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1 Company details

Company number 09263540
Company name in full Brilliant Energy Supply Limited

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Please complete in typescript or in
bold black capitals.

2 Administrator's name

Full forename(s) Kirstie Jane
Surname Provan

3 Administrator's address

Building name/number 31st Floor
Street 40 Bank Street
Post town London
County/Region
Postcode E145NR
Country

4 Administrator's name ①

Full forename(s) Jamie
Surname Taylor

① Other administrator
Use this section to tell us about
another administrator.

5 Administrator's address ②

Building name/number The Old Exchange
Street 234 Southchurch Road
Post town Southend on Sea
County/Region
Postcode SS12EG
Country

② Other administrator
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another administrator.

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Name and address of insolvency practitioner

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1 Appointment type

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- ☒ Administrator
- ☐ Administrative receiver
- ☐ Receiver
- ☐ Manager
- ☐ Nominee
- ☐ Supervisor
- ☐ Liquidator
- ☐ Provisional liquidator

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- LIQ2, LIQ3, LIQ05, LIQ13, LIQ14, WU07, WU15
- COM1, COM2, COM3, COM4
- NDISC

2 Insolvency practitioner's name

Full forename(s)

Alan

Surname

Simon

3 Insolvency practitioner's address

Building name/number

Langley House

Street

Park Road

Post town

East Finchley

County/Region

London

Postcode

N 2 8 E Y

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6 Period of progress report

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To date	d	1	d	0	m	0	m	3	y	2	y	0	y	2	y	0

7 Progress report

☒ I attach a copy of the progress report

8 Sign and date

Administrator's
signature

Signature

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Signature date	d	1	d	0	m	0	m	3	y	2	y	0	y	2	y	0
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You do not have to give any contact information, but if you do it will help Companies House if there is a query on the form. The contact information you give will be visible to searchers of the public record.

Contact name **Daniel Webster**

Company name **Begbies Traynor (London) LLP**

Address **31st Floor**

40 Bank Street

Post town **London**

County/Region

Postcode **E 1 4 5 N R**

Country

DX

Telephone **020 7516 1500**



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- ☐ The company name and number match the information held on the public Register.
- ☐ You have attached the required documents.
- ☐ You have signed the form.



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The Registrar of Companies, Companies House,
Crown Way, Cardiff, Wales, CF14 3UZ.
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Brilliant Energy Supply Ltd Administrators' Final Progress Report Period: 15 September 2019 to 10 March 2020

Kirstie Jane Provan and Jamie Taylor of Begbies Traynor and Alan Simon of AABRS were appointed Joint Administrators on 15 March 2019

The affairs, business and property of the Company are being managed by the joint administrators, who act as the Company's agents and without personal liability.

This progress report has been produced by the Joint Administrators solely to comply with their statutory duty to report to creditors on the progress of the administration. The report is private and confidential and may not be relied upon, referred to, reproduced or quoted from, in whole or in part, by creditors for any purpose other than this report to them or by any other person for any purpose whatsoever.



Begbies Traynor





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1. The purpose of this report

We write to provide you with a report on the progress of the administration covering the period from 15 September 2019 to 10 March 2020 ("the Period"). It should be read in conjunction with the Administrators' proposals ("the Proposals") sent to creditors dated 10 April 2019, and the Administrators first progress report dated 8 October 2019.

This report has been prepared as part of the process of moving the Company from administration into Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation ("CVL") to enable a distribution to be made to the unsecured creditors of the Company ("the Unsecureds").

Your can view or download a copy of the Proposals, our administration progress reports and future reports in relation to the CVL via our website <https://nexttranet.begbies-traynor.com>.

Alternatively, you can request a hard copy be sent to you by post by contacting the case administrator by e-mail to daniel.webster@btguk.com or by telephone on 0207 516 1500.

If you do not wish to receive a copy of any future reports, you may 'opt out' by simply e-mailing the case administrator. Please put the case name Brilliant Energy Supply Ltd and OPT OUT in the e-mail subject header.

2. Estimated anticipated return to creditors

Based upon current information:

- The Unsecureds, whose claims total approximately £11.7M, will receive a dividend to be paid from the CVL of circa 17 pence in pound. This is contingent upon the likely future costs and expenses of the administration and the CVL, and any future realisations;
- We anticipate we will be in a position to make a first interim distribution to the Unsecureds shortly after moving the Company into CVL;
- There are no Preferential creditors;
- There are no Secured creditors; and
- The Prescribed Part is not applicable in this case.

Attached at Appendix 1 is a copy of our abstract of receipts and payments account ("Account") incorporating our estimated outcome statement ("EOS"), both made up to 10 March 2020. The Account shows actual income and expenditure and costs for the Period, while the EOS includes estimates of future income and expenditure including the forthcoming CVL, and illustrates the estimated final outcome to creditors.

Helpful notes

Reports to creditors in the administration

The Rules provide that we, as administrators, are obliged to report to creditors on the progress of the administration which must cover the periods of:

- (a) six months starting on the date the Company entered into administration;
- (b) each subsequent period of six months; and/or
- (c) a final report for the period to the close of the administration.

