# PELL FRISCHMANN PROJECTS LIMITED **DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

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### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

Directors W W Frischmann CBE

S S Prabhu K Corazzo R Jones R Wiles

D Atherton

(Appointed 5 June 2002)

Secretary L S Roberts

Company number 2810599

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Chartered Accountants

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# DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2003.

#### Principal activities and review of the business

The principal activity of the company during the year was the provision of professional services in the disciplines of architecture, integrated engineering, quantity surveying, project management and working with other disciplines and fellow companies within the Pell Frischmann Group.

The turnover for the year increased substantially on the previous year following a significant effort to meet the demands for design services arising from existing and new design term commissions and framework agreements.

The company has continued to focus on providing professional services, principally in the Public Sector. In addition to the traditional Defence Estates Client the Public Sector work has extended to East Sussex County Council and the Eastbourne and Hastings NHS Trust. A steady flow of design work was completed during the year, from the design term commissions and framework agreements for design services in the sectors mentioned above. The company will continue to seek fee income from Public Sector clients with an emphasis on increasing turnover and maintaining the same proportion of Public Sector work in the coming year.

All members of staff employed by the Group as a whole are available to any company within the Group, dependent upon the demand or resources of the constituent company.

#### Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 4.

#### Directors

The following directors have held office since 1 April 2002:

W W Frischmann CBE

S S Prabhu

K Corazzo

R Jones

R Wiles

D Atherton

(Appointed 5 June 2002)

Equity interests: Ordinary shares of £ 1

#### **Directors' interests**

The directors at the balance sheet date and their interest in the company (including those of their families) at that date and at the beginning of the year, were as follows:

	each	
	31 March 2003 1 April	
W W Frischmann CBE		1 April 2002
S S Prabhu	-	-
K Corazzo	10	10
R Jones	10	10
R Wiles	10	10
D Atherton	10	-

## DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

Directors interest in ultimate parent undertaking are given in note 18 to the financial statements.

W W Frischmann and S S Prabhu represent Pell Frischmann Consulting Engineers Ltd on the company's board of directors. Pell Frischmann Consulting Engineers Limited owns 120 shares representing a 75% interest.

#### **Auditors**

During the year Berg Kaprow Lewis acted as auditor to the company until 1 April 2003. On 1 April 2003, Berg Kaprow Lewis transferred its business to a limited liability partnership, Berg Kaprow Lewis LLP, incorporated under the Limited Liability Partnerships Act 2000. The directors consented to treating the appointment of Berg Kaprow Lewis as extending to Berg Kaprow Lewis LLP with effect from 1 April 2003. A resolution to re-appoint Berg Kaprow Lewis LLP as the company's auditor will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

#### 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 then 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 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.

On behalf of the board

S S Prabhu

Director 14 - 69 - 2004

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF PELL FRISCHMANN PROJECTS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Pell Frischmann Projects Limited on pages 4 to 15 for the year ended 31 March 2003. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and 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 the directors and auditors

As described in the statement of directors' responsibilities on page 2 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

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 if, in our opinion, the directors' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if 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 transactions with the company 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 United Kingdom 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 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.

#### 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 2003 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditor

London

15-09-2004

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

		2003	2002
	Notes	£	£
Turnover	2	1,259,712	770,197
Cost of sales		(935,570)	(702,321)
Gross profit		324,142	67,876
Administrative expenses		(211,268)	(223,497)
Operating profit/(loss)	3	112,874	(155,621)
Interest payable and similar char	rges <b>4</b>	(17,266)	(15,420)
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activit	ies	<del></del>	
before taxation		95,608	(171,041)
Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary a	ctivities 5	(28,656)	50,651
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activit after taxation	ties 11	66.952	(120,390)

The profit and loss account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account.

# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2003

		200	)3	2002	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	6		4,776		4,883
Current assets					
Debtors	7	708,473		678,394	
Creditors: amounts falling due within					
one year	8	(539,438)		(576,418)	
Net current assets			169,035		101,976
Total assets less current liabilities			173,811		106,859
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	10		160		160
Profit and loss account	11		173,651		106,699
Shareholders' funds - equity interests	12		173,811		106,859
Profit and loss account	11		173,651		•

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 14 - 09 - 2004

W W Frischmann CBE

Director

# CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

	£	2003 £	£	2002 £
Net cash outflow from operating activities		(30,660)		15,596
Returns on investments and servicing of finance				
Interest paid	(17,266)		(15,420)	
Net cash outflow for returns on investments		(17.266)		(45.420)
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Taxation		50,476		(176)
Capital expenditure	(2.550)		_	
aymone to adquire tangible assets	(2,000)			
Net cash outflow for capital expenditure		(2,550)		-
Net cash outflow before management of liquid resources and financing		-		-
				<del></del>
Decrease in cash in the year		<del>-</del>		-
Net cash outflow for returns on investments and servicing of finance  Taxation  Capital expenditure  Payments to acquire tangible assets  Net cash outflow for capital expenditure  Net cash outflow before management of liquid resources and financing	(2,550)		(15,420)	(15,42

# NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

٩	Reconciliation of operating profit/(loss) to ne operating activities	et cash outflow	from	2003	2002
				£	£
	Operating profit/(loss) Depreciation of tangible assets (Increase)/decrease in debtors (Decrease)/Increase in creditors within one year	r		112,874 2,657 (80,730) (65,461)	
	Net cash outflow from operating activities			(30,660)	15,596
2	Analysis of net debt	1 April 2002	Cash flow	Other non- cash changes	31 March 2003
	Net cash:	£	£	£	£
	Net debt	-	-	-	•
3	Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement	in net debt		2003 £	2002 £
	Decrease in cash in the year			-	-
	Movement in net debt in the year Opening net debt			-	-
	Closing net debt			-	-

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

#### Accounting policies

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the applicable accounting standards.

#### 1.2 Turnover

Turnover represents fees receivable and reimbursables for services rendered exclusive of Value Added Tax

#### 1.3 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Computer equipment

25% Straight line

Fixtures, fittings & equipment

25% Reducing balance

Motor vehicles

25% Reducing balance

#### 1.4 Leasing

Rentals payable under operating leases are taken to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

#### 1.5 Pensions

The majority of the company's employees belong to a group pension scheme which is funded by both employer's and employees' contributions and which is of the defined benefit type. The pension cost is assessed in accordance with the advice of an independent qualified actuary.

Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account so as to spread the cost of pensions over the estimated working lives of employees. Any shortfalls or surpluses in the pension fund are spread over the average remaining service lives of current employees.

#### 1.6 Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is provided, in accordance with FRS 19, in full in respect of taxation deferred by timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes that have not reversed by the balance sheet date.

#### 2 Turnover

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

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

2003	Operating profit/(loss)	3
£	Operating profit/(loca) is stated often sharring.	
2,657 5,	Operating profit/(loss) is stated after charging:  Depreciation of tangible assets	
9,769 9,	Operating lease rentals	
5,000 7,	Auditors' remuneration	
2003	Interest payable	ļ
£		
17,266 13,	On amounts payable to group companies	
- 1,	On overdue tax	
17,266 15,		
2003 £	Taxation	5
	Domestic current year tax	
28,481 (50,	U.K. corporation tax	
175	Adjustment for prior years	
28,656 (50,	Current tax charge	
	Factors affecting the tax charge for the year	
95,608 (171,	Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation	
ate	Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied by standard rate	
28,682 (51,	of UK corporation tax of 30.00% (2002: 30.00%)	
	Effects of:	
797 1,	Depreciation add back	
(999) (1,	Capital allowances	
175	Adjustments to previous periods	
1	Other tax adjustments	
(26)		
28,656 (50,	Current tax charge	

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

6	Tangible fixed assets				
		Computer equipment	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
		£	£	£	£
	Cost				
	At 1 April 2002	21,871	4,394	4,150	30,415
	Additions	2,550	-		2,550
	At 31 March 2003	24,421	4,394	4,150	32,965
	Depreciation	-	<del></del>	<u></u>	
	At 1 April 2002	19,983	3,445	2,104	25,532
	Charge for the year	1,566	708	383	2,657
	At 31 March 2003	21,549	4,153	2,487	28,189
	Net book value	<del> </del>			
	At 31 March 2003	2,872	241	1,663	4,776
	At 31 March 2002	1,888	949	2,046	4,883
7	Debtors			2003	2002
				£	£
	Trade debtors			482,986	328,424
	Amounts owed by parent and fellow subsid	ary undertakings		60,072	191,736
	Corporation tax			-	50,651
	Other debtors			160	5,525
	Prepayments and accrued income			165,255	102,058
				708,473	678,394

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

8	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2003	2002
		£	£
	Trade creditors	69,653	37,684
	Amounts owed to parent and fellow subsidiary undertakings	315,921	421,940
	Corporation tax	28,481	-
	Other taxes and social security costs	88,650	75,092
	Other creditors	2,973	1,172
	Accruals and deferred income	33,760	40,530
		539,438	576,418
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#### 9 Pension costs

The company is a member of a defined benefit group pension scheme, covering the majority of its employees, which is funded through a separate trustee administered fund.

The most recent actuarial valuation of the scheme was carried out as at 1 April 2001 using the projected unit method. The principal assumptions used in the valuation was that the pre and post retirement discount rates would be 7.50% per annum and 5.30% per annum respectively, that salary increases would average 4.35% per annum and that present and future pensions would increase at the rate of 2.35% per annum.

