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Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2010

The directors present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of Dyson Limited (the "Company") for the year ended 31 December 2010

Principal activities

The principal activity of the Company is the sale and service of domestic appliances and commercial hand dryers. The Company also provides group services to other Dyson James Group Limited group (the "Group") companies (including the provision of central services such as finance, human resources and property management) and licenses design rights and brand rights including trademarks to other Group companies.

Business review

The results for the Company show turnover of £219.4m (2009 £184.3m) and a pre-tax profit of £51.8m (2009 £26.9m) for the year. The Company's profit for the financial year was £47.7m (2009 £24.2m). Profit before taxation as a percentage of turnover rose to 23.6% (2009 14.6%). The effective tax rate fell to 7.9% (2009 10.0%).

The Company's principal operational risks and uncertainties relate to extending the performance lead of its products through high investment in research and development, reputation and reliance on key personnel. The Company's principal financial risks are those relating to price and credit. The aim of the Company's financial risk management policies is to optimise financial performance by managing and mitigating these risks in a cost-effective manner.

The directors expect the general level of activity to continue in the forthcoming year.

Dividends

Dividends paid amounted to £70.0m (2009 £178.0m).

Donations

During the year the Company either paid or pledged donations totalling £4.1m (2009 £0.3m) for charitable purposes, all of which were to the James Dyson Foundation (a registered charity). No payments were made for political purposes (2009 £nil).

Employee involvement

The Company's aim, for all members of staff and applicants for employment, is to fit the qualifications, aptitude and ability of each individual to the appropriate job and to provide equal opportunity regardless of sex, religion or ethnic origin. The Company does all that is practicable to meet its responsibility towards the employment of disabled people. Where an employee becomes disabled, every effort is made to provide continuity of employment in the same job or a suitable alternative.

The training and re-training of staff is a high priority. Much of this training is on the job as well as by internal and external courses. It is Company policy that career development and promotion opportunities should be available to all employees. The Company ensures that all employees are kept up to date by regular meetings and newsletters with major developments and changes within the organisation.

Directors

The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements were as follows:

Sir James Dyson (resigned 18 June 2010)
M McCourt
J Shipsey

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Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2010 (continued)

Directors' indemnities

During the year and up to the date of approval of the directors' report, the Group had in place qualifying third party indemnity provisions available for the benefit of the directors of the Company and of fellow Group companies

Statement of directors' responsibilities

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, the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law)

Under company law, the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable United Kingdom 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 adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions, disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company, and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. 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

Statement of 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 as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006 of which the Company's auditor is unaware, and
- each director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information, and that the Company's auditor is aware of that information

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Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2010 (continued)

Independent auditors

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office, and a resolution that they be re-appointed will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting

By order of the Board on 21 April 2011

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Shipsey', is positioned above the printed name and title.

J Shipsey
Director

Independent auditors' report to the members of Dyson Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Dyson Limited for the year ended 31 December 2010 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet, the statement of accounting policies and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the statement of directors' responsibilities set out on page 2, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (United Kingdom and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the Company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, 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.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Opinion on the financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2010 and of its profit for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

Opinion on other matters prescribed by Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, the information given in the directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Independent auditors' report to the members of Dyson Limited (continued)

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit



Alison Lees (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors
London
21 April 2011

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Dyson Limited**Profit and loss account**

For the year ended 31 December		2010	2009
	Note	£m	£m
Turnover	2	219.4	184.3
Cost of sales		(141.4)	(123.4)
Gross profit		78.0	60.9
Administrative expenses		(64.4)	(54.4)
Administrative expenses – revaluation of investment		39.0	(25.1)
Operating profit/(loss)	3	52.6	(18.6)
Income from fixed asset investments		-	44.0
Profit on ordinary activities before interest and taxation		52.6	25.4
Interest receivable and similar income	6	0.2	1.7
Interest payable and similar charges	7	(1.0)	(0.2)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		51.8	26.9
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	8	(4.1)	(2.7)
Profit for the financial year		47.7	24.2

