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Dear Sir

We hereby submit our resignation as auditors of the attached list of companies with effect from 31 July 2002.

In accordance with section 394 of the Companies Act 1985, we confirm that there are no circumstances connected with our ceasing to hold office that we consider should be brought to the attention of the companies' members or creditors.

Yours sincerely,

Arthur Andersen



JOHNSTON PRESS plc - Group Companies

<u>Company</u>	<u>Registered Number</u>
1066 Newspapers Ltd	1794414
Ackrill Newspapers Ltd	1635068
Adscene Kent Newspapers Ltd	0055399
Amberstock Publishing Ltd	2041874
Anglia Newspapers Ltd	1038578
Bedfordshire Newspapers Ltd	1021920
Beltons Ltd	0265751
Blackpool Gazette & Herald Ltd	42125
Bridlington Gazette & Herald Ltd	2895257
Central Counties Newspapers Ltd	00103807
Charles Clarke (Haywards Heath) Ltd	0147891
Central Lancashire Printers Ltd	67813
Champion Publications (Harrogate) Ltd	1157888
Driffield Post Ltd	2650383
East Lancashire Newspapers Ltd	129579
East Midlands Newspapers Ltd	1588799
Emcliffe Ltd	2890739
Fleetwood Media Ltd	3930322
Four Counties Newspapers Ltd	1229102
G C Brittain & Sons Ltd	0099128
Halifax Courier Ltd	1402428
Halifax Courier Holdings Ltd	0332514
Herald & Post Newspapers Ltd	77183
Jesse Ward Investments Ltd	0206636
Lancashire Evening Post	1344614
Lancashire Publications Ltd	508284
Lancaster & Morecambe Newspapers Ltd	90399
Leeds Weekly News Ltd	1513261
Lincolnshire Standard Group Ltd	0119285
Lincolnshire Web Offset Ltd	0296313
Minthill Ltd	3141239
North Derbyshire Newspapers Ltd	2413462
Northamptonshire Newspapers Ltd	2573421

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Northampton Web Ltd	1265807
Northeast Press Ltd	905215
Northern Advertising Agency Ltd	00496354
Northern Web Ltd	1630520
North Notts Newspapers Ltd	0954796
Peterboro' Web Ltd	0674979
Pocklington Post Ltd	2554695
Portsmouth Publishing & Printing Investments Ltd	3591680
Portsmouth & Sunderland Newspapers Ltd	0269663
Portsmouth Publishing & Printing Ltd	1248289
Premier Newspapers Ltd	1916792
Regional Independent Media Acquisitions Ltd	3512564
Regional Independent Media Funding 1 Ltd	3516643
Regional Independent Media Funding 2 Ltd	3516612
Regional Independent Media Group plc	3516655
Regional Independent Media Holdings Ltd	3508958
Regional Independent Media Scotland Ltd	491448
Regional Independent Newspapers Ltd	3392487
Regional Interactive Media Ltd	1656140
RIM Letterbox Direct Ltd	1492610
Senews Ltd	1764016
Sheffield Newspapers Ltd	780919
Southern Web Offset Ltd	1794427
South Yorkshire Newspapers Ltd	3103977
South Bedfordshire Newspapers Ltd	0283198
Stamford Mercury Ltd	00129556
Sussex Newspapers Ltd	00829253
The Chorley Guardian Ltd	218658
The Reporter Ltd	50742
The Yeller Publications Ltd	2773191
Town & Country Newspapers Ltd	1326334
T R Beckett Ltd	00100701
Welland Valley Newspapers Ltd	0776226
Wilfred Edmunds Ltd	0061775
Yorkshire Post Magazines Ltd	2773199
Yorkshire Post Newspapers Ltd	2899
Yorkshire Post Training Ltd	1087316
Yorkshire Regional Newspapers Ltd	0237165
Yorkshire Weekly Newspaper	0179021

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