ABBEY MASTERBATCH LIMITED

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

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#### ABBEY MASTERBATCH LIMITED

# COMPANY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

DIRECTORS.

Mr J M Shirt Mrs R J Shirt Mrs L C Mather Mr M A Shirt Mr R J Shirt

SECRETARIES.

Mr J M Shirt Mrs L C Mather

REGISTERED OFFICE

Whitelands Mill Whitelands Road Ashton Under Lyne Lancashire OL6 6UG

REGISTERED NUMBER:

01793834 (England and Wales)

**AUDITORS** 

Livesey Spottiswood Ltd Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors 17 George Street St Helens Merseyside WA10 IDB

BANKERS:

National Westminster Bank Plc

5 Ormskirk Street St Helens Merseyside WA10 1DR

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2010

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the company in the year under review were those of the production of thermoplastic compounds, powders and resins for the plastics industry, together with pigment dispersions and concentrates for the paint and ink industries

#### **REVIEW OF BUSINESS**

The directors are pleased to report another year of increased profitability

The directors still consider both turnover and gross profit to be key indicators of it's performance, plus a strong presence in the export market as a key to future success and continued development.

The directors are confident that the continued growth will continue into the current year due to the company's reputation in the market place and their strong financial position

#### DIVIDENDS

The total distribution of dividends for the year ended 31 December 2010 will be £275,000

#### **DIRECTORS**

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 1 January 2010 to the date of this report

Mr J M Shirt Mrs R J Shirt Mrs L C Mather Mr M A Shirt Mr R J Shirt

#### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the Report of the Directors and 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 Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- 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 adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and 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.

#### STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he or she ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself or herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information

#### **AUDITORS**

The auditors, Livesey Spottiswood Ltd, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

28 July 2011

Mr J M Shir

## REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF ABBEY MASTERBATCH LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Abbey Masterbatch Limited for the year ended 31 December 2010 on pages four to thirteen. 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 a Report of the Auditors 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 auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities set out on page two, 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 and express an opinion on 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 Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements

#### 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 2010 and of its 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

#### 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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David Hudd BA ACA (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Livesey Spottiswood Ltd Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors
17 George Street
St Helens
Merseyside
WA10 1DB

28 July 2011

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

	Maria	2010	2009
	Notes	£	£
TURNOVER	2	9,395,159	6,417,436
Cost of sales		(7,690,971)	(4,990,721)
GROSS PROFIT		1,704,188	1,426,715
Distribution costs Administrative expenses		(163,697) (862,979)	(115,383) (875,579)
OPERATING PROFIT	4	677,512	435,753
Interest receivable and similar income		1,051	1,253
		678,563	437,006
Interest payable and similar charges	5	(193)	(4,459)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIE BEFORE TAXATION	S	678,370	432,547
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	6	(248,948)	(182,408)
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEA	R	429,422	250,139
Retained profit brought forward		2,002,325	1,796,086
		2,431,747	2,046,225
Dividends Transfer between reserves	7	(275,000) 6,100	(50,000) 6,100
RETAINED PROFIT CARRIED FOR	WARD	2,162,847	2,002,325

#### **CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the current year or previous year

#### TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the profits for the current year or previous year

### NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFITS AND LOSSES

The difference between the results as disclosed in the profit and loss account and the results on an unmodified historical cost basis is not material

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### BALANCE SHEET 31 DECEMBER 2010

		2010	)	2009	1
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8		938,068		987,781
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	9	549,379		326,076	
Debtors	10	1,588,229		1,481,945	
Cash at bank and in hand		817,301		1,353,442	
*		2,954,909		3,161,463	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	11	1,252,168		1,678,857	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			1,702,741		1,482,606
FOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			2,640,809		2,470,387
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES	15		88,000		72,000
NET ASSETS			2,552,809		2,398,387
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	16		47,000		47,000
Revaluation reserve	17		342,962		349,062
Profit and loss account			2,162,847		2,002,325
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	20		2,552,809		2,398,387

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 28 July 2011 and were signed on its behalf by

Mr J M Shirt - Director

## CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

		201	0	2009	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Net cash inflow					
from operating activities	1		186,305		720,666
Returns on investments and					(- +0.0)
servicing of finance	2		- 858		(3,206)
Taxation			(186,348)		(90,508)
Capital expenditure	2		(91,187)		(79,113)
Equity dividends paid			(275,000)		(50,000)
			(365,372)		497,839
Financing	2		(57,437)		(193,520)
(Decrease)/Increase in cash in the period			(422,809)		304,319
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Reconciliation of net cash flow				
to movement in net funds	3			
(Decrease)/Increase				
in cash in the period		(422,809)	304,319	
Cash outflow				
from decrease in debt		57,437	181,481	
Change in net funds resulting				
from cash flows		(365,3	72)	485,800
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Movement in net funds in the period		(365,3	72)	485,800
Net funds at 1 January		1,001,5	75	515,775
Net funds at 31 December		636,2	203	1,001,575
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# NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

