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

03803564

Name of Company

Chomette Limited

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David J Dunckley, Grant Thornton UK LLP, 30 Finsbury Square, London, EC2P 2YU

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 29 April 2015 to 28 April 2016

Signed

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To the creditors and members

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Dear Sirs

Chomette Limited - In Liquidation

Introduction

- 11 David Riley and I were appointed as joint liquidators of the company on 27 March 2013 David Riley has now left the firm and was formally removed from this case on 28 April 2015 by Order of the Court, I remain in office as sole liquidator
- 12 In accordance with section 104A of the Insolvency Act 1986 I now report on the progress of the liquidation for the year ended 28 April 2016 and attach
 - · Appendix A, an account of my receipts and payments for the year ended 28 April 2016 and also for the whole liquidation to date
 - Appendix B, a statement of the remuneration charged by the liquidator in the period 29 April 2015 to 28 April 2016 and a statement of expenses incurred in the period
 - Appendix C, an analysis of time costs as required by Statement of Insolvency Practice 9
 - Appendix D, an extract from the Insolvency Rules 1986 relating to creditors' rights to request additional information from the liquidator (rule 4 49E)
 - Appendix E, an extract from the Insolvency Rules 1986 relating to creditors' rights to challenge the liquidator's remuneration or expenses if excessive (rule 4 131)
- I am authorised by the Insolvency Practitioners Association to act as an insolvency practitioner

Statutory information

21 The Company's statutory details are as follows

Registered number

03803564

Registered office

c/o Grant Thornton UK LLP, 4 Hardman Square, Spinningfields, Manchester, M3 3EB

Chartered Accountaints
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3 Progress report

Assets

3.1 As previously reported, all assets have been realised

Liabilities

Secured Creditors

- HSBC Invoice Finance (HSBCIF) holds both fixed and floating charges over the company's book debts, and a floating charge over the company's assets. At the date of my appointment, HSBCIF was owed £316,073 and has been repaid in full
- 3 3 HSBC Bank Plc (HSBC) holds both fixed and floating charges over the company's assets and at the date of appointment was owed £435,783 HSBC had the benefit of a legal assignment from the company for any surplus funds available from book debt realisations HSBC has been re-paid in full from book debt realisations
- 3.4 As both secured creditors have been repaid in full from fixed charge realisations, there will be no prescribed part distribution to be set aside for the benefit of the unsecured creditors under section 176A of the Insolvency Act 1986

Preferential Creditors

3 5 Preferential claims totalling £25,038 have been paid in full

Unsecured Creditors

- 3 6 Unsecured claims totalling £2,108,321 have been received and agreed
- 3 7 A first and final dividend of 3 51p in the £ was paid to the unsecured creditors on 26 April 2016

4 Joint liquidators' remuneration and expenses

- 4.1 At a meeting of creditors held on 2 November 2012 the creditors resolved that I draw my remuneration by reference to my time costs
- 4 2 Pursuant to rule 4 127(5A) of the Insolvency Rules 1986, this basis applies also in the liquidation
- 43 You will note from the SIP 9 table attached at Appendix C that my time costs to date are £65,450 and from the receipts and payments account attached at Appendix A, that I have drawn £20,000 Time costs of £9,334 incurred in the period but not drawn as remuneration to date are disclosed in Appendix B
- 4.4 Time is charged in units of 6 minutes. Background information regarding the fees of liquidators can be found at http://www.insolvency-practitioners.org.uk (navigate via 'Regulation and Guidance' to 'Creditors Guides to Fees'). Alternatively I will supply this information by post on request.
- 45 In addition, I have drawn expenses of £671 as indicated in Appendix A

5 Other expenses incurred by the liquidator

51 Details of further costs incurred can be found at Appendix B

6 Outcome of the liquidation

- 6.1 I will shortly be convening the final meetings of members and creditors.
- 6.2 Once the final meetings of the company have been held, the company will progress to dissolution approximately three months later

Yours faithfully for and on behalf of Chomette Limited

David J Dunckley

Liquidator

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Chomette Limited - in liquidation Summary of receipts and payments from 27 March 2013 to 28 April 2016

