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METALS INVESTMENT TRUST LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 DECEMBER 2002



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Company registration number:

3659285

Registered office:

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London

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Directors:

M E Young

G Skoog

Secretary:

J Hillman

Auditors:

Grant Thornton

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2002.

Principal activity

The principal activity of the group is that of steel recycling, converting galvanised steel into black scrap and zinc powder. Since incorporation the company has incurred costs associated with the development of this technology along with constructing the plant and equipment necessary to perform this procedure on a site in East Chicago, Indiana, USA. The plant commenced operations in September 2003 and will move into full production in 2004.

Project expenditure

Expenditure on the project to date is \$16,756,658. The total cost of the project is expected to be in the region of \$20,000,000.

Business review

There was a loss for the year after taxation amounting to \$3,823,831 (2001: \$3,208,158). The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

Directors

The present membership of the Board is set out below. All served on the Board throughout the year.

The interests of the directors and their families in the shares of the company as at 1 January 2002 and 31 December 2002 were as follows:

	Ordinary	Ordinary shares of £1 each		Ordinary B shares	
	31	31			
	December 2002	1 January 2002	December 2002	1 January 2002	
M E Young G Skoog	-	-	1	1 -	

Directors' responsibilities for the financial statements

United Kingdom 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 material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

Directors' responsibilities (continued)

- 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, for safeguarding the assets of the company and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Auditors

Grant Thornton were appointed auditors on 28 May 2003 to fill a casual vacancy in accordance with section 388(1) of the Companies Act 1985. Special notice pursuant to section 388(3) having been given, a resolution to reappoint Grant Thornton as auditors will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

Small company exemption

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

J Willman Secretary

5 January 2004

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF

METALS INVESTMENT TRUST LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Metals Investment Trust Limited for the year ended 31 December 2002 which comprise the principal accounting policies, the consolidated profit and loss account, the balance sheets, the statement of total recognised gains and losses and notes 1 to 21. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the directors' report and the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom law and accounting standards are set out in the statement of directors' responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom auditing standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the directors' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read other information contained in the directors' report, and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom 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 group'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.

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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF

METALS INVESTMENT TRUST LIMITED

Going concern

In forming our opinion we have considered the adequacy of the disclosures made in the accounting policies of the financial statements concerning the uncertainty as to the ongoing financing of the metal recycling plant as it goes into production. In view of this uncertainty we consider that it should be drawn to your attention but our report is not qualified in this respect.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and the group as at 31 December 2002 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Grant Thornton

GRANT THORNTON
REGISTERED AUDITORS
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

LONDON 5 JANUARY 2004

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARATION

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

Since the US dollar is the main currency in which the group business is transacted the group has changed its reporting currency from sterling to US dollars with effect from 1 January 2002. For comparative purposes the 31 December 2001 financial statements have been translated using the temporal method of translation.

The directors have prepared projected cash flow information for the period ended 31 December 2004. This information indicates that the company will need to raise additional finance during the period to 31 December 2004 in order to meet its working capital requirements. The directors are working to raise the additional finance during the first quarter of the financial year ending 31 December 2004. On this basis, the directors consider it appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis. The financial statements do not include any adjustment that would result from the failure to raise additional finance.

The principal accounting policies of the group have remained unchanged from the previous year and are set out below.

BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The group financial statements consolidate the financial statements of Metals Investment Trust Limited and all its subsidiary undertakings made up to 31 December 2002 each year; the group profit and loss account includes the results of all subsidiary undertakings for the period from the date of their acquisition and up to the date of disposal.

Turnover and profits arising on trading between group companies are excluded.

Where the group has an investment in an entity which is sufficient to give the group a participating interest, and over which it is in a position to exercise significant influence, the entity is treated as an associated undertaking and is accounted for using the equity method of accounting. The group's interests in joint ventures are accounted for using the gross entity method of accounting.

PATENTS

Patents are valued at cost less accumulated amortisation.

Amortisation is calculated to write off the cost in equal annual instalments over their estimated useful economic life.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost less estimated residual value of all tangible fixed assets other than freehold land by equal annual instalments over their expected useful lives. The rates generally applicable are:

Computers 4 years straight line
Office equipment 6 years straight line

Equipment 14 years Buildings 40 years

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

INVESTMENTS

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value.

