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The Directors 13 January 2003

In accordance with Section 392 of the Companies Act 1985, we give notice that we are resigning as auditors of the above companies with effect from 16 January 2003.

In accordance with Section 394 of the Companies Act 1985, we confirm that there are no circumstances connected with our resignation which we consider should be brought to the notice of the shareholders or creditors of the above companies.

Yours faithfully

PricewaterhouseCoopers

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The Directors
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16 January 2003

Dear Sirs

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION AS AUDITORS

Pubmistress Limited - 4036384 Coinmine Limited - 4198246 Cousin of Pubmaster Limited - 2585754 GRS Inns Limited - 3896809 Inn Partnership Limited - 3538785 Mercury Taverns (Holdings) Limited - 2625703 Mercury Taverns plc - 2850597 Pubmaster Limited - 3321199 Pubmaster Group Limited - 3276276 Pubmaster Holdings Limited - 3720775 Pubmaster Inns Limited - 03736177 Pubmaster Taverns Limited - 4187608 Pub.com Limited - 129094 Silverhoney Limited - 4195588 Silverhoney Holdings Limited - 4187794 Tudor Street Holdings Limited - 3680951 Tudor Street Acquisitions Limited - 3680937

Following the conversion of PricewaterhouseCoopers to a Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) from 1 January 2003, we have agreed with you that the new firm, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP will be replacing us as auditors.

Pricewaterhouse Coopers is the successor partnership to the UK firms of Price Waterhouse and Coopers & Lybrand. The principal place of business of Pricewaterhouse Coopers as Lybrand, is 1 Embankment Place, London WC2N 6RH. The principal place of business of Price Waterhouse is Southwark Towers, 32 London Bridge Street, London SE1 9SY. Lists of the partners' names are available for inspection at those places.