

Annual Report and Accounts 2006







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Trading Activities

Fire Testing Technology

Established in 1989 and strongly focused on the global export market, FTT has become the world's leading producer of fire testing instrumentation. With a portfolio of more than 35 instruments, FTT possesses an unrivalled product range and has supplied numerous fire research institutions and testing laboratories. The company's scientists are recognised authorities on fire testing issues and, as such, are members of national and international Fire and Safety Standards Committees.

FTT designs and assembles its product range at its base in East Grinstead, Sussex. Instruments include the Cone Calorimeter, which measures specific fire properties of materials such as rate of heat release and time to ignition, and the NBS Smoke Density Chamber, which measures the density of smoke emission from heated materials. A recent innovation is the Micro Calorimeter, developed in co-operation with the Federal Aviation Administration, which measures fire properties pertaining to specimens that weigh no more than a few milligrams.

The principal industries served by FTT are manufacturers of construction, electro-technical and furnishing products together with manufacturers of transport systems. With almost all of its output exported, the company's products are in everyday use in every continent, supported by a worldwide network of agents and a team of service engineers based at the Sussex HQ.

Website: www.fire-testing.com

FTT owns Aitchee Engineering Limited, which makes a variety of engineering parts and finished products for a variety of industries.

Website: www.aitchee.co.uk

PE.fiberoptics

PE.fiberoptics is a leading provider to the telecommunications industry of a wide range of specialised equipment designed to test the properties of fibre optic and fibre optic networks. Superior technology, design and manufacture serve to ensure that its innovative products play a vital role in resolving fibre characterisation and network problems quickly and efficiently.

Recognised for its award winning products, PFO provides customers with equipment that will respond to and resolve the day-to-day challenges experienced in both optical network applications and quality assurance laboratories. Such products include the CHROMOS11-CL-PMD, a unique portable optical analyser which has performed over a world record distance of 15,500 km on a US-Europe-US submarine link involving hundreds of optical amplifiers.

PFO's customers include manufacturers of fibre, cable and telecommunications equipment together with network operators. Exports currently account for more than 90% of sales.

Website: www.pefiberoptics.com

UHV Design

UHV Design specialises in the development and manufacture of instruments used to create motion, heating and cooling within ultra high vacuum chambers where pressure is several trillion times less than the atmosphere. Designs include the patented MagiGear rotary feedthrough, which enables rotary motion to be transferred into a vacuum system utilising magnetic technology. Complex customised assemblies are also designed and manufactured, tailored to meet customers' specific requirements.

The company's dedication to innovation and quality has established UHV Design as a major force in its field on a worldwide basis, with overseas markets currently accounting for more than 70% of sales. End-users include academic and research establishments (both public and private sector) and industrial enterprises in sectors such as semiconductors, aerospace, defence and nanotechnology.

Website: www.uhvdesign.com

Chairman's Statement

I have much pleasure in reporting your company's results for 2006, its first full year as a scientific instruments group. Sales reached £5.2 million Operations are all based in the UK but the group is a world player in (2005: £2.2 million) while profit before tax but after goodwill amortisation amounted to £350,000 (2005: £163,000). This resulted in an increase in earnings per share to 3.9p (2005: 1.6p). Before goodwill amortisation, pre-tax profit rose from £267,000 to £510,000 and earnings per share from 5.3p to 9.4p; similarly, on a fully diluted basis, earnings per share rose from 4.8p to 8.2p. Your Board is delighted to propose a final dividend of 2p, making a total distribution of 3p for the year.

Constitution of the Group

Judges Capital is the holding company for a group of companies that

specialise in the design and production of scientific instruments. certain niche markets, with exports currently representing 86% of total turnover.

The results include a full year's contribution from Fire Testing Technology ("FTT"), the world's leading manufacturer of instruments designed to test the reaction of various materials to fire and heat, and from PE fiberoptics ("PFO"), our 51% owned subsidiary, which specialises in the production of instruments that test the properties of fibre optic and fibre optic networks.

During the year two additional businesses were purchased. The acquisition of UHV Design ("UHV") was completed in February 2006 and 10 months of trading are included in these accounts. At the beginning of September 2006, FTT bought the trade of Aitchee Engineering ("Aitchee"), the contribution in this instance being four months.

UHV designs and manufactures instruments capable of manipulating objects in ultra high vacuum chambers. The £836,000 purchase price comprised £650,000 in cash, 98,522 Ordinary shares in Judges and an £86,000 earn-out; in addition a £205,000 cash payment was made to reflect excess working capital at completion. The cash element of the purchase price was financed by an extension of the company's senior term loan.





The business of Aitchee, which manufactures engineering parts and is one of FTT's principal sub-contractors, was acquired by FTT for a maximum consideration of £230,000. FTT is the company's largest customer.

Trading

After a strong start to 2006, both FTT and PFO experienced a slow-down in orders towards the summer. This trading pattern proved relatively short-lived and the second half of the year ended favourably on the back of a solid recovery in the order book. UHV experienced strong growth throughout the year and Aitchee performed well during the four months following its purchase.

All operations have shown flexibility and resilience and have produced significant profits and cash-flows.

Financial Performance

In addition to the strong profits performance referred to above, net cash inflow from operating activities (before interest and tax) nearly doubled from £345,000 in 2005 to £614,000 in 2006. Net debt rose from £1.2 million to £2.2 million as a result of acquisitions.

During the year the company continued to realise the investment portfolio built up through its former business activity and divested its holding in Dickinson Legg plc. The book value of the remaining investments has been reduced to £220,000, almost entirely attributable to the company's holding in Poole Investments Plc.

Dividend

After paying a maiden interim dividend of 1p, your Board is delighted to propose a final dividend of 2p payable, subject to approval at the

forthcoming Annual General Meeting, on Friday 6 July 2007 to shareholders on the record on 8 June 2007. The shares will go ex-dividend on 6 June 2007. The total distribution for the year is 3p, which is more than three times covered by undiluted adjusted earnings per share.

Current trading and prospects

The group started 2007 with an improved order book and trading activity has been satisfactory. Results for the current financial year will benefit from a full 12 months' contribution from UHV and Aitchee.

The company is actively looking for new acquisitions in the scientific instruments sector.

Our recent acquisitions have doubled the average number of employees within the Judges group and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their dedication and hard work which was integral to our achievements during 2006. I would also like to thank our shareholders, both long-standing and more recent, for their invaluable support.

Alex Hambro Chairman Date: 22 March 2007

Directors' Report

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2006.

Principal activities

The company is the parent of a trading group involved in the design and manufacture of scientific instruments.

Business review

The company's business model calls for a steady increase in the scope of its operations, achieved through acquisitions of companies operating in its chosen fields of activity and through the ongoing performance of its established subsidiaries. In addition to the dilution of head office costs that results from acquisitions, the company closely monitors the return it derives on the capital invested in its subsidiaries. The annual rate of return on total invested capital ("ROTIC") is computed monthly, both overall and in respect of each subsidiary, by comparing attributable EBITA with the investment in fixed and net current assets (excluding surplus cash). In 2006, the overall return computed in this manner amounted to 21.5% (before taking account of parent company costs).

