

Return by a public company purchasing its own shares for holding in treasury

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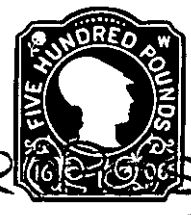
Pursuant to section 169(1B) of the Companies Act 1985

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Company Number SC157176

Company Name in full FIRSTGROUP PLC

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Note
This return must be delivered to the Registrar within a period of 28 days beginning with the first date on which shares to which it relates were delivered to the company. Shares placed in treasury must be "qualifying shares" as defined by section 162(4) of the Companies Act 1985

PART A: PURCHASE BY COMPANY OF ITS OWN SHARES FOR HOLDING IN TREASURY

Class of shares (ordinary or preference etc)	ORDINARY		
Number of shares	794,194		
Date(s) shares delivered to the company	20/12/05		
For each share:			
Nominal value	£0.05		
Maximum price paid	£3.975		
Minimum price paid	£3.885		

The aggregate amount paid by the company for the shares to which this return relates was:

£ 3,105,065.84

Stamp Duty is payable on the aggregate amount at the rate of 0.5 % rounded up to the nearest multiple of £5

£ 15,530.00

PART B: FULLY PAID BONUS SHARES PLACED IN TREASURY PURSUANT TO SECTION 162C(6) OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

Class of shares (ordinary or preference etc)			
Number of shares			
Nominal value of each share			
Date(s) shares delivered to the company			

**Delete as appropriate

Signed

Eileen Malcolmson

Date

23/12/05

(*a director / secretary / administrator / administrative receiver / receiver manager / receiver)

You do not have to give any contact information in the box opposite, but if you do, it will help Companies House to contact you if there is a query on the form. The contact information that you give will be visible to searchers of the public record.

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When you have completed and signed the form and it has been stamped by the Inland Revenue please send it to the Registrar of Companies at:

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