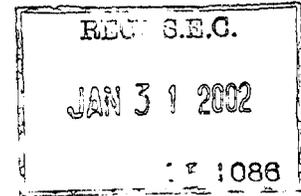


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For the month of December 2001

Tomkins PLC

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes.....No........

Re: News Release dated 20 December 2001

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

By: Tomkins PLC
(Registrant)

Date 18 January 2002

By: 
Name: DENISE PATRICIA BURTON
Title: DEPUTY COMPANY SECRETARY

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