions of Statement of Standard Accounting Practice 9 (Revised) - Stocks and Long-term Contracts, the excess of book value over payments receivable is included in debtors as "Amounts Recoverable on Contracts".

# NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2001 (continued)

13.	DEBT	TORS		****
			2001	2000
			£000	£000
		unts recoverable on contracts	844	627
		e debtors	1,380	1,293
		unts owed by fellow subsidiary undertakings	178	159
		r debtors	10	18
	Prep	ayments and accrued income	41	2 153
		~	2,453	2,153
١.	SUN	DRY CREDITORS		
			2001	2000
			£000	£000
	Adva	ance payments	105	56
	Amo	unts owed to fellow subsidiary undertakings	87	17
	Othe	r creditors	2	12
	Corp	poration tax	132	166
		r taxation and social security	394	341
	Accr	uals and deferred income	306	240
	Divid	dends	177	185
			1,203	1,017
5.	PRO	VISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES		
			2001	2000
			£000	£000
	Defe	rred taxation	(35)	(29)
		ision for warranties on products delivered	`56	49
		r Provisions	46	36
			67	56
	Defe	rred taxation - provided and potential		
	(a)	Movement in year		
		1st January 2001	(29)	
		(Credit) for year	(6)	
		31st December 2001	(35)	
	(b)	The source of the balance on deferred tax account is as follows:		
	(0)	Accelerated capital allowances	(35)	
	War	ranties on products delivered		
	** 211	Movement in year		
		1 <sup>st</sup> January 2001	49	
		Charge for year	7	
		31st December 2001	56	
	The p	rovision for warranties is expected to be utilised within the next 12 months		
	Otha	r Provisions		
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		Movement in year	36	
		1st January 2001	36 10	
		Charge for Year	46	
	O41	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2001 provisions for outstanding commitments on contracts.		hat this

Other provisions relate to provisions for outstanding commitments on contracts. It is expected that this expenditure will be incurred within the next 12 months.

### 16. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	2001	2000
	£000	£000
Authorised, allotted and fully paid		
50,000 (1999- 50,000) ordinary shares of £1 each	50	50

#### 17. PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

	£000
1 <sup>st</sup> January 2001	1,115
Retained profit for the year	203
31st December 2001	1,318

#### 18. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	2001	2000
	£000	£000
Profit attributable to shareholders	450	447
Dividends	(247)	(246)
Movement in year	203	201
Opening shareholders' funds	1,165	964
Closing shareholders' funds	1,368	1,165

#### 19. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At 31st December 2001 there were contingent liabilities in respect of guarantees given in the ordinary course of business. At 31st December 2001 these amounted to £12,000 (2000 - £12,000).

The company has given guarantees covering banking facilities made available to the parent and fellow subsidiary undertakings. At 31st December 2001 these amounted to £64,230,000 (2000 - Nil).

# 20. CASH FLOW STATEMENT

The company is not presenting a cash flow statement. It has taken advantage of the exemption contained in Financial Reporting Standard 1 (Revised) - Cash Flow Statements, as the ultimate parent undertaking, Interserve Plc, has included a consolidated cash flow statement in the group accounts.

#### 21. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company's immediate parent undertaking is Climate Equipment Holdings Limited and the ultimate parent undertaking and ultimate controlling party is Interserve Plc, which is in-corporated in Great Britain. The Group accounts of Interserve Plc are available from Companies House, Crown Way, Maindy, Cardiff CF4 3UZ.

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in Financial Reporting Standard 8 - Related Party Transactions not to report transactions with investee companies of the Interserve Group which are eliminated in the consolidated financial statements of Interserve Plc.