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1 Company details

Company number 0 2 5 9 5 3 5 8

Company name in full Blitz Communications Limited

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Please complete in typescript or in
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2 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) Christine

Surname Francis

3 Liquidator's address

Building name/number Thames Tower, Level 12

Street Station Road

Post town Reading

County/Region

Postcode R G 1 1 L X

Country

4 Liquidator's name ①

Full forename(s) Danny

Surname Dartnaill

① Other liquidator

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7 Progress report

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Liquidator's signature

Signature

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E Francis

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Signature date

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Blitz Communications Limited In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation

Joint Liquidators' progress report from
7 September 2022 to 6 September 2023

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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Abbreviation or term	Meaning
'Act'	Insolvency Act 1986
'BCGL'	Blitz Communications Group Limited
'Bank'	National Westminster Bank
'HMRC'	HM Revenue & Customs
'Joint Liquidators' or 'we'	Christine Francis and Danny Dartnaill
'net property'	Floating charge realisations after costs and payment of preferential creditors in full
'Period'	7 September 2022 to 6 September 2023
'preferential creditors'	Claims for unpaid wages earned in the four months prior to Liquidation up to £800, holiday pay and unpaid pension contributions in certain circumstances
'Prescribed Part'	Where a company has granted a floating charge after 15 September 2003, under Section 176A of the Act a proportion of the net property available to a QFCH is set aside for the unsecured creditors of that company
'QFCH'	Qualifying Floating Charge Holder
'Report'	Prepared in accordance with Rules 18.3 and 18.7 of the Rules
'Rules'	Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016
'secured creditors'	Creditors whose debt is secured, in accordance with Section 248 of the Act
'the Company'	Blitz Communications Limited
'unsecured creditors'	Creditors who are neither secured nor preferential

KEY INFORMATION

Background

Christine Francis and Danny Dartnaill were appointed Joint Liquidators of the Company on 7 September 2020.

Purpose of the Report

This is the annual Report for the period from 7 September 2022 to 6 September 2023.

The main purpose of the Report is to provide you with an update on the progress of the Liquidation during the Period.

The Report can be reviewed in conjunction with all other reports regarding this Liquidation, on the brportal.bdo.co.uk portal.

Return to creditors

The table below summarises the anticipated outcome for creditors, based on our current understanding of the case. Please note these figures may be subject to change.

Class of creditor	Current estimate	Previous estimate
Secured creditors ¹	£2,828,143	£2,826,703
Preferential creditors	100p in the £	100p in the £
Unsecured creditors ²	Uncertain	Uncertain

1. A first interim distribution of £1,923,286 was paid to the Bank under its floating charge on 29 June 2021. A second interim distribution of £450,000 was paid on 14 February 2022. Further payments will depend on receiving clearance from HMRC before declaring final distributions to both the Bank under its floating charge and unsecured creditors.
2. The estimated value of the Prescribed Part to be distributed is £554,077 after deduction of the associated costs of agreeing unsecured creditor claims. Notice of intended dividend was issued on 22 September 2023 to those who have not yet submitted a claim in this Liquidation, with a last date for proving of 18 October 2023.

What creditors need to do

If you haven't already provided the Joint Liquidators with details of your claim, please do so at your earliest possible convenience using the proof of debt form at Appendix F.

If you have any queries regarding your claim or require any assistance completing the form, please contact Luke Stafford on the below contact details.

Creditors' rights

An overview of the rights of creditors are detailed in Appendix B.

Contact details

Contact: Luke Stafford
Business Restructuring, BDO LLP, 5 Temple Square, Temple Street, Liverpool, L2 5RH
Tel: +44 151 305 5791
Email: BRCMTLondonandSouthEast@bdo.co.uk
Reference: 00332695

PROGRESS IN THE PERIOD

Asset realisations

The receipts and payments account attached at Appendix C details the asset realisations during the Period.

The realisation of all outstanding assets was concluded in previous reporting periods. As such, the only funds that have been received in the Period comprises bank interest on funds held in the Liquidation estate account.

Bank Interest Gross

During the Period, £3,512 has been received in relation to gross bank interest. The Liquidation account has since been placed on non-interest bearing status in preparation for final distributions being made to creditors.

