

NWF Group plc ('NWF' or the 'Company')

AGM STATEMENT

At the Company's Annual General Meeting to be held in Cheshire at 10.30 am this morning, the Chairman will say:

"After our first Quarter's trading, I am pleased to be able to report that the year has opened satisfactorily with performance running ahead of last year. Each business has moved forward in its plans for the new year: **Distribution** is building the three new warehouses at Wardle on schedule, **Feeds** has enjoyed strong demand in the hot summer months, **Fuels** has added a further depot in Suffolk and **Garden Centres** has acquired a start-up site in East Manchester for opening in 2007.

Our record result for 2006, which we announced in August, has given us a nine year period of double-digit compound average growth in sales, profits and earnings per share. As I now hand over the chairmanship of NWF Group to Mark Hudson, I am very proud to reflect on this period of growth during my tenure which I believe has built the Group into an attractive business with a firm platform for further development.

My thanks go to all of my colleagues for their energies and commitment in making this happen and my very best wishes go to all stakeholders in NWF for a continuing prosperous future."

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