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QUMAS LTD

Address: Monahan Road, Cork
 International tel: +353 (21) 491 5100
 International fax: +353 (21) 432 0394
 Company email: info@qumas.com
 Website: www.qumas.ie

Board of Directors: Brian Sweeney (Chairman, Non-Executive)

Management: Paul Hands (Chief Executive Officer), David Cronin (Managing Director European Operations), Ken Hayward (Chief Technology Officer), Michael Hennessy (Chief Financial Officer), Kevin O'Leary (President and Chief Marketing Officer), Sherwin Uretsky (President North American Operations)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Design and development of Enterprise Compliance Management software applications for the life sciences industry

Major Products: c-Doc Compliance, DocCompliance, CAPA-Compliance, SubmissionsExpert, ValidationExpert, Design-Expert, QUMAS Visa, e-RegulatoryQ

Status: Private Company

Principal Shareholders: ACTventure Capital; Delta Partners; CIBC World Markets

No of Employees: 100

R & H Hall Ltd

see Hall

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RADIO TELEFÍS ÉIREANN**RTÉ**

Address: Montrose, Donnybrook, Dublin 4
 International tel: +353 (1) 208 3111
 International fax: +353 (1) 208 3080
 Telex: 93700
 Website: www.rte.ie

Board of Governors: Patrick J Wright (Chairman), Joe Barry (Board Of Governors), Anne Doyle (Board Of Governors), Des Geraghty (Board Of Governors), Maura Hayes (Board Of Governors), Garry Hynes (Board Of Governors), Patrick Marron (Board Of Governors), Stephen O'Byrnes (Board Of Governors), Dame Mary Peters (Board Of Governors)

Management: Noel Curran (Managing Director Television), Cathal Goan (Director-General), Conor Hayes (Chief Financial Officer), Adrian Moynes (Managing Director Radio), Edward Mulhall (Managing Director News and Current Affairs), Bride Rosney (Director of Communications)

Senior Executives: Eamonn Kennedy (Dir Legal Affairs), Thomas F Quinn (RTE Group Secretary)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: The provision of television and radio broadcasting services within Ireland.

Subsidiary Companies: (100% owned unless stated): Digital Television Transmission Network; RTÉ Commercial Enterprises Ltd; RTÉ Music Ltd; RTE Transmission Network Ltd; Seirbhísi Theilifís na Gaeilge Teoranta

Principal Banks: Bank of Ireland

Auditors: KPMG

Status: State Owned

No of Employees: 2,017

Financial Information: Consolidated figures:

| | 31.12.03 | 31.12.04 |
|-------------------|----------|----------|
| | EUR'000 | EUR'000 |
| Revenue | 312,672 | 342,882 |
| Profit before tax | 2,261 | 10,071 |
| Profit after tax | 2,261 | 6,805 |

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RANGELAND FOODS LTD

Address: Castleblaney, Co Monaghan
 International tel: +353 (42) 974 5132
 International fax: +353 (42) 974 5030
 Company email: sales@rangelandfoods.ioi.ie
 Website: www.rangelandfoods.com

Board of Directors: Bernadette Lucey (Director), James F Lucey (Director)

Senior Executives: John Mair (Chairman), Cyril Brody (Production Manager), Chris Dykes (Engineering Manager), Paul Hughes (Plant Manager), Anne McGuinness (Quality Manager), Sheila McShane (Financial Controller)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Manufacture of meat products; frozen beefburgers

Major Products: Pure beef hamburgers

Trade Names: Rangeland Steakburg

Principal Banks: Bank of Ireland

Auditors: Sinnott Hughes & Co

Status: Private Company

Principal Shareholders: Jim Lucey

No of Employees: 80

Financial Information:

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| | 30.4.03 | 30.4.04 |
| | EUR'000 | EUR'000 |
| Sales turnover | 18,750 | 18,000 |

00664

RBC DEXIA INVESTOR SERVICES (IRELAND) LTD

Former name: Dexia BIL Dublin Branch

Address: George's Quay House, 43 Townsend Street, Dublin 2

International tel: +353 (1) 613 04 44

International fax: +353 (1) 613 04 45

Website: www.rbcdexia.com

Management: Peter Heaps (Managing Director), Annette Stack (General Manager)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Representative office for Dexia

Banque, whose activities are public and project finance, retail financial services, investment and asset management services

Parent Company: Dexia SA, Belgium

Status: Subsidiary of a Public Company

Principal Shareholders: Dexia SA (100%)