Distributions to creditors

Secured creditors

The secured creditor in the Liquidation is the Bank. The Bank holds a fixed and floating charge debenture over the Company's assets, together with an unlimited composite guarantee relating to other companies included in the wider GES UK group. The Bank's claim in this Liquidation totals £6,672,653 (including a balance of £2,749,367 due by BCGL which has now been dissolved and is included as part of the composite guarantee).

To date, the Bank has received a total distribution of £2,373,286 under its floating charge.

It is currently estimated that a further distribution in the region of £455,000 will be available to the Bank under the terms of its debenture. As previously noted, it is intended that a final floating charge distribution will be made alongside the unsecured distribution once HMRC clearance has been received.

Preferential creditors

On 14 July 2023 a preferential dividend of 100p in the £ was declared and paid to preferential creditors with claims totalling £91,123.

Prescribed Part

It is currently estimated that the value of the net property is £3,428,143 and therefore, a Prescribed Part of £554,077 will be available for distribution to unsecured creditors after deduction of the associated costs.

Unsecured creditors

As detailed in the return to creditors section of the Report, it is anticipated that a dividend will be paid to unsecured creditors, however, the quantum and timing is currently uncertain as it will depend upon the overall value of agreed unsecured claims and clearance being sought from HMRC to conclude this matter. Work has been undertaken to review and agree those claims submitted to date. As noted above, a Notice of intended dividend has been issued to those creditors who have not yet submitted a claim providing them with a deadline by which to submit the relevant paperwork.

Other matters

In addition to the above matters, we have dealt with all statutory matters required by legislation and administrative work incidental to our duties as Joint Liquidators in this Liquidation. Work as also been undertaken on the following key areas:

Employment Tribunal Claims

Further to the previous progress report that was issued, during the Period the Employment Tribunal issued a sealed copy of the Consent Order agreed with a number of former employees who brought claims seeking protective awards against the Company for not having received appropriate notice of their redundancy.

Upon receipt of the sealed Order, ERA Solutions were engaged to adjudicate on and agree both the preferential and unsecured claims of the Redundancy Payments Service ('RPS') and former employees. This process became slightly protracted after ERA Solutions noted certain errors in the claim calculation submitted by the RPS that had to be rectified. Once the final claims position had been agreed, a dividend of 100p in the £ was declared and paid to preferential creditors.

Tax / VAT claims and clearance request

In preparation for declaring final distributions to creditors, steps have also been taken to agree and pay all outstanding costs (including ongoing storage charges for the Company books and records) and then submit final corporation tax and VAT returns. The corporation tax position has now been confirmed by HMRC and clearance provided by this department.

There is currently an outstanding VAT refund due to the Company for the period December 2021 to February 2022. HMRC have previously processed and paid refunds due for the periods both prior to and proceeding this return. From discussions with HMRC, it is understood that there is a technical issue with the system that is preventing this refund being processed as opposed to an issue with the actual refund claimed. Steps are being taken to continuously chase this refund to enable clearance to be confirmed by the HMRC VAT team.

Joint Liquidators' remuneration

During the Period, time costs of £58,104 were incurred over 157 hours at an average rate of £369 per hour. No remuneration was drawn in the Period.

A detailed report of the time incurred by the Joint Liquidators and a narrative of the work done during the Period is attached in Appendix D.

Joint Liquidators' expenses

Expenses paid during the Period are detailed in the receipts and payments account at Appendix C.

A breakdown of expenses incurred is set out in Appendix E.

FUTURE ACTIONS

The following matters will be undertaken before the Joint Liquidators can conclude the Liquidation:

- Pursue the outstanding VAT refund due to the Company and obtain VAT clearance;
 - Review and agree any additional unsecured claims received by the deadline set;
 - Calculate and make a final distribution to the Bank under its floating charge;
 - Calculate and declare a first and final dividend to unsecured creditors whose claims have been submitted and agreed;
 - Prepare and issue a final account on the Liquidation before taking steps to close the case.
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APPENDIX A