		From 27/03/2013	From 29/04/2015	
	Statement of Affairs	to 28/04/2015	to 28/04/2016	Total
	£	£	£	£
	~	~	~	~
Receipts				
Administration Surplus		192,114 71	0 00	192,114 71
Administration VAT Reclaim		23,081 60	0 00	23,081 60
Book Debts		3,225 80	0 00	3,225 80
Shares & Investments		73,532 90	0 00	73,532 90
Misc Float Receipts		240 00	0 00	240 00
Bank/ISA InterestGross		242 05	0 00	242 05
Vat Control Account		36,831 23	0 00	36,831 23
		329,268 29	0 00	329,268 29
Payments				
Insurance		2,107 49	0 00	2,107 49
Property Expenses		1,877 00	0 00	1,877 00
Retention of Title		6,000 00	0 00	6,000 00
Liquidators Fees		20,000 00	0 00	20,000 00
Liquidators Expenses		368 92	301 74	670 66
VAT irrecoverable		0 00	60 35	60 35
Agents/Valuers Fees (1)		209 42	0 00	209 42
Legal Fees (1)		30,518 36	0 00	30,518 36
Debt Collection Fees		131 89	0 00	131 89
Administrators Fees		130,000 00	0 00	130,000 00
Administrators Expenses		89 42	0 00	89 42
Storage Costs		0 00	222 04	222 04
Statutory Advertising		169 20	101 52	270 72
Other Property Expenses		792 00	0 00	792 00
Bank Charges		218 70	124 27	342 97
Preferential Creditors (All)		25,037 93	0 00	25,037 93
Unsecured Creditors (All)		0 00	73,921 70	73,921 70
Vat Receivable		36,831 23	44 41	36,875 64
		254,351 56	74,776 03	329,127.59
Net Receipts/(Payments)		74,916 73	(74,776 03)	140 70

Made up as follows

Chomette Limited - in liquidation Summary of receipts and payments from 27 March 2013 to 28 April 2016

	Statement of Affairs	From 27/03/2013 to 28/04/2015 £	From 29/04/2015 to 28/04/2016 £	Total £
Floating Current Account - NIB 08 11 13		74,91673	(74,776 03)	140 70
		74,916 73	(74,776 03)	140 70

B Remuneration charged and expenses incurred by the liquidator in the period

	Charged/incurred in period 29/04/2015 to 28/04/2016	Cumulative charged/incurred to 28/04/2016	Of which paid to 28/04/2016
	€.	£	£
Liquidator's fees Time costs	9,334	65,450	20,000
Expenses	302	671	671

C SIP 9 information

Introduction

The following information is provided in connection with the liquidator's remuneration and disbursements in accordance with SIP 9

Explanation of Grant Thornton UK LLP charging and disbursement recovery policies

Time costs

All partners and staff are charged out at hourly rates appropriate to their grade, as shown on the attached schedule. Details of the hourly charge-out rates are made available to creditors or committees at the time of fixing the basis of our fees. Support staff (ie secretaries, cashiers and filing clerks) are charged to the case for the time they work on it

	From	From	From
	01/07/12	01/07/13	01/07/14
			to date
	£	£	£
Partners up to	580	600	740
Managers up to	440	455	470
Administrators up to	310	320	345
Assistants and support staff up to	210	220	230

Disbursements

Out of pocket expenses are charged at cost and mileage is charged at standard rates VAT is added to disbursement charges as necessary

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Transaction period 27/03/2013 to 28/04/2016

	† - -	Partner			Manager		Executive		Admir	Administrator		Total	
	E H	3		Hrs	eu 	5. H	E C		Hrs	 	H.75	G	Avg Hrty Rate
Administration and Planning	1.58	904 20	<u> </u>	8 80	3,057 49	36 00	0 9,249 00	ਲੱ	35 07	5,516 85	8145	18,727 54	229 93
Creditors			:	5 25	1 722 50	32 47	9 086 00	=	112 20 1	15 653 75	149 92	25 462 25	169 84
Hiatus period													
Investigations				25	82 50	1 65	5 405 50				1 90	488 00	256 84
Pensions													
Realisation of Assets			<u> </u>	1 10	456 50	28 25	5 8,038 50		35	54 25	29 70	8,549 25	287 85
Taxation				6 30	2,947 75	12 80	3,510 50	4	44 45	5,765 00	63 55	12,223 25	192 34
Trading													
Total	1 58	904 20	<u> </u>	21 70	8,266 74	11117	7 29,289 50	19.	192 07 2	26,989 85	326 52	65,450 29	200 45

Total fees billed to date (Time) : £ 20,000

Chomette Limited - In Liquidation - C30201729 - SIP 9 TIME COST ANALYSIS
Transaction period 29/04/2015 to 28/04/2016

	} 	Partner		Manager		Executive		4	Administrator			Total	
·	£	3	£ 1	41	 Hrs	ÇJ.		H 38	ω.		FL	 	Avg Hrly Rate
Administration and Planning (incl statutory reporting)	09	307 50	3 00	00 066	535	1 160 50		7.75	1 146 75		16 60	3,604 75	217 15
Chargeholders (incl bank reporting)							L			I	00		1
Corporation Tax			20	00 96			<u> </u>	3 60	369 50	l	3 80	465 50	122 50
Hiatus perfod											00		
Investigations and reports on directors											00		ı
Legal							L			<u> </u>	00		
PAYE and VAT					10	24 00	l			<u></u>	10	24 00	240 00
Pensions											00		
Preferential creditors				,	38	91 20	<u></u>				38	91 20	240 00
Realisation of Assets Debtors										L	8		
Realisation of Assets Other assets										<u> </u>	00		-
Realisation of Assets Property plant vehicles etc (incl HP leasing and third party)											00		
Realisation of Assets Stock and WIP (incl ROT)					 						8		
Sale of business							1				00		1
Trading							i				00		
Unsecured creditors			 2 00	00 099	8 95	2 193 00	;	17 70	2 296 00		28 65	5,149 00	179 72
Total	20	307 50	5 20	1,746 00	14 78	3,468 70		29 05	3,812 25		49 63	9,334 46	188 46

