DIRECTORS' REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS

FMS SUPPLIES LIMITED

(Registered Number 3417736)

31 December 1999



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DIRECTORS AND ADVISORS

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DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 1999. The company was incorporated and commenced trading on 11 August 1997. The information provided for the period ended 31 December 1998 therefore relates to the period from incorporation to the financial year end.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of suppliers of pharmaceutical products. On 24 August 1999 Nestor Healthcare Group plc, acquired 100% of the issued share capital of the company.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The company's profit for the financial year is £279,747 (1998: £161,963). Dividends of £257,534 (1998: £168,686) were paid during the year and the retained profit for the year of £22,213 (1998: £6,723 loss) has been transferred to reserves.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors of the company who held office during the year and their interests in the shares of the company were as stated below:

	_	Ordinary shares of £1 each	
		31 December	31 December
		<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
JAS Jewitt	(appointed 24 August 1999)	_	-
DO Lyon	(appointed 24 August 1999)	-	-
M Stokes	(appointed 24 August 1999)	=	-
R Parkinson	(appointed 24 August 1999 and resigned 6 July 2000)	-	-
l Fraser	(resigned 24 August 1999)	-	60
S Goddard	(resigned 24 August 1999)	-	40

The interests of JAS Jewitt and DO Lyon in the shares capital of Nestor Healthcare Group plc are disclosed in the Report and Accounts of that company.

The interests of M Stokes and R Parkinson in the share capital of Nestor Healthcare Group plc are as follows:

	Ordinary Shares		SAYE Sch	neme	Company share opt	tion Plan 1996	Employee share o 1996	
	31 December 1999	1 January 1999	31 December 1999	1 January 1999	31 December 1999	1 January 1999	31 December 1999	1 January 1999
M Stokes	-	-	4,552	4,552*	26,000	26,000*	30,655	30,655*
R Parkinson	-	-	-	-	5,029	5,029*	9,053	9,053*

^{*} at date of appointment

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999 (CONTINUED)

YEAR 2000

The passing of the Millennium was without any disruption to the business and operations of the company. This reflects the extensive preparations made. Contingency plans remain in place to deal with any unexpected disruption. Whilst the company incurred expenditure both of revenue and capital nature in upgrading some of its systems during the year, it is not possible to distinguish the proportion required solely for the purpose of making its systems millennium compliant.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

16/10/00

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts 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 financial year and of the profit or loss of the Company for that period. In preparing those accounts, the directors are required to:

- · select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- · make judgements 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 accounts; and
- prepare the accounts 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 the accounts 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

During the year, Barrowcliffs resigned as auditors and PricewaterhouseCoopers were appointed. PricewaterhouseCoopers have indicated their willingness to continue in office, and a resolution concerning the reappointment will be proposed at the Annual General meeting.

CER Thomas

Secretary

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF FMS SUPPLIES LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 13 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 8.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report. As described on page 4, this includes responsibility for preparing the financial statements, in accordance 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 audit 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 at 31 December 1999 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

16 October 2000

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

	<u>Notes</u>	Year ended 31 December 1999 £	Period ended 31 December 1998 £
TURNOVER	1	943,643	923,440
Cost of sales		(326,983)	(447,771)
GROSS PROFIT		616,660	475,669
Administrative expenses		(209,922)	(269,866)
OPERATING PROFIT	3	406,738	205,803
Interest payable Interest receivable	6 6	(7,431) 1,744	(873) 1,959
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAX		401,051	206,889
Taxation	7	(121,304)	(44,926)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		279,747	161,963
Dividends	8	(257,534)	(168,686)
RETAINED PROFIT/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR/PERIOD	15	22,213	(6,723)

All of the results derive from continuing operations.

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the profit above and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

There is no difference between the profit on ordinary activities before taxation and the retained profit/(deficit) for the year stated above and their historical cost equivalents.

BALANCE SHEET - 31 DECEMBER 1999

<u>Notes</u>	£	<u>1999</u> £	f	<u>1998</u> £
9	_	11,588	~	9,432
10 11	42,516 257,770 153,853		25,350 114,241 71,719	
12	(450,137)		(227,365)	
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The financial statements on pages 6 to 13 were approved by the board of directors on 16 October 2000 and were signed on its behalf by:

D O Lyon

Director

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 31 DECEMBER 1999

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention and applicable accounting standards.

The principal accounting policies, which have been applied consistently, are set out below:

(a) <u>Turnover</u>

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT and trade discounts.

(b) Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Plant and machinery Fixtures, fittings and equipment Motor vehicles 20% reducing value 33% reducing value 25% reducing value

(c) Stocks

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

(d) Finance

Leasing arrangements which transfer to the company substantially all the benefits and risks of ownership of an asset are treated as if the asset had been purchased outright. The assets are included in fixed assets and the capital element of the leasing commitments is shown as obligations under finance leases. The lease rentals are treated as consisting of capital and interest elements. The capital element is applied to reduce the outstanding obligations and the interest element is charged against profit in proportion to the reducing capital element outstanding. Assets held under finance lease are depreciated over their expected useful lives which fall into the range specified above.

