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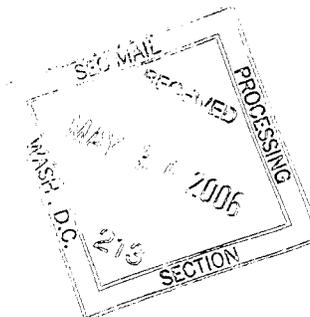


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21 May 2006

The United States Securities and Exchange Commission  
**Exemption File 82-5204**  
Division of Corporate Finance  
Room 3094 (3-6)  
450 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
Northwest  
Washington DC 20549  
USA



Dear Sirs,

*New GKN PLC*

GKN plc

- Transactions in own shares

For your information I enclose a copy of the above announcement which was released on May 19<sup>th</sup>.

Yours faithfully,

*S. De Ritter*

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| Headline | Transaction in Own Shares |
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GKN plc

### Purchase of own securities held in Treasury

GKN plc announces that on 19 May 2006 it purchased 621,850 of its ordinary shares at a price of 271.73p per share from Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited. It is intended that these shares are held in Treasury.

Following the purchase, GKN plc holds 31,241,850 of its ordinary shares in Treasury and has a total of 709,398,425 ordinary shares (excluding Treasury shares) in issue.

Grey Denham

Company Secretary

19 May 2006

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