## James M. Brown Limited

# Report, Accounts and Information for Directors

31 December 2010

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## Registered No 382434

## **DIRECTORS**

N W Gibson M G Hughes W P Alexander (Chairman)

## **SECRETARY**

N Simcock

## **AUDITORS**

RSM Tenon Audit Limited 5 Ridge House Ridge House Drive Festival Park Stoke on Trent Staffordshire ST1 5SJ

## **BANKERS**

Bank of Scotland West End Branch 14/16 Cockspur Street London SW1 5BL

## REGISTERED OFFICE

Napier Street Fenton Stoke-on-Trent Staffordshire ST4 4NX

## DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010

### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The company's principal activity is the manufacture and sale of pigments and inorganic chemicals

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

The company has reported a profit after tax for the year of £1,785,000 (2009 £831,000) which has been transferred to accumulated profits

To assist in the monitoring of the company's performance, the following key performance indicators are used

	2010	2009
Operating profit Profit before taxation Liquidity (Current assets / current liabilities)	£2 4m £2 3m 5 1	£1 1m £1 2m 4 9

All source data is taken from the audited financial statements

The company maintains insurance to cover directors' liability as permitted by Section 232(2) of the Companies Act 2006

## PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES FACING THE COMPANY

The business environment in which we operate continues to be challenging. With these risks and uncertainties in mind, we are aware that any plans for the future development of the business may be subject to unforeseen events outside of our control. However we will continue to show flexibility and respond to market conditions as they arise.

### FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The directors are pleased to note the high liquidity ratio

The main risks from the company's financial instruments can be analysed as follows

#### Foreign currency risk

The company has an exposure to foreign currencies due to selling and purchasing some of its products in Euros, US Dollars and South African Rand. Wherever possible, the company uses foreign currency generated from sales to fund purchases made in that currency

## DIRECTORS' REPORT

#### Credit and cash flow risk

The company's principal financial assets are bank balances and cash, trade and other debtors and investments

The company's credit risk is primarily attributable to its trade debtors. The company has no significant concentration of credit risk, with exposure spread over a number of customers. The amounts presented in this balance sheet for trade debtors are net of allowances for doubtful debts.

#### Price risk

The company is exposed to commodity price risk

## **ENVIRONMENT AND LEGISLATION**

The directors are pleased to report that the company's operations are conducted such that the company complies with all legal requirements and especially those relating to the environment and health and safety

During the year the company submitted the first registrations required under REACH legislation and will continue to fully meet all of its future obligations

## **EMPLOYEES**

Employees are kept informed of matters concerning them by means of meetings, notices and direct communication

### MARKET VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS

In the opinion of the directors the market value of freehold land and buildings exceeds its book value but, in the absence of a professional valuation, they are unable to quantify the amount

## **FIXED ASSETS**

The changes in fixed assets during the year are summarised in notes 8, 9 and 10 to the accounts

#### **DIVIDENDS**

Dividends of £444,000 (2009 £24,000) were paid during the year

#### **DIRECTORS**

The current directors of the company are shown on page 1

K Alexander was a director until his death on 19 December 2010 R Alexander was a director until his resignation on 29 March 2010

### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

## STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law) Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the directors are aware

- there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware, and
- the directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information

By order of the board

N Simcock Secretary

Date | 0 March 2011

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF JAMES M. BROWN LIMITED (REGISTERED NO. 382434)

We have audited the financial statements of James M Brown Limited for the year ended 31 December 2010 set out on pages 6 to 17 The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Sections 495 and 496 of the Companies Act 2006 Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an 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 and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Directors' responsibilities Statement set out on page 4, the directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements

## **Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2010 and of its profits for the year then ended,

have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted

Accounting Practice, and

- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit

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5 Ridge House Ridge House Drive Festival Park Stoke-on-Trent ST1 5SJ

