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Incorporated in England and Wales on 8th May, 1915

COMPANY INFORMATION

DIRECTORS

D. Knight
M. Banks
J. Barbookles
C. Mcintire

REGISTERED OFFICE

Polyfract Works Longfield Road Tunbridge Wells Kent TN2 3EY

BANKERS

Barclays Bank plc 73 Calverley Road Tunbridge Wells Kent TN1 2UZ

AUDITORS

KPMG LLP

Chartered Accountants
1 Forest Gate

Brighton Road Crawley West Sussex RH11 9PT

COMPANY NUMBER

140250

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008

The directors present their report, together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31st December, 2008.

1. PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the Company continued to be the manufacture of optical and electro-optical refractometers.

2. BUSINESS REVIEW

The business re-structuring and re-organisation was completed at the end of January 2008. The financial year start and finish also changed to January – December to comply with Nova Analytics financials and auditing practices.

A new Bellingham & Stanley management team was created to replace the old management structure, representing all functional areas within the company to take the business forward, with David Knight as Managing Director, and Mick Banks as Plant Director. Headcount was reduced during the year from 46 down to a total of 39, resulting in reduced overhead costs.

The initial focus was to improve profitability and performance of the company promptly. This was done by a combined strategy encompassing:

- Increasing prices;
- Decreasing discounts;
- Identifying and motivating under performing agents and distributors to improve;
- Building and developing relationships with Nova area managers and their distribution networks;
- Implementation of cost reduction / savings initiatives in both design and the supply chain.

In summary our business performance in 2008 compared to the 2007 period, turnover rose by 25%, debtors were up by 36% as a result of increased turnover, current creditors were down by 27% due to repaying the bank loan and overdraft facility, and stock was further reduced by 9%

The net result was an excellent trading performance, taking the business from a loss position in each of the three preceding periods into significant profit for 2008, achieving a 53% increase in shareholder funds (see page 7 and 8 of this report), and establishing a substantial cash balance on deposit.

Unfortunately the year ended with turmoil in the banking sector, and a falling pound against all major currencies. In preparation for an expected downturn in 2009 staff replacements were on a contract, as opposed to a permanent employment basis, and rigorous operating expense controls are being enforced for Qtr's 1 and 2 in 2009.

On a positive note there are three major projects going forward in to 2009 which will introduce two new products to market, and a significant cost saving in an existing product. There is also the potential for a third new product, which is under consideration at this moment in time.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008

(Continued)

3. DIRECTORS

The directors who served during the year were:

D. Knight

M. Banks

- J. Kennedy (Resigned 31st October 2008)
- J. Barbookles
- C. Mcintire
- A. Jackson (Resigned 31st January 2008)
- R. Wagland (Resigned 30th January 2008)

4. CONTRIBUTIONS FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES

The Company contributed £100 for charitable purposes during the period

5. PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Company is subject to risks common to companies in the analytical and process instrument industries, including, but not limited to, maintenance of distribution channels, development by the Company or its competitors of technological innovations, dependence on key personnel, protection of proprietary information and risks related to international operations, including foreign currency fluctuations.

6. DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware; and each director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

7. AUDITORS

In accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that KPMG LLP be reappointed auditors of the Company will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

This report was approved by the Board on

13th Angust 2009

RV ORDER OF THE BOARD

Director

Polyfract Works Longfield Road Tunbridge Wells Kent TN2 3EY

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE DIRECTORS' REPORT AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- 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 its financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF BELLINGHAM + STANLEY LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Bellingham + Stanley Limited for the year ended 31st December 2008 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. 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 auditor's 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 UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities on page 4.

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 judgements 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 SHAREHOLDERS OF BELLINGHAM + STANLEY LIMITED (Continued)

OPINION

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31st December, 2008 and of its profit 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.