Secured creditors have security registered at Companies House. When they have a fixed charge over an asset, the secured creditor will be paid out of the realisations from those specific assets, after the costs of realisation have been deducted. When they have a floating charge over an asset, the secured creditor will be paid out of the realisations from those assets, after the costs of realisation, the preferential creditors have been paid in full and the prescribed part (see below) has been set aside.

Preferential creditors primarily consist of employees for arrears of wages, accrued holiday pay, unpaid contributions to occupational pension schemes and state scheme premiums, all within certain limits. Preferential creditors rank ahead of all other creditors when realisations are achieved from assets where there is no fixed charge registered.

Unsecured creditors are all other non-secured and non-preferential creditors. These are usually the normal "trade" creditors. They rank below Preferential and Secured creditors, with the exception of when the prescribed part is applicable (see below).

The prescribed part

When a secured creditor has a floating charge registered after 15 September 2003, a proportion of the funds available to them following the realisation of assets subject to their charge is set aside for distribution to unsecured creditors. This is the prescribed part. (Please note there are some administrations where there are pre 15 September 2003 floating charges and consequently NO prescribed part.)

VAT Bad Debt Relief

Creditors should note that they may be eligible for VAT bad debt relief in respect of their outstanding claims, six months after the relevant invoice date or payment date if later, provided the debt is written off in their books. Creditors should seek tax advice from their own professional advisers.

Effect of administration on limitation periods under the Limitation Act 1980

The Limitation Act 1980 continues to apply to all debts due from the Company. Case law indicates that where a company is in administration, time does not stop running for limitation purposes pursuant to the Limitation Act 1980. If you have any concerns in relation to your claim against the Company becoming time-barred during the course of the administration, we strongly recommend that you seek independent legal advice on the options available to you to prevent this.



3. Summary of the progress of the administration in the Period and to date

The principal matters to report are as follows:

- Asset realisations totalling £2.72M have been made to date, including £516K in the Period, details of which can be found in the Account at **Appendix 1**;
- All outstanding energy bills have been produced and delivered to consumers, and collections are circa 83% complete based on our estimated total recovery of £1.96M. We continue to deal with a number of queries received directly from consumers, and are referring these to CDS for resolution;
- We have undertaken a comprehensive investigation of potential claims to be made against any party, or parties, which could result in a net material recovery for the benefit of the administration estate ("**the Estate**"); and
- All creditor claims received to date have been collated in anticipation of making future distributions. These claims are in the process of being formally adjudicated, and those creditors who have not yet proved their claims in the Estate will be requested to do so as part of the adjudication exercise. The creditor claim form can be downloaded from the website noted within **Section 1**.

Further and more substantive details of the work done to date are included in **Appendix 2**.

4. Summary of decisions made, or to be made, in the administration to date with the requisite approval of creditors either by a Deemed Consent Procedure ("DCP") or by a Decision Making Process ("DMP")

- On 26 April 2019 the Proposals were approved;
- On 26 April 2019 creditors approved the payment of unpaid Pre-administration Costs from the administration estate ("**the Estate**");
- The Pre-administration Costs that have been paid from the Estate are as follows:

	£Amount (net of VAT)
Pre-administration costs and expenses – Begbies Traynor	19,940
Pre-administration costs and expenses – AABRS	2,477
Pre-administration legal costs and expenses – Irwin Mitchell	6,443

Helpful notes

Deemed Consent Procedure ("DCP")

A process by which an administrator can seek a decision by creditors in the administration which does not require creditors to vote on the proposed decision. Where an administrator gives notice of a decision to be made under the DCP, the decision will be deemed to have been made if less than 10% in value of creditors, or 10% in number of creditors or 10 creditors object to the proposed decision. Certain decisions cannot be made using the DCP, most notably decisions about an administrators' remuneration.

Decision Making Procedure ("DMP")

A process by which an administrator can seek a decision by creditors in the administration for matters that cannot be done by way of the DCP but that does not require a physical meeting. However, creditors who meet certain thresholds namely 10% in value of all creditors, 10% in number of all creditors or 10 creditors, may require a physical meeting to be held to consider the proposed decisions.



