

BXL PLASTICS LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 1992

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BXL PLASTICS LIMITED

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Dr. J K Robinson (Chairman)
Mr M Elliott
Mr M Hawkrigg
Mr M R Levittou

The directors submit their report and the accounts for the year to 31 December 1992.

Activities

The company's main activities comprised acting as the managing agent for BP International Limited in the manufacture and sale, predominantly from polyethylene resins, of bottles, films, bags and foams for use mainly by the packaging industry.

Recent Events

In August 1992 the company sold the business and assets relating to the manufacture, sale and distribution of closed cell cross-linked foams based at Croydon to Zotefoams Limited. In September 1992 the company sold its polyethylene film operation at Bromborough to British Polythene Industries plc.

Trading Results

The loss for the year after taxation amounted to £219,000 (1991-profit £26,000).

Dividend

No interim dividend was paid during the period and no final dividend is recommended.

Research & Development

BXL R&D programmes under the agency during 1992 focused on the development of new and improved products. Specific progress was made in the area of rigid containers for food packaging. In addition, research projects at selected universities continued into new plastics materials, products and processes.

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (Continued)

Research & Development (Cont.)

With growing concern over environmental issues associated with plastics packaging, projects to investigate the recycling of post consumer plastics waste were initiated.

Disabled Persons

Applications by disabled persons for jobs within their competence are given full and fair consideration by the company. Opportunities in employment for training, development and promotion are equally open to both disabled and able-bodied employees.

Employee Information

The company continues to seek ways of communicating effectively with its employees, to ensure their greater awareness of, and involvement in, its activities.

Regular briefing sessions and consultation committees are organised at local level and the in-house journal includes information on the financial performance of the company and the activities of its businesses.

Discussions on health and safety continue to feature prominently throughout the company.

Directors

Mr P A Pearson, Mr M Elliott, Mr M Hawkrigg and Mr M R Leviton served throughout the financial year. Mr M I Bulman resigned on 11 September 1992. Mr P A Pearson resigned on 30 April 1993 and Dr J K Robinson was appointed on 1 May 1993.

BXL PLASTICS LIMITED**REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (Continued)****Directors (Cont.)**

The interests of the directors holding office at 31 December 1992 and their families in the shares of The British Petroleum Company p.l.c. are as set out below:

	<u>Ordinary Shares of 25p each</u>	
	Held at 1 January 1992	Held at 31 December 1992
Mr P A Pearson	11,613	12,567
Mr M Elliott	2,247	2,928
Mr M Hawkrigg	12,280	14,168
Mr M R Levitton	10,201	6,603

Rights to subscribe for 25p Ordinary Shares were granted to, or exercised by, the directors between 1 January and 31 December 1992 as follows:

	<u>Granted</u>	<u>Exercised</u>
Mr P A Pearson	3,640	Nil
Mr M Elliott	2,184	1,026
Mr M Hawkrigg	17,501	4,277
Mr M R Levitton	8,400	Nil

During the year insurance was purchased and maintained by the ultimate parent undertaking for the directors and officers of the company against the financial consequences of actions brought against them by outside parties for their acts or omissions in the performance of their duties.

Auditors

In accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 1985, the company has elected to dispense with the obligation to appoint auditors annually. Accordingly Ernst & Young are deemed to be appointed for the succeeding financial year.

By Order of the Board
Secretary

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19 May 1993

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BXL PLASTICS LIMITEDPROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1992

	Note	1992 £000	1991 £000
TURNOVER			
Expenditure recovered		22,447	26,068
Agency fee		20	20
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		22,467	26,088
Administration expenses		(22,447)	(26,068)
Other income		8	7
Other Operating expenditure	2	(246)	-
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(LOSS) / PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	3	(218)	27
Taxation	6	1	1
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(LOSS) / PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		(219)	26
Retained profit at 1 January		7,270	7,244
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RETAINED PROFIT AT 31 DECEMBER		7,051	7,270
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BXL PLASTICS LIMITEDBALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 1992

	Note	1992 £000	1991 £000
Fixed assets			
Investments	7	9,107	11,169
Current assets - debtors	8	57,219	57,169
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	9	36,838	38,631
Net current assets		20,381	18,538
Shareholders' interests		29,488	29,707
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Represented by:

Capital and reserves

Called-up share capital	10	12,276	12,276
Profit and loss account		7,051	7,270
Capital reserves		10,161	10,161
		29,488	29,707
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 Director
 19 May 1993

BXL PLASTICS LIMITED**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****1. Accounting Policies**

- (a) The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with UK accounting standards.
- (b) Group accounts are not submitted as BXL Plastics Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary in the BP Group of Companies. Income of associated undertakings is dealt with in the accounts of the ultimate parent undertaking and only dividend income received is reflected in these accounts.

As the ultimate parent undertaking has published a group cashflow statement in compliance with Financial Reporting Standard No. 1, a cash flow statement is not presented in these accounts.

- (c) Deferred taxation is calculated using the liability method. Provision is made where timing differences are expected to reverse in the foreseeable future.

