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HYPER VALUE (HOLDINGS) LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED .

**31 DECEMBER 2008** 

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## For the year ended 31 DECEMBER 2008

Company registration number

01546677

Registered office

7 River Court

Brig House Business Village

Brig House Road Middlesbrough TS2 1RT

Director

P McGowan

Secretary

H Gunn

Bankers

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Auditors

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### REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

The director presents his report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008

#### Principal activity

The principal activity of the company is the retailing of hardware, gifts and household goods

#### **Business review**

The director reports a profit for the year after taxation of £5,495 (2007 loss £542,477) Dividends paid in the year were £1 6m (2007 £1 5m)

The company ceased to trade on 28 December 2007

On 22 April 2009, a Special Resolution was passed to reduce the ordinary share capital of the company from £1,000,000 to £1

#### Directors

P McGowan is the sole director of the company and he served throughout the year

## Financial risk management objectives and policies

The company uses various financial instruments which include cash, trade debtors, trade creditors and amounts due by group undertakings that arise directly from its operations. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to raise finance for the company's operations. The company has no gearing and thus is not exposed to any interest rate risk. Other risks such as credit and solvency are considered to be minimal.

## Statement of director's responsibilities

The director is responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

Company law requires the director to prepare financial statements for each financial year which 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 director is 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,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business

### In so far as the director is aware

- there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- the director has taken all steps that he ought to have taken to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information

### REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

### Statement of director's responsibilities (continued)

The director is 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 1985 He is 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

The director is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions

#### Statement on Going Concern

The company is considering entering a voluntary liquidation process and is expected to be wound up in the next 12 months from the date these financial statements are approved. The accounts have therefore been prepared on a 'break up' basis

#### Auditors

Grant Thornton UK LLP, having expressed their willingness to continue in office, will be deemed reappointed for the next financial year in accordance with section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006 unless the company receives notice under section 488(1) of the Companies Act 2006

P McGowan
Director

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### REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR TO THE MEMBERS OF

### HYPER VALUE (HOLDINGS) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Hyper Value (Holdings) Limited for the year ended 31 December 2008 which comprise the principal accounting policies, the profit and loss account, the balance sheet and notes 1 to 19 These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. 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 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 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 director and auditors

The director's responsibilities for preparing the Director's Report and the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom law and Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland)

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985 We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the Director's Report is consistent with the financial statements

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed

We read the Director's Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it

### Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board An audit includes 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 made by the director in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's 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.

### REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR TO THE MEMBERS OF

## HYPER VALUE (HOLDINGS) LIMITED

### Opinion

In our opinion

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2008 and of its profit for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985, and
- the information given in the Director's Report is consistent with the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008

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### PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### BASIS OF PREPARATION

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

The company is exempt from preparing consolidated financial statements since all of its subsidiaries are permitted to be excluded from consolidation under s229 of the Companies Act 1985 These financial statements therefore present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group

### Going concern

As described in the Directors' Report on page 2, is considering going through a voluntary liquidation process and is expected to be wound up in the next 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements. The accounts have therefore been prepared on a break up basis. Accordingly, full provision has been made in these accounts for all known liabilities and anticipated losses on realisation of assets.

The principal accounting policies of the company have remained unchanged from the previous year and are set out below

#### CASH FLOW STATEMENT

The company has not presented a cash flow statement in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 1 'Cash flow statements' as its ultimate parent company's consolidated accounts are publicly available

#### **TURNOVER**

Turnover is the total amount receivable by the company for goods supplied and services provided, excluding VAT and trade discounts

#### LEASED ASSETS

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and leases which result in the transfer to the company of substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership (finance leases) are capitalised as tangible fixed assets at the estimated present value of underlying lease payments and are depreciated in accordance with the above policy Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of finance charges allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payments is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease or hire purchase contract so as to produce a constant interest rate of charge on the outstanding balance of the net obligation in each period.

Rentals paid under other leases (operating leases) are charged against income on a straight-line basis over the lease term

### STOCKS

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

#### DEFERRED TAXATION

Deferred tax 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

### PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

sheet date Deferred tax assets are recognised when it is more likely than not that they will be recovered Deferred tax is measured using rates of tax that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

### CONTRIBUTIONS TO PENSION SCHEMES

The company operates a self-administered pension scheme for the benefit of its directors. No contributions have been made to this scheme for a number of years

The company accrues for pension liabilities arising as a result of a formal pension agreement in respect of one director. Any movements in the accrued pension liability as a result of changes in the discount rate and rates of inflation are taken directly to the profit and loss account.

### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

For the year ended 31 December 2008

|  | Note | 2008<br>£          | 2007<br>£                |
|--|------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Turnover   | 1    | -                  | 1,714,862                |
| Cost of sales  | -    |                    | (1,171,477)              |
| Gross profit   |      | -                  | 543,385                  |
| Distribution costs Administrative expenses           | -    | 37,500<br>(29,762) | (182,644)<br>(1,463,800) |
| Operating profit/(loss)                              |      | 7,738              | (1,103,059)              |
| Exceptional items                                    | 4    | -                  | 630,991                  |
| Interest payable and similar charges                 | 2    | (2,243)            | (73,039)                 |
| Interest receivable and similar income               | 3    |                    | 2,630                    |
| Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation | 1    | 5,495              | (542,477)                |
| Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities          | 6    |                    |                          |
| Profit/(loss) retained and transferred from reserves | 13   | 5,495              | (542,477)                |

All transactions arise from discontinued operations

There were no recognised gains or losses other than the loss for the financial year

# BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2008

|   | Note                                    | 2008          | 2007      |
|---|---|---------------|-----------|
|   | • | £             | £         |
| Fixed assets  |   |               |           |
| Investments   | 7 .                                     | <del></del> . |           |
|   |   | -             | -         |
| Current assets  |   |               |           |
| Debtors   | 8                                       | 1,200,836     | 2,832,427 |
| Cash at bank and in hand                                |   | 9,361         | 29,958    |
|   |   | 1,210,197     | 2,862,385 |
| Creditors, amounts falling due within one year          | 9                                       | (103,945)     | (95,707)  |
| Citations, amounts failing due white one year           |   |               |           |
| Net current assets                                      |   | 1,106,252     | 2,766,678 |
|   |   | 1,106,252     | 2,766,678 |
| Total assets less current liabilities                   |   | 1,100,232     | 2,700,070 |
| Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year | 10                                      |               | (65,921)  |
| Net assets  |   | 1,106,252     | 2,700,757 |
|   |   |               |           |
|   |   |               |           |
| Capital and reserves                                    |   |               |           |
| Called up share capital                                 | 12                                      | 1,000,000     | 1,000,000 |
| Profit and loss account                                 | 13                                      | 106,252       | 1,700,757 |
| Shareholders' funds                                     | 14                                      | 1,106,252     | 2,700,757 |

The financial statements were approved by the Sole Director on 7 My 200.

P McGowan - Director

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2008

### 1 TURNOVER AND PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

The company had no turnover in the year ended 31 December 2008

For the year ended 31 December 2007, the majority of the company's turnover was attributable to its principal activities, main business, the sale of retail goods, and all turnover arose within the United Kingdom

The majority of the company's turnover is attributable to its principal activities, the sale of retail goods, and all turnover arises within the United Kingdom

|   | The profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after | 2008<br>£     | 2007<br>£ |
|---|--|---------------|-----------|
|   | Auditor's remuneration   |               |           |
|   | Audit services   | 5,750         | 12,500    |
|   | Amortisation of grant  | -             | (919)     |
|   | Loss on disposal of fixed assets   | -             | 895,725   |
|   | Depreciation   | -             | 121,248   |
|   | Other operating lease rentals  | 42,500        | 176.514   |
|   | Hire of plant and machinery under operating leases                       | <del></del> . | 176,514   |
| 2 | INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES                                     |               |           |
|   |  | 2008          | 2007      |
|   |  | £             | £         |
|   | Other interest payable and similar charges                               | 2,243         | 73,039    |
| 3 | OTHER INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR INCOME                             |               |           |
|   |  | 2008          | 2007      |
|   |  | £             | £         |
|   | Bank interest receivable   |               | 2,630     |
| 4 | EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS  |               |           |
|   |  | 2008<br>£     | 2007<br>£ |
|   | Loss on sale of properties   | -             | (82,358)  |
|   | Exceptional items incurred in winding down the business                  | -             | 861,870   |
|   | Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets                                | -             | (895,725) |
|   | Profit on Company Voluntary Arrangement (CVA)                            |               | 747,204   |
|   |  |               | 630,991   |
|   |  |               |           |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2008

### 5 DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

Staff costs during the year were as follows

|  | 2008   | 2007    |
|--|--------|---------|
|  | £      | £       |
| Wages and salaries   | -      | 446,496 |
| Social security costs  | -      | 33,405  |
| Pension costs  | _      | 677     |
|  |        | 480,578 |
| The average number of employees of the company during the year was |        |         |
|  | 2008   | 2007    |
|  | Number | Number  |
| Management   | _      | 1       |
| Administration   | -      | 2       |
| Selling  | -      | 20      |
| ~~   |        | 23      |

The director of the company was not remunerated for his services to the company during the year

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2008

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| TAX ON LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES   |                 |           |
|--|-----------------|-----------|
| The tax charge is based on the loss for the year and represents  | 2008<br>£       | 2007<br>£ |
| United Kingdom corporation tax at 28% (2007 30%)   |                 | <u>-</u>  |
| Factors affecting the tax charge for year  |                 |           |
| The tax assessed for the period is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the United Kingdom 28% (2007) 30%) The differences are set out below |                 |           |
| Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation   | 5,495           | (542,477) |
| Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax in the United Kingdom of 28% (2007–30%)                            | 1,539           | (162,743) |
| Effect of  |                 |           |
| Expenses not deductible for tax purposes   | -               | 46,461    |
| Capital allowances for the period in of depreciation   | -               | (748,383) |
| Chargeable gains in excess of profit on sale   | -               | 188,602   |
| Group relief surrendered   | -               | 502,173   |
| Timing difference on provisions  | -               | (148,018) |
| Difference in tax rates  | 75,654          |           |
| Tax losses (utilised)/arising in the year  | <u>(77,192)</u> | 321,908   |