All of the Company's operations are continuing

The Company has no recognised gains and losses other than those included above, and therefore no statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented

The notes and accounting policies on pages 9 to 20 form an integral part of these financial statements

Dyson Limited**Note of historical cost profits and losses**

For the year ended 31 December	2010 £m	2009 £m
Reported profit on ordinary activities before taxation	51.8	26.9
(Surplus)/deficit on revaluation of fixed asset investments	(39.0)	25.1
Historical cost profit on ordinary activities before taxation	12.8	52.0
Historical cost profit on ordinary activities after taxation	8.7	49.3

The notes and the accounting policies on pages 9 to 20 form an integral part of these financial statements

Dyson Limited**Balance sheet**

At 31 December		2010	2010	2009	2009
	Note	£m	£m	£m	£m
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9		18.9		16.3
Investments	10		118.3		79.3
			137.2		95.6
Current assets					
Stock	11	0.4		0.5	
Debtors	12	62.4		38.3	
Cash at bank and in hand		2.6		1.5	
			65.4		40.3
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	13		(153.0)		(64.9)
Net current liabilities			(87.6)		(24.6)
Total assets less current liabilities			49.6		71.0
Provisions for liabilities	14		(0.9)		-
Net assets			48.7		71.0
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	15		0.0		0.0
Profit and loss reserve	17		48.7		71.0
Total shareholders' funds	17		48.7		71.0

The notes and accounting policies on pages 9 to 20 form an integral part of these financial statements

The financial statements on pages 6 to 20 were approved by the board of directors on 21 April 2011 and were signed on its behalf by



J Shipsey
Director

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Statement of accounting policies

Basis of accounting

These financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of fixed asset investments, and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom. The principal accounting policies which, unless otherwise stated, have been applied consistently with the prior year, are set out below.

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Dyson James Group Limited and is included in their consolidated financial statements which are publicly available. Consequently the Company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing consolidated financial statements under the terms of s400 of the Companies Act 2006.

Turnover

Turnover represents the invoiced value of domestic appliances and commercial hand dryers sold and services provided by the Company during the year. These are recognised on delivery of the product or the completion of service, net of Value Added Tax, discounts and promotional expenditure. Turnover also includes income from design rights and trademarks licensed to Group companies.

Foreign currencies

Trading items in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at mid-market rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Exchange differences arising on transactions are taken to the profit and loss account.

Operating leases

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the life of the lease.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at historical purchase cost less accumulated depreciation. Historical purchase cost includes the original purchase price of the asset and the costs attributable to bringing the asset to its working condition for its intended use.

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets at rates calculated so as to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset on a straight line basis, over its useful economic life, as follows:

Freehold buildings	2% per annum
Plant, equipment, fixtures and fittings	
Information Technology	12.5% - 33.3% per annum
Motor vehicles	25% per annum
Other	10%-33% per annum

Assets in the course of construction are not depreciated until they are ready for use.

Assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which an asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's net realisable value and the value in use.

Dyson Limited**Statement of accounting policies (continued)****Fixed asset investments**

Investments in subsidiary undertakings are initially recorded at cost and then subsequently revalued to their net asset value at each balance sheet date. Revaluation losses which exceed previous gains are dealt with in the profit and loss account. Revaluation gains on entities whose losses have been dealt with in the profit and loss account in prior years are taken to the profit and loss account to the extent of the loss.

Stock

Stock is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost includes all direct expenditure and, where applicable, manufacturing support overheads. Where necessary, provision is made for obsolete, slow moving and defective stocks.

Deferred taxation

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 that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date.

A net deferred tax asset is recognised only when, on the basis of all available evidence, it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits against which to recover carried forward tax losses and/or from which the future reversal of underlying timing differences can be deducted.

Deferred tax is measured at the average tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which the timing differences are expected to reverse based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is measured on a non-discounted basis.

Pensions

Contributions in respect of defined contribution pension schemes are charged to the profit and loss account as they fall due.