- Acquisitions: UHV Design Limited ("UHV") was acquired in February 2006 and has significantly out-performed the targets established at that time. In September 2006, the company's subsidiary, Fire Testing Technology Limited ("FTT"), acquired the goodwill and certain assets of an important supplier of engineering services, Aitchee Engineering Associates. This acquisition, too, has more than fulfilled its budgets in the short time since it was acquired. Further information on both of these acquisitions is set out in the Chairman's Statement and in notes 26 and 27 to the financial statements.
- Ongoing performance: the directors regard the trend of adjusted diluted earnings per share and the company's ability to pay

dividends to its shareholders as key indicators of overall group performance. These indicators are monitored closely. In addition to the above "ROTIC" measure for the rate of return on investments, the company measures the performance of its individual subsidiaries in a number of ways:

- (a) sales trends: sales at FTT in 2006 were 10% below those in 2005 (the year of handover from the previous owners of the business), while sales at UHV were 42% above those for 2005, both measured in 12 month totals irrespective of the dates of acquisition.
- (b) sales order intake: improvements in manufacturing efficiency, particularly at FTT, have resulted in a reduction in the order backlog, resulting in a higher degree of sensitivity to the timing of receipt of orders. The directors regard the rate of order intake as a more consistent indicator of performance. At FTT, order intake in 2006 registered a 15% increase compared with 2005; at UHV, the increase was 43%.
- (c) operating profits: as percentages of sales, the group achieved 10.6% in 2006 compared with 5.7% in 2005, reflecting steady performance by the companies and the dilution of head office costs as the group grows, as referred to above. In absolute terms, growth in consolidated operating profits in 2006 amounted to some 330%.
- (d) cash generation and management: consolidated gross cashflow from operating activities amounted to £756,000, of which £142,000 was reinvested in working capital leaving net cash inflow from operating activities of £614,000.
- Commercial risks and uncertainties: in general, the group's activities are concentrated in niche markets, serving a worldwide customer base. The principal drivers of the individual businesses within the group are as follows:

- FTT is the world's major producer of instruments designed to measure the reaction of materials to fire; the long-term growth of the business is supported by the development of related safety regulations internationally and by the globalisation of trade.
- PE.fiberoptics Limited ("PFO") is a significant provider to the telecoms industry and is influenced by the cyclical nature of this sector.
- UHV is benefiting from the buoyancy of the high-tech markets
 which it serves and their requirements for ultra high vacuum
 products. The directors consider that there is scope to improve the
 company's output and market share through technical innovation
 and increased production capability.

Across all the group's activities lies the exposure to human resource shortages. This reflects the small niche-serving nature of the group's businesses and the impracticality at this stage of the group's development of providing significant back-up support in respect of key roles.

• Financial risk management objectives and policies: the group utilises financial instruments, other than derivatives, comprising borrowings, cash and other liquid resources and various other items such as trade debtors and creditors that arise directly from its operations. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to raise finance for the group's operations. The main risks arising from the group's financial instruments relate to interest rates, liquidity, credit and foreign currency exposure. The directors review and agree policies for managing each of these risks, which are summarised below. The policies have remained unchanged from previous periods, subject to the implementation in 2006 of a currency hedging strategy as described below.



Interest rate risk

The group finances its operations through a mixture of bank and hire purchase borrowings (predominantly at floating rates), equity and retained profits. Exposure to interest rate fluctuations in respect of its borrowings is not considered to be a major threat to the group.

Liquidity risk

The group seeks to manage liquidity risk by ensuring sufficient funds are available to meet foreseeable needs and to invest cash assets safely and profitably. Primarily this is achieved through loans arranged at group level. Short term flexibility is achieved through the availability of overdraft facilities and through the significant cash balances available since the group adopted its new strategy as an industrial enterprise in 2005.

Credit risk

The group reviews the credit risk relating to its customers by ensuring wherever possible that it deals with long established trading partners and agents and government / university backed bodies, where the risk of default is considered low. Where considered appropriate, the group insists on up-front payment and requires letters of credit facilities to be provided.

Currency risk

With exports representing a significant proportion of its sales, the main risk area to which the group is exposed is that of foreign currencies (principally US\$ and Euros). During 2006, the group adopted a strategy to hedge against this risk in whole or in part by maintaining a proportion of the group's bank loans in these currencies. The directors review the value of this hedge on a regular basis. There remains, nevertheless, an ongoing threat to the group's competitive position in international markets from any sustained period of sterling strength.

Results and dividends

The results for the financial year to 31 December 2006 are set out on page 9. The company paid a maiden dividend of 1p per Ordinary share on 3 November 2006. At the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, the directors will recommend payment of a final dividend for the year of 2p per Ordinary share to be paid on Friday 6 July 2007 to shareholders on the register on Friday 8 June 2007. The shares will go ex-dividend Wednesday 6 June 2007.

Directors

The following directors have held office during the year:

Hon AR Hambro¹ - non-executive

Mr DE Cicurel

Mr RL Cohen

Mr RJ Elman¹ - non-executive

Mr GC Reece¹ - non-executive

¹Member of the audit and remuneration committees

Directors' interests

The directors' interests in the Ordinary shares of the company were as stated below:

| | | Ordinary of 5p each | | | |
|----------------|---------|---------------------|-----------|--------------|--|
| | 31 Dece | mber 2006 | . 1 Janua | January 2006 | |
| | Shares | Options | Shares | Options | |
| Hon AR Hambro | 25,000 | - | - | _ | |
| Mr DE Cicurel* | 526,356 | - | 526,356 | - | |
| Mr RL Cohen | - | 37,000 | - | - | |
| Mr RJ Elman | 20,000 | - | 20,000 | - | |
| Mr GC Reece | - | - | - | - | |

^{*}Held through David Cicurel Securities Limited, except for 40 shares held directly.

Details of share options are set out in note 17 to the financial statements.

In addition to the above holdings of Ordinary shares, the directors had the following interests in the Convertible Redeemable share capital of the company:

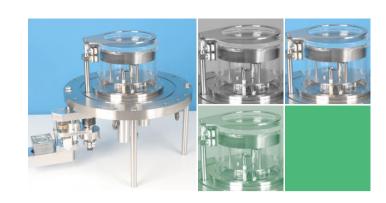
| | Convertible Redeemable o 31 December 2006 Shares | f 1p each (quarter-paid) 1 January 2006 Shares | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Hon AR Hambro Mr DE Cicurel* | 416,667 4.166.667 | 416,667 4.166.667 | | | |
| Mr RL Cohen | 4,100,007 | 4,100,007 | | | |
| Mr RJ Elman | 208,333 | 208,333 | | | |
| Mr GC Reece | 208,333 | 208,333 | | | |
| * Held through David Cicurel Securities Limited. | | | | | |

The conversion terms of the Convertible Redeemable shares are detailed in note 18 to the financial statements. Following a full conversion of the Convertible Redeemable shares to Ordinary shares, the directors' interests in the enlarged share capital of the company as at 31 December 2006 would have been as follows:

| | Ordinary Shares |
|---------------|-----------------|
| Hon AR Hambro | 65,465 |
| Mr DE Cicurel | 931,001 |
| Mr RL Cohen | - |
| Mr RJ Elman | 40,232 |
| Mr GC Reece | 20,232 |

Payment policy

The group's policy is to agree terms and conditions with suppliers before business takes place and to pay agreed invoices in accordance with the terms of payment. Trade creditor days of the company at the end of the year represented 34 days (2005: 6 days).



Directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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 group and company and of the profit or loss of the group for that year. In preparing these 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 UK 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 group and 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 group and company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of both the group and company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In as far as the directors are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware, and
- the directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

The maintenance and integrity of the Judges Capital website is the responsibility of the directors: the work carried out by the auditor does not involve consideration of these matters and, accordingly, the auditor accepts no responsibility for any changes that may have occurred to the financial statements since they were initially presented on the website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of the financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

International Financial Reporting Standards

The group is required to issue its financial statements for the year ending 31st December 2007 in accordance with IFRS, including the June 2007 interims, in line with mandatory AIM rules. The directors have started to consider the implications of these requirements, and in particular which areas of the group's balance sheet and results would be significantly affected by the adoption of IFRS. This process has not been completed to date, but the key areas where differences in treatment between UK GAAP and IFRS may arise include:

IFRS 3 Business Combinations

IAS 12 Income Taxes (Deferred Tax)

IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement

Corporate Governance

The directors have established an audit committee and a remuneration committee with formally delegated duties and responsibilities. The members of both committees are the non-executive directors.

The audit committee determines the terms of engagement of the company's auditor and, in consultation with the company's auditor, the scope of the audit. The audit committee has unrestricted access to the company's auditor. The remuneration committee reviews the scale and

structure of the executive directors' remuneration and the terms of their service contracts. The remuneration of the non-executive directors is determined by the board as a whole. No directors participate in setting their own pay.

