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**HUNT BROTHERS (CULCHETH) LIMITED
ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS AND AUDITORS REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1997**

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HUNT BROTHERS (CULCHETH) LIMITED
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1997

**AUDITORS' REPORT TO HUNT BROTHERS (CULCHETH) LIMITED UNDER
SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985**

We have examined the abbreviated accounts on pages 2 to 5 together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 1997 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 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 considered 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.

Haslam Tunstall

HASLAM TUNSTALL
Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor
Knutsford

19 September 1997

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HUNT BROTHERS (CULCHETH) LIMITED
ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET
AT 31 MARCH 1997

| | Notes | 1997 | 1996 |
|--|-------|------------------|------------------|
| | | £ | £ |
| FIXED ASSETS | | | |
| Tangible assets | 2 | 328,936 | 325,253 |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | |
| Stocks | | 2,000 | 13,755 |
| Debtors | 3 | 218,914 | 173,850 |
| Cash in hand | | 474 | 409 |
| | | <u>221,388</u> | <u>188,014</u> |
| CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year | 4 | <u>(326,645)</u> | <u>(261,588)</u> |
| NET CURRENT LIABILITIES | | <u>(105,257)</u> | <u>(73,574)</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | | 223,679 | 251,679 |
| CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year | | <u>(110,965)</u> | <u>(17,314)</u> |
| NET ASSETS | | <u>112,714</u> | <u>234,365</u> |
| CAPITAL AND RESERVES | | | |
| Called up share capital | 5 | 4,510 | 9,020 |
| Capital reserve | | 4,510 | - |
| Revaluation reserve | | 108,345 | 189,888 |
| Profit and loss account | 6 | (4,651) | 35,457 |
| SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS | | <u>112,714</u> | <u>234,365</u> |

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors on 19 September 1997.


..... Director
P Hunt

HUNT BROTHERS (CULCHETH) LIMITED
NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1997

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently regarding items considered material to the financial statements.

a. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets.

b. Depreciation

Depreciation has been calculated to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets on a reducing balance basis over their anticipated useful lives using the following rates:

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Plant and Equipment | 10% p.a. |
| Commercial Vehicles | 25% p.a. |
| Motor Vehicles | 25% p.a. |

Freehold land is not depreciated.

No provision has been made for depreciation of the company's buildings. This policy is not in accordance with Schedule 4 to the Companies Act 1985 and does not comply with the requirements of Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No. 12. The directors are of the opinion that the properties are regularly maintained to such a standard that they do not depreciate, and therefore it would be inappropriate to provide for depreciation.

The directors are of the opinion that it is impracticable to quantify the depreciation which would otherwise have been charged.

c. Deferred Taxation

Provision is made under the liability method for taxation deferred by those timing differences which are expected to reverse and arises principally from accelerated capital allowances. Provision is made at rates of tax likely to be in force at the time of reversal.

d. Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

e. Leases and Hire Purchase Agreements

An asset acquired under a lease or hire purchase agreement which transfers substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the company is capitalised as a tangible asset and depreciated over the shorter of the term of the lease or its useful life.

Outstanding obligations due under a lease or hire purchase agreement net of finance charges are included as a liability. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the profit and loss account over the term of the lease.

All other leases are operating leases and the rentals are charged to the profit and loss account.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

f. Pension Contributions

The company contributes to various pension schemes designed to provide retirement benefits based upon the level of contributions made.

The costs of providing these benefits are charged to profit and loss account in the year in which they are incurred.

g. Revaluation Reserve

Surpluses arising on the revaluations of individual tangible fixed assets are credited to a non-distributable reserve known as the revaluation reserve. Revaluation deficits in excess of the amount of prior revaluation surpluses on the same asset are charged to the profit and loss account. Where depreciation charges are increased following a revaluation, an amount equal to such increase is transferred annually from this reserve to the profit and loss account below the profit for the financial year. On the disposal of a revalued fixed asset the profit/loss on disposal is accounted for as the difference between the net sale proceeds and the net carrying amounts of the asset at its valuation.

h. Turnover

Turnover represents amounts invoiced to third parties, excluding value added tax, in respect of goods and services provided by the company.

2. FIXED ASSETS

| | 1997 | 1996 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ |
| TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS | | |
| The movement in the year was as follows: | | |
| Cost or Valuation | | |
| Beginning of year | 499,144 | 320,661 |
| Additions | 25,200 | 51,903 |
| Disposals | (24,543) | (63,308) |
| Revaluation adjustment | - | 189,888 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| End of year | 499,801 | 499,144 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| At cost | 249,801 | 249,144 |
| At valuation | 250,000 | 250,000 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| | 499,801 | 499,144 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Depreciation | | |
| Beginning of year | 173,891 | 217,186 |
| Charge | 21,249 | 16,018 |
| Disposals | (24,275) | (59,313) |
| | ----- | ----- |
| End of year | 170,865 | 173,891 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| Net book value | <u>328,936</u> | <u>325,253</u> |

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| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| 3. DEBTORS | 1997 | 1996 |
| | £ | £ |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 218,914 | 173,850 |
| | ===== | ===== |

4. **CREDITORS**

(a) The following liabilities were secured:

| Liability | Aggregate amount outstanding | |
|----------------|---------------------------------|---------|
| | 1997 | 1996 |
| | £ | £ |
| Bank overdraft | 132,546 | 114,203 |
| Bank Loan | 99,585 | - |
| | ===== | ===== |

(b) The aggregate amount of liabilities repayable wholly or in part more than five years after the balance sheet date is:

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------|-------|
| | £ | £ |
| Repayable by instalments | 99,585 | - |
| | ===== | ===== |

5. **SHARE CAPITAL**

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| | £ | £ |
| Authorised: | | |
| £1 Ordinary Shares | 4,510 | 9,020 |
| | ===== | ===== |
| Allotted, Called Up and Fully Paid: | | |
| £1 Ordinary Shares | 4,510 | 9,020 |
| | ===== | ===== |

On 15 January 1997 the company purchased 4,510 of its own £1 ordinary shares from R Hunt for the purchase price of £117,000. This is equivalent to 50% of the called up share capital.

6. **PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**

| | |
|--|----------|
| | £ |
| Beginning of year | 35,457 |
| Purchase of own shares | (35,457) |
| Profit on ordinary activities after taxation | 57,749 |
| | ----- |
| | 57,749 |
| Dividends | (62,400) |
| | ----- |
| End of year | (4,651) |
| | ===== |