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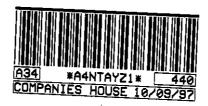
LAMBERTS (LANCASTER) LIMITED

ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31ST DECEMBER 1996

Registered number: 296724

ARMSTRONG WATSON & CO
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
Windermere



ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31st December 1996

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ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Accountants' report on the unaudited financial statements of Lamberts (Lancaster) Limited

The following reproduces the text of the report prepared for the purposes of section 249A(2) of the Companies Act 1985 in respect of the company's annual financial statements, from which the abbreviated financial statements (set out on pages 2 to 4) have been prepared.

'We report on the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 1996 set out on pages 4 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of directors and reporting accountants
As described on page 5 the company's directors are responsible for the
preparation of the financial statements, and they consider that the company is
exempt from an audit. It is our responsibility to carry out procedures designed
to enable us to report our opinion.

Basis of opinion

Our work was conducted in accordance with the Statement of Standards for Reporting Accountants, and so our procedures consisted of comparing the financial statements with the accounting records kept by the company, and making such limited enquiries of the officers of the company as we considered necessary for the purposes of this report. These procedures provide only the assurance expressed in our opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion:

- (a) the financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records kept by the company under section 221 of the Companies Act 1985;
- (b) having regard only to, and on the basis of, the information contained in those accounting records:
 - (i) the financial statements have been drawn up in a manner consistent with the accounting requirements specified in section 249C(6) of the Act;
 - (ii) the company satisfied the conditions for exemption from an audit of the financial statements for the year specified in section 249A(4) of the Act and did not, at any time within that year, fall within any of the categories of companies not entitled to the exemption specified in section 249B(1).'

9th Seftenber, 1997.

Armstrong Watson & Co Reporting Accountants

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET

at 31st December 1996

N	ote	1996		1995	
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	2		9,458		7,434
Current assets					
Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	3	32,870 2,152 14,537		30,727 1,672 17,373	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		49,559		49,772	
Net current assets			41,013		40,712
Total assets less current liabilities		_	50,471	-	48,146
Provision for liabilities and charges		-	(171)	-	(564)
Capital and reserves		Ξ	50,300	. =	47,582
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	4		1,000 49,300		1,000 46,582
Total shareholders' funds		=	50,300	=	47,582

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ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET (continued)

at 31st December 1996

The directors consider that for the year ended 31st December 1996 the company was entitled to exemption under subsection 2 of section 249A of the Companies Act 1985. No member or members have deposited a notice requesting an audit for the current financial year under subsection 2 of section 249B of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221 of the Companies Act 1985 and preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The directors have taken advantage of the exemptions conferred by Section A of Part III of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985 on the grounds that, in their opinion, the company qualifies as a small company.

In the preparation of the company's annual financial statements, the directors have taken advantage of special exemptions applicable to small companies under Part I of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985 on the grounds that, in their opinion, the company is entitled to those exemptions.

The abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 4 were approved by the board of directors on \times $\{-9,9\}$

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NOTES ON ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31st December 1996

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost accounting rules.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement conferred by Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 on the grounds that it is entitled to the exemptions available in Section 246 to 247 of the Companies Act 1985 for small companies.

Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated to write off their cost or valuation less any residual value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Plant and machinery	15%	reducing balance basis
Motor vehicles	25%	reducing balance basis
Fixtures and fittings	15%	reducing balance basis

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is computed on a first in first out basis. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less the estimated cost of disposal.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided on the liability method in respect of the taxation effect of all timing differences to the extent that tax liabilities are likely to crystallise in the foreseeable future.

NOTES ON ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31st December 1996

2 Fixed assets

			Tangible fixed assets	
	Cost or valuation			
	1st January 1996 Additions Disposals		14,388 9,500 (8,335)	
	31st December 1996		15,553	
	Depreciation		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	1st January 1996 Charge for year Disposals		6,955 2,787 (3,647)	
	31st December 1996		6,095	
	Net book amount		 	
	31st December 1996		9,458	
	1st January 1996		7,434	
3	Debtors	1996	1995	
	Amounts falling due within one year	2,152	1,672	

4 Called up share capital

	19 Number of shares	96	19 Number of shares	95
Authorised				
Authorised share capital - o	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Allotted called up and fully paid				
Authorised share capital - o	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000