Auditor

Grant Thornton UK LLP offer themselves for reappointment as auditor in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

On behalf of the board RL Cohen Director and Company Secretary 22 March 2007



Report of the Independent Auditor to the Members of Judges Capital plc

We have audited the group and parent company financial statements (the "financial statements") of Judges Capital plc for the year ended 31 December 2006 which comprise the consolidated profit and loss account, the group and company balance sheets, the consolidated cash flow statement and associated notes a to c and notes 1 to 28. 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 auditor

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom law and Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities.

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

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. The information given in the Directors' Report includes that specific information presented in the Chairman's Statement that is cross referred from the Business Review section of the Directors' Report.

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 other information contained within the Annual Report and consider whether it is consistent with the audited parent company financial statements. The other information comprises only the Chairman's Statement and the Directors' Report. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

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 judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the group's and company's We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give 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, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the group's and the parent company's affairs as at 31 December 2006 and of the group's 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.

Grant Thornton UK LLP Registered Auditor **Chartered Accountants** Leicester 22 March 2007

Consolidated Profit and Loss Account



| | | Continuing | 2006 | | 2005 |
|--|-------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Notes | activities £ | Acquisitions £ | Total £ | £ |
| Turnover | 2 | 3,900,477 | 1,294,848 | 5,195,325 | 2,211,521 |
| Operating costs Goodwill amortisation | 3 | (3,546,856) (105,741) | (936,996) (54,215) | (4,483,852) (159,956) | (1,981,776) (103,750) |
| Total operating costs | | (3,652,597) | (991,211) | (4,643,808) | (2,085,526) |
| Operating profit | | 247,880 | 303,637 | 551,517 | 125,995 |
| (Loss)/profit on disposal of investments Net interest payable | 5 | | | (6,145) (195,377) | 89,842 (52,632) |
| Profit on ordinary activities before taxation | 4 | | | 349,995 | 163,205 |
| Tax on profit on ordinary activities | 6 | | | (173,265) | (100,777) |
| Profit on ordinary activities after taxation | | | | 176,730 | 62,428 |
| Minority interests | | | | (36,440) | (15,499) |
| Profit for the year | 19 | | | 140,290 | 46,929 |
| Earnings per share Basic Diluted | 7 | | | 3.9p 3.6p | 1.6p 1.7p |

There are no recognised gains and losses other than the results for the year set out above.

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.



Balance Sheets

| | | | 2006 | | 2005 |
|---|----------------------|---|--|---|--|
| | Notes | Group | Company | Group | Company |
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Fixed assets Intangible assets Tangible assets Investments in subsidiaries | 8 9 10 | 4,430,826 295,468 - 4,726,294 | 5,620,080 5,620,080 | 3,638,059 114,336 - 3,752,395 | 4,579,564 |
| Current assets Stocks Debtors Investments Cash in hand and at bank | 11 12 13 | 402,941 1,249,039 219,155 824,156 2,695,291 | 384,878 219,155 218,514 822,547 | 413,130 692,350 427,911 1,148,619 2,682,010 | 145,242 427,911 742,337 1,315,490 |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 14 | (1,463,239) | (513,838) | (1,044,264) | (305,776) |
| Net current assets | | 1,232,052 | 308,709 | 1,637,746 | 1,009,714 |
| Total assets less current liabilities | | 5,958,346 | 5,928,789 | 5,390,141 | 5,589,278 |
| Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year Provisions for liabilities | 15 16 | (2,835,940) (43,676) | (2,799,775) | (2,528,959) (23,557) | (2,528,959) |
| Minority interests | 10 | (51,992) | _ | (15,548) | _ |
| Total net assets | | 3,026,738 | 3,129,014 | 2,822,077 | 3,060,319 |
| Capital and reserves Called up share capital Share premium Merger reserve Profit and loss account | 17 19 19 19 | 178,044 2,501,430 475,074 (127,810) | 178,044 2,501,430 - 449,540 | 173,118 2,501,430 380,000 (232,471) | 173,118 2,501,430 - 385,771 |
| Shareholders' funds | 20 | 3,026,738 | 3,129,014 | 2,822,077 | 3,060,319 |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements. The financial statements were approved by the board on 22 March 2007

D.E. Cicurel R.L. Cohen Director Director

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement



| | Notes | | 2006 | | 2005 |
|--|--------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|---|-------------|
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Net cash inflow from operating activities | a | | 613,983 | | 345,217 |
| Returns on investments and servicing of finance Interest received Interest paid | | 32,041 (227,418) | | 54,462 (107,094) | |
| | | | (195,377) | | (52,632) |
| Taxation paid | | | (294,693) | | - |
| Capital expenditure Purchases of fixed assets Proceeds from sale of fixed assets | | (31,336) 15,655 | | (11,704) | |
| | | | (15,681) | | (11,704) |
| Acquisitions and disposals Investments in subsidiaries Net cash from purchase of subsidiary undertaking | | (1,215,090) 178,867 | | (4,059,564) <u>579,949</u> | |
| | | | (1,036,223) | | (3,479,615) |
| Net cash outflow before management of liquid resources and financing | | | (927,991) | | (3,198,734) |
| Management of liquid resources Sales of investments | | | 202,611 | | 1,364,006 |
| Equity dividend paid | | | (35,629) | | - |
| Net cash outflow before financing | | | (761,009) | | (1,834,728) |
| Financing Issue of Ordinary shares Expenses paid in connection with share issues Bank loans drawn down Loan repayments Repayments of Contracts for Differences | | - 700,000 (263,454) - | | 956,000 (102,264) 2,448,959 (164,000) (451,421) | |
| Net cash inflow from financing | | | 436,546 | | 2,687,274 |
| (Decrease)/increase in cash in the year | С | | (324,463) | | 852,546 |
| The accompanying notes form an integral part of these fin- | ancial statements. | | | | |



Notes to the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

| Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow from operating activities \$100 | | | | | | |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---|--|
| Deprocalifion of fixed assets \$3,644 10,767 Amortisation of goodwill 159,995 103,750 102,750 103,750 104,775 104,0775 10 | a Reconciliation of operating profit to net c | ash inflow from operating activitie | 9S | | | 2005 £ |
| De Analysis of net debt 1 January 2006 E E E E E E E E E | Depreciation of fixed assets Amortisation of goodwill Profit on disposal of fixed assets Decrease/(increase) in stocks Exchange differences on foreign currency Increase in debtors | v bank loans | | | 53,644 159,956 (2,078) 104,775 (7,335) (364,429) | 10,767 103,750 - (60,880) - (43,247) |
| Net cash: Cash at bank and in hand 1,148,619 - (324,463) - (32 | Net cash inflow from operating activities | | | | 613,983 | 345,217 |
| Cash at bank and in hand 1,148,619 - (324,463) - 824,156 | b Analysis of net debt | | | | | |
| Current asset investments | | 1,148,619 | | (324,463) | | 824,156 |
| Debt due > one year Hire purchase (2,528,959) | | 427,911 | - | - | (208,756) | 219,155 |
| Net debt (1,208,429) (700,000) (61,009) (245,004) (2,214,442) Other movements reflect disposals of current asset investments (£208,756), non-cash debt adjustments (£25,184) comprising foreign exchange differences and interest accrual changes, and the inception of hire purchase obligations. C Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt C Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt C Reconciliation of net cash in the year (Decrease) / increase in cash in the year (Sa24,463) (Sa24,463) (Sa25,546) (Cash flow from decrease in liquid resources (Cuss) / profit on disposal of investments (Cuss) / | Debt due > one year | | | 304,000 | | (2,799,775) |
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| Opening net (debt) / funds (1,208,429) 1,546,727 | Inception of hire purchase obligation | | | | (56,550) | - |
| Closing net debt (2,214,442) (1,208,429) | | | | | | |
| | Closing net debt | | | | (2,214,442) | (1,208,429) |

Notes to the Financial Statements



1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and under the historical cost convention.