00665

RCI CALL CENTRE (IRELAND) LTD

Address: Loughmahon Technology Park, Skehard Road-Blackrock, Cork

International tel: +353 (21) 4526000

International fax: +353 (21) 4526002

Website: www.rci.com

Management: Dominic Galvin (Finance Director)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Operation of call centre; holiday and timeshare exchange

Auditors: Deloitte & Touche

Status: Subsidiary of a public company

Principal Shareholders: Candant Corporation, USA

No of Employees: 750

Financial Information:

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|----------------|----------|
| | 31.12.03 |
| | EUR'000 |
| Sales turnover | 31,000 |

00666

READYMIX PLC

Address: 5/23 East Wall Rd, Dublin 3

International tel: +353 (1) 865 8700

International fax: +353 (1) 865 6595

Company email: readymix@readymix.ie

Website: www.readymix.ie

Board of Directors: Adrian Auer (Chairman), Brendan Fitzgerald (Executive Director), Roger Gonzalez (Group Managing Director), Fernando Gonzalez (Non-Executive Director), Ronnie Kells (Non-Executive Director), Sergio Martinez (Finance Director), Billy McCann (Non-Executive Director), Marco Moreno (Non-Executive Director)

Management: Philomena Doherty (Company Secretary)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Production of readymixed concrete, readyspread mortar and plaster, natural and coloured mortars, dashing concrete/masonry and lightweight blocks, concrete pipes, concrete roof tiles, manhole and drainage products, landscape products aggregates, sand and gravel, crushed stone products, road making materials, high PSV road surfacing stone, bituminous materials, pavement contracting, concrete admixtures, precast flooring and frames, precast bridge segments and erosion control armored blocks

Mergers and Acquisitions: In January 2004 the Company acquired the assets of Precast Products Ltd and Hillstreet Stone Ltd.

Parent Company: CEMEX UK Ltd, UK (01983)

Subsidiary Companies: (100% owned unless stated): Finlay Breton (Ireland) Ltd; Finlay Breton Ltd (UK); Island Aggregates Ltd (UK); Island Cement Ltd (50%) (UK); Readymix (NI) Ltd (UK); Readymix (ROI) Ltd; Readymix Procurement Services Ltd

Principal Banks: Bank of Ireland; Allied Irish Banks plc

Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers

Principal Law Firm: McCann Fitzgerald

Ticker Symbol: RYX.I (Dublin)

ISIN: IE0007267820

Status: Public Company

Principal Shareholders: Readymix Holdings; Bank of Ireland Securities Services Ltd

No of Employees: 1,200 (Group)

Financial Information: Consolidated figures

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| | 31.12.04 | 31.12.05 |
| | EUR'000 | EUR'000 |
| Sales turnover | 247,533 | 248,100 |
| Profit before tax | 13,006 | 32,257 |
| Profit after tax | 10,759 | 24,638 |
| Dividend | 7,641 | 7,661 |
| Dividend per share | 7.05c | 7.05c |
| Earnings per share | 8.50c | 22.68c |
| Share capital | 13,018 | 13,044 |
| Shareholders' equity | 127,904 | 143,338 |

00667

REAGECON LTD

Address: Shannon Free Zone, Shannon, Co Clare

International tel: +353 (61) 472 622

International fax: +353 (61) 472 642

Company email: sales@reagecon.ie

Website: www.reagecon.com

Management: John Barron (Managing Director)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Manufacture and wholesale of chemicals, reagents, consumables, apparatus and scientific equipment for analytical chemistry, biochemistry, life sciences, environmental, state and educational laboratories

Status: Private Company

Date of Establishment: 1986

No of Employees: 70

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RECKITT BENCKISER IRELAND LTD

Address: c/o F A Wyatt, Unit 9-Keypoint Business Park, Ballycoolin Road, Dublin 11

International tel: +353 (1) 860 6519

International fax: +353 (1) 860 6516

Website: www.reckittbenckiser.com

Management: Paula Conlon (National Account Manager)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Wholesalers of prepared meat dishes, cereals, baby foods, condiments, fruit juices; plastic products; disinfectants and polishes

Parent Company: Reckitt Benckiser plc, UK (05465)