For and on behalf of **RSM Tenon Audit Limited** Statutory Auditor

Date 10 March 2011

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 December 2010

	Notes	2010 £'000	£'000
TURNOVER Change in stocks of finished goods and work in progress Other operating income	2	, 15,333 635 285	11,673 (256) 194
		16,253	11,611
Raw materials and consumables		9,561 1,153	6,189 1,111
Other external charges Staff costs	3	2,393	2,183
Depreciation and amortisation of owned fixed assets		224 559	311 678
Other operating charges Exceptional items	5	291	152
		14,181	10,624
OPERATING PROFIT		<del></del>	
Ordinary activities		2,363	1,139
Exceptional items	5	(291)	(152)
	6	2,072	987
Interest receivable		36	42
Income from investments		237	203
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		2,345	1,232
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	560	401
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		1,785	831
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## **CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

All amounts relate to continuing operations

## STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above

## BALANCE SHEET at 31 December 2010

	Notes	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
FIXED ASSETS	_		
Intangible assets	8	0.400	2 446
Tangible assets	9	2,168	2,146
Investments	10	3,059	3,059
		5,227	5,205
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	11	2,354	1,592
Debtors	12	3,153	2,735
Cash and short term deposits		4,482	4,405
		9,989	8,732
CREDITORS amounts falling due within one year	13	1,952	1,788
NET CURRENT ASSETS		8,037	6,944
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		13,264	12,149
PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	14	12	238
NET ASSETS		13,252	11,911
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	15	4,950	4,950
General reserve	16	850	850
Profit and loss account	16	7,452	6,111
EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	16	13,252	11,911

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 10 March 2011 and signed on its behalf by

M G Hughes Director

N W Gibson **Director** 

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## **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical convention and in accordance with UK GAAP accounting standards. The accounts present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group. The company is not required to prepare and deliver group accounts as it is a wholly owned subsidiary of an EU parent company

Cash flow statement

The company is exempt from publishing a cash flow statement because it is a wholly owned subsidiary of Tennants Consolidated Limited, a company which publishes a consolidated cash flow statement

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises expenditure incurred in the normal course of business in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition and, in the case of work-in-progress and finished goods, an appropriate addition for production overheads

**Fixed Assets** 

Fixed assets are stated at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any provisions for impairment

Goodwill

Positive goodwill is capitalised, classified as an asset on the balance sheet and amortised on a straight line basis over its useful economic life. Goodwill is reviewed for impairment at the end of the first financial year following acquisition and in other periods if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying values may not be recoverable

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets other than freehold land, in order to write off such cost, less estimated residual value, over the assets' useful economic lives. Leasehold assets are written off over the period of the lease. The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment in periods if events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying values may not be recoverable

Investments

The carrying values of investments are reviewed for impairment in periods if events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable

Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the date of the transaction Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are re-translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date All differences are taken to the profit and loss account

Related Party Transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption not to disclose related party transactions with other members of the group under FRS8 - Related Party Disclosures, as it is a wholly owned subsidiary

## **ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

#### Pension benefits

The company participates in the Tennants Consolidated Limited Pension Fund, operated by the ultimate parent company Formerly a defined benefit scheme, on 31 January 2002 the defined benefit section was placed on a paid up basis and all members were invited to join a defined contribution section from that date

#### Defined benefit section

Pension benefits are funded over the employees' periods of service. The cost is calculated by an independent, qualified actuary and deficiencies or surpluses arising from triennial valuations of the group's scheme are amortised over the remaining service lives of employees

It is not possible to identify the company's share of the underlying assets and liabilities on a consistent and reasonable basis and therefore the company accounts for contributions as if they were being paid into a defined contribution scheme

### Defined contribution section

Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme

### Deferred taxation

Provision is made in full for all taxation deferred in respect of timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except for gains on disposal of fixed assets which will be rolled over into replacement assets. No provision is made for taxation on permanent differences

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is more likely than not that they will be recovered

## Investment income

Interest on bank deposits is taken into account on an accruals basis. Income from other investments is accounted for when received

Dividends are recognised as income when received Related tax credits are reflected in the tax charge for the year

