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1 Company details

Company number 3 9 9 5 7 7 2

Company name in full Geenet Limited

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Please complete in typescript or in
bold black capitals.

2 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) Kevin J

Surname Hellard

3 Liquidator's address

Building name/number 30 Finsbury Square

Street

Post town

London

County/Region

Postcode

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Country

4 Liquidator's name ①

Full forename(s)

Surname

① Other liquidator
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6 Period of progress report

From date	d	2	d	9	m	0	m	3	y	2	y	0	y	1	y	9
To date	d	2	d	8	m	0	m	3	y	2	y	0	y	2	y	0

7 Progress report

☒ The progress report is attached

8 Sign and date

Liquidator's signature

Signature

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Signature date

d	d	m	m	y	y	y	y
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Contact name **Kevin J Hellard**

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Geenet Limited
(In Liquidation)
Liquidator's Summary of Receipts & Payments

Statement of Affairs £	From 29/03/2019 To 28/03/2020 £	From 29/03/2017 To 28/03/2020 £
	COST OF REALISATIONS	
	Agents/Valuers Fees (1)	8,961.18
(23.95)	DTI Audit Fees	NIL
(0.45)	DTI Cheque Fees	10.45
(220.00)	ISA Account Fees	88.00
(111.00)	Legal Disbursements	NIL
(10,000.00)	Legal Fees (1)	NIL
(2,520.00)	OR Remuneration	NIL
1,350.00	Petitioners Deposit	NIL
	RIPE NCC - Annual service fee	1,489.43
(70.20)	Statutory Advertising	NIL
(51.37)	Storage Costs	NIL
		(10,549.06)
(11,646.97)	(10,549.06)	(22,152.03)
	REPRESENTED BY	
	Grant Thornton Loan Account	(17,132.43)
	Grant Thornton Suspense Account	170.55
	ISA	(1,457.95)
	Trade Creditors	(6,056.60)
	VAT Receivable	2,324.40
		(22,152.03)

Note:

Note that, as there have been insufficient realisations into the estate, Grant Thornton UK LLP has funded payment of the estate's expenses necessary to progress the case and to comply with statute. This is shown by way of a loan account in the receipts and payments account. The loan will be repayable as an expense of the liquidation in the same priority as attaches to the respective expenses comprising the loan. In the event there are insufficient realisations to repay the loan, Grant Thornton UK LLP will write-off the final balance when the liquidation is closed but reserves its right to recover such balance should circumstances subsequently permit.



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To the creditors and members

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22 May 2020

Dear Sir / Madam

Geenet Limited - In Liquidation (the Company)
Manchester District Registry , No 2806 of 2016

1 Introduction

- 1.1 Following my appointment as liquidator of the Company with on 29 March 2017, in accordance with Part 18 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016 I now report on the progress of the liquidation for the year ended 28 March 2020 and attach:
- Appendix A, an account of our receipts and payments for the year ended 28 March 2018 and also for the whole liquidation to that date.
 - Appendix B, Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 disclosure.
- 1.2 I am authorised by the Insolvency Practitioners Association to act as insolvency practitioner. I am bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics when carrying out all professional work relating to an insolvency appointment.

2 Progress report

IP Addresses and domain names

- 2.1 As previously advised, there are certain blocks of IPv4 addresses (the IP addresses) that are registered in the name of a connected company, Internexus Group Limited in Liquidation that appear to have been sold to the Company in 2006.
- 2.2 It is alleged that the IP addresses were transferred from the Company to Internexus Networks Limited, formerly Omicron Overseas Limited (INL), a company incorporated in Jersey pursuant to a contract for sale dated 31 October 2008 for £10,000. I have been unable to identify any evidence that the sale consideration was ever paid to the Company.
- 2.3 I have obtained advice from an independent expert who specialises in IPv4 addresses, which indicates that the value of the IP addresses in October 2008 would have been significantly more than the £10,000 it was allegedly sold for.
- 2.4 Following protracted correspondence with INL via their solicitors, my instructed solicitors (Charles Russell Speechlys LLP) sent a letter before action at the end of February 2020, in respect of the IP addresses and I am currently awaiting a substantive response.

- 2.5 Pending the response received, it may be necessary to issue proceedings in Court in order to determine the matter.
- 2.6 Due to the sensitive nature of the matter and so as not to prejudice any claims, I am unable to provide any further information at this time. However, I will update creditors as matters progress and when I am in a position to do so.

Contract between the Company and Supatel

- 2.7 As previously advised, I located a further contract for sale dated 25 August 2010 between the Company and Supatel Limited (Supatel), a company incorporated in Cyprus, which also purported to sell certain assets of the Company to Supatel for £500,000, being a cash payment of £200,000 and debt assignment of £300,000. I have not identified any evidence that the cash amount was paid to the Company.
- 2.8 I understand that Supatel is associated with INL, by way of common directors/controllers.
- 2.9 I have not yet received any further information from Supatel or INL in respect of this contract. My enquiries in this respect are currently on hold, while I focus on dealing with the IP addresses.

