## **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

05965414

Name of Company

Velocity Oldco UK1 Limited

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Malcolm Cohen, 55 Baker Street, London, W1U 7EU

the liquidator(s) of the company attach a copy of myladr Progress Report under section 192 of the Insolvency Act 1986.

The Progress Report covers the period from 26/08/2016 to 12/05/2017

Signed

Date 12.517

**BDO LLP** 55 Baker Street London **W1U 7EU** 

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## Velocity Oldco UK1 Limited (In Liquidation) Liquidator's Abstract of Receipts & Payments

Statement of Affairs	From 26/08/2016 To 12/05/2017	From 26/08/2015 To 12/05/2017
ASSET REALISATIONS		
VAT Refund	NIL	118,792.59
Cash at Bank	NIL	119,462.46
Bank Interest Gross	107.68	179.42
Bank Interest Net of Tax	NIL	68.95
	107.68	238,503.42
COST OF REALISATIONS		
Liquidator's Fees	38,000.00	38,000.00
Liquidators Disbursements	1,311.21	1,311.21
Taxation services	NIL	4,090.00
Corporation Tax	35.89	35.89
Bank Charges	0.35	(4,979.60)
Ü	(39,347.45)	(38,457.50)
UNSECURED CREDITORS		
Trade & Expense Creditors	NIL	71,833.98
·	NIL	(71,833.98)
DISTRIBUTIONS		
Ordinary Shareholders	128,211.94	128,211.94
•	(128,211.94)	(128,211.94)
	(467.464.74)	
	(167,451.71)	0.00
REPRESENTED BY		
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Malcolm Cohen Liquidator



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TO ALL SHAREHOLDERS

12 May 2017

Our Ref 7/SMB/verivox

Please ask for Sharon Bloomfield Direct line: 020 7893 2905 Email: sharon.bloomfield@bdo.co.uk

**Dear Sirs** 

Velocity Oldco UK1 Limited ('VHL') - 05965414 Velocity Oldco UK2 Limited ('VVXI) - 07078603 (together 'the Companies') - Both In Members' Voluntary Liquidation

In accordance with the provisions of Section 94 of the Insolvency Act 1986, I present, for your information, my final progress report on the liquidations for the period 26 August 2016 to 12 May 2017.

This report should be read in conjunction with my first annual progress report dated 16 September 2016.

#### **Statutory Information**

I, Malcolm Cohen, of BDO LLP, 55 Baker Street, London, W1U 7EU was appointed as Liquidator of the Companies on 26 August 2016.

The Companies' registered numbers are listed above. Velocity Oldco UK1 Limited was formerly known as Verivox Holdings Ltd (changed 19/8/15) and ETF Homecheck Limited (changed 6/6/07). Velocity Oldco UK2 Limited was formerly known as VVX Investments Limited (changed 19/8/15).

Prior to liquidation, the Companies' trading address and registered office was 3 Cadogan Gate, Chelsea, London, SW1X OAS. The registered office was changed to 55 Baker Street, London, W1U 7EU following my appointment.

VHL is a wholly owned subsidiary of VVXI. VVXI is a wholly owned subsidiary of Velocity Oldco Bermuda Limited ('VVXB').

#### Receipts and Payments

I enclose receipts and payments accounts for both Companies. I trust the contents are self-explanatory but would comment as follows.

Cash at bank has been realised from the Companies' pre-liquidation bank accounts in line with expectations.

The Companies formed a VAT group and the submission of VAT returns for pre-liquidation periods has led to a refund of some £119,000.

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The Companies had some residual trade creditors at the date of my appointment and these have been paid in line with claims received.

#### HM Revenue & Customs ('HMRC')

The Company's tax advisors submitted corporation tax, VAT and PAYE returns for all outstanding pre-liquidation periods following my appointment.

I have received clearances from the Corporation Tax office, and also from HMRC's Enforcement & Insolvency Service which provides VAT and PAYE clearances.

The final VAT refunds for the liquidation period have been recovered, and there are no outstanding tax matters.

