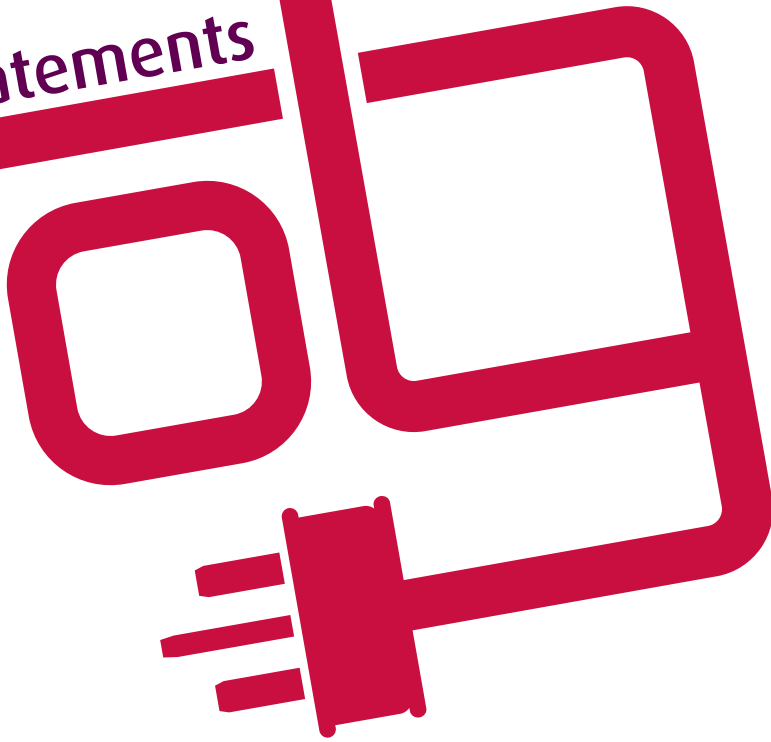
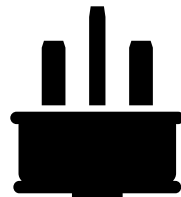


Financial Statements
2008-09



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Definitions

ESC Group: The Electrical Safety Council (ESC) and the NICEIC Trading Group.

NICEIC Trading Group: All the ESC's trading subsidiaries, including NICEIC Group Limited.

Legal and Administrative Information

Board Members and Management

D P Dossett †	BEAMA Limited (Chairman)
N Carter	Association for Consultancy and Engineering
M Clancy	Prospect
S Duncan	Scottish Power plc (resigned April 2009)
W J Howard †	Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers (resigned April 2009)
D W M Latimer	Institution of Engineering & Technology
N McGuinness	SELECT
R Miguel	UNITE
D J Pollock	Electrical Contractors' Association
L Stratton	Royal Institute of British Architects
C J Tanswell	Society of Electrical and Mechanical Engineers Serving Local Government
B F Walker	Institution of Engineering & Technology
W H Wright †	Institution of Engineering & Technology

† Office Bearer

Director General	J Speirs to May 2009
Director General	P Buckle from June 2009
Company Secretary	J O'Connell

Management Team

J Speirs	(Executive Chairman Trading Group)
P Buckle	(Director General)
M C Clark	(Technical Director)
E McCarthy	(Chief Operating Officer NICEIC Group Ltd previous Human Resource & Change Director)
J O'Connell	(Group Finance Director & Company Secretary)

Finance Committee

D Dossett (Chairman)	J O'Connell
S J Currie	J Speirs
W J Howard	W Wright

Technical Committee

C J Tanswell (Chairman)
J Bradley (Secretary)
M C Clark
D W M Latimer
M Mullins
B F Walker
W H Wright
D Start
G Digilio
D Millar
J Hodge
G Cronshaw
A Wells
P Buckle
R Bates (from May 2008)
K Clayton (to October 2008)
K Morton
J M R Hagger
F Bertie
M Tyrell

Standing Committee on Technical Matters

M C Clark (Chairman)
J Bradley (Secretary)
P Cook
P Cutting
A Daley
D W M Latimer
G Cronshaw
M Onyett
P Sayer
J A McLean
C J Tanswell
D Start
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No. 570175

Registered Charity (England and Wales)

No. 257376

Registered Charity (Scotland)

No. SC039990

Chairman's Statement

2008-09

I am delighted to report in my last year as Chairman on the continuing success of The Electrical Safety Council.

This year The Electrical Safety Council has redoubled its efforts to raise awareness and understanding of the importance of safe electrical installations and electrical products to consumers throughout the UK. Our work has been helped by the performance of our trading subsidiary, NICEIC Group Ltd, which achieved excellent financial results for 2008/09. The funds that are gift aided to The Electrical Safety Council have allowed us to deliver significant benefit to the community particularly the elderly and those in financial hardship.

To underpin our impartiality and independence from the activities of NICEIC Group Ltd the Trustees, supported by the Director General and senior staff, have developed a Group Strategy that sets out a vision for the future direction of the ESC Group. The strategy, whilst recognising the success of The Electrical Safety Council to date, has established ambitious plans for the next five years that will see us expanding our activities to include safety issues in all areas of energy use in the home and workplace. The strategy also sets out a new structure, meaning that there will no longer be joint roles in the organisation resulting in Jim Speirs, our Director General for eight years, turning his attention to growing NICEIC Group's commercial activities. Jim has been instrumental in the success of both the Charity and the NICEIC Group and on behalf of the Trustees and staff of The Electrical Safety Council I would like to thank him for his courage and enthusiasm that has ensured the future of the ESC Group.

To advance the work of The Electrical Safety Council we have to ensure we have the right people and infrastructure in place. We are fortunate to have such a committed team and it is through their efforts that we have continued to make such good progress. To further enhance the team we created a new post of Head of Communications and Campaigns and this was filled in January 2009. Coupled with strengthening the team we have made changes to the office layout to provide a working environment that will help provide the stimulus for new ideas to support consumer safety in both electrical and other energy related issues.

