# Culligan International (UK) Limited

Directors' Report and Financial Statements 31 December 2007

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# Culligan International (UK) Limited Company information

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Directors' report For the year ended 31 December 2007

The directors present their annual report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007

#### Principal activities and business review

The principal activities of the company are the sale and distribution of water treatment products and the sale and distribution of bottled water equipment from a number of branches in the UK

In 2007 the company saw a downturn in its bottled water business primarily due to the very poor weather in what are normally the peak summer months. This contributed to overall revenue declining 5.6% from 2006 levels and the operating profit declining 18%, as shown in the profit and loss account (page 6).

The company's balance sheet (page 8 and 18) shows an increase in trade debtors of £789,000, the principal reason for this being the restructure of the credit control team and systems in the last quarter of 2007. The increase in trade creditors of £356,000 (page 19) was due to timing issues and is largely offset by a decrease in the goods received not invoiced accrual.

Investment in and disposal of fixed assets is set out in note 10 and there are no unusual transactions contained within this

The Directors believe that there are no major risks or uncertainties for the Company's future prospects. The company is looking to reverse the recent decline in its bottled water business by refocusing its sales operations and to continue to grow its commercial water treatment business.

The company is cash generative and has no liquidity problems

The profit before tax for the year ended 31 December 2007 was £2,932,000 (2006 £3,532,000) Interim dividends of £6,169,000 were paid in the year (2006 £1,968,000) The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend (2006 £nil)

The retained loss transferred to reserves for the year ended 31 December 2007 was £3,277,000 (2006 profit £1,089,000)

#### Employee involvement

The company attaches considerable importance to keeping its employees informed on matters regarding the performance and prospects of the business and is committed to a policy of involvement for all members of staff Employees are encouraged to present their suggestions and views. Employee numbers are shown in note 5.

#### Disabled employees

The company gives full consideration to applications for employment from disabled persons where the requirements of the job can be adequately fulfilled by a handicapped or disabled person

## Directors' report (continued)

Where existing employees become disabled, it is company policy wherever practicable to provide continuing employment under normal terms and conditions and to provide training and career development and promotion to disabled employees wherever appropriate

#### Charitable donations

Charitable donations in the year amounted to £50 (2006 £900) None of these were to political organisations (2006 £nil)

#### **Directors**

The directors who held office during the year were as follows

W J Wilkinson (resigned 3 October 2007)

J N Wicks

S T Sperring

B C Airey (resigned 12 January 2007)

C Olivier (resigned 27 March 2008)

R D Martin (appointed 27 March 2008)

S E Bennett (appointed 27 March 2008)

J T Kawalsky (appointed 27 March 2008)

#### Disclosure of information to auditors

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information

#### **Auditors**

The company has adopted an elective regime and has dispensed with the requirement under s386 of the Companies Act 1985 to appoint auditors annually KPMG LLP are deemed to be reappointed

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By order of the Board

AJA Cairns Secretary

16 April 2008

Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the of the Directors' Report and the financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

The financial statements are required by law to 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 these financial statements, the directors are required to

- · select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.



#### KPMG LLP

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# Independent auditors' report to the members of Culligan International (UK) Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Culligan International (UK) Limited for the year ended 31 December 2007 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses and the related notes These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities on page 3

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland)

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 whether in our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, 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 other transactions is not disclosed

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it

#### Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) 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 judgments 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

# Independent auditors' report to the members of Culligan International (UK) Limited (continued)

### Opinion

In our opinion

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2007 and of its profit for the year then ended,
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985, and
- the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements

KRTG LLP

18/4/08

KPMG LLP Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor

# Profit and loss account For the year ended 31 December 2007

	Notes	31 December 2007	31 December 2006
		£000	£000
Turnover	2	20,493	21,725
Cost of sales		(9,597)	(9,638)
Gross profit		10,896	12,087
Distribution costs		(3,839)	(4,176)
Administrative costs		(4,329)	(4,577)
Operating profit	3	2,728	3,334
Interest receivable	6	205	204
Interest payable and similar charges	7	(1)	(6)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		2,932	3,532
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	8	(40)	(475)
Profit for the financial year		2,892	3,057