#### **Distributions**

VHL entered into to a sale and purchase agreement regarding the sale and purchase of the entire issued share capital of Verivox GMBH dated 25/26 June 2015 and made between VHL and AcquiCo (the 'SPA').

Pursuant to a Loan Agreement VHL lent €1 to VVXB on the terms set out therein (the 'Loan'). The Loan was repayable on demand and was funded by VHL out of part of the Initial Consideration (as defined in the SPA) paid'

In addition, VHL assigned and novated all of its rights and obligations under the SPA to VVXB pursuant to an Assignment Agreement in consideration for €1 and the consideration to be paid under the SPA (the 'Flexi-receivable').

As the sole shareholder of VHL, VVXI was entitled to an interim distribution out of the amounts repaid by VVXB to VHL pursuant to the Loan Agreement and the Flexi-receivable pursuant to the Assignment Agreement (the 'Interim Distribution').

As Liquidator of VHL, on 26 August 2016 I directed that the Interim Distribution can be satisfied by VHL by the distribution in specie to VVXI of the right to repayment under the Loan Agreement, the right to receive the Flexi-receivable under the Assignment Agreement and all other rights and benefits of VHL under, and pursuant to, the Loan Agreement and the Assignment Agreement.

VVXI had also entered into a Loan Agreement with VVXB for €1. On 26 August 2016 as Liquidator of VVXI, I declared a distribution in specie to VVXB of the right to repayment under the Loan Agreements, the right to receive the Flexi-receivable under the Assignment Agreement and all other rights and benefits of VVXI under, and pursuant to, the Loan Agreements and the Assignment Agreement.

Final distributions of the remaining cash balances owned by the Companies (£128,211.94 and £3,962.94 respectively) were made on 17 March 2017.

#### Liquidator's Remuneration

Pursuant to the Insolvency Rules 1986, the Liquidator is obliged to fix his remuneration in accordance with Rule 4.148A(2) of the Insolvency Rules 1986. This permits remuneration to be fixed either:



- (1) as a percentage of the assets realised and distributed; and/or
- (2) by reference to the time the Liquidator and the staff have spent attending to matters in the liquidation; and/or
- (3) as a set amount; and/or
- (4) as a combination of the above.

My staff and I have spent time on matters arising in the normal course of the liquidation. The main areas dealt with include:

- liaising with the Companies and their advisors in relation to matters prior to the Liquidator's appointment;
- statutory reporting requirements to members;
- statutory reporting requirements to the Registrar of Companies;
- dealing with statutory advertising requirements;
- dealing with the interim distributions in specie and distributions in cash;
- settling creditor claims;
- correspondence with HMRC in order to obtain the necessary clearances to close the liquidations;
- preparing the annual progress report; and
- convening and holding the final meetings of members.

My remuneration was approved on a time costs basis on the date of my appointment. Time costs for the duration of the liquidations to date total £42,186.85 representing 105.8 hours of work carried out by myself and my staff at an average hourly rate of £398.74.

Time costs for the period under review total £7,354.55 represented by 22.45 hours of work carried out by myself and my staff at an average hourly rate of £327.60.

As agreed with the Companies' shareholder group, I have drawn the sum of £38,000 plus VAT and disbursements to cover my costs to the conclusion of the liquidations.

#### **Disbursements**

Where disbursements are recovered in respect of precise sums expended to third parties there is no necessity for these costs to be authorised. These are known as category 1 disbursements.

The sum of £1,311.21 has been incurred in respect of category 1 disbursements for statutory advertising costs and the costs of the indemnity bonding.

#### Members' Rights

I provide at the end of this report an extract from the Insolvency Rules 1986 setting out the rights of members to request further information and/or challenge the remuneration or expenses within the liquidations.



#### Liquidation Closure

The members were invited to consider the following resolutions:

- 1. That the Liquidator's reports and accounts to 12 May 2017 be and are hereby approved.
- 2. That the Liquidator is authorised to dispose of the Companies' books and records one year after the dissolution of the Companies.
- 3. The Liquidator is released.

