

Consolidated profit and loss account for the year ended 30 November 2004

	Notes	2004 £000	2003 £000
Turnover			
Continuing	1	200,031	191,704
Acquisitions		1,620	–
		201,651	191,704
Operating profit before amortisation of goodwill and exceptional costs			
Continuing		12,425	11,467
Acquisitions		272	–
		12,697	11,467
Amortisation of goodwill			
Continuing		(579)	(397)
Acquisitions		(4)	–
		12,114	11,070
Exceptional operating costs			
Continuing		(423)	(925)
Operating profit			
Continuing	2	11,423	10,145
Acquisitions		268	–
		11,691	10,145
Net interest payable	6	(743)	(953)
		10,948	9,192
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation			
Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	7	(3,422)	(3,151)
		7,526	6,041
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation			
Minority interest – equity	20	(109)	–
		7,417	6,041
Profit for the financial year		7,417	6,041
Dividends (including non-equity)	8	(4,509)	(4,201)
		2,908	1,840
Transferred to reserves	19	2,908	1,840
		8.13p	6.97p
Earnings per ordinary share before before amortisation of goodwill and exceptional costs			
		7.72p	6.69p
Earnings per ordinary share before exceptional costs			
		7.43p	6.05p
Basic earnings per ordinary share			
		7.27p	6.04p
Fully diluted earnings per ordinary share			