Typolac Limited

Abbreviated Accounts

31 August 1999

Company number 2443090

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DIRECTORY

DIRECTORS

V Flören

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J D Jamieson

J Newton

SECRETARY

J D Jamieson

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors submit their report and abbreviated accounts for the year ended 31 August 1999.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The trading profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £117,739 (1998: £310,333).

The director propose a final dividend for the year amounting to £50,000, which leaves a profit of £67,739 to be transferred to reserves.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The company's principal activity during the year continued to be the printing and supply of colour cards for the paint and cosmetic industries.

The directors are satisfied with the results for the year and look forward to continued success in the current year.

FIXED ASSETS

Details of fixed assets are shown in notes 7 and 8 to the accounts.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors at 31 August 1999 and their interests in the issued ordinary shares of the company were, throughout the year, as follows:

	Number
V Flören	-
J R Hare	14
J D Jamieson	•
J Newton	10

The interests of V Flören and J D Jamieson in the share capital of other group companies are disclosed in the Directors' Report of Color-Label Limited. None of the other directors have an interest in the share capital of any other group company.

YEAR 2000

Prior to 31 December 1999, steps were taken to review computer and date dependent systems critical to the Company's ongoing operations and preparation of financial information to establish the impact, if any, which the Year 2000 might have on the accuracy of calculations, processing and reporting. Although it is not possible to guarantee that no Year 2000 problems remain, the Company believes that its internal systems are Year 2000 compliant.

The Company continues to address the business risk from third parties with whom it deals on business or financial matters, including key customers and suppliers. Contingency plans have been developed to minimise risk of disruption. No significant disruptions have occurred to date.

Although the millennium date change has passed and no significant problems have been encountered, the directors recognise that there is still a risk of Year 2000 impacting the business but do not expect this to be significant.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

AUDITORS

Ernst & Young have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors and a resolution proposing their re-appointment will be submitted at the Annual General Meeting.

By order of the board

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J D Jamieson Secretary

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE ACCOUNTS

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts 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 accounts the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the accounts 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 accounts 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.

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SPECIAL REPORT OF THE AUDITORS to Typolac Limited under Section 274B of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts on pages 6 to 15 together with the annual accounts of the company for the year ended 31 August 1999 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 246A of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with section 246A(3) of the Act to the registrar of companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with that provision and report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the audited accounts, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared from those annual accounts. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report did not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the full accounts.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with section 246A(3) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 5 to 15 are properly prepared in accordance with that provision.

Ernst & Young Registered Auditor Liverpool

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ABBREVIATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 August 1999

	Notes	1999 £	1998 £
GROSS PROFIT		1,518,261	1,854,128
Distribution costs Administrative expenses		227,567 1,099,411	211,701 1,180,683
		1,326,978	1,392,384
OPERATING PROFIT	2	191,283	461,744
Interest receivable Interest payable	4	949 (328)	5,657 (180)
• •		621	5,477
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		191,904	467,221
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	74,165	156,888
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		117,739	310,333
Dividend	6	50,000	300,000
PROFIT RETAINED FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		67,739	10,333

RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

There are no recognised gains or losses other than as shown by the above profit and loss account.

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET at 31 August 1999

	Notes	1999 £	1998 £
		L	L
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	7	6,286	7,401
Investment	8	2,500	5,000
		8,786	12,401
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	9	506,000	523,885
Debtors	10	1,184,249	1,204,493
Cash at bank and in hand		209	35,672
		1,690,458	1,764,050
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	11	920,074	1,065,020
NET CURRENT ASSETS		770,384	699,030
		779,170	711,431
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	12	100	100
Profit and loss account	13	779,070	711,331
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		779,170	711,431

These abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to medium sized companies.

V Flören

Director /

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS for the year ended 31 August 1999

•	Notes	1999 £	1998 £
CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	1	282,787	166,985
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE		(328)	(190)
Interest paid Interest received		(328 <i>)</i> 949	(180) 5,657
		621	5,477
TAXATION Corporation tax paid		(168,303)	(105,896)
		115,105	66,566
EQUITY DIVIDENDS PAID		(200,0000	(100,000)
DECREASE IN CASH IN THE YEAR	2	(84,895)	(33,434)
NET FUNDS AT 1 SEPTEMBER 1998		35,672	69,106
NET (DEBT)/FUNDS AT 31 AUGUST 1999		(49,223)	35,672

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the year ended 31 August 1999

1. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

FROM OFERATING ACTIVITIES		
	1999	1998
	£	£
Operating profit	191,283	461,745
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	1,115	1,189
Amount written off investment	2,500	-
Decrease/(increase) in stocks	17,885	(6,293)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	22,381	(240,619)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	47,623	(49,037)
NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	282,787	166,985

2. ANALYSIS OF NET DEBT

	At 1 September 1998	Cash flows	At 31 August 1999
	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	35,672	(35,463)	209
Bank overdraft	-	(49,432)	(49,432)
	35,672	(84,895)	(49,223)

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS

at 31 August 1999

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Plant and machinery

20% straight line and 15% reducing balance

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value as follows:

Costs incurred in bringing each product to its present location and condition:

Raw materials

purchase cost on a first-in, first-out basis

Work in progress and finished goods -

cost of direct materials and labour plus attributable overheads

based on normal level of activity

Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less further costs expected to be incurred to completion and disposal.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided using the liability method on all timing differences which are expected to reverse in the future, calculated at the rate at which it is estimated that the tax will be payable.

Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date.

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction.

All differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

Leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Pensions

The company operates two defined contribution schemes. The contributions to these schemes are charged in the period in which they become payable.

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NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS at 31 August 1999

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NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS at 31 August 1999

TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	1999	1998
	£	£
Based on the profit for the year:		
Corporation tax at 30% (1998: 31%)	74,252	155,000
Corporation tax underprovided in previous years	(87)	1,888
	74,165	156,888
No provision has been made for deferred taxation due to immate date.	erial timing differences at the	e balance sheet
DIVIDEND		,
	1999	1998
	£	£
Ordinary - final proposed	50,000	300,000
TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		
		Plant and
		machinery £
Cost:		
At 1 September 1998 and 31 August 1999		12,361
Depreciation:		<u> </u>
At 1 September 1998 Provided during the year		4,960
Frovided during the year		1,115
At 31 August 1999		6,075
Net book value:		
At 31 August 1999		6,286
At 31 August 1998		7,401

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS at 31 August 1999

8.	INVESTMENT		
		1999	1998
	Unlisted investment at cost:	£	£
	At 1 September 1998	5,000	5,000
	Amounts written off	(2,500)	-
	At 31 August 1999	2,500	5,000
9.	STOCKS		
		1999	1998
		£	£
	Raw materials and consumables	190,223	144,309
	Work in progress	315,777	379,576
		506,000	523,885
9 10.	DEBTORS		
Σ		1999	1998
Q		£	£
8	Trade debtors	1,118,116	1,116,450
ST	Other debtors and prepayments	45,996	27,352
⊒ E RNST&YOUNG	Amounts owed by parent undertaking Corporation tax	20,137	42,691 18,000
		1,184,249	1,204,493

Included within advance corporation tax recoverable is an amount of £20,137 (1998: £18,000) which is due after more than one year.

11. CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	1999 £	1998 £
Bank overdraft Trade creditors Corporation tax Other taxes and social security Amount owed to parent undertaking Amounts owed to fellow subsidiary undertakings Amount owed to associated undertaking Other creditors and accruals Proposed dividend	49,432 149,505 75,000 71,126 357,975 - 67,036 150,000	224,661 167,000 70,672 235,335 4,728 62,624 300,000
	920,074	1,065,020

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS at 31 August 1999

12. SHARE CAPITAL

		Authorised		Allotted, called up Authorised and fully paid	
	1999			1998	
	No.	No.	£	£	
Ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100	100	100	
					

13. RECONCILIATION OF SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS AND MOVEMENTS ON RESERVES

	Share	Profit and	
	capital	loss account	Total
	£	£	£
At 1 September 1997	100	700,998	701,098
Profit for the year	-	310,333	310,333
Dividend	-	(300,000)	(300,000)
At 1 September 1998	100	711,331	711,431
Profit for the year	-	117,739	117,739
Dividend	-	(50,000)	(50,000)
At 31 August 1999	100	779,070	779,170
			

Shareholders' funds are entirely attributable to equity interests.

14. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The company operates two defined contribution schemes, funded by the payment of contributions to independently administered trust funds.

Contributions paid were as follows:

	1999 £	1998 £
Employees money purchase scheme Directors money purchase scheme	61,881 3,750	62,332 3,750
	65,631	66,082

The company had previously operated a defined benefits scheme for the benefit of its employees. The scheme was frozen on 28 February 1996. Its value is to be transferred into the money purchase scheme but the amount has not yet been determined.

TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31 August 1999

15. ULTIMATE HOLDING COMPANY

The immediate parent undertaking is Typo-Label Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

In the directors' opinion, the ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Interlicenza, a company incorporated in Liechtenstein.

16. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company purchased goods and services totalling £1,539,020 (1998: £1,552,174) from other group companies. Amounts owing to group companies are disclosed in the notes to the accounts.

Secretarial fees of £38,900 (1998: £37,900) were paid to Hollows & Hesketh, a firm in which a director of the company, J D Jamieson, is a partner. In addition the company paid service fees of £125,000 (1998: £125,000) to Lux Color Limited. J D Jamieson and V Flören, directors, are directors of Lux Color Limited.