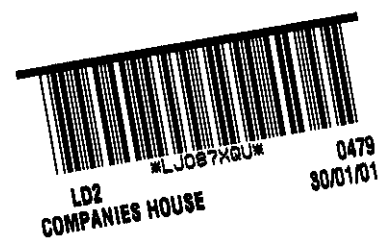


FIRSTEEL STRIP MILL PRODUCTS LIMITED
DIRECTORS' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 1 APRIL 2000

Registered No. 914205



Firststeel Strip Mill Products Limited

Directors

British Steel Directors (Nominees) Limited

Secretary

Mrs A L Scandrett

Registered office

15 Great Marlborough Street
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Firsteel Strip Mill Products Limited

Directors' report for the year ended 1 April 2000

The directors present herewith their report and balance sheet for the year ended 1 April 2000.

Principal activities

The principal activities of the company to 27 September 1997, when the company ceased to trade, were the processing and distribution of cold reduced, hot dipped galvanised and hot rolled steel in coil and sheet form.

Business Review

The company did not trade during the year and has made neither profit or loss. All expenses of the company are borne by Corus UK Limited.

Directors & Directors' Interests

The directors of the company who held office during the year are listed on page 1.

The directors had no interest, as defined by the Companies Act 1985, in the shares of any member of the group during the year covered by these financial statements.

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Company law requires 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 the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- * Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- * Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- * State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- * Prepare the financial statements on an appropriate basis reflecting that the company has ceased its activities.

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Directors' report for the year ended 1 April 2000 (continued)

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities (continued)

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.

By order of the board



Mrs A L Scandrett
Secretary

3 July 2000

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Balance sheet as at 1 April 2000

	Notes	1 April 2000 £'000	3 April 1999 £'000
Fixed assets			
Investments	1	30	30
Current assets			
Debtors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	2	10,193	10,193
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Net assets		10,223	10,223
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Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	3	8,700	8,700
Profit and loss account		1,503	1,503
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Total equity shareholders' funds		10,223	10,223
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The company was a dormant company within the meaning of Section 250 of the Companies Act 1985 throughout the accounting period ending at the date of this balance sheet.

These accounts were approved by the Board on 3 July 2000.



Authorised signatory of British Steel Directors (Nominees) Limited
Director

The Notes on page 5 form part of these accounts.

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 1 April 2000

1 Fixed asset investments

	1 April 2000 £'000	3 April 1999 £'000
Shares in subsidiary undertakings	<u>30</u>	<u>30</u>

2 Debtors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

The amounts owed by group undertakings are free of interest and no date has been fixed for the discharge of the debts.

3 Share Capital

	2000 and 1999	
	Authorised £'000	Allotted called up and fully paid £'000
8,700,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	8,700	8,700
	<u>8,700</u>	<u>8,700</u>

4 Directors' remuneration

No director received any remuneration during the period in respect of his services to the company.

5 Ultimate holding company

The directors regard Corus Group plc, a company registered in England and incorporated in England and Wales, as the ultimate holding company. The registered office of Corus Group plc is at 15 Great Marlborough Street, London W1V 2BS.

During the financial year, the ultimate parent company, British Steel plc, was acquired by Corus Group plc (formerly BSKH plc) pursuant to a scheme of arrangement of British Steel plc under section 425 of the Companies Act. Consequently, the ultimate parent company is now Corus Group plc.