CONSORT CARRIERS LIMITED

1627530

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 1995.

ACTIVITIES

The company's principal activity is that of a haulage and transport broker.

REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS AND FUTURE PROSPECTS

The company has continued to perform satisfactorily given the general economic climate. The company expects improved results in the forthcoming financial year.

The loss after tax amounted to £12,807 (1994: Loss £5,725). The amount absorbed by reserves is as follows:-

750 Dividends paid and proposed £13,557

DIVIDENDS

Reserves

The preference dividends have been paid in full during the year.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

The directors and their interests in the share capital of the company at the beginning and the end of the year were as follows:-

			30.6.95 £1 7½% prefe	
Mr. P. F. Brown	26	2	10,000	10,000
Mr. P. P. O'Halloran	24	24	-	-
Mr. T. W. Nash	-	24	-	-
(resigned 26:8:94)				

SMALL COMPANY

Advantage has been taken in the preparation of this report, of the special exemptions applicable to small companies.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

MRS. P. O'HALLORAN SECRETARY

REGISTERED OFFICE:

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COMPANY NO: 1627530

COMPANIES HOUSE 19/10/95

AUDITORS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CONSORT CARRIERS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 3 to 9 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the policies set out on page 5.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

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 of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- A. select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- B. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- C. prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. 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.

It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those 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 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 directors 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. Ir 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 as at 30 June 1995 and of the loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

ROCER H. BROWN

REGISTERED AUDITOR

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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DATE

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1995

	NOTE	1995	1994
Turnover Cost of sales		579,051 517,241	541,785 472,488
Gross profit		61,810	69,297
Distribution costs Administrative expenses		9,310 64,199	11,317 64,227
		73,509	75,544
Operating (loss)		(11,699)	(6,247)
Other interest receivable and similar income		162	393
Interest payable and similar charges	2	(1,270)	(1,101)
(Loss) on ordinary activities before taxation	3	(12,807)	(6,955)
Tax on (loss) on ordinary activities	5	<u>-</u>	1,230
(Loss) on ordinary activities after taxation		(12,807)	(5,725)
Dividends paid and proposed	6	(750)	(13,250)
(Loss) for the financial year		(13,557)	(18,975)
Balance on profit and loss account brought forward		288	19,263
Balance on profit and loss account carried forward		£(13,269)	£ 288

The notes on pages 5 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

There are no other recognised gains or losses other than the loss for the year.

BALANCE SHEET 30 JUNE 1995

	NOTE	1995		1994
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	7		15,561	12,860
CURRENT ASSETS Work-in-progress Debtors Cash at bank	8 9	4,068 131,032 13,603		1,769 146,191 3,874
CONTROL AMOUNTS TAXY TWO		148,703		151,834
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	10	(165,116)		(154,356)
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)			(16,413)	(2,522)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			(852)	10,338
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR	11		(2,367)	-
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	12		<u>-</u>	-
			£ (3,219)	£ 10,338
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital Profit & loss account	13		10,050 (13,269)	10,050 288
			f (3,219)	£ 10,338

Advantage has been taken in the preparation of the accounts of special exemptions applicable applicable to small companies on the grounds that, in the directors' opinion, the company qualifies as a small company under S246 and S247 of the Companies Act 1985.

These accounts were approved by the board of directors on

P. O'Halloran - Director

The notes on pages 5 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1995

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been used consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements and have remained unchanged from the previous year.

- (a) Basis of accounting
 The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost accounting rules.
- (b) Tangible fixed assets
 Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets over
 the estimated lives of the assets. The rates of depreciation are as
 follows:-

Computer equipment 25% per annum straight line 20% per annum on reducing balance Motor vehicles 25% per annum on reducing balance

- (c) Stock
 Stock and work in progress are valued at the lower of realisable value.
- (d) Deferred taxation

 Deferred taxation is provided at the anticipated tax rates on
 differences arising from the inclusion of items of income and
 expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those
 in which they are included in the financial statements to the extent
 that it is probable that a liability or asset will crystallise in the
 future.
- (e) Pension Scheme
 The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The amount charged against profits represents the contributions payable to the scheme in respect of the accounting year.
- Where the company enters into a lease which entails taking all the risks and rewards of ownership of an asset, the lease is treated as a hire purchase lease. The asset is recorded in the balance sheet as a tangible fixed asset and is depreciated over its estimated useful life or term of the lease, whichever is shorter. Future instalments under such leases, net of finance charges, are included with creditors. Rentals payable are apportioned between the finance element, which is charged to the profit and loss account under the term 'interest payable and similar charges', and the capital element which reduces the outstanding obligation for future instalments included with creditors.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1995 (CONTINUED)