Principal Banks: Bank of Ireland

Status: Subsidiary of a Public Company

No of Employees: 160

00669

RED COW GROUP

Address: Red Cow Complex, Naas Road, Dublin 22

International tel: +353 (1) 459 3650

International fax: +353 (1) 459 1588

Company email: info@morangroup.ie

Website: www.redcowhotel.com

Management: Tom Moran (Managing Director), Ciaran O'Donovan (General Manager), Pat Power (Finance Director)

Senior Executives: Christine Shine (Personnel Officer), Zoe Walsh (Sales and Marketing Manager)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Operation of hotels and bars

Status: Private Company

Principal Shareholders: Moran family

No of Employees: 175

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REGENCY HOTELS GROUP

Address: Swords Road, Whitehall, Dublin 9

International tel: +353 (1) 837 3544

International fax: +353 (1) 837 3174

Company email: regency@regencyhotels.com

Website: www.regencyhotels.com

Management: David Kiely (General Manager), Catherine McGettigan (Human Resources Director)

Senior Executives: Ken Shortall (Finance Director)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Hotel operations

Status: Private Company

Principal Shareholders: McGettigan family

No of Employees: 350

04345

MAN ERF UK LTD**Former name:** ERF Ltd**Address:** Frankland Road, Blagrove, Swindon SN5 8YU**International tel:** +44 (1793) 448000**International fax:** +44 (1793) 448260**Website:** www.man.co.uk**Management:** Mr Evans (Managing Director), D M Smith (Manager), K Wagner (Manager), M K Walczak (Manager)**Senior Executives:** Steve Ellis (Financial Controller)**PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES:** Manufacture of heavy commercial vehicles and the wholesale trade in spare components**Principal Banks:** Barclays Bank plc**Auditors:** Ernst & Young**Status:** Private Company**No of Employees:** 930**Financial Information:**31.12.03
£'000**Sales turnover**

393,570

Profit (loss) before tax

(2,280)

04346

MAN GROUP PLC**Address:** Sugar Quay, Lower Thames Street, London EC3R 6DU**International tel:** +44 (20) 7144 1000**International fax:** +44 (20) 7144 1923**Company email:** investor@mangroupplc.com**Website:** www.mangroupplc.com**Board of Directors:** Jon Aisbitt (Non-Executive Director), Alison Carnwath (Non-Executive Director), Chris Chambers (Chief Executive, Man Investments), Peter Clarke (Finance Director and Company Secretary), Kevin Davis (Managing Director, Man Financial), Dugald Eadie (Non-Executive Director), Stanley Fink (Chief Executive), Harvey McGrath (Non-Executive Chairman), Glen Moreno (Non-Executive Director), Stephen Nesbitt (Non-Executive Director), Jonathan Nicholls (Non-Executive Director)**PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES:** Holding company with interests in the provision of financial services, namely alternative investment products and brokerage on futures markets**Mergers and Acquisitions:** On 1 April 2002, the Group acquired Fox Inc. On 30 May 2002, the Group acquired RMF Investment Group. On 14 June 2002, the Group acquired 60% of HPM Portfolio Management AG. On 6 November 2002, the Group acquired GNI Holdings Ltd. November 2003: acquired a 25% stake in the hedge fund BlueCrest Capital**Subsidiary Companies:** (100% owned unless stated): E D & F Man Group Ltd; ED & F Man Ltd; ED & F Man Philippines Inc (Philippines); ED & F Man Sucre SARL (France); Glenwood Capital Investments LLC (USA); James Budgett Sugars Ltd; Man Financial Inc (USA); Man Financial Ltd; Man Group Finance Inc (USA); Man Group Finance Ltd; Man Group USA Inc (USA); Man Investments AG (Switzerland); Man Investments Ltd; RMF Investment Management (Switzerland)**Principal Banks:** JP Morgan Chase & Co**Auditors:** PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP**Principal Law Firm:** Clifford Chance**Ticker Symbol:** EMG (London)**Status:** Public Company**No of Employees:** 2,888 (group)**Financial Information:** Consolidated figures31.3.04
£'00031.3.05
£'000**Sales turnover**

