Registered No. 1900910

DIRECTORS

J M Enzmann (Managing Director) C C Nielsen

SECRETARY

C C Nielsen

AUDITORS

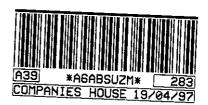
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SOLICITORS

Watson Farley & Williams

REGISTERED OFFICE

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 1996.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The loss before taxation for the year amounted to £688,000 (1995 - profit £652,000). No dividend is recommended (1995 - £nil).

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

Philadelphia National Limited no longer actively trades, it exists for investment purposes.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors during the year were as follows:

J M Enzmann

C C Nielsen

None of the directors had an interest in the shares of the company at any time during the year.

AUDITORS

A resolution to re-appoint Ernst & Young as auditors will be put to the members at the Annual General Meeting.

By order of the board

C C Nielsen

Secretary

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE ACCOUNTS

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those accounts, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the accounts 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 accounts 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.

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS to the members of Philadelphia National Limited

We have audited the accounts on pages 5 to 10, which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and on the basis of the accounting policies set out on page 8.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those accounts and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, 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 accounts 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 accounts.

Opinion

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 1996 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Ernst & Young

Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor

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London

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 December 1996

	Notes	1996 £000	1995 £000
Foreign exchange loss		(933)	(15)
Net interest received	2	245	667
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(688)	652
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	5	-	(207)
RETAINED (LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		(688)	445
MOVEMENT ON RESERVES			<u></u>
Profit and loss account: Retained profit brought forward Retained (loss)/profit for the year		2,034 (688)	1,589 445
RETAINED PROFIT		1,346	2,034

There are no recognised gains or losses other than those included in the retained profit for the year.

BALANCE SHEET at 31 December 1996

		1996	1995
	Notes	£000	£000
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6	-	126
Cash at bank and in hand	7	777	11,292
Investment	8	10,000	-
		10,777	11,418
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	9	304	257
		10,473	11,161
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CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	10	9,120	9,120
Capital redemption reserve	11	7	7
Profit and loss account		1,346	2,034
	11	10,473	11,161

Jill M Erzmann April 7, 1997

J-M Enzmann Managing Director

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS for the year ended 31 December 1996

		1996	1995
	Note	£000	£000
NET CASH (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW FROM OPERATIONS	3	(295)	736
TAXATION			
UK corporation tax paid		(220)	(137)
Advance corporation tax received		-	20
			
TAX PAID		(220)	(117)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Additions of investments		(10,000)	_
			-
NET CASH (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW BEFORE FINANCING		(10,515)	619
(DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(10,515)	619
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Philadelphia National Limited

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

at 31 December 1996

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the market rates of exchange prevailing at the balance sheet date. All differences on translation are taken to the profit and loss account.

Foreign currency forward and futures contracts

Foreign currency forward and futures contracts, other than hedging contracts, are valued at the market rates ruling at the balance sheet date and the resulting profits or losses are taken into the profit and loss account. Profits and losses on hedging transactions are deferred and apportioned over the period of the contracts.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided using the liability method on all timing differences which are expected to reverse in the future without being replaced, calculated at the rate at which it is anticipated the timing differences will reverse. Advance corporation tax which is expected to be recoverable in the future is deducted from the deferred taxation balance.

Deferred tax assets are only recognised if recovery without replacement by equivalent debit balances is reasonably certain.

Investments

Investments are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

2. INTEREST RECEIVED

Interest received comprises:

	1996	1995
	£000	£000
Interest received from other group companies	245	667
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TA		
Reconciliation of (loss)/profit before taxation to net cash inflow from	om operating activities	
	1996	1995
	£000	£000
(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation	(688)	652
Decrease in interest receivable	-	4
Decrease in interest payable	-	(6)
Decrease in sundry/trade debtors	126	86
Increase in creditors and accruals	267	-
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities	(295)	736
Administrative expenses are borne by CoreStates Bank NA.	*************************************	

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

at 31 December 1996

4. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND STAFF COSTS

No management charge (1995 - £nil) in respect of administration costs, directors' emoluments and staff costs has been made.

5. TAXATION

The charge/(credit) for taxation is as follows:

1995 £000
220 (13)
207
1995 £000
83 43
126
nge in year
£000
(10,515)
1995
£000
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The company owns 66.67% of the share capital of Corefund Umbrella Cash Fund PLC, registered in Ireland.

9. CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	1996 £000	1995 £000
Creditors in respect of taxation Accrued interest payable to group companies Sundry creditors	- - 304	220 37
	304	257

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS at 31 December 1996

10. SHARE CAPITAL

	Authorised			Issued and fully paid up	
	1996	1995	1996	1995	
	£000	£000	£000	£000	
Ordinary shares of £1 each	50,000	50,000	9,120	9,120	

11. RECONCILIATION OF SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	Share capital	Capital redemption reserve	Profit and loss account	Total shareholders' funds
At 1 January 1996 Loss for the year	9,120	7 -	2,034 (688)	11,161 (688)
At 31 December 1996	9,120	7	1,346	10,473

12. COMMITMENTS

The company has entered into a foreign exchange forward contract whereby it is obliged to pay £8,535,688 on 6 March 1997 and receive a payment of US\$13,998,528

13. ULTIMATE HOLDING COMPANY

Philadelphia National Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of CoreStates Bank NA, USA which is the principal operating company in the CoreStates group. The ultimate holding company is CoreStates Financial Corp, incorporated in the United States of America. The group accounts of CoreStates Financial Corp may be obtained from the Headquarters located at Broad and Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA. The mailing address is PO Box 7618, Philadelphia, PA 19101-7618.