➤ On 26 April 2019 creditors approved the basis of our remuneration in the administration, being by reference to the time properly given by us and the various grades of our staff calculated at the prevailing hourly charge out rates of Begbies and AABRS (see also Appendix 4 and Appendix 5) as set out in the first fees estimate dated 10 April 2019 in the amount of £285,810; and ➤ In addition, creditors authorised us to draw disbursements for services provided by Begbies (and/or entities within the Begbies Traynor Group) and AABRS. ➤ On 28 October 2019 creditors approved our revised fees estimate of £440,535 (see also Appendix 4). ➤ On 28 October 2019 creditors approved an extension of the Administrators' term of office ("the Term") for a further 12 months following the anniversary of the appointment to 14 March 2021. 5. Other Matters ➤ Creditors' Committee No creditors' committee has been formed. ➤ Investigations To date, nothing has come to our attention which suggests we need to do any more work in line with our duties under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986. This is standard practice and does not imply any criticism or cause of action against any person concerned in the management of the Company's affairs. We are presently considering whether there are any claims which could be economically pursued against any party, or parties and which could result in a net material recovery for the benefit of the administration estate. ➤ Extension of our term of office As stated in Section 4, the Term was extended for a further 12 months to 14 March 2021. ➤ Exit from the administration Accompanying this report is a notice of move from administration to CVL (Form AM22) ("the Notice"). Once the Notice has been registered at Companies House (which we anticipate shortly), our appointment as administrators will cease to have effect and the Company will be deemed to be subject to CVL, with the former Administrators acting in the capacity as Joint Liquidators of the Company ("Liquidators"). ➤ Connected party transactions As far as we are aware, there were no sales of assets to connected parties immediately prior to the Company entering into administration.	Helpful notes Creditors' Committee The primary purpose of a Committee is to assist the administrator in fulfilling his or her duties. This could involve helping them to make key decisions, for example to take legal action to recover assets, to represent the interests of the main body of unsecured creditors, or to provide the office holder with the benefit of specialist knowledge either about the company or the industry in which the company operates. Investigations In any corporate insolvency there may be concerns regarding the way in which the business was conducted, how trading was controlled, whether proper decisions were made at the time, and whether assets have been sold at an under-value or otherwise dissipated. The way in which directors have acted may also be criticised by third parties. An administrator of an insolvent entity has a duty to investigate what assets there are (including potential claims against third parties including the directors) and what recoveries can be made. Each of these matters gives rise to the need for the administrator to carry out appropriate investigations, in order to satisfy the specific duties of the administrator and to allay, if possible, the legitimate concerns of creditors and other interested parties. Extending the Term of the administrators' appointment. The appointment of an administrator shall cease to have effect at the end of the period of one year beginning with the date on which it takes effect. However, the term of office may be extended either by court order for a specified period or by consent of the creditors for a specified period not exceeding twelve months. Exit from administration Once the administrator considers he/she has achieved the purpose of the administration, he/she must exit the administration by another process depending upon the circumstances, either: (a) move the company into creditors' voluntary liquidation to make a distribution to creditors other than for a distribution of the prescribed part; (b) move the company to dissolution if there are no funds to distribute to creditors; or (c) by another insolvency process with the aim of restoring the Company back to its director(s) and shareholder(s)
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6. Our expenses incurred in the course of the administration in the Period We have set out in Appendix 3, a statement of the expenses which we have necessarily incurred in the conduct of the administration. 7. Our Fees incurred in the course of the administration in the Period We have set out in Appendix 4 a statement of our fees and disbursements which we have necessarily incurred in the conduct of the administration.  Kirstie Jane Provan Joint Administrator 10 March 2020	Helpful notes Expenses We are required by the Rules to provide creditors with details of the expenses that we consider will be, or are likely to be, incurred in the course of the administration. Remuneration It is for the creditors' committee to approve the basis of our remuneration under Rule 18.18 of the Rules, but if no such committee is appointed it will be for the creditors to determine. In the latter case, proposals for the basis of remuneration to be fixed under Rule 18.16 of the Rules will be dealt with by a DIMP – by correspondence.
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Joint Administrators' Summary of Receipts and Payments for the Period, incorporating the Estimated Outcome Statement

