SNOWDON MOUNTAIN RAYLWAY PLC
AND SUBSIDIARY

GROUP REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEARUENDED 31st DECEMBER 1988 26 JUL 1989

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# COMPANY INFORMATION

DIRECTORS

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Ninian Rhys Davies, LL.B. (Lond) - Chairman Nigel Keith Ross, Ll.B. (Lond) - Deputy Chairman Derek Rogerson, B.Sc. (Hons.) (Dunelm) - Managing Director

Andrew Owen Evan Davies Andrew Ian Jaye, A.S.V.A. Brian Ivan Leaver, F.R.I.C.S.

Gillian Davies (non-executive Director)

SECRETARY

Andrew Ian Jaye, A.S.V.A.

REGISTERED OFFICE :

Snowdon Mountain Railway Plc.,

AND REGISTRARS

Llanberis, Caernarfon, Gwynedd, LL55 4TY.

AUDITORS

Peat Marwick McLintock,

Richmond House, Rumford Place, LIVERPOOL. L3 9QY.

BANKERS

Midland Bank Plc.,

24 Castle Square, Caernarfon,

Gwynedd, LL55 2NB.

SOLICITORS

Crawfords Berwald, 21 Bentinck Street, LONDON. WIM 5RL.

Gouldens,

22 Tudor Street, LONDON. EC4Y OJJ.

#### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their group report and financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1988.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the group are that of operating the Snowdon Mountain Railway and a commercial airport at Caernarfon, together with associated catering and retail activities.

During the year the group began construction of an Air Museum to provide an all-weather attraction at the airport and to complement the existing aviation facilities. The museum is to open in May 1989.

#### BUSINESS REVIEW

The state of the group's affairs and trading results for the year ended 31st December 1988 are as shown by the attached financial statements.

#### DIVIDENDS

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The directors do not propose to recommend any distribution by way of dividend.

# FIXED ASSETS

The directors are of the opinion that the market value of the railway line and works, and the freehold land and buildings are substantially in excess of the value reflected in the financial statements.

# DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors who served during the year and their interests (including their family interests) in the issued share capital of the company were as follows:-

	Ordinary	10p Shares	3% Convertible Unsecured Loan Stock 1997
	at 31.12.88	at 31.12.87	at 31.12.88
		ı	£
N.R. Davies	12,750	12,750	1,734
N.K. Ross	1,000*	1,000*	136
D. Rogerson	5,000	5,000	680
A.O.E. Davies	10,000	10,000	1,360
A.I. Jaye	*	-uk	<del>-</del>
B.I. Leaver	500*	500*	68
G. Davies	7,500	7,500	1,020

#### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

# DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS - continued

\* The above shareholdings take no account of the 697,389 Ordinary Shares (43.1% of the issued share capital of the company) and £94,845 3% Convertible Unsecured Loan Stock 1997 held by Cadogan Properties Limited, which is owned by B.I. Leaver, N.K. Ross, A.I. Jaye and Haigside Limited (in which N.K. Ross, A.I. Jaye and the Ross Jaye Pension Fund have an interest).

The 3% Convertible Unsecured Loan Stock 1997 is subject to the terms set out in note 14. However under the terms of the issue the directors and Cadogan Properties Limited cannot exercise conversion before July 1990.

In accordance with the Articles of Association, D. Rogerson, G. Davies and N.R. Davies retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

# POLITICAL AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

No political or charitable contributions were made during the year.

#### TAXATION STATUS

So far as the directors are aware the company was not, at the end of the accounting period, a close company within the meaning of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970.

#### AUDITORS

In accordance with Section 384 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution for the reappointment of Peat Marwick McLintock as auditors will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

SECRETARY

# AUDITORS' REPORT

# TO THE MEMBERS OF

# SNOWDON MOUNTAIN RAILWAY PLC

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 19 in accordance with Auditing Standards.

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the group at 31st December 1988, and of the profit and source and application of funds of the group for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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Chartered Accountants

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Richmond House, 1 Rumford Place, Liverpool, L3 9QY.