The company has a deferred tax asset amounting to £1,057,614 (2007 £1,018,943) This asset has not been recognised in the financial statements due to the fact the director does not expect the company to make sufficient taxable profits in the future to affect the amount of tax actually paid in light of the future plans of the company

### 7 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Current tax charge for the year

|  | 2008 | 2007     |
|--|------|----------|
|  | £    | £        |
| Investments in subsidiary undertakings |      | <u>-</u> |
|  |      | -        |
|  | 2008 | 2007     |
|  | £    | £        |
| Investment in subsidiary undertakings  |      |          |
| Cost                                   |      | 100      |
| Balance brought forward                | -    | 100      |
| Amounts written off                    |      | (100)    |
| Balance carried forward                |      |          |

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2008

# FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

# Subsidiary undertaking at 31 December 2008

|    |   | Country of registration   | Nature of business                               | Holding                                       |
|----|---|---------------------------|--|---|
|    | Hyper Value Limited   | England and Wales         | Dormant  | 100%  |
|    | Hyper Value Limited was dissolve  | ed on 1 August 2009       |  |   |
| 8  | DEBTORS   |                           |  |   |
|    |   |                           | 2008<br>£  | 2007<br>£                                     |
|    | Trade debtors Prepayments and accrued income Other debtors Amounts owed by group undertak | angs                      | 838<br>26,644<br>2,251<br>1,171,103<br>1,200,836 | 3,805<br>1,431<br>-<br>2,827,191<br>2,832,427 |
| 9  | CREDITORS AMOUNTS FAL   | LLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR |  |   |
|    |   |                           | 2008<br>£  | 2007<br>£                                     |
|    | Trade creditors Other taxation and social security  |                           | 37,555<br>-<br>66,390                            | 25,653<br>14,016<br>18,538                    |
|    | Other creditors<br>Accruals   |                           | 103,945  | 37,500<br>95,707                              |
| 10 | CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FA   | LLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN | N ONE YEAR                                       |   |
|    |   |                           | 2008<br>£  | 2007<br>£                                     |
|    | Other creditors   |                           |  | 65,921  |
|    |   |                           | <u>-</u>   | 65,921  |

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

| For the year ended 31 | December 2008 |
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| DEFERRED GRANTS   |                   |   |
|---|-------------------|---|
|   | 2008<br>£         | 2007<br>1   |
| Balance brought forward Amortisation for the year Movement in the year  | -<br>-<br>        | 394,399<br>(919<br>(393,480   |
| Balance carried forward   |                   | ·   |
| SHARE CAPITAL   |                   |   |
|   | 2008<br>£         | 200   |
| Authorised 5,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each   | 5,000,000         | 5,000,00  |
| Allotted, called up and fully paid 1,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each   | 1,000,000         | 1,000,00  |
|   |                   |   |
| On 22 April 2009, a Special Resolution was passed to reduce the ordinary share c £1,000,000 to £1 as part of the capital reduction exercise           | apital of the con | npany from  |
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## 15 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The company had no capital commitments at 31 December 2008 or 31 December 2007

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2008

### 16 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There were no other contingent liabilities at 31 December 2008 or 31 December 2007

#### 17 LEASING COMMITMENTS

Operating lease payments amounting to £85,000 (2007 £85,000) are due within one year. The leases to which these amounts relate expire as follows

|                            | Plant and<br>machinery<br>£ | 2008<br>Land and<br>building<br>£ | Plant and machinery | 2007<br>Land and<br>building<br>£ |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| In one year or less        | •                           | -                                 | -                   | -                                 |
| Between one and five years | -                           | -                                 | -                   | -                                 |
| In five years or more      |                             | 85 <u>,000</u> _                  |                     | 85,000                            |
| •                          | -                           | 85,000                            | <u> </u>            | 85,000                            |
|                            |                             |                                   |                     |                                   |

# 18 TRANSACTIONS WITH DIRECTORS AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

As a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hilco Retail Investments Limited, the company is exempt from the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 8 to disclose transactions with other members of the group headed by Hilco Retail Investments Limited

At 31 December 2008, the amount owed to the company by Filefigure Limited was £1,171,103 (2007 £2,782,382)

Filefigure Limited is deemed to be a related party by virtue of common control

### 19 CONTROLLING RELATED PARTIES

At 31 December 2008, the company was a wholly owned subsidiary of Hilco Retail Investments Limited, a company registered in England and Wales The parent company of Hilco Retail Investments Limited is Hilco UK Limited, a company registered in England and Wales The parent company of Hilco UK Limited is Hilco London Limited a company registered in England and Wales Hilco London Limited is 100% owned by Hilco Merchant Resources, LLC, a company registered in the United States of America

The director considers the ultimate parent undertaking and controlling related party of the company to be Hilco Trading, LLC, a company registered in the United States of America, by virtue of its 66 7% shareholding in Hilco Merchant Resources, LLC