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Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor

KPMG LLP I Forest Gate Brighton Road Crawley West Sussex RH11 9PT

Date: 17 September 2009

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008

	Notes	Year to 31	.12.08	_	01.04.07 -	31.12.07
TURNOVER			3,178,410			1,905,264
Cost of Sales			(1,677,291)			(1,136,283)
GROSS PROFIT			1,501,119			768,981
Distribution Costs Administrative Expenses Research and Development Other Operating Income		73,443 823,953 248,006 (66)	(1,145,336)	_	53,616 742,706 252,247 (7,202)	(1,041,367)
OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS)	2		355,783			(272,386)
Income from Shares in Group Undertaking Other Interest Receivable and Similar Income Interest Payable and Similar Charges Amounts Written off Investments PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION Tax on (Profit)/Loss on Ordinary Activities PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	6		107,725 39,416 (19,182) 224 483,966 (47,000) £436,966			(14,497) - (286,849) 16,499 (£270,350)
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The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2008

	Notes	31.12.08		31.12.07	·
FIXED ASSETS					1
Tangible Assets	5		0,885		545,768
Investments	6		9,899		39,923
		49	0,784		585,691
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stock and Work in Progress	7	416,416		458,908	
Debtors	8	653,820		479,021	
Balance at Bank and in Hand		147,936		264	\ \
	1	1,218,172		938,193	1
<u>CREDITORS</u>					
Amounts falling due within	9	(418,097)		(572,317)	
one year					
			0.075		265 076
NET CURRENT ASSETS		80	0,075		365,876
				-	
		1.00			051 567
TOTAL ASSETS LESS	ŀ	1,29	0,859		951,567
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
CDEDITORS					
CREDITORS Amounts falling due after	9		_		(129,674)
more than one year	,				(1-2,12)
more than one year					
PROVISIONS	10	(3	2,000)		-
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NET ASSETS		£1,25	8,859		£821,893
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CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called Up Share Capital	11		15,745		45,745
Profit and Loss Account	12		3,114		776,148
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SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		£1.25	8,859		£821,893
SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS			-,	_	

Approved by the Board of Directors for issue 13th August 2009 and signed on their behalf by

Director

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, and under the historical cost accounting rules.

The Company is exempt by virtue of s228 of the Companies Act 1985 from the requirement to prepare group financial statements. These financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

Under FRS 1 the Company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cashflow statement on the grounds that a parent undertaking includes the Company in its own published consolidated financial statements.

As a wholly owned subsidiary of Nova Holdings LLC, the company is exempt from the requirements of FRS 8 to disclose transactions with other members of the group headed by Nova Holdings LLC.

Turnover

Turnover comprises amounts derived from the provision of goods and services in the normal course of business net of discounts, value added tax and other related rebates.

Revenue is recognised when the risks and rewards are substantially transferred to the customers which coincides with the delivery of goods.

Foreign Currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. All differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land at annual rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Freehold Buildings - 50 years Freehold Improvements - 20 years

Plant and Machinery - 10% or 20% on cost or written down

value

Computer Equipment - 20% on cost

Motor Vehicles - 25% on written down value

Fixtures and Fittings - 10% on cost

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Stock and Work in Progress

Stock is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value as follows:

Raw Materials and Consumables

Weighted average purchase price

Work in Progress, Finished Components

and Finished Instruments

Cost of direct materials and labour plus attributable overheads based on a normal

level of activity

Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price after allowing for all further costs of completion and disposal.

Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes.

Deferred tax is recognised, without discounting, in respect of all timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes which have arisen but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except as otherwise required by FRS 19.

Leases

Operating lease rentals are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Pensions

The cost of the Company's defined contribution pension schemes is charged to the profit and loss account as the contributions fall due.

Research and Development

Research and development expenditure is written off to the profit and loss account as it is incurred.

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008

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2. OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS)

Operating profit/(loss) is stated after charging:

Depreciation of Tangible Fixed Assets
Loss on Disposal of Tangible Fixed Assets
Auditor's Remuneration - Audit of these financial statements

Year to 31.12.08 £	9 months to 31.12.07 £
95,657	79,614
2,459	1,503
13,800	12,500

Directors' Emoluments:

Directors' Emoluments were made up as follows:

For Management and Services as a Director Pension Contributions under Money Purchase Scheme Payment in Lieu of Notice Compensation for Loss of Office

Year to 31.12.08	9 months to 31.12.07
84,714 9,584	136,415 32,103
-	90,381
•	56,309
£94,298	£315,208

Benefits are accruing under money purchase schemes in respect of one director.

