# PYRAMID INVESTMENTS LIMITED (FORMERLY PYRAMID INVESTMENTS PLC) REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 DECEMBER, 2004

Company Registered Number: 2145548

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# **DIRECTORS AND ADVISORS**

## **Directors**

Mark Bonnett David Keen Rupert Harding

## **Company Secretary**

A P Rutherford

## **Registered Office**

Winchester House 1 Great Winchester Street London EC2N 2DB

# **Auditors**

KPMG Audit Plc 8 Salisbury Square London EC4Y 8BB

Company Registered Number: 2145548

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors submit their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December, 2004.

#### Results and dividends

The profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £3,000 (2003 - profit of £5,000). No dividends were declared or paid during the year (2003 - £Nil).

#### Review of activity and future developments

The Company acts as a holding company of a minority holding in an investment, the remainder of which is owned by a fellow group undertaking. On 24 March 2005 the Company was re-registered from a public limited company to a private company limited by shares and consequently its name changed to Pyramid Investments Limited.

#### **Directors and their interests**

The directors of the Company during the year, or at the date of this report were:

M I C Bonnett D D O Keen R J R Harding

There was no change in directors during the year or subsequent to the year end.

As at the date of approval, and during the year, the company had in force a third party qualifying indemnity provision for the benefit of its directors.

None of the Directors had an interest in the share capital of the Company during the year.

None of the Directors had any disclosable interest in the shares or debentures of any UK group undertaking at the end of the year, or were granted or exercised any right to subscribe for shares in, or debentures of, any UK group undertaking during the year.

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)**

#### Statement of Directors' responsibilities in respect of the financial statements

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 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 judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; 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 which 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.

#### **Auditors**

Pursuant to section 379A of the Companies Act 1985, the Company has elected:

- (a) to dispense with the holding of Annual General Meetings
- (b) to dispense with the appointment of Auditors annually, and
- (c) to dispense with the laying of Report and Financial Statements before General Meetings

The directors propose that KPMG Audit Plc continue in office.

A P Rutherford Company Secretary

2j July, 2005

# REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

to the Members of Pyramid Investments Limited (formerly Pyramid Investments PLC)

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 9.

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'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 3, 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. 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 judgments 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 2004 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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KPMG Audit Plc Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor 8 Salisbury Square London EC4Y 8BB

22 nd July 2005

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 December, 2004

	Notes	2004 £'000	2003 £'000
Interest received from group undertaking		7	5
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		7	5
Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	4	(4)	•
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		3	5

Profit during the year has arisen from continuing operations.

There are no recognised gains and losses for the year other than the profit for the year of £3,000 (2003 - £5,000).

The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

# BALANCE SHEET at 31 December, 2004

	Notes	2004 £'000	2003 £'000
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments	6	2,644	2,644
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	7	-	170
Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year	8	177	•
Cash		2	2
CURRENT LIABILITIES		179	172
Creditors; amounts falling due within one year	9	(4)	<del>-</del>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		175	172
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,819	2,816
NET ASSETS		2,819	2,816
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	10, 11	2,250	2,250
Share premium	11	5,000	5,000
Profit and loss account	11	(4,431)	(4,434)
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS - EQUITY		2,819	2,816

The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

Approved by the Board of Directors on 7-1 July, 2005.

Director

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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS at 31 December, 2004

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### Basis of preparation

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

#### Investments

Shares in group undertakings are stated at cost less any impairment.

#### Format of financial statements

The Company does not produce a cash flow statement by virtue of an exemption contained in FRS 1 (Revised 1996). The Company's ultimate parent company for 2004, Deutsche Bank AG presents a cash flow statement in its Annual Report.

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 8 from disclosing transactions with related parties which are part of the Deutsche Bank AG worldwide group.

Both of the exemptions above also rely on Deutsche Bank AG's consolidated financial statements being publicly available (see Note 12).

## Income recognition

Interest income and expense is accounted for on an accruals basis. Dividend income is recognised when it is earned or received.

# Administrative expenses

Expenses incurred in the Company's operations have been borne by a Deutsche Bank Group Company who has made no charge therefore.

# 2 Auditor's remuneration

Auditors' remuneration for the current year has been borne by the ultimate parent company without recharge.

#### 3 Directors' emoluments

No Directors' emoluments were paid during the year (2003 - £Nil).

## 4 Taxation on profit on ordinary activities

Current taxation	2004 £'000	2003 £'000
Group Relief charge for the year		
Current year	(2)	-
Prior Year	(2)	-
Total current tax charge	(4)	

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS at 31 December, 2004 (continued)

# 4 Taxation on profit on ordinary activities (continued)

The standard rate of tax for the year, based on the UK standard rate of corporation tax is 30% (2003 - 30%). The actual tax charge for the year differs from the standard rate for the reasons set out in the following reconciliation.

				2004 £'000	2003 £'000
Profit on ordinary activities be	efore tax			7	5
Tax on profit on ordinary activ	vities at standard rate (30°	%)		(2)	(2)
Factors affecting charge for the Utilisation of group tax losses Adjustments in respect of pre	;			(2)	2
Total actual amount of curr	ent tax			(4)	•
5 Staff costs					
The total staff costs have been been included in these finance		ank Group Company without re l).	charge. No	staff costs have there	fore
6 Investments				2004 £'000	2003 £'000
Shares in group undertaking	at cost			2,644	2,644
Details of the Company's inve	estment is set out below:				
Name of company	Country of Incorporation or Registration	Activity		ss and Percentage Shares Held	
BTI Investments BTI Investments	England and Wales England and Wales	Investment Company Investment Company		Ordinary 1% Class B 5%	
7 Debtors: amounts falling d	ue within one year			2004 £'000	2003 £'000
Amounts due from group und	dertaking			<u> </u>	172
8 Debtors: amounts falling d	ue after more than one y	rear ear		2004 £'000	2003 £'000
Amounts due from group und	dertaking			177	
9 Creditors: Amounts falling	due within one year			2004 £'000	2003 £'000
Amount owed to group under Group relief payable	taking			(2) (2) (4)	- - -

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS at 31 December, 2004 (continued)

#### 10 Called up share capital

	2004 No.'000	2004 £'000	2003 No.'000	2003 £'000
Authorised :				
Ordinary shares of £1 each	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid :				
Ordinary shares of £1 each	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,250

#### 11 Reconciliation of shareholders' funds and movements on reserves

	Share capital	Share Premium	Profit and loss account	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
At 1 January, 2004	2,250	5,000	(4,434)	2,816
Profit for the year	-	-	3	3
At 31 December, 2004	2,250	5,000	(4,431)	2,819

# 12 Ultimate parent company

Bankers Trust Holdings (UK) Limited, a company incorporated in the UK, is the Company's immediate controlling entity.

Deutsche Bank AG, a company incorporated in Germany, is the ultimate parent company, the ultimate controlling entity and the parent undertaking of the largest group of undertakings for which group financial statements are drawn up.

Bankers Trust Holdings (U.K.) Limited is, for the purposes of the Companies Act 1985, the parent undertaking of the smallest group of undertakings for which group financial statements are drawn up.

Copies of the financial statements prepared in respect of Bankers Trust Holdings (U.K.) Limited and Deutsche Bank AG may be obtained from the Company Secretary, Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch, Winchester House, 1 Great Winchester Street, London EC2N 2DB.