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this profit and loss account

## Statement of total recognised gains and losses

For the year ended 31 December 2007

For the year ended 51 December 2007		
	31 December	31 De cember
	2007	2006
	£000	£000
Profit for the financial year	2,892	3,057
Loss on foreign currency translation of branch		(82)
Total recognised gains and losses since last annual report	2,892	2,975

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement of total recognised gains and losses

	Notes	31 December 2007 £000	31 December 2006 £000
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	9	1,339	1,469
Tangible assets	10	2,486	2,816
Investments	11	20,211	20,211
		24,036	24,496
Current assets			
Stocks	12	1,714	1,675
Debtors	13	9,359	10,559
Cash at bank and in hand		1,212	3,311
		12,285	15,545
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	(4,673)	(4,476)
Net current assets		7,612	11,069
Total assets less current liabilities		31,648	35,565
Creditors amounts falling due after more than one year	15	(13,688)	(14,286)
Provision for liabilities	16	(185)	(227)
Net assets		17,775	21,052
Capital and reserves			
Called-up share capital	17	68	68
Share premium account	18	11,146	11,146
Profit and loss account	18	6,561	9,838
Shareholder's funds	19	17,775	21,052

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 16 April 2008 and were signed on its behalf by

JN Wicks Director

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this balance sheet

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#### Notes to the financial statements

#### 1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been consistently applied in dealing with items which are considered to be material to the company's financial statements

#### a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 1 "Cash flow statements" and has not produced a cash flow statement as it is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of Culligan Finance Corporation BV, whose consolidated financial statements include a consolidated cash flow statement and are publicly available

Under section 228 of the Companies Act 1985, the company is exempt from the requirement to prepare consolidated financial statements because it is a wholly owned subsidiary of Culligan Finance Corporation BV which prepares consolidated financial statements which are publicly available. These financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about the group

#### b) Fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost, net of depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of tangible fixed assets by equal instalments over their estimated useful economic lives as follows.

Freehold land - not depreciated Freehold buildings - 25 – 40 years

Leasehold improvements - over life of lease

Motor vehicles - 4 years

Bottles - 5 years

Fixtures, fittings, tools and equipment - 3 – 10 years

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable

#### c) Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded using the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated using the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date and the gains or losses on transaction are included in the profit and loss account

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### d) Leases

Tangible fixed assets include assets held/acquired by the company under finance leases where the company has substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the assets. Correspondingly, creditors shown in the balance sheet include the commitment for the capital element of future lease payments. The finance element of lease payments is charged to the profit and loss account over the term of the lease contract.

All other leases are treated as operating leases and payments are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the life of the lease, even if the payments are not made on such a basis

#### e) Pension costs

The company has no ongoing funding liability towards the defined benefit scheme (see note 21). Therefore no asset or liability is recognised in the balance sheet and costs charged to the profit and loss account reflect contributions paid into the scheme only. Company contributions to the defined benefit scheme ceased on 1 October 2004. The company operates a defined contribution scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the group in an independently administered fund. The amounts charged to the profit and loss account represent the contributions payable to the scheme in respect of the accounting period.

#### f) Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost, on a weighted average basis, and net realisable value. Cost includes freight and duty where applicable. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price, less further costs expected to be incurred to completion and disposal. Provision is made for obsolete, slow-moving or defective items where appropriate

#### g) Taxation

Current tax, including UK corporation tax and foreign tax, is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events have occurred at that date that will result in an obligation to pay more, or a right to pay less tax

Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that the directors consider it more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted

Deferred tax is measured on an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences reverse, based on tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### h) Intangible assets - goodwill

Goodwill is the difference between the cost of an acquired entity and the aggregate of the fair value of that entity's identifiable assets and liabilities

Positive goodwill is capitalised, classified as an asset on the balance sheet and amortised on a straight basis over its useful economic life, which is estimated to be twenty years. It is reviewed for impairment at the end of the first full year following acquisition and in other periods if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

#### i) Investments

Fixed asset investments are shown at cost less provision for impairment. The directors reassess the need for further provisions for impairment if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable

#### k) Warranty costs

The company provides for the cost of rectification or replacement of parts on defective water purification equipment on a three year 'fit for purpose' basis. Associated labour costs are not provided for as the directors consider these to be fixed.

