# Liquidator's Progress Report

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Pursuant to Sections 92A and 104A and 192 of the Insolvency Act 1986

To the Registrar of Companies

Company Number

02075280

Name of Company

**UCS Civils Limited** 

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the liquidator(s) of the company attach a copy of my/our Progress Report under section 192 of the Insolvency Act 1986

The Progress Report covers the period from 15/02/2012 to 14/02/2013

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

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# UCS Civils Limited (In Liquidation)

## Joint Liquidators' Abstract Of Receipts And Payments To 14 February 2013

RECEIPTS	Total (£)
PAYMENTS	0.00
	0 00
Balance	0 00
MADE UP AS FOLLOWS	
	0 00

UCS CIVILS LIMITED (In Administrative Receivership and Liquidation) ("the Company")

ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT TO CREDITORS PURSUANT TO RULES 4.49B/4.49C 0F THE INSOLVENCY RULES 1986 (AS AMENDED)

12 April 2013

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Daniel Butters and Adrian Berry were appointed Joint Liquidators of UCS Civils Limited on 15 February 2012

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## **ABBREVIATIONS**

## For the purpose of this report the following abbreviations shall be used

"the Act" Insolvency Act 1986 (as amended)

"the Rules" Insolvency Rules 1986 (as amended)

"the Liquidators" Daniel Butters and Adrian Berry of Deloitte LLP

"the Company" UCS Civils Limited (in Administrative Receivership and

Liquidation)

"Deloitte" Deloitte LLP

"the Group" UCS Civils Limited, UCS Plant Limited, Rand Limited,

Linpave Limited

"the Receivers" Ian Green and Stuart Maddison of PWC, Joint

Administrative Receivers of the Company

"SIP9 (E&W)" Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 (England & Wales)

"SIP13 (E&W)" Statement of Insolvency Practice 13 (England & Wales)

"the Bank" Clydesdale Bank Limited t/a Yorkshire Bank

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Introduction

This report has been prepared in accordance with Rules 4 49B and 4 49C of the Rules to provide creditors with an update on the progress of the Liquidation of the Company since our appointment as Liquidators

A schedule of statutory information in respect of the Company is attached at Appendix 1

## 1.2 Details of the appointment of the Liquidators

Daniel Butters and Adrian Berry of Deloitte were appointed Joint Liquidators of the Company on 15 February 2012 at a meeting of creditors of the Company convened under section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 This appointment follows the appointment of Ian Green and Stuart Maddison of PWC as the Receivers on 9 November 2009

For the purposes of section 231 of the Act the Liquidators confirm that they are authorised to carry out all functions, duties and powers by either of them jointly and severally

### 13 Electronic communication with creditors

In an effort to reduce the costs of the Liquidation, all future communications with creditors, including updates and progress reports will be posted onto a website, which has been set up specifically for this purpose. The web address is

http://www.deloitte.com/view/en\_GB/uk/services/corporate-finance/restructuring-services/updates-for-insolvencies/ucscivilslimited/index.htm

A letter will be issued to all creditors each time the website is updated with a statutory notice or report. All creditors' statutory notices will be retained on the website for 3 months after being uploaded to the site.

## 2. LIQUIDATORS' RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

#### 2.1 Introduction

The Liquidators have not received any funds nor have any payments been paid through the Liquidators' accounts for the 12 month period 15 February 2012 to 14 February 2013 However the Administrative Receivers have received and made payments through their accounts A Form 3 6 listing receipts and payments has been lodged with Companies House by the Receivers

In this section, we have summarised the main asset realisations during the 12 month period and an estimation of those assets yet to be realised, together with details of costs incurred but as yet unpaid

### 2.2 Asset realisations

The statement of affairs lodged by the directors of the Company disclosed assets totalling £198,000 comprising cash held by the Receivers of £149,000 and two retentions with an estimated to realise value of £49,000

The Receivers have recovered one of the retentions for £33,000

This amount is included in the Receivers account balance of £446,737 as at 8 November 2012

