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Group revenues for the six months to December 31 were

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Peter Donnelly, regional director in the north west, said

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## LHS takes on gangmaster authority

MANCHESTER law firm **Lewis Hymanson Small** has expanded its regulatory offer by setting up a team specialising in cases involving the **Gangmasters Licensing Authority**, a government agency set up to stop the exploitation of manual workers.

LHS, which recently moved offices from Peter Street to John Dalton Street, acts for

companies which have fallen foul of the regulations and had their licences revoked.

The GLA was established in the wake of the deaths of 18 cockle pickers at Morecambe Bay in 2004, to prevent the exploitation of workers in industries such as agriculture, horticulture, processing and packaging.

It safeguards their welfare by

regulating licence holders to ensure working hours and minimum wages are legal and fair.

Deborah Britstone, a regulatory specialist at LHS, said: "Our work with various regulators such as the Health and Safety Executive, the Security Industry Authority and the Crown Prosecution Service means we have the expertise to flourish in this specialist area."

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