	Realised/(Paid) to 14/09/19	Realised/(Paid) in the period 15/09/2019 to 10/03/2020	Realised/(Paid) to 10/03/2020	Estimated Future Realisations/(Costs)	Estimated Final Outcome
Unencumbered Assets					
Consumer deposits - net of debt collection charges	1,165,846.00	461,567.94	1,627,413.94	338,432.06	1,965,846.00
Funds received from Guarantors net of processing charges	126,155.47	-	126,155.47	-	126,155.47
Other Creditors - Non energy supply receivables and return of collateral	1,292,001.47	461,567.94	1,753,569.41	338,432.06	2,092,001.47
Other free Bidders' fund	9,120.00	-	9,120.00	Uncertain	9,120.00
Other Creditors - Non energy supply receivables and return of collateral	2,962.28	246.19	3,208.47	Uncertain	3,208.47
WFT Ireland	197,216.65	(2,962.28)	194,254.37	-	197,216.65
Cash at Bank - Lloyds Bank plc	644,495.39	-	644,495.39	-	644,495.39
Cash at Bank - HSBC Bank PLC	29,648.70	-	29,648.70	-	29,648.70
Bank interest	1,421.23	3,511.04	4,932.27	Uncertain	4,932.27
JP Morgan Chase	2,554.33	-	2,554.33	-	2,554.33
Contribution from SSE to filling and collection costs	30,156.00	54,093.86	84,249.86	-	84,249.86
Other Assets - Northern Power Generation Ltd / Euron Energy Limited	-	-	-	Uncertain	-
Less: Administration costs and expenses	2,209,576.05	516,456.75	2,726,032.80	338,432.06	3,064,464.86
Pre-appointment Fees and Expenses - Begbies Traynor (London) LLP	(19,940.00)	-	(19,940.00)	-	(19,940.00)
Pre-appointment Fees and Expenses - AABRS Limited	(2,494.50)	-	(2,494.50)	-	(2,494.50)
Administrators' Fees - Begbies Traynor (London) LLP	(128,803.00)	(128,803.00)	(257,606.00)	(2,000.00)	(320,803.00)
Administrators' Fees - AABRS Limited	(15,700.00)	(21,500.00)	(37,200.00)	(1,000.00)	(38,200.00)
Liquidators' Fees - Begbies Traynor (London) LLP	-	-	-	(32,822.00)	(32,822.00)
Liquidators' Fees - AABRS Limited	-	-	-	(33,810.00)	(33,810.00)
Administrators' Disbursements	(755.15)	-	(755.15)	(5,969.00)	(6,724.15)
Corporation tax	-	(256.69)	(256.69)	Uncertain	(256.69)
Utility IT & Billing Contractors	-	-	-	-	(159,369.72)
Data Supplier/Billing System Fees	(273,162.04)	(44,578.33)	(317,740.37)	-	(362,318.69)
System hosting and data flows	-	-	-	(10,000.00)	(10,000.00)
Accountancy Fees	(4,653.75)	(5,140.40)	(9,794.15)	(5,000.00)	(14,794.15)
Investigation Costs - Begbies Traynor	(698.20)	(40,284.42)	(40,982.62)	(35,000.00)	(75,982.62)
Data collection commission	(86,738.83)	(36,079.59)	(122,818.42)	(40,000.00)	(162,818.42)
Statutory advertising	(67.46)	-	(67.46)	(895.00)	(962.46)
Bank charges	(55.06)	(15.00)	(70.06)	(145.00)	(215.00)
Pre-appointment Legal Fees and Expenses - Irwin Mitchell	(17,282.00)	(6,568.00)	(23,850.00)	-	(30,418.00)
Legal Fees - Irwin Mitchell	-	(6,133.50)	(6,133.50)	(5,000.00)	(11,133.50)
Contingencies for unforeseen expenses	(591,566.45)	(288,398.93)	(880,965.38)	-	(1,169,364.31)
Surplus available to preferential creditors	1,618,009.60	227,077.82	1,845,087.42	167,193.06	2,012,280.48
Preferential creditors	-	-	-	-	-
Net Property	1,618,009.60	227,077.82	1,845,087.42	167,193.06	2,012,280.48
Surplus available to unsecured creditors	2,057,801.00	2,057,801.00	4,115,602.00	2,012,260.48	6,127,862.48
Unsecured Creditors					
Trade and Expense Creditors	(5,386,512.15)	-	(5,386,512.15)	-	(5,386,512.15)
Other Creditors - amounts owed to other Group companies	(6,345,242.95)	-	(6,345,242.95)	-	(6,345,242.95)
Surplus available to unsecured creditors	2,057,801.00	2,057,801.00	4,115,602.00	2,012,260.48	6,127,862.48
Shortfall as regards unsecured creditors	(9,673,954)	(9,673,954)	(9,673,954)	(9,673,954)	(9,673,954)
Estimated return to creditors - Pence in the Pound	18	18	18	17	17

Comments on material items of receipts and payments Receipts

Customer Sales
A total amount of £461,568 has been received from former customers of the Company in settlement of their outstanding accounts. Note that customer sales are subject to VAT of 5%. CDS Global Ltd ("CDS"), as collection agents, hold a static balance of c.£20K which is not represented in the Account.

Cash at Bank - Lloyds
A minor adjustment has been made following a small over-statement in our previous report of the cash amount received from Lloyds.

SSE Contribution
An amount of £54,094 has been received from SSE which represents their final contribution towards the costs of the SolR process.

Payments
Administrators' Fees and Expenses
Total amounts of £128,803 and £21,500 have been paid to Begbies and AABRS in respect of Administrators' fees, as agreed by a DMP effective on 28 October 2019.

Utility, IT and Billing Contractors ("UITBC"), Data Supplier/Billing System Fees and Server hosting and data flows
A total amount of £44,578 has been paid to Simplexion Ltd in respect of the Bill Finder application licence, and data storage.

Accounting Fees
An amount of £5,140 has been paid to Wilder Coe for the completion of VAT and Corporation Tax returns.

Investigation Costs
An amount of £40,284 has been paid to Begbies in respect of investigation costs and disbursements incurred. This forms part of the Administrators' fees estimate.

Debt collection commission
An amount of £36,080 has been paid to CDS out of customer sales receipts which represents their agreed debt collection commission.

Legal fees and Disbursements
Amounts of £6,588 and £6,154 have been paid to Irwin Mitchell LLP in respect of legal services provided to the Company, prior to and following the administration appointment, respectively.