## 2.3 Estimated future realisations

The outstanding retention is expected to be recovered in the sum of £18,000

The cash balance held by the Receivers totalling £446,737 will be marshalled between the Group which is also in administrative receivership with the exception of Linpave Limited which was subject to administration proceedings. The marshalling of the the Group funds will settle the claim of each company in the Group against the other companies. These claims arise under the cross guarantees given by each company to secure the Bank's lending

A calculation of how the funds should be marshalled has been prepared by the Receivers and the Liquidators have agreed this calculation. Accordingly the net recovery expected by the Liquidators is £167,000. This is in line with earlier forecasts.

The form of indemnity between the Receivers and the Liquidators has also been agreed and the Liquidators anticipate that the surplus funds available from the Receivership will be remitted within the next month

The Liquidators have submitted a claim in the liquidation of UCS Plant Limited totalling £181,000, it is not clear what level of dividend may be paid on this claim

## 2.4 Estimated outcome for creditors

The claims of the secured and preferential creditors have been dealt with by the Receivers

The Liquidators anticipate that a dividend will be paid to the unsecured creditors. The level of
the dividend is dependent upon the final amount of the claims admitted for dividend and the
final level of realisations in the liquidation.

The Liquidators currently anticipate a dividend of between 1p and 15p in the £ will be paid to the unsecured creditors

## 3. DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS

## 3.1 Secured creditors

There are no secured creditors in the liquidation, the claim of Yorkshire Bank has been settled by the Receivers

### 3.2 Preferential creditors

There are no preferential claims in the liquidation. The preferential claims have been settled by the Receivers

#### 3.3 Prescribed Part

The Prescribed Part (section 176A of the Insolvency Act 1986 (Prescribed Part) Order 2003) applies where there are floating charge realisations, net of costs to be set aside for unsecured creditors. This equates to

- 50% of net property up to £10,000,
- Plus, 20% of net property in excess of £10,000
- Subject to a maximum of £600,000

The claim of the floating charge creditor has been settled by the Receivers and therefore the provisions of the Prescribed Part are not applicable to the liquidation

### 3.4 Unsecured creditors

The Statement of Affairs disclosed unsecured and non-preferential claims of £7 24m. Claims totalling £6 99m have been received

To date 143 claims totalling £1 52m have been agreed and admitted for dividend purposes 59 claims totalling £5 47m are currently under review by the Liquidators

## 3.5 Claims process

Due to the possible distribution to unsecured creditors you are requested to submit claims to the address on the front of this report, marked for the attention of Sally Hutchinson

A Proof of Debt form is attached

Please note if you have already lodged a claim with the Administrative Receivers, PWC, or in the Liquidation you do <u>not</u> need to resubmit your claim.

## 4. OTHER MATTERS AND INFORMATION TO ASSIST CREDITORS

## 4.1 Investigations

As part of the Liquidators' statutory duties, an investigation into the conduct of the Company Directors was completed

In this regard, a confidential report was submitted to The Insolvency Service on 13 August 2012

In line with usual procedure the Liquidators are reviewing the conduct of the administrative receivership. No matters have been identified to date which warrant further investigation

## 4.2 Transactions with connected parties

In accordance with the guidance given in SIP13 (E&W), we confirm that there have been no transactions with connected parties during the period of this report, however prior to the appointment of Liquidators there were numerous intercompany transactions within the Group

The Company is a creditor of UCS Plant Limited - In Liquidation and a claim in the amount of £181,000 has been lodged

We have not yet completed our review of the intercompany transactions detailed above and have not, therefore, reached any conclusions

## 4.3 EC Regulations

Council Regulation (EU) No 1346/2000 applies and these are the main proceedings as defined in Article 3(1) of that regulation

### 5. LIQUIDATORS' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

## 5.1 Liquidators' Remuneration

#### 5 1 1 Basis of Remuneration

The basis of the Liquidators' remuneration was fixed on 15 February 2012 by the creditors at a meeting of creditors held on 15 February 2012 as follows

