Report and Financial Statements

31 December 2002

Deloitte & Touche LLP St Albans



REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2002

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OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

DIRECTORS

A J Farmer

C L Lawlor

SECRETARY

Gravitas Company Secretarial Services Limited

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BANKERS

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SOLICITORS

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AUDITORS

Deloitte & Touche LLP St Albans

DIRECTORS' REPORT

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

ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the company during the year continued to be the manufacture and sale of flavouring ingredients for the food industry.

REVIEW OF BUSINESS AND FUTURE PROSPECTS

On 28 February 2002, the assets and the business of Sensient Flavors Wales Limited (formerly Sensient Flavors Limited), and its wholly owned subsidiary DC Flavours Limited were acquired via 2 Hive Up agreements to Sensient Flavors Limited (formerly Sensient Flavors Wales Limited).

The company will continue to focus its business on profitable product lines and customers offering growth opportunities.

DIVIDENDS

The directors declared an interim dividend for the year of £3,364,000 (2001 - £873,000). No final dividend was declared. (2001 - £nil)

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors of the company, who served throughout the year ended 31 December 2002, were:

A J Farmer

C L Lawlor

None of the directors had any interests in the shares of the company or any other UK group companies in either 2001 or 2002.

AUDITORS

On 1 August 2003, Deloitte & Touche, the Company's auditors transferred their business to Deloitte & Touche LLP, a limited liability partnership incorporated under the Limited Liability Partnerships Act 2000. The Company's consent has been given to treating the appointment of Deloitte & Touche as extending to Deloitte & Touche LLP with effect from 1 August 2003 under the provisions of section 26(5) of the Companies Act 1989. A resolution to re-appoint Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company's auditor will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

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

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

United Kingdom 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 as at the end of the financial year 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; and
- 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 enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for the system of internal control, 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 SENSIENT FLAVORS LIMITED (FORMERLY SENSIENT FLAVORS WALES LIMITED)

We have audited the financial statements of Sensient Flavors Limited (formerly Sensient Flavors Wales Limited) for the year ended 31 December 2002 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet and the related notes 1 to 23. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

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

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

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

Deloitte & Touche LLP

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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St Albans

Date 3 June 2004

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT Year ended 31 December 2002

	Note		2002 £	2001 £
TURNOVER: continuing operations acquired activities	2	15,555,935 8,384,391		14,225,059
Total turnover			23,940,326	14,225,059
Cost of sales			(17,294,345)	(10,352,932)
Gross profit			6,645,981	3,872,127
Operating expenses Other operating income	3		(4,796,366) 279,166	(2,052,385) 250,268
OPERATING PROFIT: continuing operations acquired activities		3,010,137 (881,356)		2,070,010
Total operating profit			2,128,781	2,070,010
Profit on disposal of fixed assets	5		1,855,693	-
Interest payable and similar charges Interest receivable and similar income	6		(809,453)	(416) 22,662
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	7		3,175,021	2,092,256
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	8		(258,548)	(631,235)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR			2,916,473	1,461,021
Dividends	9		(3,364,000)	
RETAINED (LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	20		(447,527)	

The company has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the profit and loss account above.

BALANCE SHEET 31 December 2002

	Note	£	2002 £	£	2001 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	10		13,650,000		13,650,000
Tangible assets	11		9,728,875		6,431,992
Intangible assets	12		306,688		
			23,685,563		20,081,992
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	13	6,889,413		3,304,393	
Debtors	14	7,955,680		4,190,444	
Cash at bank and in hand		661,199		1,740,933	
		15,506,292		9,235,770	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due Within one year	15	(21,465,806)		(5,945,825)	
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)/ASSETS			(5,959,514)		3,289,945
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			17,726,049		23,371,937
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	16		(13,650,000)		(13,650,000)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	1.7		(751 744)		(272 730)
AND CHARGES	17		(751,744)		(373,729)
ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME	18		(150,073)		(222,851)
			3,174,232		9,125,357
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					<u> </u>
Called up share capital	19		609,000		609,000
Share premium account	20		147,000		147,000
Profit and loss account	20		2,418,232		8,369,357
EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	21		3,174,232		9,125,357

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 27th May 2004 Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

A. J.Fa

A J Farmer

Director

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2002

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at their purchase price, together with any incidental expenses of acquisition.

Provision for depreciation is made so as to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets on a straight line basis over the expected useful economic life of the assets concerned. The principal annual rates used for this purpose are:

Freehold buildings 2%

Plant and machinery 5% - 20%

Computer equipment 20%

Depreciation is not provided on freehold land.

Assets in the course of construction are capitalised at cost. No depreciation is taken until the assets are brought into service.

Stocks

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 stocks can be sold in the normal course of business after allowing for the costs of realisation. Provision is made where necessary for obsolete, slow moving and defective stocks.

Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profits or losses for the year as adjusted for disallowable items. Deferred taxation is provided at the anticipated tax rates on timing differences, arising from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in the financial statements, to the extent that it is probable that a liability or asset will crystallise in the future.

Operating leases

Costs in respect of operating leases are charged in arriving at operating profit or loss on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Related parties

The company has taken advantage of the exemption available in FRS 8 relating to the disclosure of transactions with group companies.