# GROUP PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1988

	<u>Note</u>	1988 £	1987 £
Turnover	1	1,248,728	1,127,780
Costs of sales		(893,112)	(794,724)
Gross profit		355,616	333,056
Administrative expenses		(296,177)	(277,186)
Other operating income	2	12,867	8,663
Operating Profit	3	72,306	64,533
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(37,782)	(29,742)
Profit before exceptional item		34,524	34,791
Exceptional item	3	(20,760)	
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		13,764	34,791
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	(757)	
Retained profit for the year	8,17	13,007	34,791

# GROUP BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER 1988

	Not		1988		1987	
FIXED ASSETS		£	£	£		£
Tangible assets	9		1,238,137		1,064	,124
CURRENT ASSETS					·	•
Stock Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	11 12	129,07 54,390 33,572	5	108,747 92,349 <u>34,472</u>		
CREDITORS :	13	217,049	5	235,568		
amounts falling due within one year		(215,298	<u>3</u> )	(200,082	)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			1,747		35.	<u>, 486</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			1,239,884		1,099,	,610
<u>CREDITORS</u> :	14					
Amounts falling due after more than one year		238,658		113,839		
PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGE	S					
Deferred taxation	15	34,697	(273,355)	34,697	(148,	<u>536</u> )
			966,529		951,	074
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					<del></del>	
Called up share capital Share premium Revaluation reserve Profit and loss account	16 17 17 17		161,806 621,392 3,104 180,221		619 3	,500 ,250 ,104 ,220
			966,529		951	,074

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 31st March 1989

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Directors

The notes on pages 9 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER 1988

	Note	<u>.</u>	988 £	£	1987 £
FIXED ASSETS		L	*	2	*
Tangible assets Investments	9 10		802,286 431,037		750,173 369,913
CURRENT ASSETS			1,233,323		1,120,086
Stock Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	11 12	107,708 18,493 33,537		90,919 86,747 28,135	
CREDITORS :	13	159,738		205,801	
Amounts falling due within one year		(156,231	)	( <u>178,539</u>	)
NET CURRENT ASSETS			3,507		27,262
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			1,236,830		1,147,348
<u>CREDITORS</u> :	14				
Amounts falling due after more than one year		235,504		100,264	
PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGE	<u>is</u>				
Deferred taxation	15	34,697	(270,201	34,697	(134,961)
			966,629		1,012,387
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital Share premium Profit and loss account	16 17 17		161,806 621,392 183,431		161,500 619,250 231,637
			966,629	_	1,012,387

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# GROUP STATEMENT OF SOURCE AND APPLICATION OF FUNDS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1988

	£.	988 £	1987
SOURCE OF FUNDS	2	~	L L
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation Adjustment for items not involving the movement of funds:		13,764	34,791
Depreciation of fixed assets Loss on disposal of tangible	15,154		15,444
fixed assets	357	15,511	742 16,186
Total generated from operations		29,275	50,977
Funds from other sources			
Proceeds of disposal of tangible fixed assets Loan received Proceeds of issue of Loan Stock Tax refund received	444 66,560 158,795 42,665		33,000
		<u>268,464</u>	<u>33,000</u>
APPLICATION OF FUNDS		294,739	83,977
Loan repayments Decrease in creditors falling due	75,901		47,130
after more than one year Purchase of tangible fixed assets (net)	189,968		1,000 136,195
		( <u>265,869</u> )	(184,325)
		31,870	(100,348)
(DECREASE)/INCREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL			
Stock Debtors and prepayments Creditors and accruals		20,331 5,470 (26,839)	23,280 17,195 11,213
Movement in net liquid funds		(1,038)	51,688
Bank Overdraft		32,908	(152,036)
		31,870	(100,348)

The notes on pages 9 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

# ACCOUNTING POLICIES

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1988

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the group's financial statements.

## a) BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

# b) BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The group financial statements include those of the company and its subsidiary made up to the end of the financial year.