#### 2 Turnover

Turnover is stated net of trade discounts, Value Added Tax and other taxes. The turnover for the year is attributable to two activities, the sale and distribution of bottled water and water purification equipment. Turnover is recognised on delivery of bottled water and water purification equipment. Revenue from the rental of water coolers, is recognised over the term of the agreement. Analysis of turnover by geographical market for these two activities is as follows:

Continuing operations	31 December 2007 £000	31 December 2006 £000
a) Bottled water		
United Kingdom	6,985	8,125
b) Water purification equipment		
United Kingdom	13,089	13,112
Other European Union	115	224
Rest of World	304	264
	13,508	13,600
Total turnover	20,493	21,725
3 a) Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging		
	31 December 2007 £000	31 December 2006 £000
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	694	645
Amortisation of goodwill	130	130
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	52	71
Operating lease rentals and hire charges		
- property	567	559
- equipment	697	743

#### b) Auditors' remuneration

Amounts receivable by the auditors and their associates in respect of

Audit of these financial statements	31 December 2007 £000	31 December 2006 £000
UK statutory audit	60	52
Other services in pursuant to legislation	32	32
Other services related to taxation	17	13
	109	97
4 Directors' emoluments		
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	£000	£000
Directors' emoluments	364	357
Amounts receivable under long-term incentive scheme	15	-
Contributions to defined contribution pension scheme	16	19

The number of directors to whom retirement benefits are accruing under personal pension plans to which the company has contributed is 2 (31 December 2006 4) and defined benefit pension schemes is 2 (31 December 2006 4)

395

376

Highest paid director

The above amounts for directors' emoluments include the following in respect of the highest paid director

31 De	2007 £000	31 December 2006 £000
Emoluments	178	128
Amounts receivable under long-term incentive scheme	15	-
Contributions to defined contribution pension scheme	7	7
	200	135

The accrued pension entitlement under the company's defined benefit scheme of the highest paid director at 31 December 2007 was £nil (31 December 2006 £nil) During the year, the highest paid director exercised share options and received shares under a long term incentive scheme

#### 5 Staff numbers and costs

The average monthly number of employees (including directors) during the year was

	Number of	employees
	31 December 2007	31 December 2006
Production	33	39
Sales and service	147	137
Administration	53	60
	233	236
Their aggregate remuneration was		
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	£000	£000
Wages and salaries	5,217	5,133
Social security costs	510	501
Amounts receivable under long-term incentive scheme	15	-
Other pension costs (note 21)	165	169
	5,907	5,803
6 Interest receivable		
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
Bank interest	£000 59	£000 106
Receivable from group undertakings	129	98
Other interest	17	<del>3</del> 0
	205	204
7 Interest payable and similar charges		
7 Interest payable and similar charges	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	0003	£000
Bank loans and overdrafts	1	6

8 Tax on profit on ordinary activities		
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	£000	£000
UK Corporation tax at 30% (2006 30%)	(83)	(764)
Adjustment in respect of prior year UK Corporation tax	97	515
Current tax	14	(249)
Deferred tax		
Accelerated capital allowances	36	(125)
Other timing differences	(90)	(101)
Total deferred tax	(54)	(226)
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	(40)	(475)

The tax assessed on the profit on ordinary activities for the year is lower (2006 lower) than the standard rate of corporation tax. The differences are reconciled below

	31 December 2007	31 December 2006
	£000	£000
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	2,932	3,532
Toward and the control of the contro	200	4.000
Tax on profit on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate (30%)	880	1,060
Imputed interest net of expense, not deductible	(117)	(70)
Capital allowances in excess of depreciation	(53)	(125)
Other timing differences	(18)	(101)
Adjustments in respect of changes in tax rates and tax bases for deferred tax	17	-
Other adjustments	(17)	-
Adjustments in respect of previous periods	(97)	(515)
Effect of tax losses from group undertaking	(609)	
Current tax	(14)	249