#### Provisions

Provisions are recognised as a liability in the financial statements when the company has a present obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the obligation

## 2. TURNOVER

Turnover represents the invoiced value of goods sold, stated net of value added tax, after deducting all credit notes, allowances and principally relates to one activity, the manufacture and sale of pigments and inorganic chemicals

United Kingdom Export	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
	9,026 6,307	6,421 5,252
	15,333	11,673
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The Directors have elected not to disclose turnover analysed by geographical market and class of business on the basis that the information would be seriously prejudicial to the interests of the company

#### 3. STAFF COSTS

Wages and salaries Social security costs Pension costs for the defined contribution scheme Additional contribution for the shortfall in the company's defined benefit pension scheme	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
	1,976 203 149	1,791 180 147
	65	65
	2,393	2,183
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Exceptional pension costs are disclosed separately in note 5

The average number of persons employed by the company during the year, including directors, was as follows

	2010 No	2009 No
Management and administration Sales Production	19 3 46	17 3 43
	68	63
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Depreciation of tangible fixed assets

Amortisation of intangible fixed assets

Loss/(profit) on disposal of tangible fixed assets

4	DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
	Emoluments (including benefits-in-kind) Contributions to money purchase pension scheme	244 11	291 14
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The members of the defined contribution pension scheme are also members of the defined benefit scheme but for deferred benefits only

The aggregate emoluments of the highest paid director was £171,000 (2009 £149,000) and company pension contributions of £9,000 (2009 £9,000) were made to a money purchase scheme on their behalf

5	EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS		
9		2010	2009
		£'000	£'000
	Exceptional pension costs	291	-
	Pension enhancement costs	-	152
		291	152
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6.	OPERATING PROFIT	0040	2009
		2010 £'000	£'000
	This is stated after charging/(crediting)		
	Net (gains)/losses on foreign currency transactions	(47)	86
	Hire of plant and machinery	6	3
	Auditors' remuneration	12	12

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7.	TAXATION OF PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	2010	2009
		£'000	£'000
	Current tax Corporation tax at 28% (2009 28%)	625	397
	Deferred tax	(6)	
		619	397
			,
	Corporation tax (over) / under provided in previous years	(59)	4
		560	401
	Factors affecting tax charge for the period: The tax assessed for the period is lower than the standard rate of (28%) The difference is explained below	corporation tax	in the UK
		2010	2009 £'000
		£'000	
	Profit on ordinary activities before tax	2,345	1,232
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	Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by the relevant standard rate	657	345
	of corporation tax in the UK of 28% (2009 28%) Other expenses not deductible for tax purposes	(1)	33
	Other permanent differences	(66) 35	- 19
	Depreciation for period in excess of capital allowances	_	
		625	397

Factors affecting future tax charge:
There are no factors that affect future tax charges

8.	INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Goodwill £'000
	Cost At 31 December 2009	984
	At 31 December 2010	984
	Amortisation At 31 December 2009	984
	At 31 December 2010	984
	Net book value At 31 December 2009	·
	At 31 December 2010	-

## **TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

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	Freehold land and	Motor	Plant and	
	buildings	vehicles	Machinery	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cost	2000			
At 31 December 2009	2,913	104	3,917	6,934
Additions	161	17	84	262
Disposals	-	(21)	(38)	(59)
At 24 December 2010	3,074	100	3,963	7,137
At 31 December 2010				
Depreciation				
At 31 December 2009	1,254	59	3,475	4,788
Disposals	-	(5)	(38)	(43)
Charged for the year	107	21	96	224
At 31 December 2010	1,361	75	3,533	4,969
Net book value			400	0.400
At 31 December 2010	1,713	25	430	2,168
At 31 December 2009	1,659	45	442	2,146

Freehold land and buildings

The gross book value of freehold land and buildings includes £2,642,000 (2009 £2,481,000) of depreciable assets

## INVESTMENTS

Name of company	Country of registration	Holding	%	Principal activity	Year end
Ratauds Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant	31 Dec 2010
Multicel Pigmentos Industria e Commercia Ltda	Brazıl	Quotas	100%	Manufacturing	31 Dec 2010

