

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31st December 1992

Company No: 942245



Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December 1992

#### Financial statements

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1992.

#### Activities

The company continues to develop, manufacture and distribute electromedical equipment.

#### Change of name of the company

On 10th June 1992, the company changed its name to Huntleigh Healthcare (Luton) Limited.

#### Results

The results for the year are set out in the profit and loss account on page 5. The directors have decided to transfer the balance of £1,510,863 on the profit and loss account to reserve:.

#### Review of business and future developments

The company enjoyed a considerable increase in turnover and profitability during 1992. Further progress is expected in the future.

#### Research and development

The company continues to invest in product development. Expenditure on research and development is written off in the year in which it is incurred.

#### Dividend

The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend for the year. An interim dividend of £903,000 was paid during the year.

Report of the directors for the year ended 31st December 1992 (continued)

#### Fixed assets

Details of changes in tangible fixed assets and fixed asset investments during the year are set out in notes 8 and 9 to the financial statements respectively.

#### Charitable donations

The company made charitable donations during the year amounting to £3,634.

#### Directors

The members of the board since 1st January 1992 were:-

R. Schild
J.A.B. Wotton
J.D. Schild
D.L. Schild

Directora' interests in shares of the company

The company is ultimately a wholly owned subsidiary of Huntleigh Technology plc.

None of the directors had an interest in any shares, transactions or arrangements which requires disclosure in this report. Their interest in the company's ultimate holding company, Huntleigh Technology plc, are shown in that company's directors' report.

#### Employees

The company supports the employment of disabled people wherever possible, by recruitment, by retraining all those who become disabled during their employment, and generally, through training, career development and promotion.

Effective communication with all employees is ensured through a variety of different practices such as works committees and periodical briefings by senior managers.

Report of the directors for the year ended 31st December 1992 (continued)

Directors' and officers' insurance

The company is included in the insurance policy maintained by the Huntleigh Technology plc group. The policy is on behalf of all directors and officers to cover liabilities arising from negligence, breach of duty and breach of trust in relation to the group.

#### **Auditors**

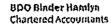
Pursuant to Section 386 of the Companies Act 1985, the company elected on 25th September 1990 to dispense with the obligation to appoint auditors annually.

The directors' report was approved by the board on 24th May, 1993.

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Secretary



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Report of the auditors to the members of Huntleigh Healthcare (Luton) Limited (Invaerly Huntleigh Medical Limited)

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 21 in accordance with Auditing Standards.

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs at 31 December 1992 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor

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Profit and loss account for the year ended 31st December 1992

|   | Notes | 1992<br>£               | 1 <u>991</u><br>£      |
|---|-------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Turnover<br>Cost of sales                     | 2     | 14,879,539<br>6,467,259 | 8,628,056<br>4,631,477 |
| Gross profit                                  |       | 8,412,280               | 3,996,579              |
| Distribution costs<br>Administrative expenses |       | 2,524,380<br>2,362,484  | 1,645,141<br>1,681,556 |
| Operating profit                              |       | 3,525,416               | 769,882                |
| Interest receivable                           | 3     | 327,533                 | 127,146                |
| Interest payable                              |       | 3,852,949<br>41,183     | 897,028<br>75,656      |
| Profit on ordinary activities before taxation | 3     | 3,811,766               | 821,372                |
| Tax on profit on ordinary activities          | 6     | 1,397,903               | 274,855                |
| Profit on ordinary activities after taxation  |       | 2,413,863               | 546,517                |
| Dividend paid                                 | 7     | 903,000                 | ~                      |
| Retained profit for the year                  |       | 1,510,863               | 546,517                |
| Balance brought forward                       |       | 1,919,987               | 1,373,470              |
| Balance carried forward                       |       | £3,430,850              | £1,919,987             |

Note: The company had no recognised gains or losses other than the profit for the year.