STATUTORY INFORMATION

Information

Company name	Blitz Communications Limited
Company registration number	02595358
Registered office	C/o BDO LLP, 5 Temple Square, Temple Street, Liverpool, L2 5RH
Date of appointment	7 September 2020
Joint Liquidators	<p>Christine Francis Danny Dartnaill</p> <p><i>Under the provisions of section 231 of the Act the Joint Liquidators carry out their functions jointly and severally meaning any action can be done by one Liquidator or by both of them.</i></p>
Joint Liquidators' address	BDO LLP, Thames Tower, Level 12, Station Road, Reading, RG1 1LX
Data Control and GDPR	<p>Christine Francis and Danny Dartnaill are authorised to act as Insolvency Practitioners by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales in the UK. The Joint Liquidators are Data Controllers as defined by the General Data Protection Regulations. BDO LLP will act as Data Processor on the instruction of the Data Controllers. Personal data will be kept secure and processed only for matters relating to the Liquidation of Blitz Communications Limited. Please see the privacy statement at https://www.bdo.co.uk/en-gb/privacy-notice/insolvencies</p>

APPENDIX B

CREDITORS' RIGHTS

Within 21 days of receipt of the Report (1) a secured creditor, (2) an unsecured creditor with the concurrence of at least 5% in value (including the creditor in question) of the unsecured creditors; or (3) any unsecured creditor with the permission of court, may request in writing that the Joint Liquidators provide further information about their remuneration or expenses which are itemised in the Report.

Within 14 days of receipt of the request, the Joint Liquidators must provide all of the information asked for, unless they think that:

- the time or cost in preparing the information would be excessive, or
- disclosure of the information would be prejudicial to the conduct of the Liquidation or might reasonably be expected to lead to violence against any person, or
- the Joint Liquidators are subject to confidentiality obligations in respect of the information.

The Joint Liquidators must give reasons for not providing all of the requested information.

Any secured creditor or an unsecured creditor with the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors may, within eight weeks of receipt of the Report, make an application to court that the basis fixed for the Joint Liquidators' remuneration, the remuneration charged, or the expenses incurred by the Joint Liquidators, as set out in the Report, are excessive.

Copies of BDO LLP's charging and expenses policy, 'A Creditors' Guide to Liquidators' Fees' and information on the rights, duties and functions of a liquidation committee are available at <https://www.bdo.co.uk/en-gb/insights/advisory/business-restructuring/creditors-guides>.

The Insolvency Service has established a central gateway for considering complaints in respect of Insolvency Practitioners. In the event that you make a complaint to us but are not satisfied with the response, then you should visit <https://www.gov.uk/complain-about-insolvency-practitioner> where you will find further information on how you may pursue the complaint.

The Joint Liquidators are bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics when carrying out all professional work relating to this Liquidation. A copy of the code can be found at <https://www.icaew.com/technical/ethics/icaew-code-of-ethics/icaew-code-of-ethics>.

APPENDIX C

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

Blitz Communications Limited
(In Liquidation)
Joint Liquidators' Summary of Receipts & Payments

Statement of Affairs £		From 07/09/2022 To 06/09/2023 £	From 07/09/2020 To 06/09/2023 £
	FIXED CHARGE ASSETS		
Uncertain	Leasehold Property Improvements	NIL	NIL
Uncertain	Goodwill	NIL	NIL
NIL	Investments	NIL	NIL
		NIL	NIL
	FIXED CHARGE CREDITORS		
(4,034,709.98)	National Westminster Bank PLC	NIL	NIL
		NIL	NIL
	ASSET REALISATIONS		
1,720,000.00	Plant, Equipment, Stock and Fittings	NIL	4,071,840.37
58,000.00	Motor Vehicles	NIL	52,740.00
Uncertain	Work in Progress	NIL	NIL
36,876.56	Book Debts	NIL	1,701.48
25,385.00	Intercompany debts	NIL	36,388.03
Uncertain	Deferred tax	NIL	NIL
	Solicitors- Refund	NIL	40.00
700.00	Petty cash	NIL	681.08
	Bank Interest Gross	3,512.35	4,142.51
Uncertain	Prepayments	NIL	NIL
	DVLA Refunds	NIL	260.00
	Canada Life Premium Refunds	NIL	2,024.79
		3,512.35	4,169,818.26
	COST OF REALISATIONS		
	Specific Bond	NIL	200.00
	Liquidator's Fees	NIL	150,024.05
	Agents Fees - Metis	NIL	1,000.00
	Agents Fees - Gordon Brothers	NIL	187,911.73
	Valuers Fees - Haslams	NIL	1,500.00
	Agents Fees - Nationwide Security	NIL	25,647.30
	Legal Fees - Security Review	NIL	2,295.00
	Legal Fees - Employment Tribunal clai	1,431.50	65,097.00
	Corporation Tax	769.39	769.39
	Legal Fees - Intangible Assets	NIL	4,895.00
	Stationery & Postage	NIL	4,510.23
	Agents fees - ERA Corporate Services	910.00	910.00
	Storage Costs	1,136.30	10,293.69
	Statutory Advertising	NIL	176.00
	Rents / Service Charges Payable	NIL	208,970.64
	Electricity charges	NIL	17,548.69
	Other Property Expenses	NIL	285.19
	Insurance of Assets	NIL	4,813.22
	Bank Charges	NIL	45.00
	Agents Fees - ERA Solutions	2,890.00	6,350.00
		(7,137.19)	(693,242.13)
	PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS		
	The National Insurance Fund	49,387.02	49,387.02
(86,789.59)	Employees Preferential Claim	41,736.28	41,736.28
		(91,123.30)	(91,123.30)
	FLOATING CHARGE CREDS		
	National Westminster Bank plc	NIL	2,373,286.27
		NIL	(2,373,286.27)
	UNSECURED CREDITORS		
(419,096.26)	Trade & Expense Creditors	NIL	NIL