(e) Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund.

2 CASH FLOW STATEMENT AND RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Nestor Healthcare Group plc and is included in the consolidated financial statements of Nestor Healthcare Group plc, which are publicly available from the address given in note 18. Consequently, the company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 1 (revised). The company is also exempt under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 8 from disclosing related party transactions with entities that are part of the Nestor Healthcare Group plc group.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 31 DECEMBER 1999 (CONTINUED)

3	OPERATING PROFIT	<u> 1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
	Operating profit is stated after charging: Depreciation of tangible assets - owned assets	£ 3,772	£ 1,557
	 leased assets Auditors' remuneration Audit services Non-audit services 	13,429 2,772	3,200 5,125
	Loss on disposal of fixed assets	20,000	-
4	DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS	<u>1999</u> £	<u>1998</u> £
	Aggregate emoluments	8,628	150,000
	No pension contributions were paid on behalf of the directors.		
5	EMPLOYEES	<u>1999</u> Number	<u>1998</u> Number
	The average number of persons employed by the company, including executive directors, was:	6	7
	The costs incurred in respect of these employees were:	1999 £	1998 £
	Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs	88,577 6,179 3,645	234,252 23,041 1,822
		98,401	259,115

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 31 DECEMBER 1999 (CONTINUED)

6	INTEREST		
		1999	1998
		£	£
	Receivable on bank deposits	1,744	1,959
	Payable on finance leases and hire purchase agreements	(7,431)	(873)
		(5,687)	1,086
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7	TAXATION		
		<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
		£	£
	UK corporation tax at 30.25% (1998: 21%)	121,304	44,926
8	DIVIDENDS	<u>1999</u>	1998
		£	<u>3</u>
	Ordinary interim paid of £1,883 per share		
	(1998: £1,686.86)	188,300	168,686
	Ordinary proposed of £692.34 per share (1998; £nil)	69,234	
		257,534	168,686

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 31 DECEMBER 1999 (CONTINUED)

9 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Motor <u>vehicles</u>	Office equipment	<u>Total</u>
Cost	£	£	£
At 1 January 1999 Additions Disposals	107,429 (107,429)	10,989 5,928 ————————————————————————————————————	10,989 113,357 (107,429)
At 31 December 1999	-	16,917	16,917
Accumulated depreciation			=======================================
At 1 January 1999 Charge for the year Disposals	13,429 (13,429)	1,557 3,772 ———————————————————————————————————	1,557 17,201 <u>(13,429)</u>
At 31 December 1999	-	5,329	5,329
Net book amount At 31 December 1999		11,588	11,588
At 31 December 1998	-	9,432	9,432
10 STOCKS		4000	
		<u>1999</u> £	<u>1998</u> £
Goods held for resale		42 ,516	25,350
11 DEBTORS			
		<u>1999</u> £	<u>1998</u> £
Trade debtors Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income Inter-company – due from fellow subsidiary underta	aking	75,368 74,034 11,415 96,953	37,069 77,172
		257,770	114,241

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 31 DECEMBER 1999 (CONTINUED)

12 CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

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	<u> 1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
	£	£
Trade creditors	49,322	30,386
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	27,113
Taxation and social security	149,658	84,121
Other creditors	95,076	85,745
Inter-company: due to ultimate parent undertaking	<u>156,081</u>	<u>-</u>
	450,137	227,365

13 PENSION COSTS

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amounted to £3,645 (1998: £1,822).

14 SHARE CAPITAL

SHARE CAPITAL	<u>1999</u> £	1998 £
Authorised 100,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	100,000	<u>100,000</u>
Allotted, called up and fully paid 100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	<u>100</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 31 DECEMBER 1999 (CONTINUED)

15 STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS ON PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

	<u>1999</u> £	<u>1998</u> £
Balance at start of year/period Retained profit/(deficit) for the year/period	(6,723) _22,213	- (6,723)
Balance at end of year/period	15,490	(6,723)

16 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	<u>1999</u> £	<u>1998</u> £
Profit/(loss) for the year Net proceeds of issue of ordinary share capital Shareholders' funds at start of the year/period	22,213 - (6,623)	(6,723) 98 2
Shareholders' funds at the end of the year/period	15,590 ======	(6,623)

17 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Other debtors include an amount of £30,946 due from Docs Limited, a company of which I Fraser and S Goddard are both directors.

18 ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING

On 24 August 1999, the entire share capital of the company was acquired by Nestor Healthcare Group Plc. At 31 December 1999 the ultimate parent undertaking and ultimate controlling party is Nestor Healthcare Group Plc. The company is included in the consolidated accounts of Nestor Healthcare Group Plc which are publicly available.

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