# ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2008 **FOR**

**WASHINGTON & CO. LIMITED** 



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# COMPANY INFORMATION for the year ended 31 August 2008

**DIRECTORS:** 

P D Segal Mrs W M Max C Edwards

SECRETARY:

P D Segal

**REGISTERED OFFICE:** 

23 Bull Plain Hertford Hertfordshire SG14 1DX

**REGISTERED NUMBER:** 

1067999 (England and Wales)

**AUDITORS:** 

Wortons

Chartered Accountants

23 Bull Plain Hertford Hertfordshire SG14 1DX

# REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO WASHINGTON & CO. LIMITED UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages three to five, together with the financial statements of Washington & Co. Limited for the year ended 31 August 2008 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

This report is made solely to the company, in accordance with Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company those matters we are required to state to it in a special auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company, for our work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### 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 abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

#### Basis of opinion

We conducted our work in accordance with Bulletin 2006/3 "The Special Auditor's Report on Abbreviated Accounts in the United Kingdom" issued by the Auditing Practices Board. In accordance with that Bulletin 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 accounts and that the abbreviated accounts to be delivered are properly prepared.

#### 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 have been properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

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Wortons
Chartered Accountants
23 Bull Plain
Hertford
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15 December 2008

# ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET 31 August 2008

		2008		2007	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	2 3		5,644		6,261
Investments	3		845,429		746,959
			851,073		753,220
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks		2,868,343		3,472,701	
Debtors		728,172		65,595	
Cash at bank		866,157		1,374,074	
		4,462,672		4,912,370	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year		450,462		583,896	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			4,012,210		4,328,474
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT					
LIABILITIES			4,863,283		5,081,694
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES			7,733		7,805
NET ASSETS			4,855,550		5,073,889
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	4		1,000,000		1,000,000
Profit and loss account			3,855,550		4,073,889
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			4,855,550		5,073,889

These abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 15 December 2008 and were signed on its behalf by:

P D Segal - Director

# NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS for the year ended 31 August 2008

#### 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 (effective January 2007).

#### Turnover

Turnover is based on property selling prices falling within the company's ordinary activity and net of selling expenses except in respect of service contracts where turnover is recognised when the company obtains the right to consideration..

#### Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Furniture and equipment

- 20%-30% on reducing balance

#### Stocks

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

#### Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

#### Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result.

#### 2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Total £
COST	
At 1 September 2007	23,153
Additions	1,320
Disposals	(2,457)
At 31 August 2008	22,016
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 September 2007	16,892
Charge for year	1,451
Eliminated on disposal	(1,971)
At 31 August 2008	16,372
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 August 2008	5,644
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At 31 August 2007	6,261

# NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS - continued for the year ended 31 August 2008

### 3. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
COST	£
At I September 2007	746,959
Additions	111,365
Disposals	(12,895)
At 31 August 2008	845,429
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 August 2008	845,429
At 31 August 2007	746,959
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#### 4. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised, allotted, issued and fully paid:

Number:	Class:	• •	Nominal	2008	2007
			value:	£	£
1,000,000	Ordinary		£1	1,000,000	1,000,000

### 5. **CONTROLLING PARTY**

Mr P D Segal and Mrs W M Max are trustees of a Settlement which holds all of the issued shares of the company.