

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

Beta Services (UK) Limited

31 March 2000



Registered in England : Number 3512997

DIRECTORS

G Wilson
I M Wilson

SECRETARY

G Wilson

AUDITORS

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2000.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The company is principally engaged in that of a holding company.

REVIEW OF THE PERIOD

The company did not trade during the year.

DIRECTORS

The directors in office during the year are listed below.

G Wilson

I M Wilson

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

The interests of directors in the share capital of the company as at 31 March 2000, were as follows:

No. of ordinary shares

G Wilson

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DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE ACCOUNTS

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 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 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

Messrs Hurst Morrison Thomson have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors and a resolution proposing their reappointment will be submitted at the Annual General Meeting.

By order of the Board on 25 November 2000

Secretary

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Hurst Morrison Thomson

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS to the members of Beta Services (UK) Limited

We have audited the accounts on pages 5 to 7, which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and on the basis of the accounting policies set out on page 6.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those accounts 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 accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

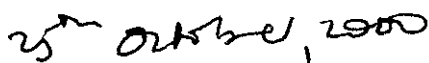
We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the accounts are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the accounts.

Opinion

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2000 and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.



Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor
Henley On Thames



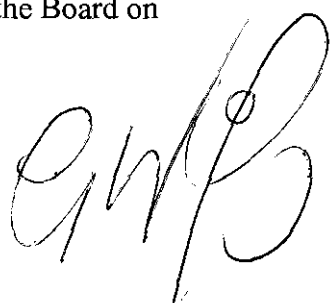
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BALANCE SHEET at 31 March 2000

	<i>Notes</i>	<i>2000</i> £	<i>1999</i> £
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments	3	225,000	225,000
		<u>225,000</u>	<u>225,000</u>
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	4	(224,900)	(224,900)
		<u>(224,900)</u>	<u>(224,900)</u>
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(224,900)	(224,900)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		100	100
		<u>£100</u>	<u>£100</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	5	100	100
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	6	<u>£100</u>	<u>£100</u>

Approved by the Board on

Director

 25/10/00

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
at 31 March 2000

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies of the company are set out below.

Accounting convention

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Consolidation

The company and its subsidiary comprise a small group. The company has therefore taken advantage of the exemption provided by Section 249 of the Companies Act 1985 not to prepare group accounts.

2 TURNOVER

The company has not provided a profit and loss account as it has not traded during the period.

3 INVESTMENTS

Company

	<i>Subsidiary Undertakings £</i>
At 1 April 1999	225,000
At 31 March 2000	<u>£225,000</u>

Details of the investments in which the company holds more than 10% of the nominal value of any class of share capital are as follows:

<i>Name of company</i>	<i>Country of registration/or incorporation</i>	<i>Holding</i>	<i>Proportion of voting rights and shares held</i>	<i>Nature of business</i>
Beta Distribution plc	England	Ordinary shares	100%	Supply and maintenance of office equipment

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
at 31 March 2000

3 INVESTMENTS (continued)

Details of the subsidiary undertakings are as follows:-

	<i>2000</i>	<i>1999</i>
Beta Distribution plc		
Aggregate amount of capital and reserves	£755,966	£564,137
Profit for the period	£191,829	£284,032

4 CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	<i>2000</i>	<i>1999</i>
Directors loan	£224,900	£224,900

5 SHARE CAPITAL

	<i>2000</i>	<i>Authorised</i>	<i>Allotted, called up</i>	<i>and fully paid</i>
	<i>2000</i>	<i>1999</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>1999</i>
	<i>No.</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000	100	100

6 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	<i>2000</i>	<i>1999</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Profit for the year	-	-
Shares issued	-	100
Net movement in shareholders' funds	-	100
Opening shareholders' funds	100	-
Closing shareholders' funds	£100	£100