Clugston Distribution Services Limited

Strategic Report, Report of the Directors and

Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 January 2015



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Clugston Distribution Services Limited

Company Information for the Year Ended 31 January 2015

DIRECTORS: M H Bales

S F Martin

SECRETARY: M H Bales

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Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 January 2015

The directors present their strategic report for the year ended 31 January 2015.

REVIEW OF BUSINESS

The business delivered another year of growth as turnover increased 16% from £13.2m to £15.3m – the highest level in the business in over a decade following a period of significant investment in new vehicles. However, it is disappointing to report a loss of £0.1m for the year.

During the latter part of the year a significant overhead reduction programme was implemented along with a number of rate rises from key customers and withdrawal from unprofitable contracts. We expect that the business will return to profitability in the current financial year.

The petroleum operation has expanded with a customer base of twenty clients and new operations on Teesside. We are increasing our night shift activity to maximise fleet efficiency. Whilst the steel and cement markets remain steady we are renegotiating rates and exiting unprofitable work. Within the food market we continue to secure work that better fits our network profile and better balances our resources to predicted volumes. The commercial vehicle maintenance department has continued to grow and secured a significant retail contract with a blue chip client.

Over £2 million of fleet investment was made during the latter half of 2014 including the introduction of 15 low emission and fuel efficient Renault Euro6 tractor units. The full year effect of these new assets will benefit financial performance for the whole of the coming year.

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The company operates in a highly competitive market with supply generally exceeding demand and seeks to minimise this risk by focussing on niche markets and negotiated work, whilst extending the diversity of its activities.

Health and safety, quality of offering and service deliverability are key aspects for differentiating our business and these are closely monitored by the board of directors, with corrective action taken where required to maintain our reputation and standing in the industry.

MAIN TRENDS AND FACTORS

We will maintain our commitment to providing a quality logistics service as we continue to expand our offering within the fuels, steel, bulk powder and bulk ash movement markets. We are also seeking to better utilise our resources to support our blue chip client base.

Our people's focus on delivering a safe and efficient high quality service from their continued hard work and commitment gives us confidence in our ability to deliver sustainable profits in the years ahead.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

S F Martin - Director

10 April 2015

Report of the Directors for the Year Ended 31 January 2015

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 January 2015.

DIVIDENDS

No dividends will be distributed for the year ended 31 January 2015.

DIRECTORS

The directors during the period were those listed on page 1.

The company has professional indemnity insurance covering the directors and officers.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the Report of the Directors, the Strategic Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

M H Bales - Secretary

10 April 2015

Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Clugston Distribution Services Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Clugston Distribution Services Limited for the year ended 31 January 2015 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. 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 Auditors' 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 directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 January 2015 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Strategic Report and the Report of the Directors for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Paul Davies (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of BDO LLP Leeds

23 April 2015

BDO LLP is a limited liability partnership registered in England and Wales (with registered number OC305127).

Profit and Loss Account for the Year Ended 31 January 2015

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	Notes	2015 £	2014 £
TURNOVER		15,318,326	13, 152,492
Cost of sales		(13,568,428)	(11,461,400)
GROSS PROFIT		1,749,898	1,691,092
Administrative expenses		(1,898,981)	(1,818,142)
OPERATING LOSS	3	(149,083)	(127,050)
Interest payable and similar charges	4	(189,171)	(148,706)
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(338,254)	(275,756)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	5	135,088	127,425
LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		(203,166)	(148,331)

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the current year or previous year.

TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the losses for the current year or previous year.

Balance Sheet 31 January 2015

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	Notes	2015 £	2014
FIXED ASSETS	Notes	Ł	£
Tangible assets	6	5,232,387	4, 170,216
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	7	114,220	144,894
Debtors	8	3,514,336	3,369,731
Cash in hand	-	817	1,507
CREDITORS		3,629,373	3,516,132
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(5,925,185)	(5,040,744)
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(2,295,812)	(1,524,612)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,936,575	2,645,604
CREDITORS Amounts falling due after more than of	nne		
year	10	(2,286,059)	(1,791,922)
NET ASSETS		650,516	853,682
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CAPITAL AND RESERVES		•	
Called up share capital	13	2,000,000	2,000,000
Profit and loss account	14	(1,349,484)	(1,146,318)
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	18	650,516	853,682

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 10 April 2015 and were signed on its behalf by:

S F Martin - Director

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 January 2015

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The accounts, drawn up to the last Saturday in January, are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost convention.

Financial reporting standards

Exemption has been taken under FRS 1 from preparing a cash flow statement on the grounds that the parent company includes the subsidiary in its published financial statements.

