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Price Waterhouse



INSPec UK LIMITED

REGISTERED NUMBER 2708129

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PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

The Boards of Directors of:

Inspec Group plc

Inspec UK Limited

Inspec Fine Chemicals Limited

Inspec Far East Limited

Inspec Finance Limited

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Dear Sirs

Following the merger of Price Waterhouse and Coopers & Lybrand from 1 July 1998, we have agreed that the new firm, PricewaterhouseCoopers will be replacing us as auditors. In accordance with Section 392 of the Companies Act 1985 we give notice that we are resigning as auditors of each of the companies to which this letter is addressed with immediate effect.

In accordance with Section 394 of the Companies Act 1985, we confirm with respect to each of the companies to which this letter is addressed that there are no circumstances connected with our ceasing to hold office as auditors to the company that we consider should be brought to the attention of the company's members or creditors.

Yours faithfully

Price Waterhouse

PRICE WATERHOUSE



Offices at Aberdeen, Birmingham, Bristol, Cardiff, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Hull, Leeds, Leicester, London, Manchester, Middlesbrough, Newcastle, Nottingham, St Albans, Southampton and Windsor

The partnership's principal place of business is at Southwark Towers, 32 London Bridge Street, London SE1 9SY where a list of the partners' names is available for inspection

The firm is authorised by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales to carry on investment business