STOCK AND WORK IN PROGRESS

Raw materials, work in progress and finished goods are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

DEFERRED TAXATION

Deferred tax is recognised on all timing differences where the transactions or events that give the group an obligation to pay more tax in the future, or a right to pay less tax in the future, have occurred by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets are recognised when it is more likely than not that they will be recovered. Deferred tax is measured using rates of tax that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS

Construction in progress is the cost that is directly attributable to bringing the zinc extraction plant into a working condition. On completion of the plant the asset will be transferred to fixed assets.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

For the year ended 31 DECEMBER 2002

	Mada	2002	2001
	Note	2002	2001 (As restated)
		\$	\$
Administrative expenses		(3,824,852)	(3,067,005)
Group operating loss		(3,824,852)	(3,067,005)
Interest receivable and similar income	2	1,021	28,846
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	1	(3,823,831)	(3,038,159)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	4		(169,999)
Retained loss for the group	15	(3,823,831)	(3,208,158)

All transactions arise from continuing operations.

GROUP BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2002

	Note	2002	2001
			(As restated)
		\$	\$
Fixed assets	6	71,822	84,648
Intangible assets	7	3,526,106	3,147,763
Tangible assets	/	3,597,928	3,232,411
		3,391,920	3,232,411
Current assets			
Construction in progress	9	4,668,943	2,494,928
Stock	10	44,605	-
Debtors	11	2,970	59,360
Cash at bank and in hand		21,479	7,308
		4,737,997	2,561,596
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(1,513,001)	(2,267,899)
Net current assets		3,224,996	293,697
Total assets less current liabilities		6,822,924	3,526,108
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	13	(7,576,452)	(686,458)
		(753,528)	2,839,650
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	14	2,742,815	2,748,621
Share premium account	15	4,576,147	4,987,638
Capital redemption reserve	15	417,297	-
Profit and loss account	15	(8,489,787)	(4,896,609)
Shareholders' funds	16	(753,528)	2,839,650

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 5 January 2004

M E Young - Director

COMPANY BALANCE SHEET

For the year ended 31 DECEMBER 2002

	Note	2002	2001
		Φ.	(As restated)
		\$	\$
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	6	50,382	50,382
Tangible assets	7	-	235,608
Tangiote assets	,	50,382	285,990
		,	,
Current assets			
Construction in progress	9	-	278,494
Debtors	11	14,866,510	8,063,167
		14,866,510	8,341,661
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(28,270)	(433,438)
		4	7.000.000
Net current assets		14,838,240	7,908,223
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Total assets less current liabilities		14,888,622	8,194,213
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	13	(7,576,452)	(359,538)
V		7,312,170	7,834,675
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	14	2,742,815	2,748,621
Share premium account	15	4,576,147	4,987,638
Capital redemption reserve	15	417,297	-
Profit and loss account	15	(424,089)	98,416
Shareholders' funds	16	7,312,170	7,834,675

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 5 January 2004

M E Young - Drector

OTHER PRIMARY STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 DECEMBER 2002

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

	2002 \$	2001 (As restated)
Loss for the financial year	(3,823,831)	(3,198,132)
Total recognised gains and losses for the year Prior year adjustments	(3,823,831)	(3,198,132)
Total recognised gains and losses since last financial statements	(3,724,883)	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 DECEMBER 2002

1	LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		
	The loss on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after:	2002	2001
		ø	(As restated)
		\$	\$
	Auditors' remuneration:		
	Audit services	24,499	14,339
	Non-audit services	3,770	-
	Amortisation of intangible assets	2,826	2,663
	Depreciation of tangible assets	260,226	30,433
2	INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR INCOME		
		2002	2001
		2002	(As restated)
		\$	\$
	Bank interest	1,021	28,846
3	DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES		
	Staff costs during the year were as follows:		
		2002	2001
			(As restated)
		\$	\$
	Westernal	50.4.04.4	227.225
	Wages and salaries Social security costs	594,911 42,929	226,325 29,164
	Social Security Costs	637,840	255,489
		037,040	233,469
	The average number of employees of the company during the year was:		
		2002	2001
		Number	Number
		_	-
	Management	3	3
	Operations Administration	6 1	12
	Administration	10	16
		10	

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DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES (CONTINUED)

Remuneration in respect of directors was as follows:

2002 2001 \$ \$

Emoluments <u>126,000</u> 126,000

None of the directors participated in a pension scheme.

4 TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

The tax charge represents:

 2002
 2001

 \$
 \$

 Deferred tax
 169,999

The tax charge is based on the loss for the year. Unrelieved tax losses remain available to offset against future taxable trading profits.