| Balance sheet at 31st December  | 1992   |                        |  |
|---------------------------------|--------|------------------------|--|
|                                 | Notes  | 1992                   | 1991                                   |
|                                 | ~~~~   | <u>1992</u><br>£       | <u>1991</u><br>£                       |
| Fixed assets                    |        |                        |  |
|                                 |        |                        |  |
| Tangible assets                 | 8      | 3,433,160              | 2,797,612                              |
| Investments                     | 9      | 4                      | <u> </u>                               |
|                                 |        | $\frac{4}{£3,433,164}$ | £2,797,612                             |
|                                 |        | ******                 | ****                                   |
| Current assets                  |        |                        |  |
|                                 |        |                        |  |
| Stocks                          | 10     | 1,324,651              | 1,161,961                              |
| Debtors                         | 11     | 2,838,576              | 1,658,331                              |
| Cash at bank and in hand        |        | 3,828,352              | 1.887.552                              |
|                                 |        | 7,991,579              | 4,707,844                              |
| Creditors: amounts falling due  |        |                        |  |
| within one year                 | 12     | 5,814,552              | 3,376,361                              |
| Net current assets              |        | 2,177,027              | 1,331,483                              |
|                                 |        | ·                      |  |
| Total assets less current liabi | lities | 5,610,191              | 4,129,095                              |
|                                 |        |                        | •                                      |
| Creditors: amounts falling due  | after  |                        |  |
| wore than one year              | 13     | 1,371,086              | 1,430,841                              |
|                                 |        |                        |  |
| Provisions for liabilities      |        |                        |  |
| and charges                     | 15     | 100,000                | 70,012                                 |
|                                 |        | £4,139,105             | £2,628,242                             |
|                                 |        | 22222222               | *********                              |
| Capital and reserves            |        |                        |  |
| Called up share capital         | 16     | 301,000                | 301,000                                |
|                                 | 3 & 17 | 407,255                | 407,255                                |
| Profit and loss account         |        | 3,430,850              | 1,919,987                              |
|                                 |        | £4,139,105             | £2,628,242                             |
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The financial statements on pages 5 to 21 were approved by the board on 24th May, 1993.

J.D. Schild

Finance Director

Reconciliation of movement on shareholders' funds for the year ended 31st December 1992:

|  | <u>1992</u><br>£      | 1991<br>£  |
|--|-----------------------|------------|
| Profit on ordinary activities after taxation | 2,413,863             | 546,517    |
| Dividend paid                                | 903,000               | ~          |
|  | 1,510,863             | 546,517    |
| Opening shareholders' funds                  | 2,628,242             | 2,081,725  |
| Closing shareholders' funds                  | £4,130,105<br>******* | £2,628,242 |

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1992

#### 1. Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been used consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

#### Accounting basis

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of freehold land and buildings.

#### Compliance with accounting standards

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

#### Cash flow statement

As allowed under FRS1 issued by the Accounting Standards Board, this statement has not been prepared as the company is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of a company which publishes consolidated financial statements including a consolidated cash flow statement.

#### Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on fixed assets in equal annual instalments over the following estimated lives:

Freehold buildings ~ 50 years

Plant and machinery - up to a maximum of 10 years

Vehicles ~ 3 years

#### Research and development expenditure

Expenditure on development is written off in the year in which it is incurred.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1992 (continued)

#### Stocks and work in progress

Stocks and work in progress are valued on a first in first out basis at the lower of cost and estimated net realisable value. Cost represents direct cost plus appropriate overheads.

#### Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred taxation, using the liability method, where it is probable that a taxation liability will arise.

#### Foreign curreccies

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the average rate of exchange during the year. The resultant assets and liabilities are translated into sterling at rates of exchange applicable at 31st December 1992.

All differences are taken to profit and loss account.

#### Turnover

Turnover comprises the invoiced value of goods and services supplied by the company, exclusive of VAT.

#### Government grants

Non-capital grants are dealt with in the profit and loss account in the period they become receivable.

#### Pension costs

This company and other UK companies within the Huntleigh Technology plc group make contributions to a defined benefit scheme. The cost is charged against profits on a systematic basis over the expected service lives of employees. The funds of that scheme are administered by trustees and are separate from the group.

Notes to the financial statementa for the year ended 31st December 1992 (continued)

Leases and hire purchase obligations

Assets under hire and lease purchase agreements are included under tangible fixed assets and depreciated over their estimated useful lives.