The principal accounting policies of the group are set out below. The policies have remained unchanged from the previous year, apart from the adoption of FRS 20. This change is described in more detail below.

Change in accounting policy

In preparing the financial statements for the current year, the group has adopted the following Financial Reporting Standard:

FRS 20 - Share based payments

The adoption of FRS 20 has resulted in a change in accounting policy in respect of share options granted since the incorporation of the company that had not vested prior to 1 January 2006. The standard requires share-based payments to be recognised at fair value as an expense commencing in the year of grant. Previously share-based payments had not been recognised in the profit and loss account. This change in accounting policy had no material effect on figures previously reported or on the results for the year.

1.2 Basis of consolidation

The group financial statements consolidate those of the company and of its subsidiaries, drawn up to a coterminous accounting date. The results of companies acquired during the year are consolidated from the date of acquisition. Acquisitions of subsidiaries are dealt with by the acquisition method of accounting.

The company is entitled to the merger relief offered by section 131 of the Companies Act 1985 in respect of the fair value of the consideration received in excess of the nominal value of the equity shares issued in connection with the acquisition of UHV Design Limited.

The share of net assets of subsidiaries which are not wholly owned are disclosed as minority interests.

1.3 Goodwill

Goodwill arising on the acquisition of subsidiary companies or of business undertakings is the difference between the fair value of the purchase consideration and the fair value of the net assets acquired. Goodwill is capitalised and amortised on a straight line basis over its estimated useful economic life up to a maximum of 20 years for acquisitions of subsidiary companies.

Negative goodwill is written back to the profit and loss account to match the consumption of the non-monetary assets acquired.

1.4 Cashflow statement

Movement of liquid resources relates to net cash cost of current investments acquired and sold in the year. All current asset investments are held as liquid resources.

1.5 Turnover

Revenue recognition policies in respect of the group's principal revenue streams are as follows:

- Sales of instruments and spares are recognised at the point of despatch.
- Installation revenues are deferred and recognised on completion of installation.

All revenues are stated exclusive of value added tax.

1.6 Investment income

Investment income comprises dividends declared during the accounting period and interest receivable on quoted and unquoted investments.

1.7 Tangible fixed assets

Fixed assets are stated at cost or at fair value if part of an acquisition, net of any depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is provided at annual rates calculated to write off the cost or fair value less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, within the following ranges:

Plant and machinery: 15% on written down value

to 20% on cost

Fixtures, fittings and equipment: 15% on written down value

to 33% on cost

Motor vehicles: 25% on written down value

to 25% on cost

Building improvements: 20% on cost

1.8 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value or at fair value if part of an acquisition. Cost includes materials, direct labour and an attributable proportion of manufacturing overheads based on normal levels of activity.

1.9 Investments

Fixed asset investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less provision for impairment. Other investments are treated as current assets, reflecting the group's strategic investment policy actively to pursue appropriate exit routes on all such investments. Current asset investments are stated at the lower of cost and the directors' estimate of near-term net realisable value.



1.10 Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is recognised on all timing differences where the transactions or events that give the group and the company an obligation to pay more tax in the future, or a right to pay less tax in the future, have occurred by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets are recognised when it is more likely than not that they will be recovered. Deferred tax is not discounted and is measured using rates of tax that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

1.11 Pensions

Companies in the group operate defined contribution pension schemes for employees and directors. The assets of the schemes are held by investment managers separately from those of the company and group. The annual contributions payable are charged to the profit and loss account.

1.12 Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange prevailing at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate of exchange prevailing at the date of transaction. All differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

1.13 Leasing

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term. Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet and depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives. The interest element of leasing payments represents a constant proportion of the capital balance outstanding and is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease.

1.14 Convertible redeemable shares

In accordance with FRS 4, the convertible redeemable shares have been recorded as a liability at the net proceeds received and the future conversion into Ordinary shares has not been taken into account.

2 Turnover and profit on ordinary activities before taxation

Turnover and profit on ordinary activities before taxation are attributable to the group's continuing activities of the design and manufacture of scientific instruments and undertaking of investments, as set out on the face of the profit and loss account. An analysis of turnover by destination for the group is set out below:

| | 2006 £ | 2005 £ |
|---|--|--|
| United Kingdom Europe United States / Canada Rest of the World | 710,496 1,731,933 1,075,996 1,676,900 | 103,416 891,050 475,886 741,169 |
| | 5,195,325 | 2,211,521 |

Operating costs

| | 2006 Continuing activities | 2006 Acquisitions | 2006 Total | 2005 Total |
|--|--|--|---|--|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Raw materials and consumable Other external charges Staff costs Depreciation Other operating charges | 25,1,322,051 906,304 1,246,104 25,102 47,295 | 297,169 177,997 426,331 28,542 6,957 | 1,619,220 1,084,301 1,672,435 53,644 54,252 | 761,433 573,191 631,371 10,767 5,014 |
| | 3,546,856 | 936,996 | 4,483,852 | 1,981,776 |

4 Profit on ordinary activities before taxation

| | 2006 £ | 2005 £ |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|
| Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging / (crediting): | | |
| Loss/(profit) on disposal of investments Profit on disposal of fixed assets | 6,145 (2,078) | (89,842) |
| Fees payable to the company's auditor for the audit of the company's annual accounts Fees payable to the company's auditor for other service | 12,400 ces: | 10,500 |
| for the audit of the company's subsidiaries, pursuant to legislation | 18.320 | 12.500 |
| for tax services | 7,450 | 5,650 |
| for all other services Depreciation | 800 53.644 | 2,300 10.767 |
| Goodwill amortisation Release of negative goodwill | 247,519 (87,563) | 113,050 (9,300) |
| Operating lease rentals - land and buildings | 162,068 | 62,026 |

In addition fees were paid to the auditor in 2006 in respect of corporate finance transaction work undertaken in connection with the acquisition of UHV Design Limited. The costs of £28,727 plus VAT were charged to investments in subsidiaries.



| 5 | Net interest payable | | | | | | |
|---|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| | | 2006 £ | 2005 £ | | | | |
| | Interest receivable Interest payable - bank and hire purchase loans | 32,041 | 54,462 | | | | |
| | and overdrafts Interest payable - Ioan notes | (194,219) (33,199) | (87,077) (20,017) | | | | |
| | | (195,377) | (52,632) | | | | |
| 6 | Taxation | | | | | | |
| | | 2006 £ | 2005 £ | | | | |
| | UK Corporation tax at 30% (2005: 30%) - current year | 160,305 | 100,559 | | | | |
| | - prior years | 852 | - | | | | |
| | | 161,157 | 100,559 | | | | |
| | Deferred tax - origination and reversal of timing differences: | | | | | | |
| | Current year Prior years | 11,138 970 | 218 | | | | |
| | | 12,108 | 218 | | | | |
| | Tax on profit on ordinary activities | 173,265 | 100,777 | | | | |
| | Factors affecting the tax charge for the year: Profit on ordinary activities before taxation | 349,995 | 163,205 | | | | |
| | Profit on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied by standard rate of UK corporation tax of 30% Goodwill charges not deductible for tax purposes Losses carried forward | 104,998 67,401 | 48,961 33,915 19,238 | | | | |
| | Provisions and expenditure not deductible for tax purposes Marginal relief Capital allowances in excess of depreciation Adjustment in respect of prior years | 8,587 (10,559) (10,122) 852 161,157 | (813) (524) (218) - 100,559 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

The group and company have unrelieved tax losses at 31 December 2006 of £325,259 (2005 £311,000). The group and company have not recognised a deferred tax asset (2006: £97,578, 2005: £93,300) in respect of these losses as the timing and extent of recovery is insufficiently certain. These losses are available to be offset against future profits of the parent company.