Blitz Communications Limited
(In Liquidation)
Joint Liquidators' Summary of Receipts & Payments

Statement of Affairs £		From 07/09/2022 To 06/09/2023 £	From 07/09/2020 To 06/09/2023 £
(857,542.57)	Employees Unsecured claims	NIL	NIL
(257,151.26)	H M Revenue & Customs	NIL	NIL
(1,511,934.00)	Intercompany creditors	NIL	NIL
(379,230.62)	Landlord	NIL	NIL
		NIL	NIL
	DISTRIBUTIONS		
(254,061.00)	Ordinary Shareholders	NIL	NIL
		NIL	NIL
(5,959,553.72)		(94,748.14)	1,012,166.56
	REPRESENTED BY		
	Vat Input		1,273.56
	Bank 2 Current		1,006,580.19
	Trade Creditors		(1,407.30)
	Vat Control Account		5,404.81
	Unclaimed Dividends		315.30
			1,012,166.56

Note:

A first and final preferential dividend of 100p in the pound was declared on 14 July 2023 which totalled £91,123.30.

APPENDIX D

JOINT LIQUIDATORS' REMUNERATION

The Joint Liquidators' remuneration has been approved on a time costs basis.

Time costs of £58,104 have been incurred during the Period and a breakdown is detailed below, together with details of the work undertaken.

Activity	Partner	Director	Senior manager	Manager	Senior executive	Executive	Total hours	Time costs £	Av. Rate £
Planning and strategy		9.05					9.05	6,197.30	684.78
General administration		9.45	0.10	0.15	37.90	19.80	67.40	15,814.25	234.63
Asset realisation/dealing		0.80			1.25		2.05	899.55	438.80
Employee matters		5.20			3.75		8.95	4,598.35	513.78
Creditors' claims		24.45		0.40	3.45	5.00	33.30	17,710.70	531.85
Reporting		3.80		1.70	0.75	6.25	12.50	3,721.05	297.68
Distribution and closure		8.50		3.10	11.25	1.30	24.15	9,163.25	379.43
TOTAL		61.25	0.10	5.35	58.35	32.35	157.40	58,104.45	369.15

Details of the work undertaken in the Period is detailed below.

Planning and strategy

- Review of matters outstanding in the Liquidation and determining strategy for concluding issues concurrently to maximise case progression
- Preparation of strategy documents including updated estimated outcome statements demonstrating the likely return for key stakeholders such as the Bank, wider GES UK group and landlord

General administration

- Ongoing maintenance and reconciliation of the Liquidation bank account and other cashiering functions
- Preparation and completion of internal reviews
- Corresponding with storage providers regarding the ongoing arrangements for the Company's books and records and associated costs
- Preparing and submitting corporation tax returns
- Preparing and submitting VAT returns

Asset realisation/dealing

- Finalising position regarding the work undertaken on the potential sale of the Company's intellectual property and documenting conclusion that no realisations could be achieved

Employee matters

- Obtaining a sealed copy of the Consent Order from the Employment tribunal and agreeing final costs of Irwin Mitchell LLP for their assistance in reaching a settlement with former employees
- Working with ERA Solutions in preparing the necessary information required to agree the preferential and unsecured claims of both the RPS and former employees

Creditor claims

- Processing of creditors' claim forms and entering onto IPS
- Corresponding with key creditors on the outstanding matters still to be resolved and likely timing of final distributions

