

H.R. OWEN PLC

Director Shareholding

We have been notified by Nicholas Lancaster, a director of the Company, that at various times during the period from 1992 to 2003, he granted charges over a total of 4,609,502 shares in the Company in which he owns the beneficial interest. These charges remain in place as at the date of this announcement.

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