

# Group Cash Flow Statement

For the year ended 31 March 2006

	Note	2006 £m	2005 £m
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Profit before tax		65.1	99.9
Depreciation and other amortisation		24.1	22.2
Equity settled transactions	7	2.7	2.4
Finance income and expense		3.4	0.9
<b>Operating cash flow before changes in working capital, interest and taxes</b>			
Increase in inventories		(12.8)	(13.6)
(Increase) decrease in trade and other receivables		(14.6)	9.3
Increase (decrease) in trade and other payables		13.2	(3.7)
<b>Cash generated from operations</b>			
Interest received		6.8	3.5
Interest paid		(10.1)	(4.8)
Income tax paid		(25.8)	(31.2)
<b>Operating cash flow</b>			
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Capital expenditure and financial investment		(26.3)	(24.6)
Proceeds from sale of non-current assets		1.2	0.8
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>			
<b>Free cash flow</b>			
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Proceeds from the issue of share capital		–	–
New bank loans		54.3	35.0
Repayment of bank loans		(25.6)	(20.8)
Equity dividends paid	10	(80.0)	(80.0)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>			
<b>Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		62.6	72.6
Effect of exchange rates on cash		(0.2)	(5.3)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year</b>			
	29	38.0	62.6

The notes on pages 31 to 49 form part of these Group Accounts.