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Notice of progress report in a winding-up by the court



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1 Company details

Company number 0 9 5 8 9 3 7 4

Company name in full Clean Energies Project Management Plc

→ Filling in this form

Please complete in typescript or in
bold black capitals.

2 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) Stephen

Surname Lancaster

3 Liquidator's address

Building name/number Stanmore House

Street 64-68 Blackburn Street

Post town Radcliffe

County/Region Manchester

Postcode M 2 6 2 J S

Country

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6 Period of progress report

From date	^d 0	^d 8	^m 1	^m 0	^y 2	^y 0	^y 2	^y 2
To date	^d 0	^d 7	^m 1	^m 0	^y 2	^y 0	^y 2	^y 3

7 Progress report

☒ The progress report is attached

8 Sign and date

Liquidator's signature

Signature

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Signature date

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**Presenter information**

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 **Tiffany Felton**

Company name **Lucas Ross Limited**

Address **Stanmore House**

64-68 Blackburn Street

Post town **Radcliffe**

County/Region **Manchester**

Postcode **M 2 6 2 J S**

Country

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Telephone **0161 509 5095**

**Checklist**

We may return forms completed incorrectly or with information missing.

Please make sure you have remembered the following:

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

**Important information**

All information on this form will appear on the public record.

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You may return this form to any Companies House address, however for expediency we advise you to return it to the address below:

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Crown Way, Cardiff, Wales, CF14 3UZ.
DX 33050 Cardiff.

**Further information**

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Clean Energies Project Management Plc
(In Liquidation)
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CLEAN ENERGIES PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLC - IN COMPULSORY LIQUIDATION

**Liquidator's Fifth Annual Progress Report pursuant to
Rule 18.3 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules
2016**

For the period from 8 October 2022 to 7 October 2023

CLEAN ENERGIES PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLC - IN COMPULSORY LIQUIDATION PROGRESS REPORT

1. INTRODUCTION, CREDITORS' RIGHTS AND ABBREVIATIONS

The following abbreviations will be used as appropriate throughout this report:

Act	Insolvency Act 1986
Company	Clean Energies Project Management plc
Liquidator	Stephen Lancaster of Lucas Ross Limited, Stanmore House, 84-68 Blackburn Street, Radcliffe, Manchester, M26 2JS
OR	Official Receiver
OR Report	The Official Receiver's Report to Creditors
Rules or Rule	Insolvency Rules 2016
SIP2	Statement of Insolvency Practice Number 2 - Investigations by office holders in administration and insolvent liquidations

Following the Petition to Wind up the Company by a creditor issued on 21 June 2018, the Court granted the Winding Up Order on 15 August 2018 and Kevin Lucas and Elizabeth Manley were subsequently appointed Joint Liquidators on 8 October 2018 by the Secretary of State.

This is the fifth annual progress report to creditors and covers the period from 8 October 2022 to 7 October 2023 and is issued pursuant to Rule 18.3 of the Rules to provide creditors with an update on the progress of the Liquidation. This report should be read in conjunction with any previous reports.

Creditors' rights

At the end of this report is an extract from the Insolvency Rules 2016 setting out the rights of creditors to request further information and/or challenge the remuneration or expenses within the liquidation. Creditors may access information setting out creditors' rights in respect of the approval of Liquidator's remuneration free of charge from this office on request.

Complaints about Insolvency Practitioners should be made to the office of the relevant Liquidator in the first instance. If you are not satisfied with the response, the Insolvency Service has a central gateway for considering complaints. This gateway can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/complain-about-insolvency-practitioner> where you will find further information on how you may pursue a complaint.

All Licensed Insolvency Practitioners are bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics when carrying out all professional work. The Insolvency Code of Ethics can be found at <https://insolvency-practitioners.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/IPA-Code-of-Ethics.pdf>

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STATUTORY INFORMATION

Date of appointment of the Joint Liquidators:	8 October 2018
Date of Winding Up Order:	15 August 2018
Court Reference Number:	High Court of Justice No: 5146 of 2018
Registered number:	09589374
Registered office:	Stanmore House, 64-68 Blackburn Street, Manchester, M26 2JS
Changes in office holder:	Pursuant to a block transfer order made in the High Court of Justice, Business and Property Courts in Manchester, Stephen Lancaster replaced John Radford as Liquidator with effect from 30 November 2022.

2. PROGRESS OF THE LIQUIDATION DURING THE PERIOD

Progress

The position remains unchanged since the Liquidator's last report, where the outcome of this case and any prospect of a distribution to creditors depends on the outcome of litigation proceedings involving some of the connected companies. Whilst there has been movement during the review period, the Liquidator is awaiting final resolution of the litigation proceedings.

