

Specialised Elastomers Ltd

Annual report and financial statements for the
year ended

31 July 2003

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Directors' report for the year ended 31 July 2003

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2003.

Principal activities and business review

The company did not trade during the year. The Directors paid a dividend of £438,000 for the full year (2002: £Nil).

Directors' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

Company law required 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 of its profit 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;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume 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 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 hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Directors confirm that these financial statements comply with these requirements.

Directors and their interests

The Directors who served during the year were:

Mr G M Norris	(Resigned 30.09.03)
Mr D A Penn	(Resigned 30.09.03)
Mr S U Graden	(Appointed 30.09.03)
Mr C E Jorwall	(Appointed 30.09.03)

The beneficial interests of the directors in office at the year end, in the shares and options of Smiths Group plc during the period are as follows: -

Smiths Shares	<u>Ordinary shares</u>		<u>Ordinary shares under option</u>			
	31 July 2003	31 July 2002	1 Aug 2002	Options Granted	Options Lapsed	31 July 2003
D A Penn	-	-	37,051	10,364	2,005	45,410
G M Norris	33,450	31,777	80,450	31,673	-	112,123

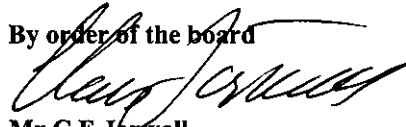
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Directors' report (continued) for the year ended 31 July 2003

Auditors

Following the conversion of our auditors PricewaterhouseCoopers to a Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) from 1 January 2003, PricewaterhouseCoopers resigned and the directors appointed its successor, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, as auditors. A resolution to reappoint PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as auditors to the company will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

By order of the board



Mr C E Jorwall

Director

17th December 2004

Independent auditors' report to the members of Specialised Elastomers Ltd

We have audited the financial statements which comprise the profit and loss account, balance sheet and related notes.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards are set out in the statement of directors' responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. This report, including the opinion, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

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 directors' report 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 is not disclosed.

We read the other information contained in the Annual Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. The other information comprises only the directors' report.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with 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.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 July 2003 and of its result for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors
Birmingham
17th December 2004

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Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 July 2003

	Notes	31 July 2003 £'000	31 July 2002 £'000
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation for the year		-	-
Dividends	3	(438)	-
Transferred from reserves		(438)	-


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Balance sheet as at 31 July 2003

	Notes	31 July 2003 £'000	31 July 2002 £'000
Current assets			
Amounts owed by Holding Company		6,562	7,000
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Capital			
Share capital	2	1	1
Other reserves		4	4
Profit and loss account		6,557	6,995
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Total shareholders' funds (Equity interests only)		6,562	7,000
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The notes on page 6 are an integral part of the financial statements.

Signed on behalf of the Board



Mr C E Jorwall (Appointed 30.09.03)
Director
17th December 2004

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 July 2003

1 Accounting policies and definitions

Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards under the historical cost convention.

The auditors remuneration of £500 was borne by a fellow group company.

2 Share capital

Share capital comprises:

	2003	2002
	£'000	£'000
Authorised and called up:		
1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	1	1
	1	1

3 Dividends

On 1st July 2003 a final dividend of £438,000 was proposed and paid.

4 Parent company

At the balance sheet date, the company was a wholly owned subsidiary of Polymer Sealing Solutions UK Ltd, which is incorporated in the UK, the ultimate parent company as of the balance sheet date was Smiths Group plc. On 30 September 2003, the Company was acquired by Trelleborg AB, a company incorporated in Sweden.

The accounts of Smiths Group plc can be obtained from:

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