During the last year the work of our Campaigns team and Technical Division has meant that The Electrical Safety Council has been able to make progress in a number of key areas. Working in partnership with RoSPA and Intertek Ram we have been able to secure funding from the Department of Health for the South West Public Health Observatory (SWPHO) to run a pilot project that will hopefully lead to a new system of recording causes of accidents and injuries that was previously provided through the now defunct HASS and LASS database. We hope the pilot will be successful and the data will be an important tool in future prevention of needless and preventable accidents by identifying trends, cutting waste, directing budgets and highlighting areas of concern.

When we renamed the Charity we expanded our activities to include safety of electrical products and we have steadily built our profile in this important area of consumer safety. We reached a major milestone in this area when we hosted a two-day conference on electrical safety in September 2008. The conference was opened by Baroness Tonge and was attended by representatives from the European Commission, Trading Standards, BERR, BEAMA, the US Consumer Product Safety Commission along with many other organisations from the across the world. During the conference we signed the Electrical Installation Industry Charter, which commits the signatories to fighting the proliferation of dangerous products on an international stage. We continued to maintain momentum following the conference and planned to host a media round table event on counterfeit products.

The Technical Division has provided top quality guidance to electricians through the best practice guides and its support of the industry forum has meant that there is now the provision of industry agreed solutions to problems raised by electricians. It is also important to acknowledge the support the industry provides to us in developing this guidance and on behalf of The Electrical Safety Council I would like to extend our thanks for the support we have received.

NICEIC Group has seen some changes. A new Chief Operating Officer was appointed in February 2009 to ensure that it will continue to maintain its position in the challenging times ahead. The NICEIC Group continues to be innovative and is able to provide its customers with best value products and services.

I remain confident about the future of the ESC Group and I know that our people will continue to work hard to support the Trustees in achieving their vision for The Electrical Safety Council to become the most influential and respected body in the UK for electrical and related safety issues.

David Dossett

Chairman

The Electrical Safety Council

Directors' Report

for the year end 31 March 2009

The Directors, who are also the Trustees of the Charity, submit their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2009. The Directors have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) Accounting and Reporting by Charities (revised 2005) in preparing this report. The legal and administrative information on pages 4 and 5 form part of this report.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Electrical Safety Council is a company limited by guarantee and a registered Charity.

The Charity is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association which were last amended on 2 October 2008 following the Council's Annual General Meeting when permission was sought, and granted by members, to make a small change required to register as a charity in Scotland.

Board Members who are Directors for the purposes of company law, and Trustees for charity purposes, are appointed in accordance with the Articles of Association. Additional Directors have been historically proposed to the Board on the basis of technical expertise or as representatives of relevant user groups or related industry associations/forums which are members of Council.

No monetary value has been attributed to the work of volunteers which comprises mostly the unpaid time of Board Directors, although their contribution is significant and vital to the current activities and continued future success of the Charity and its subsidiaries. The Industry has contributed without cost to the generation of several Best Practice Guides, for which the Charity is grateful.

New Directors are provided with an induction by employees of the Charity Team as well as being provided with a comprehensive information pack, including relevant Charity Commission publications.

At least once a year, training is provided to Directors about issues which are relevant to their roles with the Charity. The next training session will focus on public benefit. Directors are also encouraged to attend relevant training seminars during the course of the year.

The Council's policy and strategy are set by the Board of Directors - the Electrical Safety Board. The Board meets four times a year, plus other meetings as required.

The Board delegates the exercise of certain powers in connection with the management and administration of the Charity, with regular reporting to the Board.

All delegated responsibilities to the Board's sub-committees are ratified through the Board of Directors.

A strategic review was undertaken during the year which created changes to the governance structure which include:

- a division of the former Director General's role with Jim Speirs' future focus on the trading subsidiaries as Executive Chairman. He is responsible for the day to day management of the subsidiaries' affairs, and for implementing the policies agreed by the Board of NICEIC Group Ltd
- a new role of Director General was advertised, and the former Director of Charitable Affairs has been appointed the new Director General, focusing purely on the Charity
- the creation of a new Monitoring Committee which will act as a sub-committee of The Electrical Safety Council Board and will conduct oversight of the trading group's activities within the parameters established by clear terms of reference.

The Board of the main commercial subsidiary comprises four non-executive directors who are not Trustees of the Charity and three executive directors.

The Director General and the Executive Chairman are assisted by a group of executives and senior managers.

The Board approves the delegation of financial authority through the Director General of the Charity, and the Executive Chairman of the Commercial Group with specific limits imposed within an approved scheme of delegation.

The Director General, and other members of executive management attend meetings of the Board of Trustees and the sub-committees.

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The discussions with CORGI on a proposed merger of the two organisations concluded during the year, and no further action was taken.

The sub-committees in operation during the year were:

- Technical Committee and The Standing Committee on Technical Matters
- Electrical Safety of Products Committee
- Finance Committee
- Building Extension Committee.

Public Benefit

The Directors are mindful of their duties and the guidance provided by the Charity Commission to ensure that the Charity continues to provide public benefit.

Some of the achievements listed in the paragraphs that follow demonstrate how, in the year under review, public benefit was delivered.

Achievements And Performance

The Objectives of the Charity

The principal objective of the Charity remains the protection of electrical users against the hazards of faulty, unsafe and otherwise defective electrical installations and products.

Achievement of the charitable objective is undertaken by both The Electrical Safety Council and its trading subsidiary, NICEIC Group Limited.

The Electrical Safety Council's vision is to be the most influential and respected body in the UK on electrical safety issues for both the consumer and industry.

The Charity's focus is broadly targeted on consumer safety issues which include:

- Partnerships
- Raising the Profile
- Technical Standards
- Consumer awareness
- Campaigning.

Charitable activities undertaken by the Charity's trading subsidiary NICEIC Group Limited include:

- Assessment, certification and registration of individuals and entities carrying out electrical work through:
 - Operation of the Approved Contractors' Scheme which is a voluntary electrical safety regulating body
 - Operation of the Domestic Installer Scheme, a self certification scheme for providers of electrical services and related ancillary trades to domestic dwellings under Part P of the Building Regulations
- Distribution and retail of technical publications and certificates
- Provision of electrical training courses.

