Directors' report and financial statements

30 June 1995

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Directors' report

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 1995.

Proposed dividend and transfer to reserves

The results for the year are set out on page 6. The directors propose the payment of a dividend of £10,000,000 (1994: £15,000,000). The retained profit of £7,351,000 (1994: £19,506,000) is transferred to reserves.

Significant changes in fixed assets

The changes in fixed assets are set out in notes 9 and 10 to the financial statements.

Directors and directors' interests

The directors who held office during the year were as follows:

AJ Lloyd
PE Lloyd (resigned 13 June 1995)
MA Ward (appointed 18 July 1994)
RG Turner
SW Buckell
WI Jack
CF Wilson
MD Yorke
DA Condliffe
J Poole

CP Gee

RK Wood (resigned 31 December 1994)

S Whetstone

In addition, JC Fellows and M Kidd were appointed as directors on 3 July 1995 and 20 September 1995 respectively.

AJ Lloyd, RG Turner and MA Ward were directors of Lloyds Chemists plc, the ultimate holding company at the year end and their interests are disclosed in the financial statements of that company.



Directors' report (continued)

Directors and directors' interests (continued)

The interests of the other directors serving at the end of the year, in Lloyds Chemists plc, were as follows:

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	1995	1994	1995	1994	1995	1994	1995	1994
SW Buckell	5,621	3,621	608	608	119,800	109,800	7,560	7,560
WI Jack	1,061	1,025	-	-	100,000	80,000	10,182	10,182
CF Wilson	4,022	2,417	-	-	103,640	83,640	7,560	7,560
MD Yorke	-	-		-	12,000	10,000	_	-
DA Condliffe	10,550	50	-	-	12,000	10,000	10,182	10,182
J Poole	500	-	-	-	15,000	10,000	10,182	10,182
CP Gee	_	-	_	-	5,000	-	_	_
S Whetstone	_	-	-	-	2,000	-	-	-

On 11 November 1994 SW Buckell, WI Jack, CF Wilson, MD Yorke, DA Condliffe, J Poole, CP Gee and S Whetstone were granted executive share options in respect of 10,000, 20,000, 20,000, 2,000, 2,000, 5,000 and 2,000 ordinary shares respectively.

Liability insurance

Pursuant to Section 310 of the Companies Act 1985, the company maintains insurance for its directors and officers against the financial consequences of actions brought against them by outside parties for acts or omissions in the performance of their duties as directors or officers of the company.

Employees

The company has developed and maintained arrangements whereby employees are consulted and provided with information about current activities and progress within the company and with training to improve the operational efficiency of the company.

The company supports the employment of disabled people wherever possible, through recruitment, by retention of those who become disabled during their employment and generally through training, career development and promotion, having regard to their particular aptitudes and abilities.

It is company policy to provide equal employment opportunities without regard to race, religion, sex, national origin or age.



Directors' report (continued)

Auditors

On 6 February 1995 our auditors changed the name under which they practise to KPMG and, accordingly, have signed their report in their new name. In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution for the re-appointment of KPMG as auditors of the company is to be proposed at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

By order of the board

JM Sadler Secretary

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10 October 1995



Statement of directors' responsibilities

The following statement, which should be read in conjunction with the report of the auditors set out on page 5, describes the responsibilities of the directors in relation to these 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 year and of the profit or loss for the year.

The directors consider that in preparing the financial statements set out on pages 6 to 16, the Company has used appropriate accounting policies consistently applied and supported by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates. All applicable accounting standards have been followed and the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The directors are responsible for ensuring that the Company maintains adequate 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.