Earnings per share

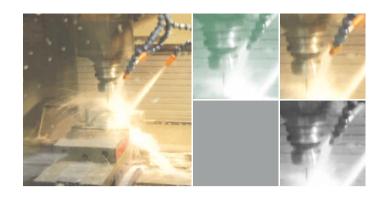
Options and warrants over Ordinary shares and rights of conversion of the Convertible Redeemable shares are described in notes 17 and 18.

| | Deele | 2006 | _ | 005 |
|---|-----------|-------------------|------------|-----------|
| Earnings | Basic | Diluted | Basic | Diluted |
| Basic: profit for the financial year | 140,290 | 140,290 | 46,929 | 46,929 |
| Notional taxed interest income accruing on dilutio | n - | 16,685 | | 11,744 |
| Diluted profit | 140,290 | 156,975 | 46,929 | 58,673 |
| Adjusted: Add back goodwill charge, net of £36,051 (2005: £4,5 relating to tax and minority interest in negative goodwi write back | * | 196,007 | 108,307 | 108,307 |
| Adjusted profit - basic / dilut | | 352,982 | 155,236 | 166,980 |
| Number of shares Basic: weighted average in year | | 3,544,953 | 2,931,101 | 2,931,101 |
| Adjusted: weighted average increase on dilution | 3,544,953 | 718,852 4,263,805 | 2,931,101 | 513,593 |
| Earnings per share Basic / diluted Adjusted - basic / diluted | 3.9 | 3.6 | 1.6 5.3 | 1.7 |

Intangible assets

| | Goodwill | Negative goodwill | Total |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Group | £ | £ | £ |
| Cost 1 January 2006 Arising during the year | 3,875,374 952,723 | (133,565) | 3,741,809 952,723 |
| 31 December 2006 | 4,828,097 | (133,565) | 4,694,532 |
| Amortisation 1 January 2006 Charge / (credit) for the year | 113,050 247,519 | (9,300) (87,563) | 103,750 159,956 |
| 31 December 2006 | 360,569 | (96,863) | 263,706 |
| Net book value – 31 December 2006 | 4,467,528 | (36,702) | 4,430,826 |
| Net book value – 31 December 2005 | 3,762,324 | (124,265) | 3,638,059 |

Goodwill arose in the year in connection with the acquisition of UHV Design Limited and of a trade and certain business assets by Altchee Engineering Limited, as set out in notes 26 and 27 respectively.



9 Tangible assets

| Consum | Plant & machinery | Fixtures, fittings & equipment | Motor vehicles | Building improve- ments | Total |
|--|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Group | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Cost / deemed co 1 January 2006 Acquisitions Additions Disposals | 71,736 181,143 72,880 (26,000) | 127,928 18,369 12,706 | 31,739 19,450 2,300 (14,550) | 29,367 25,125 - | 260,770 244,087 87,886 (40,550) |
| 31 December 200 | 6 299,759 | 159,003 | 38,939 | 54,492 | 552,193 |
| Depreciation 1 January 2006 Acquisitions Charge Disposals | 50,039 61,634 36,759 (13,840) | 39,017 6,805 9,169 | 28,011 7,911 3,406 (13,133) | 29,367 7,270 4,310 | 146,434 83,620 53,644 (26,973) |
| 31 December 200 | 06 134,592 | 54,991 | 26,195 | 40,947 | 256,725 |
| Net book value 31 December 2006 | 165,167 | 104,012 | 12,744 | 13,545 | 295,468 |
| Net book value 31 December 2005 | 21,697 | 88,911 | 3,728 | | 114,336 |

Included above are plant & machinery assets held under hire purchase contracts with a net book value at 31 December 2006 of £68,110 (2005: nil). The depreciation charge in the year on these assets was £3,440 (2005: nil).

10 Investments in subsidiaries

| | £ |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| Company: | |
| 1 January 2006 Acquisition in year (see note 26) Adjustment in respect of prior year acquisition | 4,579,564 1,046,214 (5,698) |
| 31 December 2006 | 5,620,080 |

The group's trading subsidiaries at 31 December 2006, all of which were incorporated and operate in the United Kingdom, were as follows:

| the state of the s | J . | | |
|--|--|-----------------|--|
| Company | Principal activity | Class of shares | % held |
| Fire Testing Technology Limited | Design and assembly of fire testing instruments | Ordinary £1 | 100% |
| PE.fiberoptics Limited | Design and assembly of fibre-optic testing instruments | "A" Ordinary £1 | 100% of "A" class; being 51% of total equity |
| UHV Design Limited | Design and manufacture of instruments used to manipulate objects in ultra high vacuum chambers | Ordinary £1 | 100% |
| Aitchee Engineering Limited | Manufacture of engineering parts and finished products | Ordinary £1 | 100% |

All of the above companies are owned directly by Judges Capital plc, with the exception of Aitchee Engineering Limited, which is owned directly by Fire Testing Technology Limited (see note 27).

11 Stocks

| | 2006 f | Group 2005 | Con 2006 f | npany 2005 |
|---|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Raw materials Work in progress Finished goods | 288,839 100,646 13,456 | 253,462 159,668 | - - - | - - - |
| | 402,941 | 413,130 | | - |

12 Debtors

| | | Group | Company | |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2006 £ | 2005 £ | 2006 £ | 2005 £ |
| Trade debtors Amounts owed by group | 1,137,693 | 559,436 | - | - |
| companies | - | - | 275,125 | 111,978 |
| Corporation tax - group rel | | - | 106,857 | 28,853 |
| Other debtors Prepayments and accrued | 45,680 | 44,942 | - | - |
| income | 65,666 | 87,972 | 2,896 | 4,411 |
| | 1,249,039 | 692,350 | 384,878 | 145,242 |

13 Current asset investments

| Group and company | Historical cost | Market valuation £ | Period end va Directors' valuation £ | llue Total valuation £ |
|--|-------------------|--------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Unquoted investments Quoted investments | 19,373 199,782 | 190,950 | 45,500 - | 45,500 190,950 |
| At 31 December 2006 | 219,155 | 190,950 | 45,500 | 236,450 |
| Net unrealised (loss) / gain at 31 December 2006 | - | (8,832) | 26,127 | 17,295 |

Details of the investments held at 31 December 2006 are: quoted investment - Poole Investments plc - 5,700,000 shares (representing 3.08%, part of a 13% concert party); unquoted investments - Fortress Holdings plc (in members' voluntary liquidation) - 800,100 shares (representing 1.68%).



| | Historical cost | Market valuation £ | Period end valuation | lue Total valuation £ |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| Unquoted investments Quoted investments Less: provision against investments | 19,373 508,538 (100,000) | 318,825 | 45,500 - - | 45,500 318,825 |
| At 31 December 2005 | 427,911 | 318,825 | 45,500 | 364,325 |
| Net unrealised (loss) / gain at 31 December 2005 | - | (89,713) | 26,127 | (63,586) |

14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

| | Group | | Сс | mpany |
|------------------------------------|----------|-----------|---------|---------|
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Trade creditors | 339,377 | 224,203 | 43,000 | = |
| Accruals and deferred income | 298,036 | 111,096 | 39,970 | 33,284 |
| Social security and other taxes | 101,795 | 47,073 | 14,368 | 3,992 |
| Corporation tax | 261,718 | 315,798 | - | - |
| Bank loan | 404,000 | 256,000 | 404,000 | 256,000 |
| Net obligations under hire | | | | |
| purchase contracts | 17,813 | - | - | - |
| Other creditors | 40,500 | 90,094 | 12,500 | 12,500 |
| | ,463,239 | 1,044,264 | 513,838 | 305,776 |
| purchase contracts Other creditors | 40,500 | | | |

Other creditors include £12,500 of non equity shares classed as financial liabilities (see note 18).