Obligations under such agreements are stated in the balance sheet net of finance charges allocated to future periods. The finance element is charged to the profit and loss account and is calculated in order that the annual rate of charge on the capital element outstanding approximates to a constant rate.

The rentals payable for assets held under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account as they are incurred.

#### 2. Segment information

| <u>1992</u>                                      | Turnover<br>1991 |            | Profit on ary activities efore texation 1991 |
|--|------------------|------------|--|
| Class of business: Medical equipment £14,879,539 | £8,628,056       | £3,811,766 | £821,372<br>=======                          |

In the opinion of the directors, disclosure of turnover by geographical markets would be seriously prejudicial to the interest of the company, and accordingly has not been made.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1992 (continued)

| 3. | Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging or (crediting | 1 <u>992</u><br>1g): £          | 1 <u>991</u><br>£               |
|----|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|    | Research and development costs Depreciation - owned fixed assets                     | 415,656<br>579,731              | 372,665<br>284,129              |
|    | - assets under hire and lease purchase   | 7,557                           | 62,522                          |
|    | Operating lease rentals:  land and buildings other                                   | 22,691<br>1,680                 | 16,205<br>4,058                 |
|    | Auditors' remuneration as auditors Interest payable:                                 | 17,000                          | 16,400                          |
|    | On loans and overdraft repayable:  | 21                              | 116                             |
|    | within five years not by instalments wholly or partly in more than five years        | 36,236                          | 57,548                          |
|    | On finance lesses:<br>terminating within five years                                  | 4,926                           | 17,992                          |
|    | Interest receivable: from a fellow subsidiary undertaking other                      | (35,803)<br>(291,730)<br>====== | (35,714)<br>(91,432)<br>≈≈≈≈≈≈≈ |

Amounts paid to BDO Binder Hamlyn by the company in respect of non-audit services were £3,314 (1991: £2,103).

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|   | 1992<br>£   | £<br>1991                              |
|---|---|--|
| Remuneration as executives<br>Pension contributions | 160,175<br>20,365<br>£180,540<br>************************************ | 130,393<br>4,705<br>£135,098<br>====== |

Directors' remuneration, excluding pension contributions, include the following:

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|-----------------------|--------------------|---------|
| Chairman              | £106,065           | £91,056 |
| Highest paid director | ***                | ****    |

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1992 (continued)

#### 4. Directors emoluments (continued)

Directors' fees and remuneration fell within the following band:

|                     | Mumber   | W.W. Det. |
|---------------------|----------|-----------|
| £ 0 ~ £ 5,000       | 2        | 2         |
| £ 35,000 ~ £ 40,000 | -        | 1         |
| £ 50,000 ~ £ 55,000 | 1        | •         |
| £ 90,00° ~ £ 95,000 | <b>~</b> | Ţ         |
| £105,000 - £110,000 | 1        | ~         |

#### 5. Particulars of employees

The average number of persons employed by the company (including directors) during the year was:

| Ontracause                    | <u>1992</u><br>Number | <u>1991</u><br>Number |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Category:                     | 140                   | 110                   |
| Production                    | 140                   | 110                   |
| Sales and administration      | 140                   | 111                   |
|                               | 280                   | 221                   |
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| Their total remuneration was: | 1992                  | <u> 1991</u>          |
|                               | £                     | £                     |
| Wages and salaries            | 3,790,969             | 2,540,083             |
| Social security costs         | 366,954               | 251,933               |
| Other pension costs           | 54,366                | 20,475                |
| onor ponozon odaoc            | £4,212,289            | \$2,812,491           |
|                               | *******               | *****                 |

This company and other UK companies within the Huntleigh Technology plc group operate a pension scheme providing benefits based on final pensionable remuneration. The assets of the acheme are held in a separate trust fund administered by professional investment managers. Contributions to the scheme are charged to the profit and loss account so as to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives within the company. The contributions are determined by a qualified actuary on the basis of triennial valuations using (currently) the Projected Unit method. The most recent valuation was at 6th April 1991.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1992 (continued)

#### 5. Particulars of employees (continued)

That actuarial valuation showed that the market value of the scheme's assets was £1,262,059 and that the actuarial value of those assets represented 91 per cent. of the benefits that had accrued to members after allowing for expected future increases in earnings.