Debtors

- 2.10 As previously advised, according to the Company's financial statements for the year ended 31 January 2012, approximately £690,000 was due to the Company from seven debtors, that were all recorded as related parties.
- 2.11 I completed a further review of the debtors and obtained legal advice in this respect. Having considered all the information available, it appears that none of these debts would be recoverable, due to likely limitation issues and lack of documentation. Furthermore, any potential claims against directors for non-collection of these debts would be difficult to pursue.
- 2.12 Therefore, it was concluded that no further action would be taken in this respect.

Potential claims

- 2.13 Further to my review of the Company's involvement in several transactions as part of a scheme to defraud HM Revenue and Customs, in respect of the sale of set top boxes and the non-payment of VAT, I sought legal advice on the potential claims against various third parties.
- 2.14 Based on the information I have obtained to date, there appears to be insufficient evidence to pursue any additional claims in this respect. Therefore, it was concluded that no further action would be taken.

3 Creditors

- 3.1 There are no preferential creditors in this matter.
- 3.2 I have received unsecured claims totalling £1,275,370 to date.
- 3.3 At this time, there are no funds available for a distribution to be made to creditors.

4 Investigations into the affairs of the Company

- 4.1 I have concluded my investigations into the affairs of the Company, and I am pursuing matters in respect of the IP addresses as outlined above. However, should you have any additional useful information concerning the Company, its dealings or conduct which may assist me in my investigations into the Company's affairs, please provide it to me accordingly.

5 Remuneration and expenses

- 5.1 Please see Appendix B for details about my remuneration, expenses and payments made to associates in accordance with Statement of Insolvency Practice 9.
- 5.2 My remuneration is being charged on a time cost basis with a current fees estimate of £200,000 as agreed by the creditors on 15 June 2018.

- 5.3 In the year subject to this report, I have incurred time costs amounting to £100,634, bringing the cumulative total at the reporting year end to £272,673. Of this, nothing has been paid and the full amount remains outstanding.
- 5.4 In the year subject to this report, I have incurred expenses amounting to £69,342, bringing the cumulative total at the reporting year end to £101,657.
- 5.5 Of these expenses, a total of £47,259 were in respect of the legal costs of Charles Russell Speechlys LLP and £11,136 were in respect of Counsel's costs. Charles Russell Speechlys LLP have been instructed on a conditional basis and as such, they have not been paid anything to date in respect of this matter.
- 5.6 Due to the anticipated future work, I am now asking creditors to approve new resolutions in respect of my remuneration, as detailed in Appendix B. The resolutions are as follows:
- The fees estimate for time costs be increased by £203,193 from its current level of £200,000 (plus VAT) to a total of £403,193 (plus VAT).
 - In addition to time costs, the basis of the liquidator's remuneration also be fixed on a percentage of realisations basis, according to the assets realised in the liquidation, being 10% of assets realised (plus VAT).
- 5.7 Furthermore, as Grant Thornton UK LLP (Grant Thornton) has funded payment of the estate's expenses in order to progress the case, I am also requesting creditors to approve a resolution that the funding provided by Grant Thornton be repaid with a 100% uplift. Currently Grant Thornton has provided funding of £16,962 and I anticipate further funding may be required in the future if legal proceedings are required.
- 5.8 I am content that the funding provided by Grant Thornton provides substantially better value to the estate than if it was externally funded because I will only be charged on sums that are being drawn. Further, the multiples being charged by Grant Thornton are less than half of what would be charged by a third-party litigation funder. If Grant Thornton cannot meet these expenses in the future, then I will have to secure third party funding in the event that proceedings are necessary.
- 5.9 I attach a notice of vote by correspondence to consider the basis of my remuneration, along with a voting form. I should be grateful to receive your voting form at the latest by 23.59 on the decision date of 25 June 2020.

6 Contact from third parties

- 6.1 Please be aware fraudsters have been known to masquerade as the legitimate liquidator. The fraudster will contact creditors asking for an upfront fee or tax. The liquidator would never ask for such a payment nor instruct a third party to make such a request.

7 Data Protection

- 7.1 Any personal information held by the Company will continue to be processed in accordance with completing the liquidation of the Company and in accordance with meeting our requirements under applicable Data Protection Legislation/law in the United Kingdom. Our privacy notice on our website (www.grantthornton.co.uk/en/privacy) contains further details as to how we may use, process and store personal data.

Should you have queries please contact Will Harris on Will.G.Harris@uk.gt.com or 020 7728 2780.

Yours faithfully
for and on behalf of Geenet Limited

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Hellard', with a horizontal line underneath.

