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Corporate Profile |

Independent Newspapers, PLC is a fast-growing international media and communications group with interests in newspaper and magazine publishing, commercial printing, outdoor advertising, broadcasting, multi-channel TV and internet.

The Group aims to increase its earnings and enhance shareholder value through a combination of organic growth in its existing markets in Australia, the United Kingdom, Ireland, New Zealand, South Africa, Portugal and Mexico and by identifying new growth opportunities in these and other markets.

Spanning three continents, Independent Newspapers has market leading newspaper positions in Ireland, South Africa, New Zealand and Australia. It also owns the flagship Independent titles in the UK and holds a 19% stake in Jornalgeste, Portugal's leading newspaper publisher.

Publishing over 160 newspaper and magazine titles with weekly circulation of over 15 million copies, the Group has an ever increasing presence on the internet. It is also the largest radio and outdoor operator in Australasia and the second largest cable TV operator in the Republic of Ireland. 11,250 people are employed.

To protect its existing revenues and exploit its existing market leadership positions, the Group established a new division, Independent Digital, to target new media opportunities, including: internet-related activities, enhanced e-commerce and telephony.

The Group has grown strongly over the past five years. It now has a market capitalisation of IR£880 million, manages turnover of IR£900 million and gross assets of IR£1.8 billion.

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