Dyson Limited**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010****1. Cash flow statement and related party disclosures**

The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dyson James Group Limited. The results of the Company are included in the consolidated financial statements of Dyson James Group Limited, which are publicly available. Consequently, the Company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement under the terms of FRS 1 (revised 1996). The Company is also exempt under the terms of FRS 8 from disclosing related party transactions with entities that are part of the Group.

2. Turnover

Turnover is derived solely from the principal activities of the Company and originated in the United Kingdom.

3. Operating profit/(loss)

	2010	2009
	£m	£m
Operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting)		
Fees payable to the Company auditor for tax services	0.1	-
Staff costs	47.4	37.6
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	3.3	2.7
Licence fee income from brand or design rights	(10.6)	(4.1)
Operating leases - other	2.9	3.0
(Gain) on foreign exchange for the year	(0.0)	(0.2)
Fees payable for the audit of the Company's financial statements were £40,000 (2009 £40,000)		

4. Directors' remuneration

The directors received no remuneration (2009: £nil) in respect of their services to the Company.

5. Staff costs

	2010	2009
	£m	£m
Wages and salaries	42.0	32.8
Social security costs	4.6	3.7
Other pension costs	0.8	1.1
	47.4	37.6

Dyson Limited**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (continued)****5. Staff costs (continued)**

The Company operates three defined contribution pension schemes. The assets are held and managed independently of the finances of the Company.

The average monthly number of staff employed by the Company during the year was

	2010 Number	2009 Number
Sales and administration	670	633

6. Interest receivable and similar income

	2010 £m	2009 £m
Intra-Group bank guarantee fee receivable	0.1	0.1
Bank interest	0.0	0.3
Interest receivable on intra-Group loans	0.1	1.3
	0.2	1.7

Interest was receivable on intra-Group variable rate loans at margins ranging from nil to 0.8% below the Group finance company's cost of funds (2009: Group finance company's cost of funds).

7. Interest payable and similar charges

	2010 £m	2009 £m
Interest payable on intra-Group loans	0.0	0.1
Other interest	0.9	0.1
Intra-Group finance service fees	0.1	-
	1.0	0.2

Interest was payable on intra-Group variable rate loans at 0.1% above the Group finance company's cost of funds (2009: 0.1% above the Group finance company's cost of funds).

Dyson Limited**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (continued)****8. Tax on profit on ordinary activities**

	2010 £m	2009 £m
Current tax.		
- UK corporation tax on profits of the period	4.9	10.5
- adjustments in respect of previous periods	(0.2)	0.4
Total current tax	4.7	10.9
Deferred tax:		
- origination and reversal of timing differences	(1.0)	(8.2)
- adjustments in respect of previous periods	0.4	-
Total deferred tax (see note 12)	(0.6)	(8.2)
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	4.1	2.7

The tax assessed for the year is lower (2009 higher) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 28% (2009 28%). The differences are explained below

	2010 £m	2009 £m
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	51.8	26.9
 Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 28% (2009 28%)	 14.5	 7.5
Effects of		
Other timing differences	1.0	(0.2)
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	0.0	0.1
Non-taxable dividends	-	(12.3)
Profit on patent sale being taxable over 6 years	-	8.3
Depreciation in excess of capital allowances	-	0.1
Adjustments in respect of prior year	(0.2)	0.4
Write-back on revaluation of investments not taxable	(10.6)	7.0
Current tax charge for year	4.7	10.9

Dyson Limited**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (continued)****8. Tax on profit on ordinary activities (continued)**

Announcements were made before and after the year end by the Chancellor of the Exchequer of proposed changes to corporation tax rates that will have an effect on future tax charges of the Company. The change in the corporation tax rate from 28% to 26% with effect from 1 April 2011 was substantively enacted on 29 March 2011. Further reductions of 1% thereafter to 23% from 1 April 2014 have been announced but not substantively enacted.

The deferred tax position has been provided for at 27% reflecting the rate expected on 1 April 2011 that was substantively enacted at 31 December 2010. The effect of the reduction to 26% from 1 April 2011 is to reduce the deferred tax asset provided at the balance sheet date and decrease the profit on ordinary activities after taxation for the year by £47,000.