The assumptions which have the most significant effect on the valuation are a rate of return on investment 2 per cent. greater than the rate of increase in salaries and that the present and future pensions would increase at a rate of 3 per cent. per annum.

The cost of administering the scheme is borne by the group.

| 6. | Tax on profit on ordinary activities   | 1992<br>£             | 1991<br>£           |
|----|--|-----------------------|---------------------|
|    | UK corporation tax payable at 33 per cent. (1991: 33.25 per cent.) Deferred taxation (note 15) | 1,437,978<br>(96,641) | 283,141<br>(11,026) |
|    | Under provision for prior year   | 1,341,337<br>56,566   | 272,115<br>2,740    |
|    |  | £1,397,903            | £274,855            |
| 7. | Dividend   | <u>1992</u>           | <u> 1991</u>        |
|    | Paid   | £903,000              | £ -                 |

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1992 (continued)

#### 8. Tangible fixed asacts

|                        | Freehold<br>land and<br>buildings<br>£ | Plant<br>and<br><u>machinery</u><br>£ | Motor <u>vehicles</u> Total £ |
|------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Cost or valuation:     |  |                                       |                               |
| At 1st January 1992    | 1,498,342                              | 2,115,041                             | 555,275 4,168,658             |
| Additions              | <u>~</u>                               | 816,895                               | 431,704 1,248,599             |
| Intra-group transfer   | -                                      | ~                                     | 13,816 13,816                 |
| Disposals              | ••                                     | ~                                     | (94,827) (94,827)             |
| ,                      |  |                                       |                               |
| At 31st December 1992  | £1,498,342                             | £2,931,936                            | £905,968 £5,336,246           |
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| Accumulated depreciati |  |                                       |                               |
| At 1st January 1992    | 84,870                                 | 1,090,024                             | 196,144 1,371,046             |
| Provision for the year | 20,19                                  | 308,452                               | 258,640 587,288               |
| Intra-group transfer   | -                                      | ~                                     | 8,635 8,635                   |
| Disposals              | -                                      | ~                                     | (63,883) (63,883)             |
| At 31st December 1992  | £105,074                               | £1,398,476                            | £399,536 £1,903,086           |
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| Net book value:        |  |                                       |                               |
| At 31st December 1992  | £1,393,268                             | £1,533,460                            | £506,432 £3,433,160           |
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| Net book value:        |  |                                       |                               |
| At 31st December 1991  | £1,413,464                             | £1,025,017                            | £359,131 £2,797,612           |
|                        | ********                               | *********                             | *******                       |

The net book value of the company's tangible assets of £3,433,160 includes an amount of £43,451 (1991: £222,216) in respect of assets held under hire and lease purchase contracts.

Freehold land and buildings include a value of £879,755 in respect of freehold land, which is not depreciated.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1992 (continued)

#### 8. Tangible fixed assets (continued)

#### Valuation

The freehold land and buildings acquired by the company on 1st July 1987 were revalued at 31st December 1987, on an open market basis by a firm of independent chartered surveyors. The amount of revalued land and buildings as determined according to historical cost accounting rules is:

|                           | Land     | Buildings | Total      |
|---------------------------|----------|-----------|------------|
|                           | £        | £         | £          |
| Cost:                     |          |           |            |
| At 1st January 1992 and   |          |           |            |
| 31st December 1992        | 473,000  | 618,087   | 1,091,087  |
|                           | ****     | 222222    | *****      |
| Accumulated depreciation: |          |           |            |
| At lat January 1992       |          | 49,605    | 49,605     |
| Provision for the year    | -        | 12,362    | 12,362     |
| 44 91 Y 1000              |          |           | ~~~~~~     |
| At 31st December 1992     | •        | 61,967    | 61,967     |
|                           | 222222   | ******    | ****       |
| Net book value:           |          |           |            |
| At 31st December 1992     | £473,000 | £556,120  | £1,029,120 |
|                           | ****     | *****     | *******    |
| Net book value:           |          |           |            |
| At 31st December 1991     | £473,000 | £568,482  | £1,041,482 |
|                           | *****    | *****     | ~~~~~~~~~  |

