Company Number 2352390

**ACCOUNTS** 

For the year ended

31 MARCH 1996



REGIONAL POWER GENERATORS LIMITED

## ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31 March 1996

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The Directors submit their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 1996.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Company is the operation of a power station at Brigg, South Humberside.

## REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The station operated successfully in the period. The future prospects of the Company are satisfactory.

#### RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The results of the Company for the period are set out in detail on page 7. The Directors authorised payment of a dividend of £720 per share in February 1996 and recommend payment of a further of dividend £475 per share.

#### DIRECTORS

The Directors who served during the year were:

P B Morgan

(Chairman)

A Palmgren

W J Wilkinson

E T McGregor

(resigned 21 July 1995)

D R Scorah

(appointed 22 August 1995)

The Alternate Directors who served during the year were:

J A Deane

A S Reed

#### ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31 March 1996

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

#### DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

No Director had any interest in the shares of the Company at the beginning or the end of this year.

The interests of P B Morgan as main board director of Yorkshire Electricity Group plc., the ultimate parent company, are disclosed in the financial statements of that company.

The interests of W J Wilkinson and A S Reed, as Directors of the immediate parent company, are disclosed in the financial statements of Yorkshire Electric Power Limited.

The interests of the Directors of the Company, other than the Directors of the ultimate parent or parent company, in shares of the ultimate parent company were:

Yorkshire Electricity Group plc
Number of ordinary shares of 68.2p each
(31 March 1995 56.8p) held at:-

	31 March 1996	31 March 1995 (*)
J A Deane	0	0
A Palmgren	0	0
D R Scorah	9,482	11,702
(*) or date of appointment		

The share options granted to the Directors of the Company, other than Directors of the ultimate parent or parent company, for shares in the ultimate parent company were:

Yorkshire Electricity Group plc Number of ordinary shares of 68.2p each (31 March 1995 56.8p) held at:-

	31 March 1996		31 March 1995 (*	
	Executive Sharesave		Executive	Sharesave
	Option Scheme	Scheme	Option Scheme	Scheme
J A Deane	0	0	0	0
A Palmgren	0	0	0	: 0
D R Scorah	10,138	629	10,138	5,100
(*) or date of appointment				į

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### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

#### Sharesave Scheme

Price per share

£1.75, matured March 1996

Price per share

£5.48

Period of option

At the end of 5 years

**Executive Option Scheme** 

Price per share Period of option £2.87 to £7.82

3 to 10 years

#### **CHARITABLE GIFTS**

During the year the Company made charitable gifts with a total value £2,124.

#### **AUDITORS**

On 1 February 1996 our auditors changed the name under which they practice to Deloitte & Touche and accordingly have signed their audit report in their new name. A resolution for the re-appointment of Deloitte & Touche as auditors of the company will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

By order of the Board

A N Burton

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## ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31 March 1996

## STATEMENT OF DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The following statement which should be read in conjunction with the auditor's statement of auditors' responsibilities, is made with a view to distinguishing for shareholders the respective responsibilities of the Directors and of the auditors in relation to the financial statements.

The Directors are required by the Companies Act 1985 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 end and of the profit or loss for the financial year.

The Directors consider that in preparing the financial statements on a going concern basis on pages 7 to 17, the Company has used appropriate accounting policies, consistently applied and supported by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates, and that all accounting standards which they consider to be applicable have been followed.

The Directors have responsibility for ensuring that the Company keeps accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Company and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985.

The Directors 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.

#### ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31 March 1996

#### **AUDITORS' REPORT TO MEMBERS**

We have audited the financial statements on pages 7 to 17 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 10.

## Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 5 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements 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 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 March 1996 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Deloitte & Touche

3 JULY 1996

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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East Parade

Leeds

## ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31 March 1996

## PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT for the Year ended 31 March 1996 (£'000s)

	Note	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
Turnover	2	58,721	56,909
Cost of Sales		(28,032)	(28,537)
Gross Profit	₹	30,689	28,372
Administrative Expenses		(16,229)	(14,903)
Other Operating Income	3	121	162
Operating Profit		14,581	13,631
Interest Receivable	4	2,371	1,171
Interest Payable	5	(9,359)	(9,657)
Profit on Ordinary Activities Before Taxation	. 7	7,593	5,145
Taxation	8	(2,613)	(1,965)
Profit on Ordinary Activities After Taxation		4,980	3,180
Equity Dividends	3	(11,950)	(0)
(Loss)/Retained Profit for Year	18	(6,970)	3,180

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form an integral part of these accounts.

All results relate to continuing operations. The results above represent all of the gains and losses recognised by the company during the year and the preceding year. Consequently a statement of recognised gains and losses is not required. In addition, there is no difference between the results presented above and the result on an unmodified historical cost basis, therefore a note of historical cost profits and losses is not required.