9. Tangible assets

	Freehold property	Plant, equipment, fixtures and fittings	Total
	£m	£m	£m
Cost			
At 1 January 2010	0.3	29.6	29.9
Additions	-	5.9	5.9
Disposals	-	(0.4)	(0.4)
At 31 December 2010	0.3	35.1	35.4
Accumulated depreciation			
At 1 January 2010	-	13.6	13.6
Charge for year	-	3.3	3.3
Disposals	-	(0.4)	(0.4)
At 31 December 2010	-	16.5	16.5
Net book amount			
At 31 December 2010	0.3	18.6	18.9
At 31 December 2009	0.3	16.0	16.3

The cost and net book value amounts include assets in the course of construction as follows

At 31 December 2010	-	2.5	2.5
At 31 December 2009	-	1.8	1.8

Capital expenditure contracted but not provided for at the year end was £0.4m (2009: £0.8m)

Dyson Limited**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (continued)****10. Investments**

	Total £m
Unlisted investments in subsidiaries at valuation	
At 1 January 2010	79.3
Unrealised gain on revaluation of fixed asset investments taken to the profit and loss account	39.0
At 31 December 2010	118.3

The principal subsidiaries held by the Company are as follows

Company name	Country of incorporation	Shares held	Company holding %	Principal activity
Dyson International Ltd*	UK	Ordinary	100	Holding company
Dyson Appliances (Australia) Pty Ltd	Australia	Ordinary	100	Sale and service of domestic and commercial appliances
Dyson Canada Ltd	Canada	Ordinary	100	Sale and service of domestic and commercial appliances
Dyson SAS	France	Ordinary	100	Sale and service of domestic and commercial appliances
Dyson GmbH	Germany	Ordinary	100	Sale and service of domestic and commercial appliances
Dyson BV	Holland	Ordinary	100	Sale and service of domestic and commercial appliances
Dyson KK	Japan	Ordinary	100	Sale and service of domestic appliances
Dyson Manufacturing Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	Ordinary	100	Manufacturing support
Dyson Technology Inc	USA	Ordinary	100	Intermediate holding company
Dyson Inc	USA	Ordinary	100	Sale and service of domestic appliances

*held directly

Dyson Limited**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (continued)****11. Stock**

	2010	2009
	£m	£m
Raw materials and consumables	0.2	0.3
Finished goods and goods for resale	0.2	0.2
	0.4	0.5

12. Debtors

	2010	2009
	£m	£m
Trade debtors	25.1	21.2
Amounts owed by Group undertakings – non interest bearing	33.0	15.6
Corporation tax receivable	2.1	-
Deferred tax asset	1.3	0.7
Other debtors	0.2	0.4
Prepayments and accrued income	0.7	0.4
	62.4	38.3

Amounts owed by Group undertakings are unsecured and repayable on demand

Deferred tax comprises:	2010	2009
	£m	£m
Accelerated capital allowances	0.2	0.2
Short term timing differences	1.1	0.5
At 31 December	1.3	0.7

There was no unprovided deferred tax asset or liability at 31 December 2010 (2009: £nil)

Dyson Limited**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (continued)****12. Debtors (continued)**

Movement on deferred tax asset	2010 £m	2009 £m
At 1 January	0.7	(7.5)
Credited to the profit and loss account	0.6	8.2
At 31 December	1.3	0.7

13. Creditors – Amounts falling due within one year

	2010 £m	2009 £m
Trade creditors	3.0	0.9
Amounts owed to Group undertakings – interest bearing (see note 7)	66.0	5.2
Amounts owed to Group undertakings – non interest bearing	34.1	18.0
Group relief payable to group undertakings	1.8	0.4
Corporation tax payable	-	4.2
Other tax and social security	15.5	6.6
Other creditors	-	0.3
Accruals and deferred income	32.6	29.3
	153.0	64.9

Amounts owed to Group undertakings are unsecured and repayable on demand

14. Provisions for liabilities

	£m
At 1 January 2010	-
Utilised in year	(0.2)
Charged to the profit and loss account	1.0
Transferred from accruals	0.1
At 31 December 2010	0.9

