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Liquidator's Progress Report Pursuant to Section 192 of The Insolvency Act 1986 S.192

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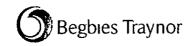
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## Above The Line Limited (In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation)

Progress report pursuant to Section 104A of the Insolvency Act 1986 and Rule 4.49C of the Insolvency Rules 1986

Period: 13 September 2010 to 12 September 2011

## **Important Notice**

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## 1. INTERPRETATION

Expression	Meaning
"the Company"	Above The Line Limited (In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation)
"the liquidation"	The appointment of liquidators pursuant to Section 98 of the Act on 13 September 2010
"the liquidators", "we", "our" and "us"	Andrew Timothy Clay of Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP, 11 Clifton Moor Business Village, James Nicolson Link, Clifton Moor, York, YO30 4XG and David Anthony Horner of Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP, 11 Clifton Moor Business Village, James Nicolson Link, Clifton Moor, York, YO30 4XG
"the Act"	The Insolvency Act 1986 (as amended)
"the Rules"	The Insolvency Rules 1986 (as amended)
"secured creditor" and "unsecured creditor"	Secured creditor, in relation to a company, means a creditor of the company who holds in respect of his debt a security over property of the company, and "unsecured creditor" is to be read accordingly (Section 248(1)(a) of the Act)
"secunty"	(i) In relation to England and Wales, any mortgage, charge, lien or other security (Section 248(1)(b)(i) of the Act), and
	(ii) In relation to Scotland, any security (whether heritable or moveable), any floating charge and any right of lien or preference and any right of retention (other than a right of compensation or set off) (Section 248(1)(b)(ii) of the Act)
"preferential creditor"	Any creditor of the Company whose claim is preferential within Sections 386, 387 and Schedule 6 to the Act

## 2. COMPANY INFORMATION

Trading name(s)

N/A

Company registered number

05432497

Company registered office

11 Clifton Moor Business Village, James Nicolson Link, Clifton

Moor, York, YO30 4XG

Former trading address

10 Crown House, Hornbeam Square North, Harrogate, HG2

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## 3. DETAILS OF APPOINTMENT OF LIQUIDATORS

Date winding up commenced

13 September 2010

Date of liquidators' appointment

13 September 2010

Changes in liquidator (if any)

None

## PROGRESS DURING THE PERIOD

Attached at Appendix 1 is our abstract of receipts and payments for the period from 13 September 2010 to 12 September 2011

#### Receipts

#### Furniture & Equipment

The Furniture and Equipment was estimated to realise £4,000. We can advise that, on the advice of our agents, BTG Asset Consulting, these were sold to 4D Business Coaching Limited, a company with a common director and shareholder to that of this company, for the sum of £4,000.

#### Bank Interest

We have received bank interest of £2 following investment of funds

## **Payments**

## Specific Bond

It is a statutory obligation that the duly appointed Insolvency Practitioners take out a bond in order to protect the interests of unsecured creditors in the potential realisations on a case. This is known as the bordereau premium and is detailed on the attached receipts and payments account. It is an unavoidable expense of the proceedings.

#### Preparation of the Statement of Affairs

Begbies Traynor's fees for convening the meetings of members and creditors and assisting the director in the preparation of the Statement of Affairs were agreed by creditors at the first meeting of creditors held on 13 September 2010 in the sum of £4,000. The sum of £3,000 has been paid to date

All other payments are detailed in the attached receipts and payments account and discussed elsewhere in this report

## ESTIMATED OUTCOME FOR CREDITORS

Details of the sums owed to each class of the Company's creditors were provided in the director's statement of affairs included within the report sent to creditors further to our appointment as liquidators

On the basis of realisations to date we estimate an outcome for each class of the Company's creditors as follows

#### Unsecured creditors

Based upon realisations to date it is anticipated there will be insufficient funds available to enable a dividend to be paid to the unsecured creditors

## REMUNERATION & DISBURSEMENTS

Our remuneration has been fixed by a resolution of creditors at the meeting held pursuant to Section 98 of the Act by reference to the time properly given by us (as liquidators) and the various grades of our staff calculated at the prevailing hourly charge out rates of Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP in attending to matters arising in the liquidation and we are authorised to draw disbursements, including disbursements for services provided by our firm (defined as category 2 disbursements in Statement of Insolvency Practice 9) in accordance with our firm's policy, details of which accompanied the Statement of Affairs and other information presented to the meeting of creditors convened pursuant to Section 98 of the Act and which is attached at Appendix 2 of this report

Our time costs for the period from 13 September 2010 to 12 September 2011 amount to £3,727 which represents 26 hours at an average rate of £143 37 per hour

