

Arden Partners plc
("Arden" or the "Company")

Pre-close period update for year ended 31 October 2006

Arden Partners plc (AIM: ARDN.L), the independent institutional stock broking business serving high quality companies in the mid and small cap market, today issues a trading update ahead of its close period relating to the year ended 31 October 2006.

The year proved an important year in the development of Arden as the company successfully floated on AIM in July 2006. In addition, the Company's core business areas of corporate finance and corporate broking, sales, trading and research have all continued to make very good progress.

Notwithstanding the volatility experienced in global equity markets during the early part of the second half and the more recent challenging market sentiment towards new issues, Arden enjoyed a successful second half of the year. Overall, the Directors of Arden are delighted with Arden's achievements over the year and announce that they expect turnover and profits for the year ended 31 October 2006 to be in line with the market's expectations.

It is intended that the results for the year ended 31 October 2006 will be announced on 15 January 2007.

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Notes to Editors

Arden Partners is a research-led institutional stockbroking firm, founded in 2002, which successfully floated on AIM in July 2006 at 162p per share.

The Company provides high quality research, institutional stockbroking, corporate finance, sales, trading and market making services to corporate and institutional clients, predominantly in the small and mid cap markets.

With offices in London, Birmingham, and Bristol, Arden is broker, Nominated Adviser and/or financial adviser to 33 companies in a variety of sectors, 11 of them are quoted on the Official List, with the remainder on AIM.