Financial Statements GHL Liftrucks Limited

For the Year Ended 31 December 2012



Company information

Company registration number

01379041

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Report of the directors

The directors present their report and the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2012

Principal activities and business review

The company is principally engaged in the sale, hire and maintenance of forklift trucks, plant and associated equipment

There was a profit for the year after taxation amounting to £228,967 (2011 £344,518) No dividend was paid during the year (2011 £nil)

Summary of key performance indicators

The company uses a variety of financial and non-financial indicators to monitor performance versus budget and prior year. The principal indicators are

	2012	2011
Sales growth	(0 33%)	8 33%
Operating profit margin	3 02%	4 32%

Sales and margins remain under pressure due to the continuing economic uncertainty and the company is investing in its sales force in order to strengthen its position in the market place, while constantly monitoring its cost base

The other key performance indicators include labour efficiencies, unit sales, order intake, salesman performance and margin analysis by region and business sector

Future developments for the business

The company continues to look at diversification in non-core activities to secure future growth. It has also continued to invest in core activities to ensure the company is positioned to take advantage of any economic upturn.

The company renewed its banking facilities in January 2012 and, based on a review of the company's forecasts, the directors are satisfied that the company will be able to operate within those facilities and settle its debts as they fall due for at least 12 months from the date of signing these financial statements

Principal risks and uncertainties

The management of the business and the nature of the company's strategy are subject to a number of risks

The directors set out below the principal risks facing the business

Competition

Competition remains very strong in the markets occupied by the company. We continue to develop the product and widen the services we offer, in order to strengthen our market position

Report of the directors (continued)

Economic Downturn

The slow-down in the economy has reduced the potential market for capital equipment. This is being addressed through an active marketing campaign, an effective sales presence in the marketilace and competitive pricing.

Cost Inflation

The company continues to review and benchmark its cost base, in order to ensure its competitiveness in the market place, through constant review of existing suppliers and by keeping an open dialogue with alternative sources of supply

Financial risk management

The company uses various financial instruments including cash, finance leases, loans and items such as trade debtors and trade creditors that arise directly from its operations. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to raise finance for the company's operations.

The existence of these financial instruments exposes the company to a number of financial risks. The main risks arising from these financial instruments are currency risk, credit risk, interest rate risk and liquidity risk.

Currency risk

The company is exposed to foreign currency risk as it purchases trucks from its principal supplier in US \$s. It limits this exposure through the use of forward purchase contracts

Credit risk

The company's principal financial assets are cash and trade debtors. The credit risk associated with cash is minimal and so the principal credit risk arises on trade debtors. The company manages this risk by carrying out credit checks on new customers, setting credit limits for each customer and regular review of each debtor account. The overall credit risk is limited as no customer accounts for more than 10% of the company's sales.

Interest rate risk

The interest rates on the bank facilities are variable in line with the bank rate but the company's exposure to interest rate fluctuations is limited by the use of fixed rate finance leases

Liquidity risk

The company seeks to manage liquidity risk by ensuring that sufficient liquidity is available to meet forecast needs. Short term flexibility is achieved through the use of an overdraft facility, letters of credit and import loans.

Directors

The directors who served the company during the year were as follows

D Alger S Law M Sheldon

Report of the directors (continued)

Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- prepare the financial statements 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 that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. 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.

In so far as the directors are aware

- there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware, and
- the directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information

Donations

During the year the company made the following contributions

	2012 £	2011 £
Charitable donations	200	_

Auditor

Grant Thornton UK LLP offer themselves for reappointment as auditor in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

D Alger Director



Report of the independent auditor to the members of GHL Liftrucks Limited

We have audited the financial statements of GHL Liftrucks Limited for the year ended 31 December 2012 which comprise the principal accounting policies, the profit and loss account, the balance sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's 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 and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Statement of directors' responsibilities set out on page 5, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the APB's website at www frc org uk/apb/scope/private cfm

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2012 and of the company's profit for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Report of the directors for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements



Report of the independent auditor to the members of GHL Liftrucks Limited (continued)

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit

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Simon Jones Senior Statutory Auditor for and on behalf of Grant Thornton UK LLP, Statutory Auditor, Chartered Accountants

Central Milton Keynes

21 June 2013

Principal accounting policies

Basis of accounting

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

The accounting policies remain unchanged from the previous year

Consolidation

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of a UK company which produces group accounts. The company has therefore taken advantage of the exemption provided by Section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 not to prepare group accounts.