A separate profit and loss account dealing with the results of the company only has not been presented.

# c) <u>DEPRECIATION</u>

Tangible fixed assets in use are depreciated at annual rates to write off the cost of the assets over their estimated useful lives using the reducing balance method applying the following rates:-

Freehold premises	2	per	cent	per	anrium
Plant and machinery	20	per	cent	per	annum
Furniture, fixtures and fittings					annum
Motor vehicles					annum
Leased office equipment					annum
Museum exhibits					annum
Aircraft					annum

The long leasehold premises are being aportised over the length of the lease.

No provision for depreciation has been made for the railway line and works (including locomotives and rolling stock) on the grounds that expenditure incurred on an annual basis to maintain indefinitely the useful life of such assets is charged to the profit and loss account.

Similarly, no provision is made for a vintage aircraft, on the grounds that the cost of maintenance is charged to the profit and loss account and that in the opinion of the directors its market value is not decreasing.

#### ACCOUN'LING POLICIES

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1988

# d) CAPITAL GRANTS

Grants receivable relating directly to capital expenditure are deducted from the cost of the relevant assets.

#### e) STOCK

Stocks have been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

# f) DEFERRED TAXATION

Deferred taxation is provided on the liability method, at the current corporation tax rate, on the difference between the book and taxation values of depreciable assets, less any available tax losses, except where there is reasonable probability that such liability will continue to be deferred for the foreseeable future.

## g) LEASING AND HIRE PURCHASE COMMITMENTS

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

Rentals paid under operating leases are dealt with in the profit and loss account as incurred.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1988

#### 1. TURNOVER

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Turnover represents the invoiced value of services rendered and goods sold excluding value added tax and trade discounts.

# 2. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

	<u>1988</u> £	<u>1987</u> £
Net rental income Interest receivable	2,787 10,080	3,669 4,994
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	12,867	8,663
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# 3. OPERATING PROFIT AND EXCEPTIONAL ITEM

	<u>1988</u> £	<u>1987</u> £
Operating profit is stated after charging:		
Auditors' remuner, tion	5,900	5,070
Directors' emoluments (see note 4)	38,489	34,210
Depreciation	15,154	15,444
Loss on sale of fixed assets	357	742
Operating lease payments in respect of		
the hire of equipment	7,691	6,905
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The exceptional item is represented by professional costs relating to the rights issue of the convertible loan stock.

# 4. DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS

	<u>1988</u> £	<u>1987</u> £
Emoluments Pension paid to former director	36,889 1,600	32,610 _1,600
	38,489	34,210
Chairman's emoluments	7,000	7,000
Highest paid director's emoluments	18,089	15,039

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1988

# 4. <u>DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS</u> - continued

The emoluments of the other directors were within the following ranges:

		<u>1988</u> <u>Number</u>	<u>1987</u> Number
	£ 5,000	3	3
£5,001	 £10,000	2	2

# 5. STAFF COSTS (including directors)

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The average number of persons employed by the group, including directors during the year was:

Category	1988 Number	<u>1987</u> Number
Management and administration Railway operations Ancilliary services	18 40 <u>16</u>	18 39 <u>16</u>
	74	73
Their total remuneration was:	<u>1988</u>	<u>1987</u> £
Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs	557,443 45,523 28,169	496,614 48,070 15,881
	631,135	560,565
	1988 Number	<u>1987</u> Number
Number of employees excluding directors earning over £30,000 per annum:	None	None

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1988

# 6. INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES

	<u> 1988</u>	<u> 1987</u>
	£	£
On bank overdraft	9,524	4,705
On loans wholly repayable within five years	25,208	24,734
Finance charges payable - hire purchase contract	205	303
On convertible loan stock	2,845	-
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	37,782	29,742

# 7. TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

	<u>1988</u> £	<u>1987</u> £
Corporation tax on profits for the year		
Deferred taxation		-
Under provision of taxation in earlier years	757	_
	757	<u></u>
	757	

No taxation arises on the profit of the year, due to the level of allowances on recent capital expenditure, and the availability of group relief.