The resolutions were all duly approved.

#### **Further Information**

If you have a complaint you should address it in the first instance to the Senior Partner, BDO LLP, 55 Baker Street, London W1U 7EU. If you are still dis-satisfied, complaints to the office holder's regulatory body should be made via the Insolvency Service Complaints Gateway

Complaints to the single Complaints Gateway may be made either by:

- calling the Insolvency Service Enquiry Line on 0845 602 9848 (Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm), or
- completing and emailing the online complaints form on the Insolvency Service website <a href="http://www.insolvencydirect.bis.gov.uk/contactus/ipcomplaint/complaintform.htm">http://www.insolvencydirect.bis.gov.uk/contactus/ipcomplaint/complaintform.htm</a>, or
- completing the online complaints form and posting it to: IP Complaints, Insolvency Service, 3rd Floor, 1 City Walk, Leeds, LS11 9DA.

For more details, please visit: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/complain-about-insolvency-practitioner">https://www.gov.uk/complain-about-insolvency-practitioner</a> If you have any queries please contact Sharon Bloomfield as detailed above.

Yours faithfully For and on behalf of

The Companies

Maccolm Cohen Liquidator

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Statement from the Insolvency Rules 1986 (as amended) regarding the rights of members in respect of the Liquidators' fees and expenses:

#### Rule 4.49E Creditors' and members' request for further information

(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
  - (iii) members of the company in a members' voluntary winding up with at least 5% of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at general meetings of the company, or
- (b) with the permission of the court upon an application made within the period mentioned in paragraph (2)-
  - (i) any unsecured creditor, or
  - (ii) any member of the company in a members' voluntary winding up,

makes a request in writing to the liquidator for further information about remuneration or expenses set out in a progress report in accordance with Rule 4.49B(1)(e) or (f) (including by virtue of Rule 4.49C(5)) or in a draft report under Rule 4.49D, 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 matter[s] in a draft report under Rule 4.49D or a progress report required by Rule 4.108 which (in either case) was previously included in a progress report not required by Rule 4.108.

- (2) The period referred to in paragraph (1)(a) and (b) is-
  - (a) 7 business days of receipt (by the last of them in the case of an application by more than one member) of the progress report where it is required by Rule 4.108, and
  - (b) 21 days of receipt (by the last of them in the case of an application by more than one member) of the report or draft report in any other case.
- (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-
    - (i) 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.

#### Rule 4.148C Members' claim that remuneration is excessive

- (1) Members of the company with at least 10% of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at general meetings of the company, or any member with the permission of the court, may apply to the court for one or more of the orders in paragraph (6) on the grounds that—
  - (a) the remuneration charged by the liquidator,
  - (b) the basis fixed for the liquidator's remuneration under Rule 4.148A, or



- (c) expenses incurred by the liquidator,
- is or are, in all the circumstances, excessive or, in the case of an application under sub-paragraph (b), inappropriate.
- (2) Application must, subject to any order of the court under Rule 4.49E(5), be made no later than 8 weeks (or 4 weeks when the liquidator has resigned in accordance with Rule 4.142) after receipt by the applicant of the report or account which first reports the charging of the remuneration or the incurring of the expenses in question ("the relevant report").
- The court may, if it thinks that no sufficient cause is shown for a reduction, dismiss the application; but it must not do so unless the applicant has had the opportunity to attend the court for a hearing of which the applicant has been given at least 5 business days' notice but which is without notice to any other party.
- (4) If the application is not dismissed under paragraph (3), the court must fix a venue for it to be heard and give notice to the applicant accordingly.
- (5) The applicant must 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.
- (6) 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;
  - an order that some or all of the remuneration or expenses in question be treated as not being expenses of the liquidation;
  - 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.

