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ROTADYNE (UK) LIMITED

Annual Report

Year ended 31 December 2000

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ROTADYNE (UK) LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

The directors submit their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000.

Results and dividends

The loss for the year after taxation amounted to £731,000 (1999 £995,000 loss). There are no reserves from which to pay a dividend (1999 £NIL).

Principal activity and review of the business

The principal activity of the company is the manufacture of rollers for the graphic arts and other industries.

Although sales and operating profits in 2000 were disappointing, RotaDyne remains committed to the roller business in the UK and Europe.

The closure of the Birmingham manufacturing facility has reduced overheads and transfer of the business to Kettering has improved its efficiency. The Ready Roller business continues to grow and should begin to contribute to the company's profitability.

Directors

The directors who served during the year were: G H Fill E J Nykiel

Basis of preparation

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

By order of the board

4 June 2001

Secretary

ROTADYNE (UK) LIMITED STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

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 judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- 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 safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The directors are responsible for ensuring that the directors' report and other information included in the annual report is prepared in accordance with company law in the United Kingdom.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF ROTADYNE (UK) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of RotaDyne (UK) Limited for the year ended 31 December 2000 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom 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 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.

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

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 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 2000 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Registered Auditors

Leicester, UK 6 June 2001

ROTADYNE (UK) LIMITED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

	Notes	2000 £000	1999 £000
TURNOVER Cost of sales	2	2,153 (1,246)	2,403 (1,486)
GROSS PROFIT		907	917
Distribution costs Administrative expenses		(765) (878)	(896) (936)
OPERATING LOSS	3	(736)	(915)
Interest receivable and similar items Interest payable	4	5 -	(80)
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(731)	(995)
TAXATION		-	-
LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		(731)	(995)

ROTADYNE (UK) LIMITED BALANCE SHEET 31 DECEMBER 2000

	Notes		2000 £000		1999 £000
FIXED ASSETS					
Intangible	5		65		70
Tangible	6		472		628
			537	•	698
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks		475		566	
Debtors	7	661		691	
Cash at bank and in hand		18		28	
		1,154		1,285	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due	;	•		,	
within one year	8	(359)		(309)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			795		976
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURREN	T LIABIL	ITIES	1,332	•	1,674
CREDITORS: amounts falling due	è				
after more than one year	9		(2,972)		(2,583)
NET LIABILITIES			(1,640)		(909)
C. DYTHY AND DYCEDING					
CAPITAL AND RESERVES	10		250		250
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	10 11		350		350
From and loss account	7.7		(1,990)		(1,259)
			(1,640)		(909)

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the board on 4 June 2001

Signed on behalf of the board of directors

G H Fill

Director

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

The ultimate holding company has indicated its intention to continue to provide financial support to enable the company to meet all its financial liabilities. The financial statements have therefore been prepared on a going concern basis.

(b) Intangible fixed assets

Goodwill is the difference between the amount paid on the acquisition of a business and the aggregate value of its separable net assets. It has been capitalised and is being written off in equal annual installments over its estimated economical life of twenty years.

Intellectual property rights have been capitalised and are being written off in equal annual installments over their estimated economic life of twelve years.

(c) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold property
Leasehold improvements
Plant and equipment
Computer equipment
15 years
2 to 4 years
5 to 10 years
3 years

Freehold land is not depreciated.

(d) Finance and operating leases

Assets acquired under finance leases or hire purchase are treated as tangible fixed assets and depreciation is provided accordingly. The present value of future rentals is shown as a liability and the interest element of rental obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease in proportion to the capital balance outstanding.

Operating lease rentals are charged in the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

(e) Stocks and work in progress

Stocks and work in progress are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on a first in first out basis, and includes all direct costs incurred and attributable production overheads. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price allowing for all further costs of completion and disposal.

(f) Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate ruling on the date of the transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating profit.

(g) Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred tax using the liability method to the extent that it is probable that a liability will crystallise.

(h) Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge in the profit and loss account represents the amounts payable by the company to the fund in respect of the year.

(i) Cash flow statement

The company is not required to prepare a cashflow statement, as it is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of another company, which produces publicly available consolidated accounts.