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Auditors' report to the members of Barclay Pharmaceuticals Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 4 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 mis-statement, 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 30 June 1995 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

KPMG

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors 10 October 1995



Profit and loss account for the year ended 30 June 1995

		Continuin	g operations
	Note	1995	1994
		£'000	£'000
Turnover	1	715,853	620,154
Cost of sales		(641,908)	(532,638)
Gross profit		73,945	87,516
Distribution costs		(42,264)	(31,217)
Administrative expenses		(3,117)	(2,674)
Profit on ordinary activities before interest		28,564	53,625
Interest receivable	3	58	24
Interest payable	4	(3,643)	(1,536)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	5	24,979	52,113
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	(7,628)	(17,607)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation and for the financial year		17,351	34,506
Dividends proposed on equity shares	8	(10,000)	(15,000)
Retained profit for the financial year	17	7,351	19,506

A statement of movements on reserves is given in note 17 to the financial statements.

The effect of acquisitions on turnover and operating profit is considered to be not material.



Balance sheet

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at 30 June 1995

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	Note		1995		1994
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9		10,696		10,619
Investments	10		1,053		1,053
					-
		•	11,749		11,672
Current assets			·		,
Stocks	11	50,628		45,589	
Debtors	12	187,789		378,258	
Cash at bank and in hand		23,016		11,918	
		261,433		435,765	
Creditors: amounts falling due		,		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
within one year	13	(221,510)		(409,258)	
Net current assets			39,923		26,507
Total assets less current liabilities			51,672		38,179
Creditors: amounts falling due			51,072		30,177
after more than one year	14		(6,605)		(268)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	15		(558)		(680)
_					
Net assets			44,509		37,231
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	16		25,000		25,000
Goodwill write off reserve	17		(6,984)		(7,275)
Profit and loss account	17		26,493		19,506
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Total equity shareholders' funds			44,509		37,231
				;	

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 10 October 1995 and were signed on its behalf by:

JC Eelfor Director

Statement of total recognised gains and losses for the year ended 30 June 1995

During the year ended 30 June 1995 there were no recognised gains or losses other than the profit for the financial year of £17,351,000 (1994: £34,506,000).

Historical cost profits and losses for the year ended 30 June 1995

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There is no difference between the historical cost profit on ordinary activities before taxation and that reported in the profit and loss account for the year ended 30 June 1995 or 1994.

Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds for the year ended 30 June 1995

	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
Profit for the year after taxation Dividends proposed	17,351 (10,000)	34,506 (15,000)
Goodwill written off	7,351 (73)	19,506 (5,952)
Net movement in shareholders' funds Shareholders' funds at 1 July 1994	7,278 37,231	13,554 23,677
Shareholders' funds at 30 June 1995	44,509	37,231



Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements:

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards.

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Lloyds Chemists plc which is established under the law of a member state of the European Community. Lloyds Chemists plc publishes consolidated financial statements including a consolidated cash flow statement which includes the results of Barclay Pharmaceuticals Limited, and consequently, in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard Number 1, no cash flow statement is included in these financial statements.

Turnover

Turnover represents goods invoiced excluding value added tax. All sales were made in the United Kingdom.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives. The principal rates used are as follows:

Freehold property

Short leasehold property

- period of the lease

Motor vehicles

- 25% on a reducing balance

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 10%-20% on a straight line basis

It is the policy of the company to maintain its properties in a state of good repair. Because of this, such properties maintain residual disposal values, based on prices prevailing at the date of purchase, at least equal to their book values and accordingly no provision for depreciation is made. Where there is a permanent diminution in the value of a property a charge is made to the profit and loss account.

Leased assets

Assets used by the company which have been funded through finance leases are recorded as tangible fixed assets and are depreciated over their estimated useful lives. Future lease obligations, net of finance charges, are included in creditors. Rentals payable are apportioned between the finance element which is charged to the profit and loss account and the capital element which reduces outstanding lease obligations.

All other leases are operating leases and the rental charges are taken to the profit and loss account over the life of the lease.

Goodwill

Goodwill relating to the acquisition of businesses is written off immediately against reserves.



Notes (continued)

1 Accounting policies (continued)

Stocks

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

Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. Provision is made for deferred tax only to the extent that it is probable that an actual liability will crystallise.