The Liquidator, once the litigation proceedings have been concluded, may be in a position to take separate action against the relevant parties in relation to any identified misconduct.

The Liquidator will keep matters closely under review. If it is established that no return will be generated to creditors from the outcome of the litigation, he will take steps to consider other litigation avenues and seek legal advice accordingly.

Future Actions

The liquidation will remain open until all investigations and any recovery actions identified have been fully concluded.

3. COSTS OF THE LIQUIDATION

A summary of the receipts and payments account is attached for your information, analysed to show activity in the last year and the entire period of the liquidation as appropriate.

It shows actual receipts and actual payments rather than accrued and unrealised/unpaid receipts and payments.

CLEAN ENERGIES PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLC - IN COMPULSORY LIQUIDATION PROGRESS REPORT

Remuneration of the Liquidator

As a result of creditor approval not being obtained within 18 months of the Liquidator's appointment, he is now entitled to be remunerated on the realisation and distribution scale rates set out in Rule 18.22 and Schedule 11 of the Act. No realisations have been achieved to date.

Time spent during the period has been on Admin & Planning; below is further information about the work undertaken in this category:

Category	Description of work undertaken
Admin & Planning	Some of the work in this category is to ensure the efficient and compliant progression of the liquidation, and does not necessarily give rise to a financial benefit to the estate. Tasks undertaken have included preparation and issue of the last progress report, strategy reviews and all other internal aspects of the case.

Should asset realisations be achieved in the future, the Liquidator will seek approval of an alternative basis of remuneration.

Expenses

Expenses are payments from the insolvent estate which are neither an office holder's remuneration nor a distribution to a creditor or member (as appropriate). Expenses include disbursements, which are payments first met by the office holder, and then reimbursed to the office holder from the estate.

Expenses are split into those that do not need approval before they are charged to the estate (category 1) and those that do (category 2):

- Category 1 expenses are payments to persons providing the service to which the expense relates who are not an associate of the office holder and may be paid without prior approval.
- Category 2 expenses are payments to associates or which have an element of shared costs. Before being paid, category 2 expenses require approval in the same manner as an office holder's remuneration. Category 2 expenses require approval whether paid directly from the estate or as a disbursement.

No professional advisors and sub-contractors have been instructed in this case.

Any expenses paid during the reporting period are shown on the receipts and payments account at the end of this report.

All expenses incurred to date are shown below:

CLEAN ENERGIES PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLC - IN COMPULSORY LIQUIDATION PROGRESS REPORT

Expense Incurred	Incurred in prior period £	Incurred in this period £	Paid to end of period £	Total anticipated period end cost £
Category 1				
Land Registry Search	6.00	-	-	6.00
Specific Bond	119.50	10.00	-	109.50
Statutory Advertising	70.00	-	-	70.00
Total	175.50	10.00	-	185.50

The bond premium of £10 incurred during the period relates to the change of officeholder in the period. Incurred in the previous period was a bond premium of £75.90 relating to John Radford replacing the former officeholders. It was found this expense was omitted from the last report.

A copy of 'A Creditors' Guide to Liquidators' Fees' which provides guidance on creditors' rights on how to approve and monitor a Liquidator's remuneration and on how the remuneration is set is available from the Liquidator on request at no cost.

4. PROSPECTS FOR CREDITORS

Secured Creditors

There are no secured creditors in this matter.

Preferential Creditors

The Liquidator is not aware of any preferential creditors, and no claims of this type have been received.

Unsecured Creditors and Prescribed Part

Pursuant to Section 176A of the Act where a company has granted a floating charge to a creditor on or after 15 September 2003, a proportion of the net property of that company must be made available purely to unsecured creditors.

As there are no qualifying floating charges registered at Companies House, the Prescribed Part does not apply in this matter.

The Official Receiver's Report to Creditors detailed unsecured claims of £1,424,867. As at the date of this report claims have been received totalling £11,172.

At this stage it is not possible to confirm whether or not it is likely that there will be funds available to distribute to unsecured creditors. As outlined above, dividend prospects depend entirely on the outcome of the litigation proceedings and any other future realisations. An update will be provided in the next report.

CLEAN ENERGIES PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLC - IN COMPULSORY LIQUIDATION PROGRESS REPORT

Next Report to Creditors

The next report to creditors will be sent to creditors following the next anniversary of the Liquidation or the conclusion of the winding up, whichever may be sooner.

If you require any further information please contact us via help@lucasross.co.uk.

Stephen Lancaster
Liquidator

6 December 2023

Creditors' and members' requests for further information in administration, winding up and bankruptcy
18.9.