The most recent actuarial valuation showed the market value of the scheme's assets as £27.911 million which was sufficient to cover all the benefits that had accrued to the members at that date, after allowing for assumed future increases in earnings and subject to improvements in benefits.

The actuary recommended that the employer contributes to the scheme at the rate of 11.70% of the pensionable salaries of the members until the results of the next valuation due as at 1 April 2004 (previously contributed 11.7% of the pensionable salaries to 31 March 2001).

The pension contributions payable by the company for the year ended 31 March 2003 was £50,085 (2002: £49,371). All contributions had been paid in the year to 31 March 2003.

#### FRS 17 Disclosure

Disclosures are also required in these accounts under the new accounting standard FRS 17 "Retirement Benefits". The Pell Frischmann Retirement Benefits Scheme has an FRS 17 deficit of £7.705 million at 31 March 2003 (£1.577 million at 31 March 2002). The company is unable to identify its share of the underlying assets or liabilities of this scheme, as it participates in the scheme along with other fellow subsidiaries of the group. As such, contributions to the scheme have been accounted for as if it were a defined contribution scheme, in accordance with FRS 17. The consolidated accounts should be referred to for the FRS 17 detailed disclosure.

A full acturial valuation was undertaken as at 1 April 2001. This valuation was updated to 31 March 2003, by an independent qualified actuary in accordance with the transitional arrangements of FRS 17. As required by FRS 17, the defined benefit liabilities have been measured using the projected unit method.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

10	Share capital	2003 £	2002 £
	Authorised 1,000 Equity interests: Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid 160 Equity interests: Ordinary shares of £1 each	160	160
	The issued share capital remains unpaid and is included within debtors.		
11	Statement of movements on profit and loss account		Profit and loss account £
	Balance at 1 April 2002 Retained profit for the year		106,699 66,952
	Balance at 31 March 2003		173,651
12	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2003 £	2002 £
	Profit/(Loss) for the financial year Opening shareholders' funds	66,952 106,859	(120,390) 227,249
	Closing shareholders' funds	173,811	106,859

### 13 Contingent liabilities

There are unquantified contingent liabilities in the normal course of business arising under consultancy contracts and the company is covered by professional indemnity insurance in respect of any claims.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

#### 14 Financial commitments

At 31 March 2003 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

		Land and buildings	
		2003	2002
		£	£
	Expiry date:		
	Within one year	9,000	~
	Between one and two years	-	9,000
		9,000	9,000
15	Directors' emoluments	2003	2002
		£	£
	Emoluments for qualifying services	179,781	135,527
	Company pension contributions to defined benefit schemes	16,647	15,857
		196,428	151,384

The number of directors for whom retirement benefits are accruing under defined benefit schemes amounted to 3 (2002-3).

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

### 16 Employees

#### Number of employees

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

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3
17
£
6,919
36,572
19,371
52,862
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#### 17 Independence

Until 7 October 2002 D J Whiscombe, a principal of Berg Kaprow Lewis LLP (the company's auditors) was a trustee of The Sudhu Prabhu Family Trust, which held 14.97% of the issued share capital of Pell Frishmann Holdings Limited. On 7 October 2002 D J Whiscombe resigned as trustee of the Trust. Another principal of Berg Kaprow Lewis LLP acts as audit engagement principal.

#### 18 Control

The company is a subsidiary of Pell Frishmann Consulting Engineers Ltd, a company registered in England and Wales.

The ultimate parent undertaking is Pell Frischmann Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales, which prepares group financial statements.

Copies of the group financial statements of Pell Frischmann Holdings Limited may be obtained from L S Roberts, the company secretary, at the following address-

5 Manchester Square, London W1A 1AU. Tel. 020 7486 3661

The directors, W W Frischmann and S S Prabhu are also directors of Peil Frischmann Consulting Engineers Ltd and Pell Frischmann Holdings Limited and the details of their interests in the shares of these companies are disclosed in the respective reports and financial statements. No other directors of this company had any interests in the shares of any of the Pell Frischmann group of companies.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

### 19 Related party transactions

During the year the company provided services in the sum of £Nil (2002; £11,018) to its fellow subsidiary undertakings.

During the year, Management charges of £41,750 (2002: £64,000), Rent of £14,000 (2002: £14,000), and Insurance of £20,560 (2002: £20,020) was paid to fellow subsidiary undertakings.

A further £17,266 (2002: £13,520) in respect of Interest payable on loans from fellow subsidiary undertaking was also paid.

The net amounts due to group undertakings as at 31 March 2003 were £255,849.