

Group income statement

for the year ended 31st December 2009

		Before Adjustment Adjustment*		Total	Before Adjustment	Adjustment*	Total
	notes	2009	2009	2009	2008	2008	2008
		£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Revenue	2	518,705	-	518,705	502,316	-	502,316
Operating costs	3	(428,767)	(13,416)	(442,183)	(416,647)	(4,641)	(421,288)
Operating profit	2	89,938	(13,416)	76,522	85,669	(4,641)	81,028
Financial expenses		(16,072)	-	(16,072)	(14,805)	-	(14,805)
Financial income		13,558	-	13,558	16,541	-	16,541
	5	(2,514)	-	(2,514)	1,736	-	1,736
Share of profit of associates		2,772	(365)	2,407	2,741	(343)	2,398
Profit before taxation	6	90,196	(13,781)	76,415	90,146	(4,984)	85,162
Taxation	8	(27,472)	4,148	(23,324)	(26,257)	883	(25,374)
Profit for the period		62,724	(9,633)	53,091	63,889	(4,101)	59,788
Attributable to:							
Equity holders of the parent		62,596	(9,633)	52,963	63,648	(4,101)	59,547
Minority interest		128	-	128	241	-	241
Profit for the period		62,724	(9,633)	53,091	63,889	(4,101)	59,788
Earnings per share	10						
Basic earnings per share				69.6p			78.0p
Diluted earnings per share				69.3p			77.7p
Dividends	11						
Dividends per share				36.1p			33.3p
Dividends paid during the year (per share)				33.8p			31.6p

* Adjustments in 2009 relate to exceptional headcount reduction costs and amortisation of acquisition-related intangibles (see note 2). In 2008 adjustments include amortisation of acquisition-related intangibles and impairment of goodwill and intangible assets (see note 2). Earnings per share before these adjustments are shown in note 10.

All amounts relate to continuing operations.

The notes on pages 53 to 81 form an integral part of the accounts.