Achievements for the year

The main achievements were:

- Developed a five year strategy for the Charity
- Hosted an International Product Safety Conference in London
- Launched a campaign aimed at improving the general standard of periodic reporting
- Coordinated a campaign that tested over 2000 and replaced 1300 electric blankets
- Created an educational web presence for teenagers
- Ran a UK wide electrical safety poster competition for under 11s which received over 8,000 entries
- Introduced an electronic certification software package for Approved Contractors and Domestic Installers
- Produced various materials to support the publication of the 17th Edition of the Wiring Regulations
- Introduced a Risk Register for both the Charity and the Commercial Group
- Implemented a revised Investment Policy.

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Other significant milestones attained were:

- The Roll of Approved Contractors has reached its highest ever level at 15,275
- In excess of 926,000 building control notifications were made to local authorities
- Over 3,900 people attended electrical training courses, including 17th Edition Courses.

Further details of the year's achievements are detailed in the Annual Review.

Charitable Activities in Scotland

The Charity continued to strengthen its links with Scotland through the establishment of an office just outside Edinburgh and by working with MSPs to ensure messages about electrical safety are disseminated to as many Scottish consumers as possible.

The Charity supported the Scottish Government in the launch of their public information film on fire risks and promoted electrical safety through its attendance at the National and Scottish Home Building and Renovation Shows.

Many of the Charity's campaigns and activities have a nationwide remit throughout the UK including the poster campaign.

Future Plans

- Implementation of a five year strategic plan for the Charity
- Improving consumer knowledge of electrical safety matters
- Developing a more localised focus on electrical safety issues in Scotland and Northern Ireland
- Continuing growth in the roll of Approved Contractor and Domestic Installers.

Financial Position and Reserves

In summary total incoming resources increased by 12% to £38,050K, whilst total resources expended increased broadly in line with the revenue increase to £35,934K resulting in a surplus for the year of £2,116K a decrease of £357K.

The Charity's income reduced due to poor investment returns. This was in part due to the dramatic reduction in interest rates achievable on the mainstream money markets. However, licensing charges to the Commercial Group to operate the Roll of Approved Contractors increased, as well as an increase in Gift Aid, due to the implementation of the 17th Edition of the Wiring Regulations.

Income from charitable activities has increased by 13% reflecting growth in the Roll of Approved Contractors compensating for the slight reduction in the Domestic Installer Scheme (Part P Scheme) registrants. However, the implementation of the 17th Edition has given rise to a windfall estimated at approximately a million pounds, and is included within the overall gift aid payment. The Charity's subsidiary, NICEIC Group Limited, generated most of the Group's charitable income.

Total charitable expenditure of £20,929K has increased compared with the previous year due to the growth of the Schemes, and the introduction of the 17th Edition.

Charitable expenditure incurred in the Charity amounted to £3,571K an increase of 36% on the previous year reflecting increased activity in consumer campaigning and awareness activity including TV advertising.

Almost all of the Group's commercial activities are conducted in NICEIC Group Limited with the exception of the activities of JPD Group Ltd and SNQA (SNQA is currently owned by National Quality Assurance Ltd).

Revenue from subsidiary funded activities grew from £12,972K to £14,357K, an 11% increase.

NICEIC Group Limited has enjoyed good financial growth during the year driven by meeting its customers' requirements for 17th Edition training and publication materials and a solid performance from the NQA division. This financial success has resulted in a significant increase in gift aid to £5,540K (2008 - £4,421K).

Charity cash and investment balances have increased to £17,507K resulting from increased profitability from trading activities.

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Changes in tangible fixed assets are summarised in note 10 to the financial statements. Capital invested in fixed assets fell during the year due to expenditure on fixed assets being less than the depreciation charge.

Governance Costs increased to £558K from £466K.

The financial position of the Group remains sound although reserves have reduced significantly from £15,291K to £9,139K as a result of the big increase in the pension deficit. The reserves are wholly unrestricted. This deficit is calculated under current accounting standards and is of a long term nature. As such, this deficit does not have a material impact in the short term on the Charity's cash flow.

Investment Policy and Returns

The Finance Committee reviewed the Charity's investment policy and fund management activities, which provides the framework for the Charity's investment strategy.

Having taken independent advice, the revised investment policy now has as its objectives "to enhance, in so far as is reasonable, with the avoidance of undue risk, the real value of the capital." A return of RPI plus 2% was targeted as a benchmark.

An allocation of £12M of funds was earmarked for transfer to an investment portfolio to be managed by the newly appointed fund managers, Cazenove and HSBC. However the turbulence in financial markets prompted a rethink of the strategy and only a third of the original allocation, £4M, was transferred. The investment portfolio net losses were £668K in the period.

Further changes to the investment policy are likely as a result of the increased pension deficit, possible significant capital expenditure projects and the lessons to be learnt from the recent turmoil.

Reserves and Risk Assessment

Subsequent to the development of risk registers for the Charity and the trading group, risk management processes are now embedded in the day to day operations of the Charity and its subsidiaries. An independent audit of the Group's risk register was undertaken for the first time.

The Finance Committee, on behalf of the Board, conducts an annual review of the level of unrestricted reserves by considering the risks associated with the various income streams, expenditure plans and balance sheet items.

In setting the reserves target the Committee reviewed the risk register and the systems that have been established to mitigate those risks. Identified risks include single sourcing funding and the final pension salary scheme. The Committee also recognises that assets such as fixed assets are not easily or quickly realised.

This enables an estimate to be made of the level of reserves that will be sufficient to maintain core charitable activities including:

- the Charity's consumer awareness activities,
- the commitment to the Technical Manual, and
- sufficient time to reorganise and dispose of long term assets in the event of a down turn.

The Finance Committee has recommended that the reserves target should remain three times discretionary charitable expenditure after provision has been made for designated investments in tangible fixed assets which cannot be easily liquidated and the actuarial pension deficit. Charity reserves currently approximate 58% of this target, due in large part to the recent turmoil in financial markets which has substantially increased the pension deficit.

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Financial Instruments

The Group's policy is to finance working capital through retained reserves and monies received in advance from customers as a result of its annual fee cycle. The Group does not actively use other financial instruments as part of its financial risk management. It is exposed to the usual credit risk and cash flow risk associated with selling on credit and manages this through credit control procedures. It is also exposed to some foreign exchange risk through its joint ventures and NQA's international customer base, but these exposures are not significant within the context of the Group. The nature of the Group's financial risk instruments means that they are not subject to price or liquidity risk.