Kevin J Hellard
Joint Liquidator

A Abstract of the joint liquidators' receipts and payments

Geenet Limited - in liquidation
Summary of receipts and payments
from 29 March 2017 to 28 March 2020

	From 29/03/2017 to 28/03/2019 £	From 29/03/2019 to 28/03/2020 £	Total £
Receipts			
Petitioners Deposit	1,350.00	0.00	1,350.00
	1,350.00	0.00	1,350.00
Payments			
Official Receiver's Fees	2,520.00	0.00	2,520.00
Official Receiver's Disbursements	23.95	0.00	23.95
ISA Account Fees	176.00	88.00	264.00
ISA Cheque Fees	0.45	10.45	10.90
Legal Fees	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
Legal Disbursements	55.50	0.00	55.50
Agent's Fees	0.00	8,961.18	8,961.18
Storage Costs	51.37	0.00	51.37
Statutory Advertising	70.20	0.00	70.20
RIPE NCC - Annual service fee	0.00	1,489.43	1,489.43
VAT Receivable	1,025.41	297.89	1,323.30
	8,922.88	10,846.95	19,769.83
Net Receipts/(Payments)	(7,572.88)	(10,846.95)	(18,419.83)
Made up as follows			
ISA	(1,369.95)	(88.00)	(1,457.95)
Grant Thornton Loan Account	(6,202.93)	(10,758.95)	(16,961.88)
	(7,572.88)	(10,846.95)	(18,419.83)

Note:

Note that, as there have been insufficient realisations into the estate, Grant Thornton UK LLP has funded payment of the estate's expenses necessary to progress the case and to comply with statute. This is shown by way of a loan account in the receipts and payments account. The loan will be repayable as an expense of the liquidation in the same priority as attaches to the respective expenses comprising the loan. In the event there are insufficient realisations to repay the loan, Grant Thornton UK LLP will write-off the final balance when the liquidation is closed but reserves its right to recover such balance should circumstances subsequently permit.

B Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 disclosure: payments, remuneration and expenses to the joint liquidators or their associates**Payments, remuneration and expenses to the liquidator or their associates****Geenet Limited – In Liquidation****Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 disclosure**

This appendix has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Insolvency Act 1986, the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016 (the Rules) and Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 (SIP9). In summary, it covers:

- fee basis of the liquidator
- fees estimate
- work done by the liquidator and their team during the period
- detailed SIP9 time cost analysis for the period
- summary SIP9 time cost analysis with fees estimate variance analysis
- hourly charge out rates
- statement of expenses and disbursements incurred in the Period
- sub-contracted out work
- payments to associates
- relationships requiring disclosure
- information for creditors (rights, fees, committees)

Fee basis of the liquidator

On 15 June 2018 the creditors resolved that remuneration of the liquidator Kevin Hellard of Grant Thornton LLP, be calculated according to time properly spent by the liquidator and his staff in attending to matters arising in the liquidation with a fee estimate of £200,000 plus VAT.

During the period from 29 March 2019 to 28 March 2020 (the Period) time costs were incurred totalling £100,634 represented by 296 hours at an average charge out rate of £340 (as shown in the 'Work done' section below). Description of the work done in the Period is provided in the respective section below.

As at Period end, as shown in the 'Work done' section below, cumulative recorded time costs total £272,673 and have exceeded the time costs in the fees estimate of which were provided to the creditors prior to the determination of our fee basis.

The reasons for the excess are as follows:

- increased time required to investigate the Company's records in respect of the alleged transfer of the IP addresses
- increased time required to investigate the IP addresses and relevant historical information regarding the IP addresses
- increased time liaising with solicitors and Counsel in respect of the IP addresses and issuing the letter before action

Under r18.30 of the Rules, I am not permitted to draw remuneration in excess of the total amount set out in the fees estimate, £200,000, without approval.

As my cumulative time costs have exceeded the fees estimate, I am now seeking creditors' approval for an amended fees estimate.

The further information required in respect of seeking this approval is included within the relevant notice of decision procedure.

Proposed amended fee basis

I propose that the amended fee basis is as follows

1. The fees estimate for time costs be increased by £203,193 from its current level of £200,000 (plus VAT) to a total of £403,193 (plus VAT).
2. In addition to time costs, the basis of the liquidator's remuneration also be fixed on a percentage of realisations basis, according to the assets realised in the liquidation, being 10% of assets realised (plus VAT).

Furthermore, as Grant Thornton UK LLP (Grant Thornton) has funded payment of the estate's expenses in order to progress the case, I am also requesting creditors to approve a resolution that the funding provided by Grant Thornton be repaid with a 100% uplift. Currently Grant Thornton has provided funding of £16,962 and I anticipate further funding of up to £25,000 may be required in the future if legal proceedings are required.

As time costs form part of the proposed fee basis I provide, below, a fees estimate and details of the expenses that will be, or are likely to be, incurred - please see the 'fees estimate' section.

I expect this fee basis to produce a fair and reasonable reflection of work anticipated to be undertaken for the following reasons:

- the contingent nature of pursuing claims in respect of the IP addresses, in order that they can be realised for the benefit of creditors
- the high level of complexity and specialist knowledge required
- the value and nature of the IP addresses to be realised

Likely return to creditors

The timing and quantum of future dividends is currently unknown.