15 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

| | | Group | C | ompany |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | 2006 £ | 2005 £ | 2006 £ | 2005 £ |
| Bank loan Subordinated loan notes Net obligations under hire | 2,299,775 500,000 | 2,028,959 500,000 | 2,299,775 500,000 | 2,028,959 500,000 |
| purchase contracts | 36,165 | - | - | - |
| | 2,835,940 | 2,528,959 | 2,799,775 | 2,528,959 |

The bank loan is secured on assets of the group, is repayable in quarterly instalments over a 6 year period ending 31 March 2011 and bears interest at 2¹/₄% above LIBOR-related rates. The subordinated loan notes are unsecured, repayable on 23 May 2010 and bear interest at Bank of Scotland base rate plus 2%. The hire purchase obligations are secured on the related assets. The repayment profile of borrowings is as follows:

| | Bank Ioan Subordinated Ioan notes | | Hire purchase | Total |
|---|-------------------------------------|---------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Repayable in less than 1 ye Repayable in years 1 to 2 Repayable in years 2 to 5 | ear 404,000 508,000 1,791,775 | 500,000 | 17,813 17,156 19,009 | 421,813 525,156 2,310,784 |
| | 2,703,775 | 500,000 | 53,978 | 3,257,753 |

During the year, a proportion of the group's bank loans were converted into foreign currencies to provide a hedge against assets denominated in those currencies. The sterling equivalent at 31 December 2006 of loans denominated in US\$ was £144,436 and in Euros was £148,229. These amounts are included in the figures above for bank loans, repayable in years 2 to 5.

16 Provisions for liabilities

| Deferred tax – group | £ |
|--|---------------------------|
| 1 January 2006 Acquisitions Charge | 23,557 8,011 12,108 |
| 31 December 2006 | 43,676 |
| | |

Amounts provided in respect of deferred tax are computed at 30% and relate to accelerated capital allowances.

17 Equity share capital

| (Group and Company) | 2006 £ | 2005 £ |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Authorised 10,000,000 Ordinary shares of 5p each | 500,000 | 500,000 |

Allotted, called up and fully paid

3,560,878 (2005: 3,462,356) Ordinary shares of 5p each 178,044 173,118

The increase in 2006 in the number of shares issued amounted to 98,522, representing shares which were issued on 6 March 2006 at a fair value of £1.015 in respect of the acquisition of UHV Design Limited. The company has taken advantage of the merger relief available under section 131 of the Companies Act 1985 and recorded the issue of these shares at nominal value.

Equity share options and warrants

Options issued under Employee Share Option Plans

Options were granted on 20 October 2005 under the company's Unapproved Plan at £1.015 per share, exercisable between the third and tenth anniversaries of grant and conditional on achievement of group earnings targets, as follows:

• to a director of the company (Mr R.L. Cohen) 37,000 shares

• other 5,000 shares



Further options were granted on 22 March 2006 at £1.035 per share, exercisable between the third and tenth anniversaries of grant, over 28,000 shares under the company's Approved Plan (conditional on achievement of group earnings targets in the case of 10,000 shares) and over 14,000 shares under the Unapproved Plan. None of these options was granted to directors of the company.

The market price of the company's Ordinary shares on 31 December 2006 was £0.975, the highest price during 2006 was £1.04 on 3 to 13 January, the lowest price during 2006 was £0.95 on 3 July and 23 September and the price on 15 March 2007 was £1.025.

Warrants to subscribe

Under an agreement dated 22 October 2004, Invex Capital LLP was granted unquoted warrants to subscribe for Ordinary shares in the company in connection with the acquisition of Fire Testing Technology Limited. This warrant has an exercise price of £1 per share, expires on 23 May 2010 and relates to 133,564 shares.

Convertible Redeemable shares

The conversion rights set out in note 18 would have resulted in the issue of 485,574 Ordinary shares if conversion of all the Convertible Redeemable shares had taken place on 31 December 2006.

18 Shares classed as financial liabilities

| (Group and Company) | 2006 £ | 2005 £ |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Authorised 5,000,000 Convertible Redeemable shares of 1p each | 50,000 | 50,000 |
| Allotted, called up and fully paid 5,000,000 Convertible Redeemable shares of 1p each – quarter paid | 12.500 | 12.500 |
| - quarter paru | 12,300 | 12,300 |

In accordance with FRS 25 - Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation, the preference shares are classified as financial liabilities and included in other creditors (see note 14).

The principal terms of the Convertible Redeemable shares are as follows:

- There is no right to participate in the profits of the company.
- On a winding up or other return of capital the surplus assets remaining after payment of liabilities shall be applied:
- i) First in repaying the capital paid up on the Ordinary shares;
- ii) Secondly in repaying the capital paid up on the Convertible Redeemable shares; and
- iii) Thirdly distributed amongst the holders of the Ordinary shares according to the amounts paid up.
- The holders of the Convertible Redeemable shares are not entitled to attend or vote at General Meetings of the company unless the meeting considers a resolution for winding up the company.
- On payment to the company of the aggregate of (i) a sum equal to any amount which has not been called or which is otherwise unpaid in respect of all of the Convertible Redeemable shares to be converted and (ii) a further sum equal to 95 pence multiplied by the number of Ordinary shares to be issued as a result of the conversion less the amount paid up or deemed paid up (including the amount referred to in (i) above) in respect of the Convertible Redeemable shares to be converted ("Conversion Price"), each holder of Convertible Redeemable shares shall be entitled to convert all or any of his Convertible Redeemable shares into such number of fully paid Ordinary shares which represents 0.24 per cent of the number of Ordinary shares in issue, assuming that all the Convertible Redeemable shares remaining capable of being convertible into Ordinary shares at

- the date of which the conversion takes place had been converted at the time, for every 100,000 Convertible Redeemable shares so converted and in proportion for any greater or lesser number of Convertible Redeemable shares ("Conversion Rate").
- The holders of Convertible Redeemable shares shall (subject to the provisions of the Companies Act) be entitled at any time to redeem all or any of the Convertible Redeemable shares outstanding out of any profits or monies of the company which may lawfully be applied for that purpose.

19 Statement of movements on reserves

| Group | Share premium account £ | Merger reserve £ | Profit and loss account £ |
|---|-------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 January 2006 Profit for the year Dividend paid in the year Merger reserve arising on shares issued | 2,501,430 | 380,000 - - 95,074 | (232,471) 140,290 (35,629) |
| Balance at 31 December 2006 | 2,501,430 | 475,074 | (127,810) |

The company paid its maiden dividend of 1p per Ordinary share on 3 November 2006.

The company has taken advantage of the relief available under section 131 of the Companies Act 1985 and recorded the shares issued in connection with the acquisition of UHV Design Limited (98,522 shares at a fair value of £1.015 per 5p share) at nominal value.



| | Share premium account | Profit and loss account |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Company | £ | £ |
| 1 January 2006 Profit for the year Dividend paid in the year | 2,501,430 - - | 385,771 99,398 (35,629) |
| Balance at 31 December 2006 | 2,501,430 | 449,540 |

The parent company has taken advantage of section 230 of the Companies Act 1985 and has not included its own profit and loss account in these financial statements. The parent company's profit for the year was £99,398 (2005: £665,171).

20 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

| | 2006 £ | 2005 £ |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Profit for the year | 140,290 | 46,929 |
| Dividend paid in the year | (35,629) | - |
| Issue of shares | 100,000 | 1,253,736 |
| Net addition to shareholders' funds | 204,661 | 1,300,665 |
| Opening shareholders' funds | 2,822,077 | 1,521,412 |
| Closing shareholders' funds | 3,026,738 | 2,822,077 |

21 Directors' emoluments

| | 2006 £ | 2005 £ |
|--|------------------|-----------|
| Emoluments Defined contribution pension scheme contributions | 178,660 3,792 | 89,110 |
| | 182,452 | 89,110 |
| | | |

During the year one director participated in a defined contribution pension scheme (2005 nil).