Cash flow statement

The directors have taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 (Revised 1996) from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the company is wholly owned and its parent publishes a consolidated cash flow statement

Turnover

Turnover shown in the profit and loss account represents income recognised during the year for goods supplied and services provided. Income from truck sales is recognised on despatch. Rental income from operating leases, excluding charges for services provided, is recognised on a straight line basis over the period of the lease. Service income is recognised over the period of the service.

Fixed assets

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, excluding freehold land, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows

Freehold buildings Short leasehold land and buildings Plant and machinery 10% straight line Period of lease 10 - 50% straight line

Stocks

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

Work in progress

Work in progress is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value

Principal accounting policies (continued)

Leased assets

Lessee

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet and depreciated over their expected useful economic lives. The interest element of leasing payments represents a constant proportion of the capital balance outstanding and is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease.

All other 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

Lessor

Assets held for use in operating leases by the company are capitalised as fixed assets and depreciated over their useful economic life. Rental income from operating leases, excluding charges for services, are recognised on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Provision for liabilities and charges

Where a warranty is granted on the sale of a truck, a provision is created in respect of the warranty costs estimated to arise over the warranty period

Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company. The annual contributions payable are charged to the profit and loss account.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is recognised on all timing differences where the transactions or events that give the company an obligation to pay more tax in the future, or a right to pay less tax in the future, have occurred by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets are recognised when it is more likely than not that they will be recovered.

Deferred tax is measured on an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences reverse, based on tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted 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, unless covered by forward exchange contracts. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating profit.

Principal accounting policies (continued)

Financial instruments

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the entity after deducting all of its financial liabilities.

Where the contractual obligations of financial instruments (including share capital) are equivalent to a similar debt instrument, those financial instruments are classed as financial liabilities. Financial liabilities are presented as such in the balance sheet. Finance costs and gains or losses relating to financial liabilities are included in the profit and loss account. Finance costs are calculated so as to produce a constant rate of return on the outstanding liability.

Where the contractual terms of share capital do not have any terms meeting the definition of a financial liability then this is classed as an equity instrument. Dividends and distributions relating to equity instruments are debited direct to equity

Profit and loss account

	Note	2012 £	2011 £
Turnover	1	13,211,931	13,256,011
Operating costs: Change in stocks of finished goods and work in progress Raw materials and consumables Other external charges Staff costs Depreciation written off fixed assets Other operating charges	2 3 3	73,880 5,672,714 578,774 3,795,937 739,165 1,952,619	(293,642) 6,040,236 313,786 3,900,484 726,171 1,996,577
Operating profit	3	398,842	572,399
Interest receivable Interest payable and similar charges Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	5	670 (88,512) 311,000	922 (94,455) 478,866
Tax on profit on ordinary activities Profit for the financial year	6 19	(82,033)	(134,348) 344,518

All of the activities of the company are classed as continuing

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above

Balance sheet

	Note	2012 £	2011 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	7	2,554,630	2,294,875
Investments	8	100	100
		2,554,730	2,294,975
Current assets			
Stocks	9	1,454,470	1,528,350
Debtors	10	1,817,096	1,820,303
Cash at bank and in hand		513,692	396,338
		3,785,258	3,744,991
Creditors: amounts falling due within on	ie		
year	11	(3,304,808)	(3,166,448)
Net current assets		480,450	578,543
Total assets less current liabilities		3,035,180	2,873,518
Creditors: amounts falling due after mor	e		
than one year	12	(1,221,217)	(1,286,038)
Provisions for habilities			
Provisions for liabilities and charges	15	(182,256)	(184,740)
		1,631,707	1,402,740
Capital and reserves			
Called-up equity share capital	18	100,000	100,000
Profit and loss account	19	1,531,707	1,302,740
Shareholders' funds	20	<u>1,631,707</u>	1,402,740

These financial statements were approved by the board on 215 2013 and authorised for issue and are signed on their behalf by

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Director

Company number 01379041

Notes to the financial statements

1 Turnover

The turnover and profit before tax are attributable to the one principal activity of the company An analysis of turnover is given below

	2012	2011
	£	£
United Kingdom	13,211,931	13,256,011

Turnover includes income from operating leases of approximately £1,354,302 (2011 £1,360,175)