Pensions

The company is part of the defined contribution pension scheme operated by the Lloyds Chemists Group. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the group in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the scheme. Details of the scheme are set out in the Lloyds Chemists plc group financial statements.

2 Staff numbers and costs

The average number of persons employed by the company during the year, analysed by category, was as follows:

		1995	1994
		Number	Number
	Administration	212	187
	Selling and distribution	1,807	1,602
		2,019	1,789
	The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:	£'000	£,000
	Wages and salaries	22,221	17,603
	Social security costs	1,860	1,655
	Other pension costs	90	29
		24,171	19,287
3	Interest receivable		
		1995	1994
		£'000	£'000
	Bank interest	58	24
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Notes (continued)

4 Interest payable

microst payable	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
On bank loans and overdrafts Finance lease charges	3,574 69	1,412 124
	3,643	1,536

5 Profit on ordinary activities before taxation

The profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging/(crediting) the following:

	1995	1994
	£'000	£'000
Directors' remuneration	641	455
Depreciation of fixed assets held under hire purchase agreements	397	350
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	1,663	1,467
Payments under operating leases:		-
Land and buildings	2,328	1,300
Plant and machinery	275	260
Auditors' remuneration	53	58
Rents receivable	(13)	-

6 Directors' emoluments

Excluding pension contributions, the emoluments of the chairman were £Nil (1994: £Nil) and those of the highest paid director were £126,000 (1994: £91,000). The emoluments of the directors were within the following ranges:

	1995 Number	1994 Number
£0 - £5,000	5	6
£5,001 - £10,000	-	1
£15,001 - £20,000	-	1
£25,001 - £30,000	-	1
£50,001 - £55,000	2	3
£55,001 - £60,000	2	-
£60,001 - £65,000	1	-
£65,001 - £70,000	-	1
£70,001 - £75,000	-	1
£90,001 - £95,000	1	1
£120,001 - £125,000	1	_
£125,001 - £130,000	1	_
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Notes (continued)

7	Tax on profit on ordinary activ	ities				
	-				1995	1994
					£'000	£'000
	Taxation based on the profit for	r the financial	ear:			
	Corporation tax at 33%				7,738	17,335
	Deferred taxation				(110)	272
					7,628	17,607
8	Dividends					
_					1995	1994
					£,000	£'000
	Equity shares:					W 000
	Final proposed				10,000	15,000
9	Tangible fixed assets					
		Freehold	T1-1-1-1	3.6-4	Fixtures,	
		properties	Leasehold	Motor vehicles	fittings and	TD-4-1
		£'000	properties £'000	£'000	equipment £'000	Total £'000
	Cost	2 000	2 000	2 000	1 000	1 000
	At 1 July 1994	150	1,833	5,091	9,316	16,390
	Additions	-	408	1,033	2,460	3,901
	Intra-group transfers	-	(282)	73	(973)	(1,182)
	Disposals	-	(=02)	(615)	(317)	(932)
	•					
	At 30 June 1995	150	1,959	5,582	10,486	18,177
						
	Depreciation					
	At 1 July 1994	_	379	2,431	2,961	5,771
	Charge for the year	_	98	552	1,410	2,060
	Intra-group transfers	_	(13)	4	(49)	(58)
	Disposals	-	-	(144)	(148)	(292)
	At 30 June 1995	_	464	2,843	4,174	7,481
			-			
	Net book value					
	At 30 June 1995	150	1,495	2,739	6,312	10,696
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	At 30 June 1994	150	1,454	2,660	6,355	10,619
	Net book value of assets held					
	under finance leases	_	_	995	_	995
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Notes (continued)

10 Investments

Shares in subsidiary undertakings £'000

Cost and net book value

At 1 July 1994 and at 30 June 1995

1,053

The company owns the whole of the issued share capital of Kyle & Carrick (Holdings) Limited, which is registered in Scotland.

Under the provisions of Section 228 of the Companies Act 1985 the company has not prepared consolidated financial statements since it is a wholly owned subsidiary of another company registered in the European Community.