Summary of the work that has been done in the Period, why that work has been necessary and the financial benefit (if any) to creditors

Details of the types of work that generally fall into the headings mentioned below are available on our firm's website - <http://www.beggies-traynorgroup.com/work-details>. Not every piece of work has been described, but we have sought to give a proportionate overview which provides sufficient detail to allow creditors to understand what has been done, why it was necessary and what financial benefit (if any) the work has provided to creditors. Various items of general work that have been carried out in the Period that have no direct financial benefit to creditors but are either required by best practice or statute, as detailed across and below include:

- (a) **General case administration and planning;**
- (b) **Compliance with the Act, Rules and best practice;**
- (c) **Investigations;**
- (d) **Dealing with all creditors' claims (including employees), correspondence and distributions; and**
- (e) **Dealing with other matters which includes seeking decisions from creditors (via Deemed Consent Procedure and/or Decision Procedures, tax, litigation, pensions and travel.**

Various items of work that have been carried out in the Period that do have a direct financial benefit to creditors include:

Work undertaken	Why the work was necessary	Financial benefit, if any, to creditors
We have facilitated the collection of £461,568 from former customers of the Company, together with a small refund from a brokerage account held by the Company.	To maximise realisations for the benefit of creditors as a whole.	Generated realisations in the administration.
We have undertaken a comprehensive investigation of potential claims to be made against any party, or parties, which could result in a net material recovery for the benefit of the Estate. This is commercially sensitive and therefore no details are disclosed in this report, but we are considering any appropriate action in this regard.	To maximise realisations for the benefit of creditors as a whole.	If successful claims made, realisations will be generated for the Estate.
We agreed a further contribution to costs from SSE of £54,094, which has considerably offset the costs of the UITB, data supplier/billing system fees and server hosting and data flow costs.	To maximise realisations for the benefit of creditors as a whole.	Reduced the costs of the administration.

Items of general work carried out in the administration

Whilst the items of work listed below are not of a direct financial benefit to creditors, they are either a statutory or regulatory requirement that we must adhere to and are of benefit to creditors as the work ensures that they are advised of matters arising and properly progressed in the administration.

General case administration and planning

We are obliged to populate and maintain a virtual electronic case file, together with a hard copy (paper) Permanent File, to ensure we have a contemporaneous, accurate and complete record of how the case has been administered, including fully documenting the reasons for any decisions that materially affect the case. Whilst this work is of no direct financial benefit to creditors, we are required to maintain records to demonstrate how the case was administered and to document the reasons for any decisions that materially affect the case.

Compliance with the Insolvency Act, Rules and best practice

In the course of the administration, we are obliged to deal with certain compliance matters including the following:

- Prepare our statement of Proposals to creditors;
- Dealing with deemed consent and decision making processes, including resolutions for the purposes of obtaining the requisite creditors' approval of our remuneration and expenses for acting as administrators; and
- Prepare progress reports to creditors.

Investigations

An administrator has a statutory duty to investigate the conduct of the directors and any person he/she considers to be or have been a shadow or de facto director during the period of three years before the date of the appointment, in relation to their management of the affairs of the Company and the causes of its failure. An administrator is obliged to submit a confidential report to the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ("DBEIS"). The administrator is also obliged to undertake a detailed investigation of the manner in which the business was conducted prior to the administration of the Company and potential recoveries for the estate in this respect. In addition, to carry out investigations of the Company's affairs to identify whether there are any antecedent transactions which could give rise to claims against any party or parties considered culpable, which, if successfully pursued, would achieve a further material recovery for the estate.

Dealing with all creditors' claims (including employees), correspondence, and distributions.

The administrator is obliged to field all creditors' enquiries and collate details of their claims against the Company in the form of a Proof of Debt.

**Summary of the work that remains to be done, why this is necessary and the financial benefit (if any) will it provide to creditors**

Work to be undertaken	Why the work was necessary	Financial benefit to creditors
We will complete the formalities of moving the Company into CVL in order to make distributions to creditors.	Statutory requirement for the purposes of exiting the administration.	To allow a distribution to be made to creditors.
We will progress the adjudication of creditor claims, which will be completed in the CVL. We are also seeking that the main energy suppliers complete the reconciliation of their claims(*) in order that we can adjudicate these in advance of the first distribution to creditors. Alternatively, we will reasonably provide for their claims in order to avoid delaying the distribution. (*) The reconciliation compares the amount paid by the Company for <u>estimated</u> volume of wholesale energy supplied to it, against the <u>actual</u> volume of energy supplied and the cost thereof.	To deal with the determination of actual or potential unsecured claims against the Company.	To allow a distribution to be made to creditors.
We will continue to collect outstanding consumer balances in the CVL. The EOS at Appendix 1 shows that the remaining realisable balances are circa £338K, and we anticipate the collection exercise will continue until at least April 2020.	To maximise realisations for the benefit of creditors as a whole.	Generate realisations in the administration and allow a distribution to be made to creditors.
Also in the CVL, we will seek to recover the collateral security deposits from the main energy suppliers.	To maximise realisations for the benefit of creditors as a whole.	To allow a distribution to be made to creditors.

