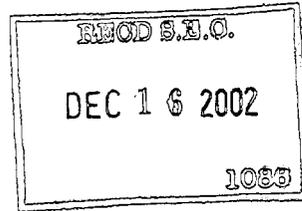




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New GKN PLC **SUPP**

Dear Sir,

For your information I enclose a copy of an announcement sent to the London Stock Exchange yesterday.

Yours faithfully,

DP **David Pavey**
Assistant Company Secretary

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Directors' Interests in Shares of GKN plc

On 3rd December 2002, GKN Quest Trustee (No.2) Ltd, the trustee of the discretionary trust established by deed on 8 November 2001 to facilitate the operation of the GKN SAYE Share Option Schemes (the 'Schemes'), subscribed for 33,111 50p ordinary shares of GKN plc at 237p per share, representing less than 0.01% of the current issued share capital. The shares were immediately transferred by GKN Quest Trustee (No.2) Ltd to employees who had validly exercised options granted under the Scheme in respect of such shares.

The Executive Directors of GKN plc are potential beneficiaries under the discretionary trust (together with all other UK employees of the GKN Group) and are therefore interested in the shares whilst they are held by GKN Quest Trustee (No.2) Ltd.

G. Denham
Company Secretary

3 December 2002