The following further information in relation to our time costs and disbursements is set out at Appendix 2

- Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP's policy for re-charging disbursements
- Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP's charge-out rates
- Table of time spent and charge-out value for the period 13 September 2010 to 12 September 2011

To 12 September 2011, there are insufficient realisations to draw remuneration but we have drawn the following Category 1 disbursements

Specific Bond 25
Statutory Advertising 187

To 12 September 2011, we have not taken any Category 2 disbursements in accordance with the approval obtained

## 7. LIQUIDATORS' EXPENSES

We have not incurred any expenses during the period of this progress report

## 8. ASSETS THAT REMAIN TO BE REALISED

There are no further assets to realise We will shortly commence with the formalities with closing this case

## 9. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

#### Investigations and reporting on directors conduct

You may be aware that a liquidator has a duty to enquire into the affairs of an insolvent company to determine its property and liabilities and to identify any actions which could lead to the recovery of funds. In addition, as explained in the report circulated prior to the meeting of creditors convened pursuant to Section 98 of the Act, a liquidator is also required to consider the conduct of the Company's directors and to make an appropriate submission to the Department for Business Innovation and Skills. We can confirm that we have discharged our duties in these respects.

## 10. CREDITORS' RIGHTS

## Right to request further information

Pursuant to Rule 4 49E of the Rules, within 21 days of the receipt of this report a secured creditor, or an unsecured creditor with the concurrence of at least 5% in value of the unsecured creditors, including that creditor, (or an unsecured creditor with less than 5% in value of the unsecured creditors, but with the permission of the court) may request in writing that the we provide further information about our remuneration or expenses which have been detailed in this progress report

### Right to make an application to court

Pursuant to Rule 4 131 of the Rules, any secured creditor or any unsecured creditor with the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors including that creditor, (or any unsecured creditors with less than 10% in value of the unsecured creditors, but with the permission of the court) may, within 8 weeks of receipt of this progress report, make an application to court on the grounds that the remuneration charged or the expenses incurred as set out in this progress report are excessive or, the basis fixed for our remuneration is inappropriate

## 11. CONCLUSION

We are now in a position to finalise the liquidation and will report again in the near future

Andrew T Clay

Joint Liquidator

Dated 4 October 2011

## ACCOUNT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

Period 13 September 2010 to 12 September 2011

# Above The Line Limited (In Liquidation) Joint Liquidators' Abstract of Receipts & Payments To 12/09/2011

£	3		S of A £
		ASSET REALISATIONS	
	4,000 00	Furniture & Equipment	4,000 00
	NIL	Rent & Management Fees	NIL
	2 37	Bank Interest Gross	
4,002 37			
		COST OF REALISATIONS	
	25 00	Specific Bond	
	3,000 00	Preparation of S of A	
	187 50	Statutory Advertising	
(3,212 50)			
		UNSECURED CREDITORS	
	NIL	Trade & Expense Creditors	(25,876 00)
	NiL	Landlord	(14,944 00)
	NIL	Chris Fordy - Directors Loan Account	(29,381 00)
	NIL	Natwest Bank Plc	(12,800 00)
	NIL NIL	HMRC (VAT)	(10,498 00)
	NIL	HMRC (PAYE/NIC)	(30,752 00)
	NIL	HMRC (Corporation Tax) 4D Business Coaching Ltd - Loan Acc	(2,015 00)
NII		4D Business Coaching Eta - Edan Acc	(6,263 00)
789.87			
			128,529.00)
		REPRESENTED BY	
600 00		Vat Receivable	
189 8		Bank 2 Current	
789 8	•		

Andrew Timothy Clay

## TIME COSTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

- a Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP's policy for re-charging expenses/disbursements,
- b Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP's charge-out rates, and
- c Table of time spent and charge-out value for the period from 13 September 2010 to 12 September 2011

## **BEGBIES TRAYNOR CHARGING POLICY**

#### INTRODUCTION

This note applies where a licensed insolvency practitioner in the firm is acting as an office holder of an insolvent estate and seeks creditor approval to draw remuneration on the basis of the time property spent in dealing with the case. It also applies where further information is to be provided to creditors regarding the office holder's fees following the passing of a resolution for the office holder to be remunerated on a time cost basis. Best practice guidance requires that such information should be disclosed to those who are responsible for approving remuneration.