873,800*

1,566,000*

Profit before tax

434,600

784,000

Profit after tax

339,000

608,000

Retained profit

248,800

408,000

Dividend

89,900

89,900

Dividend per share

30.0p

66.0p

Earnings per share

114.0p

201.0p

Share capital

31,000

55,000

Shareholders' equity

1,149,100

2,424,000

*Net operating income

04347

MAN ROLAND GB LTD**Former name:** Perschke Price Service Organisation Ltd**Address:** 110-112 Morden Road, Mitcham CR4 4XB**International tel:** +44 (20) 8648 7090**International fax:** +44 (20) 8685 5981**Telex:** 946500**Management:** Malcolm Pendlebury (Managing Director), C Wells (Finance Director)**Senior Executives:** E Tanzer (Chairman), Nick Charles (Managing Director)**PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES:** Manufacture of machinery and equipment for the printing industry**Principal Banks:** HSBC Bank plc**Auditors:** KPMG Audit plc**Status:** Private Company**No of Employees:** 140**Financial Information:**31.12.03
£'00031.12.04
£'000**Sales turnover**

37,545

33,686

Profit before tax

340

505

Shareholders' equity

5,780

5,735

04348

MANAGEMENT CONSULTING GROUP PLC**Address:** Fleet Place House, 2 Fleet Place, Holburn Viaduct, London EC4M 7RF**International tel:** +44 (20) 7710 5000**International fax:** +44 (20) 7710 5001**Website:** www.mcgplc.com**Board of Directors:** Dr Rolf Stomberg (Chairman), Alan J Barber (Non-Executive Director), J P Bolduc (Non-Executive Director), Baroness Cohen (Non-Executive Director), Mark A Currie (Finance Director), Stephen Ferris (Non-Executive Director), Kevin Parry (Chief Executive), Andrew Simon (Non-Executive Director)**Senior Executives:** F Steve Hitchcock (Company Secretary and General Counsel), Crispin White (Marketing Director)**PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES:** Provision of management consultancy services**Trade Names:** Proudfoot Consulting, Parson Consulting**Subsidiary Companies:** (100% owned unless stated): Parson Consulting LLC (USA); Parson Consulting Ltd; Parson Consulting Pty Ltd (Austria); Parson Consulting S.A.S. (France); Proudfoot Consulting (Europe) Ltd; Proudfoot Consulting Africa Ltd (South Africa); Proudfoot Consulting Company (USA); Proudfoot Consulting GmbH (Austria); Proudfoot Consulting GmbH (Germany); Proudfoot Consulting Inc (Canada); Proudfoot Consulting S.A. (Spain); Proudfoot Consulting S.A.S. (France); Proudfoot Management Services GmbH (Switzerland); Proudfoot South Africa (Pty) Ltd (South Africa)**Principal Banks:** National Westminster Bank plc**Auditors:** Deloitte & Touche LLP**Principal Law Firm:** Baker & McKenzie**Status:** Public Company**Principal Shareholders:** Schroder Investment Management Ltd (17.52%); BriteFund Trustees Ltd (8.05%)**No of Employees:** 796**Financial Information:**Group figures;
GAAP (2004)Group figures;
IFRS (2005)

31.12.04

31.12.05

£'000

£'000

Sales turnover

119,248

129,601

Profit before tax

8,515

13,920

Profit after tax

5,520

9,792

Dividend

1,221

1,241

Dividend per share

0.67p

0.8p

Earnings per share

2.98p

5.2p

Share capital

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47,373

Shareholders' equity

43,660

57,932

04349

MANCHES LLP**Address:** Aldwych House, 81 Aldwych, London WC2B 4RP**International tel:** +44 (20) 7404 4433**International fax:** +44 (20) 7430 1133**Company email:** manches@manches.com**Website:** www.manches.com**Partners:** Jane Simpson (Chairman), Peter Angel (Partner), Patrick Baddeley (Partner), Cathleen Blackburn (Partner), Julie Bond (Partner), Alex Carter-Silk (Partner), Debbie Chism (Partner), Matthew Cox (Partner), Jane Craig (Partner), Vernon Dennis (Partner), Chris Fellowes (Partner), Kerry Fretwell (Partner), Stephen Goldstraw (Partner), Robert Jonckheer (Partner), Sloan Kelly (Partner), Jim Kinnier Wilson (Partner), Alun G Lamerton (Chief Executive), Steven Maier (Partner), Louis Manches (Partner), David

March (Partner), Matthew Martin (Partner), William Massey (Partner), Jonathan Maude (Partner), Robert McLellan (Partner), David Mills (Partner), Jane Mitchell (Partner), Paul Northwood (Partner), Robert Oakes (Partner), Chris Owen (Partner), Melvin Pedro (Partner), Alan Poulter (Partner), Christine Reid (Partner), Daff Richardson (Partner), Ross Risby (Partner), Richard Shaw (Partner), Chris Shelley (Partner), Peter Smith (Partner), Richard Smith (Partner), Louise Spitz (Partner), Peter Stevens (Partner), Julian Taylor (Partner), David Tighe (Partner), Gerard Tomnay (Partner), Helen Ward (Partner), Elizabeth West (Partner)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Law firm**Status:** Partnership**No of Employees:** 200**Financial Information:**

