FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1998

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DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

DIRECTORS

R. Clover A.M. Clover

SECRETARY

P.O. Edwards

AUDITORS

Daw White Murrall 2 Mitre Court Lichfield Road Sutton Coldfield B74 2LZ

REGISTERED OFFICE

Leamore Close Leamore Industrial Estate Walsall WS2 7NL

BANKERS

Yorkshire Bank Plc 8 Peckingham Street Halesowen

West Midlands B63 3BP

COMPANY NUMBER

1481054

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 1998.

HOLDING COMPANY

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Fox Hollies Properties Limited, a company incorporated in England.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The results for the year are set out in the profit and loss account on page 5.
The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The principal activity of the company during the year was the manufacture and installation of specialist handrail equipment.

The results for the year and the year end financial position were satisfactory, and the level of activity is expected to be maintained for the foreseeable future.

On 1st April 1997 the Surespan trade was transferred to Surespan Limited, a fellow group company. Since that date direct costs of sale, overheads and payroll costs incurred within the company were recharged to Surespan Limited on a monthly basis.

FIXED ASSETS

Changes in the fixed assets are shown in note 8 to the financial statements.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR SHARE INTERESTS

The directors of the company during the year and their beneficial interests in the shares of the company were as follows:

Ordinary shares of £1.00 each

1998 1997

R. Clover A.M. Clover

The beneficial interests of the directors in the shares of the holding company are shown in that companys financial statements.

A.M. Clover retires in accordance with the companys articles of association and, being eligible, offers herself for re-election.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (CONTINUED)

AUDITORS

In accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985 a resolution for the reappointment of Messrs Daw White Murrall as auditors of the company will be proposed at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

P.O. Edwards

SECRETARY

Leamore Close Leamore Industrial Estate Walsall WS2 7NL

10th September 1998

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AUDITORS REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF HOLLAENDER RAINER LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 13 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 7.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

As described on page 8 the companys directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on the financial statements and to 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 an examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the companys circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

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

OPINION

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at 31st March 1998 and of the results for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

AND REGISTERED AUDITORS

10th September 1998

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1998

	Notes	1998	1997
Turnover	3	675,890	1,043,983
Cost of sales		487,524	636,230
Gross profit		188,366	407,753
Administrative expenses		156,703	371,953
Operating profit		31,663	35,800
Other income Interest payable		600 (7,275)	- (15,726)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		24,988	20,074
Tax on ordinary activities	4	2,275	-
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation	5	22,713	20,074
Retained profit brought forward		31,789	11,715
Retained profit carried forward		£54,502	£31,789

There are no recognised gains and losses other than the profit for the year. Turnover and operating profit derive wholly from continuing operations.

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31ST MARCH 1998

FIXED ASSETS	Notes	1998	1997
		45 100	100 040
Tangible assets	8	45,106	100,349
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	9 10	60,006 460,433 340	95,380 297,798
		520,779	393,178
CREDITORS - Amounts falling due within one year	11	483,853	447,051
NET CURRENT ASSETS/LIABILITIES		36,926	(53,873)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		82,032	46,476
CREDITORS - amounts falling due after more than one year	12	27,430	14,587
NET ASSETS		£54,602	£31,889
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	14	100 54,502	100 31,789
SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS	15	£54,602	£31,889
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The	financial statements	were approved	by the	directors	on 101	th September	1998
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1998

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- Basis of preparing the financial statements

The company meets part of its day to day working capital requirements through an overdraft facility which, in common with all such facilities, is repayable on demand.

The company is also dependent on the continued financial support of fellow group companies and creditors generally to meet the balance of its working capital requirements. The directors consider it reasonable to rely on the continuance of financial support for at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements and consider it appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

Accounting convention

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

The directors have relied upon the exemption conferred by Financial Reporting Standard 1 to not prepare a cashflow statement.

- Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the assets over the term of their useful lives. The rates in use for the various classes of assets are as follows:

Fixtures and fittings Plant and machinery Motor vehicles

20% on a straight line basis 16.67% on a straight line basis 25% on a straight line basis

Stocks

Stocks, including work in progress, are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after allowing 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.