Cash flow statements

The company is exempt from preparing a cash flow statement as a group cash flow statement is prepared by its parent company, Sensient Technologies (UK) Limited.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2002

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Pension scheme arrangements

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the payments made to the scheme are charged to the profit and loss account as they are incurred. The assets of the defined contribution scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund.

Turnover

Turnover excludes value added tax and trade discounts and represents the invoiced value of goods and services supplied through the principal activity of the company, which is the manufacture and sale of flavouring ingredients for the food industry.

Government grants

Government grants are credited to a deferred income account; the capital element is released to the profit and loss account in equal instalments over the period of the lower of the expected useful lives of the assets concerned or ten years. The labour element is released to the profit and loss account to match the costs of job creation.

Foreign currencies

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates ruling at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the end of the financial period. All differences are dealt with through the profit and loss account.

Capitalisation of interest

Interest on loans acquired to purchase fixed assets is capitalised into the cost of the asset up to the date when the asset is completed. Upon completion of the asset, interest on the loan is written off to the profit and loss account. Capitalised interest is amortised over the useful economic life of the assets for which the loan was received.

2. TURNOVER

Turnover represents amounts derived from the provision of goods and services which fall within the company's ordinary activities after deduction of trade discounts and value added tax.

The turnover and pre-tax profits are attributable to each of the company's geographical markets as follows:

	2002 £	2001 £
United Kingdom Rest of the world	15,883,727 8,056,599	9,646,242 4,578,817
	23,940,326	14,225,059

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2002

3. OPERATING EXPENSES

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		2002 £	2001 £
	Selling costs Administrative expenses	1,711,473 3,084,893	584,446 1,467,939
		4,796,366	2,052,385
4.	INFORMATION REGARDING DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES		
		2002 £	2001 £
	Directors' emoluments	~	-
	Emoluments	100,718	97,714
	Pension contributions	10,893	10,086
		111,611	107,800
		No.	No.
	Number of directors who are members of the company's defined contribution		
	pension scheme	1	1
	•		*****
	Average number of persons employed (excluding executive directors) Production	No. 112	No. 79
	Administration	60	35
	Administration		
		<u>172</u>	114
		£	£
	Staff costs during the period (including directors)	0.400.000	
	Wages and salaries	3,683,309	2,101,535
	Social security costs Pension contributions	404,531	192,163 129,259
	Pension contributions	248,735	
		4,336,575	2,422,957
5.	PROFIT ON DISPOSAL OF FIXED ASSETS		
	Profit on ordinary activities is arrived at after crediting the following exceptional it	em:	
		2002 €	2001 £
	Profit on disposal of land and buildings	1,855,693	_

The company completed the disposal of part of its land and buildings on 6 December 2002.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2002

6. INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES

		2002 £	2001 £
	Bank interest payable	123,923	416
	Inter company interest	685,530	-
		809,453	416
7.	PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		
		2002 £	2001 £
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging/(crediting):	s.	at-
	Rent receivable	(235,291)	(249,460)
	Amortisation of government grants	(36,389)	(36,389)
	Depreciation charged for the period:		
	Tangible owned fixed assets (note 11)	932,092	497,084
	Auditors' remuneration - audit fees	32,000	17,500
	- other	20,764	13,845
	Hire of plant and machinery held under operating leases	89,893	90,632
	Foreign exchange gains	(782)	(808)

8. TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

i) Analysis of tax charge on ordinary activities

Year ended	Year ended
31	31
December	December
2002	2001
£	£
690,889	746,703
	3,701
690,889	743,002
183,794	(111,767)
(616,135)	
258,548	631,235
	31 December 2002 £ 690,889 - 690,889 183,794 (616,135)

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2002

ii) Factors affecting the tax charge for the current period

		2002 £	2001 £
	Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before tax	3,175,021	2,092,256
	Tax at 30% thereon	952,506	627,677
	Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	27,527	7,259
	Capital allowances in excess of depreciation	(183,794)	111,767
	Group relief claimed	(68,532)	_
	Chargeable gains	517,206	_
	Profit on disposal of non-qualifying assets	(554,024)	-
	Prior period adjustment		(3,701)
		690,889	743,002
9.	DIVIDENDS		
		2002	2001
	Equity dividends	£	£
	Interim paid - £5.52 per ordinary share (2001 - £1.43)	3,364,000	873,000
10.	INVESTMENTS HELD AS FIXED ASSETS		
			Total £
	Cost and net book value		
	At 1 January 2002 and 31 December 2002		13,650,000

The above investment relates to Sensient Flavors Wales Limited (formerly Sensient Flavors Limited).