2 Staff costs

The average number of staff employed by the company during the financial year amounted to

	2012	2011
	No	No
Operational	95	98
Office administration and clerical	37	37
	132	135
The aggregate payroll costs of the above were		
	2012	2011
	£	£
Wages and salaries 3,4	105,714	3,515,606
	48,570	353,148
	41,653	31,730
3,7	95,937	3,900,484

3 **Operating profit**

Operating profit is stated after charging

Operating profit is stated after charging		
	2012	2011
	£	£
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	321,407	360,912
Depreciation of assets held under finance leases and hire purchase		
agreements	417,758	365,259
Profit on sale of tangible fixed assets	(10,067)	(26,929)
Auditor's remuneration	,	, , ,
Audit fees	16,500	15,900
Non audit fees - tax services	2,500	2,500
Operating lease costs		
Plant and equipment	-	-
Land and buildings	145,339	158,539
Directors		
Remuneration in respect of directors was as follows		
	2012	2011
	£	£.

	£	£
Emoluments Value of company pension contributions to money purchase schemes	288,921 22,528	286,967 14,369
	311,449	301,336
Emoluments of highest paid director		
	2012 £	2011 £
Total emoluments (excluding pension contributions)	114,744	112,488

The number of directors who accrued benefits under company pension schemes was as follows

	2012 No	2011 No
Money purchase schemes	2	2

Included within other operating charges is a management charge payable to GHL Holdings Limited for the salaries of the directors of GHL Liftrucks Limited The emoluments relating to these directors are shown above

5 Interest payable and similar charges

		2012 £	2011 £
	Interest payable on bank borrowing Finance charges	33,103 55,409	32,494 61,961
		88,512	94,455
6	Taxation on ordinary activities		
	(a) Analysis of charge in the year		
		2012 £	2011 £
	Current tax		25
	UK Corporation tax based on the results for the year at 24 50% (2011 26 49%)	94,502	129,993
	Over provision in prior year	(1)	(252)
	Total current tax	94,501	129,741
	Deferred tax		
	Origination and reversal of timing differences Effect of tax rate change on opening balance	(17,023) 4,555	(1,985) 6,592
	Total deferred tax charge	(12,468)	4,607
	Tax on profit on ordinary activities	82,033	134,348
	(b) Factors affecting current tax charge		
		2012 £	2011 £
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	311,000	478,866
	Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by rate of tax Capital allowances greater than depreciation Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Other timing differences Tax rate adjustment Adjustments to tax charge in respect of previous periods	76,195 17,953 4,091 178 (3,915) (1)	126,867 2,235 4,847 (132) (3,824) (252)
	Total current tax (note 6(a))	94,501	129,741
			

7 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £	Short leasehold land and buildings	Plant and machinery	Total £
Cost At 1 January 2012	308,298	73,949	5,077,721	5,459,968
Additions	500,270	-	1,033,172	1,033,172
Disposals	_	-	(621,933)	(621,933)
At 31 December 2012	308,298	73,949	5,488,960	5,871,207
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2012	104,411	73,949	2,986,734	3,165,094
Charge for the year	8,606	_	730,559	739,165
On disposals			(587,682)	(587,682)
At 31 December 2012	113,017	73,949	3,129,611	3,316,577
Net book value				
At 31 December 2012	195,281	-	2,359,349	2,554,630
At 31 December 2011	203,887		2,090,988	2,294,875
The figures stated above include assets for use	e in operating lea	ses as follows		
			2012	2011
			£	£
Cost			3,262,539	2,894,549
Accumulated depreciation			(1,653,304)	1,810,269
Net book amount			1,609,235	1,084,280

Included within the net book value of £2,554,630 is £1,907,138 (2011 £1,560,436) relating to assets held under finance leases and hire purchase agreements. The depreciation charged to the financial statements in the year in respect of such assets amounted to £417,758 (2011 £365,259)

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

8 Investments

Investment in subsidiaries £

Cost and net book amount At 1 January 2012 and 31 December 2012

100

At 31 December 2012 the company held 100% of the ordinary share capital of Puma Forklifts Limited, Grant Handling Limited, Heli Liftrucks Limited, GHL Industrial Doors & Dock Levelling Systems Limited and Panther Liftrucks Limited The capital and reserves of these companies at 31 December 2012 were £100, £100, £100, £1 and £62,911 respectively All the companies were dormant throughout the year