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Fees estimate

The fees estimate is based on all of the information available to me as at 22 May 2020. I have considered and accounted for the different levels of expertise that I anticipate will be required to do the work I anticipate necessary to complete the liquidation, in calculating the time and cost included in the fees estimate table provided below.

Note that the fees estimate is also based on the following assumptions:

- That litigation is required and proceeds as anticipated.
- There are no unexpected issues in enforcing judgments and no appeals are made following conclusion of the litigation.
- There are no unexpected issues in realising the IP addresses.

For avoidance of doubt, the proposed percentage of realisations basis, being 10% of asset realisations, is in addition to the amended fees estimate of £403,193 and £/hr included in the table below.

Please see the 'Hourly charge out rates' section for the rates applied to the fees estimate.

Area of work	Anticipated work	Why the work is necessary	Financial benefit to creditors	Fees and expense estimate
Investigations & Realisations of Assets				
Debtor / director / senior employees	• Correspondence with the Company's directors.	• To obtain information regarding the Company's affairs.	• This work is necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available	875 hrs £298,017 £/hr 341 Legal Fees: £150,000 Legal Disbursements: £2,000 Counsel: £50,000 Agent's Fees: £15,000 RIPE Service fees: £5,000
	• Undertaking research into the Company's directors.			
Legal	• Correspondence and meetings with solicitors (Charles Russell Speechlys LLP (CRS)) and Counsel in respect of obtaining advice on and pursuing claims in relation to the IP addresses.	• To pursue claims and realise assets for the benefit of creditors.	• This work is necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available	
	• Correspondence and meetings with solicitors CRS and Counsel in respect of obtaining advice on and pursuing any additional claims.			

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Claims

- Liaising with valuations experts and agents in respect of the IP addresses.
 - Correspondence and meetings with CRS and Counsel in respect of obtaining advice on and pursuing claims in relation to the IP addresses.
 - Preparing information for the letter before action and reviewing correspondence with solicitors acting for the Respondents.
 - Attending meetings with solicitors acting for the Respondents, including any possible settlement meetings.
 - Drafting and issuing witness statements and points of claim, if litigation proceedings are required.
 - Completing disclosure as and when required.
 - Pre-trial preparations and attending Court, as required.
 - Enforcement of potential judgements and realisation of the IP addresses.
- To obtain the necessary information and advice to pursue claims for the benefit of creditors.
 - To pursue claims and realise assets for the benefit of creditors.
- This work is necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available

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General investigations

- Obtaining and reviewing the Company's books and records to identify assets and claims to be pursued.
- Obtaining bank statements for the Company's various bank accounts and undertaking an analysis of the transactions.
- Making enquiries with various third parties regarding the Company's affairs.
- Undertaking an analysis of the Company's financial accounts.
- Investigations into property occupied by the Company.
- Investigations into the Company's debtor position.
- Undertaking research into the use of the IP addresses, including correspondence with various parties.
- Undertaking research into the directors of the Company.
- Liaising with HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) in respect of their claim against the Company and undertaking a review of the relevant information.
- Liaising with valuations experts and agents in respect of the IP addresses.

To undertake a review of the Company's affairs, in order to identify potential assets to be realised as well as any relevant evidence to support pursuing potential claims.

This work is necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available

Creditors**Unsecured**

- Preparing and sending progress reports to creditors.
- General correspondence with unsecured creditors.
- To comply with statutory duties of updating creditors on the progress of the liquidation through annual reports.
- To keep creditors up to date on case matters.
- This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it might not add financial value to the estate it will add value to the insolvency process

40 hrs £10,069 £/hr 254

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			329 hrs	£95,108	£/hr 289
Dividends					
Dividends	• Agreeing claims and paying dividends to creditors, should sufficient funds become available in the liquidation estate.	• To distribute net assets to creditors.	• This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it will not add financial value to the estate it will add value to the insolvency process		
Administration					
Case management			Bond: £10 Land Registry: £153 Courier Services: £300 Company Searches: £200 Storage Costs: £500 Statutory advertising: £300 Meetings: £200		
Reports to creditors, notices & decisions	• Undertaking regular reviews of case strategy and case matters. • Completing internal review reports on case progress.	• To effectively organise case investigations by reviewing case progress and action points in order to identify the most effective route to potential assets.	• This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it might not add financial value to the estate it will add value to the insolvency process • This work is to be completed solely for the purpose of complying with statutory requirements and has no direct financial benefit to the estate		
	• Preparing and sending progress reports to creditors.	• To comply with statutory duties of updating creditors on the progress of the liquidation through annual reports.			
Treasury, billing & funding					
Treasury, billing & funding	• Operating the estate's bank account and cash book. • Arranging funding for the case from Grant Thornton UK LLP, as required.	• To comply with the statutory and regulatory duties of operating a separate estate account. • To ensure funding is available to progress the case.	• This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it might not add financial value to the estate it will add value to the insolvency process		
Tax					
Tax	• Reviewing and completing relevant tax returns for HMRC, as required.	• To comply with statutory obligations of dealing with the Company's tax affairs.	• This work is to be completed solely for the purpose of complying with statutory requirements and has no direct financial benefit to the estate		

