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£13 million spent on four acquisitions taking total for bolt on acquisitions for the year to date to £342 million

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Wolseley plc, the world's largest specialist trade distributor of plumbing and heating products to professional contractors and a leading supplier of building materials, announced today four further bolt on acquisitions for an aggregate consideration of £13 million. In a full year, these bolt on acquisitions are expected to add approximately £29 million to total revenue.

Since the beginning of the financial year on 1 August 2006, a total of 33 bolt on acquisitions in Europe and North America have been completed for an aggregate consideration of approximately £342 million. These 33 acquisitions are expected to add approximately £590 million to Group revenue in a full year. Goodwill and intangible assets related to these acquisitions is estimated to be around £225 million. In addition, on 25 September 2006, Wolseley plc completed the acquisition of DT Group (formerly known as Danske Traelast) for an estimated consideration of £1,353 million, which brings aggregate acquisition spend for the year to £1,695 million.

North America

On 5 February 2007, Ferguson acquired the assets of Grif-Fab Corporation ("Grif-Fab") from members of the McVey family. Grif-Fab is a distributor and fabricator of fire protection systems with three locations in Colorado, Arizona

and New Mexico. In the year ended 30 November 2006, Grif-Fab had revenue of $28.3 million (£14.5 million) and gross assets of $6.9 million (£3.6 million) at that date.

Europe

On 15 January 2007, DT Group acquired the outstanding 60% of Superbyg Kalaallit Nunaat A/S ("SKN"), which it did not previously own, from Pisiffik A/S. SKN is a builders' merchant with locations in five cities in Greenland. In the year ended 30 June 2006, SKN had total revenue of DKK106.2 million (£9.4 million) and gross assets of DKK60.1 million (£5.3 million) at that date.

On 1 February 2007, DT Group acquired the assets of Jarn och Tra Orust AB ("JTO") from Animonhus AB. JTO is a Swedish builders' merchant based in Orust, the second largest island in the west coast archipelago. In the year ended 31 December 2005, JTO had revenue of SEK40.2 million (£2.9 million) and gross assets of SEK8.8 million (£0.6 million) at that date.

On 1 February 2007, Wolseley France acquired SA Escaffre & Fils and Eurl Espace Carrelages ("Escaffre") from Escaffre Developpment. Escaffre is a generalist builders' merchant and ceramic tiles specialist based in Albi, south of France. In the year ended 31 December 2005, Escaffre had revenue of €9.1 million (£6.0 million) and gross assets of €3.5 million (£2.3 million) at that date.

The divisional split of the total acquisition spend since 1 August 2006 is:

Division	No. of Acquistions	Spend £ Million
Europe	16	89
North America	17	253
TOTAL BOLT ONS	33	342
Acquisition of DT Group	1	1,353
TOTAL ACQUISITIONS SPEND	34	1,695

Chip Hornsby, Group Chief Executive of Wolseley said:

"Our aim is to continue to grow the business through organic means and from good quality acquisitions. These four deals support that aim."

Exchange Rates

The following exchange rate has been used for the acquisitions noted above:

£1 = $1.95, £1 = €1.51, £1 = DKK11.25, £1 = SEK13.67

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Notes to Editors

Wolseley plc is the world's largest specialist trade distributor of plumbing and heating products to professional contractors and a leading supplier of building materials in North America, the UK and Continental Europe. Group revenue for the year ended 31 July 2006 was approximately £14.2 billion and operating profit, before amortisation of acquired intangibles, was £882 million. Wolseley has around 79,000 employees operating in 28 countries namely: UK, USA, France, Canada, Ireland, Italy, The Netherlands, Switzerland, Austria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Belgium, Luxembourg, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Norway, Slovak Republic, Poland, Romania, Croatia, San Marino, Panama, Puerto Rico, Trinidad & Tobago, Mexico, Barbados and Greenland. Wolseley is listed on the London and New York Stock Exchanges (LSE: WOS, NYSE: WOS) and is in the FTSE 100 index of listed companies.

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