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JOHN R KEEBLE & SON (BRANTHAM) LIMITED

ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 1998

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AUDITORS' REPORT TO J R KEEBLE & SON (BRANTHAM) LIMITED

UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 2 to 5 together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 1998 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

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 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 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 2 to 5 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

Other information

In our opinion the company is entitled for the year ended 31 March 1998 to the exemption conferred by Section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 from the requirement to prepare group financial statements.

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ENSORS
Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor
Haverhill

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ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET

AS at 31 Walch 1990	<u>Note</u>		<u>1998</u>		<u>1997</u>
FIXED ASSETS			£		£
Tangible Assets	2		435,404		475,238
CURRENT ASSETS					
Valuation of stores and cultivations Debtors		111,921 28,928		134,631 18,568	
Cash at Bank		26,690		21, 4 18	
		167,539		174,617	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		55,039		89,240	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			112,500		85,377
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT	LIABILITIES		547,904		560,615
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due outside one year	3		44,584		53,525
PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES			21,419		38,484
TOTAL NET ASSETS			481,901 =====		468,606 =====
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital Capital Reserve Profit and Loss Account	4		42,000 59,758 380,143		42,000 59,758 366,848
SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS (all equity interests)			481,901		468,606
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These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Approved by the board on and signed on their behalf by

14-12-1998

J F Keeble Director

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NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS

For the year ended 31 March 1998

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(i) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards on the historical cost basis.

(ii) Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all plant and machinery at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:-

Tractors, harvesters and motor vehicles – at 25% on written down value General implements and machinery – at 15% on written down value

Freehold land and property improvements are not depreciated. Buildings are maintained to such a standard that their estimated residual value is not less than their cost or valuation and no depreciation is charged.

(iii) Valuation of stores and cultivations

Stocks are professionally valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, on a basis consistent with previous years.

(iv) **Deferred taxation**

Deferred taxation is provided in respect of the tax effect of all timing differences, to the extent that it is probable that a liability or asset will crystallise in the foreseeable future, at the rates of tax expected to apply when timing differences reverse.

(v) Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance lease contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet and are depreciated over their useful lives. The interest element of the rental obligations is charged to profit and loss account over the period of the contract and represents a constant proportion of the balance of capital repayments outstanding. Assets obtained under contracts entered into prior to 5 April 1988 have not been capitalised in the balance sheet. In the opinion of the directors this is not considered necessary as this would not have a material effect on the reported profits. Payments under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account over the period to which they relate.

(vi) Pension Costs

Contributions payable to the company's pension scheme are charged to the profit and loss account in the period to which they relate.

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

For the year ended 31 March 1998

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	<u>Total</u>
	£
Cost As at 1 April 1997 Additions Disposals	1,001,284 48,467 (10,535)
As at 31 March 1998	1,039,216
Depreciation As at 1 April 1997 Provided during the year Disposals	526,046 81,712 (3,946)
As at 31 March 1998	603,812
Net book value As at 31 March 1998	435,404 =======
As at 31 March 1997	475,238 ======

3. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due outside one year

Creditors include £20,744 which is secured on the company's assets.

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

For the year ended 31 March 1998

4.	SHARE CAPITAL	<u>1998</u> £	<u>1997</u> £		
	<u>Authorised</u> -				
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	42,000 =====	42,000 =====		
	Allotted, called up and fully paid				
	Ordinary shares	42,000 =====	42,000 =====		