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Pensions	- Reviewing the Company's pension position. - To ensure that the Company's pension is properly dealt with, if applicable. - This work is to be completed solely for the purpose of complying with statutory requirements and has no direct financial benefit to the estate		
Closure	- Preparing and sending the final report to creditors. - Completing general closure duties to obtain my release as liquidator. - To comply with statutory duties of updating creditors on the completion of the liquidation. - To discharge my statutory duties and seek my release as liquidator.	This work is to be completed solely for the purpose of complying with statutory requirements and has no direct financial benefit to the estate	
General	- Undertaking regular reviews of case strategy and case matters. - Completing internal review reports on case progress. - Internal meetings to discuss case strategy and progress. - Preparing progress reports to creditors. - To effectively organise case investigations by reviewing case progress and action points in order to identify the most effective route to potential assets. - To comply with statutory duties of updating creditors on the progress of the liquidation through annual reports. - This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it might not add financial value to the estate it will add value to the insolvency process		
Total fees estimate		1,244 hrs	£403,193 £/hr 324
Total expense estimate			£223,663

Work done by the liquidator and their team during the Period

I am required to detail costs of actual work done in the Period, including any expenses incurred in connection with it, as against any fees estimate provided. Our initial fees estimate was included within our report to creditors dated 24 May 2018. We are also required to provide narrative explanation of the work done. The following tables (narrative followed by numerical) sets out this information for the liquidator's fees incurred together with a numerical fees estimate variance analysis. Reasons for the excess of the fees estimate are included in the 'Fee basis' section above. Details of expenses incurred in connection with work done are provided in the 'Disbursements and expenses' section below.

Area of work	Work done	Why the work was necessary	Financial benefit to creditors	219 hrs	£77,201	£/hr 353
Investigations & Realisations of Assets						
Legal	- Liaising with CRS and Counsel in respect of the claims in relation to the IP addresses and the expert advice obtained. - Liaising with CRS and Counsel in respect of the letter before action.	To pursue claims and realise assets for the benefit of creditors.	This work was necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available			
Claims	- Liaising with valuations experts and agents in respect of the IP addresses. - Liaising with CRS and Counsel in respect of the claims in relation to the IP addresses and the expert advice obtained. - Liaising with CRS and Counsel in respect of the letter before action. - Preparing information for the letter before action and reviewing correspondence with solicitors acting for the Respondents. - Attending meetings with solicitors acting for the Respondents.	To pursue claims and realise assets for the benefit of creditors.	This work was necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available			

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General

- Reviewing the Company's financial information and debtor position.
- Undertaking research into the directors of the Company and connected companies.
- Reviewing information pertaining to HMRC's claim and liaising with HMRC regarding additional information.
- Undertaking research into the use of the IP addresses, including correspondence with various parties.
- Liaising with valuations experts and agents in respect of the IP addresses
- Obtaining further information about the Company's various bank accounts and undertaking further analysis of these accounts.
- Undertaking a further review of the Company's accountants' files for information pertaining to the Company's financial affairs.
- To undertake a review of the Company's affairs, in order to identify potential assets to be realised as well as any relevant evidence to support pursuing potential claims.
- This work was necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available

Creditors

7 hrs £1,376 £/hr 208

Unsecured

- Preparing and sending progress reports to creditors.
- To comply with statutory duties of updating creditors on the progress of the liquidation through annual reports.
- This work was completed solely for the purpose of complying with statutory requirements and had no direct financial benefit to the estate

Administration

71 hrs £22,057 £/hr 312

Case management

- Undertaking regular reviews of case strategy and case matters.
- Completing internal review reports on case progress.
- To effectively organise case investigations by reviewing case progress and action points in order to identify the most effective route to potential assets.
- This work was necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work was necessary', although it might not add financial value to the estate it adds value to the insolvency process

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Reports, circulars notices & decisions	- Preparing and sending progress reports to creditors. - To comply with statutory duties of updating creditors on the progress of the liquidation through annual reports.	This work was completed solely for the purpose of complying with statutory requirements and had no direct financial benefit to the estate
Treasury, billing & funding	- Operating the estate's bank account and cash book. - Arranging funding for the case from Grant Thornton UK LLP, as required. - To ensure funding is available to progress the case. - To comply with the statutory and regulatory duties of operating a separate estate account.	This work was necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work was necessary', although it might not add financial value to the estate it adds value to the insolvency process
Tax	- Reviewing and completing relevant tax returns for HMRC, as required. - To comply with statutory obligations of dealing with the Company's tax affairs.	This work was completed solely for the purpose of complying with statutory requirements and had no direct financial benefit to the estate
General	- Undertaking regular reviews of case strategy and case matters. - Completing internal review reports on case progress. - Internal meetings to discuss case strategy and progress. - Preparing progress reports to creditors. - To effectively organise case investigations by reviewing case progress and action points in order to identify the most effective route to potential assets. - To comply with statutory duties of updating creditors on the progress of the liquidation through annual reports.	This work was necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work was necessary', although it might not add financial value to the estate it adds value to the insolvency process
Total fees incurred in the Period	296 hrs	£100,634 £/hr 340

