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A B STEVENS LIMITED ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004



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COMPANY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004

DIRECTORS:

E M Kernahan P M Morrison

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SECRETARY:

G J Field

REGISTERED OFFICE:

Hugill House Swanfield Road

Waltham Cross Hertfordshire EN8 7JR

REGISTERED NUMBER:

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AUDITORS:

Wilkins Kennedy

Chartered Accountants

Registered Auditors Hugill House Swanfield Road Waltham Cross Hertfordshire

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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO A B STEVENS LIMITED UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts on pages three to six, together with the full financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 2004 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

This report is made solely to the company, in accordance with Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company those matters we are required to state to it in a special auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company, for our work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with Section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with Sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the Registrar of Companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report did not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the full financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with Sections 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts on pages three to six are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

Wilkins Kennedy Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors Hugill House Swanfield Road

Waltham Cross Hertfordshire

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18 October 2004

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET 31 MARCH 2004

		2004		2003	
FIVED ASSETS	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	2		669,250		681,274
Investments	3		1,885		1,885
			671,135		683,159
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks		203,610		173,682	
Debtors		50,513		62,245	
Cash at bank and in hand		138,866		77,674	
ODEDITORS.		392,989		313,601	
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year		174,413		88,195	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			218,576	***************************************	225,406
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			889,711		908,565
CREDITORS Amounts falling due after more than year	n one		(500,173)		(500,173)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES			(45.55)		440.000
AND CHARGES			(45,666)		(46,866)
			343,872		361,526
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	4		136,500		210,000
Other reserves Profit and loss account			72,765 134,607		151,526
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			343,872		361,526

These abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

E M Kernahan - Director

Approved by the Board on 18 October 2004

The notes form part of these abbreviated accounts

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

Turnover

Turnover represents net invoiced sales of goods, excluding value added tax.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life or, if held under a finance lease, over the lease term, whichever is the shorter.

Freehold property

- 1% - 10% on cost

Plant and machinery

- 25% - 33.33% on cost

Stocks

Farm stocks have been included at a professional valuation.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result.

Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable for the year are charged in the profit and loss account.

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004

2.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	
		Total
		£
	COST	
	At 1 April 2003	1,247,857
	Additions	30,536
	Disposals	(5,341)
	At 31 March 2004	1,273,052
	DEPRECIATION	
	At 1 April 2003	566,584
	Charge for year	40,963
	Eliminated on disposal	(3,745)
	At 31 March 2004	603,802
	NET BOOK VALUE	
	At 31 March 2004	669,250
	At 31 March 2003	681,273
3.	FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS	
		Unlisted investments
		£
	COST	
	At 1 April 2003	
	and 31 March 2004	1,885
	NET BOOK VALUE	4.000
	At 31 March 2004	1,885
	At 31 March 2003	1,885

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004

4. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised: Number:	Class;	Nominal value:	2004 £	2003 £
136,500	"A" Ordinary	£1	136,500	136,500
73,500	"B" Ordinary	£1	73,500	73,500 ———
			210,000	210,000
Allotted, issue	ed and fully paid:			
Number:	Class:	Nominal	2004	2003
		value:	£	£
136,500	"A" Ordinary	£1	136,500	136,500
73,500	"B" Ordinary	£1		73,500
			136,500	210,000
				

On 30 September 2003 the entire issued 73,500 B Ordinary shares of £1 each were repurchased by the company for 1p per share. The amount of £72,765, representing the difference between the repurchase consideration and the nominal value of the shares, has been credited to a capital redemption reserve.