REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

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#### COMPANY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

**DIRECTORS:** 

K Austin

Mrs J A Austin B Androlia M J Hurney

**SECRETARY:** 

Mrs J A Austin

REGISTERED OFFICE:

Darland House

44 Winnington Hill

Northwich Cheshire CW8 1AU

**REGISTERED NUMBER:** 

2138358 (England and Wales)

**AUDITORS:** 

Murray Smith

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors Darland House 44 Winnington Hill

Northwich

Cheshire CW8 1AU

#### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company and the group for the year ended 30 September 2001.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the group is the provision of technical consultancy services and the development and marketing of interactive software applications.

#### DIRECTORS

The directors who served during the year and their beneficial interests in the company's share capital were as follows:-

	Ordinary shares of £1 each	'A' Ordinary shares of £1 each	'B' Ordinary shares of £0,7222615 each	'C' Ordinary shares of £0.001 each	Convertible Preference shares of £0.001 each
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K Austin	156,016	-	-	-	-
Mrs J A Austin	39,004	-	-	-	-
B Androlia	-	-	43,366	33,091	-
M J Hurney	-	-	96,295	27,691	-
At 1 October 2000					
K Austin	156,016	-	-	-	-
Mrs J A Austin	39,004	=	•	-	-
B Androlia	-	-	41,740	33,091	-
M J Hurney	•	-	93,660	27,691	-

Under the terms of an Investment Agreement dated 27 July 2001 B Androlia and M J Hurney were granted options to subscribe for 1,810 and 5,429 'B' Ordinary shares, respectively, at £18.418 per share. The options could be exercised at any time up to 27 July 2005, but were cancelled on 5 November 2001, without exercise.

#### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements 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 period. In preparing those 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;
- 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 which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and the group and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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#### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001 (Continued)

#### AUDITORS

Messrs Murray Smith have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors and a resolution for their re-appointment will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

#### ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

Mrs J A Justin - SECRETARY

Dated: 25 July 2002

### REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF 4TV LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of 4TV Limited for the year ended 30 September 2001 on pages five to fifteen. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000), under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page eight.

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page two the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

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

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 if, in our opinion, the Report of the Directors is not consistent with the financial statements, 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 company is not disclosed.

We read the Report of the Directors 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 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.

#### Going concern

In forming our opinion, we have considered the adequacy of the disclosures made in note one to the financial statements concerning the going concern basis of preparation of the financial statements. Our opinion is not qualified in this respect.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's and the group's affairs as at 30 September 2001 and of the group's loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditors

Darland House

44 Winnington Hill Northwich

Normwich

Cheshire CW8 1AU

Dated: 29 July 2002

## CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

	Note	2001 £	2000 £
TURNOVER	2	10,668	37,704
Cost of sales		1,048	_14,330
GROSS PROFIT		9,620	23,374
Administrative expenses		916,315	739,694
OPERATING LOSS	3	(906,695)	(716,320)
Profit on sale of fixed assets	8	_57,593	
Interest receivable and		(849,102)	(716,320)
similar income		3,089	2,443
Interest payable and		(846,013)	(713,877)
similar charges	4	<u>(28,754</u> )	18,175
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVIT BEFORE AND AFTER TAXATI		(874,767)	(695,702)
Dividends	5		46,055
LOSS FOR THE YEAR	16	<u>(874,767</u> )	<u>(741,757</u> )

### CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

	Note	200	01	2000	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7		49,001		75,008
Investments	8		<del></del>		6,407
			40.001		01 415
CURRENT ASSETS			49,001		81,415
Debtors	9	34,497		37,855	
Cash at bank and in hand	7	151		294,035	
Cash at bank and in hand				294,033	
		34,648		331,890	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling					
due within one year	10	914,026		199,659	
dde within one year	10	71,020		177,037	
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)/					
ASSETS			(879,378)		132,231
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT					
LIABILITIES			(830,377)		213,646
CREDITORS: Amounts falling					
due after more than one year	11		177,339		529,227
			( <u>1,007,716</u> )		(315,581)
					<del></del>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	14		533,855		525,731
Share premium account	15		2,053,855		1,879,347
Profit and loss account	16		(3,595,426)		(2,720,659)
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			( <u>1,007,716</u> )		(315,581)

