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MARY KAY COSMETICS (UK) LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

31 DECEMBER 1996

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996

The Directors submit their report and the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 1996.

REGISTERED NUMBER

The Company's registered number is 2767620.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The Company made a profit of £337,408 for the year to 31 December 1996 (1995: profit of £119,333) and this amount has been transferred to reserves. The directors are unable to recommend the payment of a dividend.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The Company offers a range of high quality skin care and cosmetics products through its salesforce of independent Beauty Consultants in the United Kingdom. It also supports the development of Mary Kay companies in Continental Europe.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Company achieved substantial increases in its salesforce of independent Beauty Consultants versus the prior year.

Sales more than doubled reflecting the growth in Consultant count. Tight control of fixed expenses ensured that the growth in sales translated into operational profitability.

A strong base of operations has been established in the UK which will permit steady and secure growth in future years.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

Charitable donations of £300 were made during the year.

DIRECTORS

The Directors of the Company during the year were:

RL Smith

RB Clark (Chairman)

TM Byrd

G Rubio

EA Cameron

S O'Connell Cooper (appointed 28 February 1996)

None of the Directors have any interest in shares in the Company.

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996 (Continued)

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Companies Act 1985 requires the Directors to prepare for each financial period financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company at the end of that period, and of the profit or loss for the period to that date. In preparing the financial statements, the Directors are also required:

- a) to select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently, supported as appropriate by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates;
- b) to state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- c) to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in operation.

The Directors consider that they have complied fully with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements on pages 4 to 13.

The Directors also have responsibility for:

- keeping appropriate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Company at any time;
- b) 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

A resolution concerning the re-appointment of Price Waterhouse as the Company's auditors and the fixing of their remuneration will be submitted at the Annual General Meeting.

By Order of the Board

EA Cameron 30 October 1997

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Price Waterhouse



AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MARY KAY COSMETICS (UK) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 13 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 7.

Respective responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

As described on page 2 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 December 1996 and of its profit and cashflows for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Price Waterhouse

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

Dice Conterhouse

30 October 1997

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996

	Notes	<u>1996</u> £	<u>1995</u> £
TURNOVER	1(b)	3,149,129	1,488,434
Cost of sales		(2,116,514)	(1,001,507)
GROSS PROFIT Administrative expenses Distribution costs Other operating income	2	1,032,615 (1,785,004) (66,157) <u>1,552,684</u>	486,927 (1,640,371) (86,385) <u>1,437,660</u>
OPERATING PROFIT		734,138	197,831
Interest receivable and similar income Interest payable	4 4	11,374 (258,255)	11,185 (89,683)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	2	487,257	119,333
Taxation	5	(149,849)	
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR AFTER TAXATION	İ	337,408	119,333
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT BROUGHT FORWARD		(439,119)	(558,452)
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT CARRIED FORWARD		(101,711)	(439,119)

Turnover is derived from continuing activities

The Company has no recognised gains or losses other than as disclosed in the profit and loss account.

The notes on pages 7 to 13 form part of these accounts.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1996

_	Notes		1996		1995
FIXED ASSETS			£		£
Tangible assets	7		189,546		324,328
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	8 9 10	734,715 2,581,178 160,885 3,476,778 (3,668,035)		16,480 1,660,513 <u>185,799</u> 1,862,792 (2,526,239)	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			(191,257)		(663,447)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			(1,711)		(339,119)
Represented by:					
SHARE CAPITAL	11		100,000		100,000
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT			(101,711)		(439,119)
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	12		(1,711)		(339,119)

Approved by the Board on 30 October 1997

EA Cameron (Director)

The notes on pages 7 to 13 form part of these accounts.

CASHFLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996

	Notes	1996 £	<u>1995</u> £
NET CASH (OUTFLOW/)INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	13	(55,720)	456,805
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE			
Interest received		11,374	6,611
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets Sale of tangible fixed assets		(48,571) 27,177	(290,930)
NET CASH (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW BEFORE FINANCING		(65,740)	172,486
FINANCING		~	-
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(DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH IN THE PERIOD	14	(65,740)	172,486

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 DECEMBER 1996

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Accounting Convention

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The accounts have been prepared on the presumption that the Company will continue to operate as a going concern and that May Kay Cosmetics, Inc will continue to support the activities of the Company in the foreseeable future.

(b) Turnover

Turnover represents sales within the UK to beauty consultants, exclusive of VAT.

(c) Tangible assets and depreciation

Tangible assets are stated at cost to the Company. Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis so as to write off the cost of the various assets over their expected useful lives. The annual rates of depreciation are as follows:

Leasehold improvements	Life of lease
Computer equipment	25%
Motor vehicles	25%
Fixtures and fittings	25%

(d) Stocks

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

(e) Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into Sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the end of the financial period except for fixed assets and stocks which are translated at the rates of exchange ruling when the assets were acquired. All exchange gains and losses are credited or charged to the profit and loss account.

(f) Operating lease costs

Operating lease rentals are charged to the profit and loss account in the period to which they relate.

(g) Pension costs

The Company operates a money purchase pension scheme for employees. Company contributions are charged to the profit and loss account in the period to which they relate.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 DECEMBER 1996 (Continued)

2	PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION
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_	PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		
		<u> 1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging/(crediting):	£	£
	Auditors' remuneration	14,500	16,200
	Depreciation	165,078	138,800
	Operating lease costs (land and buildings)	90,000	90,000
	Exchange (gain)/loss Reimbursement of current year market development costs from parent undertaking (presented within administrative expenses, netted against the	(320,591)	119,359
	relevant costs) Other operating income comprises:	(597,625)	(1,331,711)
	Management fees from parent undertaking and fellow subsidiary undertakings	(1,552,684)	(1,437,660)
3	STAFF COSTS		
		<u>1996</u> £	1995 £
	Wages and salaries	1,021,529	1,051,529
	Social security costs	88,319	92,390
	Other pension costs	20,484	<u>16,471</u>
		1,130,332	1,160,390
			

The average number of employees during the year (including directors) was 23 (1995: 26).

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 DECEMBER 1996 (Continued)

4 INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND PAYABLE

		<u>1996</u> £	<u>1995</u> £
	Bank interest receivable Intercompany interest receivable	11,374	6,611 <u>4,574</u>
	•	<u>11,374</u>	<u>11,185</u>
	Intercompany interest on amounts owed to parent undertaking	<u>258,255</u>	<u>89,683</u>
5	TAXATION		
		<u>1996</u> £	<u>1995</u> £
	UK Corporation tax at 33%	-	-
	Prior year adjustment - Overseas withholding tax	149,849	
		<u>149,849</u>	
	There is no UK corporation tax charge as the Company has sufficient br match the profit for the year.	ought forward ta	ax losses to
6	DIRECTORS EMOLUMENTS	<u>1996</u> £	1995 £
	Total Directors' remuneration (including pension scheme contributions)	360,790	303,506
	Details of Directors' emoluments (excluding pension scheme contributions) are as follows:	<u> </u>	
	Highest paid director	193,267 ———	165,625
	Chairman	-	-
	Directors emoluments fell within the following ranges:	Number	Number
	£0 - £5,000	4	5 1
	£120,001 - £125,000 £155,001 - £160,000	1	-
	£165,001 - £170,000 £190,001 - £195,000	1	1 -

MARY KAY COSMETICS (UK) LIMITED NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 DECEMBER 1996 (Continued)