9 Intangible fixed asse	ts					
						Goodwill £000
Cost						
At 1 January and 31 Dece	ember 2007					2,349
Amortisation						
At 1 January 2007						880
Charge for the year						130
At 31 December 2007						1,010
Net book value						
At 31 December 2007						1,339
At 31 December 2006						1,469
do Tambillo for all mode						
10 Tangible fixed assets	5				Fixtures,	
	Freehold	Short			fittings, tools	
	land and	leasehold improvements	Motor vehicles	Bottles	and equipment	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	0003	£000
Cost						
At 1 January 2007	1,629	501	110	757	4,569	7,566
Additions	-	72	28	95	236	431
Disposals	(4)	(8)	(58)	(47)	(621)	(738)
At 31 December 2007	1,625	565	80	805	4,184	7,259
Depreciation						
At 1 January 2007	308	275	83	469 <sup>^</sup>	3,615	4,750
Charge for period	45	40	6	161	442	694
Disposals		(3)	(50)	(28)	(590)	(671)
At 31 December 2007	353	312	39	602	3,467	4,773
Net book value						
At 31 December 2007	1,272	253	41	203	717	2,486
At 31 December 2006	1,321	226	27	288	954	2,816

11 Fixed asset investments				
Trixed asset investments		31	December	31 December
			2007	2006
			£000	£000
Subsidiary undertakings			19,741	19,741
Other investments other than loans			470	470
		_	20,211	20,211
			20,211	
The company has investments in the following	llowing subsidiary underta	akıngs		
, ,	,	J		Percentage
	Country of		Class of	of shares
Subsidiary undertaking	incorporation	Principal activity	shares	held
Waterside Plc	England and Wales	Non-trading	Ordinary	1 00%
Aqua-Dial Limited*	England and Wales	Non-trading	Ordinary	1 00%
Orderclear Limited	England and Wales	Holding company of	Ordinary	100%
		Aqua-Dial Limited		
M&E Water Limited	England and Wales	Non-trading	Ordinary	100%
Culligan London Limited	England and Wales	Non-trading	Ordinary	100%
Culligan Anglia Limited	England and Wales	Non-trading	Ordinary	1 00%
Watercool Limited**	England and Wales	Non-trading	Ordinary	100%
Liff Holdings Limited	England and Wales	Non-trading	Ordinary	100%
Bayhall (U K ) Limited***	England and Wales	Non-trading	Ordinary	100%
Liff Industries Limited	England and Wales	Non-trading	Ordinary	100%
Liff Industries (Southern) Limited***	England and Wales	Non-trading	Ordinary	100%
Liff Manufacturing Limited***	England and Wales	Non-trading	Ordinary	100%
The Classic Water Company Limited	England and Wales	Non-trading	Ordinary	100%
*Indirect holding via Orderclear Limited				
** Indirect holding via Culligan London I	∟ımıted			
*** Indirect holding via Liff Holdings Lim	uted			
			Other	
			vestments	
		group undertakings	other than loans	Total
		£000	£000	£000
Cost				
At 1 January 2007 and 31 December 20	007	25,163	2,424	27,587
Amounts written off				
At 1 January 2007 and 31 December 20	007	5,422	1,954	7,376
Net book value				
At 1 January 2007 and 31 December 20	007	19,741	470	20,211

12 Stocks	
31 December	
2007	
£000	
Finished goods and goods for resale 1,714	<b>1</b> ,675
13 Debtors	
31 December	
Amounts felling due within and was	
Amounts falling due within one year £000	£000
Trade debtors 3,917	3,128
Amounts owed by group undertakings 1,877	1,946
Other debtors 42	86
Corporation tax recoverable 688	356
Prepayments and accrued income 352	300
6,876	5,816
Amounts falling due after more than one year	·
Amounts owed by group undertakings 1,919	4,125
Deferred taxation (see note 16) 564	•
2,483	4,743
9,359	10,559

Within amounts receivable from group undertakings is a loan receivable from a related company. This loan bears interest at a rate of 8 375% compoundable bi-annually. The amount of principal receivable was £517,000 (2006. £2,722,000) and accrued interest (within amounts receivable within one year) was £11,000 (2006. £58,000).