In the opinion of the directors the value of the investment in subsidiary undertakings is not less than the value stated in the balance sheet.

1	1	Stocks
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1995	1994
£,000	£,000
Goods for resale 50,628	45,589
12 Debtors	
1995	1994
£'000°£	£'000
Trade debtors 38,664	32,798
Amounts owed by parent undertakings and fellow subsidiary	
undertakings 147,099	344,298
Other debtors 296	354
Prepayments 1,730	808
187,789	378,258



Notes (continued)

13	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
		1995	1994
		£'000	£'000
	Bank overdrafts	7,241	300
	Obligations under finance leases	516	748
	Trade creditors	143,269	126,181
	Amounts owed to parent undertakings and fellow subsidiary		
	undertakings	51,206	259,133
	Corporation tax	11,051	18,346
	Other taxation and social security	3,429	3,329
	Other creditors	575	665
	Accruals and deferred income	4,223	556
		221,510	409,258
14	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		
	,	1995	1994
		£'000	£'000
	Obligations under finance leases	244	268
	Amounts owed to parent and fellow subsidiary undertakings	6,361	-
			260
		6,605	
	The obligations under finance leases are repayable as follows:		
	Within one year	516	748
	Between two and five years	244	268
		760	1,016
1.5			
15	Provisions for liabilities and charges		
			Deferred
			taxation
			£,000
	At 1 July 1994 Transfer to profit and loss account		680
	riansies to profit and loss account		(122)
	At 30 June 1995		558



Notes (continued)

15 Provisions for liabilities and charges (continued)

The amounts provided for deferred taxation and the amounts unprovided, calculated under the liability method at 33% are set out below:

		Provided £'000	1995 Unprovided £'000	Provided £'000	1994 Unprovided £'000
	Accelerated capital allowances	558	-	680	-
	Chargeable gains rolled over		<u>76</u>		
		558	<u>76</u>	680	76
16	Called up share capital				
				1995	1994
				£'000	£'000
	Authorised, allotted, called up and f				
	25,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 ear	ch		25,000	25,000
17	Reserves				
		·		Goodwill write-off reserve £'000	Profit and loss account £'000
	At 1 July 1994			(7,275)	19,506
	Goodwill written off			(73)	-
	Goodwill transferred to profit and loa	ss account		364	(364)
	Profit for the year				7,351
	At 30 June 1995			(6,984)	26,493

18 Acquisition of businesses

On 1 July 1994, the trade and assets of Illingworth Health Foods Limited, a fellow subsidiary undertaking, were transferred to the company.

19 Directors' transactions

The company occupies offices and a distribution centre which are owned by The Croft Pension Trust, the beneficiaries of which include Mr AJ Lloyd and Mr PE Lloyd together with their dependants, and leased at a current annual rental of £165,000.

The rentals payable were determined on an arm's length basis and future rent reviews will be similarly determined.



Notes (continued)

20 Commitments under operating leases

The annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases are:

	1995		1994	
	Land and buildings £'000	Other assets £'000	Land and buildings £'000	Other assets £'000
Commitments which expire:				
Within one year	-	98	_	23
Within two to five years	246	303	-	202
After more than five years	1,336	-	918	
	1,582	401	918	225

21 Capital commitments

Capital expenditure sanctioned by the board and outstanding at 30 June 1995 amounted to £2,500,000 (1994: £3,100,000).

Contracts placed against these sanctions so far as not provided for in these financial statements amounted to £1,000,000 (1994: £1,050,000).

22 Contingent liabilities

The company guarantees the borrowings of other group undertakings which at 30 June 1995 amounted to £Nil (1994: £Nil).

23 Ultimate holding company

The ultimate holding company is Lloyds Chemists plc, which is registered in England and Wales.

The financial statements of the company are included with the group financial statements of Lloyds Chemists plc but are not included within any other group financial statements.

Copies of the group financial statements may be obtained from Britannia House, Centurion Park, Tamworth, Staffordshire, B77 5TZ.