1	RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
			2010	2009		
			£	£		
	Operating profit		677,512	435,753		
	Depreciation charges		140,899	113,179		
	(Increase)/Decrease in stocks		(223,303)	55,993		
	Increase in debtors		(106,284)	(171,079)		
	(Decrease)/Increase in creditors		(302,519)	286,820		
•	Net cash inflow from operating activities		186,305	720,666		
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2	ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS FOR HEADINGS NETTED IN TH	E CASH FLOW	STATEMENT			
			2010	2009		
			£	£		
	Returns on investments and servicing of finance					
	Interest received		1,051	1,253		
	Interest paid		(193)	(4,459) ——		
	Net cash inflow/(outflow) for returns on investments and servicing of	finance	<u>858</u>	(3,206)		
	Capital expenditure					
	Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(91,187)	(79,113)		
	Net cash outflow for capital expenditure		(91,187)	(79,113)		
	Financing Loan repayments in year		(57,437)	(181,481)		
	Amount withdrawn by directors		<u>-</u>	(12,039)		
	Net cash outflow from financing		(57,437)	(193,520)		
3	ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS					
		A + 1/1/10	C1- C	At 21/12/12		
		At 1/1/10 £	Cash flow £	31/12/10 £		
	Net cash					
	Cash at bank and in hand	1,353,442	(536,141)	817,301		
	Bank overdraft	(294,430)	113,332	(181,098)		
		1,059,012	(422.809)	636,203		
	Debt					
	Debts falling due					
	within one year	(57,437)	57,437	-		
		(57,437)	57,437	-		
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	Total	1,001,575	(365,372)	636,203		
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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

#### ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention subject to the revaluation of certain fixed assets

The company has taken advantage of the exemptions of Financial Reporting Standard No 8 on the grounds that it is a wholly owned subsidiary, it is included in the consolidated accounts of ATL Industries Limited and those accounts are publicly available as detailed in note 18 Accordingly, no disclosure is made of transactions with other group undertakings or investees of the group qualifying as related parties

#### 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

Freehold property

2% on cost

Plant and machinery

- 15% Straight line

Office equipment

- 15% 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

#### Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed 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 Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result

#### Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme 
Contributions payable to the company's pension scheme are charged to the profit and loss account in the period to which they relate

#### Leased assets

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against profits on a straight line basis over the periods of the leases Assets acquired under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as tangible fixed assets and depreciated in accordance with the accounting policy on depreciation, the related obligations, net of finance costs allocated to future periods are included in creditors. Finance costs are charged against profits on a straight line basis over the periods of the contracts.

#### **Employee Benefit Trusts**

The company has established trusts for the benefit of employees and certain of their dependants. Monies held in these trusts are held by independent trustees and managed at their discretion.

Where the company retains future economic benefit from, and has de facto control of the assets and liabilities of the trust, they are accounted for as assets and liabilities of the company until the earlier of the date that an allocation of trust funds to employees in respect of past services is declared and the date that assets of the trust vest in identified individuals

Where monies held in a trust are determined by the company on the basis of employees' past services to the business and the company can obtain no future economic benefit from those monies, such monies, whether in the trust or accrued for by the company are charged to the profit and loss account in the period to which they relate

#### 2 TURNOVER

The turnover was derived from the company's principal activities

During the year, the company exported 67% of its turnover (2009 - 64%)

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

3	STAFF COSTS	2010	2009
		£	£
	Wages and salaries	964,367	912,590
	Social security costs Other pension costs	78,272 100,000	65,578 30,000
	Outer pension costs		
		1,142,639	1,008,168
	The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows		,
		2010	2009
	Management and administration	7	7
	Production	28	24
		-	
		====	====
	Included within wages and salaries are payments made to the company's Employee Bene (2009 - £300,000)	fit Trust amou	nting to £200,000
4	OPERATING PROFIT		
	The operating profit is stated after charging		
		2010	2009
	Depreciation - owned assets	£ 140,900	£ 113,179
	Auditors' remuneration	4,250	3,950
	Exceptional item	200,000	300,000
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	Directors' remuneration	456,047	542,887
	Directors' pension contributions to money purchase schemes	100,000	30,000
	The number of directors to whom retirement benefits were accruing was as follows		
	Money purchase schemes	2	2
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	The exceptional item is in respect of a contribution to the company's Employee Benefit Trus	at.	
	Information regarding the highest paid director is as follows		
		2010	2009
	Emoluments etc	£	£
	Emoluments etc	216,167	314,734
5	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		
		2010	2009
		£	£
	Bank interest Bank loan interest	13	4.026
	Other loan interest	180	4,026 433
		193	4,459

