

THAMES & GENERAL LIGHTING LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT

AND

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH JUNE 1979

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THAMES & GENERAL LIGHTERAGE LIMITED

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH JUNE 1979

The Directors present their report and the audited accounts for the six months ended 30th June 1979.

The principal activities of the company, and the contribution of each activity to turnover and to loss for the six months before tax, are shown below. There has been no significant change in these activities during the six months.

	<u>Turnover</u>	<u>Loss/(profit) before tax</u>
Wharfage and Warehousing	248,126	(15,798)
Lighterage	1,135,384	181,378
	<u>£1,383,510</u>	<u>£165,580</u>

After crediting taxation, the deficit carried forward, including the balance brought forward from the previous year, is

£700,570

No dividend is recommended.

The ultimate holding company of the Company is Transport Development Group Limited which is incorporated in Great Britain.

The directors who served during the six months were:

Mr. J.B. Duncan  
Mr. J. Wishart  
Mr. J.G. Bell  
Mr. P.E. Best (resigned on 1st January 1979)

According to the register kept by the Company no director has an interest in shares or debentures of the Company; the interests, including family and non-beneficial interests, of the directors (other than directors who are also directors of any holding company of the Company) in ordinary shares of Transport Development Group Limited were:

	<u>At 30th June 1979</u>	<u>At 1st January 1979</u>
Mr. J.G. Bell	146	146

In addition Mr. J.G. Bell has an option to subscribe for 10,000 ordinary shares of Transport Development Group Limited.

By order of the board

*B. J. Whitney*  
Secretary

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS  
TO THE MEMBERS OF THAMES & GENERAL LIGHTERAGE LIMITED

We have examined the Accounts set out on pages 3 to 8 which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies stated in Note 1.

The Accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis and the continuation of the company's activities is dependent on continuing financial support. In view of the continuing losses being incurred we are unable to form an opinion as to the validity of the going concern basis used.

The Accounts do not include a Statement of Source and Application of Funds as required by Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No. 10.

Subject to the going concern basis being appropriate the Accounts give a true and fair view of the state of affairs at 30th June 1979 and of the loss for the six months and comply with the Companies Acts 1948 and 1967.

London

15th October 1979

  
DEARDEN FARROW

Chartered Accountants

THAMES & GENERAL LIGHTERAGE LIMITED

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH JUNE 1979

<u>Year ended</u> <u>31st December 1978</u>		<u>Notes</u>	<u>Six months ended</u> <u>30th June 1979</u>
£2,362,388	TURNOVER	2	£1,383,510
			<u>          </u>
329,710	BALANCE FROM TRADING ACCOUNT - Loss	3	122,872
	<u>Add:</u>		
82,728	Depreciation	1(b)	42,708
<u>412,438</u>	LOSS BEFORE TAX		<u>165,580</u>
	<u>Deduct:</u>		
212,784	Tax	4	61,100
<u>199,654</u>	LOSS AFTER TAX		<u>104,480</u>
	<u>Add:</u>		
	Deficit brought forward		
596,514	As previously reported		596,090
<u>200,078</u>	<u>Less:</u> Prior year adjustment	5	<u>          </u>
396,436			596,090
<u>£ 596,090</u>	DEFICIT CARRIED FORWARD		<u>£ 700,570</u>

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH JUNE 1979

As at 31st December 1978		Notes	As at 30th June 1979
752,131	FIXED ASSETS	6	700,578
	CURRENT ASSETS		
37,114	Stores	1(c)	41,397
449,814	Trade and sundry debtors		696,608
7,777	Amounts due from fellow subsidiary companies		11,070
306,586	Group relief receivable		68,400
27,822	Bank and cash balances		18,949
829,113			836,424
1,581,244			1,537,002
	<u>Deduct:</u>		
	CURRENT LIABILITIES		
251,777	Creditors and accrued charges		381,810
2,680	Amount due to fellow subsidiary companies		2,184
254,457			383,994
£1,326,787	NET ASSETS		£1,153,008
	REPRESENTED BY:		
	SHARE CAPITAL		
	Authorised, issued and fully paid:		
520,000	520,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each		520,000
	RESERVES		
212,421	Surplus on revaluation of assets		212,421
(596,090)	Profit and loss account - deficit		(700,570)
(383,669)			(488,149)
136,331	TOTAL CAPITAL AND RESERVES		31,851
455,307	PARENT COMPANY LOAN ACCOUNT	7	132,008
735,149	DEBENTURE	8	982,149
£1,326,787	CAPITAL EMPLOYED		£1,153,008

J. WISHART

J.C. ELL

MANAGERS

NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## (a) BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounts have been prepared on the historical cost basis of accounting including the revaluation of freehold properties.