The Board does not consider any other risks attaching to the use of financial instruments to be material to an assessment of its financial position or result.

Employee Training and Recruitment

The Group has an active personal development training programme to ensure that all employees have the skills and knowledge to achieve the business and personal goals to which they aspire. The Group is an equal opportunity employer that values diversity in its employees and it has recruitment policies directed to ensure that it is open to all.

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 and charity law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and the Group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the net income or expenditure, of the Group for the year. In preparing those financial statements the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and the Group and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985, the Charities Act 1993, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulations made thereunder. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and the Group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the financial information included on the Charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of the financial statements and other information included in annual reports may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Each of the directors has confirmed that so far as he is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Charity's auditors are unaware, and that he has taken all the steps he ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

Auditors

A resolution for the appointment of auditors shall be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

By order of the Board

Judith O'Connell

Company Secretary
14th August 2009

Independent Auditors' Report to the Members and Trustees of The Electrical Safety Council

We have audited the group and parent charity financial statements of The Electrical Safety Council for the year ended 31 March 2009 which comprises the consolidated statement of financial activities, the consolidated and parent charity balance sheets, the consolidated cashflow statement and the related notes. The financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the charity's members as a body, in accordance with section 235 of the Companies Act 1985 and to the charity's trustees as a body, in accordance with regulations made under section 44 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and, in respect of the group financial statements, regulations made under section 44 of the Charities Act 1993. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's members and trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 charity, the charity's members as a body and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The responsibilities of the directors (who are the trustees for the purposes of charity law) for preparing the Directors' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom accounting standards ('United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice') are set out in the statement of directors' responsibilities.

The directors were not required by section 227 of the Companies Act 1985 Act to prepare group financial statements for the financial year and accordingly have prepared the group financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 1993, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulations made under those Acts.

We have been appointed as auditors under the Companies Act 1985 and section 44 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and, in respect of our audit of the group financial statements, under paragraph 6 of Schedule 5A to the Charities Act 1993. We report to you in accordance with those Acts and in accordance with regulations made under section 44 of the Charities Act 1993 (as modified by paragraph 8 of Schedule 5A to that Act) and section 44 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005.

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

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulations made thereunder and, in respect of the group financial statements, regulations made under the Charities Act 1993. We also report whether the information given in the Directors' annual report is consistent with those financial statements.

We also report to you if, in our opinion, the parent charity has not kept proper accounting records, if the charity's individual financial statements are not in agreement with those records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding trustees' remuneration and transactions with the charity and other members of the group is not disclosed.

We read the Directors' annual report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

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 judgments made by the trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charity's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations 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 group financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the group's affairs as at 31 March 2009 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- the parent charitable company financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2009;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and Regulations 6 and 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006;
- the group financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Regulation 13 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008; and
- the information given in the Directors' annual report is consistent with the financial statements.

PKF (UK) LLP

Registered Auditors

London

14th August 2009

Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2009

(Incorporating Consolidated Income and Expenditure Account)

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £'000	Trading Subsidiaries £'000	2009 Total Funds £'000	2008 Total Funds £'000
Incoming Resources From:					
Generated Funds					
Investment Income	3	875	1	876	911
Turnover of Trading Subsidiaries	2	-	14,356	14,356	12,972
		875	14,357	15,232	13,883
Charitable Activities					
Certification Activities		-	14,949	14,949	14,646
Training Activities		-	1,822	1,822	1,223
Electrical Contractor Support Activities		-	5,969	5,969	4,238
			22,740	22,740	20,107
Other Incoming Resources		78	-	78	7
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		953	37,097	38,050	33,997
Resources Expended:					
Cost of Generating Funds					
Investment Management Costs		20	-	20	26
Fundraising Costs		44	-	44	35
Trading Costs	2	-	14,238	14,238	13,375
		64	14,238	14,302	13,436
Charitable Activities					
Partnerships		698	-	698	534
Raising the Profile		2,220	-	2,220	1,603
Technical Standards		653	-	653	491
Certification Activities		-	10,669	10,669	10,362
Training Activities		-	1,539	1,539	1,198
Electrical Contractor Support Activities		-	5,150	5,150	3,434
		3,571	17,358	20,929	17,622
Governance Costs		558	-	558	466
Other resources expended		145	-	145	-
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		4,338	31,596	35,934	31,524
NET (OUTGOING) / INCOMING RESOURCES	7	(3,385)	5,501	2,116	2,473
Net Investment Losses	11	(668)	-	(668)	-
Actuarial Losses on Pension Scheme	16	(7,600)	-	(7,600)	(1,100)
Transfer of Gift Aid		5,540	(5,540)	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(6,113)	(39)	(6,152)	1,373
Total Funds at 1 April 2008				15,291	13,918
Total Funds at 31 March 2009				9,139	15,291

All funds are unrestricted. All recognised gains and losses are included above. All amounts are derived from continuing activities.

For the purposes of the Companies Act, net income for the year is net incoming resources of £2,116k above, less realised investment losses of £123k (2008: Nil) giving £1,993k (2008: £2,473k).

The Electrical Safety Council Balance Sheets

As at 31 March 2009

	Note	Group 2009 £'000	Charity 2009 £'000	Group 2008 £'000	Charity 2008 £'000
FIXED ASSETS:					
Intangible Assets	9	1,457	-	1,855	-
Tangible Assets	10	7,169	6,714	7,422	6,875
Investments	11	4,197	3,646	475	260
		12,823	10,360	9,752	7,135
CURRENT ASSETS:					
Stocks		534	-	611	-
Debtors	12	2,342	-	2,130	-
Cash at Bank and in Hand		14,726	14,121	16,399	15,850
		17,602	14,121	19,140	15,850
CURRENT LIABILITIES:					
Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	13	(7,886)	(1,568)	(7,901)	(1,538)
		9,716	12,553	11,239	14,312
NET CURRENT ASSETS:					
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES:					
		22,539	22,913	20,991	21,447
DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION SCHEME LIABILITY	16	(13,400)	(13,400)	(5,700)	(5,700)
		9,139	9,513	15,291	15,747
RESERVES					
UNRESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS		22,539	22,913	20,991	21,447
PENSION RESERVE	16	(13,400)	(13,400)	(5,700)	(5,700)
TOTAL RESERVES		9,139	9,513	15,291	15,747

Approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 14th August 2009, and signed on their behalf by:

D Dossett
Chairman

The Electrical Safety Council

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

Year ended 31 March 2009

	2009 £'000	2008 £'000
CASH FLOW STATEMENT		
Net cash inflow from operating activities (per note A below)	1,660	3,252
Returns on investments and servicing of finance (per note B below)	1,133	1,026
Capital expenditure and financial investment (per note C below)	(4,466)	(170)
(Decrease) / Increase in Cash in Year	(1,673)	4,108

	At 1 April 2008 £'000	Cashflow Movement £'000	At 31 March 2009 £'000
Analysis of Net Funds			
Cash at bank and in hand	16,399	(1,673)	14,726

CASHFLOW STATEMENT NOTES

A. Reconciliation of changes in resources to net cash inflow from operating activities

Net incoming resources	2,116	2,473
Interest received and investment income	(876)	(911)
Profit on sale of fixed assets	(11)	(46)
Depreciation and amortisation	1,074	1,053
Taxation	-	162
(Decrease)/Increase in pension fund deficit	100	(100)
Share of joint venture profit	(604)	(361)
Goodwill acquired by NQA Inc	11	(8)
Decrease/(increase) in stocks	77	(276)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	(212)	54
(Decrease)/Increase in creditors	(15)	1,212
Net Cash Inflow from Operating Activities	1,660	3,252

B. Returns on Investment and Servicing of Finance

Interest received	816	911
Investment Income	60	-
Distribution from Joint Venture	257	115
	1,133	1,026

C. Capital Expenditure and Financial Investments

Purchase of fixed assets	(423)	(413)
Sale of fixed assets	11	243
Purchase of investments	(5,612)	-
Investments disposal proceeds	1,558	-
	(4,466)	(170)

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the inclusion of certain assets at their market value and in accordance with applicable accounting standards having regard to the 2005 Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities".

(b) Basis of Consolidation

The consolidated accounts include the results of the charitable company and its subsidiaries, from date of acquisition: National Quality Assurance Limited, NICEIC Group Ltd, JPD Group Ltd and equity account for the results of the associated undertakings, NQA Inc and Shanghai NQA. The disclosure formats set out in Financial Reporting Standard No. 9 – "Associates and Joint Ventures" have been modified in order to present fairly the Group results as required by SORP 2005.

As permitted by Section 230 of the Companies Act 1985 and paragraph 397 of the SORP, a separate income and expenditure account is not presented in respect of the charitable company. The Charity's gross income for the year was £6,608K (2008 - £6,864K) and the result was £2,002K surplus (2008 - £2,443k surplus).

(c) Income

Fees and other income are accounted for on the provision of the service and are exclusive of VAT.

(d) Basis of Expenditure Allocation

SORP 2005 requires that support costs are allocated where appropriate to direct charitable activities. The analysis (as per Note 4) provides an understanding of the nature of the activities undertaken and the resources expended on their provision.

(e) Stocks

Stocks, which consist of publications and certificates for sale, are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(f) Depreciation

Tangible assets are depreciated by equal annual instalments over their estimated useful lives:

Computer equipment	- 33% on cost	Leasehold improvements	- 20% on cost or
Office equipment	- 20% on cost		over the lease term if less than five years
Freehold building	- 2% on cost	Leasehold improvements	- on cost over the term of the lease
Refurbishment	- 10% on cost	Motor vehicles	- 33% on cost

No depreciation is provided on freehold land.

(g) Operating Leases

Costs arising under operating lease agreements have been charged to the Statement of Financial Activities as incurred.

(h) Foreign Exchange

Assets and liabilities are translated into sterling at rates ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at rates ruling on the date of the transaction.

Exchange differences arising from the translation of the net assets of overseas joint ventures are taken directly to the investment.

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(i) Valuation of Fixed Asset Investments

Investments in Group undertakings are carried at historical cost, adjusted in the case of the associated undertakings to reflect the Group's share of the underlying results. The Council considers this to be the most appropriate method of valuation of these holdings for the purpose of the consolidated financial statements.

Other investments are valued at mid market value at the year end. Gains or losses arising on revaluation are taken to the statement of financial activities.

(j) Goodwill

Goodwill arising as a result of investment in joint ventures and subsidiaries is capitalised and amortised on a straight line basis over its estimated useful economic life which is considered to be between four and eight years. The carrying value of goodwill is periodically reviewed, and impairment provisions made where appropriate.

(k) Pension Costs

The Group operates both a Defined Benefit Pension Scheme and a Defined Contribution Scheme. For the Defined Benefit Scheme, the Statement of Financial Activities is charged with the current service costs and the net return on assets. They are included as part of staff costs. Past service costs are recognised immediately in the Statement of Financial Activities if the benefits have vested. If the benefits have not vested immediately, the costs are recognised over the period until vesting occurs. The interest cost and the expected return on assets are shown in aggregate. Actuarial gains and losses are recognised immediately in the Statement of Financial Activities.

The Defined Benefit Scheme is funded, with the assets of the scheme held in a fund administered by the NICEIC Pension Scheme. Pension scheme assets are measured at fair market value and liabilities are measured on an actuarial basis using the projected unit credit method of valuation and discounted at a rate based on the yield of an AA rated Corporate Bond. Actuarial valuations for the purposes of FRS 17 are updated at each balance sheet date. The resulting defined benefit asset or liability is presented separately after total assets less current liabilities on the face of the balance sheet.

The Defined Contribution Schemes are "Stakeholder Schemes" whereby participating employees have individual contracts with an insurance company providing a range of investment alternatives.