Reporting

- Preparation and distribution of the progress report to members and creditors

Distribution and closure

- Reviewing and adjudicating on unsecured creditor claims received
- Preparing and obtaining closure statements from agents and third-party suppliers in preparation for final distributions
- Seeking tax and VAT clearances
- Calculation and declaring distribution to preferential creditors
- Preparing and issuing Notice of intended dividend to unsecured creditors
- Closure planning

The current charge out rates per hour of staff within the firm who may be involved in working on the Liquidation are as follows:

Grade	£
Partner	729-869
Director	417-834
Senior Manager	347-694
Manager	190-507
Senior Executive	152-354
Executive	93-186
BDO LLP tax department (max)	1304

Cumulative time incurred to fees estimate comparison

Total time costs £356,632 have been incurred over the course of the Liquidation to 6 September 2023 as detailed below.

Activity	Estimated			Total Incurred		
	Hours	Average Rate £	Time costs £	Hours	Average Rate £	Time costs £
Steps on appointment	1.25	395.04	493.80	36.05	177.55	6,400.80
Planning and strategy	35.15	301.58	10,600.70	51.80	520.67	26,970.90
General administration	164.40	260.86	42,884.60	418.70	250.17	104,746.25
Asset realisation/dealing	131.60	308.46	40,593.35	200.80	410.10	82,347.80
Employee matters	70.70	309.90	21,909.65	117.35	481.40	56,491.95
Creditors' claims	75.85	192.67	14,613.95	105.75	454.00	48,010.15
Reporting	43.35	230.47	9,990.75	59.25	320.59	18,995.20
Distribution and closure	41.45	215.62	8,937.25	37.25	340.09	12,668.50
TOTAL	562.50	266.71	150,024.05	1,026.95	347.27	356,631.55

The Joint Liquidators have exceeded the fees estimate of £150,024. This is primarily due to:

- Planning & strategy

Due to the complex discussions over proposed settlement terms with former employees, additional time has been spent on reviewing and agreeing the strategy for the Liquidation, in particular the preparation of regular estimated outcome statements setting out any impact on the overall anticipated return to each class of creditor.

- General administration

Previous annual reports have detailed the additional unforeseen time that has been included in this category of work in respect of clarifying and re-registering the Company for VAT purposes following appointment, together with working with BDO LLP tax specialists to determine whether the accrued capital allowance deductions could be used in part to set off corporation tax liabilities arising from the realisation of the chattel assets in the Liquidation.

In addition to this, further unforeseen time has been incurred in this category as a result of the general administrative work undertaken (including case reviews and maintenance of the Liquidation bank account) during the prolonged period that it has taken to deal with outstanding asset realisations and in reaching a settlement of the Employment Tribunal claims.

- Asset realisation/ dealing

The increased time costs associated with this category of work is primarily due to the additional time that has been spent in not only identifying and securing the Company's intangible assets (including securing and then seeking legal advice on the Company's database), but also in attempting to conclude two separate sale agreements for the available assets.

This category of work also includes the additional time spent in relation to the trading premises and ensuring these were appropriately cleared and handed back to the landlord, with all utility accounts closed and paid, following the successful on-site auction process.

- Employee matters

The unforeseen time incurred under this category relates to the prolonged and complex process undertaken with the assistance of Irwin Mitchell LLP and ERA Solutions to reach a settlement agreement with all former employees who issued a protective awards claim against the Company in the Employment Tribunal. This has included working with Irwin Mitchell LLP to identify the extent of the claims and then submitting an application for all claims to be combined together under one Employment Tribunal reference.

It has also included preparing working examples with the assistance of ERA Solutions on the estimated returns for different levels of claim and entering into correspondence with each individual to respond to specific queries that they raised regarding the proposed settlement. Finally, it has included working with Irwin Mitchell LLP to make appropriate submissions to the Employment Tribunal for the approval of the draft Consent Order.

- Creditors' claims

As noted in the previous annual report, this category of work includes the additional time spent in liaising with creditors, in particular the Bank, wider GES UK group and landlord, on the progression of outstanding matters and the timing and estimated quantum of distributions to each class of creditor. These communications have continued during the prolonged period that it has taken to resolve outstanding asset matters and reach a settlement of the Employment Tribunal claims.