14	Creditors.	amounts	falling	due	within	one year
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	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	£000	£000
Trade creditors	1,946	<b>1</b> ,590
Amounts owed to group undertakings	176	54
Other creditors		
- other taxes and social security	433	381
- other creditors	-	7
Accruals and deferred income	2,118	2,444
	4,673	<b>4</b> ,476
	·	

#### 15 Creditors amounts falling due after more than one year

	31 December 2007 £000	31 December 2006 £000
Amounts payable to group undertakings	13,688	14,286

Amounts owed to group undertakings have no fixed repayment date and are non-interest bearing

#### 16 Provision for liabilities

	Deferred taxation £000	Warranty provision £000
Asset/(liability) at 1 January 2007	618	(227)
Credit/(charge) to profit and loss for the year	(54)	42
Asset/(liability) at 31 December 2007	564	(185)

Deferred tax assets have been calculated using a standard rate of corporation tax of 28% which will be applicable from 1 April 2008

16	Provision	for	liabilities	(continued)

The elements of deferred tax are as follows		
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	£000	£000
Timing differences between accumulated depreciation and capital allowances	461	425
Other timing differences	103	193
Undiscounted asset at 31 December 2007	564	618
17 Called-up share capital		
17 Called-up Share Capital	31 December 2007 £	31 December 2006 £
Authorised		
Equity 200,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	200,000	200,000
Allotted, called-up and fully paid		
Equity 68,184 ordinary shares of £1 each	68,184	68,184
49 December	-	
18 Reserves	Share	
	premium	Profit and
	account	loss account
	£000	£000
At 1 January 2007	11,146	9,838
Profit for the year	-	2,892
	11,146	12,730
Dividend paid		(6,169)
At 31 December 2007	11,146	6,561

19 Reconciliation of movements in shareholder's funds

	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	£000	£000
Profit for the year	2,892	3,057
Other recognised losses relating to currency translation	-	(82)
Dividend paid	(6,169)	(1,968)
Net (deduction)/addition to shareholder's funds	(3,277)	1,007
Opening shareholder's funds	21,052	20,045
Closing shareholder's funds	17,775	21,052

#### 20 Commitments

- a) There were no capital commitments at the end of the financial year (2006 £Nil)
- b) Annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows

	31 December 2007		31 December 2006	
	Land and buildings £000	Other £000	Land and buildings £000	Other £000
Operating leases which expire				
- within one year	-	141	46	87
- between two and five years	217	272	142	345
- over five years	317		330	_
	534	413	518	432

#### 21 Pension scheme

Culligan UK Pension Plan - Defined contribution

Company contributions to this scheme were £165,000 (2006 £169,000) The company had accrued £20,000 in respect of company and employee contributions to be paid into the scheme at the financial year end (2006 £23,000)

#### 22 Contingent liabilities

The company has fixed and floating charges over all its assets in order to secure the borrowings of group undertakings. The charges are secured by means of a debenture dated 24 May 2007 in favour of Citicorp North America Inc.

23 Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in FRS 8 "Related Party Disclosures" not to disclose transactions or balances with entities which form part of the group as at 31 December 2007 (or investees of the group qualifying as related parties) because it is a wholly owned subsidiary and its results are included within consolidated financial statements which are available to the public and can be obtained from the address given in note 24

#### 24 Ultimate parent company

The immediate holding company is Culligan Acquisition UK Limited, incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales. The smallest group in which the results of the company are consolidated is that headed by Culligan Finance Corporation BV. Copies of the financial statements of this group are available from De Boelelaan 7, 1083 HJ Amsterdam, Netherlands. The largest group in which they are consolidated is Culligan Holding S ar I, a company incorporated in Luxembourg. Copies of the financial statements of Culligan Holding S ar I are available from 174 Route de Longwy, L-1940, Luxembourg.

The ultimate holding company and controlling party is Culligan Limited, a company registered in Bermuda