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1992 (continued)

#### 9. Fixed asset investments

Additions during the year and balances at 31st December 1992 were made up of:

2 fully paid ordinary shares of £1 each in
Huntleigh Healthcare Limited

2 fully paid ordinary shares of £1 each in
Huntleigh Healthline Limited

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At 31st December 1992

Both these subsidiary undertakings are wholly owned subsidiary unto takings of the company and are registered in England and Wales.

As allowed under Section 228 of the Companies Act 1985, the company has not prepared group financial statements as it is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of Huntleigh Technology plc.

| 10. | Stocks                              | 19 <u>92</u><br>£ | 1 <u>991</u><br>£ |
|-----|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|     | Raw materials and consumables       | 758,305           | 480,986           |
|     | Short term work in progress         | 82,661            | 179,426           |
|     | Finished goods and goods for resale | 483,685           | 501,549           |
|     |                                     | £1,324,651        | £1,161,961        |
|     |                                     | ********          | *******           |
| 11. | Debtors                             | <u> 1992</u>      | <u> 1991</u>      |
|     |                                     | \$                | £                 |
|     | Trade debtors                       | 1,112,559         | 929,066           |
|     | Amounts owed by fellow subsidiary   |                   |                   |
|     | undertakings                        | 1,248,557         | 387,684           |
|     | Other debtors                       | 234,624           | 125,234           |
|     | Deferred taxation (note 15)         | 26,629            | -                 |
|     | Prepayments and accrued income      | 216,207           | 216,347           |
|     |                                     | £2,838,576        | £1,658,331        |
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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1992 (continued)

| 12. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year   | <u>1992</u><br>£  | 19 <u>91</u><br>£   |
|--|---|---|
| Hire and lease purchase loans (note 14) Bank loan (note 14) Payment received on account Trade creditors Amounts owed to parent undertaking and fellow subsidiary undertakings Corporation tax Other creditors Other taxes and social security costs Accruals and deferred income | 7,557<br>-<br>1,319,697<br>1,682,871<br>1,403,736<br>45,144<br>157,040<br>1,198,507 | 47,056<br>48,000<br>430,000<br>610,649<br>1,243,204<br>153,778<br>39,090<br>95,712<br>708,872 |
|  | £5,814,552<br>*****   | £3,376,361<br>========  |
| 13. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year  | 1 <u>992</u><br>£   | 1 <u>991</u><br>€   |
| Hire and lease purchase loans (note 14) Bank loans (note 14) Amounts owed to fellow subsidiary   | 36,915<br>657,894   | 89,951<br>664,613   |
| Amounts owed to lellow adulators undertakings  | 676,277<br>£1,371,086   | 676,277<br>£1,430,841<br>========   |

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1992 (continued)

| 14. | Loans | and | overd | lrafts |
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| • | Tosus and overm            | Bank<br><u>loan</u><br>£ | 1992<br>Hire and lease<br>purchase loan | Bank<br><u>loan</u><br>£ | 1991<br>Hire and lease<br>purchase loan |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|
|   | Loans are repays           | able                     |   |                          |   |
|   | within one year            | ~                        | 7,557                                   | 48,000                   | 47,056                                  |
|   | between one and two years  |                          | 7,557                                   | 48,000                   | 25,081                                  |
|   | between two and five years | 76,000                   | 22,671                                  | 144,000                  | 64,870                                  |
|   | after five<br>years        | 581,894<br>657,894       | 6,687<br>36,915                         | 472,613<br>664,613       | <u>89,951</u>                           |
|   |                            | £657,894<br>=======      | £44,472<br>======                       | £712,613                 | £137,007<br>*****                       |
|   |                            |                          |   |                          |   |