22 Employees

| Group | 2006 no. | 2005 no. |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Number of employees - manufacturing - sales and administration | 25 26 | 11 11 |
| | 51 | 22 |
| Employment costs | 2006 £ | 2005 £ |
| Wages and salaries Social security costs Pension costs | 1,471,845 166,021 34,569 | 560,781 57,284 13,306 |
| | 1,672,435 | 631,371 |
| | | |

23 Related Party Transactions

The company entered into the following transactions during the year with its 51%-owned subsidiary, PE.fiberoptics Limited ("PFO"):

- (a) in January 2006, PFO repaid the outstanding balance of £25,000 of a loan facility of £250,000 (reducing annually by £62,500) granted by the company in 2005. No further drawdowns were made during the year. Interest of £1,702, calculated at the rate of 7% per annum on outstanding amounts, was paid by PFO on 2 September 2006. Any amounts outstanding under this loan facility are secured by way of a first charge over the assets and undertaking of PFO.
- (b) an additional loan to PFO amounting to £40,800 was outstanding on 1 January and 31 December 2006. This loan is unsecured, does not bear interest and is repayable at the discretion of the directors of PFO.

24 Financial Instruments

The group's policies on treasury management and financial

instruments are given in the Directors' Report. As permitted by FRS 13, short-term debtors and creditors have been excluded from the disclosures below, except as set out in relation to foreign currencies.

Financial assets

The group's financial assets comprise cash at bank, which is principally denominated in sterling and earns interest at floating rates. There is no difference between the book and fair values of the financial assets. At 31 December 2006 the group had debtors denominated in foreign currency as follows: Euros - £197,558 (2005: £155,492) and US Dollars - £294,228 (2005: £91,743)

Financial liabilities

The group's principal financial liabilities are bank debt and the unsecured loan notes issued in connection with the acquisition of Fire Testing Technology Limited in 2005. A proportion of the bank debt is denominated in foreign currencies to provide a hedge against currency risk on group assets, as described in note 15.

Fair value of financial instruments

Financial instruments include the borrowings above. All financial instruments denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at market prices at balance sheet dates. The directors believe that there is no material difference between the book value and fair value of such financial instruments.

Borrowing facilities

The group had an undrawn committed overdraft facility of £500,000 at 31 December 2006 (2005: £500,000).



25 Dividends

| | p/share | 2006 £ | p/share | 2005 £ |
|---|---------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| Paid in the year, on 3 November 2006 | 1.0 | 35,629 | | |
| Accrued at the year-end | | | | |
| Proposed after the year-end, for payment on 6 July 2007 | 2.0 | 71,258 | | |

26 Acquisition of UHV Design Limited ("UHV")

On 21 February 2006 the company acquired 100 Ordinary shares of £1 each in UHV Design Limited ("UHV"), being 100% of its issued share capital. Goodwill arising on the acquisition of UHV has been capitalised and the purchase has been accounted for by the acquisition method of accounting. Advantage has been taken of Section 131 of the Companies Act 1985 to take merger relief in respect of the premium on the issue of shares to the vendors of UHV (see note 17).

UHV drew up statutory accounts for the period from 1 April 2005 to 20 February 2006, the day immediately prior to the acquisition. These showed turnover of £899,465, operating profit of £321,229, profit before tax of £326,001, tax of £77,113 and profit after tax of £248,888. The profit after tax for the year ended 31 March 2005 was £231,742.

The assets and liabilities of UHV at the date of acquisition were as follows:

| | Book and fair values £ |
|--|--|
| Fixed assets Current assets Current liabilities Long term liabilities | 127,602 460,713 (191,797) (8,011) |
| Total net assets at date of acquisition | 388,507 |
| Consideration paid or provided for, including transaction costs | 1,141,288 |
| Goodwill | 752,781 |
| Consideration satisfied by: Cash falling due on completion, including transaction costs Cash paid subsequently - earn-out - working capital adjustment Estimate of cash payable in 2007 – earn-out | 750,288 43,000 205,000 43,000 |
| Cash consideration paid or provided for Issue of shares – 98,522 Ordinary 5p shares at fair value of £1.015 each | 1,041,288 |
| Total fair value of consideration Less: merger relief | 1,141,288 (95,074) |
| Company - cost of investment recorded | 1,046,214 |

UHV made the following contributions to, and utilisations of, group cash flow:

| | 2006 post acquisition £ |
|--|--|
| Net cash inflow from operating activities Returns on investment and servicing of finance Capital expenditure and financial investment Financing | 363,294 3,715 (61,144) 53,977 |
| Increase in cash | 359,842 |
| Analysis of net outflow of cash in respect of the purchase of UHV: | £ |
| Cash at bank and in hand at the date of acquisition Cash consideration (excluding expected 2007 payment of £43,000) | 178,867 (998,288) |
| Net cash outflow (excluding expected 2007 payment of £43,000) | (819,421) |

27 Acquisition of Aitchee Engineering Limited ("Aitchee")

On 4 September 2006 the company's subsidiary, Fire Testing Technology Limited ("FTT"), subscribed in cash and at par for 2 ordinary shares of £1 each in Aitchee Engineering Limited ("Aitchee"), being 100% of its issued share capital. On commencement of its trade on 4 September 2006, Aitchee acquired the goodwill and certain assets of Aitchee Engineering Associates, a business previously carried on by its proprietors in the manufacture of a variety of engineering parts and finished products for a variety of industries. Goodwill arising on the acquisition of these assets has been capitalised within the consolidated accounts of Judges Capital plc. The purchase of Aitchee has been accounted for by the acquisition method of accounting.



Apart from cash raised on subscription for its shares, Aitchee had no assets or liabilities at the date of acquisition of its shares by FTT, nor any accumulated profits or losses. The fair values attributed by the directors of Aitchee to the assets acquired from Aitchee Engineering Associates were as follows:

| 3 3 | |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Fixed assets | Fair values £ 32,865 |
| Stocks | 5,000 |
| Total net assets at date of acquisition | 37,865 |
| Consideration paid or provided for, including transaction costs | 243,500 |
| Goodwill | 205,635 |
| Consideration satisfied by: Cash falling due on completion, including transaction costs Estimate of cash payable in 2007 – earn-out and transaction costs | 222,500 21,000 |
| Total fair value of consideration | 243,500 |
| Aitchee made the following contributions to, and utilisations of, group cash flow: | |
| | 2006 post acquisition £ |
| Net cash inflow from operating activities Returns on investment and servicing of finance | 4,415 (63) |
| Increase in cash | 4,352 |
| | |
| Analysis of net outflow of cash in respect of the purchase of Aitchee | : £ |
| Cash consideration for shares | 2 |
| Net cash outflow | 2 |
| | |

28 Operating lease commitments
At 31 December 2006 the group had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

| | 2006 £ | 2005 £ |
|---|-------------|-----------|
| Expiry date: Land and buildings - between one and five years - after five years | 164,691 | 93,000 |





Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the fourth Annual General Meeting of Judges Capital plc ("the Company") will be held at 17 Grosvenor Gardens, London SW1W 0BD on 21 May 2007 at 12.00 noon for the purpose of dealing with the following business of which items 6, 7 and 8 are special business.

Ordinary Business

- 1 To receive the reports of the directors and the auditor and the audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2006.
- 2 To re-appoint Hon Alexander Hambro, who retires by rotation, as a director.
- 3. To re-appoint Ralph Elman, who retires by rotation, as a director.
- 4 To approve a final dividend of 2 pence per Ordinary share.
- 5 To re-appoint Grant Thornton UK LLP as auditor to hold office from the conclusion of this meeting until the conclusion of the next general meeting at which financial statements are laid before the Company and to authorise the directors to fix the remuneration of the auditor.

Special Business

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions, as to the resolution numbered 6 as an Ordinary Resolution and as to the resolutions numbered 7 and 8 as Special Resolutions:

Ordinary Resolution

6 That the directors of the Company be and are hereby generally and unconditionally authorised to exercise all the powers of the Company to allot relevant securities (as defined for the purposes of section 80 of the Companies Act 1985 ("the Act") up to an aggregate nominal amount of £178,043 provided that this authority unless renewed shall expire at the close of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company, save that the Company may before such expiry make any offer, agreement or other arrangement which would or might require relevant securities to be allotted after such expiry and the directors of the Company may allot the relevant securities in pursuance of such offer,

agreement or other arrangements as if the authority conferred hereby had not expired, this authority to replace any previous authority under section 80 of the Act which is hereby revoked with immediate effect.

