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COMPANIES FORM No. 169

Return by a company purchasing its

own shares

Pursuant to section 169 of the Companies Act 1985

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To the Registrar of Companies (address overleaf)

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Company Number

3430071

Name of company

* Insert full name DEBENHAMS PLC of company

NOTE:

This return must be delivered to the Registrar within a period of 28 days beginning with the first date on which shares to which it relates were delivered to the company.

§A private company is not required to give this information

Shares were purchased by the company under section 162 of the above Act as follows:

Class of shares	ORDINARY
Number of shares purchased	240,000
Nominal value of each share	10p
Date(s) on which the shares were delivered to the company	12 Aug 2002
Maximum prices paid for each share §	286.8507
Minimum prices paid for each share §	286.8507

The aggregate amount paid by the company for the shares to which this return relates was: £ 690,163.78 Stamp duty is payable on the aggregate amount at the rate of 1/2% rounded up to the nearest multiple of £5 £ 3,455.00

Insert Director, Secretary, Administrator, Administrative Receiver or Receiver (Scotland) as appropriate

Signed

Designation + DERITY COMPANY Date 12/8/02 SEZZETARY

Presentor's name, address and reference (if any):

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