James M Brown Limited is itself a subsidiary company and is exempt from the requirement to prepare group accounts by virtue of section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 These financial statements therefore present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group

### **STOCKS**

STOCKS	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Raw materials and consumables Work in progress Finished goods and goods for resale	380 241 1,733	253 185 1,154
	2,354	1,592
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The difference between purchase price or production cost of stocks and their replacement cost is not material

Consignment stock

The company has consignment stock contracts with suppliers Goods received and corresponding liabilities are not recognised on the balance sheet until goods have been used by the company, at which point the purchase price is determined based on published London Metal Exchange prices

12.	DEBTORS		2010 £'000	2009 £'000
	Amounts falling due within one year Trade debtors Amounts owed by subsidiary undertaking Amounts owed by fellow subsidiary undertakings Other debtors		2,622 392 22 7	2,442 177 10 6 100
	Prepayments and accrued income		3,153	2,735
13	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		2010 £'000	2009 £′000
	Trade creditors		1,261	1,127
	Amounts owed to parent undertaking Amounts owed to fellow subsidiary undertakings		14	3 65 145
	Other taxes and social security costs Corporation tax Accruals		193 141 343	302 146
			1,952	1,788
14.	PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	;		
		Deferred tax provision £'000	Other provision £'000	Total provision £'000
	At 1 January 2010	18	220 (220)	238 (220)
	Other provision movement Reversal of timing differences	(6)	(220)	(6)
	At 31 December 2010	12	<del></del>	12
	Amounts provided Accelerated capital allowances	12	<u>-</u>	12

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SHARE CAPITAL				Authorised
			2010	2009
			£'000	£'000
Ordinary shares of £1 each			500	500
"B" ordinary shares of £1 each			4,500	4,500
		•	5,000	5,000
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			• "	
			Allotted, called up	
				nd fully paid
	2010	2009	2010	2009
	No	No	£'000	£'000
Ordinary shares of £1 each	450,000	450,000	450	450
"B" ordinary shares of £1 each	4,500,000	4,500,000	4,500	4,500
		4.050.000	4.050	4.050
	4,950,000	4,950,000	4,950	4,950

The "B" ordinary shares are non-voting but have the right to a dividend as decided by the directors. On a return of assets on a winding up, the ordinary shares would rank before the "B" ordinary shares.

## 16. RECONCILIATION OF SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS AND MOVEMENTS ON RESERVES

	Notes	Share capital £'000	General reserve £'000	Profit and loss account £'000	Total £'000
At 1 January 2009		4,950	850	5,304	11,104
Profit for the year		-	-	831	831
Dividend	17	-	-	(24)	(24)
At 1 January 2010		4,950	850	6,111	11,911
Profit for the year		-	-	1,785	1,785
Dividend	17	-	-	(444)	(444)
At 31 December 2010		4,950	850	7,452	13,252

#### 17. DIVIDENDS

	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Dividend paid	444	24
	444	24

### 18 PENSION COSTS

The company participates in the Tennants Consolidated Limited Pension Fund, a combined defined benefit and defined contribution scheme, operated by the ultimate parent company. An actuarial valuation of the scheme took place as at 30 September 2007 and further details are shown in the financial statements of Tennants Consolidated Limited.

The cost of the company's contributions to the defined contribution section of the Group scheme (note 3) amounted to £149,000 (2009 £147,000) Additional company contributions (notes 3 and 5) in respect of the shortfall in the defined benefit section of the Group scheme amounted to £356,000 (2009 £65,000) There were no outstanding contributions (2009 £nil) payable to the fund at the balance sheet date

#### 19. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The bank holds a terminal indemnity to H M Customs & Excise for £50,000

## 20 ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND CONTROLLING PARTY

The ultimate parent and controlling company is Tennants Consolidated Limited, a company incorporated in the United Kingdom The address of the registered office of the parent company is 69 Grosvenor Street, London, W1K 3BP