Report and Accounts

Year Ended 31st December 2003



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COMPANY INFORMATION

DIRECTORS

J.A.F. Cowderoy - Chairman

I.V.R. Harrison

P.C.L. Harrison

D.J.C. Harrison

D.G. Baird

K.M. MacDonald (resigned 26th August 2003)

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors submit their report and group accounts for the year ended 31st December 2003.

RESULTS AND DIVIDEND

The profit on ordinary activities, after taxation, is £955,000. Interim dividends paid and proposed during the year totalled £173,000. The directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend and the retained profit of £782,000 is therefore taken to reserves.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The Group traded as ship owners and ship managers during the year.

OPERATIONS

The Group's two platform supply vessels, both of which are fixed on term contracts, performed well during the year.

FIXED ASSETS

Changes in fixed assets during the year are shown in Note 7 to the accounts.

POST BALANCE SHEET EVENT

On 19th February 2004 all of the issued 'A' ordinary shares were purchased by the company for £471,000.

DIRECTORS

Details of directors who served during the year are shown in Note 16 to the accounts. In addition Mr K.M. MacDonald served as a director until 26th August 2003.

AUDITORS

A resolution to re-appoint Ernst & Young LLP as auditors will be put to the members at the Annual General Meeting.

On behalf of the Board

D.G. Baird

28th April 2004

GROUP PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31st December 2003

	Notes	2003 £000	2002 £000
TURNOVER	1	4,922	4,712
Cost of sales		(3,027)	(2,884)
GROSS PROFIT		1,895	1,828
Net operating expenses		(468)	(248)
OPERATING PROFIT	2	1427	1,580
Net interest payable and similar charges	3	(608)	(729)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE			
TAXATION		819	851
Taxation credit	4	136	136
PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO MEMBERS OF THE			
HOLDING COMPANY	5	955	987
Dividend	6	(173)	(310)
RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		782	677
RETAINED PROFIT BROUGHT FORWARD		1,040	363
RETAINED PROFIT CARRIED FORWARD		1,822	1040

GROUP STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

for the year ended 31st December 2003

There are no recognised gains or losses for the year other than the profit attributable to members of the holding company of £955,000 (2002: £987,000).

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at 31st December 2003

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Profit and loss account 1,822 1,040	Called up share capital	12	821	821
	Other reserve account		2,357	2,357
Shareholder funds including non equity interests 5,000 4,218	Profit and loss account		1,822	1,040
	Shareholders funds including non equity interests		5,000	4,218
	Directors Directors			
Directors Directors	28th April 2004			

BALANCE SHEET

at 31st December 2003

	Notes	2003 £000	2002 £000
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments	7(b)	1,771	1,771
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	-	517
Cash at bank and in hand		-	2
		-	519
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	9	355	1,076
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(355)	(557)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,416	1,214
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	10	440	338
		976	876
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	12	821	821
Profit and loss account		155	55
Shareholdens' funds including non equity interests		976	876

Directors

GROUP CASH FLOW STATEMENT for the year ended 31st December 2003			
	Notes	2003 £000	2002 £000
NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING			
ACTIVITIES	14(a)	2,552	2,234
RETURNS ON INVESTMENT AND			
SERVICING OF FINANCE			
Interest received		15	14
Interest paid		(181)	(378)
Interest element of finance lease		(359)	(432)
Dividends paid to non equity shareholders		(89)	(57)
		(614)	(853)
TAXATION			
U.K. corporation tax paid		(2)	(1)
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		(74)	(46)
Recovery of deferred docking costs			77
		(74)	31
NET CASH INFLOW BEFORE FINANCING		1,862	1,411
FINANCING			
Long term loan repayments		(474)	(545)
Repayment of capital element of finance lease		(1,059)	(995)
		(1,533)	(1,540)
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH	14(c)	329	(129)

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

at 31st December 2003

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

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

Basis of consolidation

The group accounts consolidate the accounts of the Company and of subsidiary undertakings made up to the same date as the financial year end of the Company.

No profit and loss account is presented for Harrisons Marine Holdings Limited as permitted by Section 230 of the Companies Act 1985.