- (1) The following may make a written request to the office-holder for further information about remuneration or expenses (other than pre-administration costs in an administration) set out in a progress report under rule 18.4(1)(b), (c) or (d) or a final report under rule 18.14—
- (a) a secured creditor;
 - (b) an unsecured creditor with the concurrence of at least 5% in value of the unsecured creditors (including the creditor in question);
 - (c) 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;
 - (d) any unsecured creditor with the permission of the court; or
 - (e) any member of the company in a members' voluntary winding up with the permission of the court.
- (2) A request, or an application to the court for permission, by such a person or persons must be made or filed with the court (as applicable) within 21 days of receipt of the report by the person, or by the last of them in the case of an application by more than one member or creditor.
- (3) The office-holder must, within 14 days of receipt of such a request respond to the person or persons who requested the information by—
- (a) providing all of the information requested;
 - (b) providing some of the information requested; or
 - (c) declining to provide the information requested.
- (4) The office-holder may respond by providing only some of the information requested or decline to provide the information if—
- (a) the time or cost of preparation of the information would be excessive; or
 - (b) disclosure of the information would be prejudicial to the conduct of the proceedings;
 - (c) disclosure of the information might reasonably be expected to lead to violence against any person; or
 - (d) the office-holder is subject to an obligation of confidentiality in relation to the information.
- (5) An office-holder who does not provide all the information or declines to provide the information must inform the person or persons who requested the information of the reasons for so doing.
- (6) A creditor, and a member of the company in a members' voluntary winding up, who need not be the same as the creditor or members who requested the information, may apply to the court within 21 days of—
- (a) the office-holder giving reasons for not providing all of the information requested; or
 - (b) the expiry of the 14 days within which an office-holder must respond to a request.
- (7) The court may make such order as it thinks just on an application under paragraph (6).

Remuneration and expenses: application to court by a creditor or member on grounds that remuneration or expenses are excessive

18.34.

- (1) This rule applies to an application in an administration, a winding-up or a bankruptcy made by a person mentioned in paragraph (2) on the grounds that—
- (a) the remuneration charged by the office-holder is in all the circumstances excessive;
 - (b) the basis fixed for the office-holder's remuneration under rules 18.16, 18.18, 18.19, 18.20 and 18.21 (as applicable) is inappropriate; or

- (c) the expenses incurred by the office-holder are in all the circumstances excessive.
- (2) The following may make such an application for one or more of the orders set out in rule 18.36 or 18.37 as applicable—
- (a) a secured creditor,
 - (b) an unsecured creditor with either—
 - (i) the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors (including that creditor), or
 - (ii) the permission of the court, or
 - (c) in a members' voluntary winding up—
 - (i) 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
 - (ii) a member of the company with the permission of the court.
- (3) The application by a creditor or member must be made no later than eight weeks after receipt by the applicant of the progress report under rule 18.3, or final report or account under rule 18.14 which first reports the charging of the remuneration or the incurring of the expenses in question ("the relevant report").

Applications under rules 18.34 and 18.35 where the court has given permission for the application
18.36.

- (1) This rule applies to applications made with permission under rules 18.34 and 18.35.
- (2) Where the court has given permission, it must fix a venue for the application to be heard.
- (3) The applicant must, at least 14 days before the hearing, deliver to the office-holder a notice stating the venue and accompanied by a copy of the application and of any evidence on which the applicant intends to rely.
- (4) 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 office-holder is entitled to charge;
 - (b) an order reducing any fixed rate or amount;
 - (c) an order changing the basis of remuneration;
 - (d) an order that some or all of the remuneration or expenses in question is not to be treated as expenses of the administration, winding up or bankruptcy;
 - (e) an order for the payment of the amount of the excess of remuneration or expenses or such part of the excess as the court may specify by —
 - (i) the administrator or liquidator or the administrator's or liquidator's personal representative to the company, or
 - (ii) the trustee or the trustee's personal representative to such person as the court may specify as property comprised in the bankrupt's estate;
 - (f) any other order that it thinks just.
- (5) An order under paragraph (4)(b) or (c) may only be made in respect of periods after the period covered by the relevant report.
- (6) 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 administration, winding up or bankruptcy.

Applications under rule 18.34 where the court's permission is not required for the application
18.37.

- (1) On receipt of an application under rule 18.34 for which the court's permission is not required, the court may, if it is satisfied that no sufficient cause is shown for the application, dismiss it without giving notice to any party other than the applicant.
- (2) Unless the application is dismissed, the court must fix a venue for it to be heard.
- (3) The applicant must, at least 14 days before any hearing, deliver to the office-holder a notice stating the venue with a copy of the application and of any evidence on which the applicant intends to rely.
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OFFICE HOLDER'S FEES AND DISBURSEMENTS POLICY

Fees based on Time Properly Given and the Estimation of Fees

Each member of staff involved with the case will time charge on an individual basis. The hourly cost of each member of staff shall be calculated in accordance with their experience and resultant grade within the practice.