2. NET INCOME FROM TRADING ACTIVITY OF SUBSIDIARIES

The three trading divisions of NICEIC Group Ltd operating during the year were:

- NQA Division - The principal activities were the assessment of quality management systems of applicant companies, and the on-going surveillance of the systems of registered companies against the requirements of BS EN ISO 9000: 1994 Quality Systems, amongst other quality standards.
- NICEIC Electrotechnical Division carried out the inspection and assessment of NICEIC enrolled contractors for both the Approved Contractor and Domestic Installer Schemes. This division also includes:
 - NICEIC Direct which sells certificates, publications and other goods.
 - The training of electrical contractors.
- NICEIC Certification Division is an accredited personal certification body.

Additionally, JPD Group Ltd (JPD) traded during the year. JPD, based in Cheshire, is a training company specialising in quality management, environmental management as well as business management courses. The consultancy element of JPD was transferred out on 1st October 2008 to a dormant company, NICEIC Operating Services Limited, which was subsequently renamed NICEIC Professional Services Limited. This entity traded until 31st March 2009 at which point the consultancy contracts were transferred for a nominal consideration to the relevant consultants already undertaking the work.

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3. INVESTMENT INCOME AND INTEREST

	Group	
	2009 £'000	2008 £'000
Bank interest	816	911
Investment income	60	-
	876	911

4. SUPPORT COSTS ANALYSIS

	Management £'000	Finance £'000	Information Technology £'000	Human Resources £'000	Total 2008/09 £'000	Total 2007/08 £'000
COST OF GENERATING FUNDS	-	15	10	3	28	35
CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES						
Watching Brief for Consumers	40	3	41	10	94	96
Specific Niche Campaigns	40	3	10	2	55	59
Industry Monitor	40	3	5	1	49	52
Certification Activities	513	143	396	97	1,149	1,262
Training Activities	80	25	52	12	169	186
Electrical Contractor Support Activities	80	26	51	12	169	186
GOVERNANCE	8	38	10	3	59	81
TOTAL SUPPORT COSTS	801	256	575	140	1,772	1,957

Cost allocation includes an element of judgement and the Charity has had to consider the cost benefit of detailed calculations and record keeping. To ensure full cost recovery on projects the Charity adopts a policy of allocating costs to the respective cost headings through the year. This allocation includes support costs where directly attributable. Therefore the support costs shown are a best estimate of the costs that have been allocated to Charitable Activities within both elements of the organisation.

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5. STAFF COSTS

	Charity		Group	
	2009 £'000	2008 £'000	2009 £'000	2008 £'000
Staff costs				
Wages and salaries	1,308	1,046	12,907	12,229
Agency salaries	7	1	375	332
Social security costs	130	104	1,240	1,125
Pension costs	170	137	1,692	2,294
Healthcare plan	6	7	88	120
	1,621	1,295	16,302	16,100

The average number of staff employed during the period was 355 (2008: 348). This includes 331 (2008: 336) staff employed by subsidiary companies as of 31st March 2009.

6. EMOLUMENTS OF EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS

In 2009 the highest paid employee received £168,522 (2008: £123,717), excluding pension contributions, but including bonus and benefits.

Other employees of the Charity who received total emoluments of greater than £60,000, all of whom participated in the defined benefit pension scheme, fell into the following bands:

	2009	2008
£60,001 - £70,000	6	2
£70,001 - £80,000	-	1
£90,001 - £100,000	-	2
£100,001 - £110,000	3	-
	9	5

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7. NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES

	2009 £'000	2008 £'000
The Group's net incoming/(outgoing) resources are stated after charging/(crediting):		
Audit fees	66	69
Non audit fees paid to auditors	15	22
Amortisation of goodwill	398	422
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	676	631
Operating lease charges:		
Land and buildings	118	46
Plant, machinery and vehicles	769	769
Profit on sale of fixed assets	(11)	(46)
Taxation	28	100

8. TAXATION

The Council is a Charity with the registration number 257376. No UK taxation is therefore due on profits, income and gains arising from the charitable activities of the company. The subsidiaries pay over most of their taxable profits to The Electrical Safety Council, under a Gift Aid Scheme. The tax charges in relation to subsidiaries are disclosed in Note 7.

9. INTANGIBLE ASSETS – GOODWILL

	2009 £'000	2008 £'000
Group		
At 1 April 2008	1,855	2,277
Amortisation for the year	(398)	(422)
At 31 March 2009	1,457	1,855

Goodwill acquired in the year was £nil (2008 - £nil).

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10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

GROUP	Freehold Land & Buildings £'000	Leasehold Land & Buildings £'000	Office & Computer Equipment £'000	Vehicles £'000	Total £'000
ORIGINAL COST					
B/fwd	7,585	156	3,070	173	10,984
Additions	34	-	389	-	423
Disposals	-	-	-	(29)	(29)
C/fwd	7,619	156	3,459	144	11,378
DEPRECIATION					
B/fwd	767	126	2,509	160	3,562
Charge	160	13	490	13	676
Disposals	-	-	-	(29)	(29)
C/fwd	927	139	2,999	144	4,209
NET BOOK VALUE					
As at 31 March 2008	6,818	30	561	13	7,422
As at 31 March 2009	6,692	17	460	-	7,169

Land, which is not depreciated, amounted to £710,000 (2008: £710,000).

CHARITY	Freehold Land & Buildings £'000	Leasehold Land & Buildings £'000	Office & Computer Equipment £'000	Vehicles £'000	Total £'000
ORIGINAL COST					
B/fwd	7,585	34	91	53	7,763
Additions	34	-	7	-	41
C/fwd	7,619	34	98	53	7,804
DEPRECIATION					
B/fwd	767	10	70	41	888
Charge	160	13	17	12	202
C/fwd	927	23	87	53	1,090
NET BOOK VALUE					
As at 31 March 2008	6,818	24	21	12	6,875
As at 31 March 2009	6,692	11	11	-	6,714

Land, which is not depreciated, amounted to £710,000 (2008: £710,000).