Fixed assets and depreciation

Vessels and equipment are stated at cost.

The depreciation rates used are calculated to write off the cost over the estimated useful lives of the ships, being 25 years, on a straight line basis.

Finance costs in respect of the period before a vessel is delivered are capitalised as part of the cost of the vessel.

Repair costs are written off to revenue in the year in which they arise.

The docking element of the cost of new vessels is written off over the estimated docking cycle, being $2^{1}/_{2}$ years. Subsequent docking expenditure is capitalised and written off over the same period.

Finance leases

Assets obtained under finance leases are capitalised in the balance sheet and are depreciated over their useful lives. The interest element of the rental obligations is charged to profit and loss account over the period of the contract and represents a constant proportion of the balance of capital repayments outstanding.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date, where transactions or events result in an obligation to pay more or a right to pay less tax in the future.

Deferred taxation is measured on an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences reverse, based on tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities are translated into sterling at the rates ruling at the balance sheet date. Exchange gains and losses are included within operating results.

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i. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Capital instruments

Shares are included in shareholders' funds. Other instruments are classified as liabilities if they contain any obligation to transfer economic benefits and if not they are included in shareholders' funds. The finance cost recognised in the profit and loss account in respect of capital instruments other than equity shares is allocated to periods over the term of the instrument at a constant rate on the carrying amount.

Turnover

Turnover represents hire and freight receivable (less commission and brokerage) and management income, all arising from shipping, stated net of value added tax.

2. OPERATING PROFIT

(a) This is stated after charging:

			2003 £000	2002 £000
	Auditors' remuneration:	- Audit	6	5
		- Tax	2	4
	Depreciation:	- Owned assets	473	461
		- Leased asset	471	472
		- Docking costs	124	98
(b)	Directors' remuneration:			
	Fees		16	8
	Emoluments		106	58
			122	66
			 	

The remuneration of the chairman was £13,000 (2002: £11,000) and the highest paid director received £52,000 (2002: £36,000). The accrued pension of the highest paid director at 31st December 2003 was £2,000 (2002: £1,000). At that date retirement benefits under the Company's defined benefit pension scheme were accruing in respect of three directors.

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2. OPERATING PROFIT (continued)

(c) Staff costs:

	(c) Staff costs:		
		2003	2002
		£000	£000
	Wages and salaries	244	118
	Social security costs	20	8
	Other pension costs	19	9
		283	135
	The average number of employees during the year was made up as follow	s:	
		No.	No.
	Directors	6	5
	Office and management staff	4	2
		10	7
3.	NET INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		
		2003	2002
		£000	£000
	Bank loans	249	306
	Finance charges payable under finance lease	359	432
	Interest on deferred dividend	15	5
		623	743
	Bank interest receivable	(15)	(14)
		608	729

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at 31st December 2003

4. TAXATION

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	2003	2002
	£000	£002
Current tax:	2000	2000
Corporation tax under the tonnage		
tax regulations	t	2
Deferred tax:		
Origination and reversal of timing differences	(137)	(138)
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	(136)	(136)
(b) Factors affecting tax charge for year:		
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	819	851
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of		
corporation tax in the U.K. of 30%	246	255
Effect of:		
Profits subject to tonnage tax regulations	(245)	(253)
	1	2

⁽c) Factors that may affect future tax charges:

Based upon current plans, the group expects to continue to operate under the tonnage tax regulations.

5. PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO MEMBERS OF THE HOLDING COMPANY

	2003	2002
•	£000	£000
Dealt with in the accounts of the holding company	273	341
Retained in subsidiaries	682	646
	955	987

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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6. DIVIDEND

DIVIDEND		
	2003	2002
	£000	£000
Equity dividends on ordinary shares		
Interim deferred dividend proposed	87	221
Non equity dividends on 'A' ordinary shares		
Paid	35	35
Proposed	51	54
	86	89
	173	310

Rights to equity dividends on ordinary shares for 2003, amounting to £126,000, have been waived by the ordinary shareholders.