Recording of Fees

Time is formally recorded in prescribed categories in units of 6 minutes. All units of time properly spent working on the relevant insolvency appointment shall be recorded on a formal time management system and retained throughout appointment, irrespective of the basis of fees.

Charge Out Rates

Hourly charge out rates from 1 January 2022 are:

Charges for usual cases	Standard work (£)	Investigation work beyond 3 months (£)
Partner/Director/Consultant	395-500	474-600
Manager/Senior Manager	300-390	360-468
Assistant Manager	260-300	312-360
Administrator/Senior Administrator	175-240	210-288
Cashier	140	140
Junior and Support Staff	110-140	132-168

Hourly charge out rates for time spent under the category of investigations persisting beyond the first 3 months of an insolvency appointment shall be charged at a rate 20% higher than those shown above to reflect the speculative nature of the work being performed. This increase will not apply to work performed in relation to the categories of Admin and Planning, Creditors or Asset Realisations. The increase will also not apply to the cashier grade of staff as it is not envisaged the cashier grade would be utilised within the investigation work.

The basis upon which the Office Holder determines the appropriate charge out rate on the complexity of the case is detailed in the respective independent creditors' guides to fees, available to download from our company website or by email from this office.

The Office Holder reserves the right to uplift both the hourly rates and category 2 disbursements periodically without further recourse to the creditors. By law, such increases must be disclosed to creditors within each statutory report. Where such increases affect the total fees incurred and take these over the totality of any fee resolution proposed previously, an additional fee resolution will be sent to creditors for their consideration.

Support Staff

In an effort to minimise costs to the case, it is necessary to use support staff to undertake certain matters. Support staff time is charged in the same manner as technical staff on the rates outlined above.

VAT

Services provided by Insolvency practitioners are subject to VAT, except when acting as Nominee or Supervisor of an estate.

Our fees will be subject to VAT at the appropriate rate.

Where the case is not registered for VAT, VAT shall be shown as an irrecoverable expense of the estate.

Expenses

Every case dealt with will incur expenses in addition to fees.

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Category 1 can include, but not be limited to, insolvency bonds, statutory advertising, postage costs, company searches, land registry searches, post redirection, third party postal service, external room hire, public transport, subsistence and accommodation costs incurred by staff whilst attending to the administration of the estate, bank charges, Anti Money Laundering searches.

Category 2 can include, but not be limited to, mileage, storage of books and records where each estate is not separately invoiced but a per box charge is applied and the number of boxes for the case is known, any payments to a person/provider where a reasonable and informed third party would consider there to be an association.

Any authorised category 2 expenses which have been charged shall be shown in the statutory abstract of accounts.

Lucas Ross Limited currently charge mileage at 50 pence per mile.

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Time Entry - SIP9 Time & Cost Summary

C0071 - Clean Energies Project Management Plc
All Post Appointment Project Codes
From: 08/10/2022 To: 07/10/2023

Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
Admin & Planning	1.40	0.30	5.70	0.00	7.40	2,115.00	285.81
Case Specific Matters	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Creditors	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Investigations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pre Appointment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Realisation of Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trading	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Hours	1.40	0.30	5.70	0.00	7.40	2,115.00	285.81
Total Fees Claimed						0.00	
Total Disbursements Claimed						0.00	

Time Entry - SIP9 Time & Cost Summary

C0071 - Clean Energies Project Management Plc
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From: 08/10/2018 To: 07/10/2023

Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
Admin & Planning	14.30	8.40	19.00	15.00	56.70	13,821.00	243.76
Case Specific Matters	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Creditors	0.00	0.20	1.10	0.10	1.40	297.50	212.50
Investigations	2.40	0.00	12.50	1.60	16.50	3,852.50	233.48
Pre Appointment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Realisation of Assets	0.10	0.30	0.20	0.00	0.60	155.00	258.33
Trading	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Hours	16.80	8.90	32.80	16.70	75.20	18,126.00	241.04
Total Fees Claimed						0.00	
Total Disbursements Claimed						0.00	

Time Entry - SIP9 Time & Cost Summary

Category 2 Disbursements

C0071 - Clean Energies Project Management Plc
From: 08/10/2018 To: 07/10/2023

Other amounts paid or payable to the office holders firm or to party in which the office holder or his firm or any associate has an interest.

Transaction Date	Type and Purpose	Disbursement Category	Amount
08/10/2018	Photocopying and Stationery: 41 * £10	Category 2	410.00
08/10/2019	Photocopying and Stationery: 41 * £10	Category 2	410.00
10/01/2020	Photocopying and Stationery: photocopying and stationery cost 41 x £10 = £410	Category 2	410.00
Total			1,230.00