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

# Velocity Oldco UK1 Limited (In Liquidation)

### **Summary of Receipts & Payments**

RECEIPTS	Statement From 26/08/2015 of Affairs To 25/08/2016 (£) (£)	From 26/08/2016 To 12/05/2017 (£)	Total (£)
VAT Refund Cash at Bank Bank Interest Gross Bank Interest Net of Tax	118,792.59 119,462.46 71.74 68.95	0.00 0.00 107.68 0.00	118,792.59 119,462.46 179.42 68.95
bank meerede Nee of Tax	238,395.74	107.68	238,503.42
PAYMENTS			
Liquidator's Fees Liquidators Disbursements Taxation services Corporation Tax Bank Charges Trade & Expense Creditors Ordinary Shareholders  Net Receipts/(Payments)	0.00 0.00 4,090.00 0.00 20.05 66,833.98 0.00 70,944.03	38,000.00 1,311.21 0.00 35.89 0.35 0.00 128,211.94 167,559.39 (167,451.71)	38,000.00 1,311.21 4,090.00 35.89 20.40 66,833.98 128,211.94 238,503.42
MADE UP AS FOLLOWS			
Vat Input Vat Control Account	5,698.00 0.00	7,862.24 (13,560.24)	13,560.24 (13,560.24)
	5,698.00	(5,698.00)	0.00
			Malcolm Cohen Liquidator

# Velocity Oldco UK2 Limited (In Liquidation)

### **Summary of Receipts & Payments**

RECEIPTS	Statement From 26/08/2015 of Affairs To 25/08/2016 (£) (£)	From 26/08/2016 To 12/05/2017 (£)	Total (£)
Cash at Bank Bank Interest Gross Bank Interest Net of Tax	5,648.71 1.83 2.61	0.00 3.10 0.00	5,648.71 4.93 2.61
	5,653.15	3.10	5,656.25
PAYMENTS			
Bank Charges Trade & Expense Creditors Unsecured N.I.C. Ordinary Shareholders	3.00 1,250.00 439.96 0.00	0.35 0.00 0.00 3,962.94	3.35 1,250.00 439.96 3,962.94
	1,692.96	3,963.29	5,656.25
Net Receipts/(Payments)	3,960.19	(3,960.19)	0.00
MADE UP AS FOLLOWS			
Vat Input Vat Control Account	250.00 0.00	0.00 (250.00)	250.00 (250.00)
	250.00	(250.00)	0.00
			Malcolm Cohen Liquidator

Velocity Oldco UK 1 Limited - in Members' Voluntary Liquidation

Summary of Time Charged and Rates Applicable for the Period From 26 August 2015 to 12 May 2017

	PAR	PARTNER	DIRECTOR	TOR	ASSISTANT MANAGER	MANAGER	SENIOR EXECUTIVE	ECUTIVE	EXECUTIVE	TIVE	OTHER STAFF	TAFF	GRAND TOTAL	TOTAL	AV RATE
Description	Hours	ų,	Hours	Ţ	Hours	ŗ							Hours	ı	ľ
A. Pre-Appointment Matters			39.40	18,303.05	0.10	34.40	-						39.50	18,337.45	464.24
B Steps on Appointment			1.00	478.00	1.50	457.50							2.50	935,50	374.20
D. General Administration	0 30	145.20	9.20	4,245.20	0.15	45.75	1.25	245.00	06 6	1,096.60	1 35	92.45	22 15	5,870.20	265.02
E. Assets Realisation/Dealing			2.85	1,415.10	1.85	577.90							4.70	1,993 00	424.04
G. Employee Matters					0.25	76.25							0.25	76 25	305.00
H Creditors Claims			2.25	1,075.50	1.00	305 00			,				3.25	1,380.50	424.77
l. Reporting			3.45	1,701.90									3.45	1,701 90	493.30
J. Distribution and Closure			2 95	1,480 90					,				2.95	1,480.90	502 00
	0.30	145 20	61 10	28,699.65	4.85	1,496.80	1 25	245.00	9.90	1,096 60	1.35	92 45			
											z	Net Total	78.75	31,775.70	403 50
											۵	Disbursements		1,111.21	