The Company expects to utilise £0.1m of the provision within a year of the balance sheet date

Dyson Limited**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (continued)****15. Called up share capital**

	2010	2009
	£m	£m
Allotted and fully paid share capital		
2,222 ordinary shares of £1	0.0	0.0

16. Dividends

	2010	2009
	£m	£m
Equity shares		
Dividend paid of £31,503 (2009 £80,108) per ordinary share	70.0	178.0

17. Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

	Share capital	Profit and loss reserve	Total 2010	Total 2009
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Shareholders' funds at 1 January	0.0	71.0	71.0	224.8
Profit for the financial year	-	47.7	47.7	24.2
Dividend paid	-	(70.0)	(70.0)	(178.0)
Shareholders' funds at 31 December	0.0	48.7	48.7	71.0

18. Ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party

At 31 December 2010 the immediate parent company was Dyson James Limited, a company incorporated in the United Kingdom. The ultimate parent undertaking was Clear Cover Limited, a company incorporated in Malta.

The smallest and largest group within which the financial statements of the Company are consolidated in respect of the year end 31 December 2010 is that headed by Dyson James Group Limited. Copies of the financial statements of Dyson James Group Limited are available from the Company Secretary at Tetbury Hill, Malmesbury, Wiltshire, SN16 0RP.

On 17 April 2011 Clear Cover Limited was dissolved and the Company's ultimate parent undertaking became Dark Cover Limited, a company incorporated in Malta.

The ultimate controlling party is Sir James Dyson by virtue of his controlling interest in the shares of Clear Cover Limited and Dark Cover Limited.

Dyson Limited**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (continued)****18. Related party transactions**

The Company is exempt under the terms of FRS 8 from disclosing related party transactions with entities that are part of the Group. Other related party transactions during the year (all on normal commercial terms) were as follows

- a) Profred Partners LLP, a limited liability partnership in which Sir James Dyson has a beneficial interest, provided the Company with services amounting to £1,159,000 (2009 £1,614,000) for the year. At the year end the balance payable by Profred Partners LLP amounted to £25,000 (2009 payable to £72,000). The Company provided staff services to Profred Partners LLP amounting to £61,000 (2009 £62,000) during the year. At the year end the balance payable to Profred Partners LLP amounted to £1,000 (2009 £2,000).
- b) The Company provided staff services to White Rainbow Limited, a limited company in which Sir James Dyson has a controlling interest, amounting to £384,000 (2009 £269,000) during the year. At the year end the balance receivable from White Rainbow amounted to £24,000 (2009 £20,000).
- c) The Company charged £nil (2009 £36,000) to the profit and loss account in respect of amounts payable to Sir James Dyson for the use of his image. At the end of 2010, there was no balance payable to the related party (2009 £232,000) and a credit note for £56,000.
- d) The Company either paid or pledged donations totalling £4,127,000 (2009 £269,000) for charitable purposes to the James Dyson Foundation (a registered charity). At the end of 2010 the Company owed £4,000,000 (2009 £165,120) for donations not yet transferred.

19. Pension costs

Pension costs of £0.8m (2009 £1.1m) were charged in the year in relation to Group defined contribution pension schemes. £166,000 (2009 £18,000) was included in other creditors at the year end as amounts payable to the schemes.

20. Financial Commitments

The Company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases expiring as follows

	2010	2010	2009	2009
	Land and buildings	Other	Land and buildings	Other
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Within one year	-	0.3	-	-
With two to five years	-	0.2	-	0.6
In more than five years	2.3	-	2.3	-
	2.3	0.5	2.3	0.6

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (continued)

21. Contingent liabilities

The Company and certain other subsidiaries of Dyson James Group Limited have jointly and severally guaranteed the borrowings on a £270 0m (2009 £150 0m) bank facility and on US\$120m of loan notes issued by Dyson James Group Limited under a private placement. At 31 December 2010, the Group drawdown on the bank facility was £79 1m (2009 £12 0m) of which £nil (2009 £nil) is included in the Company's year end balances.