Hire purchase

Additions to fixed assets purchased under hire purchase and lease purchase contracts are capitalised at cost. Interest payable during the accounting period is charged in the trading account.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

2 DIRECTORS RESPONSIBILITIES

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

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- follow applicable accounting standards
- 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 maintaining proper accounting records which 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 1985. They are also required to safeguard the assets of the company and hence to take reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

3 TURNOVER

Turnover represents the amounts derived from the provision of goods and services within the company's ordinary activities after deducting value

Turnover arose in the following geographical locations:

	1998	1997
United Kingdom Middle East Other EEC countries	599,721 42,040 34,129	1,001,090 38,841 4,052
	£675,890	£1,043,983
4 TAXATION	1998	1997
Tax on ordinary activities based on the results for the year:	1950	1997
Corporation tax at 21% (1997 24%)	£2,275	Nil

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

5 PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION

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This is stated after the following amounts:	1998	1997
Depreciation and amortisation Profit on disposals of fixed assets Auditors remuneration Staff costs:	21,843 (5,150) 2,000	23,007 (2,546) 3,000
Wages and salaries Social Security costs	247,784 17,465	321,568 31,635

6 EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

The average weekly number of employees, including directors, employed by the company during the year was 24 (1997 23), made up as follows:

	1998	1997
Production Administrative Directors	17 5 2	17 4 2
	24	23

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

7 TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

During the year the company:

- recharged £426,768 on a monthly basis to Surespan Limited for direct costs, overheads and payroll costs.
- incurred management charges as follows:

Fox Hollies Properties Limited Surespan Limited	£40,000	£48,000 £1,000
- paid property rent to R. Clover and A.M. Clover of	£9,500	£12,000
- sold a vehicle to R. Clover at market value of £2,50	0.	
and the following balances were due from:		
Surespan Limited	£156,519	Nil
and were due to:		
Fox Hollies Properties Limited Surespan Limited	£35,726 Nil	£36,915 £3,169

Other than the above there were no transactions with related parties.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

8 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery	Fixtures and fittings	Motor vehicles	Total
Cost				
At 1st April 1997 Additions Disposals	47,574 2,859	41,500 6,639	142,397 15,250 (95,743)	231,471 24,748 (95,743)
At 31st March 1998	50,433	48,139	61,904	160,476
Depreciation				
At 1st April 1997 Charge for year On disposals	45,441 1,318	29,920 5,677	55,762 14,848 (37,596)	131,123 21,843 (37,596)
At 31st March 1998	46,759	35,597	33,014	115,370
Net book value				
At 31st March 1998	£3,674	£12,542	£28,890	£45,106
At 31st March 1997	£2,133	£11,580	£86,635	£100,348
The net book value at 31st March 1 of assets held under hire purchase and finance lease contracts was:		£2,470	£26,056	£28,526
The depreciation charged during th year on assets held under hire pur and finance lease contracts was:	e chase Nil	£380	£7,785	£8,165
9 STOCKS			1998	1997
Raw materials Work in progress			40,056 19,950	53,908 41,472
			£60,006	£95,380

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

10 DEBTORS Trade debtors Amounts owed by group companies Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income 10 Directors 11 CREDITORS:- Amounts falling due within one year 11 CREDITORS:- Amounts 12 296,203 156,519 1,806 4,020 5,905 26,520 1460,433 1297,798 1998 1997 Directors loan accounts 22,964 Bank loans and overdrafts 78,524 124,513 Trade creditors 1998 1997 Directors loan accounts 294,113 183,603 Amounts owed to group companies 35,726 Amounts owed to group companies 1998 1997 1998
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1998 1997
Bank loans 22,706 -
Obligations due under hire purchase and finance leases 4,724 14,587
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13 PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

There is no liability to deferred tax, potential or otherwise.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

14 CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	Authorised	Allotted issued and fully paid
Ordinary shares of £1.00 each	100	100
15 SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS		
Reconciliation of movement on shareholders fun	nds 1998	1997
Profit for the financial year after taxation	22,713	20,074
Opening shareholders funds	31,889	11,815
Closing shareholders funds	£54,602	£31,889

16 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

There were no capital commitments at 31st March 1998 (1997 £Nil).

17 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The company is a member of the Fox Hollies Properties Limited VAT group registration. At 31st March 1998 the joint and several liability was £20,961 (1997 £47,674).

18 SECURED CREDITORS

The debts due to Yorkshire Bank Plc have been secured by the creation of fixed and floating charges over the companys assets and personal guarantees from the directors.