

## **Transparency Report 2009**

This report has been prepared to meet the requirements of the Statutory Auditors (Transparency) Instrument 2008 for the year ended 30 April 2009 and is laid out in accordance with Schedule 1 to that instrument.

### **1. Legal structure and ownership of the firm**

Jeffreys Henry LLP (the firm) is a Limited Liability Partnership, wholly owned by its members. At the date of this report there are eight members in the firm

### **2. Description of our international association**

Jeffreys Henry LLP is an independent member firm of the JHI association, which is registered in Switzerland. There are currently over 120 member firms around the world, details of which can be found at [www.jhi.com](http://www.jhi.com)

Each member firm appoints its own management and is separate and independent from both JHI and all other member firms, neither sharing profits nor under any common ownership or control.

### **3. Governance structure**

The firm is under the control of the members as detailed in the membership agreement.

### **4. Internal quality control system**

The firm is committed to excellence in all areas of its work. All departments are subject to a regime of quality control that is appropriate to that department, including:-

- a. reviews of the technical abilities of personnel
- b. ongoing training programmes
- c. recruitment policies designed to ensure only the highest calibre personnel are recruited
- d. reviews of all work by managers with appropriate expertise where required
- e. use of appropriate technical checklists
- f. regular "cold" reviews of work performed by independent personnel where required

The members of the firm review each department on a regular basis and are satisfied that the levels of training undertaken and the quality control systems in place produce the highest possible results in terms of work performed and advice given.

### **5. Monitoring visits**

The firm had its last external monitoring visit by the Quality Assurance Directorate in June 2008.

### **6. List of public interest entities**

The public interest entities in respect of which an audit report has been made in the last reporting period, all of which are on AIM, are as follows:-

Messaging international plc  
Infoscreen networks plc  
Timestrip plc  
Plant offshore group Ltd  
Mobilityone Ltd  
AFC Energy plc  
Caplay plc  
L P Hill plc  
Eruma plc  
Nostra Terra Oil & Gas plc

YCO Group plc  
Tembusu Ltd  
Alltrue Investents plc  
Tricor plc  
Gold Oil plc  
SBS Group plc  
Coms plc

## **7. Independence procedures and practices**

The firm has a rigorous policy designed to maintain its independence in respect of audit clients. This policy lays down procedures that must be followed in respect of all audits undertaken as follows:-

- a. independence is reviewed on commencement and completion of each audit assignment.
- b. annual checks are made in respect of all professional staff to ensure they are independent from all our clients in accordance with the audit regulations.
- c. A dedicated ethics partner reviews all assignments where there may be considered a public interest as well as all cases where there may be any doubts as to our independence.

## **8. Statement on policies and practices in respect of persons eligible for appointment as a statutory auditor**

All personnel eligible for appointment as a statutory auditor are required to attend regular training courses to ensure their theoretical knowledge in all required aspects of their work is maintained at the highest possible level. The professional skills and values of these personnel are also maintained at a high level from years of experience in undertaking audit assignments.

In addition all work undertaken by these individuals is reviewed by external reviewers on a twice yearly basis to ensure standards are maintained.

## **9. Financial information**

An analysis of the firm's turnover for the year ended 30 April 2009 is as follows:-

	<b>£million</b>
Statutory audit and related services	1.8
Other services	3.9
Total	5.7

## **10. Basis for remuneration of partners**

Members are remunerated solely out of the profits of the firm. Each member's profit share is based on his/her assessed contribution to the firm and responsibilities undertaken.