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2002

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Assets in course of construction	Freehold land and buildings £	Plant and machinery	Computer equipment	Total £
Cost					
At 1 January 2002	105,137	2,805,035	8,174,114	281,496	11,365,782
Intercompany transfer	161,867	1,493,621	2,844,047	594,048	5,093,583
Additions	624,515	6,500	85,270	31,987	748,272
Transfer	(750,193)	146,073	282,924	321,196	-
Disposals	<u>-</u>	(257,073)			(257,073)
At 31 December 2002	141,326	4,194,156	11,386,355	1,228,727	16,950,564
Accumulated depreciation					
At 1 January 2002	-	265,511	4,421,561	246,718	4,933,790
Intercompany transfer	•	48,633	1,248,386	103,777	1,400,796
Charge for the year	-	55,732	790,792	85,568	932,092
Release in the year	<u>-</u>	(44,989)	-	-	(44,989)
At 31 December 2002		324,887	6,460,739	436,063	7,221,689
Net book value					
At 31 December 2002	141,326	3,869,269	4,925,616	792,664	9,728,875
At 31 December 2001	105,137	2,539,524	3,752,553	34,778	6,431,992

Included in the cost of £16,950,564 (2001 - £11,365,782) is capitalised interest of £183,664 (2001 - £183,664) on loans from group companies for the acquisition of assets. Interest was charged at a rate of 1% above the Canadian prime rate at the time.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2002

12. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Customer lists and know how £
Cost	~
At 1 January 2002	-
Acquired in year	350,320
At 31 December 2002	350,320
Amortisation	
At 1 January 2002	-
Charge for the year	43,632
At 31 December 2002	43,632
Net book value	
At 31 December 2002	306,688
At 31 December 2001	= -
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The intangible fixed asset arose on the acquisition of the business of Sensient Flavors Wales Limited (formerly Sensient Flavors Limited) on 28 February 2002 as a going concern.

13. STOCKS

		2002 £	2001 £
	Raw materials and consumables	2,817,765	1,652,280
	Finished goods and goods for resale	4,071,648	1,652,113
		6,889,414	3,304,393
14.	DEBTORS		
		2002	2001
		£	£
	Trade debtors	5,283,449	2,578,979
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	1,006,749	142,671
	Prepayments and accrued income	660,348	179,690
	Corporation tax	1,005,134	1,289,104
			
		7,955,680	4,190,444

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2002

15. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2002	2001
	£	£
Bank overdraft	1,406,020	-
Trade creditors	1,459,280	898,610
Amounts owed to group undertakings	16,167,392	4,387,725
Other taxation and social security payable	590,622	233,930
Corporation tax	1,227,654	-
Accruals and deferred income	578,449	425,560
Government grants (see note 18)	36,389	
	21,465,806	5,945,825
		=

16. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

20	002 £	2001 £
Unsecured loan note 13,650,	000	13,650,000

Interest on the unsecured loan note due to Sensient Technologies Limited was waived for the period to 31 December 2001. Interest for the year to 31 December 2002 is charged at Libor plus 1%.

The Ioan note matures on 31 December 2016.

17. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is as follows:

	Amounts provided	
	2002 £	2001 £
Excess of tax allowances over depreciation Short term timing differences Pension accrual	753,527 (1,783)	374,666 (937)
	751,744	373,329
Deferred taxation movement for the year Balance at 1 January 2002 Current year credit Amounts arising on acquisition of business		373,729 (432,341) 810,356
Balance at 31 December 2002		751,744

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2002

18. ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME

			2002 £
	Government grants		
	At 1 January 2002		222,851
	Amortisation in year		(36,389)
	At 31 December 2002		186,462
	Government grants are released as follows:		
	In one year or less Greater than one year		36,389 150,073
	Greater than one year		
			186,462
19.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL		
		2002 £	2001 £
	Authorised		
	1,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000,000	1,000,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid		
	609,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	609,000	609,000
20.	MOVEMENTS ON RESERVES		
		Profit	Share
		and loss	premium
		account £	account £
	At 1 January 2002 Difference between consideration and net assets hived up	8,369,357 (5,503,598)	147,000
	Retained loss for the year	(447,527)	-
	At 31 December 2002	2,418,232	147,000

On 28 February 2002 the net assets of Sensient Flavors Wales Limited (formerly Sensient Flavors Limited) and the net assets of DC Flavours Limited were hived up into Sensient Flavors Limited (formerly Sensient Wales Limited) at book value. Consideration of £13,650,000 was paid via intercompany balances.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2002

21. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

2002 £	2001 £
2,064,924	1,461,021
(3,364,000)	(873,000)
(1,299,076)	588,021
(5,503,598)	-
9,125,357	8,537,336
2,322,683	9,125,357
	2,064,924 (3,364,000) (1,299,076) (5,503,598) 9,125,357

22. PARENT COMPANY

The ultimate parent company and controlling party is Sensient Technologies Corporation, a company incorporated in the United States of America. The company's financial statements are filed at the Securities and Exchange Commission in Washington DC. The largest and smallest group of undertakings for which group financial statements have been drawn up is that headed by Sensient Technologies (UK) Limited.

The immediate parent company is Sensient Technologies (UK) Limited, a company incorporated in Great Britain, and its group financial statements are filed at Companies House, Crown Way, Maindy, Cardiff CF14 3UZ.

23. COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

At 31 December 2002 the company was committed to making the following payments during the next year in respect of operating leases:

	Other 2002	Other 2001
Leases which expire:	£	£
Within one year Within 2 to 5 years After more than 5 years	90,000	90,000
	90,000	90,000