7. (a) TANGIBLE ASSETS

(a) TANGIBLE ASSETS		Vessels			
Group	Owned £000	Leased £000	Docking Costs £000	Office Equipment £000	Total £000
Cost: At 1 st January 2003 Additions Disposal	9,279 - -	9,613	272 64 (155)	70 10 -	19,234 74 (155)
At 31st December 2003	9,279	9,613	181	80	19,153
Depreciation: At 1 st January 2003 Provided during year Disposal	761 457 -	786 471 -	148 124 (155)	4 16 -	1,699 1,068 (155)
At 31st December 2003	1,218	1,257	117	20	2,612
Net book amounts: At 31 st December 2003	8,061	8,356	64	60	16,541
At 1st January 2003	8,518	8,827	124	66	17,535

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at 31st December 2003

7. (b) INVESTMENTS

Subsidiaries £000

Company

At 31st December 2003 and 31st December 2002

1,771

Subsidiaries	Percentage of equity owned	Nature of business	Country of incorporation
Harrisons (Offshore) Limited	100%	Ship owning	Scotland
Harrisons (Clyde) Limited	100%	Ship management	Scotland

8. DEBTORS

	20	2003		002	
	Group	Group Company		Company	
	£000	£000	£000	£000	
Trade debtors	948	-	896	-	
Amount due from subsidiary	-	-	-	517	
Other debtors	37	-	174	-	
Prepayments and accrued income	150	<u>-</u>	148		
	1,135		1,218	517	

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

at 31st December 2003

9. CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	2003		20	002
	Group £000	Company £000	Group £000	Company £000
Current instalments due on bank loans (Note 10(a))	390	_	465	-
Obligations under finance lease (Note 10(b))	1,120	-	1,060	-
Trade creditors	112	-	186	1
Amount due to subsidiary	-	303	-	1,020
Proposed dividend	51	51	54	54
Corporation tax	1	-	2	-
Other taxes	6	-	10	-
Other creditors and accrued income	107	-	74	-
Accruais	<u>167</u>	1	91	1
	1,954	355	1,942	1,076

10. CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year

		2003		20	002
		Group £000	Company £000	Group £000	Company £000
(a)	Bank loan	3,939	-	4,327	-
(b)	Obligation under finance lease	4,796	-	5,915	-
(c)	Deferred dividend	440	440	338	338
		9,175	440	10,580	338

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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10. CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year (continued)

	Group		
	2003	2002	
	£000	£000	
(a) Bank loan			
Wholly repayable within five years	4,372	4,846	
Less: issue costs	(43)	(54)	
	4,329	4,792	
Less: amounts due within one year	(390)	(465)	
Amounts due after more than one year	3,939	4,327	
Amounts falling due:			
In one year or less	398	474	
Between one and two years	542	398	
Between two and five years	1,253	674	
In five years or more	2,179	3,300	
	4,372	4,846	
Less: issue costs	(43)	(54)	
	4,329	4,792	

The bank loan is repayable by 15 six monthly instalments with the final instalment falling due in March 2011. Interest is charged at between 1.125% and 1.5% over LIBOR. The loan is secured by a fixed charge over one of the Group's vessels.

(b) Obligations under finance lease

	Group		
	2003	2002	
	£000	£000	
Amounts payable:			
Within one year	1,120	1,060	
In the second to fifth years inclusive	4,796	4,876	
Outwith five years	<u> </u>	1,039	
	5,916	6,975	
Included in current liabilities	(1,120)	(1,060)	
	4,796	5,915	

The finance lease is secured by a fixed charge over one of the Group's vessels.

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10. CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year (continued)

(c) Deferred dividend

The deferred dividend is payable to the ordinary shareholders. The dividend will not be paid prior to 31st December 2004. Interest accrues on the deferred dividend at Base Rate plus 1% and is payable at the same time as the dividend. Interest accrued at 31st December 2003 amounts to £21,000.