The bank loan of £657,894 (1991: £712,613) is secured on freehold land and buildings. It is repayable by instalments of £4,000 per month. An accelerated repayment was made in 1992; the next monthly instalment is due on 27th June 1996. Interest is charged between 1.25 and 1.5 per cent. per annum above bank base rate.

| 15. | Provisions for liabilities and charges         | Other provision<br>£ | Deferred<br><u>taxation</u><br>£ |  |
|-----|--|----------------------|----------------------------------|--|
|     | At 1st January 1992<br>Profit and loss account | 100,000              | 70,012<br>(96,641)               |  |
|     | Included in debtors (note 11)                  | 100,000              | £(26,629)<br>26,629              |  |
|     | At 31st December 1992                          | £100,000             | *******                          |  |

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1992 (continued)

### 15. Provisions for liabilities and charges (continued)

Deferred taxation balance comprises:

|     |   | Amount provided/<br>(recognised)<br>1992 1991 |                  | Potential liability/<br>(asset)<br>1992 1991 |                    |
|-----|---|---|------------------|--|--------------------|
|     |   | £   | £                | £  | £                  |
|     | Capital gain on purchased land and building | ~   | <b>~</b>         | 99,000                                       | 99,000             |
|     | Accelerated capital allowance               | 105,371                                       | 70,012           | 105,371                                      | 70,012             |
|     | Other timing differences                    | (132,000)                                     | •                | (132,000)                                    | ~                  |
|     |   | £(26,629)                                     | £70,012<br>===== | £72,371<br>=====                             | £169,012           |
| 16. | Called up share ca                          | pital   |                  | <u> 1992</u>                                 | <u>1991</u>        |
|     | Authorised:<br>400,000 ordinary s           | hares of £1                                   | each             | £400,000<br>≈≈≈≈≈≈                           | £400,000<br>*****  |
|     | Allotted and fully 301,000 ordinary s       | paid:<br>hares of £1                          | each             | £301,000<br>======                           | £301,000<br>****** |

#### 17. Revaluation reserve

The revaluation reserve arises as a consequence of carrying interests in freshold land and buildings in the balance sheet at a valuation as described in note 8.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1992 (continued)

#### 18. Capital commitments

| Capital Commitmento   | <u>1992</u><br>£  | 19 <u>91</u>       |
|---|-------------------|--------------------|
| Contracted but not provided for Authorised but not contracted for | 62,960            | 177,085            |
|   | £62,960<br>≈≈≈≈≈≈ | £177,085<br>====== |

#### 19. Contingent liabilities

The company has entered into a composite guarantee with its bankers, Barclays Bank plc, in respect of any amounts due by itself, by the parent and certain fellow subsidiary undertakings.

The amounts for that group outstanding at 31st December 1992 were £4,773,000 (1991: £3,084,000). These group totals represent overdrawn balances on current accounts with those UK bankers and do not include group credit balances on current and deposit accounts with them of £4,476,000 at 31st December 1992 (1991: £2,912,000).

Additionally, there were group deposits at 31st December 1992 totalling £2,283,000 (1991: Nil) with other UK bankers.

#### 20. Financial commitments

At 31st December 1992, the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:

|   | 1992      |          | <u> 1991</u>     |        |
|---|-----------|----------|------------------|--------|
|   | Buildings | Other    | <u>Buildings</u> | Other  |
|   | £         | £        | £                | £      |
| Operating leases which expire within one year | 9,173     | <u>~</u> | 14,891           | 2,240  |
| within two to five years                      | ~         | ~        | 11,160           | ~      |
| over five years                               | ~         | ^        | ~                | ^      |
|   | €9,173    | £ ~      | £26,051          | £2,240 |
|   | ****      | 2222     | *****            | ****   |

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#### 21. Ultimate holding company

Huntleigh Technology plc, registered in England and Wales, is regarded by the directors as being the company's ultimate holding company.

Huntleigh Technology plc is the parent undertaking of the smallest and largest groups of which the company is a member and for which group accounts are prepared. Copies of those group accounts can be obtained from Huntleigh Technology plc, 310-312 Dallow Road, Luton, Bedfordshire LU1 155.