ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 1997

FOR

LODGE SERVICE (NORTHERN) LIMITED



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COMPANY INFORMATION for the Year Ended 31 July 1997

DIRECTORS:

J S Lodge

S R Lodge

SECRETARY:

S R Lodge

REGISTERED OFFICE:

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55 Catherine Place

London SW1E 6DY

REGISTERED NUMBER:

541701

AUDITORS:

Orr Shotliff

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor Stuart House 55 Catherine Place

London SW1E 6DY

BANKERS:

National Westminster Bank plc

PO Box 305 55 King Street Manchester M60 2DB

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO LODGE SERVICE (NORTHERN) LIMITED UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements on pages three to six, together with the full financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 July 1997 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial statements 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 financial statements prepared in accordance with Sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the Registrar of Companies and whether the financial statements 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 financial statements and that the abbreviated financial statements 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 financial statements prepared in accordance with Sections 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated financial statements on pages three to five are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

Orr Shotliff
Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor
Stuart House
55 Catherine Place
London
SW1E 6DY

Dated: 29 May 1998

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET 31 July 1997

		1997		1996	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS: Tangible assets	2		36,506		28,451
CURRENT ASSETS: Debtors Cash at bank and in hand		70,407 		57,448 _2,585	
		76,462		60,033	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		79,526		57,603	
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)/A	SSETS:		(3,064)		2,430
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES:			33,442		30,881
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year			5,059		_4,267
			£28,383		£26,614
CAPITAL AND RESERVES:					
Capital AND RESERVES: Called up share capital Capital redemption reserve Profit and loss account	3		2,233 1,515 24,635		2,233 1,515 22,866
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			£28,383		£26,614

These abbreviated financial statements 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:

SR Lodge DIRECTOR

Approved by the Board on 28 May 1998

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the Year Ended 31 July 1997

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.

Turnover

Turnover represents net invoiced sales of services, 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.

Office equipment

- 15% on reducing balance

Motor vehicles

- 25% on reducing balance

Computer equipment

- 33% on cost

Deferred taxation

Provision is made at current rates for taxation deferred in respect of all material timing differences except to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is reasonable probability that the liability will not arise in the foreseeable future.

Debtors

Known Bad Debts are written off and specific provision is made for those debts which are considered to be doubtful of collection.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts or finance leases are capitalised in the balance sheet. Those held under hire purchase are depreciated over their estimated useful lives. Those held under finance leases are depreciated over their estimated useful lives or the lease term, whichever is the shorter.

The interest element of these obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the relevant period. The capital element of the future payments is treated as a liability.

All other leases are treated as operating leases. Their annual rental is charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

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2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

TAINGIBLE TIMED ASSESS	Total £
COST: At 1 August 1996 Additions Disposals	65,526 21,931 (20,990)
At 31 July 1997	<u>66,467</u>
DEPRECIATION: At 1 August 1996 Charge for year Eliminated on disposals	37,075 9,067 (16,181) 29,961
At 31 July 1997 NET BOOK VALUE:	
At 31 July 1997 At 31 July 1996	36,506 28,451

The net book value of tangible fixed assets included above held under finance lease or hire purchase contract amounted to £27,410 (1996:£19,157). Total depreciation allocated to these assets during the year was £6,891 (1996:£5,025).

3. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised:				
Number:	Class:	Nominal	1997	1996
		value:	£	£
40,000	Ordinary	5p	2,000	2,000
3,000	6% Redeemable Cumulative Preference	£1	3,000	3,000
			<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
Allotted, issu	ed and fully paid:			
Number:	Class:	Nominal	1997	1996
		value:	£	£
29,980	Ordinary	5p	1,499	1,499
734	6% Redeemable Cumulative Preference	£1	<u>734</u>	<u>734</u>
			2,233	2,233

The holder of the Redeemable Cumulative Preference shares has waived all rights to dividends up to 31 July 1997.

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4. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The holding company is Lodge Service International Limited, incorporated in England.

5. SECURED CREDITORS

The following Hire Purchase Cr	reditors were secured	on assets of the	company:
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The following time i dichase creditors were secured on assets of the	1997 £	1996 £
Amount falling due within one year	9,803	5,978
Amount falling due after more than one year	5,059	4,267