Directors' Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 March 2000

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Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2000

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2000.

Principal Activity

The principal activity of the company continues to be that of the wholesale and retail sale of seafoods.

Directors and their Interests

The directors who served during the year and their interests in the company are as stated below:

	Ordin	Ordinary shares	
	31 March 2000	1 April 1999	
John David Ashton	490	490	
Christopher Turle Smith	490	490	

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 the affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that year. In preparing these the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- 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 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.

Auditors

In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that Peter R Swinnerton & Co Limited be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

This report is prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

John David Ashton Secretary

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Auditors' Report to the Shareholders of Upstream Seafoods Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 3 to 9 which have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000), under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 5.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 1 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of 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 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 March 2000 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the

Companies Act 1985.

Peter R Swinnerton & Co Limited

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditor

7 - 11 Woodcote Road Wallington Surrey SM6 0LH

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Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31 March 2000

		2000	1999
	Notes	£	£
Turnover	2	1,628,342	1,204,616
Cost of sales		(1,251,379)	(935,698)
Gross profit		376,963	268,918
Administrative expenses		(353,931)	(258,751)
Operating profit	3	23,032	10,167
Interest payable and similar charges	4	(3,565)	(4,588)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		19,467	5,579
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	6	(2,811)	(2,287)
Retained profit for the year		16,656	3,292
Retained profit brought forwar	d	8,731	5,439
Retained profit carried forward	ard	25,387	8,731
			

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2000

	2000		00	1999	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	7		32,555		35,347
Current Assets					
Stocks		19,751		14,464	
Debtors	8	240,926		167,772	
Cash at bank and in hand	•	165		10,221	
		260,842		192,457	
Creditors: amounts falling					
due within one year	9	(223,384)		(167,830)	
Net Current Assets			37,458		24,627
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities			70,013		59,974
Liabilities			70,013		33,314
Creditors: amounts falling due					
after more than one year	10		(25,126)		(31,743)
Net Assets			44,887		28,231
Capital and Reserves					
Called up share capital	11		19,500		19,500
Profit and loss account			25,387		8,731
Shareholders' Funds	12		44,887		28,231
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The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

John David Ashton
Director

The notes on pages 5 to 9 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2000

1. Accounting Policies

1.1. Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000) and under the historical cost convention.

1.2. Turnover

Turnover represents the total invoice value, excluding value added tax, of sales made during the year.

1.3. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Leasehold improvements

Straight Line over the life of the lease

Plant and equipment

25% on cost

Fixtures and office

equipment - 20% on cost Motor vehicles - 25% on cost

1.4. Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

1.5. Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred taxation using the liability method to take account of timing differences between the incidence of income and expenditure for taxation and accounting purposes except to the extent that the directors consider that a liability to taxation is unlikely to materialise.

2. Turnover

The total turnover of the company for the year has been derived from its principal activity wholly undertaken in the UK.

3.	Operating profit	2000	1999
		£	£
	Operating profit is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation of tangible assets	8,381	8,153
	Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	1	-
	Auditors' remuneration	2,000	2,000

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4.	Interest payable and similar charges	2000 £	1999 £
	On loans and overdrafts	3,565	4,588
5.	Directors' emoluments		
	Remuneration and other benefits	2000 £ 56,880	1999 £ 56,883
6.	Taxation	2000 £	1999 £
	UK current year taxation		
	UK Corporation Tax	4,757	2,287
	Prior years		
	UK Corporation Tax	(1,946)	-
		2,811	2,287

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7.	Tangible	fixed	assets
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	Leasehold improvem't	Plant and equipment	Fixtures, and office equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
At 1 April 1999	30,879	15,920	5,583	24,150	76,532
Additions	-	360	5,230	-	5,590
Disposals				(1,550)	(1,550)
At 31 March 2000	30,879	16,280	10,813	22,600	80,572
Depreciation					
At 1 April 1999	4,632	10,672	3,115	22,766	41,185
On disposals	-	-	-	(1,549)	(1,549)
Charge for the year	3,088	3,112	1,145	1,036	8,381
At 31 March 2000	7,720	13,784	4,260	22,253	48,017
Net book values					****
At 31 March 2000	23,159	2,496	6,553	347	32,555
At 31 March 1999	26,247	5,248	2,468	1,384	35,347
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8. Debtors

	2000 £	1999 £
Trade debtors	219,195	158,249
Other debtors	17,332	5,545
Prepayments	4,399	3,978
	240,926	167,772

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9.	Creditors: amounts falling due	2000	1999
	within one year	£	£
	Bank overdraft	7,115	_
	Bank loan	9,917	6,618
	Trade creditors	187,964	139,873
	Corporation tax	4,757	8,914
	Other taxes and social security costs	5,328	5,815
	Accruals	8,303	6,610
		223,384	167,830
10.	Creditors: amounts falling due	2000	1999
10.	after more than one year	£	£
	atter more than one year	*	6 ₩
	Bank loan	25,126	31,743
			
11.	Share capital	2000	1999
		£	£
	Allotted, called up and fully paid		
	1,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
	18,500 Preference shares of £1 each	18,500	18,500
		19,500	19,500
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12.	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds		
		2000	1999
		£	£
	Profit for the year	16,656	3,292
	Opening shareholders' funds	28,231	24,939
		44,887	28,231

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13. Transactions with directors

The directors had interest free loans during the year. The movements on these loans are as follows:

Amount Owing		Maximum
2000	1999	in year
£	£	£
9,875	998	9,875
	Amount 2000 £	Amount Owing 2000 1999 £ £