REGISTERED NUMBER: 1328775 (England and Wales)

ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST OCTOBER 1997 FOR

HICKS (CHINA & GLASS) LIMITED



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<u>COMPANY INFORMATION</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST OCTOBER 1997</u>

DIRECTORS:

J L Backshall

C M U Backshall

SECRETARY:

J Fenn

REGISTERED OFFICE:

Copper Beach

Tenterfield Road

Maldon Essex

REGISTERED NUMBER:

1328775 (England and Wales)

ACCOUNTANTS:

Lambert Chapman

Chartered Accountants

Avon House Spital Road Maldon

Essex CM9 6DY

BANKERS:

National Westminster PLC

36 High Street

Maldon Essex

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET 31ST OCTOBER 1997

		1997		1996	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS:					
Tangible assets	2		1,086		1,278
CURRENT ASSETS:					
Stocks		167,008		162,978	
Debtors		3,088		2,861	
Cash in hand		152		<u>47</u>	
		170,248		165,886	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling		04.000		100 547	
due within one year		84,092		103,547	
NET CURRENT ASSETS:			86,156		62,339
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT					
LIABILITIES:			87,242		63,617
CREDITORS: Amounts falling					
due after more than one year			28,161		6,200
			£59,081		£57,417
CAPITAL AND RESERVES:					
Called up share capital	3		5,000		5,000
Share premium			1,850		1,850
Profit and loss account			52,231		50,567
Shareholders' funds			£59,081		£57,417

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 249A(1) of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ending 31st October 1997.

No notice has been deposited under Section 249B(2) of the Companies Act 1985 in relation to its financial statements for the financial year.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 221 of the Companies Act 1985 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of each financial year and of its profit or loss for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Section 226 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 1985 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET 31ST OCTOBER 1997

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:

J L Backshall - DIRECTOR

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST OCTOBER 1997

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Financial Reporting Standard Number 1

Exemption has been taken from preparing a cash flow statement on the grounds that the company qualifies as a small company.

Turnover

Turnover represents net invoiced sales of goods, 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

Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

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.

Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable for the year are charged in the profit and loss account.

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Total
	£
COST:	
At 1st November 1996	
and 31st October 1997	5,385
DEPRECIATION:	
At 1st November 1996	4,107
Charge for year	192
At 31st October 1997	4,299
NET BOOK VALUE:	
At 31st October 1997	1,086
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At 31st October 1996	1,278

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3. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised, allotted, issued and fully paid:

 Number:
 Class:
 Nominal value:
 1997
 1996

 5,000
 Ordinary
 £1
 5,000
 5,000

4. TRANSACTIONS WITH DIRECTORS

Material interests of directors

During the year the company purchased goods to the value of £675 from Reeve and Son (Maldon) Limited, a business in which J L Backshall is materially interested as a director. These transactions were made on a normal trading basis.

Hicks (China and Glass) Limited occupy premises owned by Reeve and Son (Maldon) Limited. The rent payable is £6,000 per annum, the total rent due to Reeve and Son (Maldon) Limited at 31st October 1997 was £12,750.