By reference to the time properly given by the Liquidators and their staff in attending to matters arising in the Liquidation calculated at the prevailing standard hourly charge out rates used by Deloitte at the time when the work is performed, plus VAT

A fee of £5,000 was approved by creditors in respect of the work undertaken in convening the meeting of creditors under Section 98 of the Act and assisting in the preparation of the statement of affairs. This fee has not been drawn

#### 5.1.2 Remuneration

During the past 12 month period the Liquidators have charged total remuneration of £37,224 as detailed at Appendix 3. This amount is made up of 85.5 hours at an average charge out rate of £435.37 across all grades of staff, this time is charged in six minute increments.

No remuneration has been drawn by the Liquidators The fee of £5,000 approved by creditors in respect of the work undertaken in convening the meeting of creditors under Section 98 of the Act and assisting in the preparation of the statement of affairs has also not been drawn

The work has been categorised into the following task headings and sub categories

- Administration and planning includes case planning, case set-up, notification of appointment, maintenance of our case files and insolvency case record, statutory reporting, compliance, cashiering and accounting
- Investigations includes investigating the Company's affairs and in particular any antecedent transactions and also reporting on the conduct of its directors
- Realisation of Assets includes identifying, securing and insuring assets, sale of business, transition of contracts, property issues, disposal of stocks, collection of debts, realisation of other fixed assets
- Creditors includes set-up of creditor records, creditor communications, preferential claims, unsecured claims, secured and employee claims
- Other matters includes Tax and VAT issues

""A Creditors' Guide to Liquidators' Remuneration" is available for download at <a href="https://www.deloitte.com/uk/sip-9-england-and-wales">www.deloitte.com/uk/sip-9-england-and-wales</a>

Should you require a paper copy, please send your request in writing to the Liquidators at the address on the front of this report and this will be provided to you at no cost

### **Expenses**

During the period covered by this report the Liquidators have incurred expenses totalling £210 00 for statutory bonding and £700 74 for advertising. No expenses have been recovered by the Liquidators

Mileage is calculated at the prevailing standard mileage rate of up to 45p used by Deloitte at the time when the mileage is incurred. No mileage expenses have been incurred.

## 5.2 Charge out rates

The range of charge out rates for the separate categories of staff is based on our 2012 charge out rates as summarised below. Manager rates include all grades of assistant manager.

Grade	2012	2012/2013
	Jan-Aug £	Sept-Aug 2013 £
Partner/Director	585 - 920	605 - 950
Manager	295 - 700	305 - 720
Assistants and support staff	150 - 295	155 - 305

The above bands are specific to the Restructuring Services department partners and staff. In certain circumstances the use of specialists from other Deloitte departments such as Tax/VAT, Corporate Finance or Drivers Jonas Deloitte may be required on the case. These departments may charge rates that fall outside the Restructuring Services department bands quoted above so, where such specialists have performed work on the case, average rates may also fall outside the Restructuring Services department bands.

All partners and technical staff (including cashiers) assigned to the case recorded their time spent working on the case on a computerised time recording system. Time spent by secretarial staff working on the assignment has not been recorded or recovered. The appropriate staff have been assigned to work on each aspect of the case based upon their seniority and experience, having regard to the complexity of the relevant work, the financial value of the assets being realised and/or claims agreed.