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11. INVESTMENTS

	2009 £'000	2008 £'000
Group		
Joint Ventures:		
At 1 April 2008	475	381
Share of profit for the year	604	321
Acquisition by NQA Inc (inc covenant)	(11)	(112)
Less: remitted to the Group	(257)	(115)
	811	475
Share of Joint Ventures represented by:		
Fixed assets	113	67
Current assets	1,970	1,004
Goodwill	69	57
Creditors	(1,341)	(653)
	811	475
OTHER INVESTMENTS		
Market value as at 1 April 2008	-	-
Purchases (at cost)	5,350	-
Disposal proceeds	(1,558)	-
Net investments gains / (losses)	(668)	-
	3,124	-
Cash balances held by investment managers	262	-
Market value as at 31 March 2009	3,386	-
Historical cost as at 31 March 2009	3,882	-
Other investments are represented by:		
UK fixed interest securities	280	-
Overseas fixed interest securities	266	-
UK Equities	1,454	-
Overseas Equities	381	-
UK Bonds	410	-
Hedge Funds	333	-
Cash securities	262	-
MARKET VALUE AS ABOVE	3,386	-
Investments Total (Group)	4,197	475
Charity		
Subsidiaries	260	260
Other Investments	3,386	-
Investments Total (Charity)	3,646	260

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NICEIC Group Ltd owns 49.9% of the share capital of NQA Inc. NQA Inc. owns the entire issued share capital of NQA USA Inc, NQA Training and Development Inc and NQA Laboratory Services Inc. The joint venture Group carries out certification services, and training and laboratory services. NQA is entitled to 49.9% of any profits arising from the joint venture.

National Quality Assurance Ltd also owns 50% of the share capital of Shanghai NQA Certification Co Limited. This joint venture carries out management system certification services.

Disclosures in relation to joint ventures above have not been shown on the face of the balance sheet or the statement of financial activities as required by FRS 9, on the basis that the amounts are not material. The share of turnover of joint ventures amounted to £6,818K (2008 - £3,342K).

During the previous year, NICEIC Group Limited invested £3K in the share capital of NQA Korea, one of its agents, for a minority holding. It is envisaged that this shall be sold back to the Agent during 2009/10.

12. DEBTORS

	Group 2009 £'000	Charity 2009 £'000	Group 2008 £'000	Charity 2008 £'000
Trade debtors	924	-	1,155	-
Other debtors	57	-	43	-
Prepayments	865	-	444	-
Accrued income	250	-	488	-
Corporation tax recoverable	58	-	-	-
Deferred tax	188	-	-	-
	2,342	-	2,130	-

13. CREDITORS

	Group 2009 £'000	Charity 2009 £'000	Group 2008 £'000	Charity 2008 £'000
Amounts falling due within one year				
Trade creditors	3,311	-	3,056	-
Social security and other taxes	440	-	376	-
Accruals and deferred income	4,135	37	4,369	-
Amount due to subsidiary undertakings	-	1,531	-	1,538
Corporation tax	-	-	100	-
	7,886	1,568	7,901	1,538

Deferred income comprises of payments received on account and income relating to services not yet delivered.

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14. LEASING COMMITMENTS

The Group has financial commitments in respect of operating leases. The annual rentals payable under these leases are analysed below:

	2009		2008	
	Land and buildings £'000	Other £'000	Land and buildings £'000	Other £'000
Charity				
Expiring within one year	-	9	-	2
Expiring within two to five years inclusive	-	38	-	33
Expiring after five years	31	-	31	-
	31	47	31	35
Group				
Expiring within one year	45	57	-	137
Expiring within two to five years inclusive	42	546	-	468
Expiring after five years	31	-	31	-
	118	603	31	605

15. INSURANCE

Insurance costs charged to the revenue account include professional indemnity cover in respect of the Board of Directors. It was not possible to separately identify the cost of this from the total insurance premium for the Group.

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16. PENSION SCHEME

The Group operates a pension scheme providing benefits based on final pensionable pay. The assets of the scheme are held separately from the Group, being invested with Legal and General. The contributions are determined by a qualified actuary on the basis of triennial valuations.

The Scheme was closed to new members with effect from 1 January 2007.

A formal valuation of the scheme was carried out as at 31 March 2008 by a qualified independent actuary. This statement has been updated by the actuary for the purpose of FRS 17 based on that valuation, using the following major assumptions:

	31 March 2009 £'000	31 March 2008 £'000
Inflation rate	3.0%	3.7%
Discount factor for liabilities	6.5%	6.5%
Expected return on assets	6.9%	7.8%
Expected rate of salary increases	5.0%	5.7%
Rate of pension increases in payment for pre 1 April 2007 service	3.0%	3.7%
Rate of pension increases in payment for post 31 March 2007 service	2.5%	2.5%
Rate of pension increases in deferment	3.0%	3.7%

The assets of the scheme and the expected rates of return at 31 March 2009 are:

	Value 2009 £m	Expected long term return	Value 2008 £m	Expected long term return
Equities	21.0	8.1%	27.6	9.0%
Bonds	8.0	4.0%	8.9	4.5%
Property	0.0	0.0%	0.0	6.8%
Cash	0.6	4.0%	1.5	5.5%
	29.6		38.0	

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Post retirement mortality assumptions are in line with the standard base tables shown below:

	2009	2008
Contributors and deferred pensioners*:		
Males	PMA92CO8	PMA92CO8
Females	PFA92CO8	PFA92CO8
Pensioners:		
Males	PMA92CO8	PMA92CO8
Females	PFA92CO8	PFA92CO8

* adjusted if retirement is on ill health grounds

In 2009, an allowance has been made for improvements in mortality in line with the medium cohort improvement rates, together with a 1% pa minimum rate of improvement. The allowances for improvements apply from calendar year 2008 and affect the assumed rates of mortality in 2009 and all future years.

In 2008, an allowance was made for future improvements in mortality by reducing the headline discount rate by 0.2% pa. The age difference (husband - wife) is assumed to be 3 years.

The proportion of members assumed to be married depends on age at retirement and is 93% for males and 80% for females at age 63.