In certain circumstances, in the event that there is or likely to be a net surplus of funds available to creditors from the Prescribed Part, or the Court empowers the administrator to make distributions in the administration, the administrator will adjudicate upon all claims and agree them in whole or part or, reject a claim outright. Any claim as admitted, will participate in any distributions. Creditors may appeal the administrators' decision on the adjudication of their claim within a prescribed timeframe.

Other matters which includes seeking decisions from creditors (via Deemed Consent Procedure and/or Decision Procedures, tax, litigation, pensions and travel.

Tax Matters

The administrator is obliged to comply with all prevailing tax legislation which will include VAT returns, PAYENIC Returns and submitting tax computations in respect of any capital disposals and/or taxable income arising for each corporation tax chargeable accounting period. Moreover, prior to finalising the administration, obtaining tax clearance from HMRC.



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Our expenses incurred in the course of the administration in the Period

Set out below is a statement of the expenses we have necessarily incurred in the conduct of the Administration in the Period, together with an estimate of the expenses we anticipate we may incur in the future course of the administration. None of the payments listed below are to associated entities within the Beggies Traynor Group.

Type of Expense	Cumulative costs incurred in previous periods	Costs incurred in the Period	Total cumulative costs	Anticipated estimated future costs	Anticipated estimated total costs	INITIAL anticipated estimated total costs	Variance Not exceeded est. (Exceeded est.)
				(£)			
Administrators' Disbursements (bond, insurance, storage, travel and room hire)	3,473	57	3,530	3,494	6,724	6,724	NIL
Advertisements	87	NIL	87	93	180	180	NIL
Consultancy Fees	143,111			NIL		96,500	(133,240)
Data supplier fees and CRM system charges	130,051	44,578	317,740.00	NIL	327,740	98,000	
Server hosting and data flows	NIL			10,000		N/A	
Accountancy fees	4,653	5,140	9,793	5,500	15,293	7,500	(7,793)
Legal fees and disbursements	17,282	6,154	23,436	NIL	23,436	20,000	(3,436)
Debt collection fees and commission	66,739	36,080	102,819	25,000	12,819	UNCERTAIN	N/A
Bank charges	55	15	70	145	215	200	(15)
Corporation tax	NIL	257	257	UNCERTAIN	257	N/A	(257)
Investigation expenses	82,579	20,652	103,231	NIL	103,231	40,000	(63,231)
Total	448,030	112,933	560,963	43,932	489,894	269,104	(207,972)

Helpful notes

An administrator is required to provide within the progress report a statement of the 'expenses' incurred by him/her during the period of the report, irrespective of whether payment was made in respect of such expenses during the period. Expenses will include all expenses incurred, for example the costs of third parties instructed by the administrators e.g. solicitors, valuers, agents etc and also expenses incurred relating to any period of administration trading e.g. utility supplies, employees, stock etc. It will not always be possible to provide a precise figure for an expense that has been incurred. In such circumstances it is necessary to provide a 'best estimate' of the quantum of the expense.

The administrator is required to provide an explanation to be given to creditors of the actual expenses incurred as against any estimate of anticipated expenses that was provided to creditors previously.



Explanation of variances, if any, between the amounts initially estimated and that now anticipated ➤ Expenses have exceeded our initial estimate with the major variance being in respect of the consultancy fees, data supplier fees and CRM system charges, with additional costs of £123K to date, and estimated total additional costs of £10K. However, this has been mitigated by securing a contribution to these costs from SSE of £84K, which has been received. This results in a variance in respect of the total estimated costs of £49K. Please note that, in the Period, certain adjustments have been made to better reflect the category of each expense, and therefore the payments in the Period have been amalgamated for reporting purposes. ➤ Total anticipated investigation costs are also higher than anticipated due to the enhanced scope of the investigation work which we were obliged to undertake. Please note that payment of these costs has been fixed at £40K, and the balance will be written off unless payment is otherwise agreed by creditors. Our fee for carrying out this work is included in the overall fees estimate, as approved by creditors Category 2 disbursements - payments to associated entities within the Begbies Traynor Group for which the requisite approval of creditors has been obtained via a DMP. (See also Begbies Traynor and AABRS Charging Policy) ➤ There have been no category 2 disbursements, or those which should be treated as category 2 disbursements, incurred during the Period.	
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Our remuneration in the Period

Total time spent by Begbies on this assignment for the Period amounts to 325.5 hours at an average composite rate of £333 per hour resulting in total time costs of £108,541. Total time spent by AABRS on this assignment for the Period amounts to 37 hours at an average composite rate of £544 per hour resulting in total time costs of £20,140.

Detailed schedules for Begbies and AABRS in respect of the time spent across various categories of work ("SIP 9 summary") are attached.