2 TURNOVER

All turnover arose within the United Kingdom.

3 OPERATING LOSS

The operating loss is stated after charging:

	2000	1999
	£000	£000
Amortisation of intangible assets	5	4
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets:		
- owned by the company	137	95
- held under finance lease or hire purchase contracts	-	6

No director received any emoluments (1999 - £NIL).

Reorganisation costs of £86,000 (1999 £NIL) have been charged during the year following the closure of operations at Birmingham. These costs include further depreciation of leasehold improvements £28,000 (note 6) and provisions in respect of onerous lease contracts of £33,000, which are included in creditors (1999 £NIL).

4 INTEREST PAYABLE

Interest payable includes £NIL (1999 -£80,000) payable to group companies.

5 INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Other intangible		
	Goodwill £000	assets £000	Total £000
Cost			
At 1 January 2000 and			
31 December 2000	65	12	77
Amortisation			
At 1 January 2000	6	1	7
Charge for the year	4	1	5
At 31 December 2000	10	2	12
Net book amount			
At 31 December 2000	55	10	65
At 31 December 1999	59	11	70

6 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property in £000	Leasehold aprovements £000	Fixtures, fittings & equipment co £000	Assets in course of onstruction £000	Total £000
Cost					
At 1 January 2000	40	42	790	45	917
Additions		-	13	-	13
Disposals	_	-	(51)	-	(51)
Transfers	-	-	45	(45)	-
At 31 December 2000	40	42	797		879
Depreciation					
At 1 January 2000	1	5	283	-	289
Charge for year	3	37	97	-	137
On disposals	-	-	(19)	-	(19)
At 31 December 2000	4	42	361	-	407
Net book amount					
At 31 December 2000	36	-	436	_	472
At 31 December 1999	39	37	507	45	628

The net book amounts of fixtures, fittings and equipment above include £NIL (1999 - £61,000) in respect of assets held under finance leases or hire purchase contracts.

Leasehold improvements have been depreciated in full this year following the closure of operations at Birmingham (note 3).

7 DEBTORS

	2000	1999
	£000	£000
Trade debtors	530	663
Amounts due from group undertakings	47	-
Other debtors	84	28
	661	691

8	CREDITORS:			
	Amounts falling due within one year Trade creditors Other tax and social security Net obligations under finance lease and hire purchase contracts Other creditors		2000 £000 229 46 84 359	1999 £000 244 48 4 13
9	CREDITORS:			
	Amounts falling due after more than one yea	r	2000	1000
	Amounts owing to group undertakings		2000 £000 2,972	1999 £000 2,583
10	SHARE CAPITAL			
	At 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	£000	Allotted, called up fully paid No.	£000 350
11	RESERVES	•		
	Profit and loss account At 1 January 2000 Loss for the year At 31 December 2000			£000 (1,259) (731) (1,990)
12	OTHER COMMITMENTS			
	At 31 December 2000 the company had annua	l commitments u	nder operating leases a	s follows:
	Fining John		2000 £000	1999 £000
	Expiry date: Within 1 year		26	28
	Between 1 and 5 years In more than 5 years		114 74	85 92

13 TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in paragraph 3C of FRS 8 from disclosing transactions with related parties that are part of the Rotation Dynamics Corporation.

14 PENSION COSTS

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme, the assets of which are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund.

Contributions payable by the company to the scheme during the year amounted to £16,788 (1999 - £10,517). Unpaid contributions at the year end amounted to £4,306 (1999 - £965) which are included within creditors.

15 GUARANTEE

The company is party to an intercompany cross guarantee with Rotadyne Holdings Limited for the sum of £591,000 owed to ABN AMRO Bank NV.

16 PARENT UNDERTAKINGS AND CONTROLLING PARTIES

The company is controlled by Rotadyne Holdings Limited, registered in England and Wales.

In the opinion of the directors the ultimate parent company is Rotation Dynamics Corporation, incorporated in America. Rotation Dynamics Corporation heads the only group in which the results of this company are consolidated. These consolidated accounts can be obtained from Rotation Dynamics Corporation, 8140 Cass Avenue, Darien, Illinois 60561, USA.