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Detailed SIP9 time cost analysis

Period from 29/03/2019 to 28/03/2020

Area of work	Partner		Manager		Assistant Manager		Administrator		Period total		Cumulative total as at period end		
	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	£/hr
Investigations & Realisation of Assets:									218.57	77,201.25	682.17	215,026.75	315.21
Debtor / director / senior employees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.20	985.50	189.52
Legal	-	-	16.30	7,429.75	31.85	10,357.25	0.35	57.75	48.50	17,844.75	128.00	44,534.00	348.70
Claims	3.66	2,429.00	17.68	7,656.50	3.70	1,276.50	2.10	346.50	27.14	11,708.50	27.14	11,708.50	431.41
General Investigations	0.30	159.00	31.18	15,005.50	86.60	28,597.00	24.85	3,886.50	142.93	47,648.00	521.83	157,888.75	302.20
Creditors:									6.60	1,376.00	17.70	4,068.50	229.86
Unsecured	-	-	0.40	136.00	-	-	6.20	1,240.00	6.60	1,376.00	15.70	3,528.50	224.75
Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.00	540.00	270.00
Administration:									70.60	22,057.05	189.33	53,577.65	282.99
Case management	0.40	270.00	2.00	860.00	0.15	51.75	2.50	429.30	5.05	1,611.05	5.05	1,611.05	319.02
Reports to creditors, notices & decisions	0.25	162.50	-	-	-	-	0.25	41.25	0.50	203.75	0.50	203.75	407.50
Treasury, billing & funding	-	-	0.80	350.75	7.60	1,575.00	21.85	3,901.00	30.25	5,826.75	46.75	8,875.75	189.86
Tax	-	-	0.35	158.25	-	-	0.25	41.25	0.60	199.50	17.30	3,650.00	210.98
Pensions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.30	274.50	211.15
Closure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
General	9.10	5,807.00	7.50	3,618.50	11.55	3,710.75	6.05	1,079.75	34.20	14,216.00	118.43	38,962.60	328.99
Total	13.71	8,827.50	76.21	35,215.25	141.45	45,568.25	64.40	11,023.30	295.77	100,634.30	889.20	272,672.90	306.65

Notes:

- Partner includes partners and directors
- Manager includes associate directors and managers
- Assistant Manager includes assistant manager and executives
- Adverse variances are presented in brackets
- Total time costs paid to date: Nil

Summary SIP9 time cost analysis with fees estimate variance analysis

Period from 29/03/2019 to 28/03/2020 and cumulative

Area of work	Partner		Manager		Assistant Manager		Administrator		Period total		Cumulative total as at period end		Fees estimate		Variance	
	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£
Investigations & Realisation of Assets:	3.96	2,588.00	65.16	30,091.75	122.15	40,230.75	27.30	4,290.75	218.57	77,201.25	682.17	215,026.75	486.00	143,258.38	294.77	(71,768.37)
Creditors:	-	-	0.40	136.00	-	-	6.20	1,240.00	6.60	1,376.00	17.70	4,068.60	23.60	6,905.50	292.61	2,837.00
Administration:	9.75	6,239.50	10.65	4,987.50	19.30	5,337.50	30.90	5,492.55	70.60	22,057.05	189.33	53,677.66	181.90	49,840.20	274.00	(3,737.45)
Total	23.46	15,067.00	87.26	40,338.75	160.75	50,905.75	101.50	17,755.85	295.77	100,634.30	889.20	272,672.90	691.50	200,004.08	289.23	(72,668.82)

Notes:

- Partner includes partners and directors
- Manager includes associate directors and managers
- Assistant Manager includes assistant manager and executives
- Adverse variances are presented in brackets
- Total time costs paid to date: Nil

Hourly charge out rates

Time is charged in units of 6 minutes for each grade of staff used. The hourly charge out rates applied take into consideration the nature and complexity of the case and are as follows:

Grade	Insolvency £/hr	
	From 29 March 2019 to 30 September 2019	1 October 2019 to current
Partner	510 - 650	510 – 750
Director	380 - 545	400 – 650
Associate director	340 - 495	380 – 580
Manager	340 - 420	300 – 475
Assistant manager	300 - 350	260 – 345
Executive	245 - 325	245 – 325
Administrator	165 - 240	165 – 260
Treasury	180	180
Support	150	170

We reserve the right to amend our charge out rates in the future. Any amendments will be detailed within the next report following such an amendment.