Special Resolutions

- 7 That:
- (a) subject to and conditional upon the passing of resolution 6 above, the directors of the Company be and they are hereby empowered pursuant to section 95(1) of the Act to allot equity securities (as defined for the purposes of section 95 of the Act) for cash, pursuant to the authority granted by resolution 6 above, as if section 89(1) of the Act did not apply to any such allotment, provided that such power shall be limited to:
- (i) the allotment of equity securities in connection with a relevant rights issue or open offer in favour of Ordinary shareholders where the equity securities attributable to the respective interests of all Ordinary shareholders are proportionate to the respective numbers of Ordinary Shares held by them on the record date for such allotment, but subject to such exclusions as the directors may deem fit to deal with fractional entitlements or problems arising under the laws of any overseas territory or the requirements of any regulatory body or stock exchange; and
- (ii) the allotment (otherwise than pursuant to sub-paragraph (i) above) of equity securities for cash up to an aggregate nominal amount of £178,043.

and, unless previously renewed, revoked or varied, such power shall expire at the close of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company, save that the Company may before such expiry make an offer, agreement or other arrangement which would or might require equity securities to be allotted after such expiry and the directors of the Company may allot equity securities in pursuance of such offer, agreement or other arrangement as if the power conferred hereby had not expired:

- (b) For the purposes of this resolution:
- (i) "relevant rights issue" means an offer of equity securities open for acceptance for a period fixed by the directors of the Company to holders on the register on a fixed record date of Ordinary shares in the Company in proportion (or as nearly as may be practicable) to their respective holdings but subject in any case to such exclusions or other arrangements as the directors of the Company may deem necessary or desirable to deal with fractional entitlements or legal or practical problems under the laws of, or the requirements of, any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in any territory; and
- (ii) the nominal amount of any securities shall be taken to be, in the case of rights to subscribe for or convert any securities into shares of the Company, the nominal amount of such shares, which may be allotted pursuant to such rights.
- 8 That the Company is hereby generally and unconditionally authorised to make market purchases (within the meaning of section 163(3) Companies Act 1985) of Ordinary shares of 5p each in the capital of the Company ("Ordinary Shares") provided that:-
- (a) the maximum number of Ordinary Shares authorised to be acquired is 356.087:
- (b) the minimum price which may be paid for each Ordinary Share is 5p (exclusive of expenses);
- (c) the maximum price (exclusive of expenses) which may be paid for each Ordinary Share is, in respect of a share contracted to be purchased on any day, an amount equal to 105 per cent of the average of the middle market quotations of Ordinary Shares taken from the Daily Official List of the London Stock Exchange for the five business days immediately preceding the day on which the contract of purchase is made;
- (d) this authority will (unless renewed) expire at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company held after the date on which this resolution is passed or, if earlier, 18 months after that date; and
- (e) the Company may make a contract of purchase of Ordinary Shares under this authority before this authority expires which will or may be executed wholly or partly after its expiration.

By Order of the RL Cohen 23 April 2007 Company Secretary A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting convened by the or vote at the meeting in respect of the number of Ordinary shares Pursuant to Regulation 41 of The Uncertificated Securities member from attending and voting in person at the meeting should the time fixed for holding the meeting or any adjournment thereof. at the registered office of the Company not less that 48 hours before notarially certified copy of such power or authority, must be deposited attend and, on a poll, vote in his/her place. A proxy need not be a notice set out herein is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to determining the rights of any person to attend or vote at the meeting Register after 12.00 noon on 19 May 2007 shall be disregarded in registered in their name at that time. Changes to entries in the prior to the time fixed for the adjourned meeting are entitled to attend the Meeting is adjourned, such time being not more than 48 hours not more than 48 hours prior to the time fixed for the Meeting) or, if Members of the Company as at 12.00 noon on 19 May 2007 (being Regulations 2001 only those members registered in the Register of he/she so wish. The completion and return of a form of proxy will not preclude a power of attorney or other authority under which it is signed or a To be valid, the instrument appointing a proxy together with any member of the Company. Board Registered Office:
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the time fixed for holding the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

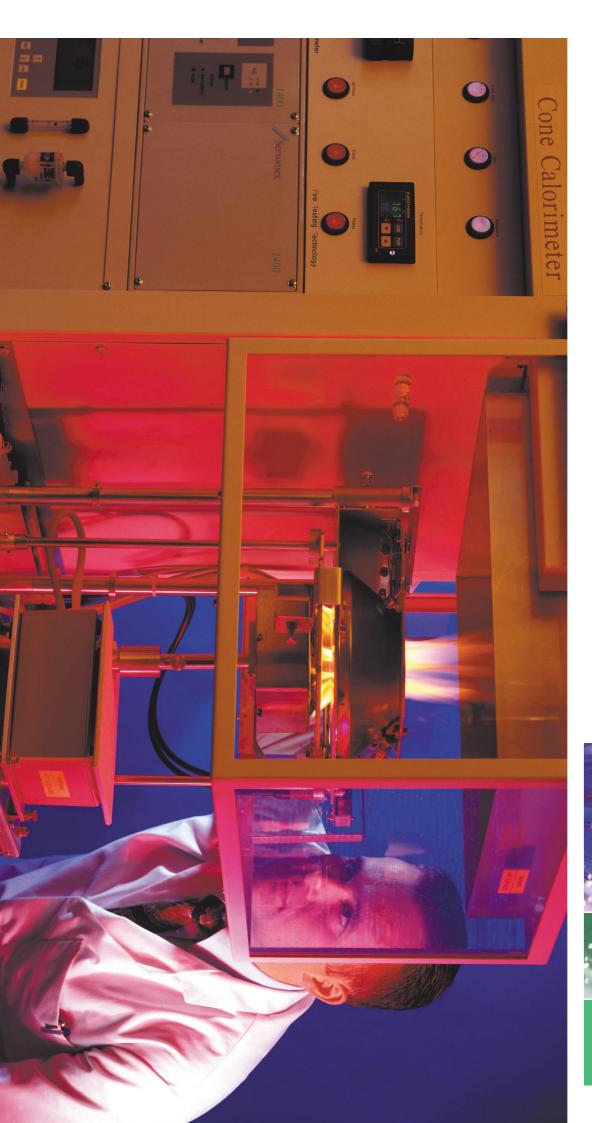
for the Annual General Meeting of Judges Capital plc on 21 May 2007 at 12.00 noon at 17 Grosvenor Gardens, London SW1W 0BD

If you are unable to attend the Annual General Meeting, you may appoint a proxy to attend and vote in your place. A proxy need not be a member of Judges Capital plc. A proxy must vote as you have instructed and cannot vote on a show of hands. If you wish to appoint a proxy other than the Chairman of the meeting you may do so by crossing out the words 'Chairman of the meeting' and writing another proxy's name and address in the space provided. You may appoint more than one proxy. Please indicate for each Resolution how you wish your proxy to vote by placing a tick in the relevant box. If you do not tell your proxy how to vote, your proxy may vote or withhold his/her vote as he/she thinks fit on the Resolutions or any other business at the meeting (including amendments to Resolutions).

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| | man of the meeting or to attend and, on a poll, to vote on my/our behalf at the Annual | | | |
| and a | t any adjournment(s) of that meeting. | | | |
| | | For | Against | Vote Withheld |
| 1 | Approval of Annual Report and Accounts | | | |
| 2 | Re-appointment of Hon Alexander Hambro | | | |
| 3 | Re-appointment of Ralph Elman | | | |
| 4 | Approval of final dividend | | | |
| 5 | Re-appointment of auditor | | | |
| 6 | Authority to allot relevant securities | | | |
| 7 | Authority to disapply pre-emption rights * | | | |
| 8 | Authority to purchase own shares * | | | |
| *Spe | cial resolutions | | | |
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| Pleas | e sign here: | | Date | e: |
| Pleas | e post this form once you have completed it to the address printe | ed overleaf. To be valid. | this form must be recei | ved no later than 48 hours before |

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