Total fees billed to date (Time) £ 20,000

Chomette Limited - in Liquidation Costs incurred in the period 29 April 2015 to 28 April 2016

	Incurred	in the pe	riod
	Av Hrly		
TASKS	Rate	Hrs	£
STATUTORY AND ADMINISTRATIVE TASKS	217	17	3,605
Case planning			
File reviews			
Bank account administration (treasury)			
Reports to creditors			
CREDITORS	181	29	5,240
Creditor correspondence			
Reviewing and logging proof of debts			
Unsecured creditors and distribution of funds			
TAXATION	126	4	490
Tax compliance			
Total costs	188	50	9,334

D An extract from the Insolvency Rules 1986 relating to creditors' rights to request additional information from the liquidator

Rule 4 49E edited for application to a progress report in a creditors' voluntary liquidation

- (1) If
 - (a) within the period mentioned in paragraph (2)
 - (i) a secured creditor, or
 - (ii) an unsecured creditor with the concurrence of at least 5% in value of the unsecured creditors (including the creditor in question), or
 - (b) with the permission of the court upon an application made within the period mentioned in paragraph (2), any unsecured creditor makes a request in writing to the liquidator for further information about remuneration or expenses set out in the progress report, the liquidator must, within 14 days of receipt of the request, comply with paragraph (3) except to the extent that the request is in respect of a matter which was previously included in a progress report
- (2) The period referred to in paragraph (1)(a) is 21 days of receipt of the progress report
- (3) The liquidator complies with this paragraph by either -
 - (a) providing all of the information asked for, or
 - (b) so far as the liquidator considers that
 - (1) the time or cost of preparation of the information would be excessive, or
 - (ii) 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
 - (iii) the liquidator is subject to an obligation of confidentiality in respect of the information,

giving reasons for not providing all of the information

- (4) Any creditor, who need not be the same as the creditor who requested further information, may apply to the court within 21 days of -
 - (a) the giving by the liquidator of reasons for not providing all of the information asked for, or
 - (b) the expiry of the 14 days provided for in paragraph (1), and the court may make such order as it thinks just
- (5) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (4), the order of the court under that paragraph may extend the period of 8 weeks provided for in Rule 4 131(1B) by such further period as the court thinks just

E An extract from the Insolvency Rules 1986 relating to creditors' rights to challenge the liquidator's remuneration or expenses if excessive

Rule 4 131

- (1) Any secured creditor, or any unsecured creditor with either the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the creditors (including that creditor) or the permission of the court, may apply to the court for one or more of the orders in paragraph (4)
- (1A) Application by a creditor may be made on the grounds that -
 - (a) the remuneration charged by the liquidator,
 - (b) the basis fixed for the liquidator's remuneration under Rule 4 127, or
 - (c) expenses incurred by the liquidator,

is or are, in all the circumstances, excessive or, in the case of an application under subparagraph (b), inappropriate

- (1B) The application must, subject to any order of the court under Rule 4 49E(5), be made no later than 8 weeks (or in a case falling within Rule 4 108, 4 weeks) after receipt by the applicant of the progress report or the draft report under Rule 4 49D, which first reports the charging of the remuneration or the incurring of the expenses in question ("the relevant report")
- (2) The court may, if it thinks that no cause is shown for a reduction, dismiss the application, but it shall not do so unless the applicant has had an opportunity to attend the court for a hearing, of which he has been given at least 5 business days' notice, but which is without notice to any other party. If the application is not dismissed under this paragraph, the court shall fix a venue for it to be heard, and give notice to the applicant accordingly.
- (3) The applicant shall, at least 14 days before the hearing, send to the liquidator a notice stating the venue and accompanied by a copy of the application, and of any evidence which the applicant intends to adduce in support of it
- (4) If the court considers the application to be well-founded, it must make one or more of the following orders -
 - (a) an order reducing the amount of remuneration which the liquidator was entitled to charge
 - (b) an order fixing the basis of remuneration at a reduced rate or amount
 - (c) an order changing the basis of remuneration
 - (d) an order that some or all of the remuneration or expenses in question be treated as not being expenses of the liquidation
 - (e) an order that the liquidator or the liquidator's personal representative pay to the company the amount of the excess of remuneration or expenses or such part of the excess as the court may specify

and may make any other order that it thinks just, but an order under sub-paragraph (b) or (c) may be made only in respect of periods after the period covered by the relevant report

(5) Unless the court orders otherwise, the costs of the application shall be paid by the applicant, and are not payable as an expense of the liquidation