Type of Expense	Cumulative costs incurred in previous periods £'000	Costs incurred in the Period £'000	Total cumulative costs £'000	Anticipated estimated future costs £'000	Anticipated estimated total costs £'000	Initial anticipated estimated total costs £'000	Variance £'000
Administrators' Fees (Begbies)	312,111	108,541	420,652				
Administrators' Fees (AABRS)	17,065	20,140	37,205	105,000	562,857	285,810	(277,047)
Total	329,176	128,681	457,857	105,000	562,857	285,810	(277,047)

Administrators' disbursements (Begbies)	732	NIL	732				
Administrators' disbursements (AABRS)	2,741	NIL	2,741	3,251	6,724	6,724	3,474
Total	3,473	NIL	3,473	3,251	6,724	6,724	3,474

➤ As explained in Section 5, the Company will now move from administration to CVL. In respect of the 'Anticipated estimated future costs' referred to above, our remuneration will be treated as having been fixed on the same basis in the CVL as in the administration, namely 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 in attending to matters arising in the winding up and as set out in our revised fees estimate.

➤ The Administrators' disbursements have been analysed in the table of Administrators' expenses at Appendix 3, as indicated.

Explanation of variances, if any, between the amounts initially estimated and that now anticipated

➤ Our time costs and disbursements have exceeded our original estimate provided to creditors in the Proposals, primarily due to the following reasons:

- The period necessarily required to complete the collection of the customer account balances will extend

Important: Narrative about fees

The following further information appears in this appendix:

- ☐ Begbies' charging policy
- ☐ Narrative summary of time costs incurred (see across)
- ☐ Table of time spent and charge-out value

In addition, a copy of 'A Creditors Guide to Administrators' Fees (E&W) 2015' which provides guidance on creditors' rights can be obtained online at www.begbies-traynor.com/creditorsguides. Alternatively, if you require a hard copy of the Guide, please contact **Daniel Webster** on **020 7516 1500**, or by email to daniel.webster@begbies-traynor.com, who will send you a copy.

Finally, the Association of Business Recovery Professionals (AR3) has set up a website that contains a step-by-step guide designed to help creditors navigate their way through an insolvency process which includes information in relation to remuneration. You can access the website at the following address: <http://www.creditorsinsolvencyguide.co.uk>

Administrator's disbursements

These are costs and expenses incurred by the administrator's firm and recharged to the company, which commonly includes travel, accommodation, postage, bonding, advertisements, storage costs and room hire etc.

Right to request further information

Pursuant to Rule 18.9 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 we provide further information about our remuneration or expenses (other than pre-administration costs) which have been incurred during the period of this progress report.

Right to make an application to court

Pursuant to Rule 18.34 of the Rules, any secured creditor or an 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 during the period of this progress report are excessive or, the basis fixed for our remuneration is inappropriate.



to at least April 2020, which will now be done in the CVL, and, similarly, the period for which the main energy supply creditors require to reconcile the final energy accounts will be at least 14 months, both of which necessitated an extension of the administration period;

- The Administrators' investigation into the Company's affairs and dealings prior to the administration appointment have, in the circumstances of this matter, necessarily been extensive. While these matters are commercially sensitive and therefore not detailed in this report, further work will be required to be undertaken in the liquidation. The anticipated estimated future costs of £105K above includes a £35K provision to settle certain of the investigation costs incurred in the administration over and above the initial £40K estimate, which, for the avoidance of doubt, will not be paid unless and until we have obtained creditor approval of a further revised fees estimate; and
- The level of customer enquiries received by the Administrators has been considerably higher than anticipated, notwithstanding the efforts which have been made to direct all queries to CDS. This has resulted in significant additional time costs incurred to date, and as CDS advance the collection strategy we expect these queries to continue, if not increase.

Other information we need to tell you about

- We have no business or personal relationships with the parties who approve our fees; and
- We have not subcontracted work to any party which would ordinarily be done, and more economically, by ourselves and/or our staff.

Use of other professionals

- CDS are a specialist debt recovery firm and have been engaged to collect unpaid consumer account balances. CDS are retained on a commission basis whereby CDS receive a percentage of gross collections on a ratcheted basis.
- Utility IT and billing contractors ("UITBC") comprise certain industry specialists engaged to reconcile consumer accounts to the date of the administration, in order to confirm balances due to the Company. Moreover, to determine the consumer credit balances payable by the SoLR. The UITBC have produced all consumer bills and have managed the re-billing process throughout.
- Wilder Coe are the Company's book keepers and have been remunerated on a time cost basis in accordance with their standard time costs.

SIP9 Brilliant Energy Supply Limited - Administration - 01BR796.ADM : Time Costs Analysis From 15/09/2019 To 10/03/2020

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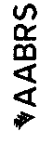
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Time Entry - SIP9 Time & Cost Summary + Cumulative

Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)	Total Hours Cum (POST Only)	Total Time Costs Cum (POST Only)
Administration & Planning	1.70	1.90	0.00	4.20	7.80	3,370.00	432.05	23.80	10,156.00
Case Specific Matters	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Creditors	9.40	15.40	0.00	4.10	28.90	16,545.00	572.49	37.40	19,972.00
Investigations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11.90	5,852.50
Pre Applt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Realisations of Assets	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	225.00	750.00	3.50	1,424.00
Trading	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Hours / Costs	11.40	17.30	0.00	8.30	37.00	20,140.00	544.33	78.60	37,204.50
Total Fees Claimed						15,700.00			
Total Disbursements Claimed						0.00			