Consolidated financial statements of the company and the above wholly owned non-trading subsidiary undertakings, which are all registered in England and Wales, have not been prepared as the company is itself a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of GHL Holdings Limited

9 Stocks

		2012 £	2011 £		
	Fuel and spares	418,517	337,976		
	Work in progress	113,405	148,430		
	Finished goods	922,548	1,041,944		
		1,454,470	1,528,350		
10	Debtors				
		2012	2011		
		£	£		
	Trade debtors	1,538,507	1,519,919		
	Other debtors	5,446	6,022		
	Deferred tax	69,388	56,920		
	Prepayments and accrued income	203,755	237,442		
		1,817,096	1,820,303		
	The deferred tax asset consists of the tax effect of timing differences in respect of				
		2012	2011		
		£	£		
	Capital allowances less than depreciation	69,388	56,920		

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2012	2011
	£	£
Bank overdrafts	64,568	123,501
Trade creditors	1,759,150	1,604,666
Corporation tax	94,711	130,202
Other taxation and social security	271,305	138,615
Amounts due under finance leases and hire purchase agreements	690,753	519,396
Other creditors	_	1,340
Pension contributions	8,723	7,998
Accruals and deferred income	415,598	640,730
	3,304,808	3,166,448

The bank overdraft is secured by a fixed and floating charge over the company's assets and is guaranteed by the ultimate parent undertaking. Finance leases are secured on the assets to which they relate

12 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2012	2011
	£	£
Amounts owed to group undertakings	622,664	723,122
Amounts due under finance leases and hire purchase agreements	598,553	562,916
	1,221,217	1,286,038

The amount owed to the parent undertaking is not repayable before January 2014

13 Commitments under finance leases and hire purchase agreements

Future commitments under finance leases and hire purchase agreements are as follows

	£ £	£
Amounts payable within 1 year	690,753	519,396
Amounts payable between 1 and 2 years Amounts payable between 2 and 5 years	421,329 177,224	390,978 171,938
	1,289,306	1,082,312

14 Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for the benefit of the employees. The assets of the scheme are administered by trustees in a fund independent from the company's assets

15 Provisions for liabilities and charges

	Warranty	
	£	
Balance brought forward	184,740	
Profit and loss account movement arising during the year	(2,484)	
Balance carried forward	182,256	
	Warranty £	
Balance brought forward	184,740	
Provided during the year	117,550	
Utilised	(101,398)	
Released during the year	(18,636)	
Balance carried forward	182,256	

The warranty provision is in respect of trucks. The directors consider the provision to be adequate in the light of experience

16 Leasing commitments

At 31 December 2012 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below

	2012		2011	
	Land & buildings	Other items	Land & Buildings £	Other Items £
Operating leases which expire Within 1 year	9,450	_	14,600	-
Within 2 to 5 years After more than 5 years	63,000 72,889	<u>-</u>	12,600 131,339	
	145,339	_	158,539	

17 Related party transactions

As a wholly owned subsidiary of GHL Holdings Limited the company is exempt from the requirements of FRS 8 to disclose transactions with other members of the group headed by GHL Holdings Limited

18 Share capital

Authorised share capital				
•			2012	2011
			£	£
100,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each			100,000	100,000
Allotted and called up				
L	2012		2011	
	No	£	No	£
Ordinary shares of £1 each	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
19 Profit and loss account				
			2012	2011
			£	£
Balance brought forward			1,302,740	958,222
Profit for the financial year			228,967	344,518
Balance carried forward			1,531,707	1,302,740
20 Reconciliation of movements in sharel	olders' funds	•		
			2012	2011
			£	£
Profit for the financial year			228,967	344,518
Net increase in shareholders' funds			228,967	344,518
Opening shareholders' funds			1,402,740	1,058,222
Closing shareholders' funds			1,631,707	1,402,740

21 Capital commitments

Amounts contracted for but not provided in the financial statements amounted to £622,892 (2011 £568,892)

22 Contingent liabilities

There were no contingent habilities at 31 December 2012 or 31 December 2011 other than a cross guarantee provided to GHL Holdings Limited in respect of its overdraft facility which at 31 December 2012 amounted to £nil (2011 £nil)

23 Ultimate parent company

GHL Holdings Limited is the company's controlling related party by virtue of being its ultimate parent undertaking. The largest and smallest group of undertakings for which group accounts have been drawn up is that headed by GHL Holdings Limited