## (b) DEPRECIATION

Depreciation is provided on the cost or value of fixed assets on a straight line basis as follows:

Freehold Property	
Land	Nil
Buildings	20 - 50 years
Tugs and Barges	25 years
Motor Vehicles	4 - 6 years
Plant and Equipment	8 - 20 years

## (c) STORES

All items are valued on bases consistent from year to year and are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

## (d) DEFERRED TAXATION

No provision has been made for deferred taxation in respect of accelerated capital allowances and the taxation which might arise in the event of the freehold properties being sold at their revalued amounts as the directors are of the opinion that no tax will be payable by the Company in the foreseeable future.

## 2. TURNOVER

Turnover is the income obtained from services provided to external customers during the period and excludes reimbursements from customers of freight and duty payments made on their behalf.

## 3. BALANCE FROM TRADING ACCOUNT

Year ended  
31st December 1978

Six months ended  
30th June 1979

4,075	Balance from trading account is stated after crediting:	
	Rents receivable	-
8,395	Depreciation overprovided on Sales of Assets	-
<u>£12,470</u>		
	and after charging:	
2,525	Auditors' remuneration	1,565
	Directors' remuneration:	
16,551	For management services	7,757
19,087	Hire of barges and equipment	26,872
	Depreciation underprovided on Sales of Assets	4,812
<u>£38,163</u>		<u>£34,996</u>

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NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)

3. BALANCE FROM TRADING ACCOUNT (Continued)

The emoluments excluding pension contributions of the directors of the company were within the following ranges:

	<u>Year ended 31st December 1978</u>	<u>Six months ended 30th June 1979</u>
Nil	3	3
£1 to £2,500	1	-
£2,501 to £7,500	-	1
£7,501 to £15,000	1	-

The Chairman received no remuneration from the Company during the six months ended 30th June 1979 (year ended 31st December 1978 Nil). The remuneration of the highest paid director was £6,919 (1978 : £12,738).

4. TAX

	<u>Year ended 31st December 1978</u>	<u>Six months ended 30th June 1979</u>
Group relief receivable	215,200	61,100
Less: Group relief overprovided in previous years	2,516	-
	<u>212,738</u>	<u>61,100</u>

The credit for group relief is based on the adjusted loss for the six months as computed for corporation tax purposes at 52%.

The potential amount of deferred tax in respect of accelerated capital allowances at 30th June 1979, calculated under the liability method, is £172,935 (31st December 1978: £198,531).

5. PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT

The balance of deferred tax at 1st January 1978 of £200,078 was released to profit and loss account as a prior year adjustment as the directors anticipated that no tax will be payable in the foreseeable future.

NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)

6. FIXED ASSETS	Freehold Property	Tugs and Barges	Motor Vehicles	Plant and Equipment	Total
<u>Cost or Valuation</u>					
At 1st January 1979	375,000	1,162,569	12,196	71,084	1,620,849
Purchases in period	-	3,892	10,851	1,284	16,027
Sales in period	-	(29,418)	(3,519)	-	(32,937)
Cost or valuation at 30th June 1979	375,000	1,137,043	19,528	72,368	1,603,939
<u>Depreciation</u>					
At 1st January 1979	4,660	807,215	7,064	49,779	868,718
Provision for period	2,330	36,075	1,490	2,813	42,708
Relating to sales in period	-	(4,799)	(3,266)	-	(3,065)
Aggregate depreciation at 30th June 1979	6,990	838,491	5,298	52,592	903,361
Net Book Value at 30th June 1979	£368,010	£ 298,552	£14,240	£19,776	£ 700,578
Land	17,000				
Buildings	151,010				
	£368,010				

Cost or valuation at 30th June 1979.

Freehold properties are stated at valuation at 1st January 1978.

Other fixed assets are stated at cost.

Capital Commitments

At the balance sheet date expenditure authorised by the directors but not contracted for amounted to £3,350 (1978 : £18,674).

7. PARENT COMPANY LOAN ACCOUNT

As at  
31st December 1978

390,000

64,307

145,307

10% Unsecured Loan Stock 1988

Less: Amount due to Parent Company  
(1978 + Add amount due  
from Parent Company)

As at

30th June 1979

156,021

17,013

1139,008

The unsecured loan stock, which is held by the holding company, is repayable at par in 1988. Interest payable on the loan stock has been waived to the six months ended 30th June 1979 and for the year ended 31st December 1978.



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NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)

8. DEBENTURE

The debenture, which is held by the ultimate holding company, is secured by a floating charge on the assets of the Company and is repayable on demand.

Interest payable on the debenture has been waived for the six months ended 30th June 1979 and for the year ended 31st December 1978.

9. ULTIMATE HOLDING COMPANY

The information to be disclosed under Section 5, Companies Act 1967 is given in the Directors' Report annexed hereto.