Statement of expenses and disbursements incurred in the Period

This table provides details of expenses and disbursements incurred in the Period in connection with the work done by the liquidator, description of which is provided in the 'Work done' section above.

Category	Incurred in the Period (£)	Cumulatively incurred as at Period end (£)	Of which paid by the estate as at Period end (£)
Category 1 disbursements			
Bond: JLT		10.00	
Land Registry	81.00	153.00	
Courier Services		188.29	
Company Searches	65.54	118.52	
Storage Costs: Restore Plc	112.93	112.93	51.37
Statutory Advertising		70.20	70.20
Meetings	82.00	82.00	
Legal Fees: Summit Law LLP		5,000.00	5,000.00
Legal Disbursements: Summit Law LLP		55.50	55.50
Agent's Fees – Avenue 4 LLC	8,961.18	8,961.18	8,961.18
RIPE NNC Annual Service Fee	1,489.43	1,489.43	1,489.43
Category 2 disbursements			
N/A			
Expenses			
Legal Fees: Charles Russell Speechlys LLP	47,259.00	73,835.00	
Legal Disbursements: Charles Russell Speechlys LLP	156.00	311.60	
Counsel	11,135.00	11,269.00	
Total expenses and disbursements	69,342.08	101,656.65	15,627.68

Disbursements are expenses met by and reimbursed to an office holder in connection with an insolvency appointment and fall into two categories:

Category 1 disbursements

These are also known as 'out of pocket expenses' and are payments to independent third parties where there is specific expenditure directly referable to the insolvent estate; they can be drawn without prior approval and consist of the following categories:

- Travel and subsistence – these costs, which exclude mileage, are incurred by staff in attending trading premises or meetings, for example
- Office costs – these are costs such as postage or courier charges which are incurred in managing the case
- Statutory costs – these are costs such as bonding and advertising relating specifically to the case, which are required by statute

They also include expenses which have been paid using a Grant Thornton Loan, the balance of which (if any) can be seen on the liquidator's receipts and payment account at Appendix A.

Category 2 disbursements

These are expenses that are directly referable to the insolvent estate but not a payment to an independent third party. They may include shared or allocated costs that may be incurred by an office holder or their firm, and that can be allocated to the appointment on a proper and reasonable basis. Category 2 disbursements require approval in the same manner as an office holder's remuneration. To the extent that recovery of category 2 disbursements is sought, this will be for mileage only. Mileage is charged at 45p a mile. VAT is added as appropriate. Details of these costs are also provided in the table above.

Sub-contracted out work

I confirm that, in the Period, we have not sub-contracted out any work that could otherwise have been carried out by us or our team.

Payments to associates

Where we have enlisted the services of others we have sought to obtain the best value and service. In the interest of transparency, we disclose below services we have sought from within our firm or from a party with whom (to the best of our knowledge) our firm, or an individual within our firm, has a business or personal relationship:

Service provider	Services enlisted	Cost of service
Grant Thornton UK LLP	- Tax work/advice (narrative is included within the above narrative of work done) - Valuations work/advice (narrative is included within the above narrative of work done)	Costs are included within the above SIP9 time cost analysis

Relationships requiring disclosure

I confirm that we are not aware of any business or personal relationships with any parties responsible for approving the liquidator's fee basis, or who provide services to us as liquidator, which may give rise to a potential conflict.

Information for creditors and members

Information to help creditors and members to understand their rights in insolvency and regarding officeholders' (ie administrators or liquidators) fees, and the roles and functions of committees is available via Grant Thornton's website:

<https://www.grantthornton.co.uk/portal>

Alternatively, we will supply this information by post, free of charge, on request.

Geenet Limited - In Liquidation

Notice of vote by correspondence

Company name	Geenet Limited
Company number	3995772
Court name and number	Manchester District Registry 2806 of 2016
Decision date	25 June 2020

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that under rules 18.16 and 18.30 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016, decisions of the creditors are sought as follows:

1. The fees estimate for the liquidator's time costs be increased by £203,193 from its current level of £200,000 (plus VAT) to a total of £403,193 (plus VAT).
2. In addition to time costs, the basis of the liquidator's remuneration also be fixed on a percentage of realisations basis, according to the assets realised in the liquidation, being 10% of assets realised (plus VAT).
3. Grant Thornton UK LLP be reimbursed for funding provided to the liquidator together with an uplift of 100%.
4. Whether a liquidation committee be formed

A creditor who is entitled to vote should return the voting form provided with this notice to Kevin J Hellard at Grant Thornton UK LLP, 30 Finsbury Square, London, EC2A 1AG or as an attachment to an email to Will.G.Harris@uk.gt.com no later than 23:59 on the decision date.