Exemption has been taken under FRS 8 from disclosing transactions with related parties that are controlled by Clugston Group Limited.

Turnover and revenue recognition

Turnover comprises the total value of work carried out and goods and services provided in the UK after deducting VAT. Revenue is recognised when the service has been completed.

Tangible fixed assets

The cost, less estimated residual value, of tangible fixed assets is written off on a straight line basis over their expected useful lives of 3 to 15 years.

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment in periods if events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Deferred tax

The charge for taxation is based on the profit or loss for the period and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more, or a right to pay less, tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date. The only exception is that deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that the directors consider it is more likely than not there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing difference can be deducted.

Deferred tax is measured on a non-discounted basis at the tax rates expected to apply in the periods in which the timing differences reverse, based on the tax rates and laws enacted, or substantively enacted, at the balance sheet date.

Leased assets

Rentals in respect of operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account as incurred. Assets held under finance leases, where substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership have passed to the Company, and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet and depreciated over their expected useful lives. The capital elements of future obligations are included as liabilities in the balance sheet and the interest elements of the rentals are charged in the profit and loss account over the period of the contracts.

Pensions

The company and other subsidiaries of Clugston Group Limited participate in a multi-employer defined benefit pension scheme. This scheme is operated on a basis which does not enable individual companies to identify their share of the underlying assets and liabilities so, in accordance with FRS 17, the company accounts for its contributions to the plan as if it were a defined contribution scheme. Contributions to defined contribution pension schemes are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 January 2015

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Going concern

The company has net current liabilities and is dependent on continuing finance being made available by its parent undertaking to enable it to continue operating and meet its debts as they fall due. The ultimate parent undertaking has agreed to provide sufficient funds for these purposes and therefore the directors believe it is appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis.

2. STAFF COSTS

	2015	2014
	£	£
Wages and salaries	4,864,332	4,088,210
Social security costs	479,598	417,245
Other pension costs	89,747	58,317
	5,433,677	4,653,772
Average monthly number of employees during the year	•	•
	Number of	employees
Distribution	148	123
Administration	10	10
	158	133

The directors of the company are also directors of the holding company and fellow subsidiaries. The directors received total remuneration for the year of £766,992 (2014 - £813,750), all of which was paid by the holding company. The directors do not believe that it is practical to apportion this amount between their services as directors of the company and their services as directors of the group and fellow subsidiary companies. All the directors were members of money purchase pension schemes.

3. OPERATING LOSS

	The operating loss is stated after charging/(crediting):	2015	2014
٠.	Operating lease rentals: plant and machinery	1,033,814	716,663
	land and buildings Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	399,721 1,059,820	364,080 860,392
-	Profit on disposal of fixed assets	(72,611)	(51,579)
	Auditors' remuneration	9,600	5,700
4.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		
		2015	2014
•		£	£
	Bank interest	79,841	68,061
	Hire purchase interest	109,330	80,645
		189,171	148,706

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 January 2015

5. TAXATION

Analysis of the tax credit	Anal	vsis.	of the	tax	credit
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The tax credit on the loss on ordinary activities for the year	2015 £	2014 £
Current tax:		L
UK corporation tax	(283,382)	(276,892)
Relating to prior years	(2,906)	(4,735)
Total current tax	(286,288)	(281,627)
Deferred tax:		
Deferred tax	140,769	154,202
Relating to prior years	10,431	
Total deferred tax	151,200	154,202
	:	
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	(135,088)	(127,425)

Factors affecting the tax credit

The tax assessed for the year is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK. The difference is explained below:

		2015 £	2014 £
Loss on ordinary activities before tax		(338,254)	(275,756)
Loss on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of corporation in the UK of 21.32% (2014 - 23.16%)	n tax	(72,116)	(63,893)
Effects of: Disallowed expenses and (non taxable incor Accelerated capital allowances Adjustments in respect of previous periods	me)	(61,206) (150,060) <u>(2,906</u>)	(75,431) (137,568) <u>(4,735</u>)
Current tax credit		(286,288)	(281,627)

Factors that may affect future tax charges

On 17 July 2013 a reduction in the UK corporation tax rate from 21% to 20% from 1 April 2015 was substantively enacted. Any deferred tax expected to reverse in future years has been assumed to reverse after 1 April 2015 and has therefore been calculated using this reduced rate.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 January 2015

Plant and machinery £
£
40.044.44
10,011,190
2,138,230
<u>(979,759)</u>
11,169,661
5,840,974
1,059,820
(963,520)
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_5,937,274
5,232,387
4,170,216
equipment and vehicles above includes £3,807,298 (2014 - £2,868,072
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The net book amount of plant, equipment and vehicles above includes £3,807,298 (2014 - £2,868,072) in respect of assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts. The depreciation charge for the year on these assets was £690,523 (2014 - £522,255).