2. Other Operating Expenditure

	1992	1991
	£'000	£'000
Loss on sale of investment	297	-
Provision write - back on investment	(51)	-
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	246	-
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3. Auditors' Remuneration

Auditors' remuneration is dealt with in the accounts of a parent undertaking. No fees were paid to the auditors for other services.

BXL PLASTICS LIMITED**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)****4. Employee Information**

	1992 £000	1991 £000
(a) Remuneration		
Wages and salaries	20,602	24,084
Social Security costs	1,358	1,470
Pension costs	487	514
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	22,447	26,068
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(b) Average employee numbers	No's	No's
Managerial, marketing and administrative staff	350	380
Industrial staff	970	1,005
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Total, all in UK	1,320	1,385
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5. Emoluments of Directors

None of the directors received any fees or remuneration from this company

	1992 £000	1991 £000
6. <u>Taxation</u>		
United Kingdom Taxation		
Current	1	1
Overseas Tax Relief	(1)	(1)
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Overseas Tax	1	1
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BXL PLASTICS LIMITED**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)****6. Taxation (Continued)****United Kingdom Taxation**

The company is a member of a group for the purposes of relief under Section 402 of the Income and Corporate Taxes Act 1988. The corporation tax liability for the year has been partially covered by double tax relief and owing to the availability of group relief, no provision has been made in the accounts of this company for the balance of the liability. The group's current corporation tax liability has been provided in the accounts of BP International Limited, a fellow subsidiary undertaking.

Provision for deferred taxation is not required.

7. Fixed Assets - Investments

	<u>Subsidiary Undertakings</u>		<u>Associated Undertakings</u>	<u>Other Companies</u>		
	Shares	Loans	Shares	Shares	Loans	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Cost:						
At 1 January 1992	8,600	1,760	608	304	54	11,326
Additions					2	2
Deletions	-	(1,760)	-	(299)	(56)	(2,115)
At 31 December 1992	8,600	-	608	4	-	9,213
Amounts Provided:						
At 1 January 1992	-	-	157	-	-	157
Released during year	-	-	(51)	-	-	(51)
At 31 December 1992	-	-	106	-	-	106
Net Book Amount:						
At 31 December 1992	8,600	-	502	4	-	9,107
At 31 December 1991	8,600	1,760	451	304	54	11,169

BXL PLASTICS LIMITED**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)****7. Fixed Assets - Investments (Continued)**

In the opinion of the directors, the aggregate value of shares in and amounts owing from the company's subsidiary undertakings is not less than the amounts at which these are shown in the balance sheet.

Listed below are the subsidiary undertakings at 31 December 1992 showing the percentage of equity share capital held:

The investments in subsidiary undertakings are unlisted.

Details are given below of the investments in Associated Undertakings and other companies at 31 December 1992 showing the percentage of share capital held.

	<u>%</u>	<u>Country of Registration</u>	<u>Principal Activities</u>
Arjobex Limited	51	England & Wales	Plastic paper manufacture
Recovery Plastics Limited	100	England & Wales	Plastics recycling
BXL Pension Trustees Limited	100	England & Wales	Trustees
BXL Trustees Limited	100	England & Wales	Trustees
Cascelloid Limited	100	England & Wales	Dormant
Expanded Polymers Limited	100	England & Wales	Dormant
Scintillex Limited	100	England & Wales	Dormant
The British Xylonite Company Limited	100	England & Wales	Dormant

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Details are given below of the investments in associated undertakings and other companies at 31 December 1992 showing the percentage of share capital held.

<u>Associated Undertaking</u>	<u>Country of Incorporation & Registration</u>	<u>Shares held (Unlisted)</u>	<u>%</u>
Xcell Foam Limited	Scotland	Ordinary 8% cum.red.pref.	49.5 100.0
<u>Other Companies</u>			
Cotuplas SA	France	Ordinary	5.0

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BXL PLASTICS LIMITED**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)**

8	<u>Debtors</u>	1992 £000	1991 £000
	Fellow subsidiary undertakings	56,762	56,762
	Pensions fund prepayment	457	407
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		57,219	57,169
		=====	=====
9	<u>Creditors</u>	1992 Due within 1 Year £000	1991 Due within 1 Year £000
	Subsidiary undertakings	7,846	7,846
	Fellow subsidiary undertaking	168	-
	Parent undertaking	28,824	30,785
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		36,838	38,631
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10.	<u>Called-up Share Capital</u>	1992 £000	1991 £000
	Authorised, allotted and fully paid		
	Deferred ordinary £1 shares	11,160	11,160
	Ordinary £1 shares	1,116	1,116
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		12,276	12,276
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)

11. Ultimate Parent Undertaking

The ultimate parent undertaking of the group of undertakings for which group accounts are drawn up and of which the company is a member is The British Petroleum Company p.l.c., a company registered in England and Wales.

Copies of the accounts of The British Petroleum Company p.l.c. can be obtained from the Company Secretary at The British Petroleum Company p.l.c., Britannic House, 1 Finsbury Circus, London, EC2M 7BA.

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS
OF BXL PLASTICS LIMITED

We have audited the accounts on pages 4 to 11 in accordance with Auditing Standards.

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at December 31, 1992 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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Ernst & Young

Ernst & Young
Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor
London

19 June 1993