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

K Austin - DIRECTOR

Approved by the Board on 25 July 2002

Ars J A Agentin - EXIRECTOR

### COMPANY BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

	Note	200	1	2000	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7		49,001		75,008
Investments	8		2		6,409
			49,003		81,417
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	428,201		431,560	
Cash at bank and in hand		151		294,035	
		428,352		725,595	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling					
due within one year	10	1,307,729		592,394	
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)/					
ASSETS			<u>(879,377</u> )		133,201
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT					
LIABILITIES			(830,374)		214,618
CREDITORS: Amounts falling					
due after more than one year	11		177,339		529,227
			(1,007,713)		(314,609)
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CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	14		533,855		525,731
Share premium account	15		2,053,855		1,879,347
Profit and loss account	16		(3,595,423)		(2,719,687)
TOTAL WING 1000 GOODWILL	10		(2,272,122)		(2,7,2,007)
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			( <u>1,007,713</u> )		(314,609)

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

K Austin - DIRECTOR

Approved by the Board on 25 July 2002

rs J Alaystin DIRECTOR

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

The financial statements have also been prepared on the going concern basis. In support of this, as referred to in note 17, the company raised £600,594 in share and loan capital after the year end for the purposes of working capital and it is actively seeking further investments in order to develop the business. The directors recognise the inherent uncertainty as to whether further capital will be secured and, in the meantime, in adopting the accounting treatment they rely on the continuing support of the loan creditors. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that would result if sufficient further finances cannot be secured.

#### **Basis of consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements include the company and all its significant subsidiary undertakings, after eliminating intra-group balances and transactions.

#### Turnover

Turnover represents net invoiced work done and goods sold, excluding Value Added Tax.

#### Depreciation

Depreciation is provided for at the following annual rates in order to write off the cost of each asset over its estimated useful life or, if held under a finance lease, over the lease term, whichever is the shorter:

Computer equipment 25% straight line
Plant and equipment 25% straight line
Motor vehicle 25% reducing balance

A proportion only of the annual figure is charged during the period of acquisition, the proportion being calculated on the number of months of ownership.

#### **Deferred taxation**

Provision is made at current rates for taxation deferred in respect of all material timing differences except to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is reasonable probability that the liability will not arise in the foreseeable future.

#### Hire purchase commitments

Tangible fixed assets acquired under hire purchase contracts are capitalised and depreciated over their estimated useful lives. The corresponding obligations are treated in the balance sheet as liabilities. Finance charges are allocated to accounting periods on a straight line basis over the term of the contracts.

#### **Operating leases**

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis.

#### Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme, the assets of which are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The company also makes contributions to employees' personal pension schemes. The pension cost for the year represents total contributions payable by the company to the various schemes.

#### Investments

Investments are valued at the lower of cost and market value.

#### Research and development

Expenditure on research and development is written off in the year in which it is incurred.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

#### 2. TURNOVER

During the year 0% (2000 - 2%) of total turnover related to exports.

		2001	2000
3.	OPERATING LOSS	£	£
	The operating loss is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets		
	- Owned by the company	20,663	22,778
	- Held under hire purchase contracts	7,848	7,018
	Directors' emoluments and other benefits, etc.	127,100	122,258
	Auditors' remuneration	2,700	2,500
	Pension costs	13,154	11,944
4.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		
	Bank overdraft interest	6,862	-
	Bank loan interest	19,165	2,911
	Convertible loan interest	-	39,542
	Convertible loan interest waived	-	(63,355)
	Hire purchase interest	2,727	2,727
		28,754	(18,175)

In conjunction with the restructuring referred to in note 5 the right to receive accrued interest in respect of the convertible loan was waived by the lender on 14 April 2000.

#### 5. DIVIDENDS

	2001 £	2000 £
'A' Ordinary shares of £1 each Preference shares of £0.001 each	- 	22,492 23,563
	<del></del>	46,055

The Preference shares and the 'A' Ordinary shares originally carried the right to a fixed dividend at the rates of 11% and 6% respectively, per annum, on the issue price and these were appropriated through the profit and loss account. However, the right to receive accrued dividends was waived on 14 April 2000 and such amounts have, therefore, been credited back to the profit and loss account, as shown in note 16.

With effect from 14 April 2000 the Preference shares were redesignated as Convertible Preference shares and are not entitled to a future dividend. Subject to the availability of profits the 'A' Ordinary shares may rank for the payment of a dividend, in conjunction with the 'B' and 'C' Ordinary shares, at a variable rate.

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

#### 6. LOSS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE PARENT COMPANY

As permitted by Section 230 of the Companies Act 1985, the parent undertaking's profit and loss account is not included in these financial statements. Its loss for the year was £875,736 (2000 - £742,312) after deducting dividends of £Nil (2000 - £46,055).

