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Dear Sir

We hereby submit our resignation as auditors of the attached list of companies with effect from 31 July 2002.

In accordance with section 394 of the Companies Act 1985, we confirm that there are no circumstances connected with our ceasing to hold office that we consider should be brought to the attention of the companies' members or creditors.

Yours sincerely,

Arthur Andersen

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JOHNSTON PRESS plc - Group Companies

1066 Newspapers Ltd	Company	Registered Number
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Northampton Web Ltd	1265807	
Northeast Press Ltd	905215	
Northern Advertising Agency Ltd	00496354	
Northern Web Ltd	1630520	
North Notts Newspapers Ltd	0954796	
Peterboro' Web Ltd	0674979	
Pocklington Post Ltd	2554695	
Portsmouth Publishing & Printing Investments Ltd	3591680	
Portsmouth & Sunderland Newspapers Ltd	0269663	
Portsmouth Publishing & Printing Ltd	1248289	
Premier Newspapers Ltd	1916792	
Regional Independent Media Acquisitions Ltd	3512564	
Regional Independent Media Funding 1 Ltd	3516643	
Regional Independent Media Funding 2 Ltd	3516612	
Regional Independent Media Group plc	3516655	
Regional Independent Media Holdings Ltd	3508958	
Regional Independent Media Scotland Ltd	491448	
Regional Independent Newspapers Ltd	3392487	
Regional Interactive Media Ltd	1656140	
RIM Letterbox Direct Ltd	1492610	
Senews Ltd	1764016	
Sheffield Newspapers Ltd	780919	
Southern Web Offset Ltd	1794427	
South Yorkshire Newspapers Ltd	3103977	
South Bedfordshire Newspapers Ltd	0283198	
Stamford Mercury Ltd	00129556	
Sussex Newspapers Ltd	00829253	
The Chorley Guardian Ltd	218658	
The Reporter Ltd	50742	
The Yeller Publications Ltd	2773191	
Town & Country Newspapers Ltd	1326334	
T R Beckett Ltd	00100701	
Welland Valley Newspapers Ltd	0776226	
Wilfred Edmunds Ltd	0061775	
Yorkshire Post Magazines Ltd	2773199	
Yorkshire Post Newspapers Ltd	2899	
Yorkshire Post Training Ltd Vorkshire Regional Newspapers Ltd	1087316 0237165	
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Yorkshire Weekly Newspaper	01/3021	

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