With effect from 1 September 2012, charge out rates were increased by an average 3% and the charge out rate bandings have been amended, where applicable, to reflect this change

## 5.3 Other professional costs

Clarion Solicitors were instructed by the Liquidators to review and advise on the indemnity between the Receivers and the Liquidators. Costs for these services are not expected to exceed £1,500 plus VAT

### 5.4 Creditors' right to request information

Any secured creditor or, unsecured creditor with the support of at least 5% in value of the

unsecured creditors or, with permission of the Court, may, in writing, request the Liquidators to provide additional information regarding remuneration or expenses to that already supplied within this report. Such requests must be made within 21 days of receipt of this report, in accordance with Rule 4 49E of the Rules

## 5.5 Creditors' right to challenge Remuneration and/or Expenses

Any secured creditor or, unsecured creditor with the support of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors or, with permission of the Court, may apply to the Court for one or more orders (in accordance with Rule 4 131 of the Rules), reducing the amount or the basis of remuneration which the Liquidators are entitled to charge or otherwise challenging some or all of the expenses incurred

Such applications must be made within 8 weeks of receipt by the applicant(s) of the progress report detailing the remuneration and/or expenses being complained of, in accordance with Rule 4 131(1B) of the Rules

Please note that such challenges may not disturb remuneration or expenses approved or deemed to be approved under prior progress reports

UCS Civils Limited in Administrative Receivership and Liquidation – First Progress Report to Creditors dated 12 April 2013

## UCS Civils Limited (In Administrative Receivership and Liquidation)

## **STATUTORY INFORMATION**

Company Name	UCS Civils Limited ~ In Administrative Receivership and Liquidation
Previous Names	N/A
Proceedings	In Liquidation
Date of Appointment	15 February 2012
Joint Liquidators	Daniel Francis Butters and Adrian Peter Berry Deloitte LLP 1 City Square Leeds LS1 2AL
Registered office Address	c/o PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Benson House 33 Wellington Street Leeds LS1 4JP
Company Number	02075280
Incorporation Date	19 November 1986
Company Secretary	Neil Muffit
Bankers	Yorkshire Bank
Auditors	Tenon Audit Limited
Appointment by	Meeting of creditors on 15 February 2012
Directors at date of Appointment	Jonathan Wells Stephen Jennings Neil Muffit Geoffrey Hawley Mark Murphy
Directors' Shareholdings	N/A

UCS Civils Limited (In Administrative Receivership and Liquidation)		Time costs (	for the pend	Time costs for the period 15/02/12 to 14/02/13	0 14/02/13				Appendix 2
	Partners	Partners & Directors	Man	Managers	Assistants	Assistants & Support	TOTAL	AL	Average Hourly Rate
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## PROOF OF DEBT - GENERAL FORM

# In the matter of UCS Civils Limited and in the matter of The Insolvency Act 1986

Resolution for voluntary winding up at meeting of creditors 15/02/2012

1	Name of Creditor	
2	Address of Creditor	
3	Total amount of claim, including any Value Added Tax and outstanding uncapitalised interest as at the date the company went into liquidation (see note)	£
4	Details of any document by reference to which the debt can be substantiated [Note the liquidator may call for any document or evidence to substantiate the claim at his discretion]	
5	If the total amount shown above includes Value Added Tax, please show -	
	(a) amount of Value Added Tax (b) amount of claim NET of Value Added Tax	£
6	If total amount above includes outstanding uncapitalised interest please state amount	£
7	If you have filled in both box 3 and box 5, please state whether you are claiming the amount shown in box 3 or the amount shown in box 5(b)	
8	Give details of whether the whole or any part of the debt falls within any (and if so which) of the categories of preferential debts under section 386 of, and schedule 6 to, the Insolvency Act 1986 (as read with schedule 3 to the Social Security Pensions Act 1975)	Category  Amount(s) claimed as preferential £
9	Particulars of how and when debt incurred	
10	Particulars of any security held, the value of the security, and the date it was given	£
11	Particulars of any reservation of title claimed, including details of goods supplied, their value and when supplied	
12	Signature of creditor or person authorised to act on his behalf	
	Name in BLOCK LETTERS	
	Position with or relation to creditor	

## PROOF OF DEBT - GENERAL FORM (CONTD )

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NOTE	A company goes into liquidation if it passes a resolution for voluntary winding up or an order for its winding up is made by the court at a time when it has not already gone into liquidation by passing such a resolution