1999 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

Strand Glassfibre Limited 2925296



Scott Bader Commonwealth Limited Scott Bader Company Limited and Subsidiaries Wollaston Wellingborough Northants NN29 7RI



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Strand Glassfibre Limited

Registered number 2925296

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Strand Glassfibre Limited REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The Directors of Strand Glassfibre Limited present their Report and the Accounts of the Company for the period ended 31 December 1999.

Results and dividends

The Company did not trade during the year. The Directors do not recommend that a dividend be paid.

Directors and their interests

The Directors at the end of the year were Andrew Gunn and Allan Bell. Ian Henderson retired on 1 September 1999 when Allan Bell was appointed.

None of the Directors who served during the period have any notifiable interest in the shares of the company, or of the ultimate parent company, The Scott Bader Commonwealth Limited or its subsidiaries. All of the Directors are trustees (members) of the ultimate parent company The Scott Bader Commonwealth. As trustees they hold in common with other members the shares of Scott Bader Company Limited.

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 judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 to 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.

Auditors

PricewaterhouseCoopers have indicated their willingness to continue in office, and a resolution re-appointing them as Auditors to the group will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting

By Order of the Board

Andrew D S Guni Secretary

12 June 2000

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

to the Shareholders of Strand Glassfibre Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 and 5

Respective responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report. As described on page 2, this includes responsibility for preparing the financial statements in accordinace with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards. Our responsibilities, as independent auditors, are established in the United Kingdom by statute, the Auditing Practices Board and our profession's ethical guidance.

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 United Kingdom Companies Act. 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 is not disclosed.

We read the other information contained in the Annual Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes an 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 at 31 December 1999 and of its result for the fifty-two weeks then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

PRICEWATERHOUSE COOPERS

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors Charnwood Court New Walk Leicester LE1 6TE

12 June 2000

Strand Glassfibre Limited BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1999

	Notes	1999 £	1998 £
Debtors (called up share capital, not paid)	_	2	2
Net assets	=	2	2
Called up share capital (equity)	, 1 	2	2

Approved by the Board on 12 June 2000

Andrew Gunn

Director

Strand Glassfibre Limited NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1 Share capital

Allotted, not paid	2	2
	£	£
	1999	1998
	1 Jan	2 Jan
		======
Authorised, 1,000 shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
	1999 £	1998 £

2 Parent Undertaking

The ultimate parent undertaking of Strand Glassfibre Limited is the Scott Bader Commonwealth Limited, which is incorporated in Great Britain and registered as a charity. The immediate parent undertaking is Scott Bader Company Limited which prepares group accounts. Copies of the above accounts can be obtained from:

Scott Bader Company Limited Wollaston Wellingborough Northants NN29 7RL