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

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6	TAXATION						
	Analysis of the tax charge						
	The tax charge on the profit on ordinary activities	s for the year was as fo	ollows				
				2010	2009		
	Cumant tour			£	£		
	Current tax UK corporation tax			233,000	186,400		
	Prior periods			(52)	8		
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	Total current tax			232,948	186,408		
	Deferred tax			16,000	(4,000)		
	Tax on profit on ordinary activities			248,948	182,408		
	Factors affecting the tax charge The tax assessed for the year is higher than the st	andard rate of corpora	ation tax in the UK	The difference is	explained belov		
				2010	2009		
	Draft on and namy activities before toy			£ 678,370	£ 432,547		
	Profit on ordinary activities before tax			<del></del>	432,347		
	Profit on ordinary activities						
	multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 26 735% (2009 - 26 077%)	181,362	112,795				
	Effects of	Effects of					
	Expenses not allowable for tax purposes			54,060	79,140		
	Capital allowances for the period in excess of dep Rounding	preciation		(2,680) 206	(5,583) 56		
	Roding						
	Current tax charge			232,948	186,408		
7	DIVIDENDS			2010	2000		
				2010 £	2009 £		
	Dividends paid			275,000	50,000		
8	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS						
		Freehold	Plant and	Office			
		property	machinery	equipment	Totals		
	COST	£	£	£	£		
	COST At 1 January 2010	638,877	2,560,247	51,213	3,250,337		
	Additions	-	80,430	10,757	91,187		
	At 31 December 2010	638,877	2,640,677	61,970	3,341,524		
	DEPRECIATION	<del></del>					
	At 1 January 2010	246,922	1,979,817	35,817	2,262,556		
	Charge for year	9,344	126,728	4,828	140,900		
	At 31 December 2010	256,266	2,106,545	40,645	2,403,456		
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	NET BOOK VALUE	202 (11	52.1.122	21 225	020 060		
	At 31 December 2010	382,611 	534,132	21,325	938,068		
	At 31 December 2009	391,955	580 430	15,396	987,781		
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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

#### 8 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS - continued

The freehold property was professionally valued during 1990 by Fellows of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors at an open market value on a current use basis. The valuation has not been updated as the transitional arrangements of FRS15 have been followed.

The historical cost of the freehold land and buildings included at valuation amounted to £194,177 (2009 - £194,177) and the accumulated depreciation thereon amounts to £101,230 (2009 - £97,986)

No provision for deferred taxation has been made in respect of potential capital gains on the disposal of the freehold property since it is not envisaged that the property will be disposed of in the near future. If the asset were disposed of at it's revalued amount the potential liability would be £40,000

The historical cost of the freehold land and buildings includes land with a value of £31,500 (2009 - £31,500) on which no depreciation charge is made

9	STOCKS		
		2010	2009
		£	£
	Stock and work in progress	549,379	326,076
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10	DEBTORS. AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		2010	2009
		£	£
	Trade debtors	895,188	642,311
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	483,271	725,380
	Other debtors	6,481	6,431
	Amounts owed by related parties	12,497	6,733
	VAT	173,604	87,911
	Prepayments	17,188	13,179
		1,588,229	1,481,945
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11	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2010	2009
		2010 £	2009 £
	Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 12)	181,098	351,867
	Trade creditors	533,313	590,962
	Corporation tax	233,000	186,400
	Social security and other taxes	26,335	22,446
	Other creditors	8,255	7,691
	Employee Benefit Trust (see note 4)	0,233	300,000
	Directors' current accounts	7,961	7,961
	Accrued expenses	262,206	211,530
		1,252,168	1,678,857
12	LOANS		
	An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below		
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		2010	2009
		£	£
	Amounts falling due within one year or on demand		
	Bank overdrafts	181,098	294,430
	Bank loan	-	57,437
			0.51.0.55
		181,098	351,867

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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

13 OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS	
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			Oth opera leas	uting
			2010 £	2009 £
	Expiring Within one year Between one and five years		20,905	3,166
			20,905	3,166
14	SECURED DEBTS			
	The following secured debts are included within creditors			
			2010 £	2009 £
	Bank overdrafts Bank loans		181,098	294,430 57,437
			181,098	351,867
	Bank borrowings are secured by a fixed and floating charge over	er the company's assets		
15	PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES		2010	2009
	Deferred tax		£	£
	Accelerated capital allowances		88,000	72,000
				Deferred tax £
	Balance at 1 January 2010 Movement in the year			72,000 16,000
	Balance at 31 December 2010			88,000
16	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL			
	Allotted, issued and fully paid Number Class	Nominal value	2010 £	2009 £
	47,000 Ordinary	£1	47,000	47,000
17	OTHER RESERVES			Revaluation reserve £
	At 1 January 2010 Transfer between reserves			349,062 (6,100)
	At 31 December 2010			342,962

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

### 18 ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The company's ultimate parent company and controlling party is ATL Industries Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales ATL Industries Limited holds 100% of the issued share capital of the company

## 19 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year, the company's parent company has been ATL Industries Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales. The ultimate controlling party is Mr J M Shirt the majority shareholder of ATL Industries Limited.

During the previous year, the company had continued the repayment of a loan previously given by the JM Shirt Accumulation and Maintenance Trust, a trust in which the director, Mr J M Shirt is a trustee. During the year, the company paid £nil (2009 - £433) in loan interest to the JM Shirt Accumulation and Maintenance Trust

#### 20 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	£	2009 £
Profit for the financial year	429,422	250,139
Dividends	(275,000)	(50,000)
Net addition to shareholders' funds	154,422	200,139
Opening shareholders' funds	2,398,387	2,198,248
Closing shareholders' funds	2,552,809	2,398,387