5 LOSS FOR THE YEAR ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS

As permitted by section 230 of the Companies Act 1985 the Profit and Loss Account of Metals Investment Trust Limited has not been presented with the financial statements.

The results after taxation of the parent undertaking for the year ended 31 December 2002 showed a loss of \$753,188 (2001: profit \$19,798).

6 INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Patents
Group	\$
Cost	
At 1 January 2002	90,329
Disposals	(10,000)
At 31 December 2002	80,329
Amortisation	
At 1 January 2002	5,681
Provided in the year	2,826
At 31 December 2002	8,507
Net book amount at 31 December 2002	71,822
Net book amount at 31 December 2001	84,648

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Net book amount at 31 December 2001

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INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (CONTINUED)

						Patents (As restated)
Company Cost At 1 January 2002 and at	31 December	2002				50,382
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Net book amount at 31 De	ecember 2002	,				50,382
Net book amount at 31 De	ecember 2001					50,382
TANGIBLE FIXED ASS	SETS					
	Land \$	Computers \$	Office equipment \$	Equipment \$	Building \$	Total \$
Group Cost Additions	21,000	8,416	29,056	2,640,724 868,118	479,000	3,178,196 868,118
Disposals			(10,996)	-	(243,392)	(254,388)
At 31 December 2002	21,000	8,416	18,060	3,508,842	235,608	3,791,926
Depreciation At 1 January 2002 Provided in the year	-	3,125 3,792	8,689 3,802	252,632	18,619 - (18,619)	30,433 260,226 (24,839)
Disposals At 31 December 2002		6,917	$\frac{(6,220)}{6,271}$	252,632	(10,019)	265,820
At 31 December 2002		9,52,7				
Net book amount at 31 December 2002	21,000	1,499	11,789	3,256,210	235,608	3,526,106
Net book amount at 31 December 2001	21,000	5,291	20,367	2,640,724	460,381	3,147,763
Company						Land and buildings (As restated)
Cost At 1 January 2002 Transfer to subsidiary At 31 December 2002					-	235,608 (235,608)
Net book amount at 31 De	cember 2002				-	•

235,608

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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8 INVESTMENTS

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The company

		Investment in group undertakings
Cost At 31 December 2002 and 31 December 2001		10,000
Amounts written off At 31 December 2002 and 31 December 2001		10,000
Net book amount at 31 December 2002 and 31 December 2001		<u> </u>
Nature of Cour operation incorpo	ntry of oration	Issued share capital
Metals Investment Trust Ltd De-zincing operation Meretec Inc* De-zincing operation	USA S	\$10,000 ordinary \$1,000 ordinary
*wholly owned by subsidiary		
CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS		
	2002	
Group Construction in progress	4,668,943	2,494,928
Company	2002	(As restated)
Construction in progress		278,494
STOCK		
	2002 \$	
Raw materials	44,605	- -

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11	DEBTORS		
	Cons	2002 \$	2001 \$
	Group Other debtors	2,970	59,360
		2002	2001 (As restated)
	Company	\$	\$
	Amounts owed by other group undertakings Amounts due from related undertakings	14,040,220 826,290	8,063,167
		14,866,510	8,063,167
12	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		2002 \$	2001 \$
	Group		
	Trade creditors Amounts owed to related undertakings	1,164,690 203,568	1,661,746 172,715
	Other creditors Accruals	116,473 28,270	433,438
		1,513,001	2,267,899
	Company		
	Other creditors	-	433,438
	Accruals	28,270	- 422 420
		28,270	433,438
13	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YE	AR	
		2002	2001
	Group	\$	\$
	Interest free loan from Meyado International Limited	-	686,458
	Convertible loan stock	7,576,452 7,576,452	686,458
		7,070,102	
	Company		250 -00
	Interest free loan from Meyado International Limited Convertible loan stock	7,576,452	359,538
		7,576,452	359,538

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CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR (CONTINUED)

Convertible loan stock will be redeemed in whole three years after the date of issue or converted into share capital at a rate of \$2.47 per share. The loan stock is secured on the assets of the group. Interest at a rate of 10% per annum is payable on the loan stock.