# 8. RETAINED PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR

	1988 £	1987 £
By the company By the subsidiary	61,443 (48,436)	76,563 (41,772)
	13,007	34,791

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1988

9.	FIXED ASSETS - GROUP	Land and	Buildings			
		Freehold £	Long <u>Leasehold</u>	Plant and Machinery	Fixtures & Fittings £	Total £
	COST		-			-
	At 1st January 1988	136,030	242,821	763,001	34,887	1,176,739
	Additions	15,940	109,082	59,234	5,711	189,967
	Disposals	~	-	(1,000)	~	(1,000)
		derived (1845)	•	*		
	At 31st December 1988	151,970	351,903	821,235	40,598	1,365,706
	DEPRECIATION					
	At 1st January 1988	12,633	3,406	73,227	23,349	112,615
	Charge for the year	2,786	1,818	7,101	3,449	15,154
	On disposals	-	-	(200)	~	(200)
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	At 31st December 1988	15,419	5,224	80,128	26,798	127,569
	NET BOOK VALUE					
	At 31st December 1988	136,551	346,679	741,107	13,800	1,238,137
	At 31st December 1987	123,397	239,415	689,774	11,538	1,064,124

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Additions to long leasehold land and buildings are in progress at 31st December 1988 and are stated after deducting grants receivable in the amount of £30,327.

Plant and Machinery additions include Museum exhibits stated after deducting grants receivable of £1,572.

No depreciation has been provided on net additions relating to the Air Museum of £125,323 as these were not yet in use at 31st December 1988.

Plant and machinery at cost includes equipment at directors' valuation of £43,000 (cost £39,896) based on independent professional advice. This, together with further equipment at a cost of £616,404 (1987: £576,620), is not depreciable.

At 31st December 1988, assets held under hire purchase contracts had a net book value of £1,931 (1987: £2,880). The depreciation charged in the year in respect of these assets was £483 (1987: £720).

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1988

# 9. <u>FIXED ASSETS</u> - COMPANY

	Land and Freehold	Buildings Long Leasehold £	Plant and Machinery £	Fixtures & Fittings £	<u>Total</u> £
COST					
At 1st January 1988	136,030	17,782	668,382	31,844	854,038
Additions	15,940	~	41,979	5,711	63,630
Disposals			(1,000)	-	(1,000)
At 31st December 1988	151,970	17,782	709,361	37,555	916,668
DEPRECIATION					
At 1st January 1988	12,633	88	68,757	22,387	103,865
Charge for the year	2,786	18	4,880	3,033	10,717
On disposals	مبيد	-	(200)	~	(200)
At 31st December 1988	15,419	106	73,437	25,420	114,382
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31st December 1988	136,551	17,676	635,924	12,135	802,286
At 31st December 1987	123,397	17,694	599,625	9,457	750,173

Plant and machinery includes equipment at cost of £616,404 (1987: £576,620) which is not depreciable.

At 31st December 1988, assets held under hire purchase contracts had a net book value of £1,931 (1987: £2,880). The depreciation charged in the year in respect of these assets was £483 (1987: £720).

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1988

# 10. INVESTMENTS - COMPANY

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	1988 £	1987 £
Cost of investment in subsidiary Amount owed by subsidiary	100 540,586	100 369,813
Less: Provision against subsidiary's indebtedness	540,686 109,649	369,913
	431,037	369,913

The company's wholly owned subsidiary is Snowdon Mountain Aviation Limited, a company registered in Wales. The principal activity of Snowdon Mountain Aviation Limited is that of operators of a commercial airport.

The company has undertaken that it will only require repayment of the subsidiary's indebtedness to the extent which its financial resources may from time to time permit.