In addition, this note applies where creditor approval is sought to make a separate charge by way of expenses or disbursements to recover the cost of facilities provided by the firm and also where payments are to be made to outside parties in which the office holder or his firm or any associate has an interest. Best practice guidance<sup>2</sup> requires that such charges should be disclosed to those who are responsible for approving the office holder's remuneration, together with an explanation of how those charges are calculated

#### OFFICE HOLDER'S FEES IN RESPECT OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF INSOLVENT ESTATES

The office holder has overall responsibility for the administration of the estate. He/she will delegate tasks to members of staff. Such delegation assists the office holder as it allows him/her to deal with the more complex aspects of the case and ensures that work is being carried out at the appropriate level. There are various levels of staff that are employed by the office holder and these appear below.

The firm operates a time recording system which allows staff working on the case along with the office holder to allocate their time to the case. The time is recorded at the individual's hourly rate in force at that time which is detailed below

## EXPENSES INCURRED BY OFFICE HOLDERS IN RESPECT OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF INSOLVENT ESTATES

Best practice guidance classifies expenses into two broad categories

- Category 1 disbursements (approval not required) specific expenditure that is directly related to the case usually referable to an independent external supplier's invoice. All such items are charged to the case as they are incurred.
- Category 2 disbursements (approval required) items of incidental expenditure directly incurred on the case which include an element of shared or allocated cost and which are based on a reasonable method of calculation
  - (A) The following items of expenditure are charged to the case (subject to approval)
    - Internal meeting room usage for the purpose of statutory meetings of creditors is charged at the rate of £100 per meeting,
    - Car mileage is charged at the rate of 40 pence per mile,
    - Storage is provided by a connected storage company in which D F Wilson and J N R Pitts have an interest. Boxes are supplied at a cost of £4 each and boxes are stored at a cost of £12 00 per box per annum. Destruction charges are £5 per box. Van hire/transportation costs are charged at 75p per mile.

<sup>1</sup> Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 (SIP 9) - Remuneration of insolvency office holders in England & Wales

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> lbid 1

- Asset Appraisal and Disposal services are provided by BTG Asset Consulting, a division of BTG Consulting LLP, which is part of Begbies Traynor Group plc Asset Appraisal and Disposal costs are charged at £125 per hour and are reclaimed from asset realisations of the company
- The location of assets or individuals, surveillance and other investigative services are provided by BTG Intelligence, which is part of the Begbies Traynor Group plc Costs are charged from £250 per hour
- (B) The following items of expenditure will normally be treated as general office overheads and will not be charged to the case although a charge may be made where the precise cost to the case can be determined because the item satisfies the test of a Category 1 disbursement
  - Telephone and facsimile
  - Printing and photocopying
  - Stationery

## **BEGBIES TRAYNOR CHARGE-OUT RATES**

Begbies Traynor is a national firm. The rates charged by the various grades of staff that may work on a case are set nationally, but vary to suit local market conditions. The rates applying to the York office as at the date of this report are as follows.

	Standard 1 July 2008 – 30 April 2011
Partner 1	395
Partner 2	350
Director	325
Senior Manager	295
Manager	250
Assistant Manager	195
Senior Administrator	160
Administrator	130
Trainee Administrator	100
Support	100

Standard 1 May 2011 – until further notice Regional
395
345
310
265
205
175
135
110
110

Time spent by support staff for carrying out shorter tasks, such as typing or dealing with post, is not charged to cases but is carried as an overhead. Only where a significant amount of time is spent at one time on a case is a charge made for support staff.

Time is recorded in units 6 minute units

Staff Grade		Partner	Director	Snr Mngr	Mngr	Asst Mngr	Snr Admin	Admin	Jnr Admin	Support	Total Hours	Time cost £	Average hourly rate £
Administration	Appointment and case planning		15					8			10 40	1 657 50	159 38
and Planning	Administration and Banking							7.2			7 20	939 00	130 42
	Statutory reporting and statement of affairs							50			0 20	65 00	130 00
Investigations	CDDA and investigations		0.2					18			2 00	299 00	149 50
Realisation of	Debt collection							12			1 20	156 00	130 00
assets	Property, business and asset sales							0.7			070	91 00	130 00
	Retention of Title/Third party assets												
Trading	Trading												
Creditors	Secured							90			09 0	78 00	130 00
	Others							0.8			08 0	104 00	130 00
	Creditors committee										-		
Other matters	Meetings							17	-		1 70	221 00	130 00
	Other												
	Тах							60			06 0	117 00	130 00
	Litigation												
Total hours by staff grade	staff grade		17					24 3			26 0		
Total time cost by staff grade £	by staff grade £		556 50					3,171 00				3 727 50	
Average hourly rate £	rate £		327 35					130 49					143 37
Total fees drawn to date £	n to date £											00 0	