The actual return on scheme assets over the period was:

	2009 £m	2008 £m
Expected return on scheme assets	3.0	3.1
Asset loss	(12.4)	(6.3)
Total	(9.4)	(3.2)

Reconciliation of opening and closing balances of the present value of the scheme liabilities:

	2009 £m	2008 £m
Scheme liabilities as at 1 April 2008	43.7	44.7
Interest cost	2.8	2.4
Current service cost (net of member contributions)	1.8	2.2
Actual member contributions	0.8	0.8
Actual benefit payments to the fund	(1.3)	(1.2)
Gain on change of assumptions	(3.8)	(4.9)
Experience gain	(1.0)	(0.3)
Scheme liabilities as at 31 March 2009 based on end of period assumptions	43.0	43.7

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Reconciliation of opening and closing balances of the fair value of the scheme assets:

	2009 £m	2008 £m
Market value as at 1 April 2008	38.0	40.0
Actual total benefit payments	(1.3)	(1.2)
Actual contributions – company (incl benefits paid by the company)	1.5	1.6
Actual contributions – members	0.8	0.8
Expected return on assets	3.0	3.1
Loss on assets	(12.4)	(6.3)
Market value at 31 March 2009	29.6	38.0

Analysis of amounts recognised in Consolidated SoFA

	2009 £m	2008 £m
Current service cost	1.8	2.2
Analysis of amounts credited to other finance income		
Interest on scheme liabilities	2.8	2.4
Expected return on scheme assets	(3.0)	(3.1)
Net credit to other finance income	(0.2)	(0.7)
Total chargeable to Consolidated SoFA	1.6	1.5

Analysis of amounts recognised in gains or losses

	2009 £m	2008 £m
Loss on assets	12.4	6.3
Experience gain on liabilities	(1.0)	(0.3)
Gain on change of assumptions	(3.8)	(4.9)
Total actuarial loss recognised in gains or losses	7.6	1.1

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Amounts recognised in the balance sheet as at 31 March 2009 are:

	2009 £m	2008 £m
Fair value of assets	29.6	38.0
Present value of liabilities	(43.0)	(43.7)
Net pension liability	(13.4)	(5.7)

Analysis of actuarial (loss) / gain in the SOFA

	2009 £m / %	2008 £m / %	2007 £m / %	2006 £m / %	2005 £m / %
(Loss) / gain on scheme assets	(12.4) (41.9%)	(6.3) (16.6%)	(0.7) (1.8%)	4.7 13.0%	1.2 4.4%
Experience gains and losses arising on scheme liabilities	1.0 2.3%	0.3 0.8%	- -	0.4 1.0%	(0.5) (1.5%)
Change in assumptions underlying the present value of the scheme liabilities	3.8 12.8%	4.9 12.9%	1.6 3.6%	(3.4) (8.2%)	(0.6) (1.8%)
Actuarial (loss) / gain recognised in SOFA	(7.6) 18.1%	(1.1) 2.1%	0.9 2.0%	1.7 4.1%	0.1 0.3%

* The percentages in the table above are in relation to the percentage of scheme assets or liabilities.

Amounts estimated for 2010:

	£m
Expected benefits paid by the company for the year ending 31 March 2010	0.0
Expected company contributions for the year ending 31 March 2010	1.5
Expected member contributions for the year ending 31 March 2010	0.8

The net pension liability belongs to the Charity and its subsidiaries. The actuary advises that there is no way to allocate the historical deficit between them. Each year each of the subsidiaries, with employees in the scheme, pays the Charity for its share of any current service cost and deficit by way of a management charge and therefore the Charity accounts for the cumulative deficit (or surplus) in full.

A new Stakeholder (Defined Contribution) Scheme, administered through Friends Provident, was created for all new members of staff, which allows flexibility in investment choice by the employee. The Company doubles and matches contributions made by the employee to a maximum contribution by the Company of 10% of salary.

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17. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

With respect to NQA USA Inc. NICEIC Group Ltd (NQA Division) provides certification oversight and advice and processes, and issues ISO registration certificates. NQA charges an agreed fee for each certificate in place at the beginning of the year and issued during the year, together with the appropriate UKAS levy. In addition NQA recharges to, and is recharged by, both concerns with certain travel expenses, assessor services, training fees and other sundry expenses.

	NQA USA Inc.	
	2009 £'000	2008 £'000
Charged by NQA Division		
Certification fees	329	199
Reimbursable expenses	40	18
Charged to NQA Division		
Reimbursable expenses	22	33

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption given by Financial Reporting Standard No.8, and has therefore not given details of transactions with its wholly-owned trading subsidiaries.

Fees amounting to £8,000 (2008 £Nil) were paid to Pentangle Consulting Engineers Limited for design and consultancy work concerning the Council's Warwick House premises. This company is 60% owned by Mr Howard (Board member). Mr Howard was also paid fees of £6,000 in respect of his directorship duties with NICEIC Group Limited and its joint venture partnerships (2008 - £Nil).

Fees amounting to £34,114 (2008 - £Nil) were invoiced by Architects Co-Partnership Limited for architectural services of which Mr Stratton (Board member) is a director and minority shareholder. At the year end, £11,093 of this was still outstanding (2008 - £Nil)

Mr Empson, a director of NICEIC Group Limited, received fees amounting to £9,548 (2008 £3,237) for advisory and other services provided to the Council.

A close family member of a key manager is employed in a junior position by the Charity's subsidiary, NICEIC Group Ltd. This employee was recruited independently of the key manager and his salary is set on an arms length basis.

During the year expenses were reimbursed to 7 Trustees amounting to £7,853 (2008 - 9 Trustees amounting to £8,616).

18. STATUS OF COMPANY

- (a) The Electrical Safety Council is a Charity in England and Wales with the registration number 257376. It also has Charity status in Scotland with the registration number SC039990. No UK taxation is due on profits, income or gains arising from the charitable activities of the company.
- (b) The Electrical Safety Council is registered as a company in England and Wales with the number 570175 and is limited by guarantee.

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19. GROUP UNDERTAKINGS

The following were the principal subsidiaries and joint ventures during the year, and have all been included in the consolidated financial statements for the whole year.

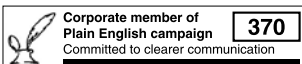
	Country of Incorporation	Class of share	Parent Company's Direct	interest Indirect
Subsidiaries				
NICEIC Group Limited	Great Britain	Ordinary	100%	-
National Quality Assurance Limited	Great Britain	Ordinary	100%	-
JPD Group Limited	Great Britain	Ordinary	-	100%
Joint Ventures				
Shanghai NQA Certification Company Limited	China	Ordinary	-	50%
NQA Inc	USA	Ordinary	-	49.9%

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