The emoluments of the highest paid director were £70,328 (31.12.07 - £166,675) The money purchase pension contributions paid were £7,774 (31.12.07 - £16,010)

Employees:

Staff costs including directors during the period amounted to:

Wages and Salaries Social Security Costs Pension Contributions

<u>Year to</u> 31.12.08	9 months to 31.12.07
985,872	1,019,017
95,396	97,976
28,367	48,756
£1,109,635	£1,165,749

The average number of employees during the period was made up as follows:

Management
Production Staff
Administration and Sales Staff
Research and Development Staff

Year to 31.12.08	9 months to 31.12.07
1	3
22	20
12	14
4	9
39	46

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008

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3 OTHER	INTEREST	RECEIVABLE.	AND SIMILAR	INCOME
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Bank Deposit Interest Gains on Foreign Exchange

<u>Year to</u> 31.12.08	9 months to 31.12.07
197	34
39,219	-
£39,416	£34

4. TAX ON (PROFIT)/LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

U.K. Corporation Tax payable/(recoverable)

Current Tax Charge/(Credit)

Deferred Taxation Charge

<u>Year to</u> 31.12.08	9 months to 31.12.07
15,000	(16,499)
15,000	(16,499)
32,000	<u>-</u>
£47,000	(£16,499)

Factors affecting the tax charge for the current period

The current tax charge for the period is lower (9 months to 31.12.07 : higher) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (28.5%, 9 months to 31.12.07 : 30%)

The differences are explained below.

Current tax reconciliation	<u>Year to</u> 31.12.08	9 months to 31.12.07
Profit/(Loss) on ordinary activities before tax and dividends received	£376,2 <u>41</u>	(£286,849)

Profit/(Loss) on ordinary activities before tax and dividends received	23/6,241	(£280,849)
Current Tax at 28.5% (9 months to 31.12.07 : 30%)	107,218	(86,055)
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	5,601	3,950
Capital allowances for period in excess of depreciation	12,618	9,897
Additional allowance for R&D expenditure	(7,166)	(10,590)
Utilisation of tax losses	(102,902)	14,827
Unrelieved tax losses arising in the period	-	51,028
Under provision of current period tax	(93)	444
Marginal relief	(276)	-
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Total current tax charges/(credit)	£15,000	(£16,499)
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NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008 (Continued)

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Motor Vehicles	Plant & Machinery	Computer Equipment	Fixtures & Fittings	Freehold Land & Buildings	Total
Cost As at 1st January 2008	30,590	1,000,030	172,304	93,167	553,859	1,849,950
Additions	-	1,924	3,004	805		5,733
	30,590	1,001,954	175,308	93,972	553,859	1,855,683
Disposals	(10,850)	(2,740)	-	(149)	-	(13,739)
At 31st December 2008	19,740	999,214	175,308	93,823	553,859	1,841,944
<u>Depreciation</u> As at 1st January 2008 Provided for the Year	17,069 2,141 19,210	777,053 55,123 832,176	139,665 19,078 158,743	85,211 2,615 87,826	285,184 16,700 301,884	1,304,182 95,657 1,399,839
On Disposals	(5,891)	(2,740)	-	(149)	-	(8,780)
At 31st December 2008	13,319	829,436	158,743	87,677	301,884	1,391,059
Net Book Value At 31st December 2008	£6,421	£169,778	£16,565	£6,146	£251,975	£450,885
Net Book Value At 31st December 2007	£13,521	£222,977	£32,639	£7,956	£268,675	£545,768

The book value of Freehold Land is £3,937 (31.12.08 - £3,937)

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008

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6. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

At 1st January 2008
Acquisition during the Year
Disposal during the Year
At 31st December 2008

Shares in Subsidiary Undertaking at Cost	Shares in Associated Undertaking at Cost	Total	
39,899	24	39,923	
-	26	26	
	(50)	(50)	
£39,899	-	£39,899	

Subsidiary Undertaking:

The investment in the subsidiary undertaking is as follows:

Name	Country of Incorporation	Shares Held	Proportion of Nominal Value	Principal Activity	Aggregate Capital and Reserves	Profit for the Year
Bellingham + Stanley Incorporated	United States of America	Ordinary	100%	Sales and Servicing of Scientific Equipment	£314,984	£130,587

The above Company operates principally in its country of incorporation.