#### 7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

#### THE GROUP AND THE COMPANY

	Computer equipment £	Plant and equipment £	Motor vehicle £	Total £
COST At 1 October 2000 Additions	60,491 1,410	43,761 1,094	41,272	145,524 2,504
At 30 September 2001	61,901	44,855	41,272	148,028
DEPRECIATION At 1 October 2000 Charge for the year At 30 September 2001	28,477 14,026 42,503	32,157 6,637 38,794	9,882 7,848 17,730	70,516 28,511 99,027
NET BOOK VALUE At 30 September 2001	19,398	6,061	23,542	49,001
At 30 September 2000	32,014	11,604	31,390	75,008

The net book value of tangible fixed assets includes £23,542 (2000 - £31,390) in respect of assets held under hire purchase contracts or finance leases.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

#### 8. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

THE GROUP	Shares in subsidiary undertakings £	Other investments	Total £
Cost/net book value At 1 October 2000 Disposals		6,407 (6,407)	6,407 (6,407)
At 30 September 2001	<u> </u>	<del>-</del>	
THE COMPANY Cost/net book value At 1 October 2000 Disposals	2	6,407 (6,407)	6,409 (6,407)
At 30 September 2001	2	-	2

The company is the beneficial owner of all the issued ordinary share capital of the following company, which is registered in England and Wales:

#### Name of company

Nature of business

Danmere Technologies Limited

Dormant

The company is also the beneficial owner of all the issued share capital of Danmere USA Inc, a company registered in the United States of America. Its principal activity is the marketing of computer peripherals, but no trading occurred during the year.

Other investments relate to shares held in S.Y. Realisations Limited (formerly Systolix Limited). These have been sold during the year and were previously valued at cost.

Investments are all unlisted.

		TH	THE GROUP		COMPANY
		2001	2000	2001	2000
		£	£	£	£
9.	DEBTORS				
	Trade debtors	-	7,638	393,704	401,343
	Other debtors	17,719	18,162	17,719	18,162
	Prepayments	16,778	12,055	16,778	12,055
		<u>34,497</u>	37,855	428,201	431,560

In preparing the company's financial statements full provision has been made against amounts totalling £338,314 (2000 - £337,345) (net) due from its subsidiary undertaking, Danmere Technologies Limited.

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

10.   CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING			TH 2001	E GROUP 2000	THE 2001	COMPANY 2000
Bank overdraft and loan (secured)   362,935   46,297   362,935   46,297   Other loans (secured)   300,000   - 30						
Other loans (secured) 300,000 - 300,000 Net obligations under hire purchase contracts (secured) 5,591 5,591 5,591 5,591 Trade creditors 154,286 118,701 154,286 118,701 Social security and other taxes 57,880 17,168 57,880 17,168 Other creditors - 70,693 70,693 Accruals 33,334 11,902 356,344 333,944 914,026 199,659 1,307,729 592,394  11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR  Bank loan (secured) 157,407 203,703 157,407 203,703 Other loans (secured) - 300,000 - 300,000 Net obligations under hire purchase contracts (secured) 19,932 25,524 19,932 25,524 177,339 529,227  12. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS  The following payments are committed to be paid within one year:  Expiring:  Within one year 4,167 17,541 4,167 17,541 Between one and five years 3,796 - 3,796 - 3,796 - 3,796	10.		*	ı.	ı.	I.
Trade creditors		Other loans (secured)	•	46,297 -		46,297 -
Social security and other taxes   57,880   17,168   57,880   17,168   Other creditors   -     -     70,693   70,693   70,693   Accruals   33,334   11,902   356,344   333,944			5,591	5,591	5,591	5,591
Other creditors Accruals  33,334  11,902  356,344  333,944  914,026  199,659  1,307,729  592,394  11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR  Bank loan (secured) Other loans (secured) Net obligations under hire purchase contracts (secured)  19,932  25,524  177,339  177,341  175,41  175,41  175,41  175,41  175,41  175,41		Trade creditors	154,286	118,701	154,286	118,701
Accruals   33,334   11,902   356,344   333,944   914,026   199,659   1,307,729   592,394		Social security and other taxes	57,880	17,168	57,880	17,168
914,026   199,659   1,307,729   592,394		Other creditors	-	-	70,693	70,693
11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR  Bank loan (secured)		Accruals	33,334	11,902	356,344	333,944
Bank loan (secured)   157,407   203,703   157,407   203,703     Other loans (secured)   - 300,000   - 300,000     Net obligations under hire purchase contracts (secured)   19,932   25,524   19,932   25,524     177,339   529,227   177,339   529,227    12. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS  The following payments are committed to be paid within one year:    Expiring: Within one year   4,167   17,541   4,167   17,541     Between one and five years   3,796   - 3,796   - 3,796			914,026	199,659	1,307,729	592,394
The following payments are committed to be paid within one year:  Expiring: Within one year 4,167 17,541 4,167 17,541 Between one and five years 3,796 - 3,796 -	11.	Bank loan (secured) Other loans (secured) Net obligations under hire purchase	19,932	300,000 25,524	19,932	300,000 25,524
paid within one year:         Expiring:         Within one year       4,167       17,541       4,167       17,541         Between one and five years       3,796       -       3,796       -	12.	OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS				
Within one year       4,167       17,541       4,167       17,541         Between one and five years       3,796       -       3,796       -						
<u>7,963</u> <u>17,541</u> <u>7,963</u> <u>17,541</u>		Within one year		17,541	•	17,541
			7,963	17,541	7,963	17,541