In order for a creditor's vote to be valid a proof of debt must be received no later than the decision date, failing which the creditor's vote will be disregarded. A proof of debt should be delivered to Kevin J Hellard at Grant Thornton UK LLP, 30 Finsbury Square, London, EC2A 1AG or as an attachment to an email to Will.G.Harris@uk.gt.com. A new proof of debt is not required if you have previously submitted one in the proceedings. A proof of debt form is enclosed for completion if required.

A creditor whose debt is treated as a small debt in accordance with rule 14.31(1) of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016 must deliver a proof of debt if they wish to vote, unless a proof of debt has previously been submitted, failing which the vote will be disregarded.

A creditor who has opted out from receiving notices may nevertheless vote if a proof of debt is delivered, unless a proof of debt has previously been submitted, failing which the vote will be disregarded.

A vote cast in a decision procedure which is not a meeting may not be changed.

A decision of the convenor is subject to appeal to the court by any creditor in accordance with rule 15.35 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016. An appeal under this rule may not be made later than 21 days after the decision date.

A physical meeting will be held to replace this vote by correspondence if requested not later than five business days after the date of delivery of this notice by not less than one of the following:

- 10% in value of the creditors
- 10% in number of the creditors
- 10 creditors.

DATED THIS 22nd day of May 2020



Kevin J Hellard
Liquidator

VOTING FORM

Company name **Geenet Limited**

Please delete as appropriate if you are for or against the resolutions below.

This form must be received at Grant Thornton UK LLP, 30 Finsbury Square, London, EC2A 1AG or as an attachment to an email to Will.G.Harris@uk.gt.com by 23.59 on 25 June 2020 in order to be counted. It must be accompanied by a proof of debt, unless you have previously submitted a proof of debt, failing which your vote will be disregarded.

Resolution(s)

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| 1. The fees estimate for liquidator's time costs be increased by £203,193 from its current level of £200,000 (plus VAT) to a total of £403,193 (plus VAT). | For/Against |
| 2. In addition to time costs, the basis of the liquidator's remuneration also be fixed on a percentage of realisations basis, according to the assets realised in the liquidation, being 10% of assets realised (plus VAT). | For/Against |
| 3. Grant Thornton UK LLP be reimbursed for funding provided to the liquidator together with an uplift of 100%. | For/Against |
| 4. Do you want a liquidation committee to be formed? | Yes / No |

If a liquidation committee is formed I/we
nominate the following creditors to serve as members of such committee:

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

A creditor is eligible to be a member of such a committee if, the person has proved for a debt; the debt is not fully secured; and neither of the following apply: the proof has been wholly disallowed for voting purposes, or the proof has been wholly rejected for the purpose of distribution or dividend. No person can be a member as both a creditor and a contributory. A body corporate may be a member of a creditors' committee, but it cannot act otherwise than by a representative appointed under rule 17.17 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016.

TO BE COMPLETED BY CREDITOR WHEN RETURNING FORM:

Name of creditor _____

Signature _____

Date (DD/MM/YYYY) _____

(If signing on behalf of the creditor, state capacity e.g. director/solicitor)

If you require any further details or clarification prior to returning your vote, please contact Jonathan Suter at the address above. Please note that once cast, a vote cannot be changed or withdrawn

Office use only:

Date Completed form received
(DD/MM/YYYY) _____

Initial _____

Rule 14.4 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016

Proof of debt

Our ref: G30201031/KJH/HAD/JMS/WGH

Geenet Limited - In Liquidation

Date of winding-up order 13 June 2016		
1	Name of creditor (If a company please also give company registration number)	
2	Address of creditor for correspondence:	
3	Email address:	
4	Telephone number:	
5	Total amount of claim, including any Value Added Tax and outstanding uncapitalised interest as at the date of insolvency.	£
6	If amount in 5 above includes outstanding uncapitalised interest please state amount	£
7	Particulars of how and when debt incurred (If you need more space append a continuation sheet to this form).	
8	Particulars of any security held, the value of the security, and the date it was given.	
9	Particulars of any reservation of title claimed in respect of goods supplied to which the claim relates.	
10	Details of any documents by reference to which the debt can be substantiated.	
11	Signature of creditor or person authorised to act on his behalf	
12	Name in BLOCK LETTERS	
13	Position with or in relation to creditor	
14	Address of person signing (if different from 2 above)	

Please note that it is Grant Thornton UK LLP's policy for dividends to be paid to creditors electronically. Please complete the form below or, alternatively, supply the details via the Insolvency Act portal.

Please provide any two pieces of documentation from the list below to verify the bank details provided.

- Bank details on letter headed paper signed by a director or other authorised person.
- Invoice, which incorporates bank account details.
- Bank statement - including bank details, dated within 3 months.
- Copy cheque - including bank details.
- Bank giro credit slip (Paying in slip) - including bank details.

Account Name

Bank Account Currency

Sort code

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Account number

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IBAN (if appropriate)

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Swift BIC (if appropriate)

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ABA Routing Number (if appropriate)

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