- Reporting

As with the general administration category, the time costs in this category have increased due to the prolonged period it has taken to resolve outstanding matters in the Liquidation and the additional statutory reporting requirements that have occurred as a result.

The Joint Liquidators are not seeking approval to draw remuneration in excess of the fees estimate at this time and have drawn remuneration of £150,024 in line with the approval given.

APPENDIX E

JOINT LIQUIDATORS' EXPENSES

The Joint Liquidators' expenses incurred and paid are detailed below.

	Estimated £	Incurred in Period 07/09/2022 to 06/09/2023 £	Total Incurred 07/09/2020 to 06/09/2023 £	Total Paid 07/09/2020 to 06/09/2023 £
Category 1				
Specific Bond	200	-	200.00	200.00
Agents Fees - Metis	1,000	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
Agents Fees - Gordon Brothers	187,912	-	187,911.73	187,911.73
Valuers Fees - Haslams	6,500	-	1,500.00	1,500.00
Agents Fees - Nationwide Security	25,647	-	25,647.30	25,647.30
Legal Fees - Security Review	2,000	-	2,295.00	2,295.00
¹ Legal Fees - Employment Tribunal claims	26,000	1,431.50	65,097.00	65,097.00
Corporation Tax	-	769.39	769.39	769.39
Legal Fees - Intangible Assets	-	-	4,895.00	4,895.00
Stationery & Postage	2,350	-	4,510.23	4,510.23
Storage Costs	9,157	1,136.30	10,293.69	10,293.69
Statutory Advertising	176	-	176.00	176.00
Rents / Service Charges Payable	208,971	-	208,970.64	208,970.64
Electricity charges	18,812	-	17,548.69	17,548.69
Other Property Expenses	102	-	285.19	285.19
Insurance of Assets	4,813	-	4,813.22	4,813.22
Bank Charges	-	-	45.00	45.00
² Agents Fees - ERA Solutions	3,820	3,800.00	7,260.00	7,260.00

Category 2

The other expenses shown are self-explanatory, however, we would specifically comment on the following expenses which were incurred and/or paid in the Period:

1. Irwin Mitchell LLP (Employment Tribunal claims)

Irwin Mitchell LLP were engaged to assist the Joint Liquidators in dealing with the Employment Tribunal claims and seeking a settlement with former employees. During the Period, Final costs of £1,431.50 have been incurred and paid in finalising the position with the former employees and obtaining the sealed Consent Order from the Employment Tribunal.

2. ERA Solutions

ERA were initially engaged to assist in processing the claims of the former employees with the RPS. The cost for this work was calculated on a fixed rate based on the number of employees and totalled £3,060, which was paid during the previous period. ERA were then engaged to assist in communicating with certain former employees regarding their Employment Tribunal claims and the proposed settlement. The cost for this assistance was agreed at £400 and has been paid previously.

In the Period, ERA have been engaged to assist in the agreement of any balancing preferential and unsecured claims of the former employees. Their final costs for assisting in this matter have been confirmed at £3,800 which has been paid.

APPENDIX F

PROOF OF DEBT FORM

PROOF OF DEBT FORM

Blitz Communications Limited - In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation ('the Company')

Company registration number: 02595358

Relevant date: 7 September 2020

Name of Creditor

(If a company please also give company registration number and where registered)

Address of Creditor

including email address for correspondence

Total amount of claim, including any Value Added Tax and outstanding uncapitalised interest as at the relevant date. £

Note: Any trade or other discounts (except discount for immediate or early settlement) which would have been available to the Company but for the insolvency proceedings should be deducted from the above claim where relevant. Where any payment is made in relation to the claim or set-off applied after the relevant date, this should be deducted.

If amount in 3 above includes outstanding uncapitalised interest please state amount. £

Particulars of how and when debt incurred

(If you need more space append a continuation sheet to this form).

Particulars of any security held, the value of the security, and the date it was given.

Particulars of any reservation of title claimed in respect of goods supplied to which the claim relates.

Details of attached documents by reference to which the debt can be substantiated.

Signature of creditor

or person authorised to act on his behalf

Name (BLOCK CAPITALS)

Dated

Position with or in relation to creditor

Address of person signing

(if different from 2 above)

Please complete and return this form to Luke Stafford, Business Restructuring, BDO LLP, 5 Temple Square, Temple Street, Liverpool, L2 5RH or by email to BRCMTLondonandSouthEast@bdo.co.uk.