2.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES	1995	1994
	H.P Interest Other Interest	1,084 186	1,101
		£ 1,270	£ 1,101
3.	PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	1995	1994
	Profit on ordinary activities before		
	taxation is after charging: Hire of plant and machinery Depreciation of tangible fixed	£ 1,050	£ 4,200
	assets	£ 4,999	£ 4,368
	Auditors' remuneration	£ 3,065	£ 3,297
	Directors' remuneration	£22,708	£26,000
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4.	EMPLOYEE COSTS DURING THE YEAR:	1995	1994
	Wages and salaries	45,472	39,018
	Social security costs	6,144	3,597
	Other pension costs		1,200
		£51,616	£43,815
	Average number of persons		
	employed	No.	No.
	Management	2	2
	Administration	2	2
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	Directors' emoluments:		
	Salaries	22,708	26,000
	Pension contributions	-	1,200
	Benefits in kind	<u></u>	7,690
		£22,708	£34,890
5.	TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	1995	1994
	United Kingdom corporation tax at		
	25% based on profit for the year	-	(1,305)
	Deferred taxation	-	-
	Underprovision prior years	-	75
		-	(1,230)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1995 (CONTINUED)

6.	DIVIDENDS		1995	1994
	Interim paid on fl ordinary shares at £250 per share fl 7½% preference shares - paid		750	12,500 750
			£ 750	£13,250
7.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	TOTAL	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	MOTOR VEHICLES
	COST			
	At 1.7.94	26,373	11,430	14,943
	Additions Disposal	7,700	<u>-</u>	7,700
	At 30.6.95	£34,073	£11,430	£22,643
	ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION			
	At 1.7.94 Provisions Disposals	13,513 4,999	6,981 1,452 -	6,532 3,547
	At 30.6.95	£18,512	£8,433	£10,079
	NET BOOK VALUE			
	At 30.6.95	£15,561	£2,997	£12,564
	At 30.6.94	£12,860	£4,449	£ 8,411
	The net book value of assets includes fassets held under hire purchase leases.	5,769 (1994	- £8,411) in	respect of
8.	STOCKS		1995	1994
	Work in progress		£4,068	£1,769

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1995 (CONTINUED)

9.	DEBTORS	1995	1994
	Trade debtors Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income	126,101 4,931	139,515 5,246 1,430
		£131,032	£146,191
10.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due		
	within one year	1995	1994
	Obligation under Hire Purchase and finance leases Corporation tax	1,893 94	2,897
	Trade creditors	130,375	112,358
	Taxation and social security	8,945	9,481
	Directors loan accounts	16,209 7,600	23,755 5,865
	Accruals Dividends proposed	7,000	-
		£165,116	£154,356
11.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR	1995	1994
	Obligations under finances leases and hire purchase contracts	£ 2,367	_
12.	DEFERRED TAXATION		
	The amounts of deferred taxation provided in the accounts are:	1995	1994
	Balance brought forward Profit and loss account	-	<u>-</u>
			
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1995 (CONTINUED)

13. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

13.	CALLED OF SHAKE CALLIAD	1995	1994
	Authorised: fl Ordinary shares fl 7½ cumulative preference shares	100 10,000	100 10,000
		£10,100	£10,100
	Allotted and fully paid:		
	fl Ordinary shares	50	50
	fl 7½% cumulative preference shares	10,000	10,000
		£10,050	£10,050
			
14.	MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS	1995	1994
	Opening balance of shareholders funds (Loss) for the year	10,338 (13,557)	29,313 (18,975)
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	Closing balance of shareholders funds	£(3,219)	£10,338

15. DIRECTORS INTERESTS IN TRANSACTIONS

The company leases certain vehicles from Mr. P. F. Brown who is one of the directors. This is done on normal commercial terms, the amount being paid during this year being £1,050 (1994 £4,200).