# BALANCE SHEET as at 31 March 1996 (£'000s)

	Note	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Assets	10	108,571	114,766
CURRENT ASSETS	4		
Stocks	11	1,650	1,904
	12	8,440	8,081
Debtors	13	24,971	16,796
Investments	13	145	5,549
Cash at Bank and in hand		35,206	32,330
			(50.100)
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING	14	(34,682)	(29,102)
DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			
NET CURRENT ASSETS		524	3,228
TOTAL ASSETS		109,095	117,994
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR	15	(87,270)	(92,183)
Provisions for Liabilities and Charges	16	(21,602)	(18,618)
NET ASSETS		223	7,193
CAPITAL & RESERVES			
Called up Share Capital	17	10	10
Profit & Loss Account	18	213	7,183
EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		223	7,193

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on

Signed on behalf of Board of Directors

Director I

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form an integral part of these accounts.

# ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31 March 1996

# CASHFLOW STATEMENT for the Year ended 31 March 1996 (£'000s)

	<u>Note</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
Net Cashflow from Operating Activities	20a	20,565	· 23,338
Returns on Investment & Servicing of Interest Received Interest Paid Net Cashflow from Returns on Investment & Servicing of Finance	f Finance	2,508 (11,106) (8,598)	959 (8,690) (7,731)
Taxation Payment for Tax Losses		1,089	11,986
Investing Activities Payments to Acquire Tangible Fixed As Net Cash Outflow from Investing Act		(156) (156)	<u>(963)</u> (963)
Net Cashflow Before Financing		12,900	26,630
Financing Loan Repayment Long Term Loans Net Cashflow from Financing	20d	(10,129) 0 (10,129)	(17,137) - 444 (16,693)
Increase in Cash & Cash Equivalents	20b & 20c	2,771	9,937

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form an integral part of these accounts.

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31 March 1996

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The particular accounting policies which the Directors have adopted are set out below.

## (a) ACCOUNTING CONVENTION

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### (b) TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

No depreciation is provided on freehold land. Additions during the year are depreciated in the month following acquisition. The following assets lives have been applied:-

Generating Plant	20 years
Computer hardware and software	5 years
Capital spares	6 years

## (c) STOCK

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

#### (d) <u>DEFERRED TAXATION</u>

Deferred taxation arises in respect of items where there is a timing difference between their treatment for accounting purposes and their treatment for taxation purposes. Provision for deferred taxation, using the liability method is made to the extent that it is probable that a liability or asset will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

#### (e) <u>MAINTENANCE COSTS</u>

Maintenance costs are charged to the profit & loss account based on the projected average annual charge, assuming a six year planned maintenance cycle.

#### 2. TURNOVER

Turnover represents sales of electricity, net of difference payments.

## ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31 March 1996

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS continued

## 3. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

		1006	1005
		1996	1995
		£'000s	£'000s
	Ancillary services income	121	162
	•	121	162
4.	INTEREST RECEIVABLE		
		1996	1995
		£'000s	£'000s
	Interest Receivable	2,371	1,171
5.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		
•		•	
		1996	1995
		£'000s	£'000s
	Loan interest	9,359	9,657
		9,359	9,657

## 6. DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

The directors received no emoluments during 1996 or 1995. There are no employees other than directors (1995 same).

## 7. PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

Profit on ordinary activities is arrived at after charging:

	1996	1995
	£'000s	£'000s
Depreciation	6,232	6,191
Auditors' remuneration	10	10
Auditors fees for non-audit work	<u></u>	-

## ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31 March 1996

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS continued

## 8. TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

		1996	1995
		£'000s	£'000s
Group relief receivable from parent co.	mpany ·	(299)	(1,054)
Increase in provision for deferred tax	4	2,879	3,019
	•	2,580	1,965
Adjustment in respect of prior years			
	Corporation tax	(72)	0
	Deferred tax	105	0
		2,613	1,965

## 9. DIVIDENDS

	£'000s	£'000s
Equity dividend paid 1996, £720 per share (1995 nil)	7,200	0
Equity dividend proposed 1996, £475 per share (1995 nil)	4,750	0
	11,950	0

## 10. TANGIBLE ASSETS

	Freehold	Capital	Information		Total
	Land £'000s	Spares £'000s	Technology £'000s	Station £'000s	£'000s
Gross Capital Cost					
As at 1 April 1995	364	489	844	119,260	120,957
Additions		·	-	37	37
As at 31 March 1996	364	489	844	119,297	120,994
Depreciation (note 1(b))					
As at 1 April 1995	0	67	165	5,959	6,191
Charge for the year	-	- 82	169	5,981	6,232
As at 31 March 1996	C	149	334	11,940	12,423
Net Book Value				•	
As at 31 March 1996	364	340	510	107,357	108,571
As at 31 March 1995	364	422	679	113,301	114,766

Capitalised interest of £10,921k (1995 £10,921k) is included in the figure for the generating station

# ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31 March 1996

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS continued

Deferred Income

Loans and loan stock

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NOTE	S TO THE ACCOUNTS continued	•	
11.	STOCKS		
		1996	1995
		£'000s	£'000s
	Raw materials and consumables	1,650	1,904
12.	DEBTORS		
		1996	1995
		£'000s	£'000s
	Trade Debtors	2,896	1,336
	Group Debtors	2,830 3,049	4,536
	Accrued Income	100	236
		1,648	1,973
	Prepayments ACT recoverable	747	0
	ACT TOOGYCLADIC	8,440	8,081
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13.	INVESTMENTS		
		1996	1995
		£'000s	£'000s
	Money Market Deposits	24,971	16,796
14.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE	YEAR	
		1996	1995
		£'000s	£'000s
	Trade Creditors	66	41
	Amounts owed to group undertakings	10,043	3,483
	Loans owed to group undertakings	2,101	0
	Amounts due to related parties	3,934	622
	Taxation	0	38
	VAT	1,894	1,538
	Accruals	12,276	12,094

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## ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31 March 1996

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS continued

# 15. CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

			1996	1995
			£'000s	£'000s
Long Term Loan			87,270	92,183
Loans outstanding are repayable as follows:-				
Lyans outstanding are repertable as tonows:	Loan St	ock	Secured Loans	
	1996	1995	1996	1995
	£'000s	£'000s	£'000s	£'000s
Within one year, or on demand	0	6,231	4,257	3,242
Between one and two years	0	0	4,649	4,913
Between two and five years	0	0	16,674	15,269
After five years	0	0	65,947	72,001
•	0	6,231	91,527	95,425
			1996	1995
			£'000s	£'000s
			:	
Secured Loans				
Floating rate - LIBOR plus 0.85% - 0.95%			41,376	43,300
Fixed rate - 8.05%			50,151	52,125
			91,527	95,425

The loans are secured on a fixed and floating charge on the assets of the company and are repayable in instalments up to 2009.

The 15% subordinated convertible loan stock was redeemed in September 1995 it was secured on a second floating charge on the assets of the company.

# ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31 March 1996

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS continued

## 16. DEFERRED TAXATION

Full provision has been made for deferred taxation as follows:-

		1996	1995
		£'000s	£'000s
	Short Term Timing Differences	295	(249)
	Accelerated Capital Allowances	21,307	18,867
	riooderated capital ride walloos	21,602	18,618
	•		
		•	
		£	000s
	The movement in the deferred tax position was as follows:-		
	As at 1 April 1995	. 18	3,618
	Provision in respect of:		,,010
	Current year		2,879
	Prior year	:	105
	As at 31 March 1996	21,602	
	As at 31 Wardi 1990		,002
17.	SHARE CAPITAL	,	
3.73	SHARE CATTAL		
		1996	1995
		£'000s	£'000s
	Authorised:		
	15,000,000 Ordinary shares at £1 each	15,000	15,000
	•		
	Allotted and fully paid up:		
	10,000 Ordinary shares at £1 each	10	10
18.	PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT		
		£'	000s
	As at 1 April 1995	7	,183
	Retained loss for Year		,183 970)
	As at 31 March 1996		213
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## ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31 March 1996

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS continued

## 19. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

In the opinion of the Directors the ultimate parent company is Yorkshire Electricity Group plc, being a company registered in England and Wales. Copies of the group financial statements are available from Companies House, Crown Way, Maindy, Cardiff CFI 3UZ.

#### 20. CASH FLOW STATEMENT

## (a) Reconciliation of Operating Profit to Net Cashflow from Operating Activities:

	1996	1995
	£'000s	£'000s
Operating Profit	14,581	13,631
Depreciation Charge	6,232	6,191
Decrease in Stock	254	38
Increase in Debtors	(504)	(1,493)
Increase in Creditors	: 2	4,971
Net Cashflow from Operating Activities	20,565	23,338

## (b) Analysis of changes in cash and cash equivalents during the year:

	1996	1995
	£'000s	£'000s
Balance at 1 April 1995	22,345	12,408
Net Cash Inflow	2,771	9,937
Balance at 31 March 1996	25,116	22,345

# (c) Analysis of the balance of cash and cash equivalents as shown in the Balance Sheet:

	1996	1995	Change in	Change in
			Year	Prior Year
	£'000s	£'000s	£'000s	£'000s
Cash at Bank & in Hand	145	5,549	(5,404)	(2,359)
Money market Investments	24,971	16,796	8,175	12,296
	25,116	22,345	2,771	9,937

## ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31 March 1996

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS continued

# (d) Analysis of changes in Financing during the year:

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7.1	£'000s	£'000s
Balance at 1 April 1995	10	101,656
Cash inflow from financing	0	(10,129)
Balance at 31 March 1996	10	91,527

## 21. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	£'000s	£'000s
(Loss)/Profit for year	(6,970)	3,180
Opening shareholders' funds	7,193	4,013
Closing shareholders' funds	223	7,193