14 SHARE CAPITAL

	2002	2001
	\$	\$
Authorised	1 (07 440	1 607 440
35,990,018 ordinary 'A' shares of £0.03126 each	1,607,449	1,607,449
23,993,345 ordinary 'B' shares of £0.03126 each	1,141,176	1,141,172
1 ordinary 'C' share of £0.01 each	-	-
1 ordinary 'D' share of £0.02 each		
	2,748,625	2,748,621
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
35,990,018 ordinary 'A' shares of £0.03126 each	1,607,449	1,607,449
Buy back of 129,473 ordinary 'A' shares of £0.03126 each	(5,806)	-
23,993,345 ordinary 'B' shares of £0.03126 each	1,141,172	1,141,172
1 ordinary 'C' share of £0.02 each	=	-
1 ordinary 'D' share of £0.01 each		
	2,742,815	2,748,621

The voting rights of the A and B shares have been changed to one vote per share and the voting rights of C and D shares removed from 17 October 2002. The voting rights prior to 17 October 2002 per share are shown below:

Share type	Number of votes per share
\mathbf{A}	1.25
В	0.625
C	1.25
D	0.625

All classes of share rank pari passu in the all other rights.

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15 RESERVES

Group	Capital redemption reserve	Share premium account \$	Profit and loss account \$	Other \$
At 1 January 2002	-	4,987,638	(4,896,609)	(98,948)
Prior year adjustment				98,948
Restated at 1 January 2002	-	4,987,638	(4,896,609)	-
Foreign exchange differences	-	-	230,653	-
Share buy back	417,297	(411,491)	-	-
Loss for the year			(3,823,831)	
At 31 December 2002	417,297	4,576,147	(8,489,787)	-
Company				
At 1 January 2002	-	4,987,638	(2,140,845)	(98,948)
Prior year adjustment		-	2,239,261	(98,948)
Restated at 1 January 2002	-	4,987,638	98,416	-
Foreign exchange differences	-	-	230,653	-
Share buy back	417,297	(411,491)	-	-
Loss for the year		_	(753,158)	-
At 31 December 2002	417,297	4,576,147	(424,089)	

16 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	2002	2001 (As restated)
	\$	\$
Loss for the financial year (3	,823,831)	(3,208,158)
Issue of share capital	-	7,319,025
Foreign exchange differences	230,653	106,298
Shareholders' funds at 1 January 2002	,839,650	(1,377,515)
Shareholders' funds at 31 December 2002	(753,528)	2,839,650

17 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The company had no capital commitments at 31 December 2002 or 31 December 2001.

18 CONTINGENT ASSETS/LIABILITIES

There were no contingent assets or liabilities at 31 December 2002 or 31 December 2001.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 DECEMBER 2002

19 TRANSACTIONS WITH DIRECTORS AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 8 "Related party disclosures" for smaller entities and has not disclosed transactions with related parties.

20 ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING

Meyado International Limited, a company registered in the United Kingdom, whose registered office is at 33a High Street, Stony Stratford, England hold a majority interest in the shares of Metals Investment Trust Limited. The interest is a nominee holding and the shares are held for the benefit of a number of private investors.

Meyado International Limited is a subsidiary of Meyado Group Holdings Limited which is its ultimate parent undertaking.

21 POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

Between 24 October 2003 and 31 December 2003 the company allotted 2,691,824 ordinary \$0.052829 shares at a price of \$0.49 per share by way of a rights issue to existing shareholders. The difference between the total consideration of \$1,318,994 and the total nominal value of \$142,207 is to be credited to share premium account (\$1,176,787).

On 24 October 2003 the company made an allotment of 1,136,364 new ordinary \$0.052829 shares at a price of \$0.44 per share. The difference between the total consideration of \$500,000 and the total nominal value of \$60,034 will be credited to share premium account (\$439,966).

Additionally, between 24 October 2003 and 31 December 2003 the company made further allotments totalling 585,423 new ordinary \$0.052829 shares at a price of \$0.49 per share. The difference between the total consideration of \$286,857 and the total nominal value of \$30,927 will be credited to share premium account (\$255,930).

Since the balance sheet date of 31 December 2002 the company has raised further convertible loan stock amounting to \$4,038,040. The convertible loan stock is either redeemable or convertible into share capital three years after the date of issue at a rate of \$2.47 per share.

In October 2003, the company approached convertible loan stock holders and offered them the opportunity to convert their loan stock to equity. Between 24 October 2003 and 30 November 2003 convertible loan stock of \$4,329,761 and accrued interest of \$211,817 was converted into 9,268,527 ordinary \$0.052829 shares. The difference between the total value of loan stock and interest converted of \$4,541,578 and the total nominal value of \$489,647 will be credited to share premium account (4,051,931).