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

#### 13. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

Deferred taxation for which provision has been made in the financial statements and the amounts for which no provision has been made, are as follows:-

		Provided		Not provided	
		2001	2000	2001	2000
		£	£	£	£
	THE GROUP				
	Accelerated capital allowances	-	1,156	(1,878)	
	Losses carried forward		(1,156)	(659,544)	_(497,222)
			<del></del>	(661,442)	(497,222)
	THE COMPANY				
	Accelerated capital allowances	_	1,156	(1,878)	_
	Losses carried forward		(1,156)	(611,768)	(449,503)
		<u>-</u>	-	(613,646)	(449,503)
14.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL				
				2001 £	2000 £
	Authorised:			840,038	840,038
	Ordinary shares of £1 each 'A' Ordinary shares of £1 each			168,457	159,562
	'B' Ordinary shares of £0.7222615 each			183,090	170,588
	'C' Ordinary shares of £0.001 each			61	61
	Convertible Preference shares of £0.001 each			500	500
				1,192,146	1,170,749
	Allotted, issued and fully paid:				
	Ordinary shares of £1 each			195,020	195,020
	'A' Ordinary shares of £1 each			163,028	159,562
	'B' Ordinary shares of £0.7222615 each			175,246	170,588
	'C' Ordinary shares of £0.001 each			61	61
	Convertible Preference shares of £0.001 each			500	500
				533,855	<u>525,731</u>

During the year the following shares were issued and fully paid in cash:

3,466 'A' Ordinary shares of £1.00 each at £18.417836 per share 6,450 'B' Ordinary shares of £0.7222615 each at £18.417836 per share

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

		2001 £	2000 £
15.	SHARE PREMIUM ACCOUNT	£	£
	THE GROUP AND THE COMPANY		
	At 1 October	1,879,347	940,038
	Arising on the issue of: 'A' Ordinary shares	60,371	
	'B' Ordinary shares	114,137	129,414
	'C' Ordinary shares	-	9,995
	Convertible Preference shares	-	799,900
	At 30 September	2,053,855	1,879,347
16.	PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT		
	THE GROUP		
	Loss for the year	(874,767)	(741,757)
	Share appropriations (note 5)	-	46,055
	Accumulated loss at 1 October	(2,720,659)	(2,024,957)
	Accumulated loss at 30 September	(3,595,426)	(2,720,659)
	TIME COMPANY		
	THE COMPANY		
	Loss for the year	(875,736)	(742,312)
	Share appropriations (note 5)	-	46,055
	Accumulated loss at 1 October	(2,719,687)	(2,023,430)
	Accumulated loss at 30 September	(3,595,423)	(2,719,687)

#### 17. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

Since the balance sheet date the following changes have occurred in respect of the company's share and loan capital:

- (i) In November 2001 the company received a secured Investor's loan of £300,000.
- (ii) In March 2002 the company allotted, at par for cash, 415,564 'D' Ordinary shares of £0.01 each and received a secured Investor's loan of £296,438.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

#### 18. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No single individual or entity controls the company.

During the year the company received services, on normal commercial terms, from related parties, as follows:-

	Value £	Amount owing at 30 September 2001 £
N3 Trading Ltd, formerly Nice Net Names Limited (a company of which M J Hurney is a director)	12,218	14,356
Draycott Management Services Limited (a company of which B Androlia is a director)	10,127	_10,920

As referred to in note 8, the company sold its entire holding in S.Y. Realisations Limited, during the year. This transaction took place at market value and the purchasers were N3 Trading Ltd, Draycott Management Services Limited, C Kendle (a shareholder) and James Lane Holdings (IOM) Limited (a shareholder), the aggregate consideration being £64,000.

Under the terms of an Investment Agreement dated 27 July 2001 the company granted options to M J Hurney, B Androlia, C Kendle and James Lane Holdings (IOM) Limited to subscribe for an aggregate of 10,859 'B' Ordinary shares of £0.7222615 each and to 3i plc, 5,429 'A' Ordinary shares of £1 each. The options could be exercised at any time up to 27 July 2005 at £18.418 per share, but were cancelled on 5 November 2001, without exercise. In consideration of the grant of the options by the company, the grantees agreed to provide Bank Guarantees in the aggregate sum of £300,000.