# 11. STOCK

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	The Group		The Company	
	<u> 1988</u>	<u> 1987</u>	1988	1987
	£	£	£	£
Raw materials and consumables	101,144	67,399	83,971	53,661
Goods for resale	27,933	41,348	23,737	37,258
	129,077	108,747	107,708	90,919
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# 12. <u>DEBTORS</u>: Amounts falling due within one year

	<u>The (</u> 1988 ②	<u>1987</u> £	The Cor 1988 £	npany 1987 £
Trade debtors Other debtors Taxation Prepayments	1,311 36,290 2,243 14,552	1,522 33,545 45,666 11,616	- 7,629 2,243 8,621	- 32,550 45,666 8,531
	54,396	92,349	18,493	86,747

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1988

# 13. <u>CREDITORS</u>: Amounts falling due within one year

	The Group		The Company	
	1988	<u> 1987</u>	1988	<u> 1987</u>
	£	£	£	£
Bank overdraft	33,395	67,205	_	67,205
Obligations under hire purchase				
contracts	-	1,000		1,000
Loans (see note 14)	98,434	76,247	85,283	63,096
Trade creditors	23,423	12,185	13,985	7,649
Other taxes and social security	19,503	17,667	18,031	17,016
Other creditors	8,101	409	8,092	_
Accruals	32,442	25,369	30,840	22,573
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	215,298	200,082	156,231	178,539
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The bank overdraft is secured by a fixed and floating charge over the group's assets.

# 14. <u>CREDITORS</u>: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	<u>The</u> 1988 £	<u>Group</u> 1987 £	The Con 1988 £	1987 £
3% Convertible Unsecured Loan Stock 1997 Loans		_ 113,839 	156,347 79,157	_ 100,264
•	238,658	113,839	235,504	100,264

During 1988, £158,795 was raised by means of a rights issue of 3% Convertible Loan Stock for the purpose of the Construction of an Air Museum at Caernarfon Airport. The loan stock is convertible into Ordinary Shares of 10p each at 80p per share in July 1988 - 96 inclusive. Any stock not converted by 31st July 1996 is subject to redemption at par on 31st July 1997. Interest at 3% per annum is subject to accumulation and payment on redemption or earlier conversion.

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# SNOWDON MOUNTAIN RAILWAY PLC

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1988

# 14. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due ofter more than one year - continued

Other loans are subject to repayment by instalments within two to five years from 31st December 1988. These loans are secured on the specific assets to which they relate.

# 15. DEFERRED TAXATION

	The Group		The Company	
	1988	1987	1988	<u>1987</u>
	£	£	£	£
Maximum potential liability	77,804	70,050	77,804	70,050
Amount provided in the accounts	34,697	34,697	34,697	34,697
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# 16. SHARE CAPITAL

	<u>1988</u> £	1987 £
Authorised 2,000,000 ordinary shares of 10p each	200,000	200,000
Issued and fully paid 1,618,065 shares of 10p each (1987 - 1,615,005)	161,806	161,500

During 1988, 3060 shares were allotted on conversion of £2,448 of convertible loan stock. Conversion in full of the remainder of the loan stock on or before the final specified date of 31st July 1996 would result in the issue of 195,434 additional shares.

# 17. RESERVES - THE GROUP

	Share <u>Premium</u> £	Revaluation Reserve	and loss account
At 1st January 1988 Profit for the year	619,250	3,104	167,220 13,007
Premium on loan stock conversion	2,142	-	****
At 31st December 1988	621,392	3,104	180,227

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1988

# 17. RESERVES - THE COMPANY

	Share Premium £	Profit and loss account
At 1st January 1988	619,250	231,637
Profit for the year	_	61,443
Premium on loan stock conversion	2,142	
Provision against subsidiary's indebtedness	<u> </u>	(109,649)
At 31st December 1988	621,392	183,431

# 18. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

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Capital commitments at 31st December, for which no provision has been made in the accounts, were as follows:-

	<u>1988</u> £	<u>1987</u> £
Authorised and contracted for	6,700	57,200

At 31st December 1988, annual commitments under operating leases were as follows:-

The Company	
3,402	

These leases expire between one and five years from 31st December 1988.

# 19. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain items in the comparative figures have been restated to conform with the current year's presentation.