Group

11. DEFERRED TAXATION

The potential deferred tax liability, for which full provision has been made, is as follows:

	2003	2002
	£000	£000
Accelerated capital allowances	2,034	2,167
Other timing differences	74	78
	2,108	2,245
	Gr	oup
	2003	2002
	£000	£000
At 1st January	2,245	2,383
Arising during year	(137)	(138)
At 31 st December	2,108	2,245

12. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	2003		2002	
	No.	£000	No.	£000
Authorised allotted issued and fully paid				
Ordinary shares of £1 each	584,521	585	584,521	585
'A' Ordinary shares of £1 each	236,162	236	236,162	236
	820,683	821	820,683	821

The 'A' ordinary shares have a right to an annual fixed cumulative preferential dividend of £0.1486 per share together with a further cumulative preferential dividend which is dependent upon and variable with the after tax profit of the Group, excluding the effects of any fixed asset sales.

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12. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL (continued)

The directors may declare an annual dividend in respect of the ordinary shares of an amount up to that paid on the 'A' ordinary shares as detailed above.

Each class of share has equivalent voting rights, being one vote per share, and on any return of assets the holders of each class of share participate in proportion to the amounts paid up, or credited as paid up, on their shareholding.

On 19th February 2004 all of the issued 'A' ordinary shares were purchased by the Company for £471,000.

13. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	Gr		Group	
			2003	2002
			£000	£000
Total recognised gains and losses			955	987
Dividend			(173)	(310)
			782	677
Opening shareholders' funds			4,218	3,541
Closing shareholders' funds		_	5,000	4,218
	20	03	20	02
	Group £000	Company £000	Group £000	Company £000
Shareholders' funds are represented by:				
Equity	4,638	614	3,982	640
Non equity	236	236	236	236
	4,874	850	4,218	876

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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14. CASH FLOW STATEMENT

			2003	2002
		Note	£000	£000
(a)	Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash fl	ow		
	from operating activities:			
	Operating profit		1,427	1,580
	Depreciation		1,068	1,031
	Funds generated by operations		2,495	2,611
	Decrease/(increase) in debtors		83	(532)
	(Decrease)/increase in creditors		(26)	155
			57	(377)
	Net cash inflow from operating activities		2,552	
(b)	Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt:			
	Increase/(decrease) in cash in the period		329	(129)
	Repayment of long term loans		474	545
	Repayment of capital element of finance lease		1,059	995
	Change in net debt resulting from cash flows	14(c)	1,862	1,411
	Non cash movements	14(c)	(11)	(9)
			1,851	1,402
	Net debt at 1st January	14(c)	(11,535)	(12,937)
	Net debt at 31st December	14(c)	(9,684)	(11,535)

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14. CASH FLOW STATEMENT (continued)

(c) Analysis of net debt	At 1st January 2003 £000	Cash flow £000	Non cash movements £000	At 31st December 2003 £000
Cash at bank and in hand	232	329	_	561
Loans	(4,792)	474	(11)	(4,329)
Finance lease	(6,975)	1,059	-	(5,916)
	(11,535)	1,862	(11)	(9,684)

16. DIRECTORS' SHARE INTERESTS

The directors' interests in the share capital of the Company at 31st December 2003 and 2002 were as follows:

	Ordinary	Ordinary
	Shares	Shares
	2003	2002
J.A.F. Cowderoy	123,392	123,392
P.C.L. Harrison	100,594	100,594
D.J.C. Harrison	89,470	89,470
I.V.R. Harrison	49,153	49,153
D.G. Baird	16,691	16,691

No director had an interest in any other group company. Mr K.M. MacDonald served as a director until 26th August 2003.

17. RELATED PARTIES

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 8 from disclosing transactions with related parties which are part of the Harrisons Marine Holdings Limited group.

Harrisons (2002) Limited, Woodside Crescent Holdings Limited and Woodside Crescent Limited are related parties by virtue of common directors. During the year the Group provided management services to these companies and chartering services to Harrisons (2002) Limited, amounting to £57,000 and £9,000 respectively (2002: £21,000 and £2,000).

