

**Hi-Lite Signs Limited**

**Company Number : 886857**

**Abbreviated Financial Statements  
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## **Auditors' Report to the director of Hi-Lite Signs Limited pursuant to paragraph 24 of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985**

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements on pages 3 to 7 together with the full financial statements of Hi-Lite Signs Limited for the year ended 31 January 1997.

### **Respective responsibilities of director and auditors**

The abbreviated financial statements are the responsibility of the director. Our responsibility is to report to you as to whether the company is entitled to the exemptions claimed by the director and whether the abbreviated financial statements have been properly prepared from the full financial statements.

### **Basis of opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. The audit of abbreviated financial statements consists of an assessment of whether the company satisfied the criteria necessary to take advantage of the exemptions available under the Companies Act 1985. It also includes an assessment of whether they have been properly prepared in accordance with the relevant provisions of that Act.

### **Opinion**

In our opinion the company is entitled under section 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985 to the exemptions conferred by section A of Part III of Schedule 8 to that Act in respect of the year ended 31 January 1997 and the abbreviated financial statements on pages 3 to 7 have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

On 1 July 1997, we reported as auditors of Hi-Lite Signs Limited to the members on the full financial statements prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31 January 1997, and our audit report was as follows:

"We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 17 which have been prepared following the accounting policies set out on page 7.

### **Respective responsibilities of director and auditors**

As described on page 2 the company's director is responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

### **Basis of opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes an examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the director in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

**Auditors' Report to the director of Hi-Lite Signs Limited pursuant to paragraph 24 of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985.**

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion, we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

**Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 January 1997 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985."



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**Neville Russell**

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Dated: 1 July 1997

# Hi-Lite Signs Limited

## Abbreviated Balance Sheet at 31 January 1997

	Notes	1997 £	1996 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Intangible assets	3	-	800
Tangible assets	3	329,148	318,328
Investments	4	16,910	250
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		346,058	319,378
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<b>Current assets</b>			
Stocks		165,452	183,133
Debtors		198,122	176,072
Bank and cash balances		487	301
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		364,061	359,506
<b>Creditors - amounts falling due within one year</b>	5	(460,660)	(439,499)
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<b>Net current liabilities</b>		( 96,599)	( 79,993)
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<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		249,459	239,385
<b>Creditors - amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	6	(215,089)	(285,881)
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		34,370	( 46,496)
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<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Called up share capital	7	115,460	98,800
Revaluation reserve		51,946	53,154
Profit and loss account		(133,036)	(198,450)
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<b>Shareholders' funds</b>		34,370	( 46,496)
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Advantage is taken of the exemptions conferred by Section A of Part III of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985. In the director's opinion, the company is entitled to those exemptions having met the qualifications for a small company specified in section 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985.

Approved by the board on 23 JUNE 1997  
and signed on its behalf by

  
D G Bradshaw, Director

## **Hi-Lite Signs Limited**

### **Notes to the Abbreviated Financial Statements For the year ended 31 January 1997**

#### **1. Accounting policies**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The company is exempt from the requirement to publish a cash flow statement under the Financial Reporting Standard No. 1.

##### **a. Accounting convention**

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of land and buildings.

##### **b. Depreciation**

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost or revalued amount on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives. No depreciation is charged on freehold land.

##### **c. Stocks and work-in-progress**

Stocks and work-in-progress are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is calculated using the first-in, first-out method and consists of material and direct labour costs, together with an appropriate proportion of production overheads.

##### **d. Deferred taxation**

Deferred tax 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 the timing differences reverse.

##### **e. Research and development expenditure**

Research and development expenditure is written off in the profit and loss account in the year in which it is incurred except development expenditure on individual projects. Where the recoverability of this development expenditure can be foreseen with reasonable assurance it is carried forward and amortised in line with sales from the relevant projects.

##### **f. Investments**

Investments held as fixed assets are stated at cost less provision for permanent diminution in value.

##### **g. Leases**

###### **Operating leases**

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

##### **h. 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.

## Hi-Lite Signs Limited

### Notes to the Abbreviated Financial Statements For the year ended 31 January 1997

#### 2. Basis of preparation of the financial statements

These financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about the group. The company is exempt from the requirement to produce group accounts as it is the parent company of a small group.

#### 3. Tangible/Intangible fixed assets

	<b>Tangible fixed assets</b>	<b>Intangible fixed assets</b>
	£	£
<b>Cost or valuation</b>		
At 1 February 1996	475,786	2,233
Additions	26,776	-
Disposals	( 36,973)	( 2,233)
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<b>At 31 January 1997</b>	<b>465,589</b>	<b>-</b>
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<b>Accumulated depreciation/Amortisation</b>		
At 1 February 1996	157,458	1,433
Charge for the year	15,780	-
Eliminated on disposals	( 36,797)	( 1,433)
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<b>At 31 January 1997</b>	<b>136,441</b>	<b>-</b>
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<b>Net book values</b>		
<b>At 31 January 1997</b>	<b>329,148</b>	<b>-</b>
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<b>At 31 January 1996</b>	<b>318,328</b>	<b>800</b>
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# Hi-Lite Signs Limited

## Notes to the Abbreviated Financial Statements For the year ended 31 January 1997

### 4. Fixed asset investments

	Total £
<b>Cost and net book value</b>	
At 1 February 1996	250
Additions	16,660
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<b>At 31 January 1997</b>	<b>16,910</b>
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Unlisted investments comprise a 100% interest in the ordinary shares of Hi-Lite Engraving Limited (a subsidiary undertaking) held by the company. Hi-Lite Engraving Limited is incorporated in England.

The aggregate capital and reserves are £94,509 and the loss for the year was £1,051.

The company is exempt from the requirement to produce group accounts as it is the parent company of a small group.

### 5. Secured creditors - amounts falling due within one year

The bank loans and overdrafts amounting to £102,885 (1996 £141,881) are secured on the company properties.

### 6. Secured creditors - amounts falling due after more than one year

	1997 £	1996 £
Bank loans	215,089	285,881
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The bank loans are secured, details of which are given in note 5 above.

### 7. Share capital

	Authorised		Allotted, issued and fully paid	
	1997 £	1996 £	1997 £	1996 £
Ordinary shares of £1 each	92,270	100,600	57,730	49,400
Deferred shares of £1 each	57,730	49,400	57,730	49,400
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	150,000	150,000	115,460	98,800
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#### **8. Contingent liabilities**

Composite guarantee dated 30 November 1990 unlimited in favour of Hi-Lite Signs (Southern) Limited and Hi-Lite Sandey Limited.

An unlimited guarantee dated 2 December 1983 in favour of Hi-Lite Engraving Limited.

An unlimited guarantee dated 25 May 1990 in favour of Hi-Glow Signs Limited.

Hi-Lite Signs (Southern) Limited and Hi-Lite Sandey Limited are presently in receivership. No potential liabilities are expected to arise in respect of the composite guarantee given above.

#### **9. Directors transactions**

The company has had transactions on an arms length basis with other companies in which Mr D G Bradshaw has a material interest. On 29 January 1997 the company acquired the remainder of the share capital of Hi-Lite Engraving Limited from Mr D G Bradshaw in exchange for 8,330 ordinary shares and 8,330 deferred shares issued at par in this company.