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DEXHALL LIMITED (Trading as Midfurn)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 MARCH 1999

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors submit their report and financial statements of Dexhall Limited for the year ended 31 March 1999.

ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the company during the year was that of furniture retailing.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The company has experienced another difficult year, however the early signs for 1999 are encouraging.

DIVIDENDS

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

DIRECTORS

The directors as at 31 March 1999, together with their interest in the share capital of the company are shown below:-

Ordinary S	Shares of £1 each
31.03.99	31.03.98
90	90

Mr P Speed

AUDITORS

A resolution to re-appoint Haswell Veitch as auditor will be proposed in General Meeting.

By order of the Board

J Speed

Secretary

28 January 2000

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STATEMENT OF 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 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:-

- 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 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.

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 irregularities.

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF DEXHALL LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 14 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on pages 7 and 8.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an 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. 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 the Company's affairs as at 31 March 1999 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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HASWELL VEITCH Registered Auditor and Chartered Accountants Stanton Wick House Bristol BS39 4BY

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DEXHALL LIMITED

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
For the year ended 31 March 1999

	Notes	1999		1998	
		£		£	
TURNOVER	1	573,949		673,803	
Less: Cost of sales		368,993		458,065	
Gross profit		204,956		215,738	
Other operating expenses (net)	2	210,209		220,555	
OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS)		(5.253)	(4,817)
Interest receivable	3	3,201		5,776	
Interest payable	4	(5,006)	(5,095)
PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	5	(7,058)	(4,136)
Taxation	8	-		-	
PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION	16	(7,058)	(4,136)
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All income and expenditure derive from the company's continuing operations. There were no operations discontinued or acquired during the year.

As there were no gains or losses, other than those accounted for in the profit and loss account, no Statement of Recognised Gains and Losses has been included with these financial statements.

The notes on pages 7 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET As at 31 March 1999

	Notes	1999	1998	
		£	£	
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible assets	9	28,179	35,321	
CURRENT ASSETS				
Stocks	10	126,431	128,786	
Debtors	11	1,703	1,703	
Bank and cash in hand		84,263	102,306	
		212,397	232,795	
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Amounts falling due within one year	12	132,977	144,884	
NET CURRENT ASSETS		79,420	87,911	
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT		107,599	123,232	
LIABILITIES		201,000	, -	
CREDITORS-amounts falling due	13	_	(8,575)
after one year	13		(0,575	,
artor one year				
NET ASSETS		107,599	114,657	
THE PROBLEM		=====	======	
CAPITAL AND RESERVES				
Called up share capital	14	100	100	
Capital reserve	15	20,866	20,866	
Profit and loss account	16	86,633	93,691	
i ioni and 1055 account	10	60,033	93,091	
Equity shareholders funds	17	107,599	114,657	
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Approved by the Board on 21 jumy 2000

P Speed,

DIRECTOR

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ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

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

The company has taken advantage of the exemption allowed under section 8 of FRS 1, permitting the company not to include a cash flow statement, as the company is classified as a small company under sections 246 to 249 of the Companies Act 1985.

DEFERRED TAXATION

Provision is made for taxation deferred or accelerated by the effect of timing differences, to the extent that it is probable that the liability will crystallise, at the rate expected to be ruling at that date.

TURNOVER

Turnover represents the invoiced value, net of Value Added Tax, of services provided to customers.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Fixed assets are stated at historical cost.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets to write off the cost of the asset by equal instalments over its estimated useful life as follows:-

Fixtures and fittings Motor vehicles 10% - reducing balance

25% - reducing balance

STOCKS AND WORK IN PROGRESS

Stocks and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost of finished goods and work in progress includes overheads appropriate to the stage of manufacture. Net realisable value is based upon estimated selling price less further costs expected to be incurred to completion and disposal.

LEASED ASSETS AND OBLIGATIONS

Where assets are financed by leasing agreements that give rights approximating to ownership ('finance leases'), the assets are treated as if they had been purchased outright. The amount capitalised is the present value of the minimum lease payments payable during the lease term. The corresponding leasing commitments are shown as obligations to the lessor.

Lease payments are treated as consisting of capital and interest elements, and the interest is charged to the profit and loss account in proportion to the remaining balance outstanding.

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ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

LEASED ASSETS AND OBLIGATIONS (continued)

All other leases are 'operating leases' and the annual rentals are charged to the profit and loss account on straight line basis over the lease.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Expenditure on research and development is written off as it is incurred.

PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS

The company makes contributions to insured schemes for directors to cover both pensions and life assurance. Payments made are charged to the profit and loss account in the year in which they are incurred.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

		1000	1000
		1999	1998
		£	£
1	TURNOVER AND PROFIT/(LOSS) ON		
	ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE		
	TAXATION		
	The company's turnover and profit/(loss)		
	before taxation were all derived from its		
	principal activity. Sales were made in the		
	following geographical markets.		
	United Kingdom and Eire	573,949	673,803
			=======
2	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES(NET)		
	Distribution costs	-	_
	Administrative expenses	210,209	220,555
		210,209	220,555
3	INVESTMENT INCOME		
-	Bank deposit interest	3,201	5,776
			======
4	INTEREST PAYABLE		
	a) On bank loans and overdrafts and other	-	-
	loans wholly repayable within 5 years:		
	b) Finance leases and hire purchase contracts	428	430
	c) Credit card commissions	3,751	3,521
	d) Other	827	1,144
		5,006	5,095
			======

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

		1999	1998
		£	£
5	PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY		
	ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		
	Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before		
	taxation is stated after charging		
	/(crediting):-		
	Depreciation and amounts written off		
	tangible fixed assets:		
	Owned assets	7,142	8,975
	Auditors remuneration	2,000	2,000
			
6	EMPLOYEES		
	The average weekly number of employees		
	(including directors) employed by the		
	company during the year was:		
	Office and management	7	7
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	Staff costs for the above persons:		
	Wages and salaries	71,838	75,210
	Social security costs	7,125	6,867
	Other pensions costs	3,936	3,431
		82,899	85,508
			
7	DIRECTORS REMUNERATION		
	Fees	26,000	26,549
	Other Emoluments (including pension	9,797	3,431
	contributions and benefits in kind)		
		35,797	29,980
		===	49,960
			

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

		1999	19	998	
		£		£	
8	TAXATION				
	Based on the profit for the year:-				
	UK Corporation tax at 21% (1998:-21%)	-		-	
	Deferred tax	-		-	
				_	
	(Over)/under provided in earlier years	-		_	
	(G vor), under provided in earlier years				
		-		_	
			===		
9.	FIXED ASSETS	Fixtures &	Motor	Total	
		fittings	vehicles		
		£	£	£	
	ST				
	at 1.04.98	32,724	30,304	63,028	
	ditions	-	-	-	
Je.	etions		-	-	,
As	at 31.03.99	32,724	30,304	63,028	
ΣE	PRECIATION				
	at 1.04.98	20,131	7,576	27,707	
Ch	arge for the year	1,460	5,682	7,142	
Эе	etions	-	-	-	
As	at 31.03.99	21,591	13,258	34,849	
ΝĒ	T BOOK VALUE			7844	
	at 31.03.99	11,133	17,046	28,179	
As	at 31.03.98	12,593	22,728	35,321	
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		1999	1998
		£	£
0 5	STOCKS		
(Goods for resale	126,431	128,786
		126,431	128,786
ı I	DEBTORS(due within one year)		
Τ	Trade debtors	-	-
(Other debtors	293	293
F	Prepayments and accrued income	1,410	1,410
		1,703	1,703
	CREDITORS	~ ~~~~	
	Amounts falling due within one year		
	Bank loans	5,948	2,350
	Obligations under finance leases	4,172	6,548
	Trade creditors	100,783	114,276
	Corporation tax	-	-
	Other taxation and social security costs	7,285	6,921
	Other creditors	14,287	14,287
A	Accruals and deferred income	502	502
		132,977	144,884

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		1999	1998
		£	£
}	CREDITORS		
	Amounts falling due in more than one year		
	Bank loans	_	8,575
	Obligations under finance leases	_	, -
		_	8,575
		=====	======
	Repayable by instalments		
	Bank loans		
	Between 2 and 5 years	_	8,575
	Obligations under finance leases	-	0,575
	Between 2 and 5 years		
	Detween 2 and 3 years	-	-
			0 575
			8,575
	SHARE CAPITAL		
	Authorised:		
	100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
	100 ordinary states of 21 out	=====	=====
	Allotted, issued and fully paid		
	100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
	oraning billion of all outli	=====	======
	CAPITAL RESERVE		
	At beginning and end of the year	20,866	20,866
			
	PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT		
	At beginning of the year	93,691	97,827
	Profit/(loss) for the year		
	1 10110 (1055) for the year	(7,058)	(4,136
	At end of the year	86,633	93,691
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

		1999	1998	
		£	£	
17	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS			
	IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			
	Profit/(loss) for the financial year	(7,058	(4,136)
	Opening shareholders' funds	114,657	118,793	
	Closing shareholders' funds	107,599	114,657	
		======		
18	CAPITAL COMMITMENTS			
	Capital expenditure contracted for but not provided in the financial statements	nil	nil	
	Capital expenditure authorised but not contracted for	nil	nil	