**Report and Financial Statements** 

**31 December 2007** 

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#### OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS

# **DIRECTORS**

K C Hajjar D M Weston P G Whitcutt

# **SECRETARY**

J R Stirk

#### **REGISTERED OFFICE**

20 Carlton House Terrace London SWIY 5AN

# **BANKERS**

Barclays Bank PLC 1 Churchill Place Canary Wharf London E14 5 HP

# **AUDITORS**

Deloitte & Touche LLP Chartered Accountants Four Brindleyplace Birmingham B1 2HZ

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007

The directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies under section 246(4) of the companies act 1985

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the company is that of a holding company

#### REVIEW OF BUSINESS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The company is a holding company only It has received no income and has not incurred any expenses. It is not expected to recommence trade in the foreseeable future and consequently no Profit & Loss Account has been provided

#### **DIVIDENDS AND RESERVES**

The profit after taxation for the year is £nil (2006 - £ nil) and the directors do not recommend payment of a dividend for the year (2006 - £nil)

#### **DIRECTORS**

The directors who served during the year are as follows

D M Weston

P G Whitcutt

K C Hajjar

S R Thompson (resigned 13 April 2007)

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### **AUDITORS**

Each of the persons who is a director at the date of approval of this report confirms that

- (1) so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- (2) the director has taken all steps that he/she ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of s234ZA of the Companies Act 1985

Deloitte & Touche LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors and a special notice will be served prior to the forthcoming Annual General Meeting proposing their reappointment

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board

K C Hajjar

Director

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#### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial instruments for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to 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 these 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 UK Accounting Standards have been followed,
- 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 that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and 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.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF TARMAC GROUP LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Tarmac Group Limited for the year ended 31 December 2007 which comprise the Balance Sheet and the related notes 1 to 12 These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland)

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 Companies Act 1985. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, 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 other transactions is not disclosed

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it

#### Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) 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 judgments 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.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF TARMAC GROUP LIMITED (continued)

#### Opinion

#### In our opinion

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2007 and of its result for the year then ended,
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985, and
- the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements

Deloitte & Touche LLP

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors Birmingham, UK

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30 June 2008

# **BALANCE SHEET** 31 December 2007

	Note	2007 £000	2006 £000
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments	5	511,687	511,687
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors Amounts due within 1 year	6	1	1
TOTAL ASSETS		511,688	511,688
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	7	(317,358)	(317,358)
NET ASSETS		194,330	194,330
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	9	186,339	186,339
Share premium account	10	7,965	7,965
Profit and loss account	10	26	26
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		194,330	194,330

The company did not trade in the year and has made neither a profit nor loss, nor any other recognised gain or loss Consequently, no profit and loss account or statement of total recognised gains and losses has been prepared

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on

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Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

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Director

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2007

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom. The particular accounting policies adopted have been applied consistently in the current and prior years and are described below.

#### Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention

#### Basis of presentation

Consolidated accounts are not prepared because the company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Anglo American plc and its consolidated financial statements are publicly available

#### Cash flow statement

Under Financial Reporting Standard 1 (Revised) the company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a wholly-owned subsidiary undertaking

#### Investments

Investments are included at cost, less provision for impairment where appropriate

#### Taxation

Current tax, including UK corporation tax and foreign tax, is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date

Deferred taxation is provided in full on timing differences that result on an obligation at the balance sheet date to pay more tax, or a right to pay less tax, at a future date, at rates expected to apply when they crystallise based on current tax rates and law Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is regarded as more likely than not that they will be recovered Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted

#### 2. INFORMATION REGARDING DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

The company has no employees and the Directors received no emoluments for their services to the company

### 3. OPERATING PROFIT

Auditors' remuneration of £1,000 (2006 £1,000) has been borne by other group companies Non audit fees were nil in both current and prior years

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2007

Amounts owed to group undertakings

4.	TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDIN	ARY ACTIVITIES			
				2007 £000	2006 £000
	Current tax. Group relief receivable - 30% (20 Balancing payment made under t			(4, <b>849</b> 4, <b>849</b>	(4,999) 4,999
	Total current tax			-	-
	Tax (credit)/charge on loss on ord	dinary activities		<u>-</u>	-
	In March 2007 the UK Governme corporation tax rate to 28% with a June 2007				
5.	FIXED ASSET INVESTMENT	'S			
					Shares £000
	Cost and net book value At 1 January 2007 and 31 Decem	ber 2007			511,687
	The principal subsidiary of the co	ompany which is include	ed within these accounts	is shown below	
	Name	% Holding	Country of Incorporation	Type of Busine	ess
	Tarmac Holdings Limited	100%	United Kingdom	Holding compa	ny
6.	DEBTORS				
				2007 £000	2006 £000
	Group relief receivable			1	1
7.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FA	LLING DUE AFTER	MORE THAN ONE Y	EAR	
				2007 £000	2006 £000

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# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2007

#### 8. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES

#### Deferred taxation

There is no unprovided deferred taxation at 31 December 2007 (2006 - £nil)

#### 9. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

			2007 £000	2006 £000
	Authorised			
	259,999,998 Ordinary shares of £0 90 each		234,000	234,000
	Called up, allotted and fully paid			
	207,042,953 Ordinary shares of £0 90 each		186,339	186,339
10.	RESERVES			
		Share premium account £000	Profit and loss account £000	Total £000
	Balance at 1 January 2007 and 31 December 2007	7,965	26	7,991

#### 11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company has taken advantage of the exemption allowed to subsidiary companies under Financial Reporting Standard 8 - Related Party Transactions, and therefore transactions with other group companies are not disclosed separately

#### 12. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

At 31 December 2007, Anglo American Finance (UK) Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales was the immediate parent company with Anglo American plc being the ultimate parent company and controlling party and the parent company of the smallest and largest group for which group accounts are prepared Copies of the financial statements of Anglo American plc can be obtained from 20 Carlton House Terrace, London, SW1Y 5AN