1,121.25

Billed Garnd Total

Velocity Oldco UK 1 Limited - in Members' Voluntary Liquidation

Summary of Time Charged and Rates Applicable for the Period From 26 August 2016 to 12 May 2017

	PA	PARTNER	NSC.	DIRECTOR	ASSISTAN	T MANAGER	SENIOR EXECUTIVE	CUTIVE	EXECUTIVE	¥.	OTHER STAFF	TAFF	GRAND	GRAND TOTAL	AV RATE
Description	Hours	J.	Hours	Į.	Hours	Į.							Hours	J	43
D. General Administration			2.15	968,10			0.50	101 00	4.6	495 30	0.55	38 85	7.80	1,603 25	205.54
E. Assets Realisation/Dealing		-	0.20	100.40						- 11			0 20	100.40	502.00
l. Reporting			2.20	1,104.40									2.20	1,104.40	502.00
J. Distribution and Closure	<u> </u>		2.95	1,480.90						•.			2.95	1,480.90	502.00
			7,50	3,653.80			0.50	101 00	4.60	495.30	0.55	38 85			
											Z	Net Total	13,15	4,288.95	326.16
												Disbursements		157.99	
												Billed		•	
												Garnd Total	•	4 445 04	

Velocity Oldco UK2 Limited - in Members' Voluntary Liquidation

Summary of Time Charged and Rates Applicable for the Period From 26 August 2015 to 12 May 2017

	PARTNER	NER	DIRECTOR	TOR	ASSISTANT MANAGER	MANAGER	SENIORES	SENIOR EXECUTIVE	EXECUTIVE	TIVE	OTHER STAFF	TAFF	GRAND TOTAL	TOTAL	AV PATE
Description	Hour	4	Hours	•4	Hours	<u>.</u>							r i		<u>.</u>
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A. Pre-Appointment Matters	2.00	1,316.00	4.95	2,268.35	0.50	152 50							7 45	3,736.85	501 59
B Steps on Appointment			3.50	1,673.00	1.25	381 25							4.75	2,054.25	432.47
D. General Administration	0.10	50.90	2.05	1,001.30			1.20	235 40	4.65	497 40	0.50	35.50	8.50	1,820.50	214.18
E. Assets Realisation/Dealing					1.10	339.40							1.10	339 40	308.55
G. Employee Matters					0.25	76.25							0.25	76.25	305.00
H Creditors Claims			0.40	191.20	0.50	152.50							0.90	343.70	38189
l. Reporting			2.55	1,262.10		•							2.55	1,262.10	494.94
J. Distribution and Closure			1 55	778 10									1.55	778.10	502.00
	0.30	145.20	15.00	7,174 05	3.60	1,101.90	1 20	235.40	4 65	497.40	0.50	35.50			
											z	Net Total	27.05	10,411.15	384.89
											۵	Disbursements		200.00	
											es.	Billed	•	. 7,545.55	
											Ö	Garnd Total	1	3,065.60	

Velocity Oldco UK2 Limited - in Members' Voluntary Liquidation

Summary of Time Charged and Rates Applicable for the Period From 26 August 2016 to 12 May 2017

	PAR	PARTNER	DIRECTOR	TOR	ASSISTANT	ASSISTANT MANAGER	SENIOR E	SENIOR EXECUTIVE	EXEC	EXECUTIVE	OTHER	OTHER STAFF	GRAND TOTAL	TOTAL.	AV RATE
Description	Hours	Ę	Hours		Hours	J							Hours	J	f
D. General Administration	0.10	\$0.90	1.75	850.70			0.50	101.00	3.10	345.80	0.50	35.50	5.95	1,383.90	232 59
I. Reporting			1.80	903.60	· · · · · ·								1.80	903.60	502.00
J Distribution and Closure			T. F.	778.10							_		1.55	778.10	502.00
	0.30	145.20	\$.10	2,532.40			0.50	101.00	3.10	345.80	0 50	35.50		-   	
												Net Total	9.30	3,065 60	329.63
												Disbursements		·	
												Billed		•	
												Garnd Total	1 #	3,065,60	