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18. PENSIONS

The group operates a defined benefit pension arrangement. The pension costs are determined with the advice of an independent qualified actuary on the basis of triennial valuations using the projected unit method. The latest triennial valuation of the scheme was carried out as at 1st January 2002. At that date the market value of the assets was £10,795,000 and their actuarial value was sufficient to cover 208% of the benefits that had accrued to members. The principal assumptions made by the actuary were the annual rate of return earned by the scheme's assets and the rate of inflation, being 7.2% and 2.4% respectively. At 1st January 2002 the scheme had no active members and the company was not required to make any contributions. At 31st December 2003, an independent qualified actuary completed a review of the scheme for FRS 17 disclosure purposes. The weighted averages of the major assumptions used by the actuary

	2003	2002
	%	%
Deferred pension revaluation	2.7	2.2
Discount rate	5.1	5.1
Inflation	2.7	2.2
Salary increase rate	4.7	4.2

The assets and liabilities of the scheme and the weighted average expected rates of return at the year end:

		2003		2002
	%	£000	%	£000
Equities	7.3	8,225	8.0	7,034
Bonds	5.1	1,669	5.0	1,463
Insured Pensions in payment	5.1	10,706	5.0	10,459
Other	5.1_	31	5.0	45
Total market value of assets		20,631		19,001
Actuarial value of scheme liabilities	_	(16,837)	_	(15,351)
Surplus in the scheme		3,794		3,650
Related deferred tax liability		(1,138)	_	(1,095)
		2,656		2,555

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

at 31st December 2003

18. PENSIONS (continued)

The impact of implementing FRS 17 would be as follows:

Analysis of the defined benefit cost for the year ended 31st December.

	2003	2002
	£000	£000
Current service cost	(120)	(72)
Past service cost	(631)	
Total operating charge	<u>(751</u>)	(72)
Expected return on pension fund assets	1,158	1,262
Interest on pension liabilities	<u>(783</u>)	(832)
Net return	375	430
Net profit and loss (charge)/credit	(376)	358
Analysis of the amount recognised in statement of total recognised gains and	losses	
	£000	£000
Actual return less expected return on assets	590	(2,511)
Experience gains/losses on liabilities	272	6,102
Change in assumptions	(342)	(299)
Actuarial gain recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses	520	3,292
Movement in surplus during the year		
	£000	£000
Net pension asset at beginning of the year	3,650	-
Movement in year: Current service cost	(120)	(72)
Past service costs	(631)	(72)
Net return from other finance income	375	430
Actuarial gain or loss in statement of total recognised gains and losses	520	3,292
Surplus at end of the year	3,794	3,650

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

at 31st December 2003

18. PENSIONS (continued)

History of experience gains and losses

	2003 £000	2002 £000
Difference between the actual and expected return on assets - as % of scheme assets	590 3%	(2,511) 13%
Experience gains/losses on liabilities - as % of liabilities	272 2%	6,102 40%
Total amount recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses - as % of liabilities	520 3%	3,292 21%
Reconciliation of net assets and reserves under FRS 17 are as follows:		
	2003 £000	2002 £000
Net assets as stated in the balance sheet Retirement benefit asset – net pension asset	5,000 2,656	4,218
Net assets including Retirement benefits asset	7,656	6,773
Profit and loss reserve as stated in the balance sheet Retirement benefit asset – net pension asset	1,822 2,656	1,040 2,555
Net assets including Retirement benefits asset	4,478	3,595

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE ACCOUNTS

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 and the Group and of the profit or loss of the Group for that year. 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 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 Group and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

to the members of Harrisons Marine Holdings Limited

We have audited the group accounts for the year ended 31 December 2003 which comprise the Consolidated Profit and Loss Account, Consolidated Balance Sheet, Company Balance Sheet, Consolidated Cash Flow Statement, Consolidated Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses and the related notes 1 to 18. These accounts have been prepared on the basis of 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

As described in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with United Kingdom law and accounting standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the accounts in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the accounts give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Directors' Report is not consistent with the accounts, 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 with the group 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 United Kingdom 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 group'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 affairs of the company and of the group as at 31 December 2003 and of the profit of the group for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Erst - Tony UP

Ernst & Young LLP Registered Auditor Glasgow

28th April 2004