7	TANGIBLE ASSETS	Short leasehold improvements £	Motor <u>vehicles</u> £	Fixtures, fittings & equipment £	<u>Total</u> £
	Cost				
	At 1 January 1996 Additions Disposals	164,842 3,722	144,467 3,631 (101,304)	243,862 41,218 -	553,171 48,571 (101,304)
-	At 31 December 1996	168,564	46,794	285,080	500,438
	Accumulated Depreciation		_ 		
	At 1 January 1996 Charge for the year Disposals	44,964 66,690 -	92,410 19,737 (83,029)	91,469 78,651 ———	228,843 165,078 (83,029)
	At 31 December 1996	111,654	29,118	170,120	310,892
	Net Book Value				
	At 31 December 1996	56,910 ———	17,676	114,960	189,546
	At 31 December 1995	119,878	52,057	152,393	324,328
8	STOCKS			<u>1996</u> £	<u>1995</u> £
	Goods for resale			734,715	16,480
					

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 DECEMBER 1996 (Continued)

9 DEBTORS

	<u>1996</u> £	<u>1995</u> £
Trade debtors	56,073	7,124
Amounts owed by fellow subsidiary undertakings	2,304,377	1,485,168
Other debtors	108,752	102,698
Prepayments	<u>111,976</u>	65,523
	2,581,178	1,660,513

Included within "other debtors" is an amount of £81,200 (1995 : £75,000) which is due after more than one year.

10 CREDITORS : Amounts falling due within one year

10	CREDITORS: Amounts failing due within one year		
	-	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
		£	£
	Bank overdraft	80,771	39,945
	Trade creditors	130,779	87,030
	Amounts owed to parent undertaking	644,732	767,018
	Amounts owed to fellow subsidiary undertakings	2,290,379	1,267,249
	Other creditors	130,327	168,081
	Taxation and social security	142,592	30,400
	Accruals and deferred income	<u>248,455</u>	<u>166,516</u>
		3,668,035	2,526,239
11	SHARE CAPITAL		
	•	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
		£	£
	Authorised :		
	500,000 ordinary £1 shares	500,000	500,000
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	Issued:		
	100,000 ordinary £1 shares	100,000	100,000
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 DECEMBER 1996 (Continued)

12	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	

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Profit for the period	337,408	119,333
Net increase in shareholders' funds	337,408	119,333
Opening shareholders' funds	(339,119)	(458,452)
Closing shareholders' funds	(1,711)	(339,119)

13 RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	<u>1996</u>	<u> 1995</u>
	£	£
Operating profit	734,138	197,831
Depreciation	165,078	138,800
Profit on disposal of tangible fixed assets	(8,902)	-
Increase in stocks	718,235	(10,571)
Increase in debtors	(1,070,514)	(1,168,836)
Increase in creditors	<u>842,715</u>	1,299,581
Net cash inflow from operating activities	(55,720)	456,805

14 RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT IN NET CASH

	£	£
Balance at 1 January 1996 Net cash (outflow)/inflow	145,854 (<u>65,740)</u>	(26,632) <u>172,486</u>
Balance at 31 December 1996 (note 15)	80,114	145,854

<u> 1996</u>

<u>1995</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 DECEMBER 1996 (Continued)

15 ANALYSIS OF THE BALANCES OF CASH AS SHOWN IN THE BALANCE SHEET

	<u>1 Jan</u> 1996	<u>Cashflow</u>	31 Dec 1996
	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	185,799	(24,914)	160,885
Bank overdraft	<u>(39,945)</u>	<u>(40,826)</u>	<u>(80,771)</u>
	145,854	(65,740)	80,114
			
OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS			
Annual commitments in respect of operating lease	es are as follows:		
Land and buildings which expire:		<u>1996</u> £	<u>1995</u> £
Between one and two years		125,000	-

100,000

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17 ULTIMATE PARENT

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The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Mary Kay Inc., a company incorporated in the United States of America. The ultimate parent company is Mary Kay Corporation, also incorporated in the United States of America. Mary Kay Inc. has confirmed that it intends to provide sufficient funds, either directly or indirectly, to enable the company to discharge its obligations as they fall due.

18 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Between two and five years

The Company has not undertaken any transactions with related parties during the year other than transactions with fellow members of the Mary Kay Inc group. Such transactions are exempt from disclosure under FRS8.