AVOCET ENGINEERING SERVICES LIMITED

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1997

Company No. 2609175 (England and Wales)



P W JOHN & COMPANY Chartered Certified Accountants

AVOCET ENGINEERING SERVICES LIMITED

OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

Directors: David J Callow

Vera D Callow Edwin J Ham Doreen Ham Andrew Pole Marion N Pole

Secretary: David J Callow

Company Number: 2609175

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DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1997

The Directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1997.

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;
- 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 other irregularities.

Principal activity

The company's principal activity is that of providing tool manufacture and engineering and design services.

Directors

The Directors who served during the period and their beneficial interests in the company's issued ordinary share capital were:

	Number of Shares		
	1997	1996	
David J Callow	250	250	
Vera D Callow	250	250	
Edwin J Ham	250	250	
Doreen Ham	250	250	
Andrew Pole	250	250	
Marion Pole	250	250	

Auditors

The Auditors, P W John & Co, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

This report, which has been prepared taking advantage of special exemptions applicable to small companies, was approved by the board on 2 June 1997, and signed on their behalf.

David J Callow Secretary



AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF AVOCET ENGINEERING SERVICES LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 3 to 7 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 5.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 1 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent 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 1997 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies.

P W JQHN & CO

Chartered Certified Accountants

& Registered Auditor

2 June 1997

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1997

	Notes	1997 £	1996 £
Turnover	1.2	130,050	41,254
Cost of sales		<u>(31,145</u>)	<u>(16,172</u>)
Gross profit		105,905	25,082
Administrative Expenses		81,494	15,051
Operating profit	2	24,411	10,031
Interest receivable		350	
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		24,761	10,031
Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	3	5,766	2,200
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		<u> 18,995</u>	<u> 7,831</u>
Retained profit for the year		18,995	7,831
Retained profit brought forward		9,313	1,482
Retained profit carried forward		28,308	<u>9,313</u>

There were no recognised gains and losses for the year other than those included in the profit and loss account.

The notes on pages 5 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MAR	СН 1997			
	Notes	£	1997 £	1996 £
Fixed Assets				
Tangible Assets	4		11,335	8,003
Current Assets				
Work-in-Progress Debtors and Prepayments Due from H M Customs and Excise Cash at Bank and in Hand	5	8,375 5,619 - 		850 7,765 449 <u>5,959</u>
		42,602		15,023
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	24,129		12,213
Net Current Assets			18,473	2,810
Net Assets			<u>29,808</u>	10,813
Capital and Reserves		·		
Called up share capital Profit and Loss Account	7	·	1,500 28,308	1,500 <u>9,313</u>
Shareholders' Funds	8		29,808	10,813

The directors have taken advantage, in the preparation of these financial statements, of special exemptions applicable to small companies on the grounds that the company qualified as a small company by virtue of Section 247 of the Companies Act 1985. The financial statements were approved by the board on 2 June 1997 and signed on its behalf.

David J Callow

Director

The notes on pages 5 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1997

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and include the results of the company's operations which are described in the Directors' Report and all of which are continuing.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.

1.2 Turnover

Turnover comprises the invoiced value of goods and services supplied by the company, net of Value Added Tax and trade discounts.

1.3 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Equipment - 15% per annum, reducing balance basis

2 Operating profit

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The operating profit is stated after charging:

•	1997	1996
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets		
- owned by the company	2,000	1,412
Directors' emoluments	49,728	9,424
Auditor's remuneration	<u>1,850</u>	550
Taxation		
UK current year taxation		
UK Corporation tax at 24% (1996 - 25%)	5,766	2,362
UK Corporation tax refund		(162)
	<u>5,766</u>	<u>2,200</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1997

4	Tan	gible	fixed	assets
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7	Tangible fixed assets	Equipment • £	Total £
	Cost	~	
	At 1 April 1996	13,564	13,564
	Additions	5,331	5,331
	At 31 March 1997	<u>18,895</u>	18,895
	Depreciation		
	At 1 April 1996	5,561	5,561
	Charge for year	1,999	1,999
	At 31 March 1997	<u>7,560</u>	7,560
	Net book values		
	At 31 March 1997	<u>11,335</u>	<u>11,335</u>
	At 31 March 1996	<u>8,003</u>	8,003
5	Debtors		
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		£	£
	Due within one year		
	Trade debtors	3,581	5,769
	Prepayments	1,020	<u>1,996</u>
		<u>4,601</u>	<u>7,765</u>
6	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	1007	1007
		1997 £	1996 £
	Trade Creditors	2,496	2,069
	Other Creditors	21,633	10,144
		<u>24,129</u>	<u>12,213</u>

Included within other creditors is an amount of £10,265 (1996 - £2,414) relating to social security and other taxes.

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7	Called up share capital		
		£	£
	Authorised		
	Ordinary Shares of £1 each	<u> 1,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>
	Issued		
	Ordinary Shares of £1 each	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>
8	Movement on shareholders' funds		
		£	£
	Profit for the year	18,995	7,831
	Opening shareholders' funds	10,813	2,982
	Closing shareholders' funds	29,808	10,813