ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31ST MAY 1997

Company Registered Number: 898048 (England and Wales)

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COMPANIES HOUSE 31/03/98

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MAY 1997

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO

WHITEHOUSE PACKAGING LIMITED

Under Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 2 to 4, together with the full statutory accounts of the company for the year ended 31st May 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 consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the accounts, 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 full statutory accounts.

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 4 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

27th March 1998

Murray Smith & Co Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors Darland House Winnington Hill Northwich Cheshire CW8 1AU

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31ST MAY 1997

	Note	1997		;	1996	
	.,,,,,	£	£	£	£	
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	2		100,301		100,881	
CURRENT ASSETS Stocks Work in progress Debtors Cash at bank and in hand		28,950 5,830 218,415 30,393 283,588		24,291 2,241 131,032 819 ———————————————————————————————————		
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	3	250,295		118,921		
NET CURRENT ASSETS		_ _	33,293		39,462	
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			133,594		140,343	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year Net obligations under hire purchase contracts	3		14,073		16,172	
PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES			119,521		124,171	
AND CHARGES Deferred taxation			2,605		4,141	
			116,916		120,030	
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital Profit and loss account	4		40 116,876		40 119,990	
Shareholders' funds			116,916		120,030	

The abbreviated 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 of Directors on 9th March 1998 and signed on its behalf.

The notes on pages 3 and 4 form an integral part of these accounts.

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS

AS AT 31ST MAY 1997

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- (a) Basis of accounting The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards.
- (b) Cash flow statement
 The company qualifies as a small company under the Companies Act
 1985 and the directors have elected to take advantage of the
 exemption under FRS 1 not to prepare a cash flow statement.
- (c) Turnover Turnover represents net sales and work done on behalf of third parties, excluding Value Added Tax
- (d) Tangible fixed assets Tangible fixed assets are valued at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided for, on a quarterly basis, so as to write off the cost of each asset over its estimated useful life, at the following annual rates:

Equipment 25% reducing balance Office equipment 15% reducing balance Portacabin 10% reducing balance Motor vehicle 25% reducing balance

- (e) Hire purchase commitments Tangible fixed assets held under hire purchase contracts are capitalised and depreciated over their estimated useful lives. The corresponding obligations are treated in the balance sheet, as liabilities. Finance charges are allocated to accounting periods, on a straight line basis, over the term of the contracts.
- (f) Stocks and work in progress Stocks and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.
- (g) Deferred taxation Provision is made for deferred taxation, using the liability method, for all timing differences to the extent that it is probable the liability will crystallise.
- (h) Pension costs The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost represents contributions payable by the company to the scheme.
- (i) Operating leases Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged to the profit and loss account as incurred.

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS

AS AT 31ST MAY 1997

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	£
COST	
At 1st June 1996	221,710
Additions	30,751
At 31st May 1997	252,461
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DEPRECIATION	
At 1st June 1996	120,829
Provision for the year	31,331
At 31st May 1997	152,160
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NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31st May 1997	100,301
At 31st May 1996	100,881
	

3. CREDITORS

Of the amounts included in creditors £77,881 (1996, £34,990) is secured.

		1997	1996
		£	£
4.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL		
	Authorised:		
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
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	Allotted, issued and fully paid:		
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	40	40

5. ULTIMATE HOLDING COMPANY

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of Whitehouse Holdings (Halstead) Limited, which is a company registered in England and Wales.