7.	STOCKS			
			2015	2014
			3	£
	Stores and other stock		114,220	144,894
8.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE W	ITHIN ONE YEAR	•	
			2015	2014
. :			£	£
•	Trade debtors		3,002,489	2,729,295
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	•	277,128	272,661
	Deferred tax asset		97,002	248,202
	Prepayments		137,717	119,573
			2 514 226	0.000.704
			3,514,336	3,369,731
	Deferred tax asset comprises:	• .		
			2015	2014
		, . .	£	£
	Accelerated capital allowances		91,205	242,370
	Tax losses carried forward		3,758	3,758
	Other timing differences		2,039	2,074
•			97,002	248,202

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 January 2015

9.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FA	LLING DUE WIT	HIN ONE YEAR		
				2015	2014
	Hiro purchase contracts (co.	noto 11)		994.093	£
	Hire purchase contracts (see Trade creditors	e note (1)		884,083 851,316	632,780 708,958
	Amounts owed to group unde	ertakings		3,299,256	2,874,636
	Social security and other taxe			112,819	107,065
	Other creditors			290,444	212,040
	Accruals			487,267	505,265
				5,925,185	5,040,744
•				3,923,103	3,040,744
10.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FA	LLING DUE AFT	ER MORE THAN ON	IE YEAR	
			· ,	2015	2014
	Lira purahasa santrasta (sas	. noto 11\		2 000 050	£
	Hire purchase contracts (see	e note 11)		2,286,059	1,791,922
11.	OBLIGATIONS UNDER HIRE	PURCHASE CO	NTRACTS AND LE	ÄSĖS	
					•
				-	urchase
			•	con 2015	itracts 2014
÷				2013 £	2014 £
	Net obligations repayable:			· · ·	
	Within one year			884,083	632,780
	Between one and five years			2,286,059	1,791,922
		•		2 170 142	2 424 702
				3,170,142	2,424,702
				*	
	The following operating lease	payments are co	mmitted to be paid w	rithin one year:	•
					ating leases
				2015 £	2014 £
	Expiring:			~	
•	Within one year			70,368	-
	Between one and five years			152,996	141,744
		•		<u>223,364</u>	141,744
		•		· ·	
12.	DEFERRED TAX				
	•				£
٠	Balance at 1 February 2014				(248,202)
	Provided during year				140,769
	Relating to previous years				10,431
	Balance at 31 January 2015				(07.000)
•	Dalance at 31 January 2015				<u>(97,002</u>)

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 January 2015

13. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Ailc	otted,	issued and	tully	paid:

 Number:
 Class:
 Nominal value:
 2015
 2014

 2,000,000
 Ordinary
 £1
 2,000,000
 2,000,000

14. RESERVES

Profit and loss account

£

At 1 February 2014

Deficit for the year

At 31 January 2015

Profit and loss
account

£

(1,146,318)
(203,166)

15. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The group operates several pension schemes for eligible employees. The principal scheme was a contributory defined benefit pension scheme for employees and the assets are invested in managed funds. This scheme closed to further accruals on 31 December 2011 and employees were entitled to transfer to a stakeholder scheme. The pension benefits for the company's employees are provided within group schemes with company contributions being based on pension costs across the group as a whole. As such the company is unable to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities and therefore, in accordance with FRS 17, contributions by the company have been treated as being made to a defined contribution scheme. The group's contributions to the scheme in the next year are expected to be around £1,008,000.

A valuation was carried out at 31 January 2015 by a qualified independent actuary to take account of the requirements of FRS 17. Full details of the scheme are contained in the accounts of Clugston Group Limited and can be summarised as follows:

2015	2014	2013
£000	£000	£000
60,654	47,877	45,669
44,762	39,736	39,113
		• .
<u> 15,892</u>	<u>8,141</u>	6,556
	£000 60,654 _44,762	60,654 47,877 44,762 39,736

16. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The parent undertaking of the group of undertakings for which group accounts are drawn up, and of which the company is a member, is Clugston Group Limited, which is also the company's ultimate parent company and controlling party. Copies of the group accounts are available from the registered office.

17. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 January 2015

18.	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		
		2015	2014
	·	£	£
	Loss for the financial year	(203,166)	(148,331)
	Net reduction of shareholders' funds	(203,166)	(148,331)
	Opening shareholders' funds	853,682	1,002,013
	Closing shareholders' funds	650,516	853,682