31.12.04

£'000

Fee income

13,778

Profit before tax

6,300

04350

MANCHESTER AIRPORT PLC**Address:** Wythenshawe, Manchester M90 1QX**International tel:** +44 (161) 489 3000**International fax:** +44 (161) 489 3813**Telex:** 665457**Website:** www.manchesterairport.co.uk**Board of Directors:** Rowena Burns (Group Strategy Director), Michael Gooddie (Director), John Hancock (Director), Brian Harrison (Director), Alan Jones (Non-Executive Chairman), David Kennedy (Director), Thomas Marshall (Director), Michael Medicott (Director), Geoff Muirhead (Group Chief Executive), Philip Ridal (Group Finance Director), Brenda Smith (Director), Peter Smith (Director)**Senior Executives:** S Welsh (Company Secretary)**PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES:** Operation and development of airport facilities in the UK**Subsidiary Companies:** (100% owned unless stated): Airport Advertising Ltd; Airport Petroleum Ltd; Bournemouth International Airport Ltd; Crow Aerodromes Ltd; East Midlands International Airport Ltd; Humberside International Airport Ltd (82.71%); Manchester Airport Aviation Services Ltd; Manchester Airport Ventures Limited; Ringway Developments PLC; Ringway Handling Limited; Ringway Handling Services Limited; Worknorth II Limited; Worknorth Limited**Principal Banks:** The Co-operative Bank**Auditors:** PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP**Status:** Non Quoted Public Company**Principal Shareholders:** The Council of the City of Manchester (55%); The Borough Council of Bolton (5%); The Council of the Metropolitan Borough of Bury (5%); The Oldham Borough Council (5%); The Rochdale Borough Council (5%); The Council of the City of Salford (5%); The Metropolitan Borough Council of Stockport (5%); The Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council (5%); The Trafford Borough Council (5%); The Wigan Borough Council (5%)**No of Employees:** 2,717**Financial Information:** Consolidated figures

31.3.04

31.3.05

£'000

£'000

Sales turnover

352,920

373,500

Profit before tax

50,569

66,400

Profit after tax

35,483

42,200

Retained profit

18,983

17,200

Dividend

16,500

16,500

Dividend per share

8.08p

12.24p

Share capital

204,280

204,300

Shareholders' equity

885,748

939,200

04351

MANCHESTER BUILDING SOCIETY**Address:** Queens Court, 24 Queen Street, Manchester M2 5AH**International tel:** +44 (870) 9900 800**International fax:** +44 (161) 833 8889**Company email:** info@themanchester.co.uk**Website:** www.themanchester.co.uk**Board of Directors:** Michael Dunham (Chairman), D E Cowie (Chief Executive Officer), D Barron (Non-Executive Director), J D Bee (Non-Executive Director), P J Davies (Deputy Chief Executive Officer), C W Gee (Finance Director), P A Lynch (Non-Executive Director), D W Millington (Non-Executive Director), M J Prior (Non-Executive Director), A K Snape (Non-Executive Director)

International fax: +44 (1405) 740100
 Board of Directors: A J Duncan (Chairman)
 Management: P Wilkinson (Managing Director)
 Senior Executives: R Roxburgh (Company Secretary)
 PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Processing of poultry
 Parent Company: Grampian Country Food Group Ltd, UK (03319)
 Principal Banks: HBOS plc
 Auditors: KPMG Audit plc
 Status: Private Company
 No of Employees: 330
 Financial Information:

31.5.03

£'000

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| Sales turnover | 42,969 |
| Profit before tax | 1,020 |
| Shareholders' equity | 1,855 |

06376

THORNTONS PLC

Address: Thornton Park, Somercotes, Alfreton, Derby DE55 4XJ

International tel: +44 (1773) 540550

International fax: +44 (1773) 540842

Company email: tplccustserve@thorntons.co.uk

Website: www.thorntons.co.uk

Board of Directors: John von Spreckelsen (Chairman), Barry Bloomer (Operations Director), Peter Burdon (Chief Executive), Martin Davey (Non-Executive Director), Philip Douty (Trading and Marketing Director), John Jackson (Non-Executive Director), Dominic Prendergast (Retail Director), John Thornton (Non-Executive Director), John Wall (Finance Director and Company Secretary)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Retail trade in and manufacture of high quality chocolates, toffee, ice cream and other confectionery