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Appendix 4

AABRS Time Costs Analysis – Cumulative

Time Entry - SIP9 Time & Cost Summary

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All Post Appointment Project Codes
From: 15/03/2019 To: 06/03/2020

Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
Administration & Planning	14.30	6.30	0.00	4.20	23.80	10,156.00	426.72
Case Specific Matters	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Creditors	14.60	18.70	0.00	4.10	37.40	19,972.00	534.01
Investigations	11.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	11.90	5,652.50	475.00
Pre Appt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Realisations of Assets	2.30	0.30	0.10	0.80	3.50	1,424.00	406.86
Trading	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Hours	42.10	25.30	0.10	9.10	76.60	37,204.50	485.70
Total Fees Claimed						15,700.00	
Total Disbursements Claimed						0.00	



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AABRS CHARGING POLICY**Charge out rates**

Work undertaken on cases is recorded in 6 minute units in an electronic time recording system. Time properly incurred on cases is charged at the hourly rate of the grade of staff undertaking the work that applies at the time the work is done. A schedule of AABRS Limited charge-out rates effective from 1 April 2017 is as follows:

Grade of staff	Rate (£/Hr) From 1 September 2019	Rate (£/Hr) Prior to 1 September 2019
Director	750	475
Manager	315 – 550	240 – 290
Other Senior Professionals	275 – 310	170 – 230
Assistants and Support Staff	175 – 260	60 - 160

Disbursement recovery

In accordance with Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 (SIP9) disbursements are categorised as either Category 1 or Category 2.

Category 1 Disbursements

Category 1 disbursements will generally comprise external supplies of incidental services specifically identifiable to the case. Where these have initially been paid by AABRS Limited and then recharged to the case, approval from creditors is not required. The amount recharged is the exact amount incurred. Category 1 disbursements can be drawn without prior approval, although an office holder should be prepared to disclose information about them in the same way as any other expenses.

Examples of Category 1 disbursements include postage, case advertising, specific bond insurance, company search fees, case management software system, invoiced travel and properly reimbursed expenses incurred by personnel in connection with the case, (including business mileage up the HMRC approved rate for cases commenced before 1 November 2011). Also included will be services specific to the case where these cannot practically be provided internally such as printing, room hire and document storage.

Category 2 Disbursements

Category 2 disbursements include elements of shared or allocated costs incurred by AABRS Limited and recharged to the estate; they are not attributed to the estate by a third party invoice and/or they may include a profit element. Category 2 disbursements may be drawn if they have been approved in the same manner as an office holder's remuneration. When seeking approval, an office holder should explain, for each category of expenses, the basis on which the charge is being made. Examples of Category 2 disbursements are photocopying, all business mileage (for cases commencing on or after 1 November 2011), internal room hire and internal storage.

The current levels of Category 2 disbursements recovered by AABRS Limited are as follows:-

Disbursement	Charge
Postage – 1st Class (circulars only, per copy & depending on size)	50p – £1.00
Postage – 2nd Class (circulars only, per copy & depending on size)	40p – 75p
Photocopying (circulars only, per page)	15p
Faxes (incoming & outgoing, per page)	25p
Room Hire (per hour, minimum charge £25.00)	£25.00
Mileage (Insolvency Practitioner and business staff mileage re-inbursement at HMRC approved rates)	45p/mile
Storage (per box per year)	£50.00
Companies House Searches (per document)	£2.00

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STATUTORY INFORMATION		DETAILS OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATORS	
Name of Company:	Brilliant Energy Supply Ltd	Names of the administrators:	Kirstie Jane Provan and Jamie Taylor, both Licensed Insolvency Practitioners of Begbies Traynor (London) LLP, 31st Floor, 40 Bank Street, London, E14 5NR, and Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP, The Old Exchange, 234 Southchurch Road, Southend on Sea, Essex, SS1 2EG, respectively
Former name:	Nickel Energy Supply Ltd (14 October 2014 – 19 February 2016)		
Trading name:	Brilliant Energy Supply Ltd		
Date of Incorporation:	14 October 2014	Date of administrators' appointment:	15 March 2019
Company registered number:	09263540	Court:	High Court of Justice
Company registered office:	C/o Begbies Traynor, 31st Floor, 40 Bank Street, London, E14 5NR	Court Case Number:	001659 of 2019
Previous registered office:	One Canada Square, Canary Wharf, London, E14 5DY	Person(s) making appointment / application:	The Director
Trading address:	One Canada Square, Canary Wharf, London, E14 5DY	Acts of the administrators:	The administrators act as officers of the court and as agents of the Company without personal liability. Any act required or authorised under any enactment to be done by an administrator may be done by any one or more persons holding the office of administrator from time to time.
Principal business activities:	Trading of electricity and gas through mains	EC Regulation on Insolvency Proceedings:	Regulation (EU) No 2015/848 of the European Parliament and of the Council applied to these proceedings which are 'main proceedings' within the meaning of Article 3 of the Regulation.
Director as at the date of appointment:	Andre Baizan (21 November 2018 to date)	Extensions of the administration period	There have been no previous extensions to the administration period.