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ANGLO PORTUGUESE CORK CO LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST OCTOBER 1999

COMPANY INFORMATION

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Mrs E. Neilson Mr G.C. Neilson

Secretary Mr G.C. Neilson

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST OCTOBER 1999

The directors present their report and the audited accounts for the company for the year ended 31st October 1999.

Principal activities

The company's principal activity during the year continued to be that of the importation of cork.

Directors and their interests

The directors who held office during the year and their beneficial interests in the company's issued share capital are given below:

Name of director	Share type	At 31st October 1999	At 1st November 1998
Mr C.H. Neilson	Preferred ordinary shares	250	250
Mrs E. Neilson	Preferred ordinary shares	250	250
Mr G.C. Neilson	Ordinary shares	1500	1500

Statement of directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss for that year. In preparing those accounts the directors are required to:

Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

Prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 1985. 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.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST OCTOBER 1999

Auditors

A resolution to re-appoint Myers Clark Chartered Accountants as auditors will be put to the members at the Annual General Meeting.

Small company exemptions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within part VII of the Companies Act 1985.

By order of the Board

Mr G.C. Neilson, Secretary

9th February 2000

1 Station Parade Beaconsfield Buckinghamshire HP9 2PB

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE

SHAREHOLDERS OF ANGLO PORTUGUESE CORK CO LIMITED

We have audited the accounts on pages 4 to 9 which have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 1999), under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 2 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those accounts and 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 examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the accounts 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 the information in the accounts.

Opinion

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31st October 1999 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Myers Clark

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

Woodford House Woodford Road

Watford Herts. WD1 1DL

Date: 9th February 2000

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST OCTOBER 1999

	Notes	1999	1998
		£	£
Turnover	2	478,138	247,545
Cost of sales		(394,026)	(192,212)
Gross profit		84,112	55,333
Administrative expenses		(91,756)	(89,899)
		(7,644)	(34,566)
Other operating income		20,000	48,000
Operating profit Interest receivable	3	12,356 1,253	13,434 810
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		13,609	14,244
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	(3,173)	(3,092)
Profit for the financial year		10,436	11,152
Dividends	6	(30,000)	(10,000)
Retained loss/profit for the year		(19,564)	1,152
Retained profit brought forward		15,785	14,633
Retained loss/profit carried forward	_	(3,779)	15,785

There were no recognised gains or losses for 1999 or 1998 other than those included in the profit and loss account.

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31ST OCTOBER 1999

	Notes		1999		1998
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7		19,996		23,138
Current assets					
Stocks		-		8,500	
Debtors	8	69,651		73,011	
Cash at bank and in hand	_	20,752	_	2,981	
		90,403		84,492	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(112,178)		(89,845)	
Net current liabilities			(21,775)	_	(5,353)
Total assets less current liabilities			(1,779)	-	17,785
		=	(-7, 1.2)	=	
Capital and reserves					
Share capital	10		2,000		2,000
Profit and loss account			(3,779)		15,785
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Shareholders' funds			(1,779)	_	17,785
		_		_	

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 1999).

These accounts were approved by the board on 9th February 2000 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr G.C. Neilson Director

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST OCTOBER 1999

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Turnover

Turnover comprises the value of sales excluding value added tax and trade discounts.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write down the cost or valuation, less estimated residual value, of all tangible fixed assets, by reducing balance method over their expected useful lives:

Motor vehicles Furniture and equipment - 25% reducing balance

- 10% reducing balance

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value as follows:

Raw materials - purchase cost, including overheads incurred in bringing the stock to its present location and condition, on a first-in, first-out basis.

Work in progress and finished goods - cost of direct materials and labour plus attributable overheads based on normal levels of activity.

Net realisable value is based upon the estimated selling price less further costs expected to be incurred to completion and disposal.

Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred taxation using the liability method to take account of timing differences between the incidence of income and expenditure for taxation and accounting purposes except to the extent that the directors consider that a liability to taxation is unlikely to crystallise.

Leased assets

Leases are regarded as operating leases and the payments made under them are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

2 Turnover

The turnover was derived from the company's principal activity which was carried out wholly in the UK.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST OCTOBER 1999

3	Operating profit		
	The operating profit is stated after charging or crediting:	1999	1998
		£	£
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets:		
	-owned assets	5,113	3,926
	Auditors' remuneration	= 2,750 =	2,550
4	Directors' remuneration		
		1999	1998
		£	£
	Aggregate emoluments	41,739	40,261
5	Taxation		
		1999	1998
		£	£
	Based on the profit for the year:		
	UK corporation tax at 21%/20% (1998: 21%)	3,175	3,115
	Prior periods UK corporation tax	(2)	(2.2)
	ok corporation tax	(2)	(23)
		3,173	3,092
6	Dividends	1999	1998
		£	£
	Ordinary dividends - paid	22,500	7,500
	Preferred ordinary dividends - paid	7,500	2,500
	Total equity dividends	30,000	10,000

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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7 Tangible fixed assets		
	Plant and machinery etc £	Total £
Cost	_	
At 1st November 1998 Additions	32,966 1,971	32,966 1,971
At 31st October 1999	34,937	34,937
Depreciation		
At 1st November 1998	9,828	9,828
Charge for the year	5,113	5,113
At 31st October 1999	14,941	14,941
Net book value		
At 31st October 1999	19,996	19,996
At 31st October 1998	23,138	23,138
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8 Debtors	1999 £	1998 £
Trade debtors	63,942	67,140
Other debtors	5,709	5,871
	69,651	73,011
Debtors include an amount of £2,053 (1998: £2,053) falling due after more than one year.		<u> </u>
9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	1999	1998
or calculate amounts among the vitaline one year	£	£
Trade creditors	59,287	61,658
Amounts owed to group undertakings and undertakings in which the company has a	•	•
participating interest	31,043	<i>16,375</i>
Accruals and deferred income	7,722	3,748
Corporation tax Other taxes and social security	3,175	150
Other taxes and social security	10,951	7,914
	112,178	89,845

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST OCTOBER 1999

10	Share capital	1999 £	1998 £
	Authorised	dw .	~
	1,500 Ordinary shares of £1.00 each	1,500	1,500
	500 Preferred ordinary shares of £1.00 each	500	500
		2,000	2,000
	Allotted		
	1,500 Allotted, called up and fully paid ordinary shares of £1.00 each	1,500	1,500
	500 Allotted, called up and fully paid preferred ordinary shares of £1.00 each	500	500
		2,000	2,000
11	Operating lease commitments		

At 31st October 1999 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:

Operating leases which expire:	£	1998 £
Between two and five years	8,000	8,000
	8,000	8,000

12 Related parties

The shareholders of the company have a controlling interest in CML Components Limited and the balance owed to this company at 31st October 1999 was £31,043 (1998 - £16,375)

During the year the company received a management charge of £20,000 (1998 - £48,000) from CML Components Ltd.