Trade Names: Special Toffee, Continental Chocolates, Alpini, Diplomat, Classics Confectionery, Classics, Premier Collection

Subsidiary Companies: (100% owned unless stated): Strand Court Properties Ltd; Thorntons (Jersey) Ltd; Thorntons Card Services Limited

Principal Banks: HSBC Bank plc; Barclays Bank plc; Lloyds TSB Bank Plc

Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Ticker Symbol: THT (London)

Status: Public Company

Principal Shareholders: Oppenheimer Funds (9.6%); Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust (6%); Trident European Fund (5.4%); JP Morgan Fleming Mercantile Investment Trust (5%); Ms P A Thornton (4.8%); Mrs J S Harcus (4.2%); Legal and General (3.9%); Mrs M S Thurman (3.9%); Mrs R Chambers (3.1%)

No of Employees: 4,224

Financial Information: Consolidated figures

26.6.04

£'000

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|----------------------|---------|---------|
| Sales turnover | 178,746 | 187,704 |
| Profit before tax | 7,006 | 8,154 |
| Profit after tax | 4,969 | 5,570 |
| Retained profit | 543 | 1,110 |
| Dividend | 4,426 | 4,460 |
| Dividend per share | 6.80p | 6.80p |
| Earnings per share | 7.64p | 8.55p |
| Share capital | 6,663 | 6,669 |
| Shareholders' equity | 41,406 | 42,728 |

06377

F W THORPE PLC

Address: Merse Road, North Moons Moat, Redditch B98 9HH

International tel: +44 (1527) 583200

International fax: +44 (1527) 584177

Company email: sales@thorlux.co.uk

Website: www.thorlux.com;www.mackwell.co.uk;www.compact-lighting.co.uk

Board of Directors: M Alcock (Managing Director of Thorlux Lighting and Technical Director), C M Brangwin (Director), D A Dimeloe (Managing Director of Mackwell Electronics), D M Lippold (Managing Director of Compact Lighting), P D Mason (Joint Chief Executive, Finance Director and Secretary), A B Thorpe (Chairman and Joint Chief Executive), I A Thorpe (Director)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Manufacture of industrial and commercial lighting equipment

Trade Names: Thorlux Lighting
 Subsidiary Companies: (100% owned unless stated): Axis Lighting Ltd; Compact Lighting Ltd; Mackwell Electronics Ltd; Philip Payne Ltd; Sugg Lighting Ltd
 Principal Banks: Lloyds TSB Bank plc
 Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
 Principal Law Firm: Martineau Johnson
 Ticker Symbol: TFW (London)
 Status: Public Company
 Principal Shareholders: E G Thorpe (5.3%); Right & Issues Trust plc (4.3%)
 No of Employees: 519

Financial Information: Consolidated figures

30.6.04

£'000

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| Sales turnover | 37,258 | 41,572 |
| Profit before tax | 5,362 | 5,840 |
| Profit after tax | 3,883 | 4,361 |
| Retained profit | 2,869 | 3,174 |
| Dividend | 1,014 | 1,054 |
| Dividend per share | 8.6p | 7.5p |
| Earnings per share | 33.1p | 36.9p |
| Share capital | 1,177 | 1,184 |
| Shareholders' equity | 24,746 | 27,999 |

Thos Agnew & Sons Ltd

see Agnew

06378

THREE VALLEYS WATER PLC

Address: PO Box 48, Bishops Rise, Hatfield AL10 9HL

International tel: +44 (1707) 268111

International fax: +44 (1707) 277333

Website: www.3valleys.co.uk

Board of Directors: Sir Alan Thomas (Chairman), M S Ross Collins (Deputy Chairman), David Alexander (Managing Director, Veolia Water UK Plc), Jean-Claude Banon (Managing Director, Veolia (UK) Ltd), Jeff Bishop (Operations Director), Ian Brenkley (Customer Services Director), Baroness Buscombe (Director), Peter Darby (Managing Director), François Darley (Director), David C Hewitt (Finance Director), Cyril Roger-Lacan (Director), Dr Neil Summerton (Director), Fiona Woolf (Director)