Associated Undertaking

On 19th March 2008, Bellingham and Stanley Limited acquired the remaining share capital of Sussex Scientific Limited for a total consideration of £96.60.

On 17th December 2008, an application for voluntary strike off of Sussex Scientific Limited was made and form 652a was lodged at Companies House.

The disposal during the year refers to the voluntary strike off of Sussex Scientific Limited, and no proceeds were received by Bellingham and Stanley Limited in respect of this disposal.

On 20th January 2009, the first gazette notice for voluntary strike-off was published.

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008 (Continued)

<u>7. STOCK</u>	31.12.08	31.12.07
Raw Materials and Consumables	21,080	28,570
Short Term Work in Progress	332,764	377,772
Finished Instruments	62,572	52,566
	£416,416	£458,908
8. DEBTORS		
Amounts falling due within one year	31.12.08	31.12.07
Amounts faming due within one year	31.12.00	<u> </u>
Trade Debtors	564,292	361,880
Amounts Owed By Group Undertaking	52,543	49,510
Corporation Tax Recoverable	-	16,499
Other Debtors	19,340	26,374
Prepayments and Accrued Income	17,645	24,758
	£653,820	£479,021
9. CREDITORS		
Amounts falling due within one year	31.12.08	31.12.07
ismounts family due within one jear		
Bank Overdraft	-	63,061
Bank Loans	_	37,000
Trade Creditors	272,857	214,293
Amounts owed to Parent Company	48,497	-
Amounts owed to Associated Undertaking	-	345
Corporation Tax Payable	15,495	-
Other Taxation and Social Security	27,738	41,024
Accruals and Deferred Income	53,510	216,594
	£418,097	£572,317
	24.42.22	24 42 22
Amounts falling due after more than one year	31.12.08	<u>31.12.07</u>
Bank Loans	-	129,674
	£-	£129,674

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008 (Continued)

10. PROVISIONS	
Deferred Taxation	

Provision brought forward Movement in the year Provision carried forward

31.12.08	31.12.07
_	<u>-</u>
32,000	<u>-</u>
£32,000	-

Deferred Taxation comprises

Accelerated Capital Allowances

31.12.08	31.12.07
£32,000	-

11. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised:

500,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each

31.12.08	31.12.07
£500,000	£500,000
£45,745	£45,745

Issued and Fully Paid:

45,745 Ordinary Shares of £1 each

12.	PR	\mathbf{OF}	IT	AND	LOSS	ACCOUNT
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At Beginning of Year Profit / (Loss) for the Year

At End of Year

<u>31.12.08</u>	31.12.07
776,148 436,966	1,046,498 (270,350)
£1,213,114	£776,148

13. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

At the balance sheet date the Company's commitments under operating leases to pay rentals during the next year were as follows:

Operating Leases which Expire Between One and Two Years

- Plant & Machinery

Between Two and Five Years

- Plant & Machinery

<u>31.12.08</u>	<u>31.12.07</u>
£3,597	£-
£9,233	£3,631

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008 (Continued)

14. PENSION SCHEMES

The Company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for one director and the employees.

The assets of the pension scheme are held separately from those of the Company in independently administered funds. The pension cost represents contributions payable by the Company to the funds and amounted to £28,367 (31.12.07 - £48,756).

15. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY AND PARENT UNDERTAKING OF LARGER GROUP OF WHICH THE COMPANY IS A MEMBER

The Company is a subsidiary undertaking of Nova Holdings LLC which is the ultimate parent company incorporated in the United States of America.

The largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by Nova Analytics Corporation, incorporated in the United States of America. The smallest group in which they are consolidated is that headed by Nova Analytics Deutschland GmbH & Co. KG incorporated in Germany. No other group financial statements include the results of the Company. The consolidated financial statements of these groups are not available to the public.