Senior Executives: Keith W Taylor (Company Secretary and Head of Corporate Services)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Supply of water to Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Hertfordshire, Bedfordshire, Essex, Surrey and several London boroughs

Subsidiary Companies: (100% owned unless stated): Three Valleys Water Finance Plc

Principal Banks: Barclays Bank plc

Auditors: RSM Robson Rhodes LLP

Principal Law Firm: Beachcroft Wansbroughs; Simmons & Simmons

Status: Subsidiary of a Public Company

Principal Shareholders: Veolia Water Capital Funds PLC (100%)

No of Employees: 1,004

Financial Information:

31.3.05

£'000

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| Sales turnover | 174,459 | 206,423 |
| Profit before tax | 45,418 | 56,119 |
| Profit after tax | 31,304 | 39,654 |
| Retained profit | 1,804 | 7,255 |
| Dividend | 29,500 | 32,399 |
| Earnings per share | 236.7p | 299.8p |
| Share capital | 13,228 | 13,228 |
| Shareholders' equity | 163,628 | 168,135 |

06379

THRESHER GROUP LTD

Former name: First Quench Retailing Ltd

Address: Enjoyment Hall, Bessemer Road, Welwyn Garden City AL7 1BL

International tel: +44 (1707) 387200

International fax: +44 (1707) 387416

Website: www.threshers.co.uk;www.corkingcareers.com

Management: Laurence Cooklin (Non-Executive Chairman), Steve Headington (Development Director), Sue Malti (Director Human Resources), John Risman (Chief Operating Officer), Kevin Styles (Director Sales and Marketing), Simon Thomas (Business Change and IT Director), Mark Turner

(Managing Director Property Business Unit), Colin Waggett (Finance Director), David Williams (Chief Executive)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Retail trade in wine and beer in the UK

Principal Banks: National Westminster Bank plc

Auditors: Ernst & Young

Status: Private Company

Principal Shareholders: Terra Firma (100%)

No of Employees: 14,167

Financial Information:

28.2.03

£'000

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|-------------------|---------|
| Sales turnover | 926,000 |
| Profit before tax | 4,000 |

06380

THROUGH GOODS OF HANLEY LTD

Former name: Goodwins of Hanley Ltd

Address: Speedwell Road, Parkhouse East, Newcastle-under-Lyme ST5 7RG

International tel: +44 (1782) 564404

International fax: +44 (1782) 568300

Management: L J Crawford (Manager)

Senior Executives: E D Blatchford (Company Secretary)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Wholesale trade in confectionery and tobacco

Subsidiary Companies: (100% owned unless stated): Bargain Booze Ltd

Principal Banks: Lloyds TSB Bank plc

Auditors: Dean Statham

Status: Private Company

No of Employees: 110

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THURLOW NUNN STANDEN LTD

Address: Lisle Lane, Ely CB7 4AE

International tel: +44 (1353) 662871

International fax: +44 (1353) 663480

Company email: enquiry@tmsgroup.co.uk

Website: www.tmsgroup.co.uk

Board of Directors: J R Thurlow (Director), Mrs M A Thurlow (Director), J G Thurlow (Chairman and Managing Director)
 Senior Executives: Mrs S A Tew (Company Secretary), Chris Tew (Branch Manager)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Distribution, sale and servicing of cars and agricultural machinery; manufacture and erection of industrial buildings

Principal Banks: National Westminster Bank plc

Auditors: BDO Stoy Hayward

Status: Private Company

No of Employees: 290

Financial Information:

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| Sales turnover | 57,809 |
| Profit before tax | 546 |
| Shareholders' equity | 5,420 |

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Board of Directors: William Allan (Chief Executive), Ian Chippendale (Non-Executive Director), Jo Connell (Non-Executive Director), Michael de Kare-Silver (Non-Executive Director), John Maguire (Chief Financial Officer), Philip Male (Chief Operating Officer), Philip Rogerson (Non-Executive Chairman)

Senior Executives: Ian Armour (Director of Support Services), Gerry Duffy (Sales Director), Alan Frame (Systems Operations Manager), Ken Hills (Director of Business Services), Ian Hood (Director of Corporate Communications), Andy King (Director of Sales), David Macleod (Company Secretary), David Sherrick (Director of Risk Management)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES: Provision of voice, data, internet and contact centre services to corporate and small and medium sized enterprise markets primarily in the UK. The demerger of THUS Group plc from ScottishPower became effective on 19 March 2002